The Bicycle Friendly States ranking is based on a comprehensive survey completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. It asks comprehensive questions across 5 categories: Legislation and Enforcement, Policies and Programs, Infrastructure and Funding, Education and Encouragement, Evaluation and Planning. The results listed above provide only a snapshot of the full application. They are intended to offer some ideas for further growth in bicycle friendliness. For more information, visit www.bikeleague.org/states or contact Nicole Wynands at (202)-822-1333 or nicole@bikeleague.org.

**Missouri**

**REGIONAL RANKING ➔ MIDWEST #6**

**GOVERNOR:** Jay Nixon  
**DOT COMMISSIONER:** Dave Nichols  
**BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR:** Ronald Effland  
**STATE ADVOCACY GROUP:** Missouri Bicycle & Pedestrian Federation

**CATEGORY SCORES**

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**TOP 10 SIGNS OF SUCCESS**

1. People commuting by bike (more than 1%)
2. Safe passing/vulnerable road user law
3. Complete streets policy
4. Dedicated state funding
5. Active state advocacy group
6. State bicycle plan (adopted 2003 or later)
7. Share the road campaign
8. Bicycle education for police
9. Bicycle safety emphasis in strategic highway safety plan
10. Top 10 state for congestion mitigation and air quality spending

**TOP TIP**

Utilize all MAP-21 funding programs - including TAP, HSIP, CMAQ, STP, and Section 402 - to include biking and walking in all transportation projects.

**FEEDBACK**

- Remove restrictions on state transportation funds that disallow funding of bicycle facilities. Include bicycling and walking in any new Missouri transportation funding initiatives, with bicycling and walking receiving a fair amount according to mode share and percentage of injuries and fatalities.
- Adopt a safe passing law with a minimum distance of 3 feet or a 'move over for cyclists' law similar to the existing 'move over for emergency vehicles' legislation to address bicyclist safety.
- Adopt a vulnerable road user law that increases penalties for a motorist that injures or kills a bicyclist or pedestrian.
- Adopt an anti-harassment law that makes it unlawful to harass, taunt, or maliciously throw an object at or in the direction of any person riding a bicycle.
- Adopt a statewide, all-ages cell phone and texting ban to combat distracted driving and increase safety for everyone.
- Adopt a statewide Complete Streets policy.
- Adopt a statewide policy that requires bicycle accommodations on all bridge and tunnel projects.
- The state should spend a higher amount of federal funding on bicyclists and pedestrians. HSIP and 402 funding spent on bike/ped safety initiatives at minimum in proportion to bike/ped injury rates in Missouri. Adopt federal funding project rating criteria that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.
- Adopt a statewide bicycle plan that addresses each of the five Es, has clear implementation actions, and performance measures to gauge success.
- Do not adopt the proposed Bicycle Ban and Mandatory Sidewalk Law. These types of laws are well intended but discourage people from riding.