



BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE REPORT CARD



0% PERCENT OF STATE IN BFC SILVER+

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP:
ALABAMA BICYCLE COALITION

ALABAMA

#44 NATIONAL RANK (OF 50)

#12 REGIONAL RANK SOUTHERN (OF 13)

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	Infrastructure & Funding						Considers the use of federal transportation funding, state transportation funding, and the existence of bicycle infrastructure in the state.
	Education & Encouragement						Considers bicycle mode share, advocacy, state goals to increase bicycling, and whether the state sponsors a conference on bicycling.
	Traffic Laws & Practices						Considers traffic laws related to bicyclist safety and practices for automated enforcement and preventing racial disparities in traffic law enforcement.
	Policies & Programs						Considers Complete Streets policies and programmatic support for implementing bicycling improvements, including staffing and integrating public health.
	Evaluation & Planning						Considers state bicycle plans, safety outcomes, guidance on bicycle facilities, data collection on bicycling and walking, and public engagement of bicyclists.

Based on the information we obtained for Alabama, the League of American Bicyclists believes the following actions will improve the safety, comfort, and accessibility of bicycling in Alabama.

Adopt a statewide Complete Streets policy or other policy that institutionalizes planning, designing, and building safe places for people to bike and walk as part of the transportation system.

Use more federal funding for biking and walking improvements in order to spend at least 2% of federal funds on biking and walking improvements.

Alabama has a bicycling to work rate that is less than half the national average. Bicycling is cheap, safe, and reduces dependence on fossil fuels that are subject to price changes. Work with cities to provide networks that allow more people to safely bike to work.

Alabama has a bicyclist fatality rate worse than the national average. High-speed arterial roadways, often owned by the state DOT, are the most common place people biking are killed. Improve those roadways to improve bicycle safety.

Improve coordination between state DOT, municipalities, and counties in the planning phase of projects with the goal of increasing connectivity and continuity of bike networks.

Bicycle Friendly Actions	Progress?
Complete Streets Law / Policy	No
Safe Passing Law (3ft+)	Yes
Statewide bike plan last 10 years	Yes
2% or more federal funds on bike/ped	No - Lapse
Bicycle Safety Emphasis Area	Yes

Federal Data on Biking	Rank
Ridership 0.1% of commuters biking to work	49/50
Safety 31.8 fatalities per 10K bike commuters	49/50
Spending \$2.85 per capita FHWA spending on biking and walking	26/50

SEE THE BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE DATABASE MAP:
[BIKELEAGUE.ORG/BFA/AWARDS](https://bikeleague.org/BFA/AWARDS)

The Bicycle Friendly State ranking is based on a comprehensive survey—with over 100 data points—completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. For more information, visit bikeleague.org/states or contact Ken McLeod at (202) 822-1333 or ken@bikeleague.org.