



DELAWARE, OH

TOTAL POPULATION

42,000

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

19

POPULATION DENSITY

2202

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

1

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Bronze	Delaware
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	20%	0%
Total on- and off-road Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	25%	17%
Bicycle Education in Schools	AVERAGE	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	7%	UNKNOWN
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	AVERAGE	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	NO
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS QUARTERLY	NONE
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	AVERAGE	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 154K	1 PER 420K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	1.7 /10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	0.7 /10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	0.6 /10
ENFORCEMENT & SAFETY <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	2.6 /10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	3.1 /10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Bronze	Delaware
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of commuters who bike</i>	1.3%	0.21%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	1093	DATA NOT COLLECTED
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	20	0



KEY STEPS TO BRONZE

- » Adopt a Complete Streets policy and create implementation guidance. By adopting a Complete Streets policy, communities direct their transportation planners and engineers to routinely design and operate the entire right-of-way to enable safe access for all users, regardless of age, ability, or mode of transportation.
- » Continue to expand the bike network and increase connectivity through the use of different types of bicycle facilities appropriate for the speed and volume of motor vehicle traffic on each road. On roads where automobile speeds regularly exceed 35 mph, it is recommended to provide protected bicycle infrastructure such as protected bike lanes/ cycle tracks, buffered bike lanes or parallel 10ft wide shared-use paths (in low density areas). In slower speed areas such as quiet

neighborhood streets, develop a system of bicycle boulevards that create an attractive, convenient, and comfortable cycling environment welcoming to cyclists of all ages and skill levels.

- » Increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community. Conduct a bike parking study or audit to determine current conditions of bike parking, both in terms of quality and quantity. Develop community-wide Bicycle Parking Standards to ensure that APBP-compliant bicycle parking is available.
- » Expand bicycle safety education to be a routine part of education for students of all ages, and ensure that schools and the surrounding neighborhoods are particularly safe and

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KEY STEPS TO BRONZE CONTINUED

convenient for biking and walking. Work with local bicycle groups and interested parents to create Safe Routes to School programming for all K-12 schools.

- » Develop bicycle education opportunities for adults. Consider ways to target demographics who currently do not feel safe riding with classes or events that address their concerns.
- » Increase the number of local League Cycling Instructors (LCIs) in your community, either by hosting an LCI seminar or sponsoring a City staffer, Police Officer, and/or local bike advocate to attend an existing seminar elsewhere. Having several active instructors in the area will enable you to expand cycling education for youth and adults, recruit more knowledgeable cycling ambassadors, deliver Bicycle Friendly Driver education to motorists, and have experts available to assist in encouragement programs. Visit bikeleague.org/ridesmart for more information.
- » Work with local employers to create a Bike to Work Day event. Bike to Work Day often involves a central "pit stop" station with food, community groups, and elected officials promoting and helping people to choose to bike to work.
- » Encourage more local businesses, agencies, and organizations to promote cycling to their employees and customers throughout the year through the Bicycle Friendly Business program.

- » Continue to build bike culture and promote cycling during Bike Month and throughout the year in your community through a variety of signature events, rides, celebrations, commuter challenges and more.
- » Repeal the mandatory bike registration law or ordinance in your community, which may be prohibitive or discouraging for new bicyclists.
- » Work with your local police department and area hospitals to collect and track bike crash data. Collecting data is an important step to addressing bike safety. Data about crashes should be used to identify where projects can resolve or mitigate safety issues.
- » Work with the local school district and other agencies to appoint or hire a new Safe Routes to School Coordinator to continue improving education for students and to focus on expanding and improving the bikeway network around schools.
- » Create an official Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) to create a systematic method for ongoing citizen input into the development of important policies, plans, and projects. Ensure that the members of the committee reflect the diversity and ability levels of cyclists in your community.
- » Adopt a target level of bicycle use (percent of trips) to be achieved within a specific timeframe, and ensure data collection necessary to monitor progress.

MORE RESOURCES FOR IMPROVING YOUR COMMUNITY:

- » League of American Bicyclists: <https://www.bikeleague.org>
- » Guide to the BFC Report Card: https://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/Guide_to_the_Bicycle_Friendly_Community_Report_Card.pdf
- » Resources for Building a Bicycle Friendly Community: https://bikeleague.org/BFC_Resources
- » Building Blocks of a Bicycle Friendly Community: <https://bikeleague.org/content/building-blocks-bicycle-friendly-communities>
- » The Five E's + Equity: <https://bikeleague.org/content/5-es>
- » Community FAQs & Resources: <https://bikeleague.org/content/community-faq-resources>
- » Smart Cycling Program: <https://bikeleague.org/ridesmart>
- » Advocacy Reports and Resources: <https://bikeleague.org/reports>
- » Bicycle Friendly Business Program: <https://bikeleague.org/business>
- » National Bike Month: <https://bikeleague.org/bikemonth>

