



VAIL, CO

TOTAL POPULATION

5,479

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

4.52

POPULATION DENSITY

1179

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES 0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES 0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Gold	Vail
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	41%	13%
Total on- and off-road Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	76%	262%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	18%	10%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	VERY GOOD	VERY GOOD
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	NO
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	GOOD	GOOD
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	SOMEWHAT
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 26K	1 PER 5.5K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	4.5 /10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	4.3 /10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	5.3 /10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	5.4 /10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Gold	Vail
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	5.1%	2.27%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	287	119
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	2.2	0



KEY STEPS TO GOLD



- » Continue to improve and expand the low-stress bike network for all ages and abilities, and ensure that your community follows a bicycle facility selection criteria that increases separation and protection of bicyclists based on levels of motor vehicle speed and volume.
- » Work with Colorado Department of Transportation to improve connectivity for bicyclists across the community by adding protected bike lanes to arterial roadways and developing more bicycle-friendly underpass connections to improve bicycling safety, comfort, and accessibility for all ages and abilities.

- » Continue to increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community, and to upgrade the quality of existing bike parking to meet APBP standards. Adopt a bike parking ordinance for new and existing buildings that specifies the amount and location of secure, convenient, APBP-compliant bike parking available.
- » Continue to improve bicycle safety education for students of all ages by incorporating on-bicycle education opportunities for all ages and by expanding the program to all K-12 schools. Providing bicycles in schools for on-bike education ensures that all students can learn to safely ride a bicycle regardless of the availability of a bicycle in their household.

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KEY STEPS TO GOLD CONTINUED

» Increase the number of local League Cycling Instructors (LCIs) in your community, either by hosting an LCI seminar or sponsoring a Town 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 motorists, and have experts available to assist in encouragement programs. Visit bikeleague.org/ridesmart for more information.

» Continue to develop a bicycle count program that utilizes several methods of data collection including automated bicycle counters at fixed points, mobile counters, and manual observational counts.

» Begin the process of creating a new Bicycle Master Plan or updating your 2009 Transportation Master Plan Update. Having a regularly updated 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. Ensure the new plan includes specific and measurable goals and performance measures to track progress, is informed by an inclusive public input and planning process, and is supported by a dedicated budget for implementation. Consider incorporating FHWA's Bikeway Selection Guide: https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/docs/fhwasa18077.pdf and the FHWA Small Town and Rural Multimodal Network Guide for the more rural contexts: <https://ruraldesignguide.com>.

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
- » About the BFC Application Process: <https://bikeleague.org/content/about-bfc-application-process>
- » 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: <http://bikeleague.org/reports>

