



# SIMSBURY, CT

## TOTAL POPULATION

23,498

## POPULATION DENSITY

685.0

## TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

33.9

# OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

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# OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

N/A

## 10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Gold	Simsbury
Arterial Streets with Bike Lanes	65%	35%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	43%	60%
Public Education Outreach	VERY GOOD	EXCELLENT
% of Schools Offering Bicycling Education	50%	59%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	VERY GOOD	VERY GOOD
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	YES	VERY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	VERY GOOD	GOOD
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	PER 32K	77740

## CATEGORY SCORES

<b>ENGINEERING</b> <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	4/10
<b>EDUCATION</b> <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	5/10
<b>ENCOURAGEMENT</b> <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	5/10
<b>ENFORCEMENT</b> <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	5/10
<b>EVALUATION &amp; PLANNING</b> <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	5/10

## KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Gold	Simsbury
<b>RIDERSHIP</b> <i>Percentage of daily bicyclists</i>	5.5%	0.15%
<b>SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES</b> <i>Crashes per 10k daily bicyclists</i>	100	1,134.8
<b>SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES</b> <i>Fatalities per 10k daily bicyclists</i>	0.6	0.0



## KEY STEPS TO GOLD



- » Adopt standards for bike parking that conform to APBP guidelines.
- » Increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community.
- » Adopt a formal Complete Streets policy and offer implementation guidance.
- » Continue to expand the on street bike network and to increase network connectivity. Turn shoulders into proper bike lanes, calm traffic speeds and turn neighborhood roads into bicycle boulevards. Ensure smooth transitions for bicyclists between the local and regional trail network, and the street network.
- » Offer bicycle commuter classes.

- » Encourage a greater variety of local businesses to promote cycling to their employees and customers.
- » Host an annual bike commuter challenge.
- » Promote cycling throughout the year by offering or supporting short (2-8 mile), family-oriented community or social rides.
- » Ask police officers to target both motorist and cyclist infractions to ensure that laws are being followed by all road users.
- » Update your bike plan. The overarching goal should be to encourage residents to bike more often for recreation and transportation.