

# Minnesota BFS Report Card

RANKING # 2 REGIONAL MIDWEST: #1		
Category Scores Scoring: 5 = High 1 = Low		
3	Legislation and Enforcement	
5	Policies and Programs	
3	Infrastructure and Funding	
4	Education and Encouragement	
4	Evaluation and Planning	

### **One Bicycle Friendly Success**

From the Mississippi River Trail bikeway and DOT's supportive policies, to Nice Ride bike sharing and the Blue Skunk Polo Club - Minnesota loves bicycles

## **Top Tip for Improvement**

Develop a comprehensive enforcement strategy to ensure police have the necessary training and are actively enforcing laws meant to keep bicyclists safe.

## **Top 10 Signs of Success**

	People Commuting by Bike (More than 1%)
50	Safe Passing/Vulnerable Road User Law
50	Complete Streets Policy
50	Dedicated State Funding
50	Active State Advocacy Group
50	State Bicycle Plan (Adopted 2002 or later)
50	Share the Road Campaign
50	Bicycle Education for Police
	Bicycle Safety Emphasis in Strategic Highway Safety Plan
	Top 10 State for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Spending

The Bicycle Friendly States ranking is based on a comprehensive survey completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. It asks 50 questions across 5 categories: Legislation and Enforcement, Policies and Programs, Infrastructure and Funding, Education and Encouragement, Evaluation and Planning. The results listed above provide only a snap shot of the full application. They are intended to offer some ideas for further growth in bicycle friendliness. For more information, visit www.bikeleague.org/states or contact Matt Wempe at (202) 822-1333 or matt@bikeleague.org.



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State Advocacy Group:	Bicycle Alliance of MN

#### **Feedback**

- Examine ways MNDOT can be organized to effectively address multi-modal needs. The recent move of the SRTS Coordinator into the Bicycle and Pedestrian Division is a great start.; Bicycle law enforcement in Minnesota is making great strides. Develop a comprehensive strategy to ensure the variety of programs have the greatest impact.
- Adopt federal funding project rating criteria that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations. The majority of the state's spending is focused on a handful of sources (e.g. TE) but neglects others (e.g. CMAQ, HSIP).
- Bicycle ridership, while good, must continue to increase. Determine barriers that people face when bicycling and implement a comprehensive strategy to reduce barriers and increase ridership.
- The League is excited to see the outcomes of the Statewide Bicycle Plan. Ensure that the necessary resources are dedicated towards implementation.