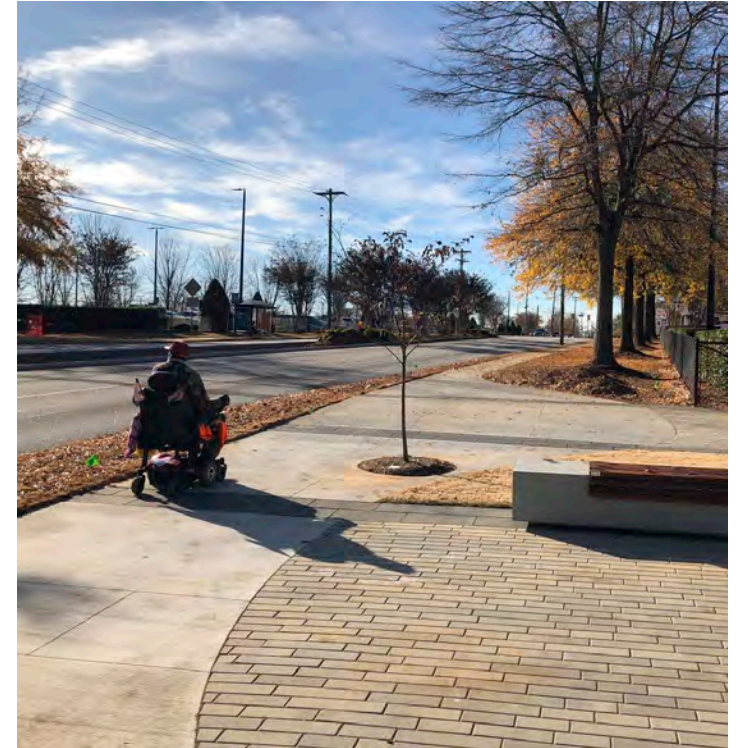


ODOT ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION UPDATES



June 13, 2025



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AGENDA

- Announcements & upcoming priorities
- Highlights from the 2025 Ohio AT Conference
- New Report: The Economic Value of a Walkable and Bikeable Ohio
- Resources



ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPDATES

- [Governor DeWine Announces Nearly \\$52 Million to Local Communities to Improve Bike & Pedestrian Infrastructure](#)
- SRTS Awards coming in July
- ODOT and ODPS working on development of new safety messaging
- ODOT kicking off development of a new Context Classification Guide



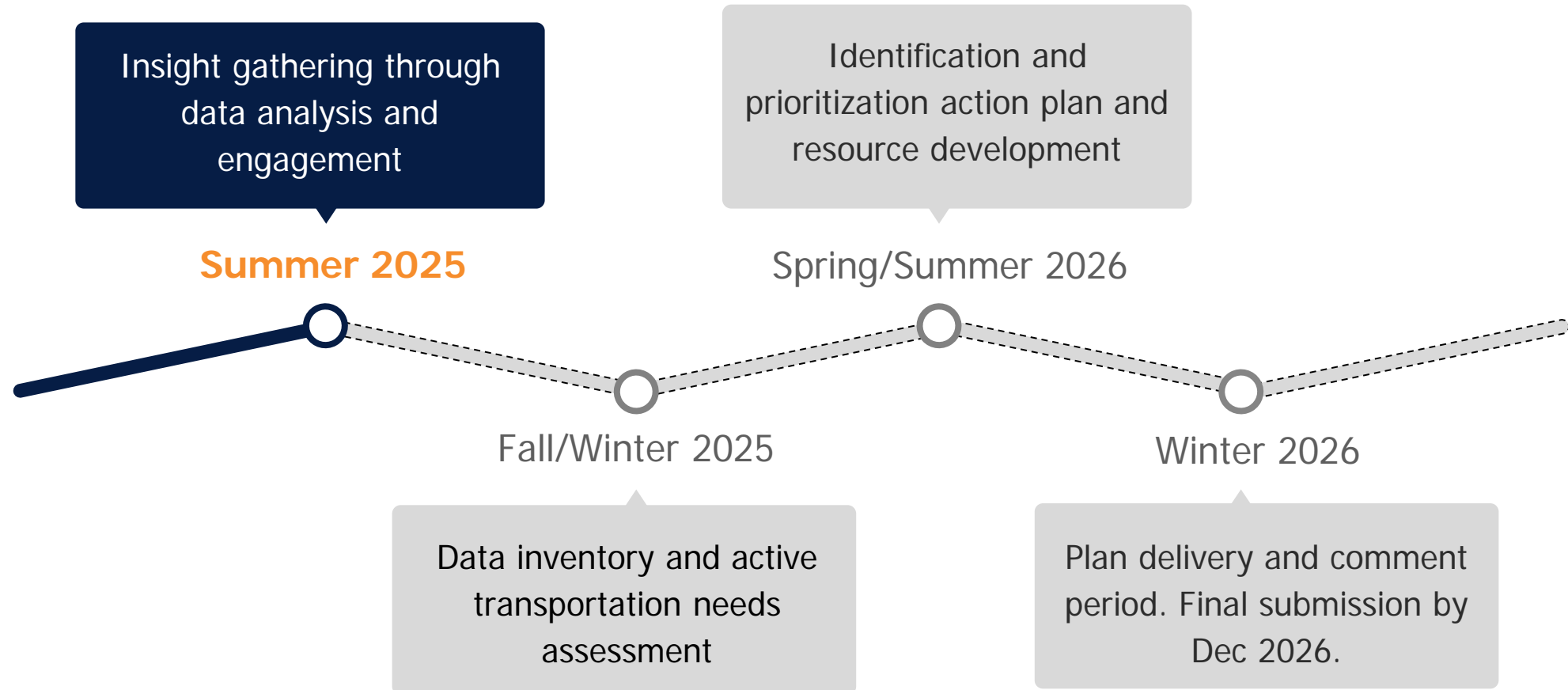
ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPDATES



