

IMMIGRANTS ARE A VITAL PART OF NEW YORK CITY'S FUTURE

Just as we came together from different places and races to build New York in past decades, a strong future for our New York City includes immigrants

Immigrant workers and business owners grow New York City's economy

3.1 million immigrants reside in New York City. Immigrants work in low-wage, middle-wage, and higher-wage jobs in sectors across the NYC economy.



61% of Main Street business owners in New York City are immigrants,

operating storefront shops and other “Main Street” businesses that help make NYC neighborhoods vibrant

21% of New York City workers are immigrants, including:



43% of retail workers



53% of electrical installers and repairers



39% of doctors

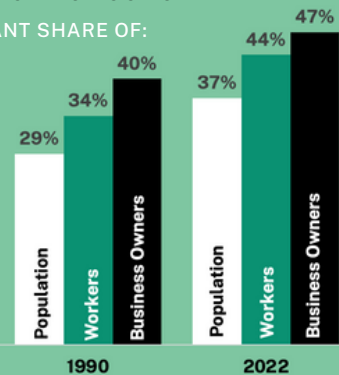
Immigrant workers and business owners generate billions of dollars in economic output in NYC. Immigrant workers account for 37% of the economic output of the resident New York City labor force.

Immigration increases opportunity for NYC

When immigrants move to NYC, the economy grows. That doesn't mean fewer jobs, it means more jobs: there are more consumers, more workers, and more business owners. Study after study shows there is no fixed number of jobs in a state. Immigration creates opportunities that benefit U.S.-born workers too.

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IMMIGRANT SHARE OF:



Immigrants work in jobs we applauded during the pandemic.

During the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, we applauded nightly for the workers who kept the city running, recognizing that many of them are immigrants. Those workers are still important to the city's life today.

Some people try to scapegoat immigrants to keep us divided. We don't have to fall for it.

Deporting millions of people will hurt the economy and hurt NYC workers. Scapegoating others is not the way forward. We know how to create a good economy for workers. It requires uniting around policy choices like investments in infrastructure, manufacturing, and our care economy with strong labor standards. Regardless of race or country of birth, we all do better when we unite for policies that grow jobs and wages.