

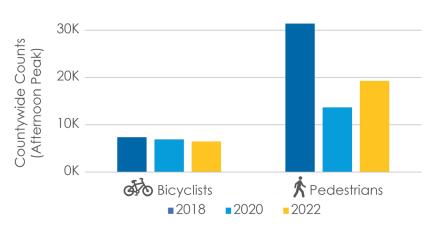
ALAMEDA COUNTY

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

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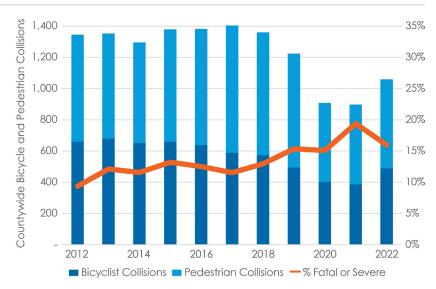
Active Transportation in Alameda County

Active modes of transportation, such as walking, biking and scootering, have been largely resilient to pandemic forces as they cater to both essential and recreational trips. Alameda CTC collects active transportation counts at 150 locations every other year in the fall. Although they may underestimate total activity, the count program showed that bicycle activity remained stable during a year when most other modes saw sharp drops in activity. While walking and scootering initially dropped in commercial areas, they had significantly rebounded as of 2022.



COLLISION SEVERITY RATE REMAINS ELEVATED FOR BICYCLISTS AND PEDESTRIANS

There were over 1,060 bicycle and pedestrian collisions in 2022, which reflected the first annual increase since the onset of the pandemic. The share of bicycle and pedestrian collisions that resulted in a severe injury or fatality dropped slightly year-over-year, but was still above the rate for all modes at 16% versus 9%.



SAFETY REMAINS AN ACUTE ISSUE

Both bicyclists and pedestrians are disproportionately represented in fatal and severe crashes. Together, they are involved in...

16% of total crashes

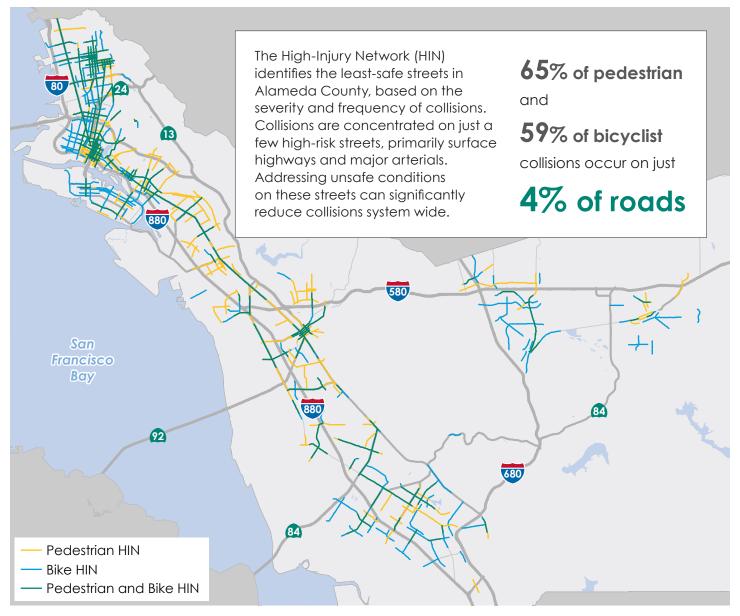
BUT...

of fatal and severe crashes



Unsafe speed remains the most common factor in all collisions.

Alameda County High-Injury Network



A safe experience while walking and biking is integral to improving quality of life across the County. While active transportation collisions have fallen during the pandemic, bicyclists and pedestrians remain the most vulnerable road users, particularly as auto speeds have increased. In 2022, Alameda CTC adopted a 400-mile Countywide Bikeways Network as well as an All Ages and Abilities Policy to support the implementation of a safe, comfortable, and interconnected bicycle network throughout the county.

KEY FINDINGS

Injury collisions are more than twice as likely to occur in the county's equity priority communities (EPCs). Statewide, Alameda County ranked 7th in terms of the number of pedestrian killed or injured in traffic collisions, and 8th for pedestrians over 65 years old.

The County also saw the 7th highest number of collisions involving bicyclists under the age of 15 statewide.