



# BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE



## 2018 PROGRESS REPORT

#21  
2017 ranking

TOTAL COUNTS  
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES 13  
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES 16  
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES 6

# ARIZONA

REGION: WEST

## 2018 Progress Report

Arizona's federal data shows an unfortunate trend towards a higher bicyclist traffic fatality rate in recent years.

Over the last ten years, Arizona has always had a higher bicyclist traffic fatality rate than the Western regional average, but in 3 of the last 5 years it has had a worse rate than the national average.

Other federal data does not show strong trends, although there is a notable period with a lower federal spending on bicycling and walking that preceded the recent increase in the bicyclist fatality rate. With an updated Bicyclist Safety Action Plan adopted in 2018, hopefully Arizona will reverse its recent safety issues.

### Bicycle Friendly Actions ✓ = New Progress in 2018

Complete Streets Law / Policy	No
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)	Yes

### Featured Statewide Members



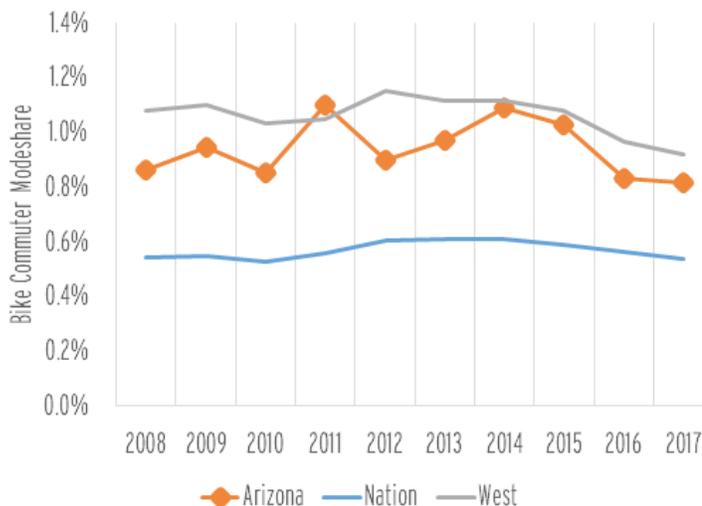
**CAZB**  
Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists

The mission of the Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists is to promote efforts that improve bicycling usage and safety within the state of Arizona by addressing law enforcement and transportation engineering issues through education, outreach and advocacy programs thereby enhancing the role of bicycling in local, county and statewide transportation plans.



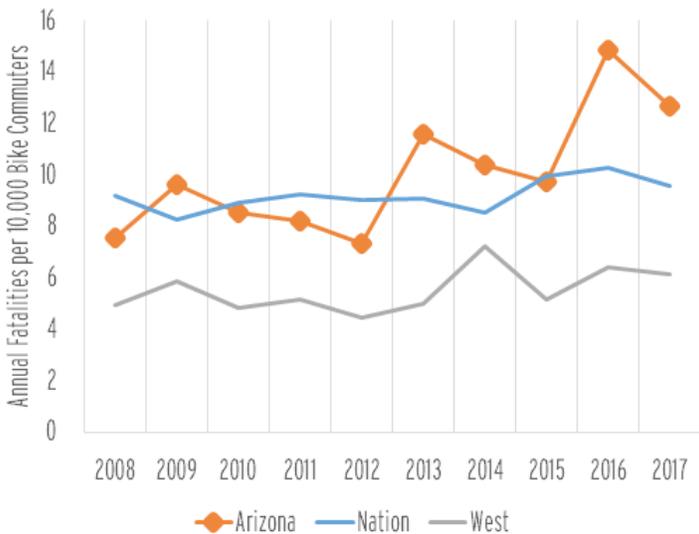
The Greater Arizona Bicycling Association (GABA) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to: Promote and encourage bicycle riding for recreation, fitness, and transportation by offering local day rides and multi-day rides in Arizona and New Mexico.

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Ridership	0.9% of commuters biking to work	Slight decrease in bike commuting	8/50

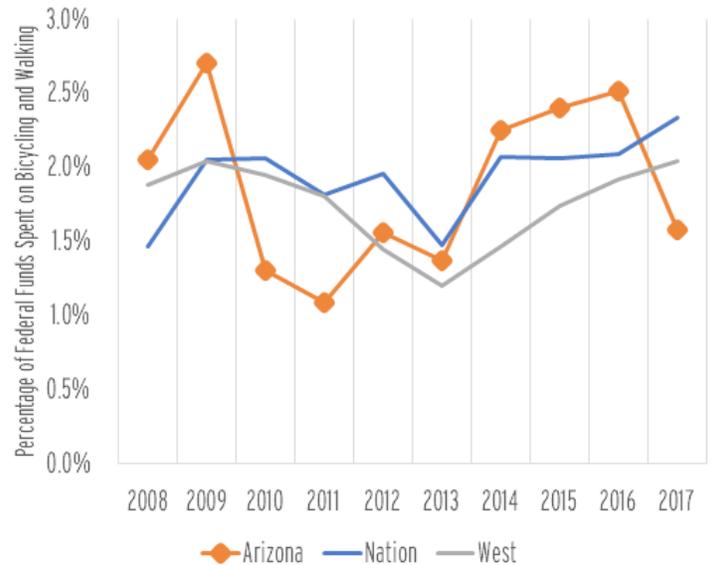


This Progress Report provides an update on Arizona's efforts related to bicycling. A full report card based upon a comprehensive survey is available at: <http://bikeleague.org/content/state-report-cards>

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<b>Safety</b>	<b>10.1</b> fatalities per 10k bike commuters	<b>One of 10 most more dangerous</b>	<b>30/50</b>



Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
<b>Spending</b>	<b>1.9%</b> of FHWA spending on biking and walking	<b>Slight increase in funding</b>	<b>24/50</b>



## Featured Agency - Arizona Department of Transportation (Agency did not respond)

The Arizona Department of Transportation issued a Bicyclist Safety Action Plan (BSAP) Update in 2018. ADOT had previously done a BSAP in 2012 and this data-driven approach looks at bicycle safety specifically on Arizona's state Highway System. Those highways and roadways account for approximately 10% of bicycle crashes in Arizona.

Notably, Arizona exceeded its performance target from the 2012 BSAP, achieving a 27.9% reduction in average annual bicycle crashes during 2012-2016. The BSAP Update does a great job of tracking progress from the initial BSAP, noting the many areas where ADOT or its stakeholders have taken action to improve bicyclist safety and where those efforts have not quite come to fruition. For instance, the 2012 BSAP recommended that ADOT develop and implement a Complete Streets policy. While ADOT has prepared a Guidebook on Complete Streets, no policy has been adopted.

The BSAP Update includes many new recommendations in addition to reiterating several recommendations that have not had action since 2012. One issue that received several mentions is addressing high-crash locations at interchanges, through better interchange design or separated crossings. This issue highlights what can be the most uncomfortable and dangerous segment of a bicyclists' route and many states would likely benefit from this type of action. Learn more at <http://www.azbikeped.org/downloads/ADOT-Bicyclist-Safety-Action-Plan.pdf>.



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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>