



Mississippi

RANKING # 31

REGIONAL RANKING » SOUTH #6

GOVERNOR: Phil Bryant

DOT COMMISSIONER: Melinda McGrath

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR: Lindsey Netherland

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP: Bike Walk Mississippi

CATEGORY SCORES

SCORING: 5 = HIGH 1 = LOW

3	LEGISLATION AND ENFORCEMENT
2	POLICIES AND PROGRAMS
1	INFRASTRUCTURE AND FUNDING
3	EDUCATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT
2	EVALUATION AND PLANNING

TOP 10 SIGNS OF SUCCESS

= NEW IN 2014

	PEOPLE COMMUTING BY BIKE (MORE THAN 1%)
	SAFE PASSING/VULNERABLE ROAD USER LAW
	COMPLETE STREETS POLICY
	COMMITTED STATE FUNDING
	ACTIVE STATE ADVOCACY GROUP
	STATE BICYCLE PLAN (ADOPTED 2004 OR LATER)
	SHARE THE ROAD CAMPAIGN
	BICYCLE EDUCATION FOR POLICE
	BICYCLE SAFETY EMPHASIS IN STRATEGIC HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN
	TOP 10 STATE FOR CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY SPENDING

OVERALL POINTS

32.8 of 100 2013: 26.3 of 100

FEEDBACK

- Strengthen the Complete Streets resolution to ensure implementation. For example, adopt performance measures, such as mode shift or a low percentage of exempted projects, to better track and support policy compliance.
- Update the state rumble strip policy to ensure compliance with the November 2011 Federal Highway Administration guidance. Require that rumble strips are not installed unless a traffic safety study proves they are necessary.
- Adopt a statewide policy that requires bicycle accommodations on all bridge and tunnel projects.
- Ensure that no funds from the Transportation Alternatives program are transferred for purposes other than bicycling and walking projects.
- The state is spending a very low amount of federal funding on bicyclists and pedestrians. Adopt project prioritization criteria for federal funds that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.
- Add language to the driver's license tests that addresses the interaction between motor vehicles and bicycles.
- Adopt a mode share goal for biking to encourage the integration of bicycle transportation needs into all transportation and land use policy and project decisions.
- Continue to expand Bike Walk Mississippi's Bicycle Friendly Mississippi campaign, the Women Bike Mississippi initiative, the Mississippians for Complete Streets coalition, and the Mississippi Streets Alive program. To get involved or request assistance, visit bikewalkmississippi.org.

The Bicycle Friendly States ranking is based on a comprehensive survey completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. It asks comprehensive 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 Nicole Wynands at (202)-822-1333 or nicole@bikeleague.org.