



New Jersey

RANKING # 7

REGIONAL RANKING » EAST #3

GOVERNOR: Chris Christie

DOT COMMISSIONER: James Simpson

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR: Sheree Davis

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP: NJ Bike + Walk Coalition

CATEGORY SCORES

SCORING: 5 = HIGH 1 = LOW

3 LEGISLATION AND ENFORCEMENT

4 POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

2 INFRASTRUCTURE AND FUNDING

4 EDUCATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT

3 EVALUATION AND PLANNING

TOP 10 SIGNS OF SUCCESS

PEOPLE COMMUTING BY BIKE (MORE THAN 1%)

SAFE PASSING/VULNERABLE ROAD USER LAW



COMPLETE STREETS POLICY



DEDICATED STATE FUNDING



ACTIVE STATE ADVOCACY GROUP



STATE BICYCLE PLAN (ADOPTED 2003 OR LATER)



SHARE THE ROAD CAMPAIGN



BICYCLE EDUCATION FOR POLICE



BICYCLE SAFETY EMPHASIS IN STRATEGIC HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN

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

- Adopt a 'move over' law similar to a 'police/emergency vehicle move over' law 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 a law prohibiting a motorist from opening an automobile's door unless the motorist is able to do so safely.
- Ensure that Hurricane Sandy rebuild efforts along the Jersey Shore include Complete Streets and safe cycling infrastructure.
- Integrate bicycle enforcement training into the police academy curriculum for new officers. Instructor training is offered by the International Police Mountain Bike Association, the Law Enforcement Bicycle Association and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.
- Adopt a policy requiring state office buildings, state park and recreation facilities, and other state facilities to provide bicycle parking.
- The state is spending a low amount of federal funding on bicyclists and pedestrians. Adopt federal funding project rating criteria that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.
- Update your state bicycle master plan. The plan update should evaluate and build on the previous bicycle master plan, and reflect changes in bicycle user needs.
- New Jersey has a high number of bicyclist fatalities. Adopt performance measures to decrease bicycle fatalities and ensure that bicycle safety is a major emphasis in all transportation projects, programs and policies to address this issue.