



BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE



2018 PROGRESS REPORT

#11
2017 ranking

TOTAL COUNTS
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES 7
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES 27
 BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES 3

MARYLAND

REGION: EAST

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Maryland has some mixed signals in its federal data.

Maryland has a positive trend in its rate of bicycling to work, with the 11th best trend over the last decade although the state has never reached the Eastern regional average.

The rate of bicyclist traffic fatalities has trended up, with two of the last three years above both the national and Eastern regional averages.

While Maryland has some best practices for bicycle and pedestrian planning, syncing master plan updates to its Capital Improvement Plan cycle every five years, this does not appear to have resulted in consistent funding for bicycling and walking projects, with the state only exceeding the Eastern regional average once in the last decade based on federal data.

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

Featured Statewide Member - Bike Maryland

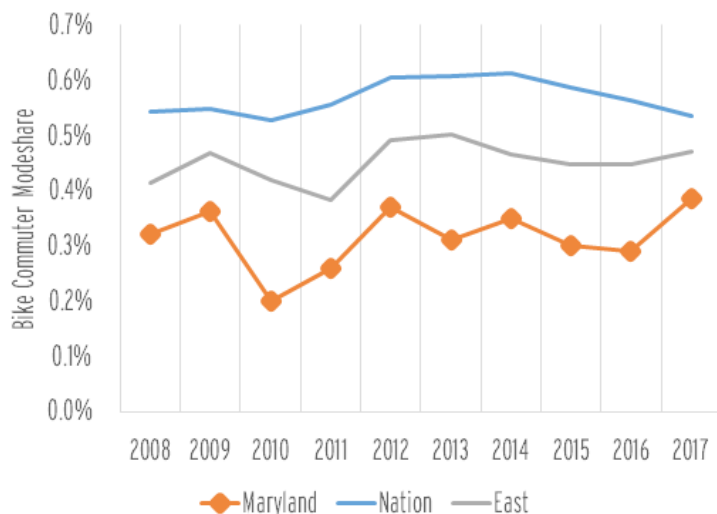


Bike Maryland formed in 2009 and operates as a 501c3 non-profit organization. Our advocacy initiatives incorporate promotion of pro-bicycle legislation on the state and county level and working with state and local government agencies, including police departments, to develop policy and awareness campaigns that protects the rights and well-being of bicyclists in Maryland.

We host an annual bicycle fundraising ride 'Larry's Ride' in northern Baltimore County. Additionally, we host the Annual Bicycle Symposium in Annapolis, Maryland. We work with partnering advocacy organizations, state and local government, universities, businesses and communities to make bicycling a safe form of transportation and a fun recreational opportunity for all.

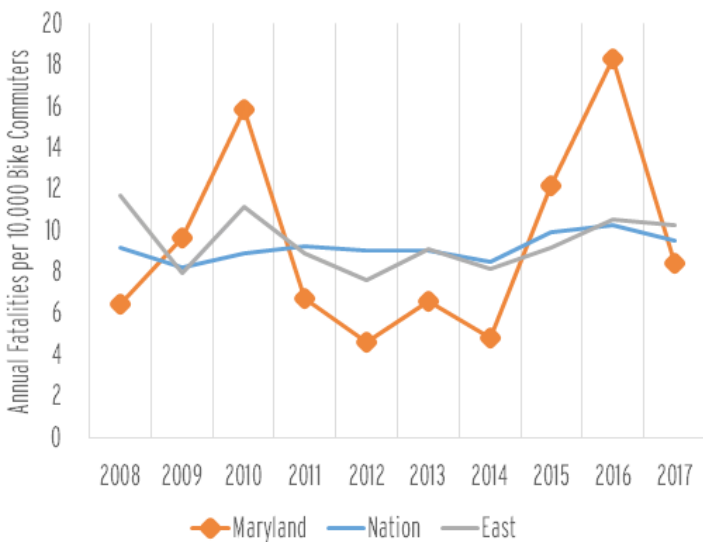
We were formed from a previous organization, One Less Car. One Less Car was founded in 1999, to promote and advocate for alternative modes of transportation. The One Less Car Board of Directors and Executive Director saw the need to narrow and strengthen their mission to improving bicycling conditions and thus changed the organization name, mission and vision to what it is today!

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Ridership	0.3% of commuters biking to work	One of 15 largest increases in bike commuting	34/50

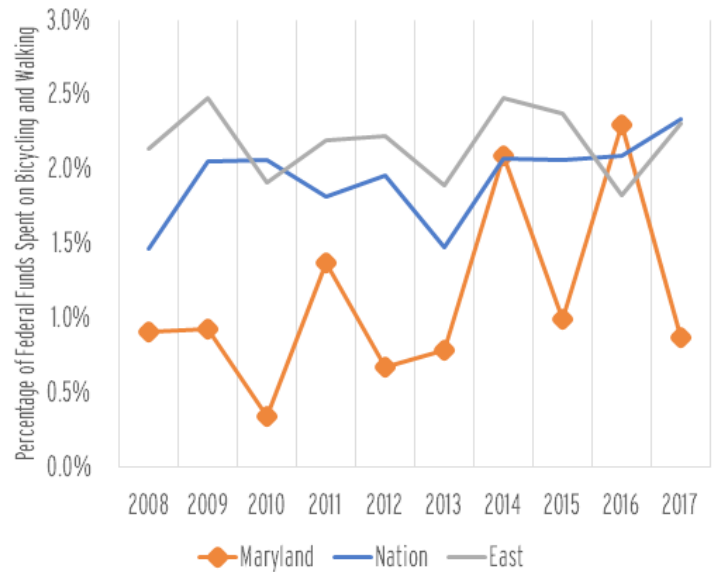


This Progress Report provides an update on Maryland's efforts related to bicycling. A full report card based upon a comprehensive survey is available at: <http://bikeleague.org/content/state-report-cards>

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Safety	9.4 fatalities per 10k bike commuters	More dangerous, but not strongly	28/50



Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Spending	1.1% of FHWA spending on biking and walking	Slight increase in funding	41/50



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

The Maryland Department of Transportation has a very established bicycle and pedestrian planning program, resulting in frequently updated plans aligned with Maryland's capital planning process.

A 2019 Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan is being developed consistent with the Department's process that the statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan:

- "Establishes a 20-year vision for bicycling and walking as transportation in Maryland,
- Provides guidance and investment strategies to support bicycling and walking, and
- Is updated every five years in coordination with the Maryland Transportation Plan."

More information on this planning process, including the ability to join a mailing list for updates can be found here http://www.mdot.maryland.gov/newMDOT/Planning/Bike_Walk/Bike_Ped_Plan_Update.html.



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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>