

Top 25 Products Handled at U.S.-Mexico Border Ports—May 2007 Year-to-Date

U.S.-Mexico border ports processed \$112.6 billion or 81.4 percent of the total trade dollar value of U.S.-Mexico merchandise (\$138.3 billion) for the period, January-May 2007. Of the amount handled at these ports, \$46.7 billion was in U.S. exports to Mexico, and \$65.9 billion was in U.S. imports from Mexico. The list below shows the top twenty-five U.S. exports to Mexico which accounted for 46.0 percent of the \$46.7 billion total. The top twenty-five U.S. imports from Mexico are also shown and constituted 61.0 percent of the \$65.9 billion total. These were by way of the border ports. —*B. Garcia*

U.S. Exports to Mexico Top 25 vía U.S.-Mexico Border Ports (January-May 2007)

Port of Entry	Rank	SITC	Product Description	US\$ Value
Laredo, TX	1	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	3,414,424,874
El Paso, TX	2	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	2,102,258,767
Laredo, TX	3	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	1,915,080,935
Laredo, TX	4	74	General Industrial Machinery and Equipment, N.E.S., and Machine Parts, N.E.S.	1,204,168,958
Laredo, TX	5	71	Power Generating Machinery and Equipment	1,169,420,832
Laredo, TX	6	57	Plastics in Primary Forms	1,137,213,221
El Paso, TX	7	75	Office Machines and Automatic Data Processing Machines	857,978,701
Laredo, TX	8	68	Nonferrous Metals	766,550,835
Laredo, TX	9	75	Office Machines and Automatic Data Processing Machines	708,828,077
Otay Mesa Sta., CA	10	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	696,640,696
Nogales, AZ	11	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	625,809,623
Laredo, TX	12	89	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles, N.E.S.	622,147,457
El Paso, TX	13	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	570,544,238
Laredo, TX	14	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	567,874,112
Hidalgo, TX	15	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	545,431,561
Laredo, TX	16	69	Manufactures of Metals, N.E.S.	534,881,955
Hidalgo, TX	17	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	506,552,739
Laredo, TX	18	01	Meat and Meat Preparations	477,342,783
Brownsville, TX	19	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	473,462,401
El Paso, TX	20	89	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles, N.E.S.	463,342,180
El Paso, TX	21	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	446,891,240
Hidalgo, TX	22	89	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles, N.E.S.	437,446,087
Laredo, TX	23	64	Paper, Paperboard, and Articles of Paper Pulp, Paper or Paper Board	415,663,599
Laredo, TX	24	67	Iron and Steel	409,035,844
El Paso, TX	25	68	Nonferrous Metals	398,716,44

U.S. Imports from Mexico Top 25 vía U.S.-Mexico Border Ports (January-May 2007)

Port of Entry	Rank	SITC	Product Description	US\$ Value
Laredo, TX	1	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	5,915,982,018
Otay Mesa Sta., CA	2	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	3,644,784,448
Laredo, TX	3	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	3,277,990,224

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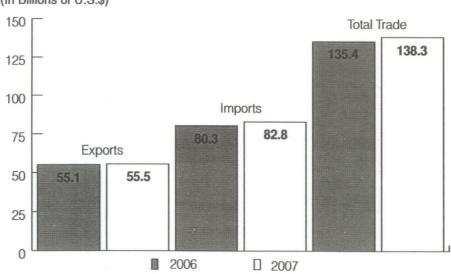
Note from the Director

Indicators of border business activity for May 2007 year-to-date (YTD) demonstrated eleven indicators increased and eleven decreased. 2007 YTD comparisons to 2006 reported for the border are listed below:

