

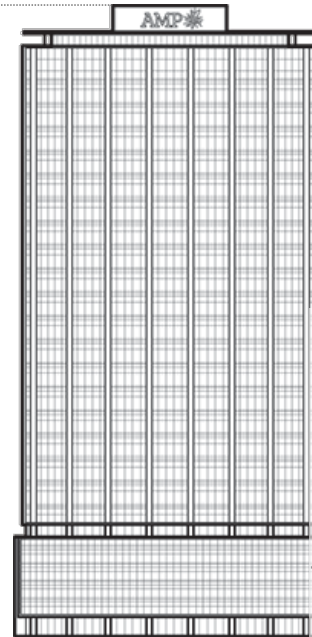
33 Alfred Street



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Height:
Architectural
115 m / 377 ft



Floors Above Ground 26
Floors Below Ground 2
of Elevators 13
Top Elevator Speed 5.08 m/s
Tower GFA 49,839 m² / 536,463 ft²
of Parking Spaces 83

Facts

Official Name	33 Alfred Street
Other Names	AMP Building, Australian Mutual Provident Society Head Office Building, Circular Quay
Structure Type	Building
Status	COM
Country	Australia
City	Sydney
Street Address & Map	33 Alfred Street
Postal Code	2000
Building Function	office
Structural Material	composite
Proposed	1956
Construction Start	1959
Completion	1962
Recladding	2005
Retrofit Start	2020

Original Companies Involved

Owner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current Australian Mutual Provident Society (AMP)
Developer	AMP Capital Investors
Architect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design Peddle Thorp & Walker
Structural Engineer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design Rankine & Hill Consulting Engineers
MEP Engineer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design John R. Wallis & Associates; Slocum & Fuller
Main Contractor	Concrete Constructions Pty Ltd

Retrofit Companies Involved

Architect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design Johnson Pilton Walker
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About 33 Alfred Street

Often regarded as Australia's first skyscraper, 33 Alfred Street was the first building to officially break the 1912 Sydney Height of Buildings Limit and became Australia's tallest building upon completion in 1962. The concept design for AMP's new headquarters began six years earlier as AMP started negotiations with the Sydney City Council and in 1957, submitted an application for permission to exceed the height limit of 150 feet to the New South Wales Chief Secretary, initiating 12 months of investigations by the state government and the Sydney City Council. After a revised application was submitted in 1959 for a tower set back on an urban plaza with the building footprint covering only 55 percent of the total site, permission was granted for construction to begin.

The prominent location of the building on Circular Quay made the approval process highly controversial over not only the height, but also the unconventional modern design of the tower featuring a curved façade. The building site also required the assembly of multiple properties, including a large five story wool store which had stood for 107 years before demolition commenced. After completion, 33 Alfred Street quickly became a notable landmark for the city's waterfront gateway and offered the public an observation level commanding unobstructed views looking over the largely low-rise cityscape.

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