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## Thanksgiving Parade News: Cleaning the “Leftovers” at this Year’s Parade

Did you know that Santa is not the last one on the Thanksgiving Day parade route? It is actually one of the 157 Sanitation employees responsible for cleaning and collecting the tons of debris left behind by the millions of spectators lining the street. While the parade-goes start heading home to their Thanksgiving meals, our workers are starting to clear the route.

This year, the DSNY clean-up team will consist of:

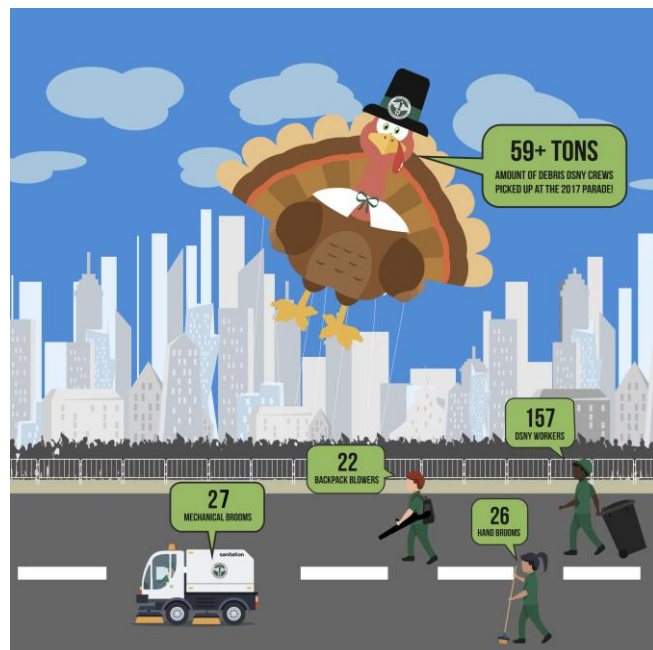
- 126 Sanitation Workers
- 31 Officers

The crews will use:

- 27 mechanical brooms,
- 26 hand brooms,
- 22 backpack blowers, and
- 17 collection trucks.

Last year, the DSNY crews picked up 59.55 tons of debris.

“While the Thanksgiving Day parade is enjoyed by millions of people, and is anticipated all year long,” said Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia. “The hardworking men and women of the Department of Sanitation are the ones responsible for keeping the city safe, healthy and clean, even on holidays.”



### About the New York City Department of Sanitation

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) promotes a healthy environment through the efficient management of solid waste and the development of environmentally sound long-range planning for handling refuse, including recyclables. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 695 salt/sand spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.