



# BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE REPORT CARD



STATE ADVOCACY GROUP(S):  
Alaska Randonneurs

2024

## ALASKA #34 NATIONAL RANK (OF 50) COMPARED TO LAST REPORT CARD: #7 Western REGIONAL RANK (OF 13)

Bicycle Friendly Actions	Action Taken	Progress <small>SINCE LAST REPORT CARD</small>
Complete Streets Law/Policy	No	
Safe Passing Law (3ft+)	No	
Statewide bike plan last 10 years	Yes	
2%+ federal funds on bike/pedestrian	No	
Speed limit laws for #SlowRoads	Yes	

### FEEDBACK

Adopt a statewide Complete Streets policy, such as a state law to ensure all projects receiving state and federal funding provide safe places for people to bike and walk. Work with groups to draft and adopt appropriate legislation.

Adopt a safe passing law with a minimum distance of 3 feet to address bicyclist safety. Alaska is one of only ten states that does not define a safe distance.

Spend at least 2% of federal transportation funds on biking and walking improvements. Although Alaska has the highest per capita amount of federal funds spent on biking and walking in the country, that reflects how funding is distributed more than the state's funding priorities.

<b>ONE SUCCESS</b>	The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities worked with Smart Growth America to conduct workshops across the state and draft Complete Streets strategies applicable to the state. A statewide policy is expected in the future.
<b>TOP TIP</b>	Alaska has inconsistently supported youth active transportation and safety through a Safe Routes to School program since dedicated federal funding ceased in 2012. Alaska should pursue consistent state funding for Safe Routes to School.

Federal Data on Biking	Rank
Ridership <b>0.6% of commuters</b> biking to work	12/50
Safety <b>6.5 fatalities</b> per 10K bike commuters	14/50
Spending <b>\$10.80 per capita</b> FHWA spending on biking and walking	1/50

Categories	% of available points	Rank
Funding	50%	24/50
Infrastructure	64%	30/50
Laws	26%	43/50
Policies	54%	29/50
Capacity & Support	42%	39/50
Safety	49%	26/50
Every Ride Counts	35%	21/50

SEE THE BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE DATABASE MAP: [BIKELEAGUE.ORG/BFA/AWARDS](https://bikeleague.org/bfa/awards)

The Bicycle Friendly State ranking is based on a comprehensive survey – with over 100 data points – completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. For more information, visit [bikeleague.org/states](https://bikeleague.org/states) or contact Ken McLeod at [ken@bikeleague.org](mailto:ken@bikeleague.org). See the [Report Card Use Guide](#).