



KALAMAZOO, MI

TOTAL POPULATION

75,000

POPULATION DENSITY

3000

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

25

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	Kalamazoo
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	40%	NA
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	47%	NA
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	50%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	AVERAGE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	NONE
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	SOME	AVERAGE
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 91K	1 PER 300K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	2 / 10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	2 / 10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	4 / 10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	4 / 10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	4 / 10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	Kalamazoo
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.6%	1.2%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	549	123
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	7.3	246



KEY STEPS TO SILVER



- » The data that Kalamazoo reported on its road network was incomplete or inconsistent. This lack of complete data makes it difficult to judge the current state of bicycling in Kalamazoo. Ensure that data is available on your roadway network and your bicycle network so that your community can utilize GIS-based or other network analyses, can create high-quality bicycle network maps, and accurately assess the quality of your bicycle network.
- » Bicycle-safety education should be a routine part of education, for students of all ages, and schools and the surrounding neighborhoods should be particularly safe and convenient for biking and walking. Work with local bicycle groups and interested parents to create Safe Routes to School programming for all schools.

- » Create an official Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) to create a systematic method for ongoing citizen input into the development of important policies, plans, and projects. Ensure that the members of the committee reflect the diversity and ability levels of cyclists in your community.
- » Congratulations on completing a privately funded shared use path connection from your downtown to 22 miles of shared use paths in your county. This shows strong community support for bicycle improvements.
- » Continue to use pop-up demonstrations to show what is possible when streets are reconfigured and build support for a separated bike lane network.