

CONSTRUCTION INDICATORS

Residential Building Permits

Commercial Building Permits

Total Permits (Residential + Commercial)

July-06	YTD 2006	YTD 2005	CITY	July-06	YTD 2006	YTD 2005	July-06	YTD 2006	YTD 2005
\$ 412,533.00	\$ 6,835,134.00	\$ 5,064,178.00	Alamo	\$ 618,379.00	\$ 3,817,696.00	\$ 791,602.00	\$ 1,030,912.00	\$ 10,652,830.00	\$ 4,624,670.00
\$ 10,440,491.00	\$ 79,323,345.00	\$ 89,460,689.00	Brownsville	\$ 2,714,650.00	\$ 38,839,770.00	\$ 44,696,884.00	\$ 13,155,141.00	\$ 118,163,115.00	\$ 109,845,090.00
NA	\$ -	\$ 10,525,225.00	Donna	NA	\$ -	\$ 8,986,800.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,709,225.00
\$ 11,382,228.00	\$ 24,758,056.00	\$ 63,709,289.00	Edinburg	\$ 4,374,350.00	\$ 24,824,639.00	\$ 15,470,561.00	\$ 15,756,578.00	\$ 49,582,695.00	\$ 60,283,224.00
NA	\$ -	\$ 269,400.00	Elsa	NA	\$ -	\$ 282,136.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 551,536.00
\$ 2,838,080.00	\$ 23,107,681.00	\$ 26,224,566.00	Harlingen	\$ 1,096,400.00	\$ 21,538,042.00	\$ 10,141,874.00	\$ 3,934,480.00	\$ 44,645,723.00	\$ 29,849,777.00
NA	\$ -	\$ 5,371,210.00	Hidalgo	NA	\$ -	\$ 9,777,530.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,829,510.00
\$ -	\$ 337,228.00	\$ 885,496.00	La Feria	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,466,095.00	\$ -	\$ 337,228.00	\$ 1,946,140.00
\$ 85,316.00	\$ 7,047,278.00	\$ 1,708,268.00	La Joya	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 1,324,800.00	\$ 335,316.00	\$ 7,297,278.00	\$ 2,310,120.00
\$ 87,000.00	\$ 1,480,464.00	\$ 2,915,718.00	Los Fresnos	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 3,859,334.00	\$ 356,500.00	\$ 92,400.00	\$ 5,339,798.00	\$ 2,886,215.00
\$ 17,667,014.00	\$ 97,443,057.00	\$ 101,543,225.00	McAllen	\$ 40,988,824.00	\$ 86,315,393.00	\$ 85,505,048.00	\$ 58,655,838.00	\$ 183,758,450.00	\$ 160,709,858.00
\$ 1,034,118.00	\$ 4,177,507.28	\$ 13,460,171.00	Mercedes	\$ 583,500.00	\$ 4,404,570.75	\$ 5,425,894.00	\$ 1,617,618.00	\$ 8,582,078.03	\$ 7,224,280.00
\$ 9,165,115.00	\$ 59,558,431.90	\$ 70,504,519.00	Mission	\$ 13,079,221.00	\$ 26,379,427.40	\$ 10,267,011.00	\$ 22,244,336.00	\$ 85,937,859.30	\$ 59,465,142.00
NA	\$ -	\$ -	Olmito	NA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 115,000.00	\$ 3,252,000.00	\$ 4,519,888.00	Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ 3,000,186.00	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 6,252,186.00	\$ 3,518,588.00
\$ 179,000.00	\$ 306,725.00	\$ 408,028.00	Palm Valley	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 179,000.00	\$ 316,725.00	\$ 554,028.00
NA	\$ -	\$ -	Palmview	NA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 58,067.00	\$ 21,009,910.00	\$ 25,272,466.00	Pharr	\$ 20,525.00	\$ 4,068,445.00	\$ 3,286,872.00	\$ 78,592.00	\$ 25,078,355.00	\$ 23,538,667.00
\$ 2,170.00	\$ 2,104,040.00	\$ 929,327.00	Port Isabel	\$ 224.00	\$ 168,261.00	\$ 1,995,965.00	\$ 2,394.00	\$ 2,272,301.00	\$ 2,591,921.00
NA	\$ -	\$ -	Progreso	NA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 66,415.00	\$ 572,163.00	\$ 2,870,984.00	Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 66,415.00	\$ 572,163.00	\$ 2,613,404.00
\$ 110.00	\$ 526,850.00	\$ 262,240.00	Raymondville	\$ -	\$ 50,010,000.00	\$ 902,500.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 50,536,850.00	\$ 1,011,726.00
\$ 495,000.00	\$ 7,267,514.00	\$ 7,076,626.00	Rio Grande City	\$ 202,200.00	\$ 20,806,150.00	\$ 6,946,850.00	\$ 697,200.00	\$ 28,073,664.00	\$ 11,463,476.00
\$ 40,000.00	\$ 621,504.00	\$ 446,476.00	Rio Hondo	\$ -	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 971,504.00	\$ 746,476.00
NA	\$ -	\$ -	Roma	NA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,952,067.00	\$ 6,749,003.00	\$ 3,173,340.00	San Benito	\$ -	\$ 2,699,000.00	\$ 2,471,000.00	\$ 1,952,067.00	\$ 9,448,003.00	\$ 4,644,620.00
\$ 10,401.49	\$ 8,512,680.55	\$ 13,967,829.00	San Juan	\$ 4,043.31	\$ 273,661.66	\$ 1,359,838.00	\$ 14,444.80	\$ 8,786,342.21	\$ 10,495,031.00
\$ 1,865,018.00	\$ 27,222,752.00	\$ 30,448,624.00	South Padre	\$ 21,981.00	\$ 3,462,231.00	\$ 117,600.00	\$ 1,886,999.00	\$ 30,684,983.00	\$ 24,120,790.00
\$ 1,942,440.00	\$ 11,886,190.00	\$ 20,229,938.00	Weslaco	\$ -	\$ 2,272,717.00	\$ 11,053,471.00	\$ 1,942,440.00	\$ 14,158,907.00	\$ 25,004,228.00
\$ 59,837,583.49	\$ 394,099,513.73	\$ 501,247,720.00	TOTALS	\$ 63,959,697.31	\$ 297,349,523.81	\$ 223,196,831.00	\$ 123,797,280.80	\$ 691,449,037.54	\$ 583,537,742.00

TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS

Vehicle and Pedestrian Bridge Crossings to Mexico

July 2006	Brownsville (3 bridges)	McAllen/ Hidalgo	Progreso	RGC	Roma	Los Indios	Pharr	Total
Autos & Others	531,823	447,357	86,385	45,335	78,991	65,811	149,680	1,360,047
Trucks	36,001	591	1,744	2,541	1,549	2,740	32,849	75,474
Pedestrians	194,121	124,802	92,596	28	15,424	36	0	426,979
Total	761,945	572,750	180,725	47,904	95,964	68,587	182,529	1,862,500

Rio Grande Valley Airline Boardings

	Brownsville	Harlingen	McAllen	Total
July 2006	8,326	39,026	39,544	86,896
YTD 2006	54,876	267,520	245,280	567,676
July 2005	6,503	39,422	34,700	72,102
YTD 2005	44,792	266,566	216,565	369,871

FINANCIAL INDICATORS

Bank Deposits

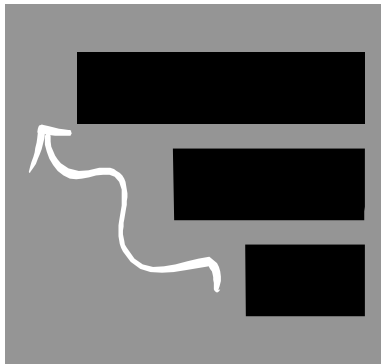
	July 2006	July 2005
Alamo	\$ 271,117,192.00	\$ 273,332,152.00
Brownsville	\$ 2,362,665,090.22	\$ 2,184,968,112.00
Donna	\$ 118,400,209.00	\$ 67,290,890.00
Edcouch	\$ 8,161,543.56	\$ -
Edinburg	\$ 629,271,340.07	\$ 656,866,764.00
Elsa	\$ 64,102,417.96	\$ 156,526,616.00
Harlingen	\$ 864,972,578.13	\$ 804,165,058.00
Hidalgo	\$ 246,470,027.15	\$ 241,776,575.00
La Feria	\$ 49,998,520.10	\$ 38,826,023.00
La Joya	\$ 81,884,456.00	\$ 184,493,782.00
Los Fresnos	\$ 50,934,407.00	\$ 28,208,207.00
McAllen	\$ 2,975,752,578.29	\$ 3,589,398,510.00
Mercedes	\$ 101,376,807.54	\$ 106,445,273.00
Mission	\$ 782,704,717.33	\$ 734,560,462.00
Olmito	\$ 33,020,160.00	\$ 28,536,302.00
Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ -
Palm Valley	\$ 23,762,590.38	\$ 18,956,342.00
Palmview	\$ 131,981,000.00	\$ 30,214,344.00
Pharr	\$ 518,016,455.00	\$ 464,987,568.00
Port Isabel	\$ 113,804,938.00	\$ 85,860,875.00
Progreso	\$ 9,509,291.15	\$ 6,994,219.00
Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ -
Raymondville	\$ 136,457,144.72	\$ 69,819,782.00
Rio Grande City	\$ 213,751,296.76	\$ 247,371,391.00
Rio Hondo	\$ 10,421,000.00	\$ 4,437,000.00
Roma	\$ 127,187,080.69	\$ 134,870,652.00
San Benito	\$ 195,124,982.00	\$ 217,926,491.00
San Juan	\$ 54,215,228.86	\$ 47,039,619.00
South Padre	\$ 121,168,365.67	\$ 124,370,306.00
Weslaco	\$ 266,802,130.30	\$ 326,706,054.00
Totals	\$ 10,563,033,547.88	\$10,874,949,369.00

In rare instances, some financial institutions may make public only the last monthly deposit reported to the FDIC. Also, some financial institutions may attribute total monthly deposits for each branch to the main bank.

Wage & Salary Employment (non-agricultural)

July	Cameron Co.	Hidalgo Co.
2006 Manufacturing	7,200	8,300
2005 Manufacturing	7,300	8,000
2006 Total Employment	119,800	200,800
2005 Total Employment	115,800	187,400

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