**Connecticut**

**REGIONAL RANKING**  ➤  EAST #8

**GOVERNOR:** Dan Malloy  
**DOT COMMISSIONER:** James Redeker  
**BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR:** Katherine Rattan  
**STATE ADVOCACY GROUP:** Bike Walk Connecticut

**CATEGORY SCORES**  

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**TOP 10 SIGNS OF SUCCESS**  

- People commuting by bike (more than 1%)
- Safe passing/vulnerable road user law
- Complete streets policy
- Committed state funding
- Active state advocacy group
- State bicycle plan (adopted 2004 or later)
- Share the road campaign
- Bicycle education for police
- Bicycle safety emphasis in strategic highway safety plan
- Top 10 state for congestion mitigation and air quality spending

**OVERALL POINTS**  

40.0 of 100  
2013: 40.9 of 100

**FEEDBACK**

- Adopt a vulnerable road user law that increases penalties for a motorist that injures or kills a bicyclist or pedestrian.
- Update state traffic laws regarding bicyclists riding "as far right as practicable" to include the four exemptions listed in the Uniform Vehicle Code.
- Adopt a law prohibiting a motorist from opening an automobile’s door unless the motorist is able to do so safely.
- Create a system of state bike routes that are safe (e.g. wide shoulders, bike lanes, etc.), connect to destinations, and are suitable for all types of bicyclists.
- Adopt a policy requiring state office buildings, state park and recreation facilities, and other state facilities to provide bicycle parking.
- The state could spend more federal funding on bicyclists and pedestrians. Adopt project prioritization criteria for federal funds that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.
- Dedicate state funding for bicycle projects and programs, especially those focused on safety and eliminating gaps and increasing access for bicycle networks.
- Conduct a share the road campaign creatively addressing the issues specific to your state.
- Adopt performance measures to decrease bicycle fatalities.
- Adopt a mode share goal for biking to encourage the integration of bicycle transportation needs into all transportation and land use policy and project decisions.