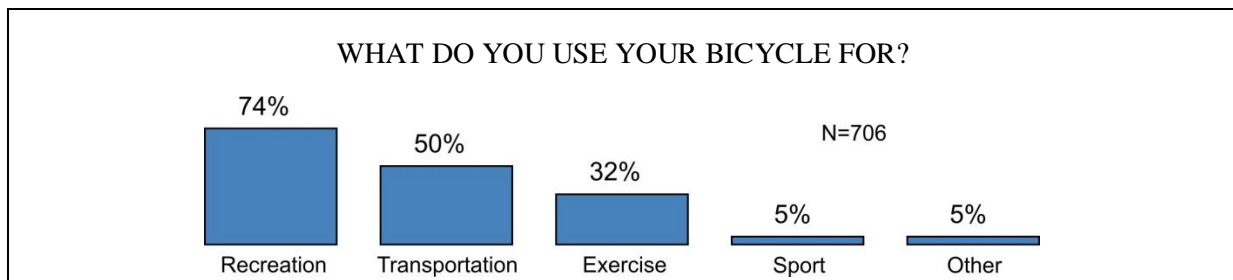


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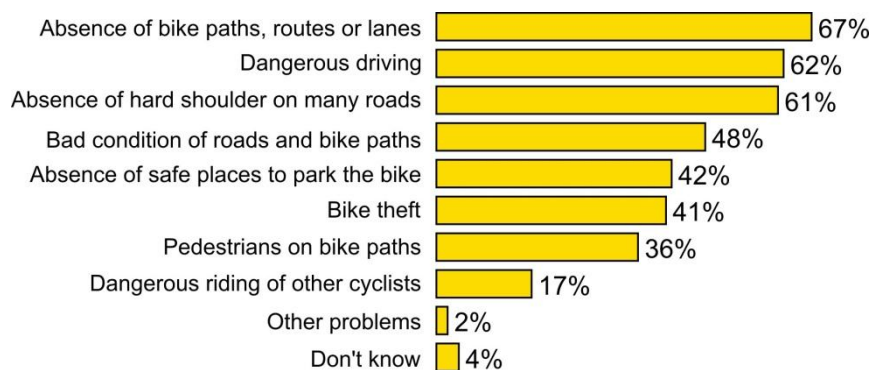
Cyclists constitute 70% of the Polish society, out of which 22% ride the bicycle regularly.

The bicycle is usually used for recreation (74% of cyclists), or as a means of transportation (50%). Every third cyclist (32%) uses the bike for physical exercise. Only 5% of respondents treat biking as professional sport; a vast majority of them are young. Among other purposes mentioned in the survey was shopping.



The biggest problem for cyclists is, in public opinion, low number of bike routes, paths or separate lanes (67%). Another problem is the danger from car drivers (62%) and absence of hard shoulders on many roads (61%). Cyclists' life is made difficult by bad condition of roads and bike paths: almost half of respondents indicated such problems (48%). A big problem is the limited number of places where bikes can be parked (42%) and frequent thefts (41%).

WHAT PROBLEMS DO CYCLISTS ENCOUNTER?



More information about this topic can be found in CBOS report in Polish: *"Cycling in Poland"*, September 2012. Fieldwork for national sample: July 2012, N=960. The random address sample is representative for adult population of Poland.