

# 2018 PROGRESS REPORT

TOTAL COUNTS
BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES 9
BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES 28
BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES 3

#**8**2017 ranking

**REGION: WEST** 

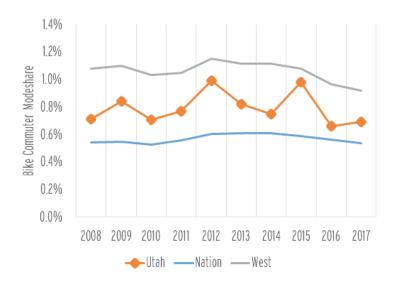
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Utah, somewhat surprisingly, has overall negative trends for conditions for bicyclists in the state.

Both Bike Utah and the Utah Department of Transportation highlight some exciting developments, such as a commitment to build 1,000 miles of trails over the next ten years, but federal data reflects a pronounced decrease in the use of federal funds for bicycling and walking.

One explanation we have heard is that the state has prioritized the use state funds instead of federal funds for bicycling and walking, which could be consistent with our data, but it is still surprising how far the use of federal funds has fallen.

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Ridership	0.8% of commuters biking to work	Slight decrease in bike commuting	<b>11/</b> 50



icycle Friendly Actions 🛹 = New Progress in 2018		
Complete Streets Law / Policy	Yes	
Safe Passing Law (3ft+)	Yes	
Statewide bike plan in last 10 years	Yes	
Bicycle Safety Emphasis Area	Yes	
2% or more fed funds on bike/ped (in last five fiscal years)	No	

#### Featured Statewide Member - Bike Utah



Bike Utah is working on three major initiatives to change the landscape for bicycling in Utah.

- Youth Bicycle Education and Safety Training (BEST)
   Program Through the Youth BEST Program, Bike
   Utah educates more than 3,000 kids annually about how to safely and confidently get around by bicycle.
- Wasatch Bike Plan More than 85% of Utah's population lives in the four Wasatch Front counties. Through the Wasatch Bike Plan, the goal is to get ever municipality in these four counties to develop and adopt an active transportation plan that meets a set of plan standards.
- 3. 1,000 Miles Campaign In May 2017, Utah Governor Gary Herbert stated a goal of developing 1,000 miles of family-friendly bicycle trails and paths over the next 10 years. Through the 1,000 Miles Campaign, Bike Utah will provide technical assistance to communities across Utah to bridge the gap between their desire for more bike lanes, paths, and trails and how to actually get these facilities built.

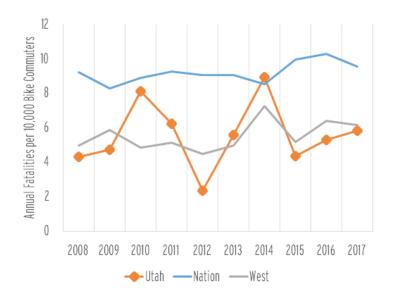


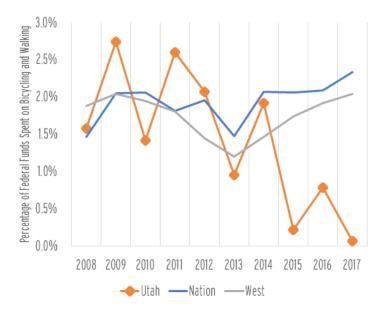
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This Progress Report provides an update on Utah's efforts related to bicycling. A full report card based upon a comprehensive survey is available at: http://bikeleague.org/content/state-report-cards

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Safety	<b>5.6</b> fatalities per 10k bike commuters	More dangerous, but not strongly	<b>15</b> /50

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Spending	1.4% of FHWA spending on biking and walking	One of 5 largest de- creases in funding	<b>33</b> /50





### Featured Agency - Utah Department of Transportation

"Golden Spoke – In November 2017, a bridge was installed on the Jordan River parkway that completed a gap in a network of 105 miles of connected safe, separated and family friendly trail (from Ogden Canyon, through Salt Lake County and to Provo Canyon). In June several agency partners celebrated this piece of infrastructure as the "Golden Spoke" and we had group rides leaving from various municipalities along the route and finishing at the site.

Bike Utah, UDOT, UTA, WFRC, MAG, The Governor's Office of Outdoor Recreation and Tourism and many local elected officials and sponsoring entities (Intermountain Healthcare and the Jordan River Commission) came together for an event that gathered nearly 400 participants. Governor Gary Herbert spoke at the event along with various mayors, legislators and local elected officials to celebrate the event.

Another initiative was raised at the event where Governor Herbert committed to building 1,000 miles of trail similar to the Golden Spoke route over the next 10 years."



Every member organization of the League of American Bicyclists gets free access to a powerful advocacy software package. In 2017, the League facilitated over a dozen actions that engaged thousands of people. In New Jersey, these efforts led to a law that requires that drivers are educated about bicyclist and pedestrian safety as part of their driver's license training.

Learn about current actions and how your organization can use our tools at <a href="https://bikeleague.org/TakeAction">https://bikeleague.org/TakeAction</a>

The Bicycle Friendly States ranking is based on a comprehensive survey completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. For more information, visit **bikeleague.org/states** or contact Ken McLeod at (202)-822-1333 or **ken@bikeleague.org**.