



# Thai International Trade in August 2025

Thai exports in August 2025 were valued at USD 27,743.2 million (889,014 million Baht), marking the 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive month of growth, with an expansion of 5.8 percent (YoY). Exports of the real sector (excluding gold, oil-related products, and weaponry) grew by 5.4 percent. The pace of export grew more slower following the enforcement of U.S. retaliatory tariffs starting in early August. However, most importers have since adjusted their pricing risk management strategies, leading to greater clarity in purchasing plans. Despite a rise in U.S. inventory levels due to subdued demand, Thai exports of electronics and electrical appliances continued to show steady growth. On the other hand, agricultural exports came under pressure from intensified price competition, particularly in products such as rice, rubber, and tapioca. For the first eight months of 2025, Thai exports rose by 13.3 percent, while real sector exports (excluding gold, oil-related products, and weaponry) also expanded by 13.3 percent.

Thai exports in August 2025 increased by 5.8 percent to USD 27,743.2 million, while imports rose by 15.8 percent to USD 29,707.6 million, resulting in a <u>trade deficit</u> of USD 1,964.4 million. For the first eight months of 2025, Thai exports increased by 13.3 percent to USD 223,175.8 million, while imports increased by 11.3 percent to USD 224,880.3 million, resulting in a <u>trade deficit</u> of USD 1,704.5 million.

#### **Export Products**

Thai exports of agricultural and agro-industrial products contracted by 10.7 percent (YoY), marking the first decline in four months. Agricultural products fell by 13.6 percent, returning to contraction after four months of growth, while agro-industrial products declined by 7.2 percent, continuing a two-month downward trend. Key products showing growth included wheat products and other prepared foods (+26.1%), processed chicken (+1.3%), animal and vegetable oils and fats (+16.6%), and fresh, chilled, and frozen shrimp (+7.0%). Conversely, exports of some products declined, including fresh, chilled, frozen, and dried fruits (-16.9%), rubber (-27.9%), rice (-30.1%), canned and processed seafood (-10.3%), pet food (-5.6%), and refined sugar (-14.2%). For the first eight months of 2025, exports of agricultural and agro-industrial products expanded by 1.6 percent.

Thai exports of industrial products expanded by 11.2 percent (YoY), marking the seventeenth consecutive month of expansion. Key products showing strong performance included computers, equipment, and parts (+44.1%), machinery and parts (+10.2%), electronic integrated circuits (+37.0%), gems and jewelry (excluding gold) (+24.4%), and telephones, equipment, and parts (+15.3%). Conversely, some major products experienced a decline, including petroleum-related products (-15.3%), rubber products (-3.1%), air conditioners and parts (-14.0%), radios, televisions, and parts (-24.4%), and semiconductors, transistors, and diodes (-36.9%). For the first eight months of 2025, exports of industrial products increased by 17.5 percent.

#### **Export Markets**

- Exports to primary markets increased by 4.1 percent. Growth was recorded in the United States (+12.8%), China (+5.9%), ASEAN (5) (+1.7%), and CLMV (+0.6%), while exports declined to Japan (-5.3%) and the European Union (27) (-1.6%).
- Exports to secondary markets rose by 4.9 percent. Key markets with growth included South Asia (+17.5%), Australia (+3.0%), Africa (+4.2%), Latin America (+13.3%), Russia and CIS (+7.4%), and the United Kingdom (+20.2%), while exports declined to the Middle East (-11.6%).
- Exports to other markets increased by 113.4 percent.







### **Export Prospects**

The export outlook for the remainder of 2025 is expected to remain on a positive trajectory. Concerns over the impact of U.S. retaliatory tariffs have eased following successful trade negotiations and agreements between the United States and several countries and regions, which resulted in reduced tariff rates from the initially announced levels. For Thailand, the agreed-upon rates are broadly in line with those applied to other countries in the region. Nonetheless, prior front-loaded imports and subdued global demand are expected to slow inventory accumulation for production inputs. Additional pressures on Thai exports may come from prolonged border trade disruptions, India's accelerated rice export policy, a slowing U.S. economy, and the recent sharp appreciation of the Thai baht. In response, the Ministry of Commerce will continue to push forward relevant initiatives and policies. This includes expediting the conclusion of trade agreements, expanding exports to new markets, promoting digital trade channels within ASEAN, and strengthening collaboration between the public and private sectors to address risks of trade diversion, with the goal of maintaining export growth in line with the Ministry's working target.

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# Thai International Trade Value in August 2025

Unit: Million USD

	Aug 2025	Jan – Aug 2025
Trade Value	57,450.7 +10.8%	448,056.1 +12.3%
Export value	27,743.2 +5.8%	223,175.8 +13.3%
Exports of real sector	24,496.6 +5.4%	197,548.9 +13.3%
Import value	29,707.6 +15.8%	224,880.3 +11.3%
Trade Balance	-1,964.4	-1,704.5

Source: Information and Communication Technology Center, Office of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Commerce

Top 10 Thai Export Products - August 2025

