

A CENSUS OF SKY-SCRAPERS

HIGH BUILDINGS ARE NOT CONFINED exclusively to the larger cities. This is shown, says *The American City* (New York), in a survey recently completed by the Thompson-Starrett Company, covering 173 cities of the United States having a population of 50,000 or more. Of these, 36 have one or more buildings over 20 stories high. On the other hand, 42 cities have no buildings as high as 10 stories, and 59 cities have less than five such buildings. We read further:

"The survey reveals that there are in this country 4,778 buildings 10 stories or more in height, and of these only 377 are more than 20 stories high. Approximately half of all buildings between 10 and 20 stories and of those over 20 stories are located in New York. Carrying the analysis further, it is found that 50 per cent. of the buildings in New York from 10 to 20 stories and 60 per cent. of those over 20 stories are located between 14th and 59th Streets.

"New York has 188 buildings over 20 stories, Chicago has 65, and Philadelphia is third with 22. Only six cities have 100 or more buildings over 10 stories high.¹

"There are 10 buildings in the country taller than 500 feet, and five others are in the course of construction. The highest is the Woolworth Building, whose 792 feet has not been surpassed in sixteen years. This mantle of supremacy will pass this year to the Chrysler building, which will rise 809 feet above the sidewalk, but shortly thereafter the Bank of Manhattan building, mounting to a height of 836 feet, will claim the distinction of the loftiest building in the world."

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BUILDINGS OF TEN STORIES OR OVER
LIST OF CITIES WITH FIVE OR MORE

City	Buildings 10-20 Stories	Buildings 21 Stories or More
Albany, N. Y.	9	2
Atlanta, Ga.	17	1
Atlantic City, N. J.	21	0
Baltimore, Md.	30	4
Beaumont, Texas	5	1
Birmingham, Ala.	13	1
Boston, Mass.	102	2
Chicago, Ill.	384	65
Cincinnati, Ohio.	24	2
Cleveland, Ohio.	40	4
Columbus, Ohio.	16	1
Dallas, Texas.	31	1
Dayton, Ohio.	15	0
Denver, Colo.	0	0
Des Moines, Iowa.	14	0
Detroit, Mich.	102	19
Duluth, Minn.	5	0
Fort Worth, Texas.	11	3
Galveston, Texas.	5	0
Houston, Texas.	24	5
Indianapolis, Ind.	23	0
Jacksonville, Fla.	14	0
Jersey City, N. J.	16	0
Johnstown, Pa.	5	0
Kalamazoo, Mich.	5	0
Kansas City, Mo.	60	2
Knoxville, Tenn.	6	0
Little Rock, Ark.	6	0
Long Beach, Calif.	14	0
Los Angeles, Calif.	134	1
Louisville, Ky.	17	0
Memphis, Tenn.	23	1
Miami, Fla.	25	1
Milwaukee, Wis.	15	1
Minneapolis, Minn.	82	3
Montgomery, Ala.	5	0
Nashville, Tenn.	17	0
Newark, N. J.	18	3
New Haven, Conn.	6	0
New Orleans, La.	21	1
New York, N. Y.	2,291	188
Oakland, Calif.	14	1
Oklahoma City, Okla.	20	2
Omaha, Neb.	9	0
Pooria, Ill.	12	0
Philadelphia, Pa.	98	22
Phoenix, Ariz.	5	0
Pittsburgh, Pa.	52	15
Portland, Ore.	25	0
Providence, R. I.	5	1
Richmond, Va.	20	1
Rochester, N. Y.	12	0
Sacramento, Calif.	7	0
St. Louis, Mo.	83	3
St. Paul, Minn.	7	0
Salt Lake City, Utah.	10	0
San Antonio, Texas.	21	3
San Diego, Calif.	8	0
San Francisco, Calif.	45	8
Seattle, Wash.	41	2
Springfield, Ill.	5	0
Stockton, Calif.	6	0
Syracuse, N. Y.	4	1
Tacoma, Wash.	6	0
Tampa, Fla.	11	0
Toledo, Ohio.	6	1
Tulsa, Okla.	37	2
Washington, D. C.	20	0
Wheeling, W. Va.	6	0
Wichita, Kans.	14	0
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	5	0
Youngstown, Ohio.	5	0