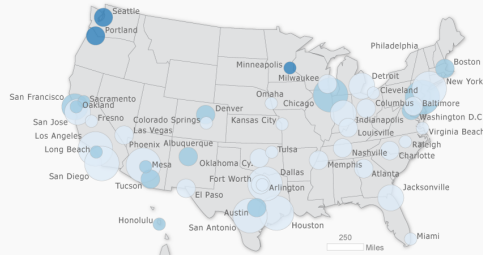


How Cities Roll: Linking Bicycle Commuting, Bicycle Facilities, and Bicycle Traffic Fatalities in the United States' 50 Most Populous Cities

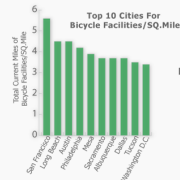
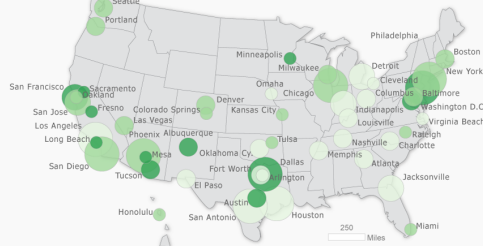


The **Alliance for Biking & Walking's 2012 Benchmark Report** analyzes city and statewide data on biking and walking in the United States. In an effort to promote knowledge of these forms of transport and activity, the report presents information to help cities and states better understand the presence of biking and walking in their communities, address issues surrounding biking and walking, and promote these activities. These maps focus on biking, utilizing data for the **top 50 U.S. cities by population** to illustrate connections and differences between the **percentage of people who bike to work**, **square miles of bike facilities available** (a composite of bike lanes, multi-use paths, and signed bicycle routes as specified in the report), and the **percent of traffic fatalities that are bicyclists**. Although the report highlights several key points, **bike safety** appears to exist as a particularly concerning issue. Even with **strong bike infrastructure**, some areas suffer from high rates of traffic bicycling fatalities. Hence, cities must continue to use data presented in reports such as this to better understand what initiatives, policies, and goals should be put in place to promote biking while ensuring a safe and positive biking atmosphere.

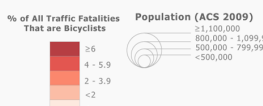
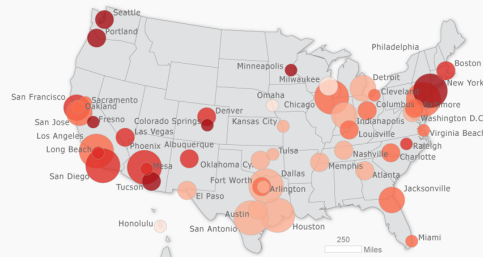
Commuters Who Bike to Work by City



Bicycle Facilities*/SQ.Mile by City



Traffic Bicycling Fatalities by City



* Refers to the total combination of bike lanes, multi-use paths, & signed bicycle routes according to the report.
 Data Source: Bicycling and Walking in the United States 2012 Benchmarking Report (Alliance for Biking & Walking) for Color Source: ColorBrewer North America Lambert Conformal Conic Latitude: 40°N Central Meridian: 96°W Standard Parallels: 20°N and 60°N
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