

Q1 2010 Increases in Exports and Imports Pushes Trade Up Past Last Year

As previously stated in the most recent 2010 issues of the Border Business Indicators, U.S. and Mexico trade has bounced back. With the many issues that pressured the U.S. and Mexican ecomomies, trade figures posted for the partners were more than good at the end of 2009 and at the start of 2010. Gains began and continued with figures increasing by doubled-digit percentages. In Quarter 1 2010, the total trade dollar value figure was 32.3 percent more (\$89.8 billion) than the previous year for the same period-\$67.9 billion.

In Q1 2010, the U.S. exports to Mexico dollar value figure increased by 27.8 percent. U.S imports from Mexico dollar value figure gained by 35.6 percent (See Table 1).

Table 3 provides a detailed look at the total dollar value of trade activity, U.S. exports plus U.S. imports, at the individual border ports of entry on the U.S.-Mexico border for Quarter 1 2010. A comparison with the same period in 2009 is also provided. As shown, the Port of Laredo maintained the highest total of the border ports (\$28.3 billion) followed by El Paso (\$12.7 billion).

On the back page, Tables 4 and 5 provide the dollar value of U.S. exports to Mexico and U.S. imports from Mexico for the same time periods.

In future issues of the Border Business Indicators, these trends in trade activity will be reviewed and presented. -B. Garcia

	1	Table 1			U.S
	Total U.S	Mexico Trade			
	Q1 200	9 vs. Q1 2010			
	All figures are in	Billions of U.S. D	ollars		
			Absolute		Port
			\$ Change	%	Brownsville
	Q1 2009	Q1 2010	09 vs. 10	Change	Del Rio
Exports	29.1	37.2	8.1	27.8	Eagle Pass
Imports	38.8	52.6	13.8	35.6	Laredo
Total	67.9	89.8	21.9	32.3	Hidalgo/Pha

The trade of goods between the two countries has for the most part been at the U.S.-Mexico border. The percentage of the dollar value of goods in trade between them has been historically in the 80s. First quarter figures for 2010 set that percentage at 80.0 percent. The border still continued to be the main channel between the trading partners as exhibited in Table 2, and the ailing economies seem to be on a road to recovery. The number of dollars worth of merchandise has increased significantly between the two partners. These healthy trends surely have had their effect on the trade business along the border.

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*Figures may not add up due to rounding

Table 3 S.-Mexico Total Trade Activity via U.S.-Mexico Border by Port Q1 2009 vs. Q1 2010

				Absolute	%
				\$ Change	Change
Port		Q1 2009	Q1 2010	09 vs. 10	09 vs. 10
Brownsville	2,23	6,138,556	2,892,053,228	655,914,672	29.3
Del Rio	51	4,122,150	694,969,016	180,846,866	35.2
Eagle Pass	3,15	6,528,927	3,626,214,200	469,685,273	14.9
Laredo	20,91	4,652,056	28,263,282,108	7,348,630,052	35.1
Hidalgo/Pharr	4,72	7,676,301	5,121,157,852	393,481,551	8.3
Rio Grande	6	5,821,813	75,920,845	10,099,032	15.3
Progreso	9	3,549,187	85,126,152	-8,423,035	-9.0
Roma	1	9,632,353	18,193,297	-1,439,056	-7.3
Edinburg Airport		0	0	0	-
Harlingen Int'l Airpo	ort	0	0	0	-
El Paso	10,22	2,775,765	12,675,577,530	2,452,801,765	24.0
Presidio	8	5,507,325	66,184,823	-19,322,502	-22.6
Fabens		146,621	388,679	242,058	165.1
Columbus		7,611,403	13,309,712	5,698,309	74.9
Santa Teresa	33	6,125,750	2,648,789,002	2,312,663,252	688.0
Santa Teresa Airpo	ort	0	0	0	-
Andrade		80,321	204,671	124,350	154.8
Calexico	1	3,828,378	27,442,561	13,614,183	98.5
San Ysidro	3	0,932,609	49,744,227	18,811,618	60.8
Tecate	21	6,620,296	230,581,737	13,961,441	6.4
Otay Mesa Station	6,26	9,910,052	6,735,187,491	465,277,439	7.4
Calexico-East	2,06	2,321,499	2,372,196,274	309,874,775	15.0
Douglas	25	4,099,885	300,040,628	45,940,743	18.1
Lukeville		1,397,491	1,642,636	245,145	17.5
Naco		5,415,305	7,890,229	2,474,924	45.7
Nogales	3,49	5,306,504	5,133,579,319	1,638,272,815	46.9
Sasabe		143,791	127,314	-16,477	-11.5
San Luis	24	7,928,615	347,114,213	99,185,598	40.0
Total	54,97	8,272,953	71,386,917,744	16,408,644,791	29.8
Source: US Den	artmor	t of Comm	erce data compiled	by the Texas Cer	ter at Texas

