



UTAH STATE CAPITOL

The Utah State Capitol is located at the top of State Street and overlooks the Salt Lake Valley. Construction on the building began December 26, 1912 with the cornerstone being laid in April 1914 and the dedication on October 9, 1916. The cost of the project totaled \$2,739,538.

The Capitol was designed by architect Richard Kletting whose design firm was selected from a number of entries in a state competition. The Capitol's exterior design is similar to the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. This is especially true of the dome which bears a strong resemblance to the U.S. Capitol dome. Utah's Capitol building is 404 feet long, 240 feet wide, and 285 feet from the base of the building to the top of the dome. From the center of the ground floor, the highest point in the dome is 165 feet above the floor. The Capitol's columns, along with the rest of the exterior, are constructed of granite taken from Little Cottonwood Canyon in Salt Lake County.

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