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# Top 25 Products Handled at U.S.-Mexico Border Ports—May 2006 Year-to-Date

U.S.-Mexico border ports processed \$106.4 billion or 78.6 percent of the total trade dollar value of U.S.-Mexico merchandise (\$135.3 billion) for the period, January-May 2006. Of the amount handled at these ports, \$45.9 billion was in U.S. exports to Mexico, and \$60.5 billion was in U.S. imports from Mexico.

The list below shows the top twenty-five U.S. exports to Mexico which accounted for 47.5 percent of the \$45.9 billion total. The top twenty-five U.S. imports from Mexico are also shown and constituted 59.0 percent of the \$60.5 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 2005)

Port of Entry	Rank	SITC	Product Description	US\$ Value
Laredo, TX	1	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	3,003,293,594
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.)	2,258,501,491
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.)	1,588,634,430
El Paso, TX	4	75	Office Machines and Automatic Data Processing Machines	1,297,491,735
Laredo, TX	5	74	General Industrial Machinery and Equipment, N.E.S., and Machine Parts, N.E.S.	1,179,158,094
Laredo, TX	6	57	Plastics in Primary Forms	1,130,514,052
Laredo, TX	7	71	Power Generating Machinery and Equipment	1,119,533,878
Laredo, TX	8	68	Nonferrous Metals	838,676,007
Nogales, AZ	9	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	767,642,560
Laredo, TX	10	75	Office Machines and Automatic Data Processing Machines	746,542,997
Otay Mesa Sta., CA	11	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	694,968,408
Hidalgo, TX	12	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	678,987,785
Laredo, TX	13	89	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles, N.E.S.	645,157,155
Laredo, TX	14	69	Manufactures of Metals, N.E.S.	589,748,707
Laredo, TX	15	01	Meat and Meat Preparations	547,393,831
Brownsville, TX	16	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	518,997,438
Calexico-East, CA	17	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	495,172,612
Hidalgo, TX	18	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	485,716,645
Laredo, TX	19	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	482,390,636
Nogales, AZ	20	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	476,120,208
El Paso, TX	21	89	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles, N.E.S.	469,764,672
El Paso, TX	22	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	468,103,773
Laredo, TX	23	65	Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-Up Articles, N.E.S., and Related Products	458,492,082
El Paso, TX	24	74	General Industrial Machinery and Equipment, N.E.S., and Machine Parts, N.E.S.	431,076,238
Hidalgo, TX	25	74	General Industrial Machinery and Equipment, N.E.S., and Machine Parts, N.E.S.	423,501,762

# U.S. Imports from Mexico Top 25 vía U.S.-Mexico Border Ports (January-May 2005)

Port of Entry	Rank	SITC	Product Description	US\$ Value
Laredo, TX	1	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	6,065,878,129
Laredo, TX	2	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	2,730,451,810

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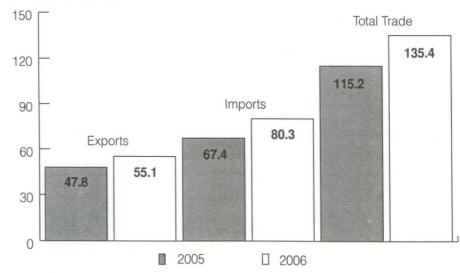
# Note from the Director

Indicators of border business activity for May 2006 year-to-date (YTD) demonstrated sixteen indicators increased and six decreased. 2006 YTD comparisons to 2005 reported for the border are listed below:

