

Decatur Bike Survey Final Results

Surveys Received: 259

Contacts added: 206

1. Household size of bicycle riding age in respondents home
 - a. Sum: 670
 - b. Average: 2.58
 - c. Median: 2
2. Number of bicycles in household
 - a. Sum: 990
 - b. Average: 3.84
 - c. Median: 4
3. Number of householders who currently bicycle
 - a. Sum: 549
 - b. Average: 2.12
 - c. Median: 2
4. Percentage of trips made by bicycle in an average week
 - a. Average: 22.46
 - b. Median: 10
 - c. minimum 0 maximum 100
5. Length in minutes of most frequent bicycle trips
 - a. Average: 44.7
 - b. Median: 30
 - c. minimum 0 maximum 250
6. Estimate of miles ridden each week
 - a. Sum: 12,296
 - b. Average: 49.38
 - c. Median: 35
 - d. minimum 0 maximum 250
7. Primary trip purpose
 - a. Commuting/School: 64 (total 107)
 - i. And shopping: 4
 - ii. And fitness/recreation: 35
 - iii. And shopping, fitness/recreation: 4
 - b. Shopping: 7 (total 28)
 - i. And fitness/recreation: 13
 - c. Fitness/Recreation: 127 (total 179)
8. Would make respondent bike more frequently¹
 - a. Traffic Calming: 98
 - b. Bicycle Routes: 108
 - c. Bicycle Lanes: 193
 - d. Off-Road Paths: 95
 - e. Other²: 27

¹ Traffic Calming, Bicycle Routes, Bicycle Lanes, Off-Road Paths:33; Traffic Calming, Bicycle Routes, Bicycle Lanes: 16; Traffic Calming, Bicycle Lanes, Off-Road Paths: 6; Traffic Calming, Bicycle Routes: 3; Traffic Calming, Bicycle Lanes: 22; Bicycle Routes, Bicycle Lanes, Off-Road Paths: 17; Bicycle Routes, Bicycle Lanes: 16; Bicycle Lanes, Off-Road Paths: 20

² Slower traffic on main thoroughfares; Single Track mtn bike paths; Signage; Safer crossings, more Path curb cuts; Safer Crossings on busy streets; Places I felt safe leaving my bicycle locked outside; Law enforcement for drivers that bully/harass cyclists by not giving them space; If I worked in Decatur; Enforce speed limit; Early retirement; Driver Education; Do not reduce outside lane widths and if possible increase them; Curbs on Clairemont; Complete Streets; Better Pavements, Fix Grates; Adequate bike racks at local merchants; and Add many more "share the road signs". Couldn't Ride more.

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Most common streets in Decatur currently bicycled on³:

1. Ponce de Leon: 139(2 negative response)
2. Clairemont: 93(5 negative responses)
3. College: 67
4. Church: 62
5. Commerce: 54
6. Sycamore: 50
7. DeKalb: 39
8. Howard: 39
9. N. Decatur: 32 (5 negative responses)
10. PATH: 29
11. Residential: 26
12. Trinity: 25
13. Coventry: 22
14. Downtown: 19 (1 negative response)
15. All: 18
16. McDonough: 17
17. Scott: 16 (7 negative responses)

Snapshot of Specific Suggestions:⁴

Bicycle Parking: 25

Comments re improvements to PATH: 27

Comments supporting PATH: 2

Comments criticizing PATH: 7

Build Facilities (bike lanes, wide shoulders): 204

Signals: 13

Education Campaign: 29

Laws and Enforcement: 28

Pavement and drainage: 17

Work with other jurisdictions: 13

Other: 23

³ Other roads with negative responses include McClendon with 9 responses identifying it as a road traveled and 1 response stating individuals would not ride on it. Forkner with 6 responses identifying it as a road traveled and 3 responses stating individuals would not ride on it.

⁴ Received specific comments from 235 respondents

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