



Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

State of the Region 2010

Issue: Place

Metric: Active Transportation

Active transportation refers to walking, bicycling and using public transit. Providing the necessary infrastructure to support these modes of travel is a step in helping people to be able to get to where they need to go without depending on a personal vehicle. Sidewalks, bikeways, and transit options are amenities that support active transportation. The actions and policies of communities and their decision makers regarding such amenities can have a big impact on how people get to where they need to go.

Data on the location of pedestrian and bike facilities and how many people use them can be a useful resource to determine where people are able to walk and bike, and locations they can not reach by walking or biking. Many communities already track the location of sidewalks and bikeways. MORPC facilitates bicycle and pedestrian count events twice a year in and around Franklin County. The total number of pedestrians and bicyclists is recorded for various locations and is entered into a national database to keep track of how many people walk and bike in those areas. The City of Dublin will be conducting a bicycle and pedestrian count for the first time in May of 2010.

Complete streets are streets that are designed to allow safe and comfortable access for all users: pedestrians, bicyclists, people with disabilities, children, the elderly, motorists, and transit users. Instituting a Complete Streets policy ensures that future streets will be built with all users in mind. Complete Streets policies can be adopted by jurisdictions at all levels: states, counties, cities, and regional planning organizations such as MORPC. MORPC's Complete Streets Policy was adopted in March 2010. The Policy aims to create a comprehensive, integrated, and connected transportation network that will provide safe and comfortable access for everyone who uses it.

	Number of Households with no Vehicle (2000)	Percentage of Households with no Vehicle (2000)	Percentage of Households with no Vehicle (2008 estimate)
Delaware	1,153	2.9%	2.5%
Fairfield	2,114	4.7%	3.5%
Fayette	739	6.7%	
Franklin	37,656	8.6%	8.4%
Knox	1,191	6.0%	
Licking	3,408	6.1%	5.4%
Madison	854	6.2%	
Marion	2,211	9.0%	5.9%
Morrow	496	4.3%	
Pickaway	858	4.9%	
Ross	1,914	7.1%	4.1%
Union	585	4.1%	

Sources:

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