

# VicRoads Cycling Road Rules Review

As part of Victoria's cycling strategy *Cycling into the Future 2013-23*, VicRoads is reviewing the cycling road rules and road safety legislation, to increase awareness of these rules and encourage safe and respectful behaviours from all road users.

## Research Methods

Research and engagement activities included:

- examination of the latest research and cycling crash statistics
- feedback from cycling stakeholders and community interest groups
- an online public survey on knowledge of cycling road rules
- a survey of local councils to understand their perception of cycling.

## Public Survey

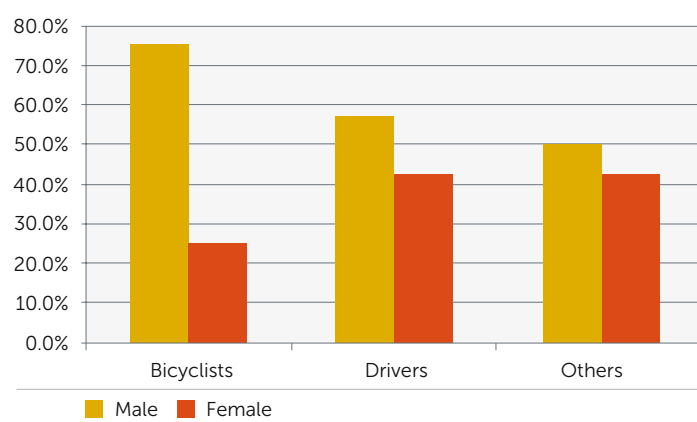
In July 2014 VicRoads conducted an online survey about cycling road rules, and sought opinions on the rules and cycling.

Almost 11,000 people responded to the thirty minute online survey, which closed on Sunday 27 July 2014. This remarkable response has highlighted the passionate views shared by cyclists, drivers, pedestrians and motorcyclists in relation to cycling.

The analysis of the survey data is currently underway. With such a high number of respondents, it is expected that the survey analysis will take some months to complete. At this time there is no plan to make any changes to current cycling road rules.

## Online Survey Response - Gender Split

70.7% of respondents were male and 29.3% were female.

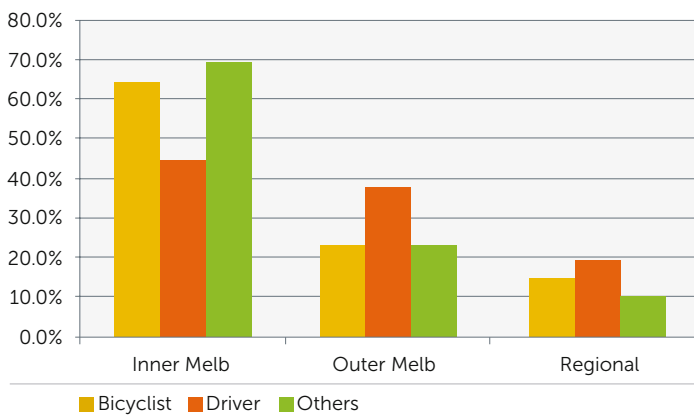


**Figure 1:** Gender of bicyclist, driver and other road users groups\* (percentages)

\* includes: pedestrians, vehicle passengers and public transport users

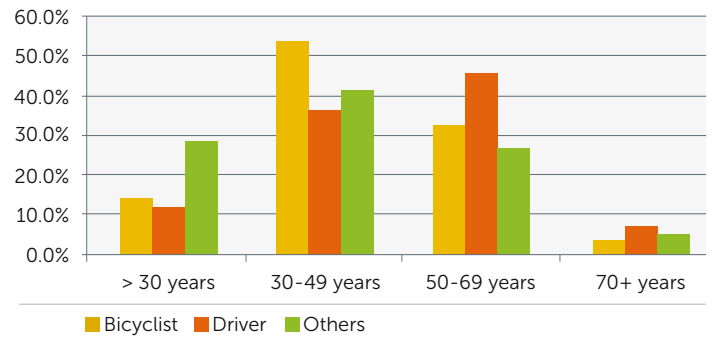
## Online Survey Response - Residential Location

Residential Location		% of Participants
Melbourne	Inner City	11.2
	Inner Suburbs	46.7
	Outer Suburbs	25.5
	Sub total	83.4
Regional	Large Regional Town	8.6
	Small Town/Rural	6.7
	Sub total	15.3
Other		1.3



**Figure 2:** Residential location of participants according to road user grouping

## Online Survey Response - Age Profile



**Figure 3:** Age (percentages) of bicyclists, drivers and other road users

## Next Steps

Outcomes of the Cycling Road Rules review will be provided to Government in 2015. The results of the review will inform future work and priorities in cycling, including:

- consideration of new or amended road rules
- public education or communication of existing road rules
- future strategies and policies to encourage cycling and improve bike safety.

If, as part of the review, there was strong justification for a road rule change, further consultation would be undertaken to help fully understand the impact of any proposed change.

For further updates on the review visit: [vicroads.vic.gov.au](http://vicroads.vic.gov.au)