

# CONSTRUCTION INDICATORS

## *Residential Building Permits*

## *Commercial Building Permits*

## *Total Permits (Residential + Commercial)*

May 2005	YTD 2005	YTD 2004	CITY	May 2005	YTD 2005	YTD 2004	May 2005	YTD 2005	YTD 2004
\$ 632,150.00	\$ 3,833,068.00	\$ 2,452,881.00	<b>Alamo</b>	\$ 474,000.00	\$ 791,602.00	\$ 1,773,856.00	\$ 1,106,150.00	\$ 4,624,670.00	\$ 4,226,737.00
\$ 16,130,672.00	\$ 65,148,206.00	\$ 54,727,807.00	<b>Brownsville</b>	\$ 4,674,067.00	\$ 44,696,884.00	\$ 67,413,016.00	\$ 20,804,739.00	\$ 109,845,090.00	\$ 122,140,823.00
\$ 480,000.00	\$ 9,722,425.00	\$ 4,298,118.00	<b>Donna</b>	\$ 8,301,000.00	\$ 8,986,800.00	\$ 685,760.00	\$ 8,781,000.00	\$ 18,709,225.00	\$ 4,983,878.00
\$ 9,367,258.00	\$ 44,812,663.00	\$ 54,637,981.00	<b>Edinburg</b>	\$ 1,568,005.00	\$ 15,470,561.00	\$ 16,718,103.00	\$ 10,935,263.00	\$ 60,283,224.00	\$ 71,356,084.00
\$ -	\$ 269,400.00	\$ 810,000.00	<b>Elsa</b>	\$ 2,136.00	\$ 282,136.00	\$ 565,000.00	\$ 2,136.00	\$ 551,536.00	\$ 1,375,000.00
\$ 3,822,959.00	\$ 19,707,903.00	\$ 29,057,026.00	<b>Harlingen</b>	\$ 936,292.00	\$ 10,141,874.00	\$ 22,021,876.00	\$ 4,759,251.00	\$ 29,849,777.00	\$ 51,078,902.00
\$ 404,010.00	\$ 5,051,980.00	\$ 4,832,645.00	<b>Hidalgo</b>	\$ 528,730.00	\$ 9,777,530.00	\$ 3,280,310.00	\$ 932,740.00	\$ 14,829,510.00	\$ 8,112,955.00
\$ 96,865.00	\$ 480,045.00	\$ 489,014.00	<b>La Feria</b>	\$ 211,300.00	\$ 1,466,095.00	\$ -	\$ 308,165.00	\$ 1,946,140.00	\$ 489,014.00
\$ 78,792.00	\$ 985,320.00	\$ 1,735,332.00	<b>La Joya</b>	\$ -	\$ 1,324,800.00	\$ 98,780.00	\$ 78,792.00	\$ 2,310,120.00	\$ 1,834,112.00
\$ 237,645.00	\$ 2,529,715.00	\$ 1,560,745.00	<b>Los Fresnos</b>	\$ 128,000.00	\$ 356,500.00	\$ 1,112,000.00	\$ 365,645.00	\$ 2,886,215.00	\$ 2,672,745.00
\$ 12,951,416.00	\$ 75,204,810.00	\$ 46,824,160.00	<b>McAllen</b>	\$ 11,955,929.00	\$ 85,505,048.00	\$ 42,142,004.00	\$ 24,907,345.00	\$ 160,709,858.00	\$ 88,966,164.00
\$ 445,956.00	\$ 1,798,386.00	\$ 1,550,503.00	<b>Mercedes</b>	\$ 5,076,256.00	\$ 5,425,894.00	\$ 8,523,345.00	\$ 5,522,212.00	\$ 7,224,280.00	\$ 10,073,848.00
\$ 11,159,563.00	\$ 49,198,131.00	\$ 54,326,008.00	<b>Mission</b>	\$ 2,821,577.00	\$ 10,267,011.00	\$ 11,394,304.00	\$ 13,981,140.00	\$ 59,465,142.00	\$ 65,720,312.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	<b>Olmito</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 777,000.00	\$ 3,408,588.00	\$ 1,111,342.00	<b>Palmhurst</b>	\$ -	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 777,000.00	\$ 3,518,588.00	\$ 1,176,342.00
