



# Pennsylvania

# RANKING # 19

## REGIONAL RANKING » EAST #7

GOVERNOR: Tom Corbett

DOT COMMISSIONER: Barry Schoch

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR: Brian Sanders

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP: PA Walks and Bikes

## CATEGORY SCORES

SCORING: 5 = HIGH 1 = LOW

**3** LEGISLATION AND ENFORCEMENT

**3** POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

**2** 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

**41.4** of 100 2013: 43.0 of 100

## FEEDBACK

- Create an adequately staffed Bike/Ped Office within PennDOT to administer a competitive grant fund program and coordinate implementation of bike/ped programs within PennDOT and its District offices.
- Conduct a nationwide search and promptly hire full-time Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinators for the Central Office and Districts 6, 8 and 11; hire 25% FTE Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinators for other District Offices.
- Issue a "Strike-Off" letter to all District Offices that details PennDOT's new policy for how municipalities can request new bike lanes on state roads that meet the requirements of the Bicycle Occupancy Permit and not require municipalities to assume all maintenance of bicycle facilities in the existing cartway.
- Issue a "Strike-Off" letter to all District Offices that provides guidance on how they can use the NACTO Urban Street Design Guide and the Urban Bikeway Design Guide
- Provide funding for consultant contract to conduct a comprehensive and robust update of the 2007 State Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan
- Provide funding for a consultant contract to conduct an audit of the Bicycle Pedestrian Checklist System and implement improvements to make it effective, accountable and transparent.
- Incorporate the Bicycle Pedestrian Checklist System into a new Complete Streets policy.
- Develop a data-driven cost estimate of building out all proposed bicycle and pedestrian facilities, trails and bicycle routes for inclusion in the state's Long Range Transportation Plan.

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](http://www.bikeleague.org/states) or contact Nicole Wynands at (202)-822-1333 or [nicole@bikeleague.org](mailto:nicole@bikeleague.org).