- Pedestrian bridge crossings into Mexico were up 0.6 percent.
- Pedestrian bridge crossings into Texas were up 3.3 percent.
- · Vehicle bridge crossings into Mexico fell 2.5 percent.
- Vehicle bridge crossings into Texas fell 2.7 percent.
- Truck bridge crossings into Mexico gained 10.4 percent.
- Truck bridge crossings into Texas gained 6.1 percent.
- Rail car bridge crossings into Mexico went down 2.3 percent.
- Rail car bridge crossings into Texas went up 20.3 percent.
- Revenues collected by U.S. Customs increased 6.7 percent.
- Revenues collected by U.S. bridge operators registered a gain of 9.3 percent.
- Tourist visas issued for entry into Mexico were up 0.2 percent.
- Total employment was up 2.9 percent, with 13,983 jobs gained. The average unemployment rate for the border in May 2006 was 6.1 percent.
- Total building permits issued rose 11.1 percent.
- Total building permit values decreased 3.2 percent.
- Power connections in service for residential were up 2.8 percent, commercial were up 1.8 percent and industrial were down 0.9 percent.
- Air passenger arrivals were up 0.9 percent, and departures were up 1.3 percent.
- Total cargo for the Port of Brownsville increased 26.1 percent.
- Inbound cargo for the Port of Corpus Christi went up 1.5 percent, and outbound cargo went down 4.1 percent.

# U.S.-Mexico Trade at a Glance

May 2006 Year-to-Date (In Billions of U.S.\$)



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

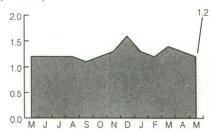
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# Pedestrian Bridge Crossings from Texas to Mexico

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	193,029	15.8	1.5	901,963	961,493	15.1	6.6
Del Rio	3,438	0.3	-26.6	24,106	19,973	0.3	-17.1
Eagle Pass	49,697	4.1	-7.2	255,907	254,333	4.0	-0.6
El Paso	415,177	34.0	-11.8	2,287,666	2,061,523	32.3	-9.9
Harlingen	131	0.0	23.6	482	514	0.0	6.6
Laredo	340,423	27.9	4.4	1,601,495	1,679,033	26.3	4.8
McAllen-Hidalgo	125,817	10.3	11.4	545,317	632,374	9.9	16.0
Progreso	75,050	6.1	0.3	659,969	684,211	10.7	3.7
Rio Grande	80	0.0	207.7	1,038	478	0.0	-53.9
Roma	17,602	1.4	45.3	63,572	87,695	1.4	37.9
Total	1,220,444	100.0	-2.0	6,341,515	6,381,627	100.0	0.6

Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities



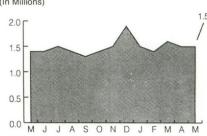


# Pedestrian Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	225,469	15.4	0.7	1,087,299	1,140,579	15.1	4.9
Del Rio	5,170	0.4	-20.1	37,299	29,593	0.4	-20.7
Eagle Pass	58,877	4.0	-2.6	288,490	293,063	3.9	1.6
El Paso	546,815	37.4	-4.4	2,728,370	2,642,001	35.1	-3.2
Laredo	372,371	25.5	4.5	1,762,525	1,859,812	24.7	5.5
McAllen-Hidalgo	157,212	10.7	18.0	636,421	771,859	10.2	21.3
Presidio	1,527	0.1	-11.4	10,114	9,180	0.1	-9.2
Progreso	74,652	5.1	0.1	652,785	679,387	9.0	4.1
Rio Grande	1,243	0.1	32.2	4,744	6,692	0.1	41.1
Roma	19,539	1.3	11.6	84,743	100,814	1.3	19.0
Total	1,462,875	100.0	1.1	7,292,790	7,532,980	100.0	3.3

Source: Oficina de Caminos y Puentes Federales, Mexico

# Pedestrians into Texas All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Up 1.1% (In Millions)

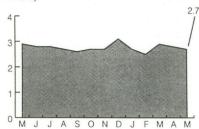


# Vehicle Bridge Crossings from Texas to Mexico

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	571,038	20.8	-2.5	2,832,150	2,821,752	20.7	-0.4
Del Rio	145,622	5.3	-1.1	706,945	711,217	5.2	0.6
Eagle Pass	256,748	9.3	-7.6	1,331,170	1,270,042	9.3	-4.6
El Paso	410,148	14.9	1.8	1,876,322	1,994,197	14.7	6.3
Harlingen	58,922	2.1	-2.5	289,214	292,512	2.1	1.1
Laredo	500,736	18.2	-13.2	2,756,834	2,482,994	18.2	-9.9
McAllen-Hidalgo	439,802	16.0	-7.5	2,266,869	2,179,704	16.0	-3.8
Pharr	149,759	5.5	-3.2	750,346	749,639	5.5	-0.1
Progreso	81,599	3.0	-3.5	446,974	441,494	3.2	-1.2
Rio Grande	48,848	1.8	-7.8	259,055	245,573	1.8	-5.2
Roma	84,292	3.1	-5.1	438,250	417,391	3.1	-4.8
Total	2,747,514	100.0	-5.5	13,954,129	13,606,515	100.0	-2.5

