



Overview of Shared Use Path Survey 2025

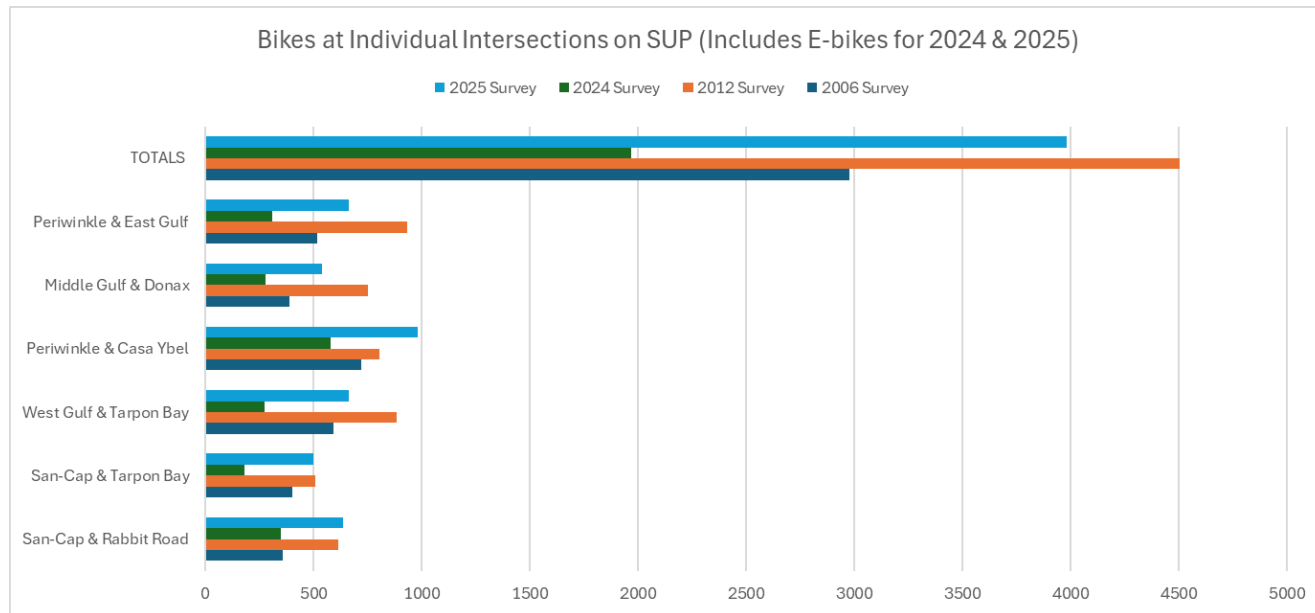
Background

- The three prior surveys (2006, 2012, 2024) were conducted in late April on a Thursday afternoon from 12:30 until 4:30 p.m. and the following Saturday morning from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. In 2025, the surveys were conducted in mid-March on Thursday, March 13th from 12:30 until 4:30 p.m. and Saturday, March 15th from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.
- E-bikes were not prevalent in the first two studies, so there is no historical data on E-bike usage on the shared use path for 2006 and 2012. In 2024 and 2025, counts were collected on E-bikes as part of the survey.
- A reasonable margin of error must be considered, as volunteers were responsible for observing and recording usage with the human eye and hand-written tally sheets.
- The City of Sanibel was designated a Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) and awarded gold status by *The League of American Bicyclists* in 2010. Gold award status is currently valid through 2027.
- Continued SUP surveys are an important component to retaining gold status. As higher award levels will be presented to renewing applicants who have consistently monitored the bicycle usage of the community.

