

Cycling Policies in Germany

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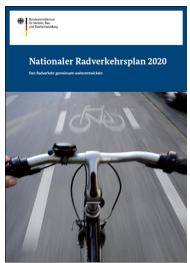
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Action areas of the NCP

- Planning and developing a cycling strategy
- 2. Infrastructure
- 3. Road safety
- 4. Communication
- 5. Cycle tourism
- 6. Electric mobility
- 7. Linkage with other means of transport
- 8. Mobility and road safety education
- 9. Create and safeguard qualities







Provide National Funding



Appropriation from investment budget for cycling infrastructure

€ 100 million/2017 for cycling infrastructure

Only for cycle paths along federal highways and federal waterways



NEW: € 25 million for "Cycle Superhighways"



Cycle Superhighways

Structural requirements that ensure a quick and

smooth flow of traffic



- Forecast based on a volume of at least 2,000 bicycle trips per day
- Cross section of usually 4 metres
- Used for commuting and everyday traffic, i.e. not used primarily for tourism purposes



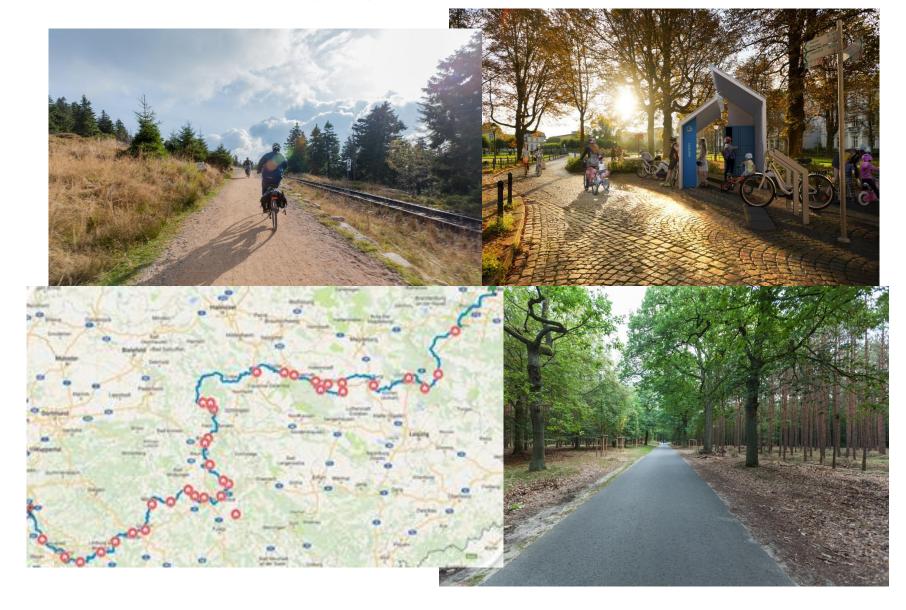
Cycle Superhighways

 Development of a coherent network with existing cycle paths or new cycle paths or cycle superhighways

 Minimum length of usually 10km - as the only component or part of a cycle superhighway



German Unity Cycle Route











- The popularity of cycling as a means of transport has increased by 9 percentage points in the last 2 years.
- 77 % of the German population cycle, and around one third of all Germans do so on a regular basis.
- 34 % of the population are willing to make more use of cycles as a means of transport in the future;
 - in the 20 to 29 age bracket, the figure is 51 %.



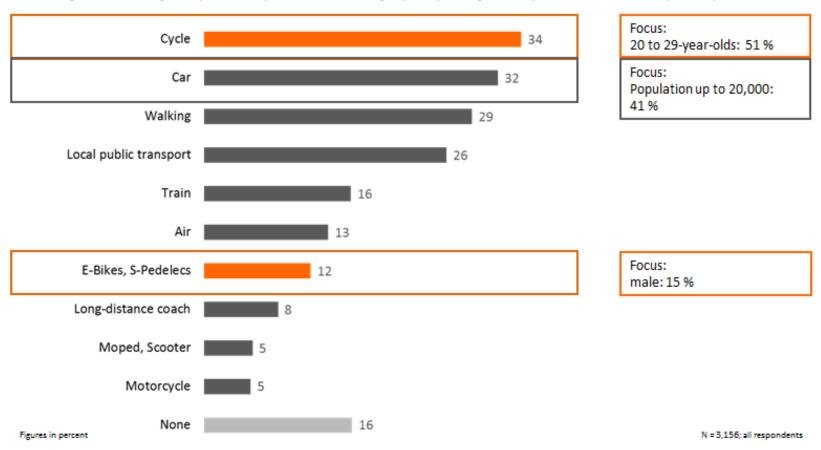
- 5 % of cyclists use pedelecs and 1 % use cargo bikes.
- 63 % of the German population in the 14 to 69 age bracket either enjoy cycling or enjoy it very much, especially young people.





Greater use of means of transport in the future

"Which of these means of transport would you like to use more frequently in the future?" (more than one answer possible)



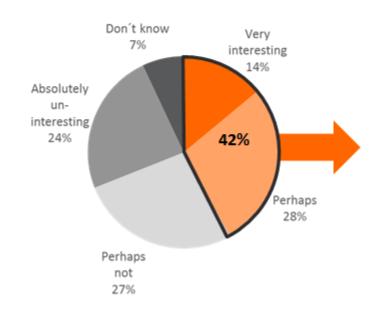


Pedelecs

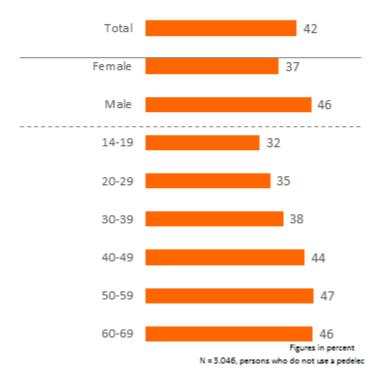
Interest in terms of socio-demographics

Interest

"Are cycles that have an integrated electric motor (pedelecs) basically interesting for you?"



Interest by gender and age (very interesting, perhaps)



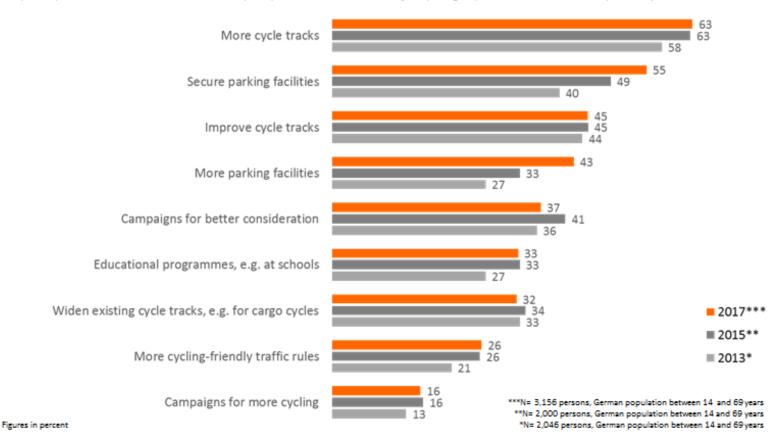
N = 3.046, persons who do not use a pedelec



Improvements for cycling

What people want policymakers to do

"In your opinion, what are the areas where policymakers could do more for cycling?" (more than one answer possible)





200 years of cycling

"Map of innovative places"



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