

WE'RE BUILDING A BICYCLE FRIENDLY AMERICA FOR **EVERYONE** 

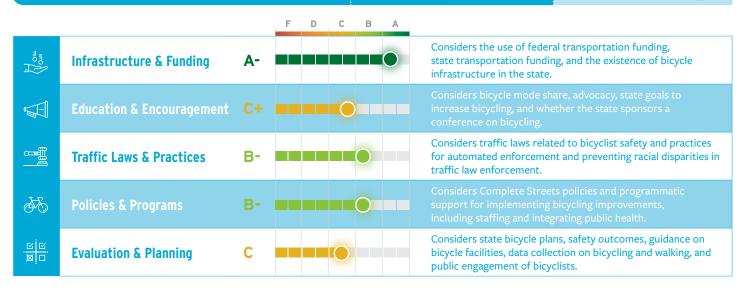
0% PERCENT OF STATE IN BFC SILVER+

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP: **BIKE DELAWARE** 

## **DELAWARE**

NATIONAL (OF 50)

REGIONAL RANK **EASTERN** (OF 11) SEE THE REPORT CARD USE GUIDE



Based on the information we obtained for Delaware, the League of American Bicyclists believes the following actions will improve the safety, comfort, and accessibility of bicycling in Delaware.

Delaware has a bicyclist fatality rate worse than the national average. High-speed arterial roadways, mostly owned by DelDOT, are the most common place people bike are being killed. Create network alternatives to those major arterials outside of their right-of-way or pathways that minimize conflicts with high-speed vehicles.

Designate Delaware's first Complete Community Enterprise District (CCED) in order to catalyze bicycle-friendly development. CCEDs are a mechanism for state and local governments in Delaware to align their decision-making and to jointly put in place the policies to enable households to have less than one vehicle per adult worker.

Expand funding for the state's "Bike and Pedestrian Improvements" program to at least \$10 million per year.

Revise the state's design guidance memorandum on roundabouts to permit bicycle-friendly designs in urban and suburban contexts.

Make bicycle safety an emphasis area in your Strategic Highway Safety Plan with identified strategies for engineering improvements.

Improve awareness and application of bicycle policies and guidelines by having technical training on policies and design guidance and incorporate the "Blueprint for a Bicycle-Friendly Delaware" in state and local planning documents.

| Bicycle Friendly Actions                | Progress? |
|---|-----------|
| Complete Streets Law / Policy           | Yes       |
| Safe Passing Law (3ft+) Yes             |           |
| Statewide bike plan last 10 years Yes   |           |
| % or more federal funds on bike/ped Yes |           |
| Bicycle Safety Emphasis Area            | No        |

| Federal   | Data on Biking  | Rank          |
|-----------|---|---------------|
| Ridership | 0.29% of commuters biking to work                     | <b>32</b> /50 |
| Safety    | 19.4 fatalities per 10K bike commuters                | <b>41</b> /50 |
| Spending  | \$6.26 per capita FHWA spending on biking and walking | <b>5</b> /50  |

## SEE THE BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE DATABASE MAP:

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The Bicycle Friendly State ranking is based on a comprehensive survey—with over 100 data points—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.