- · Pedestrian bridge crossings into Mexico were down 1.8 percent.
- Pedestrian bridge crossings into Texas were up 3.1 percent.
- · Vehicle bridge crossings into Mexico fell 5.2 percent.
- · Vehicle bridge crossings into Texas fell 6.0 percent.
- · Truck bridge crossings into Mexico lost 2.1 percent.
- Truck bridge crossings into Texas gained 2.2 percent.
- Rail car bridge crossings into Mexico went up 2.5 percent.
- Rail car bridge crossings into Texas went down 4.1 percent.
- · Revenues collected by U.S. Customs increased 8.7 percent.
- Revenues collected by U.S. bridge operators registered a loss of 2.7 percent.
- Tourist visas issued for entry into Mexico were down 7.0 percent.
- Total employment was up 1.1 percent, with 5,401 jobs gained. The average unemployment rate for the border in May 2007 was 5.5 percent.
- Total building permits issued rose 2.9 percent.
- Total building permit values increased 126.1 percent.
- Power connections in service for residential were up 2.8 percent, commercial were up 3.0 percent and industrial were down 2.3 percent.
- Air passenger arrivals were down 21.0 percent, and departures were down 24.3 percent.
- Total cargo for the Port of Brownsville decreased 3.0 percent.
- · Inbound cargo for the Port of Corpus Christi went up 0.6 percent, and outbound cargo went up 19.8 percent.

U.S.-Mexico Trade at a Glance

May 2007 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

			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	184,820	14.3	-4.3	961,493	896,841	14.3	-6.7
Del Rio	3,762	0.3	9.4	19,973	19,554	0.3	-2.1
Eagle Pass	56,064	4.3	12.8	254,333	262,002	4.2	3.0
El Paso	484,351	37.6	16.7	2,061,523	2,179,635	34.8	5.7
Harlingen	103	0.0	-21.4	514	316	0.0	-38.5
Laredo	322,275	25.0	-5.3	1,679,033	1,496,648	23.9	-10.9
McAllen-Hidalgo	139,628	10.8	11.0	632,374	669,885	10.7	5.9
Progreso	79,485	6.2	5.9	684,211	648,164	10.3	-5.3
Rio Grande	9	0.0	-88.8	478	261	0.0	-45.4
Roma	18,468	1.4	4.9	87,695	91,225	1.5	4.0
Total	1,288,965	100.0	5.6	6,381,627	6,264,531	100.0	-1.8

Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities

Pedestrian Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	220,205	13.9	-2.3	1,140,579	1,091,514	14.1	-4.3
Del Rio	5,475	0.3	5.9	29,593	28,816	0.4	-2.6
Eagle Pass	64,716	4.1	9.9	293,063	301,765	3.9	3.0
El Paso	622,879	39.2	13.9	2,642,001	2,848,984	36.7	7.8
Laredo	401,991	25.3	8.0	1,859,812	1,914,633	24.6	2.9
McAllen-Hidalgo	169,730	10.7	8.0	771,859	808,921	10.4	4.8
Presidio	2,095	0.1	37.2	9,180	11,100	0.1	20.9
Progreso	79,967	5.0	7.1	679,387	649,260	8.4	-4.4
Rio Grande	1,458	0.1	17.3	6,692	7,441	0.1	11.2
Roma	20,715	1.3	6.0	100,814	105,222	1.4	4.4
Total	1,589,231	100.0	8.6	7,532,980	7,767,656	100.0	3.1

Source: Oficina de Caminos y Puentes Federales, Mexico

Vehicle Bridge Crossings from Texas to Mexico

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			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	538,344	20.0	-5.7	2,821,752	2,593,169	20.1	-8.1
Del Rio	203,773	7.6	39.9	711,217	743,806	5.8	4.6
Eagle Pass	242,259	9.0	-5.6	1,270,042	1,152,609	8.9	-9.2
El Paso	381,345	14.2	-7.0	1,994,197	1,857,969	14.4	-6.8
Harlingen	58,121	2.2	-1.4	292,512	281,111	2.2	-3.9
Laredo	491,406	18.2	-1.9	2,482,994	2,320,413	18.0	-6.5
McAllen-Hidalgo	426,245	15.8	-3.1	2,179,704	2,050,850	15.9	-5.9
Pharr	145,954	5.4	-2.5	749,639	853,449	6.6	13.8
Progreso	79,726	3.0	-2.3	441,494	415,632	3.2	-5.9
Rio Grande	45,903	1.7	-6.0	245,573	235,232	1.8	-4.2
Roma	80,416	3.0	-4.6	417,391	389,433	3.0	-6.7
Total	2,693,492	100.0	-2.0	13,606,515	12,893,673	100.0	-5.2
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Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities

