Mainstreaming Migration Into Development Planning
Integration of Migrants for Development
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1984  Mayor Edward I. Koch establishes the Office of Immigrant Affairs in the Department of City Planning.

1990  Mayor David N. Dinkins establishes the Office within the Mayoralty

1994  Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani merges the offices of Immigrant Affairs and Language Services to create the Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Affairs and Language Services.

2001  New York City voters adopt, by referendum, the Office of Immigrant Affairs within the charter.

2002  Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg appoints the Office’s first Commissioner.

2009  Fatima Shama appointed as Commissioner.
Building on its Charter mandate, the Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Affairs promotes the well-being of immigrant communities by recommending policies and programs that facilitate successful integration of immigrant New Yorkers into the civic, economic, and cultural life of the City.
Source Countries for the Twenty Largest Immigrant Groups in New York City

1. Dominican Republic  
2. China  
3. Jamaica  
4. Mexico  
5. Guyana  
6. Ecuador  
7. Haiti  
8. Trinidad & Tobago  
9. Russia  
10. Korea  
11. India  
12. Colombia  
13. Ukraine  
14. Poland  
15. Italy  
16. Philippines  
17. Bangladesh  
18. Honduras  
19. Pakistan  
20. Peru

*fastest growing immigrant groups in NYC
English Language Ability of Persons Ages 5 and Over in New York City, 2006

- Speaks language other than English at home: 47.9% (3,651,805)
- English proficient: 24.4% (1,860,141)
- Not English proficient: 23.5% (1,791,664)

Total: 7,637,879

Source: 2006 ACS
Population Division, NYC Dept. of City Planning

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<th>Number</th>
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<td>Total LEP</td>
<td>1,791,664</td>
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<td>Native-born</td>
<td>294,603</td>
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<td>Foreign-born</td>
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#### Top LEP Languages

1. Spanish       | 910,264    | 50.8
2. Chinese       | 256,613    | 14.3
3. Russian       | 121,104    | 6.8
4. Korean        | 53,281     | 3.0
5. Italian       | 41,132     | 2.3
6. French Creole | 38,115     | 2.1
7. Bengali       | 30,500     | 1.7
8. Polish        | 27,261     | 1.5
9. French        | 26,130     | 1.5
10. Yiddish      | 24,875     | 1.4

Source: 2006 ACS PUMS
Population Division, NYC Dept. of City Planning
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Objectives

Ensure Access: Promote use of City services by immigrant New Yorkers

Build Bridges: Liaison to immigrant communities and encourage dialogue and collaboration between City agencies and immigrant communities

Offer Expertise: Serve as a key resource regarding immigrants

Celebrate Contributions: Coordinate programs celebrating immigrant contributions and supporting immigrant heritage
Creating Access

Executive Orders  41–September 17, 2003

- Ensures that all New Yorkers, including immigrants, can access City services that they need and are entitled to receive.

- City workers protect the confidentiality of a broad range of information belonging to people seeking City services, including a person’s immigrant status.

Executive Order 120–July 22, 2008

- Citywide policy on Language Access to ensure the effective delivery of City services.

- Mandates that all City agencies that provide direct public services shall ensure meaningful access by taking reasonable steps to develop and implement an agency-specific language assistance plan for limited English proficient (LEP) persons.
Building Bridges

- Open Letter to Immigrant New Yorkers
- TPS Legal Assistance for Haitian New Yorkers
- NY Certified
- Immigrant Small Business
Offer Expertise

- Meet with community leaders and community-based organizations to provide information and resources
- Attend and speak at public events and meetings
- Provide technical assistance to City agencies to ensure their policies and practices meet the needs of immigrant New Yorkers
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Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs
- Know Your Rights and Responsibilities Forums
- Immigrant Civic Leadership Program with Coro–New York
- Neighborhood Leadership Institute with Citizen’s Committee of NYC
- Financial Literacy
- College Readiness