Biking on Market Today

Market Street is San Francisco’s busiest biking street, with more than 1.2 million bike trips in 2017. Much of Market Street lacks adequate facilities to keep riders safe:

• East of 8th Street, bicyclists ride in a shared lane with no protection from buses and private and commercial vehicles.
• West of 8th Street, bicyclists ride in bike lanes. In most cases, buffered bike lanes are separated from traffic by safe hit posts, though bicyclists and vehicles mix near intersections.

Vision Zero

Vision Zero is San Francisco’s comprehensive policy goal adopted in 2014 to eliminate traffic deaths by 2024. Market Street is part of the Vision Zero High Injury Network, which includes the 13% of San Francisco’s street miles on which 75% of severe and fatal injury collisions occur. Better Market Street aims to help achieve Vision Zero by reducing opportunities for crashes through vehicle restrictions, improved and more separated facilities, as well as streamlined commercial loading.

32 collisions per million vehicle miles traveled on Market Street, which is five times the rate of collisions on neighboring Mission Street.

44% of collisions on Market Street involved Muni.

33% of collisions on Market Street involved a bicyclist or pedestrian.

Incremental Safety Improvements

- 2010: Right turns restricted at 10th/Market and 6th/Market
- 2011: Improved bike lanes added between Octavia Boulevard & 8th Street
- 2012
- 2013
- 2014: Red transit-only lanes added between Van Ness Avenue and 8th Street
- 2015: Turn restrictions implemented between 3rd and 8th streets
- 2016: Vision Zero crosswalk upgrades added to Market Street intersections