Vehicle Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

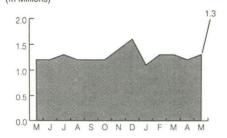
			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	538,855	18.4	-6.9	2,865,825	2,603,054	18.1	-9.2
Del Rio	149,338	5.1	-5.8	771,894	731,382	5.1	-5.2
Eagle Pass	251,983	8.6	-5.8	1,337,562	1,216,005	8.5	-9.1
El Paso	608,936	20.8	0.2	2,870,717	2,985,026	20.8	4.0
Harlingen	64,452	2.2	0.7	325,954	332,225	2.3	1.9
Laredo	442,203	15.1	-12.0	2,556,804	2,207,037	15.4	-13.7
McAllen-Hidalgo	393,709	13.5	-3.2	2,094,697	1,917,191	13.4	-8.5
Pharr	200,309	6.8	-1.9	991,367	976,616	6.8	-1.5
Presidio	60,113	2.1	-4.8	315,245	301,422	2.1	-4.4
Progreso	83,202	2.8	-2.0	448,167	434,385	3.0	-3.1
Rio Grande	53,925	1.8	-0.2	274,994	262,877	1.8	-4.4
Roma	79,187	2.7	-4.8	417,569	389,443	2.7	-6.7
Total	2,926,212	100.0	-4.8	15,270,795	14,356,663	100.0	-6.0

Source: Oficina de Caminos y Puentes Federales, Mexico

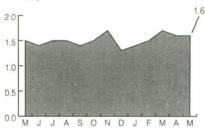
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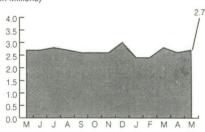
Pedestrians into Mexico All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Up **5.6%** (In Millions)



Pedestrians into Texas All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Up 8.6% (In Millions)



Vehicles into Mexico All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down 2.0% (In Millions)



Vehicles into Texas All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down 4.8% (In Millions)



Truck Bridge Crossings from Texas to Mexico

			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	17,989	7.2	-7.4	90,954	84,676	7.1	-6.9
Del Rio	6,169	2.5	-1.0	29,886	29,286	2.4	-2.0
Eagle Pass	8,483	3.4	1.1	40,937	39,760	3.3	-2.9
El Paso	29,822	12.0	4.8	133,941	135,752	11.3	1.4
Harlingen	3,098	1.2	-22.7	16,610	13,258	1.1	-20.2
Laredo	135,817	54.5	-5.6	699,526	671,996	56.1	-3.9
McAllen-Hidalgo	322	0.1	-56.0	6,621	1,607	0.1	-75.7
Pharr	40,644	16.3	12.8	174,467	189,687	15.8	8.7
Progreso	3,061	1.2	29.8	12,468	14,438	1.2	15.8
Rio Grande	2,873	1.2	-12.9	14,869	13,576	1.1	-8.7
Roma	973	0.4	-1.2	4,429	4,500	0.4	1.6
Total	249,251	100.0	-1.8	1,224,708	1,198,536	100.0	-2.1

Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities

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

Truck Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	16,808	5.7	-6.1	85,865	77,684	5.6	-9.5
Del Rio	5,770	2.0	-2.1	28,522	26,763	1.9	-6.2
Eagle Pass	8,729	- 3.0	2.7	40,827	40,686	2.9	-0.3
El Paso	70,350	23.8	3.3	315,499	325,252	23.6	3.1
Falcon Heights	2	0.0	-60.0	23	11	0.0	-52.2
Harlingen	3,579	1.2	-16.7	17,160	16,063	1.2	-6.4
Laredo	136,715	46.3	4.0	620,565	643,762	46.7	3.7
Pharr	44,448	15.1	12.4	202,413	207,886	15.1	2.7
Presidio	663	0.2	55.6	2,438	3,378	0.2	38.6
Progreso	3,382	1.1	25.7	13,168	17,746	1.3	34.8
Rio Grande	3,843	1.3	5.8	19,923	17,033	1.2	-14.5
Roma	792	0.3	4.8	3,467	3,479	0.3	0.3
Total	295,081	100.0	4.2	1,349,870	1,379,743	100.0	2.2

