

CONSTRUCTION INDICATORS

Residential Building Permits

Commercial Building Permits

Total Permits (Residential + Commercial)

May-09	YTD 2009	YTD 2008	CITY	May-09	YTD 2009	YTD 2008	May-09	YTD 2009	YTD 2008
\$ 207,662.00	\$ 997,570.00	\$ 912,920.00	Alamo	\$ 102,200.00	\$ 650,100.00	\$ 29,360.00	\$ 309,862.00	\$ 1,647,670.00	\$ 942,280.00
\$ 2,763,575.00	\$ 13,956,063.00	\$ 14,907,483.00	Brownsville	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 24,233,050.00	\$ 41,055,798.00	\$ 2,771,575.00	\$ 38,189,113.00	\$ 55,963,281.00
\$ 568,861.00	\$ 1,990,722.00	\$ 1,103,083.00	Donna	\$ 577,000.00	\$ 616,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 1,145,861.00	\$ 2,606,722.00	\$ 1,253,083.00
\$ 2,748,277.00	\$ 14,349,147.00	\$ 9,227,091.00	Edinburg	\$ 1,455,988.00	\$ 9,934,553.00	\$ 6,402,777.00	\$ 4,204,265.00	\$ 24,283,700.00	\$ 15,629,868.00
\$ -	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 162,000.00	Elsa	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ -	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 62,000.00	\$ 162,000.00
\$ 1,612,785.00	\$ 5,697,040.00	\$ 7,529,635.00	Harlingen	\$ 5,465,847.00	\$ 13,778,069.00	\$ 22,165,888.00	\$ 7,078,632.00	\$ 19,475,109.00	\$ 29,695,523.00
N/A	\$ -	\$ 469,262.00	Hidalgo	N/A	N/A	\$ 14,949.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 484,211.00
\$ -	\$ 209,135.00	\$ 813,280.00	La Feria	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 270,595.00	\$ -	\$ 209,135.00	\$ 1,083,875.00
\$ 40,000.00	\$ 276,228.00	\$ 207,922.00	La Joya	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 276,228.00	\$ 207,922.00
\$ 57,330.00	\$ 413,976.52	\$ 1,455,016.00	Los Fresnos	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 286,000.00	\$ 168,000.99	\$ 73,330.00	\$ 699,976.52	\$ 1,623,016.99
\$ 4,631,711.00	\$ 21,355,181.00	\$ 20,513,986.00	McAllen	\$ 5,580,162.00	\$ 30,379,937.00	\$ 86,201,437.00	\$ 10,211,873.00	\$ 51,735,118.00	\$ 106,715,423.00
\$ 627,885.69	\$ 2,241,648.38	\$ 1,860,038.58	Mercedes	\$ 66,279.00	\$ 10,984,616.00	\$ 8,941,726.00	\$ 694,164.69	\$ 13,226,264.38	\$ 10,801,764.58
\$ 4,015,765.00	\$ 18,318,930.00	\$ 29,969,709.62	Mission	\$ 1,670,075.00	\$ 5,420,677.00	\$ 5,305,389.00	\$ 5,685,840.00	\$ 23,739,607.00	\$ 35,275,098.62
N/A	N/A	\$ -	Olmito	N/A	N/A	\$ -	N/A	N/A	\$ -
\$ 170,000.00	\$ 1,499,730.00	\$ 475,000.00	Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 170,000.00	\$ 1,501,230.00	\$ 497,000.00
\$ 17,000.00	\$ 20,400.00	\$ 54,000.00	Palm Valley	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 20,400.00	\$ 54,000.00
N/A	N/A	\$ -	Palmview	N/A	N/A	\$ -	N/A	N/A	\$ -
\$ 1,400,849.00	\$ 6,808,478.00	\$ 7,499,120.00	Pharr	\$ 1,734,848.00	\$ 8,081,528.00	\$ 14,945,387.00	\$ 3,135,697.00	\$ 14,890,006.00	\$ 22,444,507.00
\$ 29,000.00	\$ 558,280.46	\$ 1,173,473.00	Port Isabel	\$ 45,200.00	\$ 133,530.00	\$ 3,119,127.00	\$ 74,200.00	\$ 691,810.46	\$ 4,292,600.00
N/A	N/A	\$ 85,000.00	Progreso	N/A	N/A	\$ 20,000.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 105,000.00
\$ 104,767.00	\$ 831,907.00	\$ 2,343,462.58	Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ 88,800.00	\$ 18,650.00	\$ 104,767.00	\$ 920,707.00	\$ 2,362,112.58
\$ 8,031.00	\$ 195,056.00	\$ 74,350.00	Raymondville	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 16,591,000.00	\$ -	\$ 128,031.00	\$ 16,786,056.00	\$ 74,350.00
\$ 206,000.00	\$ 783,055.00	\$ 2,973.35	Rio Grande City	\$ 591,470.00	\$ 3,809,328.50	\$ 7,782.50	\$ 797,470.00	\$ 4,592,383.50	\$ 10,755.85
N/A	\$ 300,000.00	\$ -	Rio Hondo	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 300,000.00	\$ -
\$ 280,000.00	\$ 566,000.00	\$ 417,000.00	Roma	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 280,000.00	\$ 566,000.00	\$ 417,000.00
\$ 385,000.00	\$ 1,166,881.00	\$ 2,031,710.00	San Benito	\$ -	\$ 205,000.00	\$ 2,155,000.00	\$ 385,000.00	\$ 1,371,881.00	\$ 4,186,710.00
\$ 2,062,586.00	\$ 5,679,654.00	\$ 5,451,235.00	San Juan	\$ -	\$ 253,911.00	\$ 1,219,479.00	\$ 2,062,586.00	\$ 5,933,565.00	\$ 6,670,714.00
\$ 5,545,741.12	\$ 15,739,649.52	\$ 47,214,794.91	South Padre	\$ 179,850.00	\$ 863,610.41	\$ 662,794.00	\$ 5,725,591.12	\$ 16,603,259.93	\$ 47,877,588.91
\$ 1,357,825.00	\$ 7,220,845.00	\$ 9,329,400.00	Weslaco	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ 7,067,500.00	\$ 5,016,300.00	\$ 2,457,825.00	\$ 14,288,345.00	\$ 14,345,700.00
\$ 28,840,650.81	\$ 121,215,576.88	\$ 165,282,945.04	TOTALS	\$ 18,734,919.00	\$ 133,400,709.91	\$ 197,892,439.49	\$ 47,575,569.81	\$ 254,616,286.79	\$ 363,175,384.53

TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS

Vehicle and Pedestrian Bridge Crossings to Mexico

May 2009	Brownsville (3 bridges)	McAllen/ Hidalgo	Progreso	RGC	Roma	Los Indios	Pharr	Total
Autos & Others	511,614	378,187	66,297	46,919	71,555	56,063	119,333	1,249,968
Pedestrians	245,018	137,290	57,775	25	20,084	4	0	460,196
Trucks	13,164	322	2,363	2,812	1,171	1,785	32,798	54,415
Total	769,796	515,799	126,435	49,756	92,810	57,852	152,131	1,764,579

Rio Grande Valley Airline Boardings

	Brownsville	Harlingen	McAllen	Total
May 2009	5430	28,429	29,505	63,364
YTD 2009	30380	164,445	140,310	335,135
May 2008	7,976	37,677	33,015	78,668
YTD 2008	39,445	192,459	169,048	400,952

FINANCIAL INDICATORS

Bank Deposits

	May 2009	May 2008
Alamo	\$ 99,356,394.01	\$ 131,463,000.00
Brownsville	\$ 2,322,454,169.71	\$ 2,394,504,456.55
Donna	\$ 114,735,838.39	\$ 118,400,209.00
Edcouch	\$ 6,371,475.23	\$ 7,989,225.41
Edinburg	\$ 1,050,382,049.34	\$ 788,666,936.91
Elsa	\$ 56,059,369.97	\$ 63,874,961.12
Harlingen	\$ 951,762,669.31	\$ 885,075,786.13
Hidalgo	\$ 284,835,584.16	\$ 263,364,019.02
La Feria	\$ 52,441,186.38	\$ 44,759,264.73
La Joya	\$ 17,188,564.57	\$ 8,239,456.00
Los Fresnos	\$ 54,436,076.27	\$ 51,653,675.00
McAllen	\$ 3,573,040,236.34	\$ 3,229,004,725.19
Mercedes	\$ 159,866,511.25	\$ 122,927,405.47
Mission	\$ 786,644,270.59	\$ 777,585,396.03
Olmito	\$ 35,091,939.21	\$ 34,892,000.00
Palmhurst		
Palm Valley	\$ 22,235,826.55	\$ 22,968,980.69
Palmview	\$ 160,068,000.00	\$ 249,434,000.00
Pharr	\$ 543,837,717.44	\$ 780,530,455.00
Port Isabel	\$ 125,143,647.25	\$ 113,545,206.00
Progreso	\$ 9,933,706.58	\$ 9,489,828.09
Rancho Viejo		
Raymondville	\$ 160,307,719.18	\$ 138,938,534.08
Rio Grande City	\$ 260,456,754.71	\$ 218,739,165.54
Rio Hondo	\$ 10,421,000.00	\$ 10,421,000.00
Roma	\$ 150,826,688.62	\$ 132,187,169.37
San Benito	\$ 132,891,114.96	\$ 186,170,170.00
San Juan	\$ 63,564,354.80	\$ 63,199,553.92
South Padre	\$ 124,579,273.32	\$ 113,441,446.19
Weslaco	\$ 333,283,696.05	\$ 302,860,716.39
Totals	\$ 11,662,215,834.19	\$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.

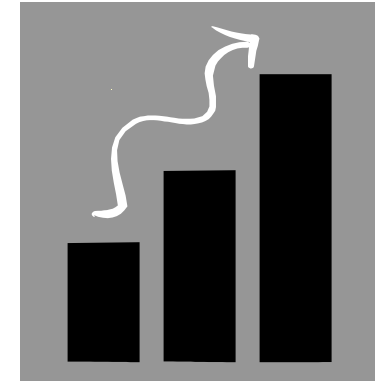
Wage & Salary Employment (Non-agricultural)

May	Cameron Co.	Hidalgo Co.
2009 Manufacturing	6,400	6,400
2008 Manufacturing	7,400	7,500
2009 Total	124,500	221,100
Employment		
2008 Total	127,400	220,700
Employment		

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