- ODOT kicking of the update to Walk.Bike.Ohio
 - Distinct data collection project
 - New statewide analyses
 - Hosting in-person workshops in 2026 with ODOT Districts and Regional Planning Organizations to discuss needs, priorities, etc.
 - Identify needs, develop recommendations, publish new tools and resources for various partners who plan, implement, maintain, and support walking and biking options
 - Updated action plan



Walk.Bike.Ohio



ODOT ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE



PROGRAM FOCUS

**Meet our
keynote
speakers!**



Justin M. Bibb
Mayor
City of Cleveland



Bill Schultheiss
Vice President, Director of Design
Toole Design



**Ohio Active Transportation
Conference**
BUILDING VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

April 29–30
Columbus, OH

- **Decision Makers**
 - Cleveland Mayor Justin Bibb
 - ODOT Director Pam Boratyn
 - Small Town Mayor's Panel
- **Practitioners**
 - Local Gov, Regional Planning, State Agencies, Transit, Health, Schools, consultant partners

MAJOR TOPICS

- Planning + Partnerships
 - Tri State Trails (Greater Cinci)
 - Cleveland Moves Plan
 - Safe Routes to School



MAJOR TOPICS



- The Economic Case
 - [New ODOT report!](#)
- Funding
- Advocacy
 - Local (Bike Cleveland), Regional (Tri State Trails), State (Greater Ohio Polic Center), & National (Rails to Trails)

MAJOR TOPICS

- Demonstration Projects
- Design & Engineering
- Non-Motorized Data Collection
 - MORPC & Stark Parks projects
- Safety – Speed & Stroads
- Community Engagement



TAKEAWAYS

- Ohio communities/partners are doing great things around walking and biking – and there is much more to do!
- This work takes leadership! At the local, regional, state level and beyond.
- This work is both urgent and on-going. We must plan for the long term while making change in the short term.
- So many partners care about this work and have shared goals.



NEW REPORT!





The Economic Value of a Walkable and Bikeable Ohio

2025



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Study Goals

- 1 Quantify and communicate the economic value of active transportation infrastructure in Ohio
- 2 Support transportation practitioners in making the case for active transportation projects
- 3 Build capacity for Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) to support cost-effective decisions and help communities leverage federal funds



City of Hilliard, OH

How Does Bike and Pedestrian Infrastructure Provide Value?