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

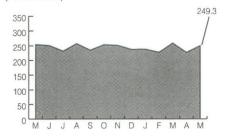
Rail Car Crossings from Texas to Mexico

		06 vs. 07				YTD
May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
3,719	12.4	-23.1	20,555	20,256	13.5	-1.5
6,426	21.4	0.2	29,666	31,205	20.7	5.2
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
19,948	66.3	0.2	96,553	99,035	65.8	2.6
30,093	100.0	-3.4	146,774	150,496	100.0	2.5
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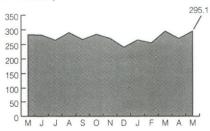
Source: Railroad companies in cited cities

Note: Figures for El Paso are not available.

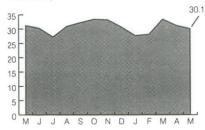
Trucks into Mexico All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down 1.8% (In Thousands)



Trucks into Texas All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Up **4.2%** (In Thousands)



Rail Cars into Mexico All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down 3.4% (In Thousands)

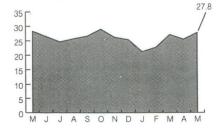


Rail Car Crossings from Mexico to Texas

						YTD	
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	520	1.9	-16.5	2,448	2,858	2.3	16.7
Eagle Pass	4,008	14.4	-6.2	18,863	18,150	14.6	-3.8
El Paso	9,571	34.4	3.9	41,617	42,314	34.1	1.7
Laredo	13,701	49.3	-3.5	66,608	60,865	49.0	-8.6
Total	27.800	100.0	-1.8	129,536	124,187	100.0	-4.1

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

Rail Cars into Texas All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down 1.8% (In Thousands)



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Customs Revenues for the District of Laredo May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down 7.8%

(In Millions of U.S.\$)

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

			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	2,307,311	6.5	31.4	8,214,719	9,206,884	5.4	12.1
Del Rio	146,346	0.4	-0.3	855,544	745,045	0.4	-12.9
Eagle Pass	703,742	2.0	-67.7	8,215,463	3,170,104	1.9	-61.4
McAllen-Hidalgo	4,498,018	12.7	26.0	17,938,518	20,504,610	12.0	14.3
Laredo	27,570,872	77.8	-10.1	120,974,167	136,071,698	79.9	12.5
Progreso	57,777	0.2	11.4	184,604	207,450	0.1	12.4
Rio Grande	35,297	0.1	1.6	139,941	109,243	0.1	-21.9
Roma	117,619	0.3	447.7	222,112	375,611	0.2	69.1
Total	35,436,982	100.0	-7.8	156,745,068	170,390,645	100.0	8.7

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.\$)

			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	1,273,760	14.7	-4.5	6,560,130	6,089,638	14.8	-7.2
Del Rio	280,475	3.2	-4.4	1,434,419	1,422,452	3.5	-0.8
Eagle Pass	630,437	7.3	14.1	2,791,370	3,019,629	7.3	8.2
El Paso	1,196,340	13.8	-1.4	5,924,312	5,688,163	13.8	-4.0
Harlingen	191,574	2.2	-2.4	928,318	891,239	2.2	-4.0
Laredo	3,248,825	37.5	-1.7	15,911,176	15,483,459	37.7	-2.7
McAllen-Hidalgo	901,988	10.4	-2.0	4,591,961	4,343,869	10.6	-5.4
Pharr	718,971	8.3	17.7	2,964,001	3,086,092	7.5	4.1
Roma	223,661	2.6	-2.8	1,139,325	1,076,126	2.6	-5.5
Total	8,666,031	100.0	0.1	42,245,011	41,100,667	100.0	-2.7