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce data compiled by the Texas Center at Texas A&M International University (Tables 1-5)

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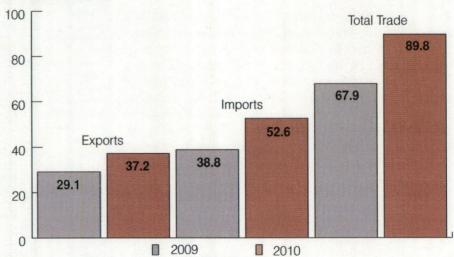
Note from the Director

Indicators of border business activity that were reported for March 2010 year-to-date (YTD) demonstrated fourteen indicators increased and seven decreased. 2010 YTD comparisons to 2009 reported for the border are listed below:

- Pedestrian bridge crossings into Mexico were up 1.9 percent.
- · Pedestrian bridge crossings into Texas were down 11.1 percent.
- Vehicle bridge crossings into Mexico fell 9.0 percent.
- · Vehicle bridge crossings into Texas fell 19.7 percent.
- · Truck bridge crossings into Mexico gained 12.5 percent.
- Truck bridge crossings into Texas gained 3.6 percent.
- Rail car bridge crossings into Mexico went up 19.3 percent.
- Rail car bridge crossings into Texas went up 2.6 percent.
- · Revenues data collected by U.S. Customs was not available at press time.
- Revenues collected by U.S. bridge operators registered a gain of 12.3 percent.
- Tourist visas issued for entry into Mexico were up 3.3 percent.
- Total employment was up 1.9 percent, with 9,652 jobs gained. The average unemployment rate for the border in March 2010 was 8.9 percent.
- · Total building permits issued rose 81.3 percent.
- · Total building permit values increased 72.7 percent.
- Power connections in service for residential were up 1.3 percent, commercial were up 0.5 percent and industrial were down 3.0 percent.
- Air passenger arrivals were down 1.3 percent, and departures were down 1.6 percent.
- Total cargo for the Port of Brownsville decreased 45.6 percent.
- Inbound cargo for the Port of Corpus Christi went up 1.4 percent, and outbound cargo went up 2.7 percent.

U.S.-Mexico Trade at a Glance

March 2010 Year-to-Date (In Billions of U.S.\$)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Division, Data Dissemination Branch

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Pedestrian Bridge Crossings from Texas to Mexico

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	167,300	13.2	4.4	472,125	458,290	12.9	-2.9
Del Rio	2,984	0.2	-17.3	14,341	10,367	0.3	-27.7
Eagle Pass	56,749	4.5	1.9	157,749	153,269	4.3	-2.8
El Paso	445,402	35.1	10.1	1,172,278	1,274,506	35.9	8.7
Harlingen	29	0.0	61.1	58	54	0.0	-6.9
Laredo	339,307	26.8	1.4	991,381	939,224	26.5	-5.3
McAllen-Hidalgo	135,459	10.7	N/A	241,266	376,209	10.6	55.9
Progreso	120,372	9.5	-19.1	434,281	338,501	9.5	-22.1
Rio Grande	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roma	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	1,267,602	100.0	14.5	3,483,479	3,550,420	100.0	1.9

Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities

Pedestrian Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	157,699	17.0	-23.3	597,984	435,900	16.8	-27.1
Del Rio	5,947	0.6	-19.3	23,514	16,982	0.7	-27.8
Eagle Pass	61,848	6.7	-0.2	171,826	169,026	6.5	-1.6
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Laredo	393,951	42.4	1.9	1,141,794	1,096,489	42.4	-4.0
McAllen-Hidalgo	168,561	18.1	2.7	469,250	464,396	17.9	-1.0
Presidio	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Progreso	122,143	13.1	-18.2	436,050	343,515	13.3	-21.2
Rio Grande	N/A	N/A	N/A	5,145	3,926	0.2	-23.7
Roma	19,764	2.1	-14.1	64,556	57,242	2.2	-11.3
Total	929,913	100.0	-7.0	2,910,119	2,587,476	100.0	-11.1

