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.

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**Colorado**

**REGIONAL RANKING ➤ WEST #4**

**GOVERNOR:** John Hickenlooper  
**DOT COMMISSIONER:** Shailen Bhatt  
**BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR:** Betsy Jacobsen  
**STATE ADVOCACY GROUP:** Bicycle Colorado

### 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**

54 of 100  
2014: 54 of 100

**FEEDBACK**

- Establish sustainable and dedicated state funding for bicycling and walking projects and safe routes to school.
- Continue to invest in non-motorized traffic counting programs, which have been influential on a national level and will allow the state to better understand bicyclist behavior.
- Adopt a statewide, all-ages cell phone ban to combat distracted driving and increase safety for everyone.
- 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.
- Adopt a policy requiring state office buildings, state park and recreation facilities, and other state facilities to provide bicycle parking.
- 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.
- 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 performance measures, including but not limited to mode shift or a low percentage of exempted projects, to better track and support Complete Streets/Bike Accommodation Policy compliance.