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

			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Del Rio	234	0.6	-56.7	2,523	2,025	1.0	-19.7
El Paso	8,224	20.7	-4.2	39,616	38,666	18.3	-2.4
McAllen-Hidalgo	8,216	20.6	-8.2	51,542	46,210	21.9	-10.3
Brownsville	4,891	12.3	-13.8	28,946	26,358	12.5	-8.9
Laredo	16,198	40.7	-19.7	92,943	85,930	40.7	-7.5
Eagle Pass	2,039	5.1	-7.7	11,447	11,902	5.6	4.0
Total	39,802	100.0	-13.7	227,017	211,091	100.0	-7.0

Source: Instituto Nacional de Migracion, Mexico



Tourist Visas Issued All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down 13.7%

(In Thousands)

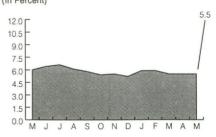
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Employment & Unemployment Rates (Texas Border)

City	Employed May 07	Unemployed May 07	%Unemp May 07	Emp Avg YTD 06	Emp Avg YTD 07	06 vs. 07 Emp %Chg	Gain/Loss YTD
Brownsville	57,808	3,397	5.6	57,371	58,310	1.6	939
Del Rio	15,105	768	4.8	14,933	15,204	1.8	271
El Paso	233,333	15,790	6.3	234,382	234,262	-0.1	-120
Harlingen	23,494	1,174	4.8	23,317	23,698	1.6	382
Laredo	79,321	3,423	4.1	78,362	79,861	1.9	1,499
McAllen	55,139	2,463	4.3	53,598	55,287	3.2	1,689
Pharr	21,804	1,125	4.9	21,121	21,862	3.5	741
Total	486,004	28,140	5.5	483,083	488,484	1.1	5,401
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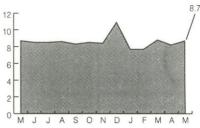
Percent of Unemployment All Cited Cities Combined May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down 8.7% (In Percent)



Source: Texas Workforce Commission

Note: Figures are preliminary and subject to revision. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Bridge Revenues All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007: Up 0.1% (In Millions of U.S.\$)



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YTD - Year-to-date %Chg - Percent Change Avg - Average Gain/Loss - Jobs gained or lost N/A - Data Not Available

Building Permits							
Number			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	268	8.2	-1.5	1,437	1,303	9.0	-9.3
Del Rio	189	5.8	-16.4	1,178	1,094	7.5	-7.1
Eagle Pass	45	1.4	4.7	187	205	1.4	9.6
El Paso	1,461	44.9	40.5	4,769	5,906	40.6	23.8
Harlingen	299	9.2	2.7	1,649	1,190	8.2	-27.8
Laredo	613	18.8	-20.5	3,920	3,184	21.9	-18.8
McAllen	378	11.6	67.3	997	1,662	11.4	66.7
Total	3,253	100.0	13.4	14,137	14,544	100.0	2.9

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Dollar Value			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	343,897,073	58.0	1857.1	113,121,588	408,433,501	21.8	261.1
Del Rio	1,567,331	0.3	-24.3	15,402,037	6,654,609	0.4	-56.8
Eagle Pass	4,002,001	0.7	92.8	10,026,629	15,021,013	0.8	49.8
El Paso	77,726,537	13.1	24.2	325,325,820	1,000,456,857	53.5	207.5
Harlingen	5,370,005	0.9	-32.7	48,367,874	23,873,830	1.3	-50.6
Laredo	43,415,905	7.3	6.7	196,809,295	187,192,298	10.0	-4.9
McAllen	117,003,099	19.7	562.7	117,859,400	227,914,854	12.2	93.4
Total	592,981,951	100.0	293.7	826,912,643	1,869,546,963	100.0	126.1

Source: Permit Departments in cited cities

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

Power Connections (in Service)

Residential			06 vs. 07	Average	Average		YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Del Rio	15,088	10.0	1.5	14,813	15,028	10.0	1.5
Eagle Pass	11,168	7.4	1.5	10,955	11,167	7.4	1.9
El Paso	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Harlingen	24,339	16.1	3.3	23,531	24,200	16.1	2.8
Laredo	62,195	41.1	3.3	59,700	61,620	41.0	3.2
McAllen	38,484	25.4	2.7	37,427	38,453	25.6	2.7
Total	151,274	100.0	2.8	146,426	150,469	100.0	2.8

