The Bicycle Friendly States ranking is based on a comprehensive survey completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. It asks comprehensive questions across 5 categories: Legislation and Enforcement, Policies and Programs, Infrastructure and Funding, Education and Encouragement, Evaluation and Planning. The results listed above provide only a snapshot of the full application. They are intended to offer some ideas for further growth in bicycle friendliness. For more information, visit www.bikeleague.org/states or contact Nicole Wynands at (202)-822-1333 or nicole@bikeleague.org.

**Tennessee**

**Governor:** Bill Haslam

**DOT Commissioner:** John Schroer

**Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator:** Jessica Wilson

**State Advocacy Group:** Bike Walk Tennessee

**Regional Ranking:** South #2

**Overall Points:** 39.7 of 100  
2013: 41.9 of 100

**Feedback**

- Adopt a law prohibiting a motorist from opening an automobile’s door unless the motorist is able to do so safely.
- Integrate bicycle enforcement training into the police academy curriculum for new officers.
- Adopt a statewide Complete Streets policy.
- Provide specific training to engineers and planners on how to implement the Complete Streets/Bike Accommodation Policy in everyday decisions.
- Adopt performance measures, such as mode shift or a low percentage of exempted projects, to better track and support Complete Streets/Bike Accommodation Policy compliance.
- Adopt a state bicycle design manual that includes design drawings, guidance on when to use established and innovative design treatments, and public engagement.
- The state could spend more federal funding on bicyclists and pedestrians. Adopt project prioritization criteria for federal funds that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.
- Add language to the driver’s license tests that addresses the interaction between motor vehicles and bicycles.
- Establish a statewide bicycle advisory committee to provide accountability for bicycle projects and programs.
- 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.