Champaign-Urbana Community Facts

- Champaign-Urbana Urbanized Area comprised of 47 square-miles, with localized urban density contained within roughly a quarter of that area.
- Urbanized area growing progressively decade-to-decade.
- An average of 7% of the Urbanized Area has no access to a personal motorized vehicle.
- An average of 2% of the Urbanized Area’s inhabitants used a bike as their sole transportation to work; and with an urbanized area population of roughly 145,000 people, accounts for nearly 3,000 cyclists.
- Bikes used consistently by roughly 15% of each age cohort.
- Urban density contributes to a low mean travel time to work, making commuting by bike an efficient and inexpensive option.

Facts derived from Champaign Urbana Urbanized Area Transportation Plan, Sustainable Choices 2040; December 2014; produced by Champaign County Regional Planning-Commission.

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Champaign-Urbana Bicycle Facts

- The City of Champaign (Bronze), City of Urbana (Gold), and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Bronze) are Bicycle Friendly Cities/Universities per the League of American Cyclists http://bikeleague.org/
- Champaign-Urbana also contains six of the twenty-two businesses in Illinois recognized as Bicycle Friendly; one of which is only one of three ‘Gold’ status businesses.
- Large proportion of Bicycle Commuters within Population
- Infrastructure: 86.27 miles of bicycle infrastructure in Champaign-Urbana, as of 2012

Champaign-Urbana Bicycle Theft Facts

- Highest proportion of thefts in Champaign-Urbana occur in prime riding months, spring to late summer, ramping up in April and tapering off in November/December.
- Average of 11.5 thefts per month
- Of more than $143,000 (reported value) in bikes stolen in Champaign and within the University of Illinois’ jurisdiction, only $16,459 in bikes were recovered
- With a large proportion of people reporting their bikes worth only $1.00, it is assumed that value was widely underreported.

Facts derived from City of Champaign, City of Urbana, and University of Illinois Police Department Theft Reports from 2012-2014. Compiled by Neutral Cycle Supply Company staff in late 2014.

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Fight crime in three easy steps:
Register your bike. Report suspicious activity. Find stolen bikes.

1. Check out the activity board to see recently reported thefts. Leave helpful comments if you’ve seen a stolen bike.
2. Register a stolen bike instantly. The report will show up on the activity board, share it on social media, and create a report to share with local police.
3. Buying a pre-owned bike? Do your due diligence and search the BikeNet database to make sure you’re not buying a bike reported stolen.
4. Register your bike(s) into the BikeNet database. Registration is private to you, and will provide evidence of ownership if your bike is stolen.
5. Create your BikeNet user profile, and manage your registered bikes.