In 2017, 144 buildings of 200 meters’ height or greater were completed. This is the fourth record-breaking year in a row, and it brings the total number of 200-meter-plus buildings in the world to 1,319, marking an increase of 12.3% from 2016, and a 402% increase from 2000, when only 263 existed. Asia continued to be the most dominant region in terms of skyscraper construction, and China within it, as in several years previously. For more analysis of 2017 completions, see CTBUH Year in Review: Tall Trends of 2017, pages 44–51.

World’s Tallest Building Completed Each Year
Starting with the year 2002, these are the tallest buildings that have been completed globally each year.

The Average Height of the Tallest Buildings
- The average height of the 100 tallest buildings in existence around the world that year
- The average height of all 200-meter-plus buildings completed that year

The total height of 200 m+ buildings that completed in 2017 is a record 35,145 meters. 28 cities got a new tallest building – a new record.

Ping An Finance Center, Shenzhen, at 599 meters, was the tallest building to complete in 2017. It is now the world’s fourth-tallest building.
World’s Tallest 100: Analysis

As the graphs below show, Asia and the Middle East continue to ascend, while the mixed-use plurality deepens, along with the rise of composite structures.

Number of Buildings Entering the World’s 100 Tallest by Year

A total of 14 buildings made it into the global 100 Tallest list in 2017, an upward swing from last year, when only nine buildings entered the list.

69 cities completed a building of 200 meters’ height or greater. 372 The average height (in meters) of the World’s 100 Tallest Buildings

2017 saw Huachuang International Plaza Tower 1, Changsha, as the only “supertall” (300 m+) building never to enter the World’s 100 Tallest Buildings list.