Source: U.S. bridge operators in cited cities

#### Vehicles into Mexico All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Down 5.5% (In Millions)

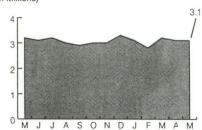


# Vehicle Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

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			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	578,515	18.8	-1.8	2,847,462	2,865,825	18.8	0.6
Del Rio	158,471	5.2	-0.6	759,114	771,894	5.1	1.7
Eagle Pass	267,595	8.7	-7.8	1,388,854	1,337,562	8.8	-3.7
El Paso	607,771	19.8	1.1	2,890,697	2,870,717	18.8	-0.7
Harlingen	63,991	2.1	-5.5	323,747	325,954	2.1	0.7
Laredo	502,719	16.3	-13.4	2,811,032	2,556,804	16.7	-9.0
McAllen-Hidalgo	406,607	13.2	-11.7	2,215,919	2,094,697	13.7	-5.5
Pharr	204,237	6.6	2.3	965,690	991,367	6.5	2.7
Presidio	63,172	2.1	-3.7	308,344	315,245	2.1	2.2
Progreso	84,902	2.8	0.7	443,264	448,167	2.9	1.1
Rio Grande	54,021	1.8	-8.9	290,905	274,994	1.8	-5.5
Roma	83,194	2.7	-7.0	444,309	417,569	2.7	-6.0
Total	3,075,195	100.0	-5.3	15,689,337	15,270,795	100.0	-2.7

Source: Oficina de Caminos y Puentes Federales, Mexico

Vehicles into Texas All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Down **5.3%** (In Millions)



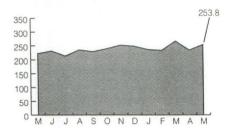
#### Truck Bridge Crossings from Texas to Mexico

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	19,419	7.7	10.5	84,290	90,954	7.4	7.9
Del Rio	6,231	2.5	8.6	42,694	29,886	2.4	-30.0
Eagle Pass	8,392	3.3	4.5	39,397	40,937	3.3	3.9
El Paso	28,459	11.2	11.4	125,102	133,941	10.9	7.1
Harlingen	4,007	1.6	-5.8	16,706	16,610	1.4	-0.6
Laredo	143,920	56.7	20.2	594,703	699,526	57.1	17.6
McAllen-Hidalgo	731	0.3	-58.4	8,502	6,621	0.5	-22.1
Pharr	36,041	14.2	7.9	168,936	174,467	14.2	3.3
Progreso	2,359	0.9	29.8	10,247	12,468	1.0	21.7
Rio Grande	3,297	1.3	-2.9	14,974	14,869	1.2	-0.7
Roma	985	0.4	4.7	4,268	4,429	0.4	3.8
Total	253,841	100.0	14.2	1,109,819	1,224,708	100.0	10.4

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.

#### Trucks into Mexico All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Up **14.2%** (In Thousands)

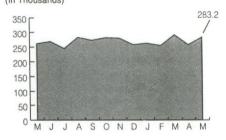


Truck Bridge Crossings from Mexico to Texas

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	17,899	6.3	11.4	77,077	85,865	6.4	11.4
Del Rio	5,893	2.1	39.3	25,770	28,522	2.1	10.7
Eagle Pass	8,499	3.0	1.5	41,254	40,827	3.0	-1.0
El Paso	68,088	24.0	9.2	299,679	315,499	23.4	5.3
Falcon Heights	5	0.0	66.7	35	23	0.0	-34.3
Harlingen	4,296	1.5	1.5	17,616	17,160	1.3	-2.6
Laredo	131,464	46.4	9.6	570,213	620,565	46.0	8.8
Pharr	39,561	14.0	2.5	204,200	202,413	15.0	-0.9
Presidio	426	0.2	-5.8	2,279	2,438	0.2	7.0
Progreso	2,691	1.0	48.8	9,481	13,168	1.0	38.9
Rio Grande	3,632	1.3	-19.7	20,752	19,923	1.5	-4.0
Roma	756	0.3	-6.4	3,700	3,467	0.3	-6.3
Total	283,210	100.0	8.3	1,272,056	1,349,870	100.0	6.1

