

CONSTRUCTION INDICATORS

Residential Building Permits

Commercial Building Permits

Total Permits (Residential + Commercial)

January-08	YTD 2008	YTD 2007	CITY	January-08	YTD 2008	YTD 2007	January-08	YTD 2008	YTD 2007
\$ 249,800.00	\$ 249,800.00	\$ 567,300.00	Alamo	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 270,300.00	\$ 270,300.00	\$ 587,300.00
\$ 3,491,971.00	\$ 3,491,971.00	\$ 7,718,007.00	Brownsville	\$ 2,667,001.00	\$ 2,667,001.00	\$ 1,714,000.00	\$ 6,158,972.00	\$ 6,158,972.00	\$ 9,432,007.00
\$ 130,376.00		\$ 355,872.00	Donna	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,376.00	\$ -	\$ 355,872.00
\$ 3,540,212.00	\$ 3,540,212.00	\$ -	Edinburg	\$ 1,614,492.00	\$ 1,614,492.00	\$ -	\$ 5,154,704.00	\$ 5,154,704.00	\$ -
N/A	N/A	\$ 33,000.00	Elsa	N/A	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,000.00
N/A	N/A	\$ 1,653,575.00	Harlingen	N/A	N/A	\$ 969,790.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,623,365.00
N/A	N/A	\$ -	Hidalgo	N/A	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
N/A	N/A	\$ -	La Feria	N/A	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 165,300.00	\$ 165,300.00	\$ 375,030.00	La Joya	N/A	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 375,030.00
\$ 8,077,061.00	\$ 8,077,061.00	\$ 86,160.00	Los Fresnos	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165,300.00	\$ 165,300.00	\$ 86,160.00
\$ 43,052.00	\$ 43,052.00	\$ 5,446,650.00	McAllen	\$ 54,930,822.00	\$ 54,930,822.00	\$ 11,027,855.00	\$ 63,007,883.00	\$ 63,007,883.00	\$ 16,474,505.00
\$ 4,499,064.62	\$ 4,499,064.62	\$ 1,443,976.00	Mercedes	\$ 2,013,345.00	\$ 2,013,345.00	\$ 2,436,740.00	\$ 2,056,397.00	\$ 2,056,397.00	\$ 3,882,716.00
N/A	N/A	\$ 5,863,390.00	Mission	\$ 2,226,200.00	\$ 2,226,200.00	\$ 4,045,800.00	\$ 6,725,264.62	\$ 6,725,264.62	\$ 9,909,190.00
\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -	Olmito	N/A	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
N/A	N/A	\$ 52,000.00	Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -
N/A	N/A	\$ 2,850.00	Palm Valley	N/A	N/A	\$ 408,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 460,000.00
\$ 1,435,311.00	\$ 1,435,311.00	\$ 2,480,435.00	Palmview			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,850.00
\$ 8,923.00	\$ 8,923.00	\$ 212,810.00	Pharr	\$ 8,566,316.00	\$ 8,566,316.00	\$ 2,583,700.00	\$ 10,001,627.00	\$ 10,001,627.00	\$ 5,064,135.00
N/A	N/A	\$ -	Port Isabel	\$ 2,575,800.00	\$ 2,575,800.00	\$ 26,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,584,723.00	\$ 239,310.00
\$ 317,550.00	\$ 317,550.00	\$ 673,170.00	Progreso	N/A	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
N/A	N/A	\$ 6,150.00	Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 317,550.00	\$ 317,550.00	\$ 673,170.00
N/A	N/A	\$ 486,500.00	Raymondville	N/A	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,150.00
N/A	N/A	\$ 100,000.00	Rio Grande City	N/A	N/A	\$ 1,041,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,527,500.00
\$ 521.00	\$ 521.00	\$ 710.00	Rio Hondo	N/A	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
\$ 400,734.00	\$ 400,734.00	\$ 750,504.00	Roma	\$ -	N/A	\$ 335.00	\$ 521.00	\$ -	\$ 1,045.00
\$ 1,194,247.00	\$ 1,194,247.00	\$ 1,993,391.00	San Benito	\$ 2,155,000.00	\$ 2,155,000.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 2,555,734.00	\$ 2,555,734.00	\$ 1,250,504.00
\$ 32,495,529.35	\$ 32,495,529.35	\$ 757,300.00	San Juan	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,194,247.00	\$ 1,194,247.00	\$ 1,993,391.00
\$ 2,248,900.00	\$ 2,248,900.00	\$ 4,138,258.00	South Padre	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 411,200.00	\$ 32,533,029.35	\$ 32,533,029.35	\$ 1,168,500.00
\$ 58,548,551.97	\$ 58,548,551.97	\$ 35,193,038.00	Westlaco	\$ 1,356,000.00	\$ 1,356,000.00	\$ 1,283,000.00	\$ 3,604,900.00	\$ 3,604,900.00	\$ 5,421,258.00
			TOTALS	\$ 78,142,476.00	\$ 78,142,476.00	\$ 26,467,920.00	\$ 134,126,804.97	\$ 136,580,630.97	\$ 61,666,958.00

TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS

Vehicle and Pedestrian Bridge Crossings to Mexico

January 2008	Brownsville (3 bridges)	McAllen/ Hidalgo	Progreso	RGC	Roma	Los Indios	Pharr	Total
Autos & Others	653,644	392,928	68,867	40,501	67,707	47,773	4,701	1,276,121
Pedestrians	196,988	113,102	132,122	20	18,736	19	0	460,987
Trucks	17,342	329	3,099	2043	1,428	4,359	1,654	30,254
Total	867,974	506,359	204,088	42,564	87,871	52,151	6,355	1,767,362

Rio Grande Valley Airline Boardings

	Brownsville	Harlingen	McAllen	Total
January 2008	6,023	35,453	33,711	75,187
YTD 2008	6,023	35,453	33,711	75,187
January 2007	7,392	33,628	31,768	72,788
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FINANCIAL INDICATORS

Bank Deposits

	January 2008	January 2007
Alamo	\$ 101,917,000.00	\$ 131,463,000.00
Brownsville	\$ 2,341,827,312.12	\$ 2,394,504,456.55
Donna	\$ 70,965,000.00	\$ 118,400,209.00
Edcouch	\$ 6,827,030.14	\$ 7,989,225.41
Edinburg	\$ 739,109,384.55	\$ 788,666,936.91
Elsa	\$ 64,687,747.58	\$ 63,874,961.12
Harlingen	\$ 957,516,954.22	\$ 885,075,786.13
Hidalgo	\$ 265,590,994.04	\$ 263,364,019.02
La Feria	\$ 44,070,374.72	\$ 44,759,264.73
La Joya	\$ 8,238,456.00	\$ 8,239,456.00
Los Fresnos	\$ 49,418,621.00	\$ 51,653,675.00
McAllen	\$ 3,336,492,398.78	\$ 3,229,004,725.19
Mercedes	\$ 131,665,582.85	\$ 122,927,405.47
Mission	\$ 777,394,704.54	\$ 777,585,396.03
Olmito	\$ 34,892,000.00	\$ 34,892,000.00
Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ -
Palm Valley	\$ 22,235,826.55	\$ 22,968,980.69
Palmview	\$ 169,068,000.00	\$ 249,434,000.00
Pharr	\$ 665,780,455.00	\$ 780,530,455.00
Port Isabel	\$ 114,020,314.00	\$ 113,545,206.00
Progreso	\$ 9,933,706.58	\$ 9,489,828.09
Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ -
Raymondville	\$ 161,291,719.18	\$ 138,938,534.08
Rio Grande City	\$ 254,848,681.52	\$ 218,739,165.54
Rio Hondo	\$ 10,421,000.00	\$ 10,421,000.00
Roma	\$ 144,235,430.74	\$ 132,187,169.37
San Benito	\$ 190,696,522.00	\$ 186,170,170.00
San Juan	\$ 63,564,354.80	\$ 63,199,553.92
South Padre	\$ 118,419,309.38	\$ 113,441,446.19
Weslaco	\$ 298,796,417.00	\$ 302,860,716.39
Totals	\$ 11,207,925,297.29	\$ 11,264,326,741.83

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)

January	Cameron Co.	Hidalgo Co.
2008 Manufacturing	7,200	8,000
2007 Manufacturing	7,600	8,100
2008 Total Employment	123,400	212,900
2007 Total Employment	122,500	208,300

The Foremost Gauge
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Economic Indicators




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