

## MIDLAND ECONOMIC INDEX September/3rd Quarter 2015 **BASE YEAR LAST YEAR THIS YEAR** % Change **ECONOMIC INDICATORS** 1996 2014 2015 2014-2015 Taxable Spending - September (Per Sales Tax Rebates) \* \$89,428,497 \$250,019,916 \$200,281,867 -19.9% Taxable Spending - 3rd Quarter \* \$278,403,730 \$773,221,587 \$629,136,506 -18.6% Taxable Spending - Year-To-Date Through September \* \$843,337,966 \$2,276,548,488 \$2,135,052,557 -6.2% Dollars Spent on Auto Purchases - September \* \$15,158,148 \$61,047,025 \$48,408,048 -20.7% Dollar Spent on Auto Purchases - 3rd Quarter \* \$45,169,297 \$190,169,182 \$142,351,068 -25.1% Dollars Spent on Auto Purchases - YTD Through \$437,640,473 September \* \$132,237,006 \$551,288,017 -20.6% Hotel/Motel Tax Receipts - Qtr \$219,615 \$1,892,836 \$1,623,389 -14.2% Hotel/Motel Tax Receipts - YTD \$608,005 \$4,952,675 \$5,583,396 12.7% Airline Boardings - September 44.654 46.106 41.973 -9.0% Airline Boardings - 3rd Quarter 39,473 145,211 134,872 -7.1% Airline Boardings - YTD Through September 410,035 401,392 382,554 -4.7% \$2,971,753 \$60,379,888 \$48,200,000 -20.2% Value All Building Permits - September Value All Building Permits - 3rd Quarter \$17,461,608 \$256,380,279 \$89,506,795 -65.1% Value All Building Permits - YTD Through September \$62,313,756 \$543.611.276 \$371,133,131 -31.7% Permits for New Homes - September 20 69 56.8% 250 Permits for New Homes - 3rd Quarter 67 194 -22.4% Permits for New Homes - YTD Through September 229 718 573 -20.2% Sales of Existing Homes - September 154 170 -1.2% 168 Sales of Existing Homes - 2nd Quarter 494 580 1.9% 569 Sales of Existing Homes - YTD Through June 1,269 1,534 1.449 -5.5% Average Home Sale Price - September \$91,380 \$293,328 \$264,270 -9.9% Average Home Sale Price - 3rd Quarter \$87,151 \$286,999 \$275,443 -4.0% Average Home Sale Price - YTD Through September Avg -3.7% \$85,381 \$285,727 \$275,041 Home Sales Dollar Volume - September \* \$13,377,730 \$31,636,153 \$27,537,914 -13.0% Home Sales Dollar Volume - 3rd Quarter \* \$41,042,351 \$103,858,553 \$99,268,075 -4.4% Home Sales Dollar Volume - YTD Through September \* \$104,063,596 \$280,328,617 \$248,552,552 -11.3% Taxable Spending - September (Per Sales Tax Rebates) \* \$89,428,497 \$200,281,867 \$250,019,916 -19.9% Taxable Spending - 3rd Quarter \* \$278,403,730 \$773,221,587 \$629,136,506 -18.6% **EMPLOYMENT** Wage and Salary Employment - September 53,900 97,000 99,700 2.8% Wage and Salary Employment - 3rd Quarter Avg 53,535 96,600 99,435 2.9% Wage and Salary Employment - YTD Through September 53,065 93,835 96,760 3.1% Unemployment Rate - September 4.3 2.8 3.3 17.9% Unemployment Rate - 3rd Quarter Avg 4.7 3.0 3.3 11.2% 4.8 3.0 3.1 1.8% Unemployment Rate - YTD Through September Avg INDEX - April (Base = 100 January 1996) 6.5% 103.4 220.7 235.0

<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted for inflation by restating in year 1995 dollars