



BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE REPORT CARD



STATE ADVOCACY GROUP(S):
Bicycle Coalition of Maine

2024

MAINE **#28** NATIONAL RANK (OF 50) COMPARED TO LAST REPORT CARD:

#10 Eastern REGIONAL RANK (OF 11)

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

FEEDBACK

The Maine Department of Transportation adopted its first-ever Active Transportation Plan in 2023. This is a great step to providing guidance, strategy, and policy for improving bicycling and walking in the state. It is great to see continued efforts with a Complete Streets policy update ongoing.

Spend at least 2% of federal transportation funds on biking and walking improvements. Local advocates report recent increases in funding for bicycling and walking projects, so make sure those efforts are reported and reflected in federal data.

Maine spends a very low amount of federal funding on biking and walking per capita. Spend more and/or improve reporting practices to make sure your investments are counted.

The Maine vulnerable road user law requires law enforcement officers to, within five days of investigating a crash, inform a district attorney of their belief that the law can be invoked and file a final report within 60 days. This is a unique new law and the League looks forward to monitoring its implementation.

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 or contact Ken McLeod at ken@bikeleague.org. See the [Report Card Use Guide](#).

ONE SUCCESS The Maine Department of Transportation adopted its first-ever Active Transportation Plan in 2023. It is great to see a vision where MaineDOT will maintain, improve, and expand safe active transportation options statewide to improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety, expand mobility, support economic development, reduce emissions, and enhance public health for Maine people and visitors alike.

TOP TIP Spend at least 2% of federal transportation funds on biking and walking improvements. Maine has not met this key Bicycle Friendly Action metric in any year since 2012.

Federal Data on Biking	Rank
Ridership 0.3% of commuters biking to work	24/50
Safety 9.6 fatalities per 10K bike commuters	22/50
Spending \$1.56 per capita FHWA spending on biking and walking	46/50

Categories	% of available points	Rank
Funding	36%	45/50
Infrastructure	76%	25/50
Laws	51%	25/50
Policies	69%	16/50
Capacity & Support	42%	34/50
Safety	47%	29/50
Every Ride Counts	39%	19/50