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

Trucks into Texas All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Up **8.3%** (In Thousands)

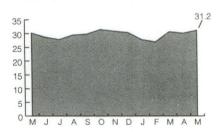


Rail Car Crossings from Texas to Mexico

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	4,836	15.5	44.8	17,534	20,555	14.0	17.2
Eagle Pass	6,413	20.6	-3.5	30,412	29,666	20.2	-2.5
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Laredo	19,910	63.9	-1.7	102,264	96,553	65.8	-5.6
Total	31,159	100.0	3.1	150,210	146,774	100.0	-2.3

Source: Railroad companies in cited cities
Note: Figures for El Paso are not available.

Rail Cars into Mexico All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Up 3.1% (In Thousands)



Rail Car Crossings from Mexico to Texas

		05 vs. 06						
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg	
Brownsville	623	2.2	-14.8	3,702	2,448	1.9	-33.9	
Eagle Pass	4,271	15.1	126.7	8,844	18,863	14.6	113.3	
El Paso	9,214	32.6	76.7	26,160	41,617	32.1	59.1	
Laredo	14,198	50.2	-6.4	68,979	66,608	51.4	-3.4	
Total	28,306	100.0	23.1	107,685	129,536	100.0	20.3	

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

Rail Cars into Texas All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Up **23.1%** (In Thousands)

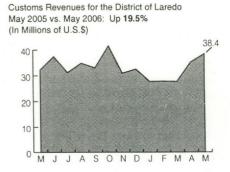


# Revenues Collected by U.S. Customs District of Laredo (in U.S.\$)

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	1,756,171	4.6	291.8	8,677,312	8,214,719	5.2	-5.3
Del Rio	146,811	0.4	3.7	590,703	855,544	0.5	44.8
Eagle Pass	2,178,163	5.7	48.4	5,768,578	8,215,463	5.2	42.4
McAllen-Hidalgo	3,570,554	9.3	-19.6	19,793,377	17,938,518	11.4	-9.4
Laredo	30,654,550	79.8	19.8	111,642,383	120,974,167	77.2	8.4
Progreso	51,874	0.1	128.1	155,106	184,604	0.1	19.0
Rio Grande	34,730	0.1	53.7	121,425	139,941	0.1	15.2
Roma	21,475	0.1	49.7	95,260	222,112	0.1	133.2
Total	38,414,327	100.0	19.5	146,844,143	156,745,068	100.0	6.7

Source: South Texas Customs Management Center, Laredo

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.



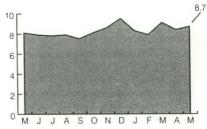
# Revenues Collected by U.S. Bridge Operators (in U.S.\$)

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	1,333,793	15.4	9.0	5,880,176	6,560,130	15.5	11.6
Del Rio	293,278	3.4	-2.3	1,437,031	1,434,419	3.4	-0.2
Eagle Pass	552,620	6.4	-9.3	2,930,682	2,791,370	6.6	-4.8
El Paso	1,213,225	14.0	1.8	5,656,255	5,924,312	14.0	4.7
Harlingen	196,202	2.3	5.2	849,316	928,318	2.2	9.3
Laredo	3,305,073	38.2	17.1	13,540,440	15,911,176	37.7	17.5
McAllen-Hidalgo	920,527	10.6	-7.6	4,544,353	4,591,961	10.9	1.0
Pharr	610,848	7.1	4.9	2,853,617	2,964,001	7.0	3.9
Roma	230,137	2.7	17.9	960,354	1,139,325	2.7	18.6
Total	8,655,702	100.0	6.8	38,652,223	42,245,011	100.0	9.3

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.