Commercial City	May 07	%Share	06 vs. 07 %Chg	Average YTD 06	Average YTD 07	%Share	YTD %Chg
Brownsville	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Del Rio	2,368	9.6	-0.6	2,340	2,371	9.7	1.3
Eagle Pass	1,687	6.9	-2.7	1,703	1,681	6.9	-1.3
El Paso	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Harlingen	4,099	16.7	1.8	4,041	4,102	16.8	1.5
Laredo	9,464	38.5	2.5	8,928	9,393	38.4	5.2
McAllen	6,962	28.3	2.1	6,757	6,929	28.3	2.5
Total	24,580	100.0	1.6	23,769	24,476	100.0	3.0

Industrial City	May 07	%Share	06 vs. 07 %Chg	Average YTD 06	Average YTD 07	%Share	YTD %Chg
Brownsville	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Del Rio	44	9.1	-2.2	44	43	8.7	-4.1
Eagle Pass	29	6.0	3.6	28	29	5.9	2.1
El Paso	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Harlingen	101	20.8	0.0	102	101	20.7	-0.8
Laredo	194	39.9	-3.5	202	196	40.3	-2.9
McAllen	118	24.3	-3.3	122	119	24.4	-2.9
Total	486	100.0	-2.2	499	488	100.0	-2.3

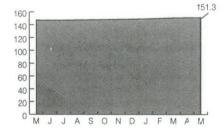
Source: American Electric Power Company, Brownsville Public Utilities Board & El Paso Electric Company Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding. Building Permits All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007 (Number of Permits): Up 13.4%



(Value of Permits In Millions of U.S.\$): Up 293.7%

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Power Connections All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007 (Residential – In Thousands): Up 2.8%



(Commercial - In Thousands): Up 1.6%



(Industrial): Down 2.2%



Air Passenger Service Activity (Number of Passengers)

Arrivals			06 vs. 07				YTD	
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg	
Brownsville	7,652	5.4	1.7	37,261	39,671	4.6	6.5	
El Paso	56,263	39.5	-61.9	668,868	423,897	49.4	-36.6	
Harlingen	36,379	25.5	5.2	180,045	182,175	21.2	1.2	
Laredo	8,580	6.0	18.6	36,015	39,563	4.6	9.9	
McAllen	33,707	23.6	4.6	163,400	172,649	20.1	5.7	
Total	142,581	100.0	-37.9	1,085,589	857,955	100.0	-21.0	

Departures			06 vs. 07				YTD
City	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	8,003	6.4	3.5	38,530	40,774	4.8	5.8
El Paso	56,367	45.1	-63.1	684,462	423,769	50.2	-38.1
Harlingen	36,713	29.4	1.3	189,939	188,685	22.3	-0.7
Laredo	8,530	6.8	17.4	36,153	39,314	4.7	8.7
McAllen	15,449	12.4	-53.3	167,434	152,108	18.0	-9.2
Total	125,062	100.0	-47.2	1,116,518	844,650	100.0	-24.3

Source: Airports in cited cities

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Port of Brownsville (Total Cargo in Metric Tons)										
			06 vs. 07				YTD			
Cargo Type	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg			
Break Bulk	226,796	55.4	43.8	1,224,522	905,051	46.5	-26.1			
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0			
Grain Bulk	0	0.0	0.0	0	1,488	0.1	0.0			
Liquid	1,475	0.4	-98.5	148,289	129,362	6.6	-12.8			
Machinery	1,608	0.4	154.4	33,776	12,867	0.7	-61.9			
Ores - Minerals	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0			
Other	0	0.0	-100.0	635	0	0.0	-100.0			
Petroleum	179,568	43.9	8.2	599,110	897,887	46.1	49.9			
Steel - Other Minerals	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0			
Total	409,447	100.0	-3.8	2,006,332	1,946,655	100.0	-3.0			

Source: Port of Brownsville

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

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Port of Corpus Christi (Cargo in U.S. Tons)

