Overall, New Yorkers are more optimistic than not about the future of the city and the opportunities available here. But there is definitely work to be done to ensure there’s room in the new economy for New Yorkers of all backgrounds.

The biggest obstacle our poll discovered is the skill gap — many New Yorkers feel the city needs to prioritize more pathways to high-growth jobs, including tech training in public schools and beyond, apprenticeship programs, and other workforce development initiatives. The city has the resources to make that happen, we just have to tap them.
**DATA**

**TECH**

64% agree NYC should work to attract more technology companies.

But only 27% believe there are good-paying jobs in New York available to those without a college degree or technical skills.

84% agree it is "imperative" the public school system puts "a greater emphasis" on tech skills and partners with local companies to expand internship and apprenticeship programs. And 80% agree the government needs to offer more tech training programs for everyday New Yorkers.

60% believe tech will be important to NYC's economy in the future, behind only tourism and healthcare.

**NEW YORK**

74% support the city mandate for all private sector employees to be vaccinated.

47% agree New York feels "alive" again, compared to 35% who disagree. And 48% agree NYC's best days are ahead, compared to 26% who disagree.

But 54% have "seriously" considered leaving NYC in the past year — 85% because of cost of living, 78% quality of life, and 62% crime.

**METHODOLOGY:** Change Research and Embold Research conducted an online survey of 1003 registered voters living in New York City from December 9, 2021 to December 20, 2021. The margin of error is +/- 3%.