

# U.S. Bank Center



## Identification

**EBN** 122412

**Name** U.S. Bank Center

**Alternative Name** Firststar Center, First Wisconsin Center

**Construction Type** skyscraper

**Complex Name** US Bank Center

**Current Status** existing [completed]

## Location

**Continent Name** North America **District (2nd level)** Juneau Town

**Country Name** U.S.A. **Postcode** 53202

**State Name** Wisconsin **Address (as text)** 777 East Wisconsin Avenue

<b>Metro Area Name</b>	Milwaukee-Racine-Waukesha Combined Statistical Area	<b>Main Address</b>	701-777 East Wisconsin Avenue
<b>City Name</b>	Milwaukee	<b>Virtual Address</b>	700-770 East Michigan Street 600-644 North Van Buren Street 601-647 North Cass Street

**District (1st level)** Downtown

## Description

<b>Foundation System</b>	pile foundation	<b>Facade Material</b>	aluminum
<b>Structural System</b>	trussed tube	<b>Facade Color</b>	white
<b>Structural Material</b>	steel	<b>Architectural style</b>	modernism
<b>Facade System</b>	curtain wall	<b>Main Usage</b>	commercial office

## Spatial dimensions

<b>Height (structural)</b>	601.01 ft	<b>Floors (overground)</b>	42
<b>Height (tip)</b>	601.01 ft	<b>Gross Floor Area (GFA)</b>	<a href="#">Buy full PDF</a>
<b>Height (roof)</b>	601.01 ft		

## Years and costs

<b>Year (construction end)</b>	1973
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## Features & Amenities

- One of the city's famous buildings

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## Facts

- The Hotel Martin formerly stood on the northwest corner of this site.
- The building's podium spans East Michigan Street, connecting to a large parking structure on the adjacent block to the south.
- The building won a Distinguished Building Award in 1974 from the Chicago chapter of the American Institute of Architects.
- The foundation uses 500 steel H-piles capable of holding 640 tons each; this capacity allowed the structure to circumvent a building code which required a 100-ton limit on each pile.
- This has been the tallest building in Milwaukee and in Wisconsin since its completion, surpassing Milwaukee City Hall by over 200 feet.
- The lobby is an enormous skylit galleria with two-story windows and liberally planted Indian laurel fig trees.
- The exterior is 66% glass, with a total of 5,000 windows.
- The building's site slopes 15 feet from Michigan Street up to Wisconsin Avenue.
- The structural system consists of a framed tube with belt trusses at three levels, similar to a system developed for 140 William Street in Melbourne.
- The exposed trusses on the tower are echoed by long trusses under the suspended lobby floor.
- The building was designed with the possibility of connecting future additions at the lobby level.
- US Bank Center is one of the engineering marvels of Fazlur Khan, the famous structural engineer of the John Hancock Center and Sears Tower.
- The building was built for the First Wisconsin National Bank, which moved in from the CityCenter at 735 a few blocks to the northwest.
- This building is connected by skyway to the Lewis Center and Juneau Square North.

## Involved companies

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