



SAINT LOUIS, MO

TOTAL POPULATION

318,955

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

66.2

POPULATION DENSITY

5157.5

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES **5**

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES **1**

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Gold	Saint Louis
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	35%	0%
Total on- and off-road Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	76%	15%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	14%	10%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	VERY GOOD	GOOD
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY	MEETS QUARTERLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 33K	1 PER 85K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	6.23 /10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	4.15 /10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	4.95 /10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	5.33 /10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Gold	Saint Louis
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	5.1%	0.78%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	287	610.74
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	2.2	13.42



KEY STEPS TO GOLD



» Continue to expand and improve the low-stress bikeway network to every neighborhood in St. Louis. In addition to identifying gaps and adding new facilities that complete and expand the bicycle network, continue working to upgrade existing facilities such as by converting painted bike lanes into protected cycle tracks, or replacing shared lane markings with dedicated bicycle boulevards with traffic calming measures. Build on the Calm Street pilot by expanding the model to more neighborhoods to develop a city-wide system of bicycle boulevards that create an attractive, convenient, and comfortable cycling environment welcoming to cyclists of all ages and skill levels.

» Continue to 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 convenient for biking and walking. Work with the school district, local bicycle groups, and interested parents to create Safe Routes to School programming for all K-12 schools, including by providing more bicycles for on-bike learning opportunities for children and teens.

» Organize a Bike to School Day event every Fall and Spring. Bike to School Day events can include competitions related to bicycle use, outreach to parents, and

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KEY STEPS TO **GOLD** CONTINUED

coordination between the schools and the city to create safer routes to schools.

» 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. Continue to develop a bicycle count program that utilizes several methods of data collection including automated bicycle counters to provide long-term data on bicycle use at fixed points and mobile counters to provide periodic or before/after data related to a changes in your community's road or bicycle network.

» Adopt a comprehensive road safety plan or a Vision Zero policy to identify specific strategies to reduce traffic crashes and deaths for all road users, including bicyclists and pedestrians. Road diets, lane diets, and traffic calming treatments are important engineering components for addressing safety.

» Consider launching a bike share system that is open to the public. Bike sharing is a convenient, cost effective, and healthy way of encouraging locals and visitors to make short trips by bike, make bicycling more accessible to all, and to bridge the 'last mile' between public transit and destinations.

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: <http://bikeleague.org/reports>