



# BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE REPORT CARD



STATE ADVOCACY GROUP(S):  
**Go Georgia**  
(formerly Georgia Bikes!)

**2024**

## GEORGIA

**#23** NATIONAL RANK (OF 50)  
COMPARED TO LAST REPORT CARD: **1**

**#4** Southern REGIONAL RANK (OF 13)

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

### FEEDBACK

Georgia sets default urban and residential area speed limits at 30 miles per hour and expressly prohibits communities from establishing 20 mile per hour speed limits on streets in urban or residential areas. We know that slow road save lives and Georgia is one of a handful of states that prohibits 20 mph speed limits in urban and residential areas.

The Georgia DOT is developing a statewide active transportation plan phase two focused on urban areas. Since the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration began publishing data on the agencies that own roads where people are killed in 2015, 53 percent of bicyclists killed in urban areas in Georgia have been killed on roads owned by the Georgia DOT. Ensure that improving these roads is part of the plan.

Spend at least 2% of federal transportation funds on biking and walking improvements. Georgia has met this threshold in the past, and the League is hopeful that the recent dip in investment does not reflect a lack of commitment to improving bicycling and walking.

The state should fund Go Georgia's (formerly Georgia Bikes) Grant Assistance Program (GAP) on an ongoing basis. The GAP provides technical assistance allowing Georgia communities to take advantage of the unprecedented amounts of grant funding available right now.

Developing a dedicated state-level funding source for bicyclist and pedestrian infrastructure would help address cities' and counties' lack of match funding for federal grants.

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](#).

**ONE SUCCESS** The statewide Active Transportation Plan will help Georgia plan, prioritize, fund, and build a better state for bicycling, walking, and rolling.

**TOP TIP** Once Phase One of the Active Transportation Plan is completed, Georgia should commit to implementing both phases through internal policy, funding, and legislation.

Federal Data on Biking	Rank
Ridership <b>0.2% of commuters</b> biking to work	44/50
Safety <b>29.7 fatalities</b> per 10K bike commuters	43/50
Spending <b>\$2.23 per capita FHWA</b> spending on biking and walking	42/50

Categories	% of available points	Rank
Funding	42%	42/50
Infrastructure	81%	18/50
Laws	63%	14/50
Policies	31%	41/50
Capacity & Support	74%	24/50
Safety	45%	32/50
Every Ride Counts	3%	43/50