



ALBANY, OR

TOTAL POPULATION

52,710

POPULATION DENSITY

3,082

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

17.7

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	Albany
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	35%	96%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	48%	35%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	10%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	SOMEWHAT (2010)
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 78K	1 PER 264K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	3.4/10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	2.6/10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	2.4/10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	3/10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	3.9/10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	Albany
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.7%	0.95%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	537	596.33
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	6.3	9.17



KEY STEPS TO SILVER



- » Install a bicycle wayfinding system with distance and destination information at strategic locations around the community, integrating preferred on-street and off-street facilities. Wayfinding may be particularly useful at intersections and along routes that may be likely to attract non-regular bicycle riders.
- » Expand bicycle safety education to be a routine part of education for students of all ages, and ensure that all schools and the surrounding neighborhoods are particularly safe and 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, including Middle and High Schools.
- » Develop education and encouragement outreach methods and programs that specifically target women, seniors, low-income, and non-English speaking communities, in addition to families and general non-targeted outreach and media campaigns that discuss current and new bicycle facilities, safe driver and bicyclist behavior, and events related to walking and biking.

- » Provide education to law enforcement officers on bicycle safety, bicycling skills, and traffic laws as they apply to bicyclists and motorists. Develop a bike patrol unit to improve bicyclist/officer relations, and ensure that law enforcement officers who are not certified or trained as bicycle patrol officers nevertheless have basic training or experience with bicycling in your community in order to foster positive interactions between bicyclists and police officers.
- » Increase the amount of staff time spent on improving conditions for people who bike and walk, either by creating a new dedicated position or expanding the responsibilities of current staff.
- » Begin the process of creating a new Bicycle Master Plan or updating your 2010 bike plan. An important first step to this process will be public outreach including surveys and engagement with current and potential bicyclists. Regularly updating your bicycle plan is key to improving conditions for bicycling, adhering to evolving best practices and national standards, and institutionalizing processes for continual evaluation and improvement.