

# CONSTRUCTION INDICATORS

## Residential Building Permits

## Commercial Building Permits

## Total Permits (Residential + Commercial)

October-09	YTD 2009	YTD 2008	CITY	October-09	YTD 2009	YTD 2008	October-09	YTD 2009	YTD 2008
\$ 109,550.00	\$ 2,169,907.00	\$ 1,691,343.00	Alamo	\$ 78,500.00	\$ 1,045,580.00	\$ 200,592.00	\$ 188,050.00	\$ 3,215,487.00	\$ 1,891,935.00
\$ 3,458,793.00	\$ 38,844,167.00	\$ 53,464,000.00	Brownsville	\$ 4,655,000.00	\$ 33,265,650.00	\$104,724,737.00	\$ 8,113,793.00	\$ 72,109,817.00	\$158,188,737.00
\$ 941.00	\$ 2,326,213.00	\$ 4,823,130.00	Donna	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 1,744,270.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 4,641.00	\$ 4,070,483.00	\$ 4,973,130.00
\$ 9,715,716.00	\$ 42,000,126.00	\$ 34,860,131.00	Edinburg	\$ 2,560,734.00	\$ 37,175,510.00	\$ 48,986,164.00	\$12,276,450.00	\$ 79,175,636.00	\$ 83,846,295.00
N/A	\$ 106,000.00	\$ 410,500.00	Elsa	N/A	\$ 151,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	N/A	\$ 257,000.00	\$ 423,500.00
\$ 1,007,409.00	\$ 13,683,619.00	\$ 12,975,452.00	Harlingen	\$ 1,108,232.00	\$ 60,880,947.00	\$ 33,137,409.00	\$ 2,115,641.00	\$ 74,564,566.00	\$ 46,112,861.00
N/A	N/A	\$ -	Hidalgo	N/A	N/A	\$ -	N/A	N/A	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 433,745.00	\$ 1,425,896.00	La Feria	\$ 7,500,000.00	\$ 12,771,050.00	\$ 78,932,400.00	\$ 7,500,000.00	\$ 13,204,795.00	\$ 80,358,296.00
\$ 73,000.00	\$ 1,191,528.00	\$ 313,800.00	La Joya	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 760,000.00	\$ 73,000.00	\$ 1,191,528.00	\$ 1,073,800.00
\$ 217,800.00	\$ 1,500,665.29	\$ 2,901,666.85	Los Fresnos	\$ 15,700.00	\$ 317,760.00	\$ 168,000.99	\$ 233,500.00	\$ 1,818,425.29	\$ 3,069,667.84
N/A	\$ 34,388,096.00	\$ 35,657,923.00	McAllen	N/A	\$ 38,639,835.00	\$107,948,874.00	N/A	\$ 73,027,931.00	\$143,606,797.00
N/A	\$ 4,275,997.88	\$ 2,994,225.93	Mercedes	N/A	\$ 13,892,986.00	\$ 10,259,066.00	N/A	\$ 18,168,986.88	\$ 13,253,291.93
\$ 5,519,400.00	\$ 39,643,237.50	\$ 52,707,577.62	Mission	\$ 126,978.00	\$ 7,920,661.27	\$ 10,131,999.00	\$ 5,646,378.00	\$ 47,563,898.77	\$ 62,839,576.62
N/A	N/A	\$ -	Olmito	N/A	N/A	\$ -	N/A	N/A	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 1,629,730.00	\$ 455,000.00	Palmhurst	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ -	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 1,633,430.00	\$ 455,000.00
\$ 80,800.00	\$ 103,200.00	\$ 163,697.00	Palm Valley	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 80,800.00	\$ 103,200.00	\$ 184,697.00
N/A	N/A	\$ 100,000.00	Palmview	N/A	N/A	\$ -	N/A	N/A	\$ 100,000.00
\$ 1,653,356.00	\$ 14,474,399.00	\$ 12,397,755.00	Pharr	\$ 985,879.00	\$ 60,923,041.00	\$ 49,884,570.00	\$ 2,639,235.00	\$ 75,397,440.00	\$ 62,282,325.00
\$ 99,030.00	\$ 1,383,548.71	\$ 1,704,797.44	Port Isabel	\$ 45,305.00	\$ 442,343.53	\$ 4,892,500.00	\$ 144,335.00	\$ 1,825,892.24	\$ 6,597,297.44
N/A	N/A	\$ 173,000.00	Progreso	N/A	N/A	\$ 20,000.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 193,000.00
\$ 526,001.54	\$ 1,577,139.04	\$ 5,053,920.68	Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ 98,300.00	\$ 20,650.00	\$ 526,001.54	\$ 1,675,439.04	\$ 5,074,570.68
\$ 3,600.00	\$ 378,286.00	\$ 633,350.00	Raymondville	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 17,292,500.00	\$ 187,600.00	\$ 703,600.00	\$ 17,670,786.00	\$ 820,950.00
\$ 410,450.00	\$ 3,054,105.00	\$ 591,100.00	Rio Grande City	\$ 2,931,836.50	\$ 7,390,425.00	\$ 732,650.00	\$ 3,342,286.50	\$ 10,444,530.00	\$ 1,323,750.00
\$ -	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 84,348.00	Rio Hondo	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 84,348.00
\$ -	\$ 1,846,650.00	\$ 500,000.00	Roma	\$ -	\$ 475,000.00	\$ 332,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,321,650.00	\$ 832,000.00
\$ -	\$ 1,644,076.00	\$ 2,983,210.00	San Benito	\$ -	\$ 2,692,700.00	\$ 5,255,000.00	\$ -	\$ 4,336,776.00	\$ 8,238,210.00
\$ 1,963,900.00	\$ 12,580,646.00	\$ 9,362,705.39	San Juan	\$ -	\$ 1,985,711.00	\$ 1,853,284.00	\$ 1,963,900.00	\$ 14,566,357.00	\$ 11,215,989.39
\$ 1,634,167.00	\$ 23,491,969.52	\$ 71,018,120.13	South Padre	\$ 28,807.00	\$ 2,018,853.41	\$ 6,125,329.75	\$ 1,662,974.00	\$ 25,510,822.93	\$ 77,143,449.88
\$ 1,215,098.00	\$ 13,532,943.00	\$ 16,490,530.00	Weslaco	\$ 1,240,000.00	\$ 14,002,620.00	\$ 15,566,430.00	\$ 2,455,098.00	\$ 27,535,563.00	\$ 32,056,960.00
\$ 27,689,011.54	\$256,559,993.94	\$ 325,937,179.04	TOTALS	\$21,982,871.50	\$315,130,443.21	\$480,303,255.74	\$49,671,883.04	\$571,690,437.15	\$806,240,434.78

# TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS

## Vehicle and Pedestrian Bridge Crossings to Mexico

October 2009	Brownsville (3 bridges)	McAllen/ Hidalgo	Progreso	RGC	Roma	Los Indios	Pharr	Total
Autos & Others	497,842	374,815	60,421	60,421	70,002	51,148		1,095,663
Pedestrians	217,012	133,842	48,682	48,682	19,840	13		419,471
Trucks	15,753	297	2,123	297	1,119	1,798		24,419
<b>Total</b>	<b>730,607</b>	<b>508,954</b>	<b>111,226</b>	<b>111,226</b>	<b>90,961</b>	<b>52,959</b>		<b>1,539,553</b>

## Rio Grande Valley Airline Boardings

	Brownsville	Harlingen	McAllen	Total
<b>Oct. 2009</b>	7,129	28,005	29,980	65,114
<b>YTD-2009</b>	68,283	311,630	310,787	690,700
<b>Oct. 2008</b>	6,157	30,895	27,442	64,494
<b>YTD-2008</b>	72,855	356,996	324,603	754,454

## FINANCIAL INDICATORS

### Bank Deposits

In US Dollars	October 2009	October 2008
Alamo		
Brownsville		
Donna		
Edcouch		
Edinburg		
Elsa		
Harlingen		
Hidalgo		
La Feria		
La Joya		
Los Fresnos		
McAllen		
Mercedes		
Mission		
Olmito		
Palmhurst		
Palm Valley		
Palmview		
Pharr		
Port Isabel		
Progreso		
Rancho Viejo		
Raymondville		
Rio Grande City		
Rio Hondo		
Roma		
San Benito		
San Juan		
South Padre		
Weslaco		
Totals		

**Not Available**

*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)*

October	Cameron Co.	Hidalgo Co.
2009 Manufacturing	6,200	6,200
2008 Manufacturing	7,100	6,900
2009 Total Employment	123,200	221,800
2008 Total Employment	125,600	217,400

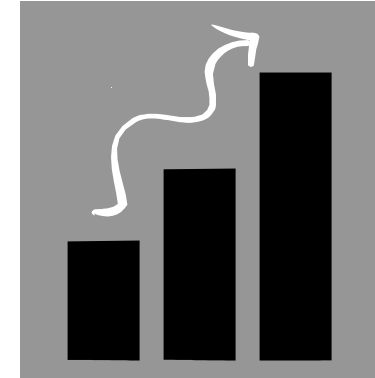
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