

Palm Beach MPO Complete Streets Policy

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What are Complete Streets?

Complete Streets are streets for everyone.



They are designed and operated to enable safe access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and transit riders of all ages and abilities.

Why Complete Streets? To Improve Safety

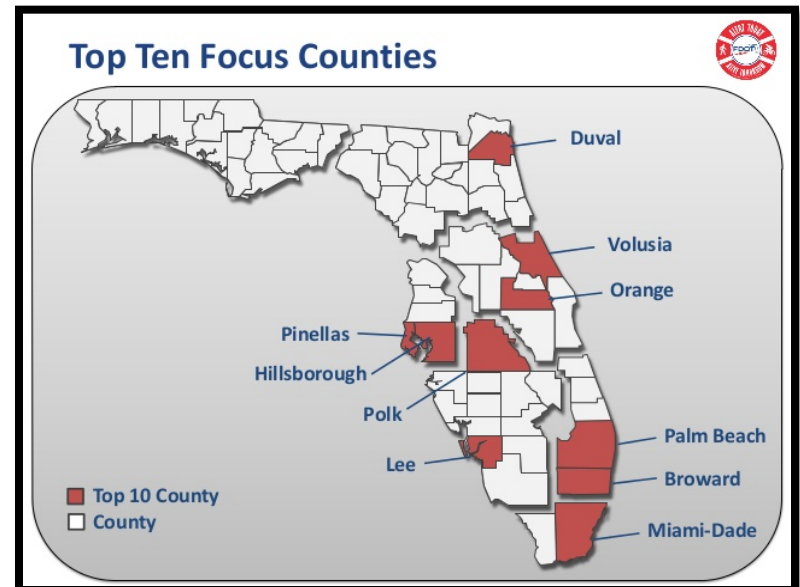
Palm Beach County is in FDOT's top 10 focus counties for pedestrian & bicycle safety.

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles 2014 Traffic Crash Facts Report ranked Palm Beach County:

4th Highest in bicyclist injuries (513) & bicyclist fatalities (7)

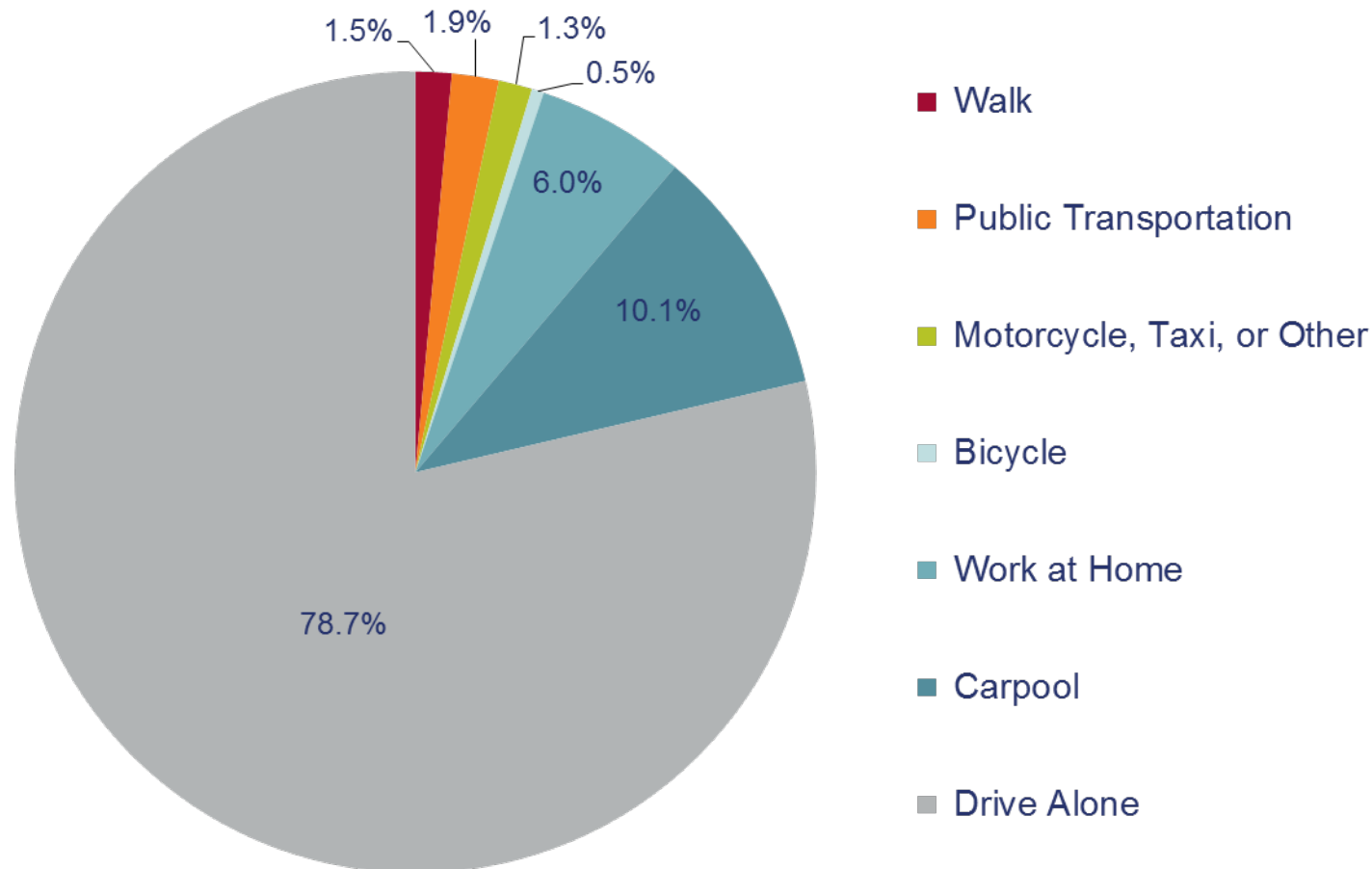
4th Highest in pedestrian fatalities (35)

