



BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE



2018 PROGRESS REPORT

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2017 ranking

TOTAL COUNTS
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES 12
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES 46
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES 8

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REGION: SOUTH

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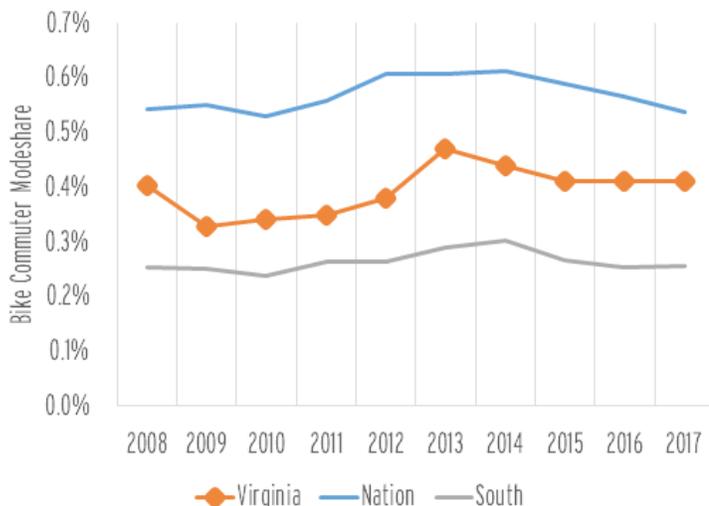
Virginia shows strong positive trends for bicyclists over the last decade.

It is one of a few states that has one of the 10 best trends for each federal data indicator, led by the state's increase in the use of federal funds for bicycling and walking. Virginia just misses out on taking all five Bicycle Friendly Actions due to a low rate of funding in 2013, but will likely pass the 2% threshold when fiscal year 2018 data is reported based on current trends.

The big next step would be to continue the trend in increases in bicycling to work so that the state exceeds the national average.

Bicycle 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

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Ridership	0.4% of commuters biking to work	One of 10 largest increases in bike commuting	31/50



Featured Statewide Member - Virginia Bicycle Federation



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The Virginia Bicycling Federation is a statewide advocacy organization working to change public policy and community attitudes, to improve the safety, convenience, and acceptance of bicycling; and to promote bicycling for transportation, recreation, public health and economic development.

With roots going back to about 1980, the current organization was formed in the early 1990s by bike clubs and other organizations, businesses and individuals coming together to form a unified voice.

We helped develop the VDOT Policy for Integrating Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations. We stay engaged with VDOT officials, and with legislators, to ensure implementation and improvement of these policies.

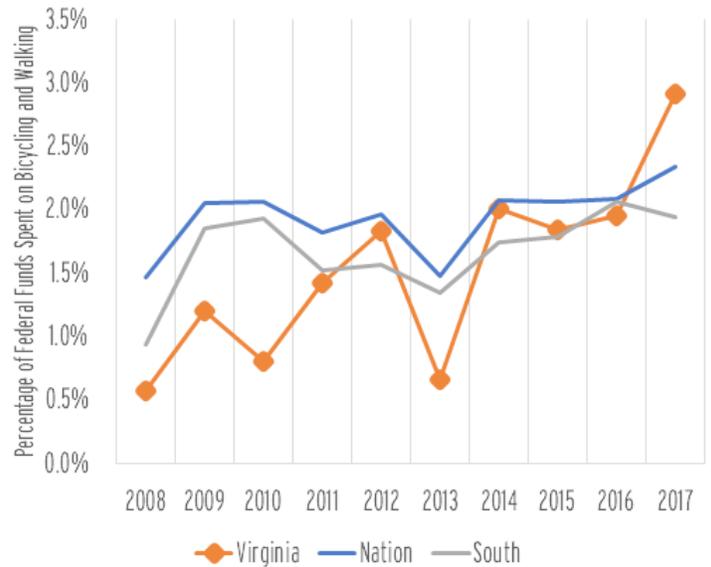
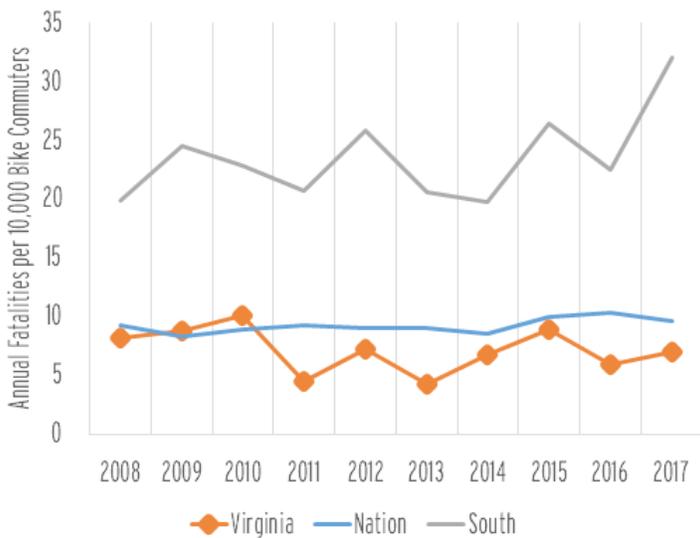
We work with state and local governments to promote bicycling-oriented tourism, and economic development through bicycling. For example, we've been working with VDOT, AASHTO, Adventure Cycling, and local planners to improve routing and signage of US Bike Routes 1 and 76.

Bike Virginia, which offers multi-day tour rides, is also a statewide member of the League of American Bicyclists.

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

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Safety	7.1 fatalities per 10k bike commuters	One of 10 most more safe	21/50

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Spending	1.5% of FHWA spending on biking and walking	One of 5 largest increases in funding	30/50



Featured Agency - Virginia Department of Transportation (Agency did not respond)

“Virginia Department of Transportation’s (VDOT) Bicycle and Pedestrian Program has provided planning assistance to state and local transportation planners since it was established in the late 1970s. At VDOT, the program plays a leadership role in advancing bicycle and pedestrian accommodations throughout Virginia.”

According to data reported to the Federal Highway Administration for the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside program, Virginia provided funding to approximately 63% of the applications for funding to that program in fiscal year 2017.

In 2017, VDOT worked with local agencies and MPOs to study expanding the recently completed Virginia Capital Trail by creating a Birthplace of America Trail to Hampton Roads.



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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 <https://bikeleague.org/TakeAction>