

Ports to Plains Corridor — Texas

Extension of I-27 to the Rio Grande Valley

Construction Phase
 Static impact

The I-27 extension to the Rio Grande Valley in Texas spans an estimated 113 miles, a total investment of roughly \$5.51 billion. This delivers \$13.03 billion in total economic output and 66,932 jobs across the state economy, including 31,478 direct construction jobs and 35,453 supported indirectly through suppliers and household spending. Each direct job generates an additional 1.13 jobs statewide, and each dollar of direct output generates an additional \$1.41 in statewide output. This construction phase generates a total of \$520 million in tax revenue for the state.

Cost per mile (\$48.8 million) is a preliminary planning assumption supplied by the Ports to Plains Alliance for this corridor scope, not a REMI model output. Actual costs will vary by segment based on existing highway configuration, structures, interchanges, right-of-way, utilities, environmental requirements, and urban conditions.

\$520M TOTAL TAX REVENUE fixed 2022 dollars	2.41× OUTPUT MULTIPLIER total ÷ direct output	66,932 TOTAL JOBS SUPPORTED direct + indirect + induced	\$13.03B TOTAL ECONOMIC OUTPUT fixed 2024 dollars	\$48.8M COST PER MILE corridor construction	113.00 CORRIDOR MILES I-27 extension
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Impact Channel	Employment (jobs)	Economic Output (\$M)	Description
Direct	31,478.46	5,410.37	Construction activity itself
Indirect	4,542.40	1,455.17	Supplier & supply-chain purchases
Induced	30,910.72	6,159.81	Household re-spending of wages
Total Impact	66,931.58	13,025.35	All channels combined

Gross Domestic Product: \$7,236.94M (millions of fixed local 2024 dollars) · Personal Income: \$5,852.66M (thousands of current dollars, shown in millions)

Operations Phase — Transportation Efficiency
 2055–2080 · 25-year horizon

Expanding the highway system increases transportation access and lowers transportation costs for businesses and residents of Texas, supporting a wide range of industries and employment opportunities. Economic output declines by \$1.95 billion in 2055 as employment and output initially fall relative to baseline, then turns positive, reaching \$2.32 billion in gains by 2070 and \$4.22 billion in gains by 2080. Employment reaches 2,641 sustained jobs by 2080, and population grows to 23,985 residents. Cumulative tax revenue reaches \$320 million over the 25-year horizon.

\$320M
 Total Tax Revenue
2055–2080, fixed 2025 dollars

Sustained Gain for Texas, Over Baseline	2055	2070	2080	Peak
Total Employment (jobs)	−5,115	1,257	2,641	2,641 (2080)
Population (persons)	−1,163	17,357	23,985	23,985 (2080)
Economic Output (\$B, fixed 2025)	−1.945	2.316	4.217	4.217 (2080)
Total Tax Revenue (\$M/yr, fixed 2025)	−78	42	87	87 (2080)

Employment Distribution — Operations Phase