Inbound			06 vs. 07				YTD
Cargo Type	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Break Bulk	26,957	0.6	285.6	74,713	120,852	0.5	61.8
Chemical	8,444	0.2	-42.4	64,067	57,483	0.2	-10.3
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Dry Bulk	440,529	9.1	59.3	2,293,216	2,394,965	10.3	4.4
Grain Bulk	0	0.0	0.0	3,471	0	0.0	-100.0
Liquid	26,468	0.5	0.0	74,378	129,551	0.6	74.2
Petroleum	4,352,433	89.7	6.4	20,548,783	20,501,199	88.4	-0.2
Total	4,854,830	100.0	10.6	23,058,628	23,204,050	100.0	0.6

Outbound			06 vs. 07				YTD
Cargo Type	May 07	%Share	%Chg	YTD 06	YTD 07	%Share	%Chg
Break Bulk	4,786	0.2	2441.5	25,111	42,986	0.3	71.2
Chemical	98,970	3.9	-26.9	647,415	705,179	4.7	8.9
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Dry Bulk	141,909	5.5	-20.2	941,226	2,927,924	19.7	211.1
Grain Bulk	204,217	8.0	27.0	711,873	906,395	6.1	27.3
Liquid	0	0.0	0.0	20,008	56,040	0.4	180.1
Petroleum	2,115,092	82.5	6.8	10,064,836	10,234,309	68.8	1.7
Total	2,564,976	100.0	4.5	12,410,468	14,872,832	100.0	19.8

Source: Port of Corpus Christi

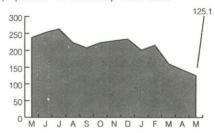
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Air Passenger Activity All Cited Cities May 2006 vs. May 2007

(Arrivals - In Thousands): Down 37.9%



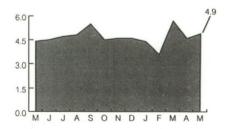
(Departures - In Thousands): Down 47.2%



Port of Brownsville Total Cargo May 2006 vs. May 2007: Down **3.8%** (In Thousands of Metric Tons)



Port of Corpus Christi Cargo May 2006 vs. May 2007 (Inbound – In Millions of U.S. Tons): Up 10.6%



(Outbound - In Millions of U.S. Tons): Up 4.5%



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Port of Entry	Rank	SITC	Product Description	US\$ Value
El Paso, TX	4	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	2,841,853,981
Laredo, TX	5	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	2,287,016,868
Eagle Pass, TX	6	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	1,933,881,514
Laredo, TX	7	71	Power Generating Machinery and Equipment	1,825,074,886
Laredo, TX	8	74	General Industrial Machinery and Equipment, N.E.S., and Machine Parts, N.E.S.	1,736,957,925
El Paso, TX	9	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	1,549,358,769
Nogales, AZ	10	05	Vegetables and Fruit	1,479,843,534
El Paso, TX	11	75	Office Machines and Automatic Data Processing Machines	1,364,398,743
Nogales, AZ	12	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	1,356,784,123
El Paso, TX	13	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	1,343,198,878
Calexico-East, CA	14	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	1,099,805,845
Hidalgo, TX	15	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	1,051,863,235
Hidalgo, TX	16	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	995,771,429
Laredo, TX	17	68	Nonferrous Metals	884,500,732
El Paso, TX	18	87	Professional, Scientific and Controlling Instruments and Apparatus, N.E.S.	793,068,569
Nogales, AZ	19	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	772,391,710
Laredo, TX	20	69	Manufactures of Metals, N.E.S.	754,760,020
Otay Mesa Sta., CA	21	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	742,655,598
Laredo, TX	22	75	Office Machines and Automatic Data Processing Machines	704,143,874
Laredo, TX	23	82	Furniture and Parts thereof; Bedding, Mattresses, Mattress Supports, Cushions and Similar Stuffed Furnishings	690,164,620
Brownsville, TX	24	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	604,662,703
El Paso, TX	25	82	Furniture and Parts thereof; Bedding, Mattresses, Mattress Supports, Cushions and Similar Stuffed Furnishings	585,289,20

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of The Census, Foreign Trade Division

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