Bicycles on the Shared Use Paths

Bicycle Totals at Individual Intersections on SUP								
Intersections	San-Cap & Rabbit Road	San-Cap & Tarpon Bay	West Gulf & Tarpon Bay	Periwinkle & Casa Ybel	Middle Gulf & Donax	Periwinkle & East Gulf	TOTALS	% Change from Previous Year
2006 Survey	357	400	594	719	390	519	2979	
2012 Survey	616	509	886	806	754	935	4506	45%
2024 Survey	351	180	273	579	278	307	1968	-53%
2025 Survey	636	498	663	982	540	663	3982	100%

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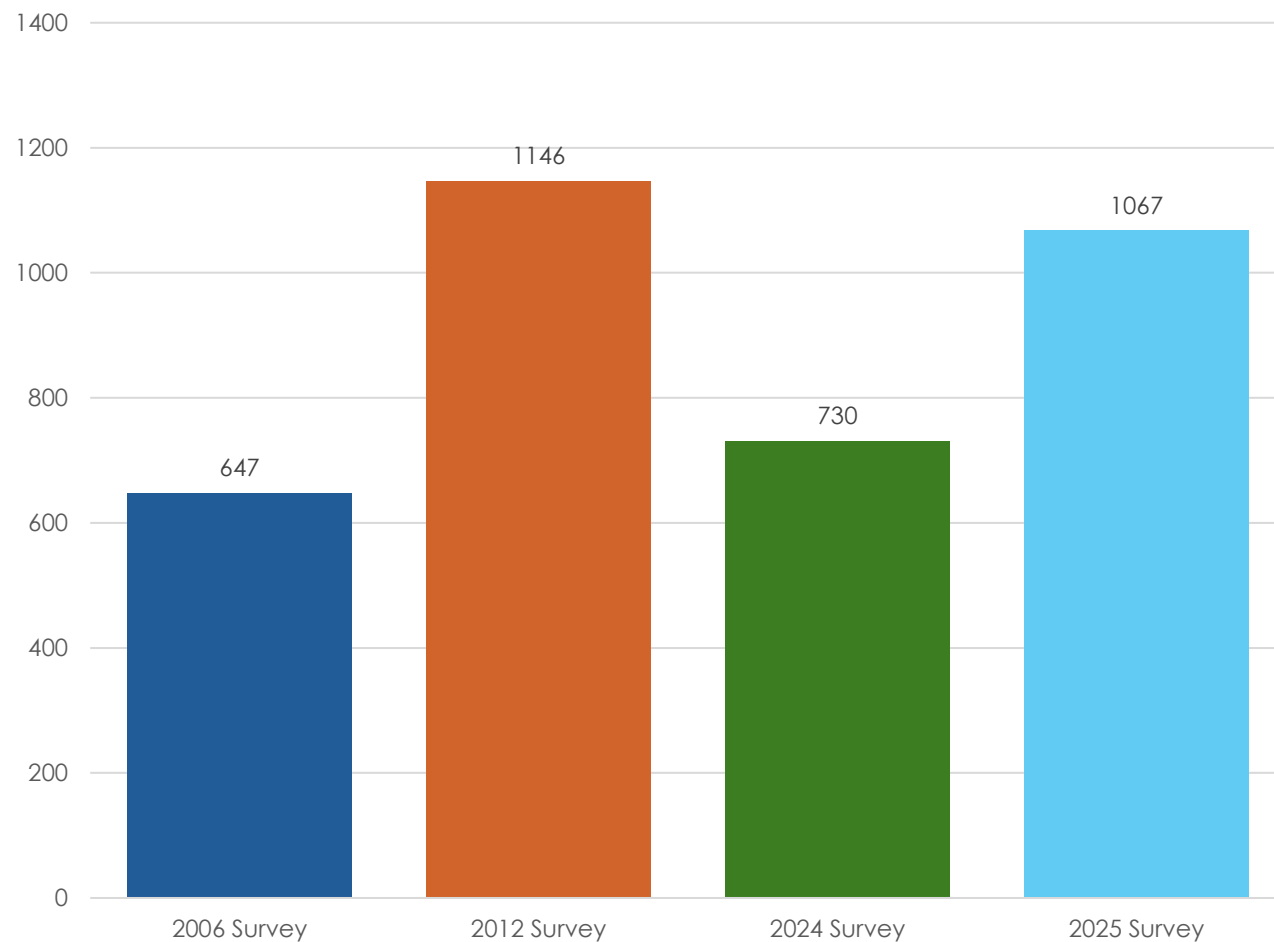