5th Highest in pedestrian injuries (564)



Why Complete Streets? To Improve Mode Split

How do we get to work?

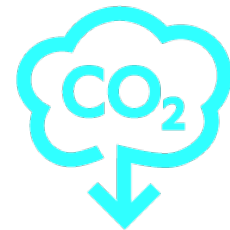


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Why Complete Streets? To Improve Economy, Health, and Environment

- Complete Streets support local economy
- Complete Streets promote physical activity
- Complete Streets reduce emissions



Florida Complete Streets Policies

1. Auburndale
2. Bartow
3. Bonita Springs
4. Broward County
5. Cape Canaveral
6. Cocoa
7. Davenport
8. Deerfield Beach
9. Dundee
10. Eagle Lake
11. FDOT
12. Fort Lauderdale
13. Fort Meade
14. Fort Myers
15. Frostproof
16. Grant-Valkaria
17. Haines City
18. Highland Park
19. Hillcrest Heights
20. Hillsborough County MPO
21. Jacksonville
22. Lake Alfred
23. Lake Hamilton
24. Lake Wales
25. Lakeland
26. Lee County MPO
27. Lee County
28. Martin County
29. Miami-Dade County
30. Miami
31. Mulberry
32. Orange City
33. Palm Bay
34. Palmetto
35. Florida-Alabama TPO
36. Polk City
37. Polk County TPO
38. Polk County
39. Rockledge
40. State of Florida (Florida Statute 335.065)
41. Tallahassee
42. Tampa
43. Titusville
44. Space Coast TPO
45. West Palm Beach
46. Winter Haven
47. Winter Park