Bridge Revenues All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Up **6.8%** (In Millions of U.S.\$)



# **Tourist Visas Issued for Entry into Mexico**

			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Del Rio	541	1.2	-9.5	2,444	2,523	1.1	3.2
El Paso	8,583	18.6	-6.6	41,466	39,616	17.5	-4.5
McAllen-Hidalgo	8,950	19.4	-10.4	52,823	51,542	22.7	-2.4
Brownsville	5,671	12.3	-9.3	28,384	28,946	12.8	2.0
Laredo	20,166	43.7	4.8	89,809	92,943	40.9	3.5
Eagle Pass	2,209	4.8	-12.0	11,702	11,447	5.0	-2.2
Total	46,120	100.0	-3.5	226,628	227,017	100.0	0.2

Source: Instituto Nacional de Migracion, Mexico

Tourist Visas Issued All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006: Down 3.5% (In Thousands)



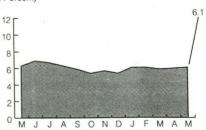
# Employment & Unemployment Rates (Texas Border)

	Employed	Unemployed	%Unemp	Emp Avg	<b>Emp Avg</b>	05 vs. 06	Gain/Loss
City	May 06	May 06	May 06	YTD 05	YTD 06	Emp %Chg	YTD
Brownsville	56,619	3,856	6.4	54,614	56,248	3.0	1,635
Del Rio	14,925	951	6.0	14,827	14,782	-0.3	-45
El Paso	236,999	16,545	6.5	232,791	236,805	1.7	4,013
Harlingen	23,609	1,493	5.9	22,773	23,455	3.0	682
Laredo	80,278	4,488	5.3	75,399	80,008	6.1	4,609
McAllen	55,255	2,985	5.1	53,212	55,445	4.2	2,233
Pharr	21,190	1,190	5.3	20,406	21,263	4.2	857
Total	488,875	31,508	6.1	474,022	488,005	2.9	13,983
Texas Unem	ployment Rat	e	4.9				
IIS Unempl	ovment Rate		4.4				

Source: Texas Workforce Commission

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

Percent of Unemployment All Cited Cities Combined May 2005 vs. May 2006: Up 2.1% (In Percent)



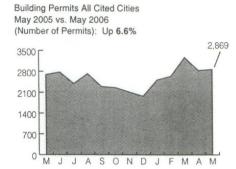
#### **Building Permits**

Number			YTD				
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	272	9.5	-20.5	1,581	1,437	10.2	-9.1
Del Rio	226	7.9	7.1	1,103	1,178	8.3	6.8
Eagle Pass	43	1.5	-27.1	263	187	1.3	-28.9
El Paso	1,040	36.2	-17.1	5,544	4,769	33.7	-14.0
Harlingen	291	10.1	17.3	1,402	1,649	11.7	17.6
Laredo	771	26.9	104.5	1,874	3,920	27.7	109.2
McAllen	226	7.9	13.0	955	997	7.1	4.4
Total	2,869	100.0	6.6	12,722	14,137	100.0	11.1

<b>Dollar Value</b>			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	17,571,515	11.7	-15.5	109,836,935	113,121,588	13.7	3.0
Del Rio	2,069,531	1.4	127.9	12,857,038	15,402,037	1.9	19.8
Eagle Pass	2,076,214	1.4	-53.0	25,876,235	10,026,629	1.2	-61.3
El Paso	62,603,618	41.6	-9.7	340,580,850	325,325,820	39.3	-4.5
Harlingen	7,980,756	5.3	67.7	29,851,677	48,367,874	5.8	62.0
Laredo	40,678,406	27.0	-9.6	176,422,624	196,809,295	23.8	11.6
McAllen	17,655,698	11.7	-28.3	158,660,316	117,859,400	14.3	-25.7
Total	150,635,738	100.0	-11.3	854,085,675	826,912,643	100.0	-3.2

