

# Time-Warner Building



## Identification

<b>EBN</b>	114544
<b>Name</b>	Time-Warner Building
<b>Alternative Name</b>	Warner Communications Building, Esso Building, Esso Oil Company
<b>Construction Type</b>	skyscraper
<b>Complex Type</b>	mixed-use
<b>Complex Name</b>	Rockefeller Center
<b>Current Status</b>	existing [completed]

## Location

<b>Continent Name</b>	North America	<b>Block Number</b>	<a href="#">Buy full PDF</a>
<b>Country Name</b>	U.S.A.	<b>Lot Number</b>	<a href="#">Buy full PDF</a>
<b>State Name</b>	New York	<b>Postcode</b>	10019

<b>Metro Area Name</b>	New York-Newark-Bridgeport Metro Area	<b>Address (as text)</b>	75 Rockefeller Plaza, 15 West 51st Street
<b>City Name</b>	New York City	<b>Main Address</b>	75 Rockefeller Plaza
<b>District (1st level)</b>	Manhattan	<b>Virtual Address</b>	15-19 West 51st Street 14-36 West 52nd Street
<b>District (2nd level)</b>	Midtown		

### Description

<b>Facade Material</b>	limestone	<b>Architectural style</b>	early modernism
<b>Facade Color</b>	light gray light brown	<b>Main Usage</b>	commercial office

### Spatial dimensions

<b>Height (structural)</b>	424.02 ft	<b>Floors (overground)</b>	33
<b>Height (tip)</b>	424.02 ft	<b>Usable Floor Area (UFA)</b>	<a href="#">Buy full PDF</a>
<b>Height (roof)</b>	424.02 ft		

### Years and costs

<b>Year (construction start)</b>	1946	<b>Year (construction end)</b>	1947
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### Features & Amenities

- City landmark

### Facts

- The 32-storey building employs the simple slab form, with 10-storey wings on the east and west sides, and closes the view along Rockefeller Plaza to the north, unifying the surroundings even in that direction.

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- Although built several years after the "original" Rockefeller Center was completed in 1940, the exterior follows the standard pattern of vertical limestone of the other Center buildings south of 51st Street.
- The Time-Warner Building was built in 1947 to Rockefeller Center for the Esso Oil Company (Rockefellers' Standard Oil).
- The high-ceiling entrance lobby has marble decor and glass-walls facing Rockefeller Plaza.
- The building was completed with the Schraff's, the most accommodating restaurant in the city with its over 1,200 seats, next to the lobby.
- At the time of its completion, the building was the tallest completely air-conditioned building in New York City, and the first such in Rockefeller Center.
- After Time-Life moved to the new Time-Life Building in the Rockefeller Center Extension, the building has been owned and occupied by the Time Warner publishing company.

## Involved companies

*Architect*.....

**Carson & Lundin**

New York City  
U.S.A.

**Wallace K. Harrison**

New York City  
U.S.A.

*Master Plan Architect*.....

**The Associated Architects**

New York City  
U.S.A.

## Additional company data available for this building

<b>Developer</b>	<a href="#">Buy full PDF</a>	<b>Fire Protection Engineering</b>	<a href="#">Buy full PDF</a>
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