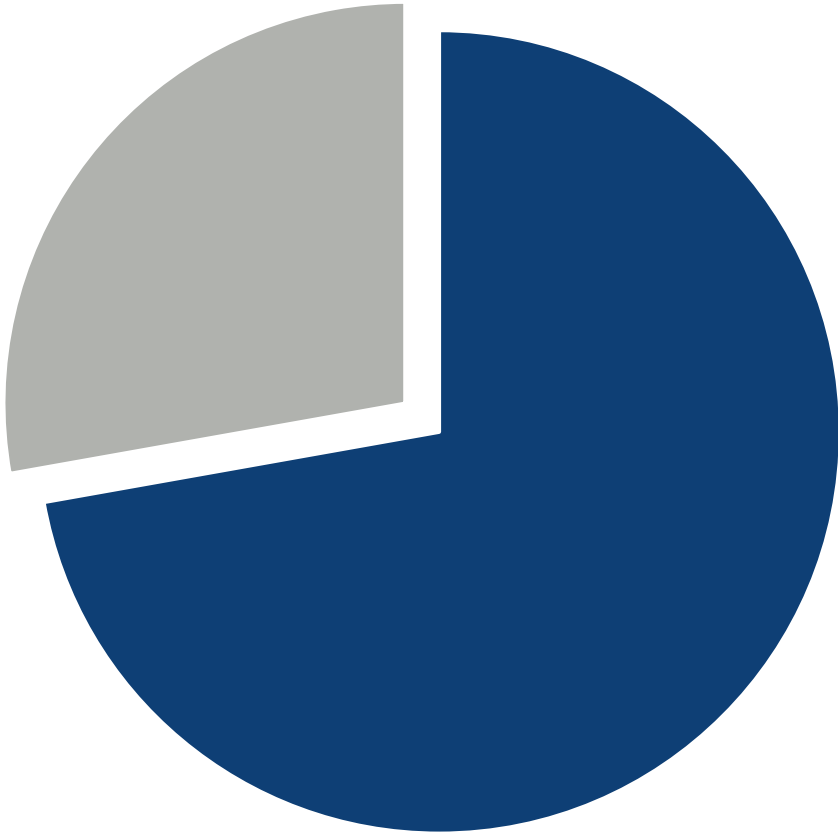
There's not just one answer...



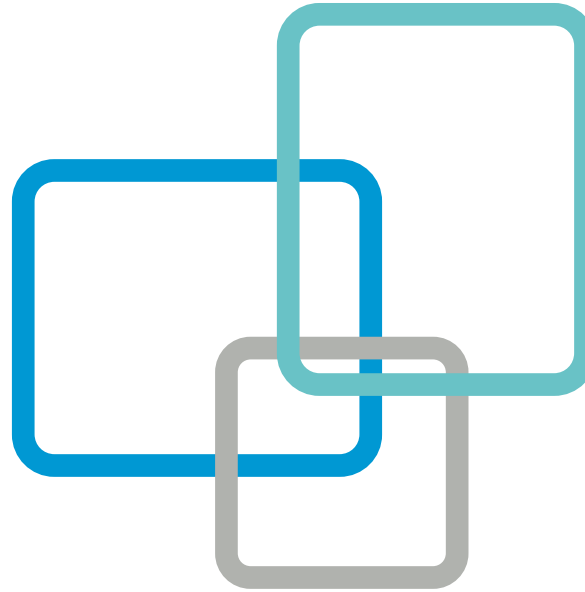


Introduction:

Active Transportation in Ohio



72%
of Ohioans believe that
improving bike and pedestrian
options is **important**



**Every day,
Ohioans take**



Over 3
million
walks



240,000
bike
rides

Active Transportation Saves Ohioans Money

Walking and biking infrastructure saves Ohioans **\$1.3 billion every year.**

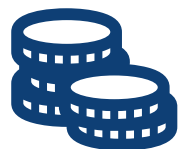
Further, walking and biking to work provides an additional **\$368 million in health benefits.**



Reduced operating costs



Reduced fuel consumption



Reduced fares



Reduced congestion, noise, delay



Reduced mortality risk



Reduced pollution

Active Transportation Improves Appeal

Shared use paths and bike lanes have made Ohio neighborhoods more attractive and valuable



+\$1.6 billion
in home
values



+\$182 million
in tax
revenue



City of Loveland, OH

Active Transportation Improves Safety

Active transportation improvements reduce crashes that result in injuries and fatalities