Source: Oficina de Caminos y Puentes Federales, Mexico

Vehicle Bridge Crossings from Texas to Mexico

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	256,731	14.2	-36.9	1,178,060	743,231	14.5	-36.9
Del Rio	116,670	6.4	-8.9	367,613	326,484	6.4	-11.2
Eagle Pass	222,063	12.3	0.2	648,232	618,738	12.0	-4.5
El Paso	272,552	15.1	-11.9	844,545	757,279	14.7	-10.3
Harlingen	44,856	2.5	-19.5	155,021	126,819	2.5	-18.2
Laredo	383,756	21.2	-8.0	1,183,863	1,127,297	21.9	-4.8
McAllen-Hidalgo	345,795	19.1	N/A	703,270	932,757	18.2	32.6
Pharr	107,021	5.9	-9.1	341,611	322,727	6.3	-5.5
Progreso	59,746	3.3	-22.5	224,676	180,982	3.5	-19.4
Rio Grande	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roma	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	1,809,190	100.0	4.3	5,646,891	5,136,314	100.0	-9.0

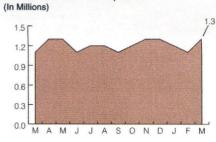
Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities

Vehicle Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	256,463	16.9	-40.7	1,254,507	739,171	16.1	-41.1
Del Rio	120,203	7.9	-7.3	372,396	339,771	7.4	-8.8
Eagle Pass	233,687	15.4	0.0	684,922	657,832	14.4	-4.0
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Harlingen	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Laredo	358,541	23.6	-14.5	1,218,953	1,079,441	23.6	-11.4
McAllen-Hidalgo	256,901	16.9	-30.9	1,093,682	815,706	17.8	-25.4
Pharr	158,554	10.4	-5.2	477,751	471,166	10.3	-1.4
Presidio	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Progreso	64,528	4.2	-23.7	240,854	194,620	4.3	-19.2
Rio Grande	24,714	1.6	-53.3	148,504	101,768	2.2	-31.5
Roma	48,354	3.2	-33.5	209,340	177,466	3.9	-15.2
Total	1,521,945	100.0	-22.5	5,700,909	4,576,941	100.0	-19.7

Source: Oficina de Caminos y Puentes Federales, Mexico

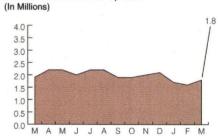
Pedestrians into Mexico All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Up 14.5%



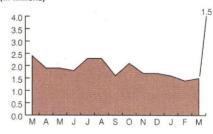
Pedestrians into Texas All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Down 7.0% (In Millions)



Vehicles into Mexico All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Up 4.3%



Vehicles into Texas All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Down 22.5% (In Millions)



Truck Bridge Crossings from Texas to Mexico

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	16,493	6.7	18.7	40,191	45,295	6.9	12.7
Del Rio	4,822	2.0	17.1	11,602	12,836	2.0	10.6
Eagle Pass	7,804	3.2	26.2	18,309	20,728	3.2	13.2
El Paso	28,738	11.7	17.8	69,048	76,201	11.6	10.4
Harlingen	1,706	0.7	-7.0	5,076	4,721	0.7	-7.0
Laredo	138,908	56.7	20.0	327,478	379,755	57.7	16.0
McAllen-Hidalgo	255	0.1	N/A	661	701	0.1	6.1
Pharr	43,571	17.8	16.3	102,683	111,002	16.9	8.1
Progreso	2,597	1.1	-30.8	9,755	6,783	1.0	-30.5
Rio Grande	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roma	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	244,894	100.0	18.1	584,803	658,022	100.0	12.5

Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities

Figures include loaded and empty trucks. El Paso figures do not include Bridge of the Americas. Note:

Truck Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	16,039	6.2	21.6	37,601	43,619	6.3	16.0
Del Rio	4,923	1.9	19.4	11,660	13,114	1.9	12.5
Eagle Pass	8,356	3.2	27.1	19,788	22,113	3.2	11.7
El Paso	64,174	24.9	22.1	140,324	173,447	25.1	23.6
Falcon Heights	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Harlingen	2,598	1.0	0.1	7,149	7,301	1.1	2.1
Laredo	109,509	42.5	-4.6	322,015	294,995	42.8	-8.4
Pharr	43,292	16.8	14.7	104,392	113,833	16.5	9.0
Presidio	933	0.4	80.5	1,508	2,125	0.3	40.9
Progreso	5,170	2.0	-0.6	13,073	12,543	1.8	-4.1
Rio Grande	2,002	0.8	-28.4	7,051	5,279	0.8	-25.1
Roma	696	0.3	10.0	1,714	1,674	0.2	-2.3
Total	257,692	100.0	7.1	666,275	690,043	100.0	3.6

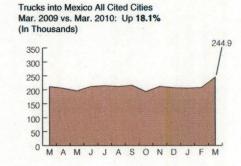
Source: South Texas Customs Management Center, Laredo & U.S. Customs Office of Public Affairs, El Paso Note: Figures include loaded and empty trucks.

Rail Car Crossings from Texas to Mexico

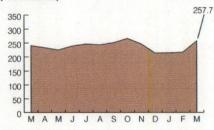
			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	3,093	10.6	-1.0	9,419	8,100	10.4	-14.0
Eagle Pass	9,165	31.4	27.8	18,738	24,176	30.9	29.0
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Laredo	16,908	58.0	25.7	37,299	45,841	58.7	22.9
Total	29,166	100.0	22.8	65,456	78,117	100.0	19.3

Source: Railroad companies in cited cities

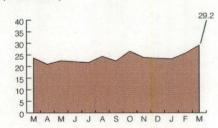
Figures for El Paso are not available. Note:



Trucks into Texas All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Up 7.1% (In Thousands)



Rail Cars into Mexico All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Up 22.8% (In Thousands)

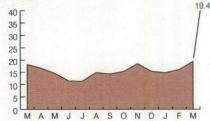


Rail Car Crossings from Mexico to Texas

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	672	3.5	32.8	1,999	1,973	3.9	-1.3
Eagle Pass	7,400	38.2	34.4	14,172	17,896	35.6	26.3
El Paso	2,797	14.4	-55.0	16,653	7,354	14.6	-55.8
Laredo	8,505	43.9	41.3	16,171	23,066	45.9	42.6
Total	19,374	100.0	6.2	48,995	50,289	100.0	2.6

Source: Railroad companies in cited cities & U.S. Customs Office of Public Affairs, El Paso

Rail Cars into Texas All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Up 6.2% (In Thousands)



Customs Revenues for the District of Laredo

Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: N/A (In Millions of U.S.\$)

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Revenues Collected by U.S. Customs District of Laredo (in U.S.\$)

			09 vs. 10				YTD	
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg	

Data was not available at press time. Check our website, http://texascenter.tamiu.edu, for updates.

Source: South Texas Customs Management Center, Laredo Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Revenues Collected by U.S. Bridge Operators (in U.S.\$)

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	1,037,402	11.7	7.2	2,810,182	2,950,230	12.4	5.0
Del Rio	746,901	8.5	99.6	1,072,712	1,387,539	5.9	29.3
Ealge Pass	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
El Paso	1,377,844	15.6	11.3	3,363,323	3,753,011	15.8	11.6
Harlingen	150,990	1.7	-7.8	452,438	419,229	1.8	-7.3
Laredo	3,751,600	42.5	10.6	9,614,875	10,327,208	43.6	7.4
McAllen-Hidalgo	858,757	9.7	N/A	1,727,405	2,327,286	9.8	34.7
Pharr	913,758	10.3	20.1	2,075,358	2,545,674	10.7	22.7
Rio Grande	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	8,837,252	100.0	28.2	21,116,294	23,710,177	100.0	12.3

Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities

Note: El Paso figures do not include Bridge of the Americas (Toll-free). Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Tourist Visas Issued for Entry into Mexico

