

## 2018 PROGRESS REPORT

TOTAL COUNTS
BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES
BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES
BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

#42 2017 ranking

**REGION: WEST** 

#### **2018 Progress Report**

Wyoming has traditionally been a strong state in terms of federal data on levels of use and safety outcomes for people who bike, but has not consistently shown a commitment to improving bicycling.

As with several small and/or rural states, Wyoming has a larger than average variability in its data, but each federal data indicator points towards conditions not improving without some commitment.

On the positive side, the Wyoming State Legislature's Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force released a Final Report in February 2018 that outlines significant benefits that can be realized by Wyoming communities by enhancing walking and bicycling options.

To realize these economic, health, quality of life, and safety benefits, the Report recommends the state invest \$10 million annually in statewide infrastructure for active transportation and recreation, as well as a slew of ideas meant to boost the economic and physical health of communities across Wyoming. The report is available at <a href="https://www.wyomingbusiness.org/bicycle">wyomingbusiness.org/bicycle</a>.

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Ridership	0.9% of commuters biking to work	One of 10 largest decreases in bike commuting	<b>9/</b> 50



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)	No			

# Featured Statewide Members - Wyoming Pathways and Cycle Wyoming



Wyoming Pathways helps develop, advocate, and secure favorable policies, facilities, and investments in public trails, pathways and complete streets for people in all Wyoming communities, and supports active transportation and active recreation advances through public outreach, legislative efforts, partnerships, education, encouragement, and trail support programs.

According to Wyoming Pathways, while the state has adopted a bicycle safety emphasis area, the state has not yet allocated funding under either of the major federal safety grant programs based on that emphasis. Aligning planning and implementation is an issue across several bicycle and pedestrian-related activities.



Cycle Wyoming, a 501c(3) non-profit, promotes cycling and cycling safety across the State of Wyoming. The primary event of Cycle Wyoming is the annual Tour de Wyoming bicycle tour. Our goal with the Tour is to introduce new bike tourers to the wonders of travel by bicycle while also showing off this wonderful state.

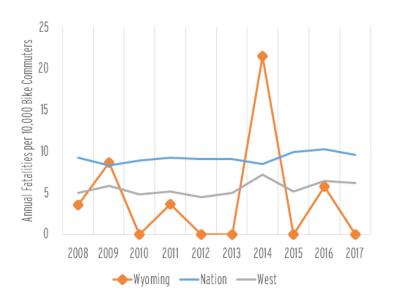


## **Wyoming** 2018 PROGRESS REPORT

This Progress Report provides an update on Wyoming'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	4.3 fatalities per 10k bike commuters	More dangerous, but not strongly	<b>12</b> /50

Federal Data on Biking		Ten-Year Trend	Ten-Year Rank
Spending	1.1% of FHWA spending on biking and walking	Slight decrease in funding	<b>42</b> /50





### Featured Agency - Wyoming Department of Transportation

The Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) commissioned a statewide bicycle and pedestrian plan in 2016. That plan concluded that "It is advised that WYDOT continue to research the most efficient and safe ways to incorporate bicycle and pedestrian facilities into their transportation system. It was found that some of the WYDOT operating policies had not been updated for many years."

In addition the plan created "An inventory of all pathways in the state of Wyoming was gathered as a part of this project by contacting all communities" and recommended "that this data be maintained so as new pathway segments are constructed, they can be added, and the database kept current. It is also recommended that the database be made available to the public via the internet."

The Wyoming State Legislature's Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force's Final Report included several recommendations for actions by WYDOT, including:

- Create a WYDOT Office of Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation to address the transportation needs of people bicycling and walking, and to realize the transportation and community benefits and opportunities outlined in this report (DOT AO.1); and
- Increase investments of Wyoming's federal and state transportation funding for walking and bicycling projects when developing future State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) lists, using existing program authority in the FAST Act and state statute. (DOT F.1)



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 <a href="https://bikeleague.org/fakeAction">https://bikeleague.org/fakeAction</a>

The Bicycle Friendly States ranking is based on a comprehensive survey completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. For more information, visit **bikeleague.org/states** or contact Ken McLeod at (202)-822-1333 or **ken@bikeleague.org**.