



BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE

2014 REPORT CARD

Ohio

RANKING # 16

REGIONAL RANKING » MIDWEST #5

GOVERNOR: John Kasich

DOT COMMISSIONER: Jerry Wray

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR: Julie Walcoff

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP: Ohio Bicycle Federation

CATEGORY SCORES

SCORING: 5 = HIGH 1 = LOW

3 LEGISLATION AND ENFORCEMENT

3 POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

2 INFRASTRUCTURE AND FUNDING

4 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

45.1 of 100 2013: 28.4 of 100

FEEDBACK

- Adopt a safe passing law with a minimum distance of 3 feet to address bicyclist safety.
- Adopt a vulnerable road user law that increases penalties for a motorist that injures or kills a bicyclist or pedestrian.
- Adopt a law allowing transportation agencies to post 20 mph or lower speed limits under certain circumstances.
- Adopt a statewide Complete Streets policy. The National Complete Streets Coalition has a model state policy and a variety of other resources to ensure adoption and implementation.
- Adopt performance measures, such as mode shift or a low percentage of exempted projects, to better track and support Complete Streets/ Bike Accommodation Policy compliance.
- The state could spend more federal funding on bicyclists and pedestrians. Adopt project prioritization criteria for federal funds that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.
- 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.
- Ensure that bicycle safety is a major emphasis in all transportation projects, programs and policies to address this issue.
- Adopt House Bill 145 to permit vehicle drivers to proceed at intersection, even when not detected.
- Adopt House Bill 397, which would increase penalties for hit-and-run motorists.

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.

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