			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	7,449	11.5	24.7	13,637	17,176	11.5	26.0
Del Rio	652	1.0	-13.6	1,744	1,645	1.1	-5.7
Eagle Pass	2,767	4.3	4.2	6,507	6,390	4.3	-1.8
El Paso	10,435	16.1	49.3	19,000	25,867	17.3	36.1
Falcon Heights	151	0.2	-74.4	1,135	648	0.4	-42.9
Laredo	25,530	39.4	9.5	58,725	58,940	39.3	0.4
McAllen-Hidalgo	14,286	22.1	20.2	30,695	29,192	19.5	-4.9
Presidio	1,181	1.8	-9.2	3,141	2,759	1.8	-12.2
Progreso	981	1.5	-34.3	3,577	2,606	1.7	-27.1
Rio Grande	173	0.3	-75.8	1,646	886	0.6	-46.2
Roma	1,115	1.7	-55.3	5,365	3,784	2.5	-29.5
Total	64,720	100.0	11.2	145,172	149,893	100.0	3.3

Source: Instituto Nacional de Migracion, Mexico

Employment & Unemployment Rates (Texas Border)

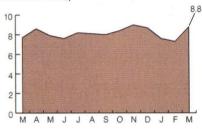
City	Employed Mar 10	Unemployed Mar 10	%Unemp Mar 10	Emp Avg YTD 09	Emp Avg YTD 10	09 vs. 10 Emp %Chg	Gain/Loss YTD
Brownsville	60,747	7,753	11.3	57,808	60,170	4.1	2,362
Del Rio	15,843	1,515	8.7	15,034	15,667	4.2	633
El Paso	243,463	23,060	8.7	238,512	242,573	1.7	4,061
Harlingen	24,502	2,251	8.4	23,451	24,269	3.5	817
Laredo	83,060	7,615	8.4	83,347	82,731	-0.7	-616
McAllen	58,405	4,946	7.8	56,629	58,250	2.9	1,621
Pharr	23,925	2,537	9.6	23,088	23,862	3.4	774
Total	509,945	49,677	8.9	497,869	507,521	1.9	9,652
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Source: Texas Workforce Commission

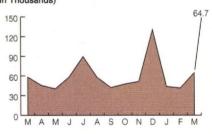
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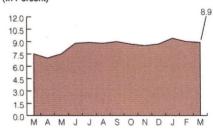
Bridge Revenues All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Up 28.2% (In Millions of U.S.\$)



Tourist Visas Issued All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Up **11.2%** (In Thousands)



Percent of Unemployment All Cited Cities Combined Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Up 18.7% (In Percent)



Building Permits	3						
Number			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	321	7.5	42.7	613	631	5.6	2.9
Del Rio	90	2.1	63.6	123	211	1.9	71.5
Eagle Pass	36	0.8	N/A	50	90	0.8	80.0
El Paso	3,068	71.6	146.0	3,253	8,372	74.9	157.4
Harlingen	221	5.2	7.8	602	601	5.4	-0.2
Laredo	244	5.7	41.0	713	532	4.8	-25.4
McAllen	304	7.1	6.3	815	745	6.7	-8.6
Total	4,284	100.0	95.5	6,169	11,182	100.0	81.3

Dollar Value			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	24,164,321	13.6	441.4	37,735,384	60,239,938	12.2	59.6
Del Rio	1,531,091	0.9	-75.7	8,667,454	9,682,172	2.0	11.7
Eagle Pass	1,945,062	1.1	N/A	1,951,982	6,668,220	1.4	241.6
El Paso	112,616,277	63.6	114.7	172,037,766	318,746,203	64.6	85.3
Harlingen	4,152,073	2.3	277.9	7,136,038	11,754,721	2.4	64.7
Laredo	24,541,447	13.9	73.3	35,371,957	61,884,803	12.5	75.0
McAllen	8,129,323	4.6	15.4	22,713,168	24,314,191	4.9	7.0
Total	177,079,594	100.0	107.1	285,613,749	493,290,248	100.0	72.7

Source: Permit Departments in cited cities

Note: Dollar value totals may not add up due to rounding.

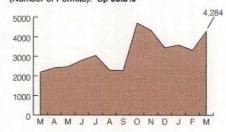
Power Connections (in Service)

Residential			09 vs. 10	Average	Average		YTD	
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg	
Brownsville	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Del Rio	15,529	9.9	0.8	15,384	15,508	9.9	0.8	
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Eagle Pass	11,556	7.4	1.4	11,379	11,606	7.4	2.0	
Harlingen	24,919	15.9	0.8	24,638	24,841	15.9	0.8	
Laredo	64,768	41.3	1.1	63,832	64,692	41.3	1.3	
McAllen	40,128	25.6	1.4	39,487	40,069	25.6	1.5	
Total	156,900	100.0	1.1	154,720	156,716	100.0	1.3	