Pedestrians on the Shared Use Paths

Pedestrians at Individual Locations on SUP								
Intersections	San-Cap & Rabbit Road	San-Cap & Tarpon Bay	West Gulf & Tarpon Bay	Periwinkle & Casa Ybel	Middle Gulf & Donax	Periwinkle & East Gulf	TOTALS	% Change from Previous Year
2006 Survey	8	14	485	33	107	8	647	
2012 Survey	28	10	818	115	175	195	1146	77%
2024 Survey	13	7	623	14	73	123	730	-36%
2025 Survey	27	29	748	92	171	223	1067	46%



Total Pedestrians on SUP

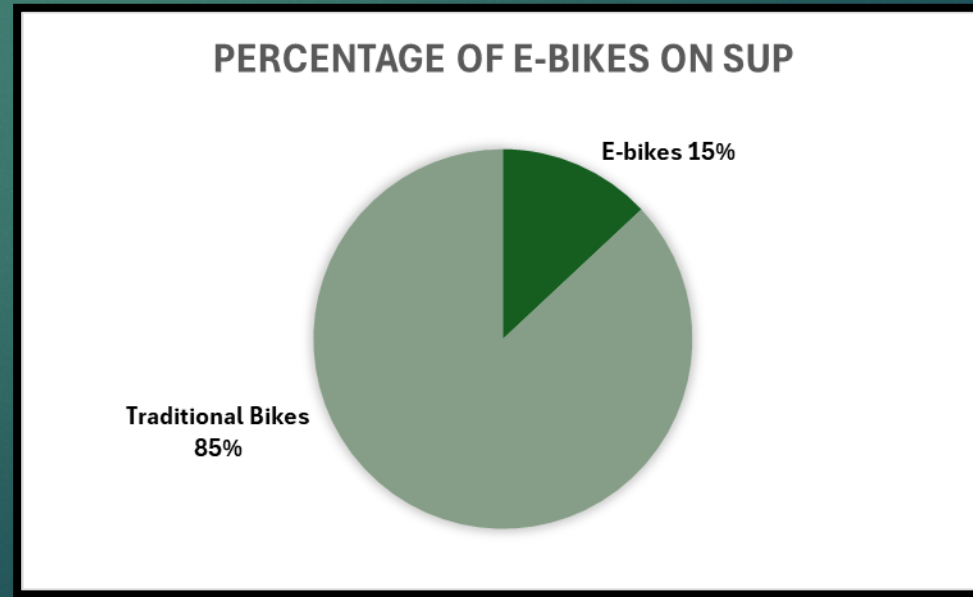


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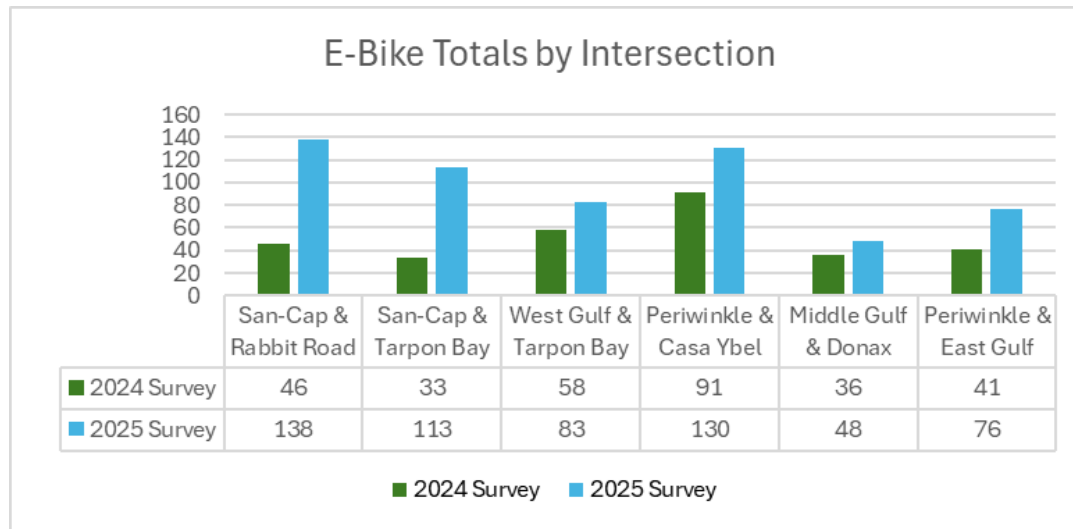
E-Bikes on the Shared Use Paths