Source: Permit Departments in cited cities

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







# Power Connections (in Service)

Residential			05 vs. 06	Average	Average		YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Del Rio	14,860	10.1	1.2	14,662	14,813	10.1	1.0
Eagle Pass	10,999	7.5	2.4	10,698	10,955	7.5	2.4
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Harlingen	23,564	16.0	2.2	23,045	23,531	16.1	2.1
Laredo	60,189	40.9	3.8	57,521	59,700	40.8	3.8
McAllen	37,485	25.5	2.5	36,581	37,427	25.6	2.3
Total	147,097	100.0	2.8	142,507	146,426	100.0	2.8

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Power Connections All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006

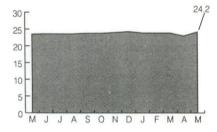
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(Residential - In Thousands): Up 2.8%

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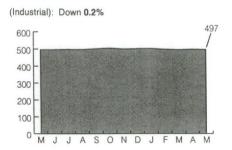
Total	24,199	100.0	3.1	23,354	23,769	100.0	1.8
McAllen	6,820	28.2	3.3	6,554	6,757	28.4	3.1
Laredo	9,237	38.2	4.0	8,833	8,928	37.6	1.1
Harlingen	4,026	16.6	0.8	3,984	4,041	17.0	1.4
El Paso	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Eagle Pass	1,733	7.2	2.5	1,679	1,703	7.2	1.4
Del Rio	2,383	9.8	3.2	2,305	2,340	9.8	1.5
Brownsville	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Commercial City	May 06	%Share	05 vs. 06 %Chg	Average YTD 05	Average YTD 06	%Share	YTD %Chg







Source: American Electric Power Company, Brownsville Public Utilities Board & El Paso Electric Company
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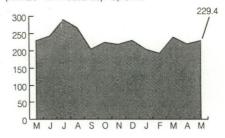
# Air Passenger Service Activity (Number of Passengers)

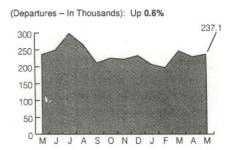
Arrivals				YT			
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	7,525	3.3	22.1	31,081	37,261	3.4	19.9
El Paso	147,858	64.4	1.5	650,786	668,868	61.6	2.8
Harlingen	34,577	15.1	-16.9	210,699	180,045	16.6	-14.5
Laredo	7,234	3.2	-6.4	38,343	36,015	3.3	-6.1
McAllen	32,224	14.0	14.9	144,719	163,400	15.1	12.9
Total	229,418	100.0	0.1	1,075,628	1,085,589	100.0	0.9

Departures			05 vs. 06				YTD
City	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Brownsville	7,736	3.3	17.2	32,330	38,530	3.5	19.2
El Paso	152,718	64.4	2.7	663,781	684,462	61.3	3.1
Harlingen	36,241	15.3	-15.8	219,212	189,939	17.0	-13.4
Laredo	7,264	3.1	-7.3	37,797	36,153	3.2	-4.3
McAllen	33,098	14.0	12.4	149,452	167,434	15.0	12.0
Total	237,057	100.0	0.6	1,102,572	1,116,518	100.0	1.3

Source: Airports in cited cities

Air Passenger Activity All Cited Cities May 2005 vs. May 2006 (Arrivals – In Thousands): Up **0.1**%





# Port of Brownsville (Total Cargo in Metric Tons)

			05 vs. 06				YTD
Cargo Type	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Break Bulk	157,741	37.1	-38.3	1,003,467	1,224,522	61.0	22.0
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Grain Bulk	0	0.0	0.0	13,070	0	0.0	-100.0
Liquid	100,502	23.6	16348.3	10,975	148,289	7.4	1251.2
Machinery	632	0.1	0.0	50,717	33,776	1.7	-33.4
Other	635	0.1	0.0	0	635	0.0	0.0
Petroleum	165,981	39.0	25.8	512,300	599,110	29.9	16.9
Steel-Other Minerals	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Total	425 492	100.0	9.7	1 590 530	2 006 332	100.0	26.1

Source: Port of Brownsville

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Port of Brownsville Total Cargo May 2005 vs. May 2006: Up 9.7% (In Thousands of Metric Tons)