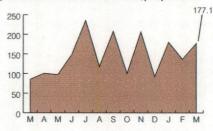
Commercial			09 vs. 10	Average	Average		YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Del Rio	2,372	9.5	-0.1	2,383	2,376	9.5	-0.3
Eagle Pass	1,672	6.7	-0.8	1,677	1,667	6.7	-0.6
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Harlingen	4,147	16.6	-0.6	4,146	4,146	16.6	0.0
Laredo	9,624	38.6	0.7	9,519	9,651	38.7	1.4
McAllen	7,121	28.6	0.1	7,118	7,128	28.5	0.1
Total	24,936	100.0	0.2	24.843	24,968	100.0	0.5

Industrial City	Mar 10	%Share	09 vs. 10 %Chg	Average YTD 09	Average YTD 10	%Share	YTD %Chg
Brownsville	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Del Rio	43	9.6	0.0	43	44	9.7	1.6
Eagle Pass	21	4.7	-8.7	24	20	4.5	-14.1
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Harlingen	90	20.2	-4.3	94	92	20.5	-1.8
Laredo	176	39.5	-4.9	185	177	39.3	-4.3
McAllen	116	26.0	-1.7	118	116	25.9	-1.4
Total	446	100.0	-3.7	463	449	100.0	-3.0

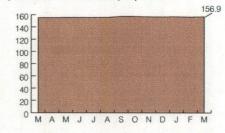
Source: American Electric Power Company, Brownsville Public Utilities Board & El Paso Electric Company Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding. Building Permits All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010 (Number of Permits): Up **95.5%**



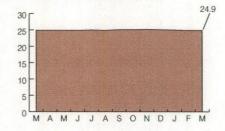
(Value of Permits In Millions of U.S.\$): Up 107.1%



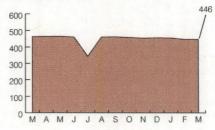
Power Connections All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010 (Residential – In Thousands): Up 1.1%



(Commercial - In Thousands): Up 0.2%



(Industrial): Down 3.7%



Mar 10 %Share %Chg YTD 09 22.0 17.541 8 047 Brownsville 40

09 vs. 10

Air Passenger Service Activity (Number of Passengers)

Total	200,480	100.0	0.9	535,084	527,908	100.0	-1.3	
McAllen	30,324	15.1	6.2	79,852	81,980	15.5	2.7	
Laredo	9,651	4.8	-11.6	30,281	26,399	5.0	-12.8	
Harlingen	35,454	17.7	-3.3	98,905	92,479	17.5	-6.5	
El Paso	117,004	58.4	0.9	308,505	306,360	58.0	-0.7	
Brownsville	8,047	4.0	22.0	17,541	20,690	3.9	18.0	
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Departures			09 vs. 10				YTD
City	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	8,469	4.2	19.4	18,697	22,148	4.1	18.5
El Paso	116,996	57.8	0.2	311,212	309,186	57.8	-0.7
Harlingen	35,739	17.7	-8.4	102,231	93,643	17.5	-8.4
Laredo	9,823	4.9	-9.3	30,278	25,501	4.8	-15.8
McAllen	31,229	15.4	7.8	80,869	84,076	15.7	4.0
Total	202,256	100.0	-0.2	543,287	534,554	100.0	-1.6

Source: Airports in cited cities

Arrivals

City

Port of Brownsville	(Total Ca	argo in Me	etric Tons)				
Cargo Type	Mar 10	%Share	09 vs. 10 %Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	YTD %Chg
Break Bulk	76,973	26.9	-43.5	331,762	159,319	23.1	-52.0
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Grain Bulk	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Liquid	356	0.1	-99.2	363,986	7,071	1.0	-98.1
Machinery	1,767	0.6	N/A	59	3,348	0.5	5540.3
Ores-Minerals	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Other	0	0.0	-100.0	3,044	1	0.0	-100.0
Petroleum	206,801	72.3	2.0	569,644	520,493	75.4	-8.6
Steel-Other Materials	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Total	285,898	100.0	-25.9	1,268,495	690,232	100.0	-45.6

