

Weslaco Barometer February 2005

		Current Year	Prior Year	% Chng
Labor Force				
Current Month	Labor Force	12,652	13,922	-9.1
see note below	% Unemployed	8.7	16	-46.0

Commercial Building Permits				
Current Month		\$ 426,266.00	\$ 501,530.00	-15.0
YTD		\$ 3,149,115.00	\$ 677,341.00	364.9

Residential Building Permits				
Current Month		\$2,772,232.00	\$1,453,572.00	90.72
YTD		\$4,228,831.00	\$2,567,410.00	64.71

Bank Deposits				
Current Month		\$325,336,194	\$286,385,164	13.60

Progreso Bridge Crossings				
Current Month	Auto	84,705	96,476	-12.20
	Pedestrians	159,485	178,409	-10.61
	Trucks	1,964	1,422	38.12
YTD Total		492,425	552,715	-10.91

State Lodging Receipts (taxable)				
Previous Qtr	4th Qtr	\$1,070,690.49	\$873,235.55	22.61
YTD		\$4,712,321.75	\$4,027,677.65	17.00

Texas Sales Tax (City's 2%) Reported March Collected February				
February		\$559,568.47	\$636,108.29	-12.03
YTD		\$1,750,035.38	\$1,791,341.04	-2.31

<p>Prepared by the Weslaco Area Chamber of Commerce</p> <p>Sources: Rio Grande Valley Partnership, Texas Comptroller, Texas Workforce Commission, Tex. Ctr. For Border Economic & Enterprise Development</p>
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Texas Workforce Commission states: Because of substantial methodology changes between 2004 and 2005 in estimating city unemployment statistics, Texas city data is not available prior to 2005. Because of substantial methodology changes in geographic areas below the state level, data from 2005 and 2004 or earlier is not considered comparable. For this report the Weslaco Chamber has used Texas Workforce historical data.