

NYC Charter School Facts

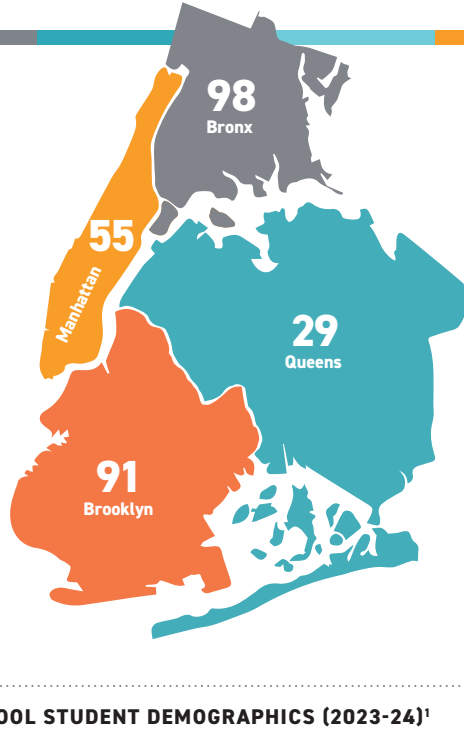
2024
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281

Number of charter schools in NYC

91 Brooklyn | 98 Bronx
55 Manhattan | 29 Queens
8 Staten Island

As of August 2024



149,000

Estimated students enrolled in NYC charter schools

(Based on NYSED enrollment data)

15%

of NYC public school students attend charter schools

(estimated based on public enrollment data)

CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS (2023-24)¹

82%

of students are economically disadvantaged

10%

of students are Multilingual Learners

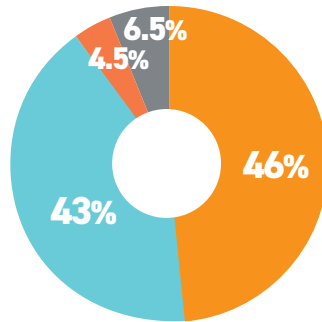
9.6%

of students live in temporary housing²

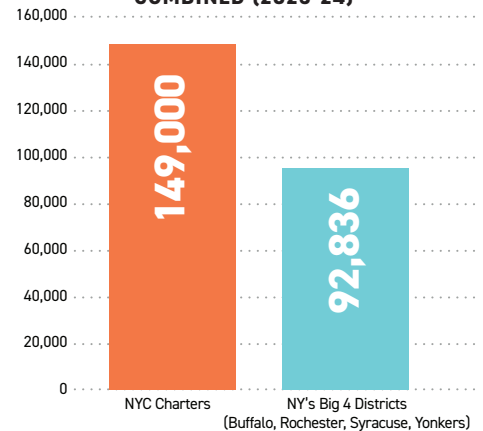
19%

of students have IEPs

Black/African American Latino
White Other



NYC'S CHARTER SECTOR SERVES MORE STUDENTS THAN NY'S BIG 4 DISTRICTS COMBINED (2023-24)³



¹ Source: NYC Public Schools, Demographic Snapshot for 2023-24 ² Source: NYC Public Schools, Students in Temporary Housing Reports, 2022-23

³ Source: NYSED preliminary enrollment data for 2023-24 school year

Charter School State Assessment Proficiency Results (2023)*

OVERALL STUDENT PROFICIENCY:

	NYC Charter Schools	NYC District Schools	All Schools Statewide
Math	62.8%	49.9%	52.0%
ELA	59.0%	51.7%	48.0%

BLACK STUDENT PROFICIENCY:

	NYC Charter Schools	NYC District Schools	All Schools Statewide
Math	61.2%	34.3%	37.3%
ELA	58.6%	40.3%	39.5%

LATINO STUDENT PROFICIENCY:

	NYC Charter Schools	NYC District Schools	All Schools Statewide
Math	60.5%	35.7%	37.5%
ELA	55.2%	39.4%	38.2%

*NYSED Public School 3-8 Assessment Data, 2023



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Charter School Specialized Programs:

- 50 schools have programs for students with autism or have more than 25% of students with IEPs for Special Education.
- 9 schools have dual language programs.
- 33 schools are offering pre-K.
- 9 schools serve high school students at risk of dropping out.
- 7 schools serve single-sex student populations.

Charter School Management Structures:

- 86 independent schools
- 58 replicators¹
- 86 affiliated with non-profit Charter Management Organizations (CMOs)
- 47 affiliated with small CMOs (CMOs with 5 or less schools)
- 4 affiliated with for-profit Educational Management Organizations (EMOs)

Collective Bargaining Agreements:

- 20 NYC charter schools (7%) have collective bargaining agreements with the United Federation of Teachers.

Facilities:

- 119 charter schools are located in buildings owned or leased by the NYC DOE.
- 162 charter schools are in private (non-DOE) space.

Charter Years of Operation:

0-5 Years	29
6-10 Years	73
11-15 Years	88
16+ Years	91

12,100

(approx.) classroom teachers are working in the NYC charter school sector for the 2024-25 school year

58%

of charter school teachers are educators of color (compared to 40% of district school teachers)

50%

of charter school teachers hold a Master's Degree or Doctorate

Based on 2022-23 NYSED classroom teacher demographic data.

About the New York City Charter School Center:

The New York City Charter School Center is an independent non-profit committed to fostering an environment in which public charters can open and flourish, and, through their innovative approaches, provide models for improving all public schools. The Charter Center helps new charter schools get started, supports existing schools, and engages the charter school community around key issues.

About NYC's charter schools:

Charter schools are free, independently run public schools that are able to innovate in their classroom structures, curriculum, and teaching methods. In return, they're held to higher standards of accountability.

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