### **Power of the Purse:**

# Contributions of Hispanic Americans in the Rio Grande Valley



A Snapshot of the Demographic and Economic Contributions of Hispanic Americans in the Region

#### **OVERVIEW**

In 2010, more than

## 1.1 million

Hispanic Americans lived in the Rio Grande Valley, making up



89,6%

of the total population.

By 2019, the Hispanic population had increased by

+10.6%



to reach a total of nearly

### 1.3 million

or



of the total population.

Of the Hispanic Americans in the region in 2019....

**74.5%** (nearly 940,000) were U.S. born

**25.5%** (322,000) were foreign-born

### **HOUSEHOLD INCOME**

\$19.1B

earned by Hispanic households in the Rio Grande Valley in 2019. **\$2.6B** went to federal taxes.

\$1.7B went to state & local taxes.

\$14.8B left in spending power.

\$6.4B

earned by foreign-born Hispanic households in the Rio Grande Valley in 2019. \$737M

went to federal taxes.

\$611M

went to state & local taxes.

\$5.0B

left in spending power.

\$12.7B

earned by U.S.-born Hispanic households in the Rio Grande Valley in 2019. \$1 9B

went to federal taxes.

\$1.1B

went to state & local taxes.

\$9.7E

left in spending power.





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### LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION

Nearly

582,000

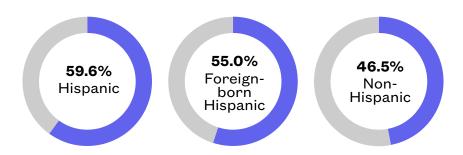
Hispanic Americans are active in the labor force in the Rio Grande Valley, making up



92.1%

of the total labor force.

Labor force participation rates in the Rio Grande Valley in 2019:



### **VOTING POWER**

In 2019, there were

631,000

eligible Hispanic voters in the Rio Grande Valley, including

96,000

who were foreign-born.

Overall, the Hispanic population made up **87.7**% of the electorate in the Rio Grande Valley, including the foreignborn Hispanic population who made up **13.3**%.

