



# BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE REPORT CARD



15% PERCENT OF STATE IN BFC SILVER+

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP:  
**BIKE WALK NEBRASKA**

# NEBRASKA

## #49 NATIONAL RANK (OF 50)

## #13 REGIONAL RANK MIDWESTERN (OF 13)

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		F	D	C	B	A	
	<b>Infrastructure &amp; Funding</b>	<b>F+</b>					Considers the use of federal transportation funding, state transportation funding, and the existence of bicycle infrastructure in the state.
	<b>Education &amp; Encouragement</b>	<b>F</b>					Considers bicycle mode share, advocacy, state goals to increase bicycling, and whether the state sponsors a conference on bicycling.
	<b>Traffic Laws &amp; Practices</b>	<b>B</b>					Considers traffic laws related to bicyclist safety and practices for automated enforcement and preventing racial disparities in traffic law enforcement.
	<b>Policies &amp; Programs</b>	<b>C-</b>					Considers Complete Streets policies and programmatic support for implementing bicycling improvements, including staffing and integrating public health.
	<b>Evaluation &amp; Planning</b>	<b>D+</b>					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 Nebraska, the League of American Bicyclists believes the following actions will improve the safety, comfort, and accessibility of bicycling in Nebraska.

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.

Adopt a statewide Bike Plan or Active Transportation Plan. Nebraska is one of just 8 states that have never adopted a statewide Bike Plan.

Make bicycle safety an emphasis area in your Strategic Highway Safety Plan with identified strategies for engineering improvements.

Since our 2019 Bicycle Friendly State ranking, Nebraska has more than doubled its per capita federal spending on biking and walking projects. This is great progress. A statewide bike plan can reinforce this improvement and coordinate additional improvements.

Nebraska should update its Engineering Design Standards to include protected bike lanes. According to our survey data, Nebraska does not have standards for protected bike lanes, does not have training on their design or implementation, and does not have any protected bike lanes on state roads.

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

Federal Data on Biking	Rank
Ridership <b>0.3% of commuters</b> biking to work	31/50
Safety <b>3 fatalities</b> per 10K bike commuters	5/50
Spending <b>\$4.09 per capita</b> FHWA spending on biking and walking	13/50

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](https://bikeleague.org/states) or contact Ken McLeod at (202) 822-1333 or [ken@bikeleague.org](mailto:ken@bikeleague.org).