

# Street Vendors of New York

From the vendors who sell jewelry and souvenirs, to the classic hot dog stands and food trucks that serve tourists and attract foodies from across the world, to the women selling refreshing fruits to sustain working New Yorkers, street vendors are a staple of New York City life. The streets of New York have always provided a means to earn money for entrepreneurs who range from people with a small side-hustle to long-established small business owners.



## 23,000

### STREET VENDORS IN NEW YORK

Queens & Manhattan have the most street vendors



## 96%

of street vendors are immigrants

For mobile food vendors, the relevant question is whether they have permits; for general merchandise vendors, it is whether they have a license.

Mobile Food Vendor	
Permitted	Unpermitted
25%	75%

General Merchandise Vendor	
Licensed	Unlicensed
63%	37%

## Street Vendors Come From Across The World



Mexico  
30%



Ecuador  
24%



Egypt  
20%



Senegal  
7%



## 96%

OF ALL STREET VENDORS SEE VENDING AS THEIR PRIMARY SOURCE OF INCOME

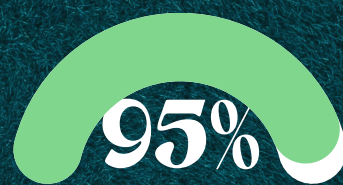


## 65%

OF STREET VENDORS LIVE IN HOUSEHOLDS WITH ONE OR MORE CHILDREN.



2 OUT OF EVERY 3 STREET VENDORS LACK ACCESS TO A RESTROOM WHERE THEY WORK



## 95%

OF STREET VENDORS WHO WERE SURVEYED LOVED BEING A VENDOR

Street vendors are often small business owners who have a significant economic impact on the New York City economy.

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