



BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE REPORT CARD

WYOMING

**STATE RANKING
OVERALL (OUT OF 50)**

#42

TOTAL COUNTS
BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES 2
BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES 2
BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES 1

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Summary

Wyoming, like its neighbor Montana (#46), has very good federal data related to bicycling and walking. Unfortunately, also like Montana, our data shows that the state Department of Transportation and state legislature do not put a priority on bicycling as a mode of transportation or a driver of tourism. This is particularly apparent in Wyoming which has the lowest category scores in the nation for both Policies & Programs and Evaluation & Planning. Both of these categories are closely aligned with any long-term efforts to improve the safety and mobility of people who bike.

Recent bicycle commuter estimates show a drop in the number of people commuting by bike relative to other modes. Without a statewide strategy or framework for improvement, Wyoming seems liable to continue to slip down our rankings after posting a historical best of #11 in 2009. For citizens of Wyoming concerned with bicycle safety, bicycle tourism, or any other aspect of bicycling, the lack of direction at the state level should be a concern.

Feedback Points

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.

In 2016 the Wyoming legislature created a Bicycle and Pedestrian System Task Force. This Task Force is in the process of publishing a report with recommendations on improving bicycling in Wyoming. The creation of this Task Force is a strong sign that the state legislature is aware of the need for better long-term actions for bicycling and the League looks forward to the report and actions taken based on its recommendations.

Wyoming should spend more federal funding on bicyclists and pedestrians. Wyoming has one of the 10 lowest rates of investment in bicycling and walking as a percentage of federal transportation funds. Adopt project prioritization criteria for federal funds that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.

Update Wyoming's state bicycle master plan. Wyoming's last bicycle plan was adopted in 2002. There is a statewide bicycle plan study done by a consultant for the Wyoming DOT that has been published, but it is not yet adopted. While a study can have an affect on long-term actions, adopting a plan and implementing it in a transparent way is more likely to provide direction to employees of the Wyoming DOT and localities that work with the Wyoming DOT.

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Comparison States

National (Overall)	Western Region (out of 13)
40. Mississippi	8. Nevada
41. South Carolina	9. Alaska
42. Wyoming	10. Wyoming
43. Kentucky	11. New Mexico
44. New Mexico	12. Montana

Categories	Rank out of 50
Infrastructure & Funding	48
Education & Encouragement	44
Legislation & Enforcement	22
Policies & Programs	50
Evaluation & Planning	50

Bicycle Friendly Actions	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete Streets Law / Policy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safe Passing Law (3ft+)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statewide bike plan last 10 years	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2% or more fed funds on bike/ped	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bicycle Safety Emphasis Area	

Federal Data on Biking		Rank
Ridership	0.9% of commuters biking to work ⁱ	9/50
Safety	4.7 fatalities per 10k bike commuters ⁱⁱ	13/50
Spending	\$4.29 per capita FHWA spending on biking and walking ⁱⁱⁱ	7/50

ⁱ This figure is based upon the Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year estimate.

ⁱⁱ This figure is based upon fatalities reported over a five-year period according to the National Highway Administration (NHTSA)'s Fatality Analysis Reporting System and the 2015 5-year ACS estimate of the number of bicycle commuters.

ⁱⁱⁱ FHWA spending is based upon projects coded using any of three project types associated with bicycling and walking projects through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)'s Fiscal Management Information System. To calculate per capita spending we used a five-year average for fiscal years 2011-2016 and the 2015 5-year ACS state population estimate.



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Wyoming Report Card: Detailed Category Scores

The Category Scores below are aggregated from smaller sub-categories—each of which is sorted in descending order, from the topic with the highest possible points available to least.

Infrastructure & Funding	
Ranked 48 th of 50 States	
Design and Existence of Infrastructure Has the state made it easy to build bicycle infrastructure and installed a variety of infrastructure on state facilities?	9/38 pts
State Transportation Funding Does the state report that funding is allocated to bicycling?	0/28 pts
Use of Federal Transportation Funding Does the state take advantage of available federal funding for biking and walking?	9/16 pts
Planned and Recently Built Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities How many lane miles of bicycle and pedestrian facilities has the state reportedly planned to build and built?	0/10 pts
State Transportation Funding Restrictions Does the state have any policies that limit the ability to fund bicycling and walking infrastructure?	8/8 pts
Total of Possible 100 Points:	26/100 pts

Policies & Programs	
Ranked 50 th of 50 States	
Complete Streets Does the state have a complete streets policy and processes to support its implementation?	0/56 pts
Design and Access Policies Does the state have policies in place to ensure good design and access for people who bike and walk?	7/25 pts
State of Practice Development Does the state support trainings on bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure and complete streets implementation?	0/13 pts
Sustainable Transportation Policies Does the state work incorporate multi-disciplinary considerations in the development and implementation of transportation projects?	1/6 pts
Total of Possible 100 Points:	8/100 pts