E-Bike Totals at Individual Intersections								
Intersections	San-Cap & Rabbit Road	San-Cap & Tarpon Bay	West Gulf & Tarpon Bay	Periwinkle & Casa Ybel	Middle Gulf & Donax	Periwinkle & East Gulf	TOTAL	% Change from Previous
2024 Survey	46	33	58	91	36	41	305	
2025 Survey	138	113	83	130	48	76	588	93%

Electric Bikes Vs. Traditional Bikes 2024 vs. 2025		
Type of Bike	2024	2025
Electric Bike Riders	305	588
Traditional Bike Riders	1663	3394
Total Riders combined	1968	3982
% of Bikes that are Electric	15%	15%



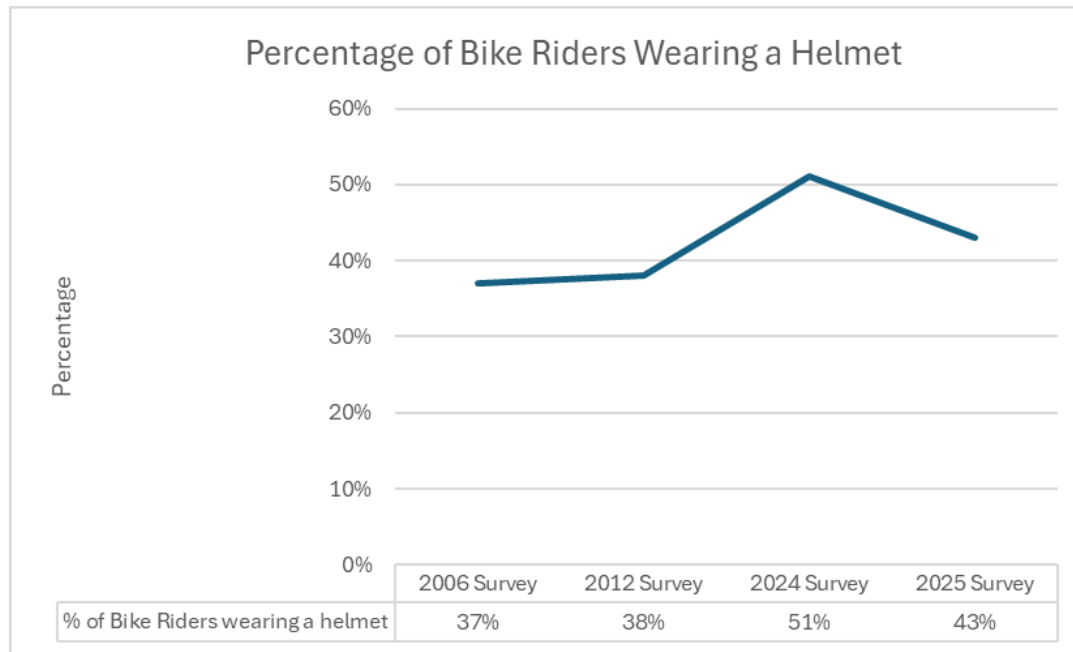
E-Bikes on the Shared Use Paths by Intersection

