



BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE REPORT CARD



32% PERCENT OF STATE IN BFC SILVER+

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP:
IDAHO BIKE WALK ALLIANCE

IDAHO

#40 NATIONAL RANK (OF 50)

#10 REGIONAL RANK (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 Idaho, the League of American Bicyclists believes the following actions will improve the safety, comfort, and accessibility of bicycling in Idaho.

Adopt a statewide Complete Streets policy, such as a state law to ensure all projects receiving state and federal funding provide safe places for people to bike and walk.

Adopt a safe passing law with a minimum distance of 3 feet to address bicyclist safety. Over the last two decades most states have adopted a safe passing law to protect people biking. Idaho is one of 11 states that has not.

Spend at least 2% of federal transportation funds on biking and walking improvements.

The League of American Bicyclists has accepted the 2014 Bicycle and Pedestrian Study as Idaho's Bike Plan for several years. Planning for an update should already be underway if the League is to continue recognizing Idaho as having a Bike Plan adopted within the last ten years. The 2014 study notably does not discuss separated and protected bike lanes, which should be included in an update.

Idaho's Strategic Highway Safety Plan Emphasis for bicycle and pedestrian safety adopts a strategy to "Include construction and maintenance of appropriate facilities for all users on all projects as appropriate." Adopting a Complete Streets policy or law would institutionalize this strategy.

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

Federal Data on Biking	Rank
Ridership 0.78% of commuters biking to work	11/50
Safety 3.3 fatalities per 10K bike commuters	7/50
Spending \$2.53 per capita FHWA spending on biking and walking	31/50

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.