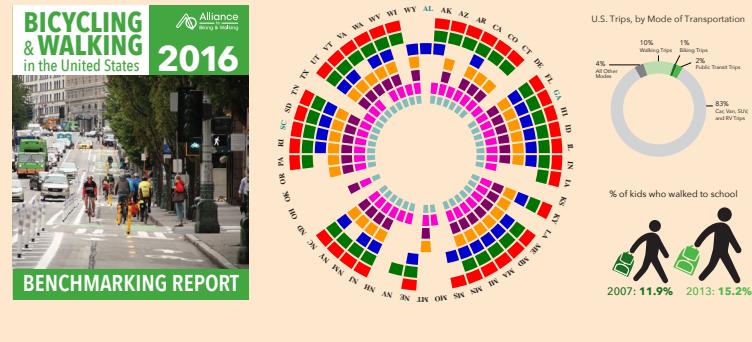
Education & Encouragement	
Ranked 44 th of 50 States	
State DOT Education & Encouragement Support Does the state DOT support bicycling and walking events and education materials?	10/35 pts
Mode Share Do many people bike to work and is that number increasing relative to other modes?	6/30 pts
Driver Education Requirements Does the state require drivers to answer questions about bicyclist safety as part of the driver's licensing test?	10/20 pts
Advocacy Does the state have a bicycle advocacy group that is a member of the League of American Bicyclists or was identified by the state?	15/15 pts
Total of Possible 100 Points:	41/100 pts

Evaluation & Planning	
Ranked 50 th of 50 States	
State DOT Bicycle & Pedestrian Plans Does the state have a bicycle and/or pedestrian plan and does that plan follow best practices?	3/48 pts
Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Has the state made bicyclist and pedestrian safety an emphasis and what does data say about safety?	15/34 pts
Understanding People who Bike and Walk Does the state have programs in place to collect data on people who walk and bike?	0/10 pts
Formal User Group Engagement Does the state have an official Bicycle and/or Pedestrian Advisory Committee and does it follow best practices?	0/8 pts
Total of Possible 100 Points:	18/100 pts

Legislation & Enforcement	
Ranked 22 nd of 50 States	
Laws that regulate driver behavior and methods of enforcement Does the state have strong comprehensive distracted driving laws and allow photo enforcement?	17/37 pts
Laws that restrict the behavior of people who bike and walk How does the state unnecessarily restrict the behavior of people who bike and walk? (low points = more restrictions)	24/28 pts
Laws that create protections for people who bike and walk Does the state have laws that provide specific protections for people who bike and walk?	21/25 pts
Laws that influence the built environment Does the state allow speed limits of 20 mph or less?	5/10 pts
Total of Possible 100 Points:	67/100 pts

Dig into the data: Robust interactive report + Downloads

The Bicycle Friendly State survey used to create this ranking is also the basis for a biennial report. Explore tons of bicycling, walking, & health data on states and cities at bikingandwalkingbenchmarks.org.





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Allow the flexibility for all units of government statewide to use NACTO and AASHTO standards as well as the state's own design standards. Or, alternatively incorporate NACTO and AASHTO standards into state design standards and guidance.

Provide specific training to engineers and planners on how to plan, design, and implement bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, including protected bike lanes, safe rural bicycling routes, and other facilities that have become more widespread in recent years. Significant changes in best practices have occurred recently and training is essential to ensuring that communities in your state have access to the best possible solutions for their bicycle and pedestrian safety and mobility issues.



ABOUT THE LEAGUE & MEMBERSHIP

Support the League by becoming a member today and add your voice to the bicycling movement! Over 75% of our funding comes from individuals. Members support our time-tested programs like Bicycle Friendly America, Smart Cycling and Federal Advocacy. As a member, you'll enjoy valuable perks like Bicycling Magazine, discounts at dozens of national bike retailers and manufacturers, and exclusive pricing to the National Bike Summit. Together, let's advance bicycling on Capitol Hill and in your community!

SMART CYCLING RESOURCES



Bike Safety Education is a key component to keeping roadways safe for all users. Having League Cycling Instructors (LCIs) in your state creates more opportunities for bike safety education to be shared. LCIs are certified by the League through an intense 3-day seminar focused on how to effectively deliver the Smart Cycling curriculum. To host a LCI seminar in your state, contact education@bikeleague.org.

Visit bikeleague.org/ridesmart to access Smart Cycling videos, Smart Cycling Quick Guides (available in English & Spanish), and Smart Cycling manuals.

WE BELIEVE

Bicycling brings people together. When more people ride bikes:

- » Life is better for everyone;
- » Communities are safer, stronger and better connected;
- » Our nation is healthier, economically stronger, environmentally cleaner and more energy independent.

OUR VISION

is a nation where everyone recognizes and enjoys the many benefits and opportunities of bicycling.

OUR MISSION

is to lead the movement to create a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone. As leaders, our commitment is to listen and learn, define standards and share best practices to engage diverse communities and build a powerful, unified voice for change.

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