

PORT OF ENTRY

EL PASO

Texas' location and diverse economy offer unique trade opportunities and make it a critical gateway to global business. Our state boasts **29 OFFICIAL PORTS** of entry facilitating nearly **\$650 BILLION** in international trade in 2015. Trade through Texas supports an estimated **1.6 MILLION TEXAS JOBS** and adds **\$224.3 BILLION** to GSP annually.

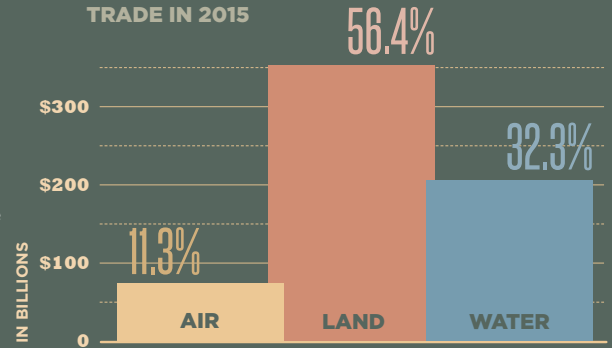
Ports of entry play a crucial role in making Texas the world's **10TH LARGEST ECONOMY**. They affect every part of our state, from our largest cities to rural counties. As the state's chief financial officer, I hope highlighting their benefits will emphasize their importance to strong, diverse and growing regional economies.



