

The Financial District:

A neighborhood on the southeastern side of Manhattan which comprises the offices and headquarters of many of the city's major financial institutions, including the New York Stock Exchange, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, The World Trade Center and now the building's successor.

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Wall Street:

Wall Street is often used as a term to refer to the financial part of New York. However, although New York's financial district is quite large, Wall Street itself is a street that runs for 8 blocks from Broadway to South Street in the financial district of New York and is just under half a mile long.

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Architecture



- Wall Street's architecture is generally rooted in the Gilded Age, though there are also some art deco influences in the neighborhood. The streets in the area were laid out a grid plan that dictates the placement of most of Manhattan's streets north of Houston Street.
- In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the corporate culture of New York was a primary center for the construction of skyscrapers influencing the Financial Districts distinct look.



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Wall street and the Financial District over time has changed from business oriented to residential life.

Until the late 20th and early 21st century, the neighborhood was considered to be primarily a destination for daytime traders and office workers from around New York City and the surrounding areas. The neighborhood now has a growing number of full-time residents. Many buildings being converted from office space to apartments and condominiums

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Wall Street became the
symbol of a country and
economic system that
many Americans see as
having developed through
trade, capitalism, and
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Many people associated with Wall Street have become famous; although in most cases their reputations are limited to members of the stock brokerage and banking communities, others have gained national and international fame. For some, their fame is due to skillful investment strategies, financing, reporting, legal or regulatory activities, while others are remembered for their notable failures or scandal.