\$ 55,000.00	\$ 394,028.00	\$ 173,325.00	<b>Palm Valley</b>	\$ -	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 343,165.00	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 554,028.00	\$ 516,490.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	<b>Palmview</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 3,948,782.00	\$ 20,251,795.00	\$ 24,347,984.00	<b>Pharr</b>	\$ 632,258.00	\$ 3,286,872.00	\$ 13,009,364.00	\$ 4,581,040.00	\$ 23,538,667.00	\$ 37,357,348.00
\$ 204,840.00	\$ 595,956.00	\$ 2,189,837.00	<b>Port Isabel</b>	\$ 531,450.00	\$ 1,995,965.00	\$ 442,088.00	\$ 736,290.00	\$ 2,591,921.00	\$ 2,631,925.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	<b>Progreso</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 435,474.00	\$ 2,613,404.00	\$ 1,964,826.00	<b>Rancho Viejo</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 435,474.00	\$ 2,613,404.00	\$ 2,184,826.00
\$ 51,219.00	\$ 109,226.00	\$ 421,395.00	<b>Raymondville</b>	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 902,500.00	\$ 763,380.00	\$ 78,719.00	\$ 1,011,726.00	\$ 1,184,775.00
\$ 1,722,550.00	\$ 4,516,626.00	\$ 2,499,711.00	<b>Rio Grande City</b>	\$ 1,632,000.00	\$ 6,946,850.00	\$ 4,759,481.00	\$ 3,354,550.00	\$ 11,463,476.00	\$ 7,259,192.00
\$ 2,000.00	\$ 446,476.00	\$ 872,464.00	<b>Rio Hondo</b>	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 120,528.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 746,476.00	\$ 992,992.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	<b>Roma</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,035,320.00	\$ 2,173,620.00	\$ 3,956,792.00	<b>San Benito</b>	\$ 900,000.00	\$ 2,471,000.00	\$ 3,125,295.00	\$ 1,935,320.00	\$ 4,644,620.00	\$ 7,082,087.00
\$ 2,752,583.00	\$ 9,135,193.00	\$ 9,290,494.00	<b>San Juan</b>	\$ 144,160.00	\$ 1,359,838.00	\$ 1,291,237.00	\$ 2,896,743.00	\$ 10,495,031.00	\$ 10,581,731.00
\$ 1,302,907.00	\$ 24,003,190.00	\$ 9,600,712.00	<b>South Padre</b>	\$ -	\$ 117,600.00	\$ 5,179,103.00	\$ 1,302,907.00	\$ 24,120,790.00	\$ 14,779,815.00
\$ 3,280,093.00	\$ 13,950,757.00	\$ 7,688,628.00	<b>Weslaco</b>	\$ 3,197,750.00	\$ 11,053,471.00	\$ 7,212,178.00	\$ 6,477,843.00	\$ 25,004,228.00	\$ 14,900,806.00
<b>\$ 71,375,054.00</b>	<b>\$ 360,340,911.00</b>	<b>\$ 321,419,730.00</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 43,742,410.00</b>	<b>\$ 223,196,831.00</b>	<b>\$ 212,259,173.00</b>	<b>\$ 115,117,464.00</b>	<b>\$ 583,537,742.00</b>	<b>\$ 533,678,903.00</b>

# TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS

## *Vehicle and Pedestrian Bridge Crossings to Mexico*

## *Rio Grande Valley Airline Boardings*

May 2005	Brownsville (3 bridges)	McAllen/ Hidalgo	Progreso	RGC	Roma	Los Indios	Pharr	Total
Autos & Others	585,531	475,304	84,516	53,003	88,281	60,436	154,741	1,501,812
Trucks	17,576	1,756	1,818	3,396	1,496	4,253	33,393	63,688
Pedestrians	190,182	112,895	74,835	26	12,118	106	0	390,162
<b>Total</b>	<b>793,289</b>	<b>589,955</b>	<b>161,169</b>	<b>56,425</b>	<b>101,895</b>	<b>64,795</b>	<b>188,134</b>	<b>1,955,667</b>

	Brownsville	Harlingen	McAllen	Total
May 2005	6,161	36,499	29,442	72,102
YTD 2005	31,772	188,647	149,452	369,871
May 2004	5,303	37,887	25,986	69,176
YTD 2004	27,798	189,625	128,328	345,751

# FINANCIAL INDICATORS

## Bank Deposits

	May 2005	May 2004
Alamo	\$ 270,719,403.00	\$ 240,495,895.00
Brownsville	\$ 2,170,793,690.00	\$ 2,196,509,205.00
Donna	\$ 69,035,821.00	\$ 53,139,644.00
Edinburg	\$ 654,372,697.00	\$ 594,114,290.00
Elsa	\$ 162,054,221.00	\$ 153,652,343.00
Harlingen	\$ 814,010,842.00	\$ 833,471,655.00
Hidalgo	\$ 247,989,922.00	\$ 221,644,136.00
La Feria	\$ 39,901,379.00	\$ 34,667,800.00
La Joya	\$ 188,168,205.00	\$ 101,018,344.00
Los Fresnos	\$ 27,405,384.00	\$ 21,497,322.00
McAllen	\$ 3,605,762,620.00	\$ 3,531,101,039.00
Mercedes	\$ 111,107,110.00	\$ 96,606,280.00
Mission	\$ 734,949,531.00	\$ 667,017,235.00
Olmito	\$ 27,510,719.00	\$ 37,594,559.00
Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ -
Palm Valley	\$ 20,977,984.00	\$ 19,026,252.00
Palmview	\$ 24,049,737.00	\$ -
Pharr	\$ 424,244,299.00	\$ 447,956,610.00
Port Isabel	\$ 80,677,558.00	\$ 66,735,920.00
Progreso	\$ 6,860,135.00	\$ 4,711,057.00
Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ -
Raymondville	\$ 75,697,114.00	\$ 69,357,004.00
Rio Grande City	\$ 247,536,920.00	\$ 215,537,359.00
Rio Hondo	\$ 5,924,010.00	\$ 4,816,000.00
Roma	\$ 135,908,256.00	\$ 125,638,762.00
San Benito	\$ 221,531,927.00	\$ 169,631,952.00
San Juan	\$ 46,441,376.00	\$ 42,010,717.00
South Padre	\$ 115,623,733.00	\$ 114,631,036.00
Weslaco	\$ 328,170,905.00	\$ 279,137,103.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 10,857,425,498.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,341,719,519.00</b>

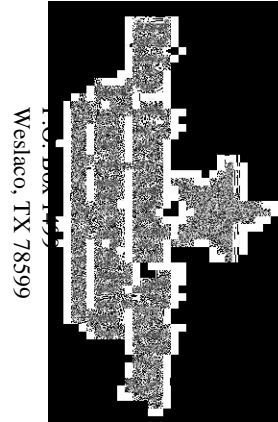
## Wage & Salary Employment (non-agricultural)

May	Cameron Co.	Hidalgo Co.
2005 Manufacturing	7,900	8,300
2004 Manufacturing	7,700	8,900
2005 Total	119,500	192,800
Employment		
2004 Total	116,800	185,100
Employment		

## Utility Connections

May	Electric	Gas	Telephone
2005	387,666	72,216	427,896
2004	371,943	72,548	427,766

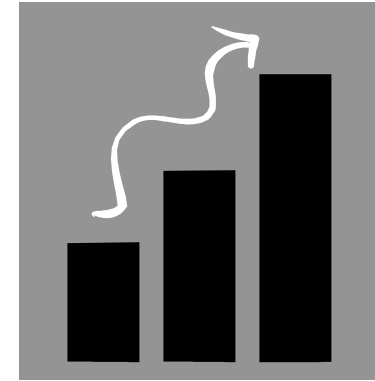
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