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 Ken McLeod at (202)-822-1333 or ken@bikeleague.org.

## Arizona

**Regional Ranking**  
**West #6**

**Governor:** Doug Ducey  
**DOT Commissioner:** John Halikowski  
**Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator:** Michael Sanders  
**State Advocacy Group:** Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists

### Category Scores

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### Top 10 Signs of Success

- 1% or more of people commuting by bike
- Safe passing law (3 feet or greater)
- Complete streets policy
- Dedicated state funding
- Active state advocacy group
- State bicycle plan (adopted 2005 or later)
- Share the road campaign
- Vulnerable road user law
- Bicycle safety emphasis in strategic highway safety plan
- 2% or more federal funds spent on bike/ped

**Overall Points**

- **42** of 100  
  2014: 46 of 100

**Feedback**

- Adopt a statewide Complete Streets policy. The National Complete Streets Coalition has a model state policy and a variety of other resources to ensure adoption and implementation.

- Adopt a statewide, all-ages cell phone and texting ban to combat distracted driving and increase safety for everyone.

- Ensure that no funds from the Transportation Alternatives program are transferred for purposes other than bicycling and walking projects.

- Invest in a Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Program. Modern counting programs rely on a variety of technologies, including continuous counters, to accurately assess the prevalence of people who bike and walk in communities. Consider offering a competitive grant program for communities or fostering a partnership with a university.

- Dedicate additional resources towards fully implementing the state’s existing bicycle plan.

- Arizona has a high number of bicyclist fatalities. Ensure that bicycle safety is a major emphasis in all transportation projects, programs and policies to address this issue.

- Adopt a vulnerable road user law that increases penalties for a motorist that injures or kills a bicyclist or pedestrian. Model language is available here: http://bikeleague.org/content/model-legislation.

- Adopt a graduated licensing or re-testing program for driver's licensing that includes significant bicycle and pedestrian safety components.

- Hold a state bicycle summit with opportunities for professional development, contact with elected officials, and networking.