Source: Port of Brownsville

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Inbound			09 vs. 10				YTD
Cargo Type	Mar 10	%Share	%Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Break Bulk	59,029	1.3	287.0	27,764	72,941	0.6	162.7
Chemical	8,236	0.2	-33.5	25,649	26,010	0.2	1.4
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Dry Bulk	392,382	8.7	0.7	1,093,767	1,204,308	9.5	10.1
Grain Bulk	0	0.0	0.0	1,623	3,191	0.0	96.6
Liquid	20,348	0.5	211.9	12,133	96,068	0.8	691.8
Petroleum	4,036,851	89.4	-7.2	11,371,804	11,300,673	89.0	-0.6
Total	4,516,847	100.0	-5.4	12,532,740	12,703,190	100.0	1.4

Outbound			YTD				
Cargo Type	Mar 10	%Share	09 vs. 10 %Chg	YTD 09	YTD 10	%Share	%Chg
Break Bulk	13,593	0.5	-51.3	49,184	22,931	0.3	-53.4
Chemical	175,053	6.4	396.4	149,417	328,494	4.2	119.9
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Dry Bulk	228,426	8.3	-3.0	538,066	498,943	6.4	-7.3
Grain Bulk	221,900	8.1	-23.6	1,245,496	1,066,451	13.7	-14.4
Liquid	3,621	0.1	N/A	0	42,703	0.5	N/A
Petroleum	2,100,572	76.6	8.5	5,618,071	5,847,167	74.9	4.1
Total	2,743,165	100.0	8.7	7,600,234	7,806,690	100.0	2.7

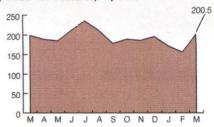
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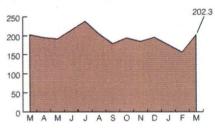
Air Passenger Activity All Cited Cities Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010 (Arrivals - In Thousands): Up 0.9%

YTD

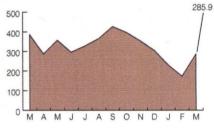
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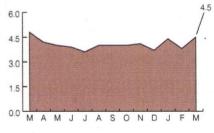
(Departures - In Thousands): Down 0.2%



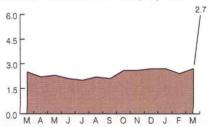
Port of Brownsville Total Cargo Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010: Down 25.9% (In Thousands of Metric Tons)



Port of Corpus Christi Cargo Mar. 2009 vs. Mar. 2010 (Inbound - In Millions of U.S. Tons): Down 5.4%



