FROM THE GROUND TO THE TIP OF THE FLAME

How tall is she?

305 feet, 1 inch — the height of a 22-storey building, and in 1886 the tallest structure in New York.

The National Park Service facts page gives the statue 151 feet 1 inch, the pedestal 154 feet, and the two together 305 feet 1 inch from the ground to the tip of the torch. From the ground, visitors climb 377 steps to reach the crown. The frequently asked questions page puts that total height as the equivalent of a 22-story building.

Subject	Facts page (20 August 2026)	Statistics page (30 December 2024)
Statue	151 feet, 1 inch (46.05 m)	"Top of base to torch": 151 feet 1 inch (46.05 m)
Pedestal	154 feet (46.93 m)	"Ground to pedestal": 154 feet (46.94 m)
Total	305 feet, 1 inch (92.9894 m)	"Ground to tip of torch": 305 feet 1 inch (92.99 m)
Steps	"From the ground, visitors climb 377 steps to reach the crown."	This count is not given on the statistics page.

Copper and weight — two official lists

The facts page says the statue "has been estimated to weigh 560,000 pounds (254,000 kg), of which 179,200 pounds (81,300 kg) are copper." The pedestal "weighs approximately 52 million pounds (23.59 million kg)."

The statistics page lists copper at 176,000 lbs, the framework at 440,000 lbs, and the concrete foundation at 54,000,000 lbs. Those two lists are not added together, and the pedestal weight is not treated as the same figure as the concrete foundation.

The statistics page also records the copper sheeting as "3/32 of an inch, the thickness of two pennies placed together."

Crown, stance, cost, and visits

The statistics page says the crown has 25 windows and seven rays, and that the statue faces southeast. It also records that the statue can sway up to 3 inches, and the torch up to 6 inches.

The facts page says the statue and pedestal "may have cost between $300,000 to $600,000 when they were constructed, roughly $17-22 million today" — that "today" is the wording on the page as of its 20 August 2026 update. The same page says "Around 3.8 million people per year visit the Statue of Liberty." It does not give a year for that figure. The copper, it says, "turned green naturally due to oxidation."

A short quiz

1. How many steps does the facts page say visitors climb, from the ground, to reach the crown?
2. How many windows, and how many rays, does the statistics page give the crown?
3. How thick is the copper sheeting, according to the statistics page?

Answers. 1. 377. 2. 25 windows and seven rays. 3. 3/32 of an inch, the thickness of two pennies placed together.

Sources: National Park Service, "Statue of Liberty Facts," last updated 20 August 2026, nps.gov/stli/learn/statue-of-liberty-facts.htm; National Park Service, "Statue Statistics," last updated 30 December 2024, nps.gov/stli/learn/historyculture/statue-statistics.htm. Checked 17 November 2026.