



Facts about biking and walking in Lee County: Did you know that...

- In 2007-2008, 32 pedestrians and 10 cyclists died on Lee County roads, and another 612 (422 pedestrians and 190 cyclists) were injured.
 - For every pedestrian killed on our roads, 13 more are injured.
 - For every cyclist killed on our roads, 19 more are injured.
- In 2007-2008, 23% of all traffic fatalities in Lee County were non-motorists (17.5% pedestrians and 5.5% bicyclists) —70% higher than the national average of 13.6% (11.8% pedestrians/1.8% bicyclists).
 - While Lee County pedestrians and cyclists are disproportionately at risk of being killed on our roads, funding to address roadway safety is dedicated almost exclusively to making the roads safe for motorists.
- In 2007, Florida was the worst state in the nation in terms of both pedestrian and cyclist fatalities per capita, and Lee County ranked in the top third of all Florida counties for both pedestrian and cyclist fatalities?
- In the majority of crashes in Lee County, it is the motorist who is at fault.
 - In 2008, pedestrians were reported at fault only 13% of the time, with a 20% rate for cyclists, both fault rates declining substantially since 2003.
- In spite of the year-round good weather in Florida, Lee County residents are well below both the state and national averages of commuting to work by alternative forms of transportation—walking, biking and taking transit.
 - In 2008, an estimated 2.0% of the commutes to work in Lee County were by these alternative modes, while the national average was 8.3% and the Florida average was 4.1%.
- The rate of decline over the past 18 years in commuting to work by foot, bike or transit in Lee County has been more than 2 times the national decline, and 1.5 times the state decline.
- Lee County applied to the League of American Bicyclists in July 2009 for a Bicycle Friendly Community designation, but failed to achieve even the lowest level of friendliness.