(Outbound - In Millions of U.S. Tons): Up 8.7%





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	2,936,454	4,903,470	1,967,016	67.0	Naco	2,478,851	2,986,759	507,908	20.5
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	79,366,710	144,736,284	65,369,574	82.4	San Luis	168,561,905	202,377,929	33,816,024	20.1
		30,380,359,581	5,652,418,884	22.9	Total	30,250,332,256	41,006,558,163	10,756,225,907	35.6
srr	esa esa Airpo o a Station East	4,395,999,829 54,326,024 146,621 3,591,997 esa 96,429,317 esa Airport 0 80,321 13,828,378 0 30,932,609 98,819,758 a Station 2,222,809,519 East 826,515,894 109,750,898 1,288,665 2,936,454 1,349,780,139 143,791	4,395,999,829 5,392,843,909 54,326,024 38,508,831 146,621 388,679 3,591,997 9,302,383 esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 esa Airport 0 0 80,321 204,671 13,828,378 27,442,561 0 30,932,609 49,744,227 98,819,758 106,755,679 a Station 2,222,809,519 2,432,392,150 2,432,392,150 East 826,515,894 1,066,207,967 109,750,898 111,535,713 1,288,665 1,350,110 2,936,454 4,903,470 1,349,780,139 1,687,824,824 143,791 127,314 79,366,710 144,736,284	4,395,999,829 5,392,843,909 996,844,080 54,326,024 38,508,831 -15,817,193 146,621 388,679 242,058 3,591,997 9,302,383 5,710,386 esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 688,069,121 esa Airport 0 0 0 80,321 204,671 124,350 13,828,378 27,442,561 13,614,183 o 30,932,609 49,744,227 18,811,618 98,819,758 106,755,679 7,935,921 a Station 2,222,809,519 2,432,392,150 209,582,631 East 826,515,894 1,066,207,967 239,692,073 109,750,898 111,535,713 1,784,815 1,288,665 1,350,110 61,445 2,936,454 4,903,470 1,967,016 1,349,780,139 1,687,824,824 338,044,685 143,791 127,314 -16,477 79,366,710 144,736,284 65,369,574	4,395,999,829 5,392,843,909 996,844,080 22.7 54,326,024 38,508,831 -15,817,193 -29.1 146,621 388,679 242,058 165.1 3,591,997 9,302,383 5,710,386 159.0 esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 668,069,121 713.5 esa Airport 0 0 0 - 80,321 204,671 124,350 154.8 13,828,378 27,442,561 13,614,183 98.5 o 30,932,609 49,744,227 18,811,618 60.8 98,819,758 106,755,679 7,935,921 8.0 a Station 2,222,809,519 2,432,392,150 209,582,631 9.4 East 826,515,894 1,066,207,967 239,692,073 29.0 109,750,898 111,535,713 1,784,815 1.6 1,288,665 1,350,110 61,445 4.8 2,936,454 4,903,470 1,967,016 67.0 1,349,780,139 1,687,824,824 338,0	4,395,999,829 5,392,843,909 996,844,080 22.7 El Paso 54,326,024 38,508,831 -15,817,193 -29.1 Presidio 146,621 388,679 242,058 165.1 Fabens 3,591,997 9,302,383 5,710,386 159.0 Columbus esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 688,069,121 713.5 Santa Teresa esa Airport 0 0 0 Santa Teresa Airpor 80,321 204,671 124,350 154.8 Andrade Santa Teresa 13,828,378 27,442,267 18,811,618 60.8 San Ysidro Tecate a St	4,395,999,829 5,392,843,909 996,844,080 22.7 El Paso 5,826,775,936 54,326,024 38,508,831 -15,817,193 -29.1 Presidio 31,181,301 146,621 388,679 242,058 165.1 Fabens 0 3,591,997 9,302,383 5,710,386 159.0 Columbus 4,019,406 esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 688,069,121 713.5 Santa Teresa 239,696,433 esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 688,069,121 713.5 Santa Teresa 239,696,433 esa 96,321 204,671 124,350 154.8 Andrade 0 13,828,378 27,442,561 13,614,183 98.5 Calexico 0 0 30,932,609 49,744,227 18,811,618 60.8 San Ysidro 0 98,819,758 106,755,679 7,935,921 8.0 Tecate 117,800,538 East 826,515,894 1,066,207,967 239,692,073 29.0 Calexico-East 1,235,805,605	4,395,999,829 5,392,843,909 996,844,080 22.7 El Paso 5,826,775,936 7,282,733,621 54,326,024 38,508,831 -15,817,193 -29.1 Presidio 31,181,301 27,675,992 146,621 388,679 242,058 165.1 Fabens 0 0 3,591,997 9,302,383 5,710,386 159.0 Columbus 4,019,406 4,007,329 esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 688,069,121 713.5 Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 esa Airport 0 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 esa Airport 0 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 esa Airport 0 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 esa Airport 0 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 esa Airport 0 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,280,564 o 30,321 204,671 </td <td>4,395,999,829 5,392,843,909 996,844,080 22.7 El Paso 5,826,775,936 7,282,733,621 1,455,957,685 54,326,024 38,508,831 -15,817,193 -29.1 Presidio 31,181,301 27,675,992 -3,505,309 146,621 388,679 242,058 165.1 Fabens 0 0 0 3,591,997 9,302,383 5,710,386 159.0 Columbus 4,019,406 4,007,329 -12,077 esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 688,069,121 713.5 Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 1,624,594,131 esa Airport 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 1,624,594,131 esa Airport 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 1,624,594,131 esa Airport 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 80,321 204,671 124,550 154.8 Andrade 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0</td>	4,395,999,829 5,392,843,909 996,844,080 22.7 El Paso 5,826,775,936 7,282,733,621 1,455,957,685 54,326,024 38,508,831 -15,817,193 -29.1 Presidio 31,181,301 27,675,992 -3,505,309 146,621 388,679 242,058 165.1 Fabens 0 0 0 3,591,997 9,302,383 5,710,386 159.0 Columbus 4,019,406 4,007,329 -12,077 esa 96,429,317 784,498,438 688,069,121 713.5 Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 1,624,594,131 esa Airport 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 1,624,594,131 esa Airport 0 0 - Santa Teresa 239,696,433 1,864,290,564 1,624,594,131 esa Airport 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 80,321 204,671 124,550 154.8 Andrade 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0