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

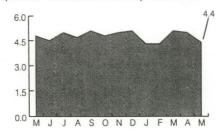
Inbound			05 vs. 06				YTD
Cargo Type	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Break Bulk	6,990	0.2	-92.1	163,439	74,713	0.3	-54.3
Chemical	14,657	0.3	88.6	57,479	64,067	0.3	11.5
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Dry Bulk	276,459	6.3	-37.0	2,104,609	2,293,216	9.9	9.0
Grain Bulk	0	0.0	0.0	5,974	3,471	0.0	-41.9
Liquid	0	0.0	0.0	72,202	74,378	0.3	3.0
Petroleum	4,091,728	93.2	-3.1	20,303,612	20,548,783	89.1	1.2
Total	4,389,834	100.0	-7.7	22,707,315	23,058,628	100.0	1.5

Outbound			05 vs. 06				YTD
Cargo Type	May 06	%Share	%Chg	YTD 05	YTD 06	%Share	%Chg
Break Bulk	188	0.0	27594.1	71,614	25,111	0.2	-64.9
Chemical	135,466	5.5	3.2	676,645	647,415	5.2	-4.3
Containers	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Dry Bulk	177,870	7.2	-42.1	1,924,077	941,226	7.6	-51.1
Grain Bulk	160,741	6.5	-9.2	750,137	711,873	5.7	-5.1
Liquid	0	0.0	0.0	53,984	20,008	0.2	-62.9
Petroleum	1,980,446	80.7	16.8	9,465,639	10,064,836	81.1	6.3
Total	2,454,712	100.0	6.2	12,942,096	12,410,468	100.0	-4.1

Source: Port of Corpus Christi

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Port of Corpus Christi Cargo May 2005 vs. May 2006 (Inbound – In Millions of U.S. Tons): Down 7.7%



(Outbound - In Millions of U.S. Tons): Up 6.2%



U.S. Imports from Mexico Top 25 vía U.S.-Mexico Border Ports (January-May 2005) - Continued

Port of Entry	Rank	SITC	Product Description	US\$ Value
El Paso, TX	3	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	2,689,466,770
Otay Mesa Sta., CA	4	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	2,347,615,547
Eagle Pass, TX	5	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	1,954,862,859
Laredo, TX	6	71	Power Generating Machinery and Equipment	1,763,235,092
Nogales, AZ	7	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	1,697,335,333
El Paso, TX	8	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	1,585,964,369
Laredo, TX	9	74	General Industrial Machinery and Equipment, N.E.S., and Machine Parts, N.E.S.	1,376,387,578
Laredo, TX	10	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	1,355,343,598
Nogales, AZ	11	05	Vegetables and Fruit	1,311,107,332
El Paso, TX	12	75	Office Machines and Automatic Data Processing Machines	1,153,322,218
Hidalgo, TX	13	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	1,060,362,905
Hidalgo, TX	14	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	935,651,297
El Paso, TX	15	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	895,599,235
El Paso, TX	16	87	Profssional, Scientific and Controlling Instruments and Apparatus, N.E.S.	778,195,084
Otay Mesa Sta., CA	17	77	Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances, N.E.S., and Electrical Parts thereof (including Nonelectrical	
			Counterparts of Household Type, N.E.S.)	769,823,277
Laredo, TX	18	69	Manufactures of Metals, N.E.S.	684,585,320
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.)	679,893,729
Laredo, TX	20	82	Furniture and Parts thereof; Bedding, Mattresses, Mattress Supports, Cushions and Similar Stuffed Furnishings	659,039,574
Calexico-East, CA	21	76	Telecommunications and Sound Recording and Reproducing Apparatus and Equipment	655,927,860
El Paso, TX	22	82	Furniture and Parts thereof; Bedding, Mattresses, Mattress Supports, Cushions and Similar Stuffed Furnishings	643,710,217
Laredo, TX	23	84	Articles of Apparel and Clothing Accessories	635,127,072
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.)	629,153,680
Otay Mesa Sta., CA	25	78	Road Vehicles (including Air-Cushion Vehicles)	605,137,743

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