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TOTAL TEXAS TRADE IN 2015

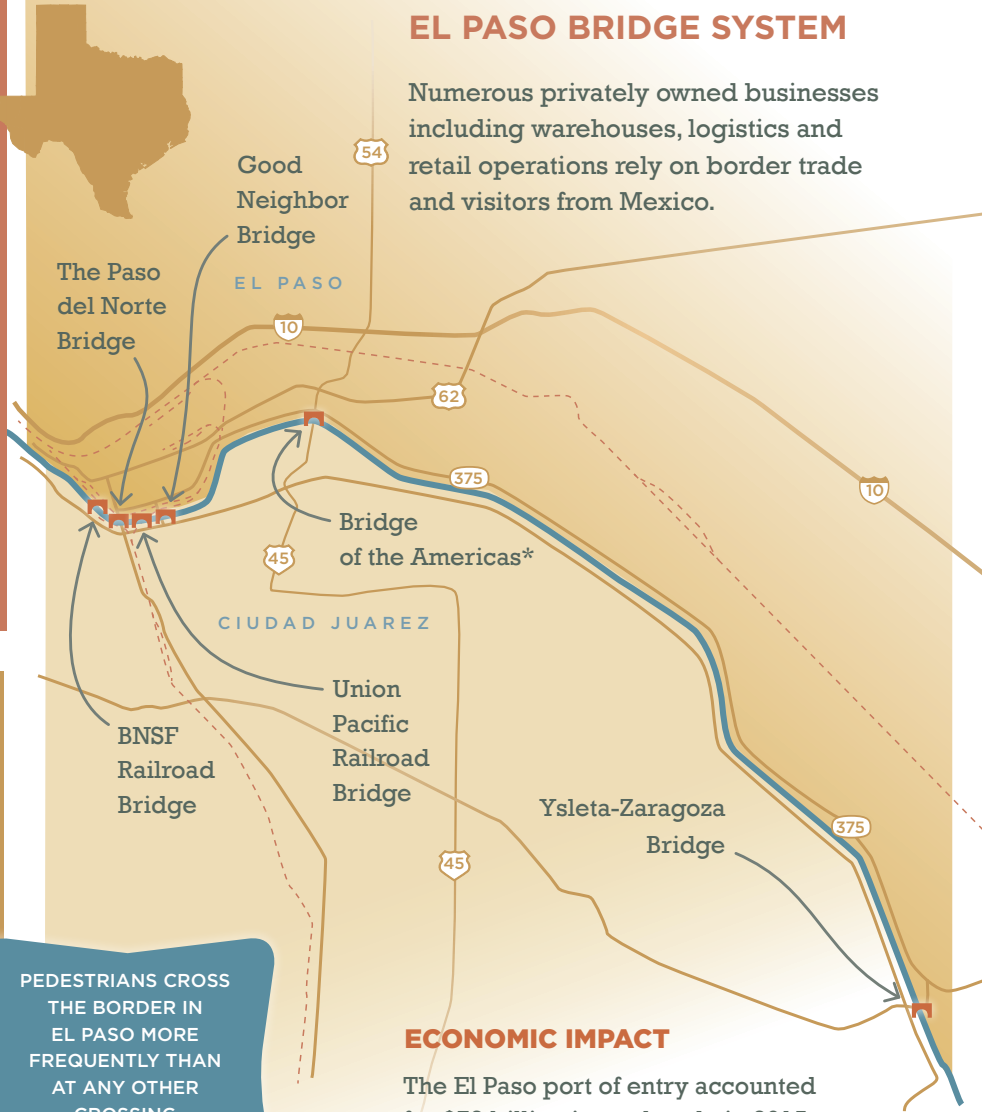


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

ABOUT EL PASO

El Paso's land port consists of six bridges that span a portion of Texas' 1,254-mile-long border with Mexico. There are 11 such land ports in the state, and each facilitates the movement of people and goods via commercial, vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

Our analysis found that the El Paso port of entry contributes an estimated 128,500 net Texas jobs and a minimum of \$18.4 billion to the state's gross domestic product.



BY THE NUMBERS

El Paso port of entry contributions to the Texas economy include:

TOTAL TRADE (2015) **\$72 BILLION**

DIRECT AND INDIRECT EMPLOYMENT **128,500**

GSP **\$18.4 BILLION**

PEDESTRIANS CROSS THE BORDER IN EL PASO MORE FREQUENTLY THAN AT ANY OTHER CROSSING IN THE STATE: ABOUT 18,000 PER DAY.

Source: Texas Center for Border Economic and Enterprise Development

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The El Paso port of entry accounted for \$72 billion in total trade in 2015, an increase of 78 percent from 2003 (\$40.5 billion).

*This bridge is owned by the International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC) and operated by U.S. Customs.

Sources: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, REMI

MAQUILADORAS SPARK EL PASO ECONOMY

El Paso and the Mexican border city of Ciudad Juárez have a unique relationship. The maquiladoras (factories in Mexico that receive raw materials from the U.S. and return finished goods) in Ciudad Juárez have

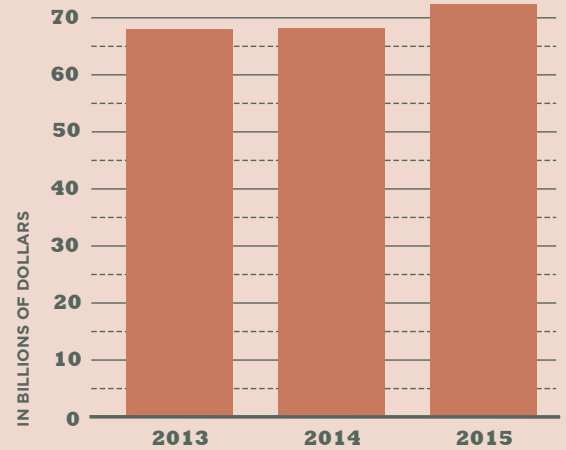
THE FLOW OF MATERIALS ACROSS THE BORDER TO AND FROM THE MAQUILADORAS DIRECTLY STIMULATES THE REGION'S MANUFACTURING AND TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRIES AND INDIRECTLY STIMULATES THE RETAIL, FOOD AND RECREATION INDUSTRIES IN EL PASO.

attracted workers since the 1970s and have played a significant economic role since NAFTA's implementation in the 1990s.

A 2011 Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas study found that a 10 percent increase in maquiladora output equates to a 5.3 percent increase in El Paso's transportation employment.

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas

OVERALL TRADE VALUE



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

EL PASO PORT OF ENTRY: IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

The El Paso border crossings are part of the El Paso Customs District, which includes the following ports:

● ALBUQUERQUE

EL PASO CUSTOMS DISTRICT



IMPORTS:
electronics
MACHINERY automobiles
FURNITURE

EXPORTS:
ELECTRONICS
MACHINERY plastics
automobiles

MEXICAN NATIONALS SPENT IN EXCESS OF \$446 MILLION IN EL PASO COUNTY IN 2012.

Source: El Paso Inc.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

CONCLUSION

The El Paso port of entry is a key part of Texas' port network, which accounted for **\$204 BILLION** in trade in 2015. In that year, the port accounted for **\$72 BILLION** in trade, supporting **128,500 TEXAS JOBS**

and generating **\$18.4 BILLION** in gross state product. El Paso's diverse capabilities have helped Texas become the nation's largest exporter – and the world's 10th largest economy.

EL PASO IS ONE OF 29 OFFICIAL TEXAS PORTS OF ENTRY.

To see a complete list, plus more in-depth regional data, visit:

comptroller.texas.gov/economy/economic-data/