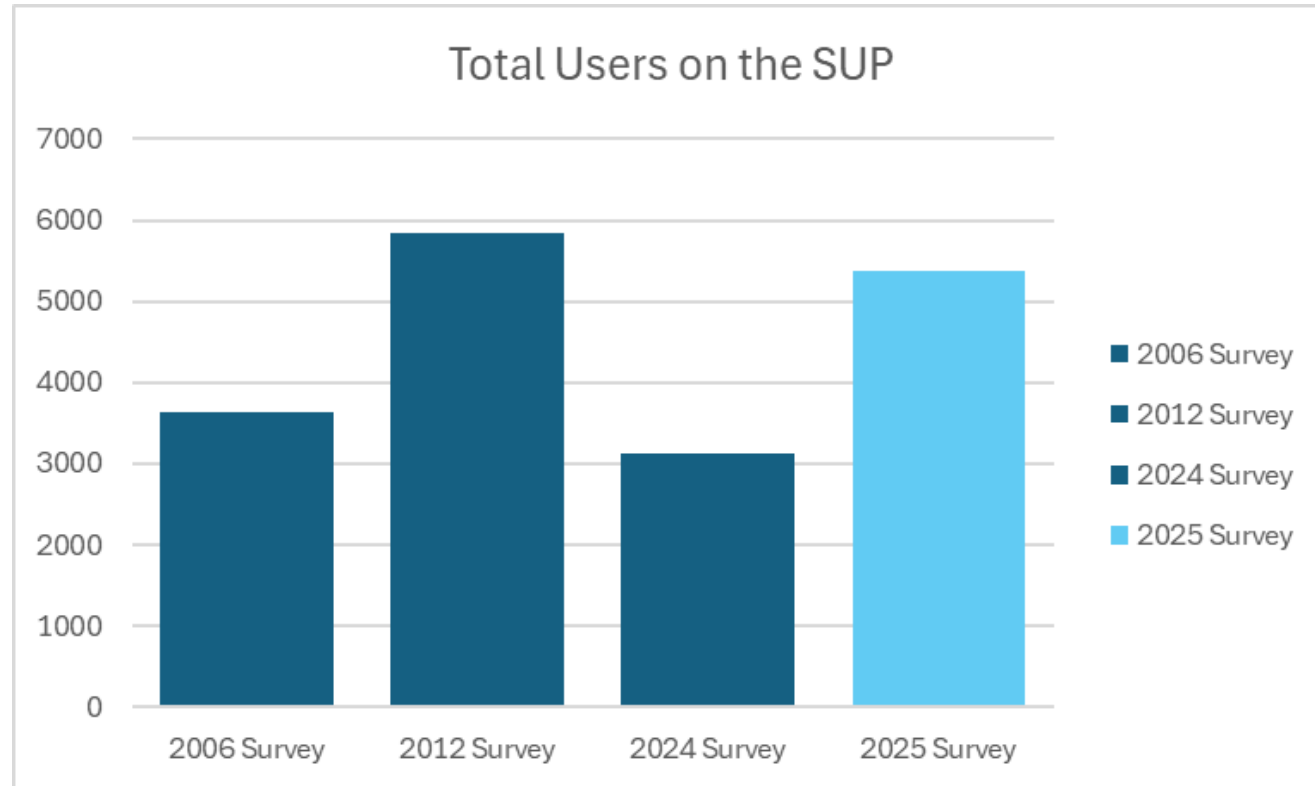


Bikes Observed on the Road at Individual Intersections

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2006 Survey	9	6	13	0	18	22	68	
2012 Survey	7	0	23	1	30	16	77	13%
2024 Survey	77	0	29	4	19	9	138	79%
2025 Survey	12	8	21	2	52	13	108	-22%

Percentage of Bicyclists Wearing a Helmet





Total Users on Shared Use Paths

Conclusions

- ▶ Total overall shared use path users of all types have increased by 72% since 2024 and is 48% greater than when the original study was completed in 2006.
- ▶ Total bicycle riders on the SUP have increased by 48% since the original study in 2006 and more than doubled since the study from 2024 (1968 to 3982).
- ▶ One quarter of total bicyclists (982 of 3982; 25%) on the SUP were observed at the Periwinkle and Casa Ybel Intersection (6 total intersections were considered).
- ▶ E-bikes represent 15% of total bicycle riders on the SUP, with 588 E-bikes observed.
- ▶ Total pedestrian SUP usage is up 51% since 2024 and 97% more than in the 2006 survey.
- ▶ Thank you to the Sanibel Bike Club and Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee members for volunteering their time to perform the Shared Use Path counts.

