## Tall Buildings and Megacities

In this study, CTBUH undertook an examination of the populations, areas, densities, and several measures of skyscraper activity in the world's 45 "megacities" - defined as urban agglomerations
with a total population of 10 million people or greater, consisting of a continuous built-up area that encompasses one or more city centers and suburban areas, economically and functionally linked to those centers. The findings, also shown in the accompanying paper in this Journal: Megacities: Setting the Scene (page 30), are sometimes counterintuitive. While the world's megacities have the majority of 200 meter-plus skyscrapers, there is not an obvious correlation between population
density and number of skyscrapers. Vertical urbanism, it would seem, looks quite different in local


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