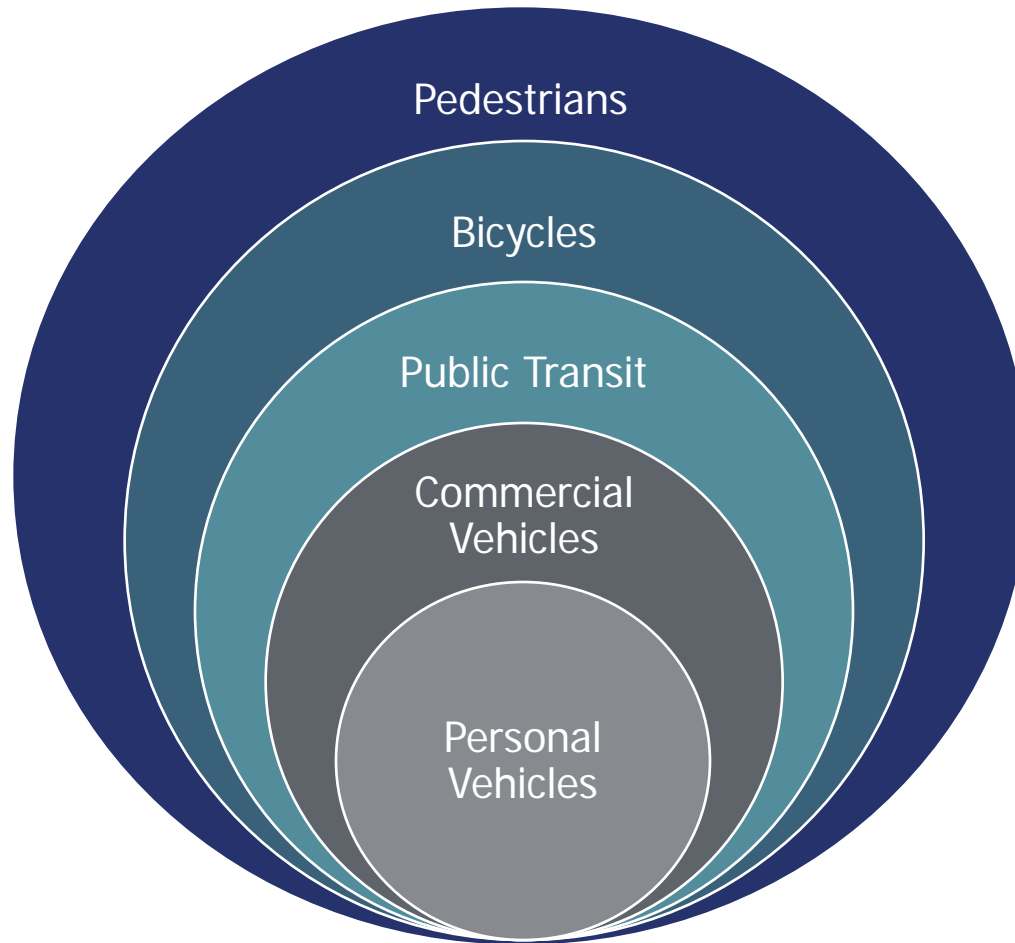
Timeline

- Draft Complete Streets Policy Presented to MPO Board & Committees
 - Sept. 2015
- Complete Streets Workshop for Key Stakeholders
 - Dec. 2015
- Complete Streets Working Group Meeting
 - Jan. 2016
- Revised Complete Streets Policy Presentations
 - Mar. 2016

Complete Streets Policy Purpose

- Accommodate the safety and convenience of all surface transportation system users into the planning, design, and construction of state and federally funded transportation projects programmed through the MPO's TIP
- Provide a framework for the creation of a connected complete street network
- Recognize that every trip begins and ends as a pedestrian and that all streets and users are different
- Establish Transportation User Considerations

Transportation User Considerations



Draft Complete Streets Policy Statement:

*The Palm Beach MPO aims to achieve a safe and convenient transportation network by implementing Complete Streets within the context of our county's diverse communities. The Palm Beach MPO will seek to promote Complete Streets by **prioritizing the funding** of Complete Street infrastructure projects, **providing educational opportunities**, and **encouraging local jurisdictions to adopt and implement local Complete Streets policies.***

Consistency

Complete Streets Policy is consistent with MPO's adopted Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Goals, Objectives and Values.

Vision Zero for Fatalities

To evaluate the effective implementation of the policy, the MPO will monitor the number of pedestrian and bicyclist injuries and fatalities over time with the ultimate goal of zero fatalities.

Vision Zero is the foundation for ending traffic deaths on our streets and roadways.

Performance Measures

The MPO will aim to achieve the following objectives and targets:

Objective	Current Value	2025 Target	2040 Target
Increase the commuter mode choice ¹ for...			
Pedestrians	1.5%	3.5%	5%
Bicycle	0.5%	1.5%	3%
Public Transportation	1.9%	3%	5%
Increase the number of local jurisdictions that have an adopted Complete Streets Policy	1	13	20
Provide annual workshops and events to promote Complete Streets and raise awareness of bicycle and pedestrian safety	1	2	4

Notes: 1. Current values obtained from American Community Survey 3 year estimates, 2011-2013

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Applicability

State and federally funded transportation projects that are included in the Palm Beach MPO's TIP.

Project exemptions will be considered on a case by case basis.



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Next Steps

- Final MPO Complete Streets Policy to MPO Board for Adoption – March 2016
- MPO encourages jurisdictions to adopt a local Complete Streets Policy – Ongoing
- MPO Complete Streets Working Group – Ongoing



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A photograph of a busy pedestrian crosswalk. The crosswalk is marked with wide, alternating white and grey stripes. Numerous people are walking across the street, their figures blurred to convey a sense of motion and activity. The background shows more pedestrians and the edge of a city street.

Questions?