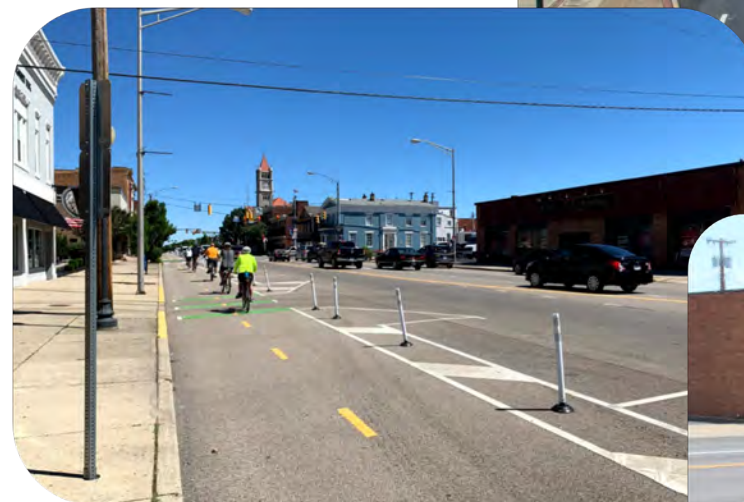
40% fewer crashes with reflective highly-visible crosswalk markings

47% fewer crashes with flashing pedestrian signs (Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons)

50% fewer crashes when converting traditional bike lanes into separated bike lanes with flexible posts



Above: City of Hilliard, OH
Left/Below: City of Xenia, OH



Active Transportation Supports Ohio Business



CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS

From 2014 to 2023, ODOT's 538
active transportation projects:



Created 700 construction jobs



Added \$131 million to the economy
through wages, business, and tax
revenue annually



Every **\$1 invested** in
active transportation
infrastructure in Ohio
generates approximately
\$2 in output

Active Transportation Supports Ohio Business



VISITOR SPENDING & TOURISM ECONOMY

In 2024, Ohio's **110 cycling events** generated **\$8.81 million** in **business sales**



Lodging



Dining



Shopping



LOCAL BUSINESS ACCESS & SPENDING

Over **650,000 jobs**, or **12% of all jobs in Ohio**, are located **within a half mile of major trail** on the State and US Bike Route system.

Active Transportation In Your Community

Benefit Cost Analysis Tool

- New spreadsheet tool to support informed decision-making
- Helps ODOT and local partners be good stewards of taxpayer dollars
- Follows USDOT guidance and can be used to support grant applications
- Accompanied by sketch-cost tool and guidance on trip estimation

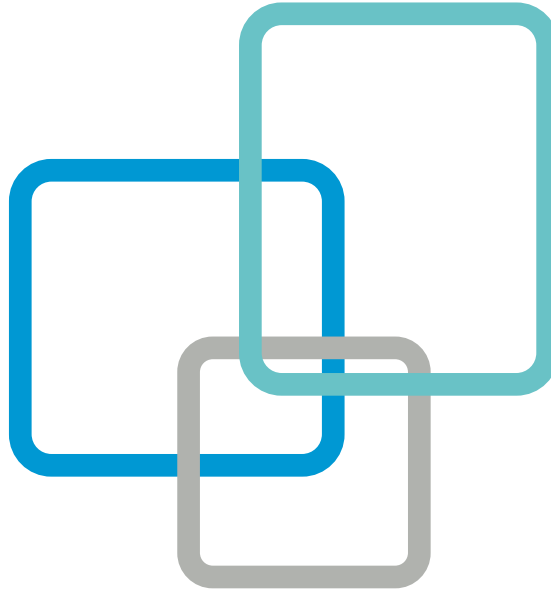


Top: County of Spartanburg, SC
Middle: City of Saint Paul, MN
Bottom: Traverse City, MI

What You Can Do Next

Resources

- Read the report and supporting documents at the ODOT Active Transportation webpage
- Stay tuned for the BCA tool and accompanying online training



Visit the Website

Scan the QR Code below, or visit the link listed to learn more!



[https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/
programs/Active+Transportation](https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/programs/Active+Transportation)

RESOURCES



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QUESTIONS