

# CONSTRUCTION INDICATORS

## Town Permits (Residential + Commercial)

### Commercial Building Permits

### Residential Building Permits

July-07	YTD 2007	YTD 2006	CITY	July-07	YTD 2007	YTD 2006	July-07	YTD 2007	YTD 2006
\$ 580,985.00	\$ 3,291,129.00	\$ 6,835,134.00	Alamo	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 70,500.00	\$ 3,817,696.00	\$ 583,485.00	\$ 3,361,629.00	\$ 10,652,830.00
\$ 6,635,323.00	\$ 56,017,667.00	\$ 79,323,345.00	Brownsville	\$ 3,019,350.00	\$ 58,180,178.00	\$ 38,839,770.00	\$ 9,654,673.00	\$ 114,197,845.00	\$ 118,163,115.00
\$ 161,350.00	\$ 2,094,061.00	\$ -	Donna	\$ 1,145,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 161,350.00	\$ 3,239,061.00	\$ -
\$ 5,482,986.00	\$ 28,481,685.00	\$ 24,758,056.00	Edinburg	\$ 2,019,300.00	\$ 18,878,677.00	\$ 24,824,639.00	\$ 7,502,286.00	\$ 47,360,362.00	\$ 49,582,695.00
\$ 7,000.00	\$ 52,000.00	\$ -	Elsa	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 52,000.00	\$ -
\$ 2,598,620.00	\$ 17,130,756.00	\$ 23,107,681.00	Harlingen	\$ 18,448,376.00	\$ 36,902,234.00	\$ 21,538,042.00	\$ 21,046,996.00	\$ 54,032,990.00	\$ 44,645,723.00
\$ 775,665.00	\$ 2,216,036.00	\$ -	Hidalgo	\$ 8,910,000.00	\$ 9,833,195.00	\$ -	\$ 9,685,665.00	\$ 12,049,231.00	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 435,855.00	\$ 337,228.00	La Feria	\$ 546,000.00	\$ 897,280.00	\$ -	\$ 546,000.00	\$ 1,333,135.00	\$ 337,228.00
\$ 354,760.00	\$ 1,742,206.00	\$ 7,047,278.00	La Joya	\$ 184,000.00	\$ 384,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 538,760.00	\$ 2,126,206.00	\$ 7,297,278.00
\$ 406,685.00	\$ 2,964,054.00	\$ 1,480,464.00	Los Fresnos	\$ -	\$ 402,200.00	\$ 3,859,334.00	\$ 406,685.00	\$ 3,366,254.00	\$ 5,339,798.00
\$ 6,241,126.00	\$ 67,369,199.00	\$ 97,443,057.00	McAllen	\$ 6,081,830.00	\$ 114,221,924.00	\$ 86,315,393.00	\$ 12,322,956.00	\$ 181,591,123.00	\$ 183,758,450.00
\$ 537,720.00	\$ 6,033,945.24	\$ 4,177,507.28	Mercedes	\$ 132,840.00	\$ 22,096,204.84	\$ 4,404,570.75	\$ 670,560.00	\$ 28,130,150.08	\$ 8,582,078.03
\$ 6,909,839.20	\$ 60,199,529.02	\$ 59,558,431.90	Mission	\$ 1,716,200.00	\$ 21,337,983.00	\$ 26,379,427.40	\$ 8,626,039.20	\$ 81,537,512.02	\$ 85,937,859.30
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Olmito	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 190,000.00	\$ 2,357,000.00	\$ 3,252,000.00	Palmhurst	\$ 15,700,000.00	\$ 15,987,000.00	\$ 3,000,186.00	\$ 15,890,000.00	\$ 18,344,000.00	\$ 6,252,186.00
\$ 30,000.00	\$ 344,150.00	\$ 306,725.00	Palm Valley	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 448,400.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 792,550.00	\$ 316,725.00
\$ -	\$ 690,750.00	\$ -	Palmview	\$ -	\$ 665,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,355,750.00	\$ -
\$ 2,799,300.00	\$ 18,616,213.64	\$ 21,009,910.00	Pharr	\$ 726,010.00	\$ 16,031,330.50	\$ 4,068,445.00	\$ 3,525,310.00	\$ 34,647,544.14	\$ 25,078,355.00
\$ 295,800.00	\$ 1,033,175.00	\$ 2,104,040.00	Port Isabel	\$ 1,298,036.00	\$ 168,261.00	\$ -	\$ 295,800.00	\$ 2,331,211.00	\$ 2,272,301.00
\$ -	\$ 679,066.00	\$ -	Progreso	\$ -	\$ 112,600.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 791,666.00	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 2,782,108.50	\$ 572,163.00	Rancho Viejo	\$ 49,800.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,831,908.50	\$ 572,163.00
\$ 10,129.00	\$ 99,918.72	\$ 526,850.00	Raymondville	\$ -	\$ 393,665.00	\$ 50,010,000.00	\$ 10,129.00	\$ 493,583.72	\$ 50,536,850.00
\$ -	\$ 1,616,500.00	\$ 7,267,514.00	Rio Grande City	\$ 1,316,000.00	\$ -	\$ 20,806,150.00	\$ -	\$ 2,932,500.00	\$ 28,073,664.00
\$ -	\$ 775,272.00	\$ 621,504.00	Rio Hondo	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350,000.00	\$ -	\$ 775,272.00	\$ 971,504.00
\$ -	\$ 2,719.00	\$ -	Roma	\$ 15,010.50	\$ 17,537.50	\$ -	\$ 15,010.50	\$ 20,256.50	\$ -
\$ 443,560.00	\$ 4,905,317.00	\$ 6,749,003.00	San Benito	\$ -	\$ 955,000.00	\$ 2,699,000.00	\$ 443,560.00	\$ 5,860,317.00	\$ 9,448,003.00
\$ 3,829,710.00	\$ 17,706,375.00	\$ 8,512,680.55	San Juan	\$ 907,579.00	\$ 5,164,949.00	\$ 273,661.66	\$ 4,737,289.00	\$ 22,871,324.00	\$ 8,786,342.21
\$ -	\$ 4,824,985.00	\$ 27,222,752.00	South Padre	\$ -	\$ 15,275,061.25	\$ 3,462,231.00	\$ -	\$ 20,100,046.25	\$ 30,684,983.00
\$ 2,789,502.00	\$ 24,552,324.00	\$ 11,886,190.00	Weslaco	\$ 365,000.00	\$ 5,098,625.00	\$ 2,272,717.00	\$ 3,154,502.00	\$ 29,650,949.00	\$ 14,158,907.00
\$41,080,060.20	\$ 329,013,996.12	\$ 394,099,513.73	TOTALS	\$ 58,781,995.50	\$ 347,162,380.09	\$ 297,349,523.81	\$ 99,862,055.70	\$ 676,176,376.21	\$ 691,449,037.54

# TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS

## Vehicle and Pedestrian Bridge Crossings to Mexico

July 2007	Brownsville (3 bridges)	McAllen/ Hidalgo	Progreso	RGC	Roma	Los Indios	Pharr	Total
Autos & Others	475,519	397,770	564,518	46,305	74,901	65,145	136,526	1,760,684
Trucks	35,967	399	19,881	2,014	1,583	2,400	35,913	98,157
Pedestrians	176,896	145,334	821,949	42	15,289	106	0	1,159,616
<b>Total</b>	<b>688,382</b>	<b>543,503</b>	<b>1,406,348</b>	<b>48,361</b>	<b>91,773</b>	<b>67,651</b>	<b>172,439</b>	<b>3,018,457</b>

## Rio Grande Valley Airline Boardings

	Brownsville	Harlingen	McAllen	Total
July 2007	7,873	40,888	43,777	92,538
YTD 2007	56,513	270,874	257,546	584,933
July 2006	8,326	39,026	39,544	86,896
YTD 2006	54,876	267,518	245,280	567,674

## FINANCIAL INDICATORS

### Bank Deposits

	July 2007	July 2006
Alamo	\$ 106,699,008.00	\$ 271,117,192.00
Brownsville	\$ 2,447,508,455.95	\$ 2,362,665,090.22
Donna	\$ 104,284,071.05	\$ 118,400,209.00
Edcouch	\$ 9,184,254.90	\$ 8,161,543.56
Edinburg	\$ 879,918,347.60	\$ 629,271,340.07
Elka	\$ 67,146,220.49	\$ 64,102,417.96
Harlingen	\$ 966,066,706.39	\$ 864,972,578.13
Hidalgo	\$ 284,038,816.10	\$ 246,470,027.15
La Feria	\$ 42,027,495.33	\$ 49,998,520.10
La Joya	\$ 16,390,714.14	\$ 81,884,456.00
Los Fresnos	\$ 51,953,651.64	\$ 50,934,407.00
McAllen	\$ 3,483,246,393.86	\$ 2,975,752,578.29
Mercedes	\$ 149,296,366.86	\$ 101,376,807.54
Mission	\$ 843,111,583.10	\$ 782,704,717.33
Olmito	\$ 34,184,849.37	\$ 33,020,160.00
Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ -
Palm Valley	\$ 35,253,150.49	\$ 23,762,590.38
Palmview	\$ 82,983,000.00	\$ 131,981,000.00
Pharr	\$ 929,302,098.33	\$ 518,016,455.00
Port Isabel	\$ 131,956,564.01	\$ 113,804,938.00
Progreso	\$ 10,145,521.77	\$ 9,509,291.15
Rancho Viejo	\$ 160,359,050.95	\$ 136,457,144.72
Raymondville	\$ 244,941,432.01	\$ 213,751,296.76
Rio Grande City	\$ 10,421,000.00	\$ 10,421,000.00
Rio Hondo	\$ 139,431,558.00	\$ 127,187,080.69
Roma	\$ 137,814,080.35	\$ 195,124,982.00
San Benito	\$ 70,567,787.48	\$ 54,215,228.86
San Juan	\$ 76,272,779.00	\$ 121,168,365.67
South Padre	\$ 332,913,110.23	\$ 266,802,130.30
Weslaco	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 11,847,418,067.40</b>	<b>\$10,563,033,547.88</b>

*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.
2007 Manufacturing	7,800	7,400
2006 Manufacturing	7,900	7,600
2007 Total	123,500	205,000
Employment		
2006 Total	121,700	194,400
Employment		

The Foremost Gauge  
of Rio Grande Valley  
Economic Indicators



# BUSINESS BAROMETER

July 2007

  
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Partnership**  
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