



MUNCIE, IN

TOTAL POPULATION

70,085

POPULATION DENSITY

2481

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

27.39

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

1

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

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10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	Muncie
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	35%	0%
Total on- and off-road Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	48%	5%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	UNKNOWN
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	AVERAGE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 78K	1 PER 70K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	2.34 /10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	0.79 /10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	2.25 /10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	2.83 /10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	Muncie
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.7%	1.67%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	537	NO DATA
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	6.3	7.92



KEY STEPS TO SILVER



» Congratulations on adopting the 2019 Delaware-Muncie Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. This plan will be a blueprint for improvements and has many great recommendations for a more connected network of safe and comfortable bicycle facilities. Ensure that there is dedicated funding for the implementation of all types of bicycle infrastructure recommended by the new plan.

» 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. A Complete Streets policy should prompt the community to consider lane and/or road diets when repaving or otherwise doing major maintenance on roadways. Striping bicycle lanes as part of repaving operations can save 40% of the cost of adding a bicycle lane.

» Bicycle safety education should be a routine part of education for students of all ages, and schools and the surrounding neighborhoods should be 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 schools.

» 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.

» Increase the number of local League Cycling Instructors (LCIs) in your community, either by hosting an LCI seminar or sponsoring a City staffer 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

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motorists, and have experts available to assist in encouragement programs. Visit bikeleague.org/ridesmart for more information.

- » Develop education and encouragement outreach methods and programs that specifically target families, women, seniors, low-income, and non-English speaking communities, in addition to 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.
- » Create an incentive program for businesses to provide standard bike parking, and to develop workplace bicycling programs for their employees. Use the framework of the Bicycle Friendly Business program to engage with more local businesses, agencies, and organizations to promote cycling to their employees and customers.

- » Create a bicycle count program that utilizes several methods of data collection to create an understanding of current bicyclists and the effects of new facilities on bicycling in Muncie. Automated bicycle counters provide long-term data on bicycle use at fixed points in a community and mobile counters can provide periodic or before/after data related to a change in your community's road or bicycle network. Observational counts and surveys can supplement automated data in order to collect demographic information and examine social equity goals.

- » Work with area hospitals and emergency responders 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. Ensure that your community tracks and utilizes traffic safety and citation data to identify potential engineering, education, and policy solutions that could resolve frequently-occurring problems.

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: <https://bikeleague.org/5-es>
- » 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>

