

# CONSTRUCTION INDICATORS

## Residential Building Permits

## Commercial Building Permits

## Total Permits (Residential + Commercial)

March-07	YTD 2007	YTD 2006	CITY	March-07	YTD 2007	YTD 2006	March-07	YTD 2007	YTD 2006
\$ 563,100.00	\$ 1,540,264.00	\$ 2,480,405.00	Alamo	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 368,000.00	\$ 564,600.00	\$ 1,561,764.00	\$ 2,848,405.00
\$ 8,953,309.00	\$ 24,920,948.00	\$ 32,814,389.00	Brownsville	\$ 6,878,000.00	\$ 9,372,600.00	\$ 15,842,600.00	\$ 15,831,309.00	\$ 34,293,548.00	\$ 48,656,989.00
\$ 9,028.00	\$ 515,401.00	\$ 150,501.00	Donna	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,145,000.00	\$ 145,000.00	\$ 1,009,028.00	\$ 1,660,401.00	\$ 295,501.00
\$ 6,932,011.00	\$ 6,932,011.00	-	Edinburg	\$ 6,720,786.00	\$ 6,720,786.00	\$ -	\$ 13,652,797.00	\$ 13,652,797.00	\$ -
NA	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	Elsa	NA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
\$ 3,406,478.00	\$ 6,677,843.00	\$ 1,617,790.00	Harlingen	\$ 1,099,907.00	\$ 5,947,122.00	\$ 3,877,425.00	\$ 4,506,385.00	\$ 12,624,965.00	\$ 5,495,215.00
\$ 1,440,371.00	\$ 1,440,371.00	-	Hidalgo	\$ 923,195.00	\$ 923,195.00	\$ -	\$ 2,363,566.00	\$ 2,363,566.00	\$ -
\$ 53,957.00	\$ 53,957.00	\$ 225,774.00	La Feria	\$ 306,280.00	\$ 351,280.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 360,237.00	\$ 405,237.00	\$ 270,774.00
\$ 203,000.00	\$ 863,030.00	\$ 5,334,092.00	La Joya	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 203,000.00	\$ 863,030.00	\$ 5,334,092.00
\$ 556,494.00	\$ 1,176,012.00	\$ 548,352.00	Los Fresnos	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 171,214.00	\$ 558,694.00	\$ 1,178,212.00	\$ 719,566.00
\$ 14,370,379.00	\$ 27,187,515.00	\$ 28,590,314.00	McAllen	\$ 52,895,244.00	\$ 71,644,775.00	\$ 18,608,886.00	\$ 67,265,623.00	\$ 98,832,290.00	\$ 47,199,200.00
\$ 980,094.00	\$ 3,154,515.00	\$ 1,275,105.00	Mercedes	\$ 3,574,921.00	\$ 11,334,921.00	\$ 7,826,360.00	\$ 4,555,015.00	\$ 14,489,436.00	\$ 9,101,465.00
\$ 15,385,531.00	\$ 29,350,419.00	\$ 23,715,709.40	Mission	\$ 6,968,300.00	\$ 12,299,950.00	\$ 5,694,726.00	\$ 2,235,831.00	\$ 41,650,369.00	\$ 29,410,435.40
NA	\$ -	\$ -	Olmito	NA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 175,000.00	\$ 1,292,000.00	\$ 2,375,000.00	Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 2,001,901.00	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 1,329,000.00	\$ 4,376,901.00
\$ 41,000.00	\$ 309,200.00	\$ 255,275.00	Palm Valley	\$ 27,900.00	\$ 440,400.00	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 68,900.00	\$ 749,600.00	\$ 269,775.00
\$ -	\$ 303,250.00	\$ 300,400.00	Palmview	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 303,250.00	\$ 300,400.00
\$ 22,914.64	\$ 6,957,523.64	\$ 11,322,851.00	Pharr	\$ 4,320.50	\$ 2,959,420.50	\$ 3,708,900.00	\$ 27,235.14	\$ 9,916,944.14	\$ 15,031,751.00
\$ 45,500.00	\$ 419,885.00	\$ 260,075.00	Port Isabel	\$ 37,130.00	\$ 193,630.00	\$ 208,675.00	\$ 82,630.00	\$ 613,515.00	\$ 468,750.00
\$ 94,900.00	\$ 226,900.00	\$ 132,000.00	Progreso	\$ -	\$ 15,600.00	\$ 15,600.00	\$ 94,900.00	\$ 242,500.00	\$ 147,600.00
\$ 507,450.00	\$ 1,787,320.00	\$ 606,700.00	Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 507,450.00	\$ 1,787,450.00	\$ 606,800.00
\$ 30,730.00	\$ 53,726.72	\$ 155,058.72	Raymondville	\$ 225,300.00	\$ 392,165.00	\$ 176,865.00	\$ 256,030.00	\$ 445,891.72	\$ 331,923.72
\$ 490,000.00	\$ 1,616,500.00	\$ 2,934,362.00	Rio Grande City	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 1,316,000.00	\$ 1,593,650.00	\$ 640,000.00	\$ 2,932,500.00	\$ 4,528,012.00
\$ 2,000.00	\$ 468,196.00	\$ 784,640.00	Rio Hondo	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 468,196.00	\$ 1,134,640.00
\$ 695.00	\$ 1,903.00	\$ 498.00	Roma	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 335.00	\$ 695.00	\$ 2,238.00	\$ 498.00
\$ 812,340.00	\$ 2,248,435.00	\$ 1,672,151.00	San Benito	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 900,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,212,340.00	\$ 3,148,435.00	\$ 1,672,151.00
\$ 2,979,813.00	\$ 8,191,675.00	\$ 11,702,285.00	San Juan	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 269,245.00	\$ 2,979,813.00	\$ 8,191,675.00	\$ 11,971,530.00
\$ 641,623.00	\$ 2,886,382.00	\$ 7,299,213.00	South Padre	\$ 384,240.00	\$ 3,112,668.50	\$ 2,497,628.50	\$ 1,025,863.00	\$ 5,999,050.50	\$ 9,796,841.50
\$ 3,858,340.00	\$ 11,328,698.00	\$ 3,332,100.00	Weslaco	\$ 1,011,400.00	\$ 3,274,675.00	\$ 980,275.00	\$ 4,869,740.00	\$ 14,603,373.00	\$ 4,312,375.00
\$ 62,556,057.64	\$ 141,948,880.36	\$ 139,897,040.12	TOTALS	\$ 82,610,623.50	\$ 132,405,323.00	\$ 64,396,550.50	\$ 145,166,681.14	\$ 274,354,203.36	\$ 204,293,590.62

# TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS

## Vehicle and Pedestrian Bridge Crossings to Mexico

March 2007	Brownsville (3 bridges)	McAllen/ Hidalgo	Progreso	RGC	Roma	Los Indios	Pharr	Total
Autos & Others	497,909	437,791	94,089	51,357	83,331	64,171	153,483	1,382,131
Trucks	41,652	386	3,193	2,662	1,608	2,641	41,709	93,851
Pedestrians	199,227	150,833	182,257	172	19,355	85	0	551,929
<b>Total</b>	<b>738,788</b>	<b>589,010</b>	<b>279,539</b>	<b>54,191</b>	<b>104,294</b>	<b>66,897</b>	<b>195,192</b>	<b>2,027,911</b>

## Rio Grande Valley Airline Boardings

	Brownsville	Harlingen	McAllen	Total
March 2007	9,241	43,158	39,365	91,764
YTD 2007	24,377	112,129	102,217	238,723
March 2006	8,701	42,976	38,906	90,583
YTD 2006	22,044	114,052	100,826	236,922

# FINANCIAL INDICATORS

## Bank Deposits

	March 2007	March 2006
Alamo	\$ 133,195,528.57	\$ 271,117,192.00
Brownsville	\$ 2,369,343,595.18	\$ 1,737,322,208.00
Donna	\$ 159,771,777.93	\$ 96,345,209.00
Edcouch	\$ 7,989,225.41	\$ 6,527,078.53
Edinburg	\$ 1,086,999,446.72	\$ 623,911,990.31
Elka	\$ 66,577,996.99	\$ 67,708,770.33
Harlingen	\$ 916,180,027.68	\$ 812,719,646.00
Hidalgo	\$ 297,011,632.80	\$ 241,465,060.00
La Feria	\$ 42,644,375.88	\$ 52,350,071.00
La Joya	\$ 1,244,019.91	\$ 85,065,456.00
Los Fresnos	\$ 52,249,596.36	\$ 31,964,848.00
McAllen	\$ 3,415,225,189.85	\$ 2,997,626,214.89
Mercedes	\$ 139,928,354.80	\$ 106,540,745.81
Mission	\$ 839,116,002.85	\$ 783,518,599.00
Olmito	\$ 34,301,626.31	\$ 33,020,160.00
Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ -
Palm Valley	\$ 24,511,491.80	\$ 25,404,212.00
Palmview	\$ 78,794,000.00	\$ 139,188,000.00
Pharr	\$ 915,929,883.32	\$ 481,464,455.00
Port Isabel	\$ 135,978,290.81	\$ 89,622,311.00
Progreso	\$ 10,692,828.70	\$ 9,563,226.00
Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ -
Raymondville	\$ 142,996,414.47	\$ 120,748,547.00
Rio Grande City	\$ 238,702,989.81	\$ 218,808,764.55
Rio Hondo	\$ 10,421,000.00	\$ 5,166,000.00
Roma	\$ 141,630,779.87	\$ 126,205,923.17
San Benito	\$ 149,400,644.28	\$ 189,034,832.00
San Juan	\$ 70,680,938.21	\$ 51,832,101.00
South Padre	\$ 119,189,205.34	\$ 95,039,109.00
Weslaco	\$ 319,507,347.42	\$ 275,278,678.13
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 11,920,214,211.27</b>	<b>\$ 9,774,559,407.72</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)

March	Cameron Co.	Hidalgo Co.
2007 Manufacturing	7,600	7,500
2006 Manufacturing	7,500	8,300
2007 Total Employment	122,500	208,200
2006 Total Employment	120,500	202,900

The Foremost Gauge  
of Rio Grande Valley  
Economic Indicators



# BUSINESS BAROMETER

March 2007

  
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