

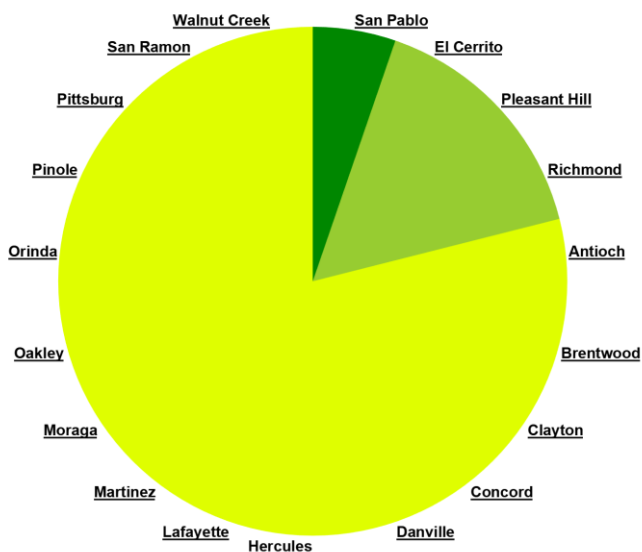
# Walkability Scorecard

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### Most Cities in Contra Costa County are Car-dependent



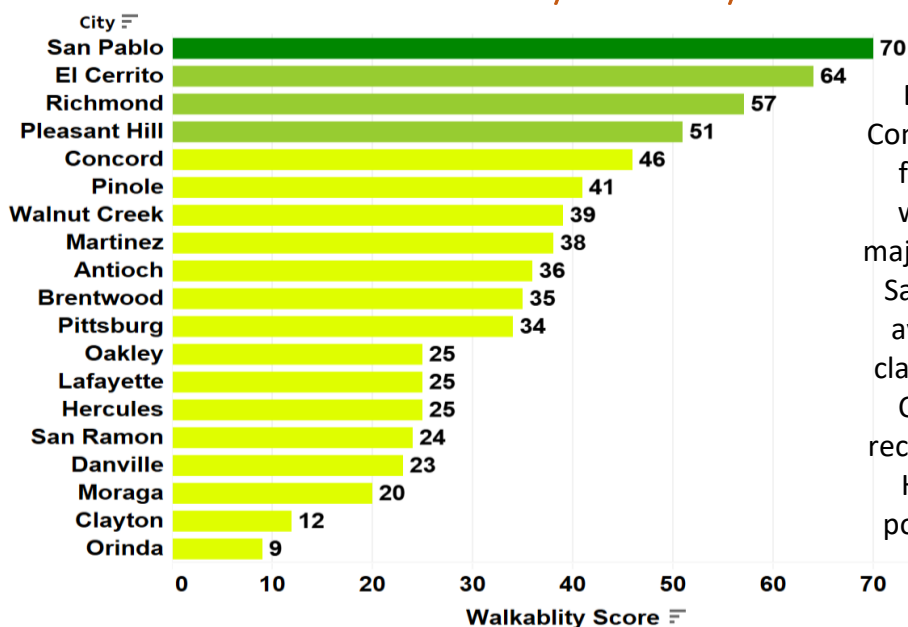
Of the seventeen (17) towns and cities in Contra Costa County that [walkscore.com](http://walkscore.com) assessed, most of the cities, thirteen (13) in fact, are classified as “Car-Dependent.” Four (4) cities are categorized as “Somewhat Walkable” and one (1) city is considered “Very Walkable”. Moraga and Clayton did not have an official score as their population is too low. However, using [walkscore.com](http://walkscore.com)’s data and locations within each city’s neighborhoods we were able to calculate their overall scores

Table 1 – Walk Score and Description

Walk Score	Description
90–100	<b>Walker's Paradise</b> Daily errands do not require a car.
70–89	<b>Very Walkable</b> Most errands can be accomplished on foot.
50–69	<b>Somewhat Walkable</b> Some amenities within walking distance.
0–49	<b>Car-Dependent</b> A few amenities within walking distance.

[walkscore.com](http://walkscore.com) provides walkability scores for cities, towns or specific areas within. Scores range from 0 to 100 broken down into five groups of increasing favorability to a walker. The five levels range from a “Car-Dependent” status (0-24) where almost all errands must be done by car up to “Walker's Paradise” (90-100) where daily errands do not require the use of a car. The levels in between are shown in detail in the table below.

### Cities Ranked by Walkability



Bar Chart shows that the most walkable city in Contra Costa County is San Pablo with a score of 70, followed closely by El Cerrito with 64. The least walkable is Orinda with a score of 9. Of the 372 major cities in California assessed by [walkscore.com](http://walkscore.com), San Pablo’s level is comfortably above the State’s average which is 50. All the 6 Contra Costa cities classified as “somewhat walkable” score above the California average. Moraga and Clayton did not receive official scores as their population is too low. However, using [walkscore.com](http://walkscore.com) System 5 and 3 points were selected in each city respectively and used to calculate their bike and walk scores.



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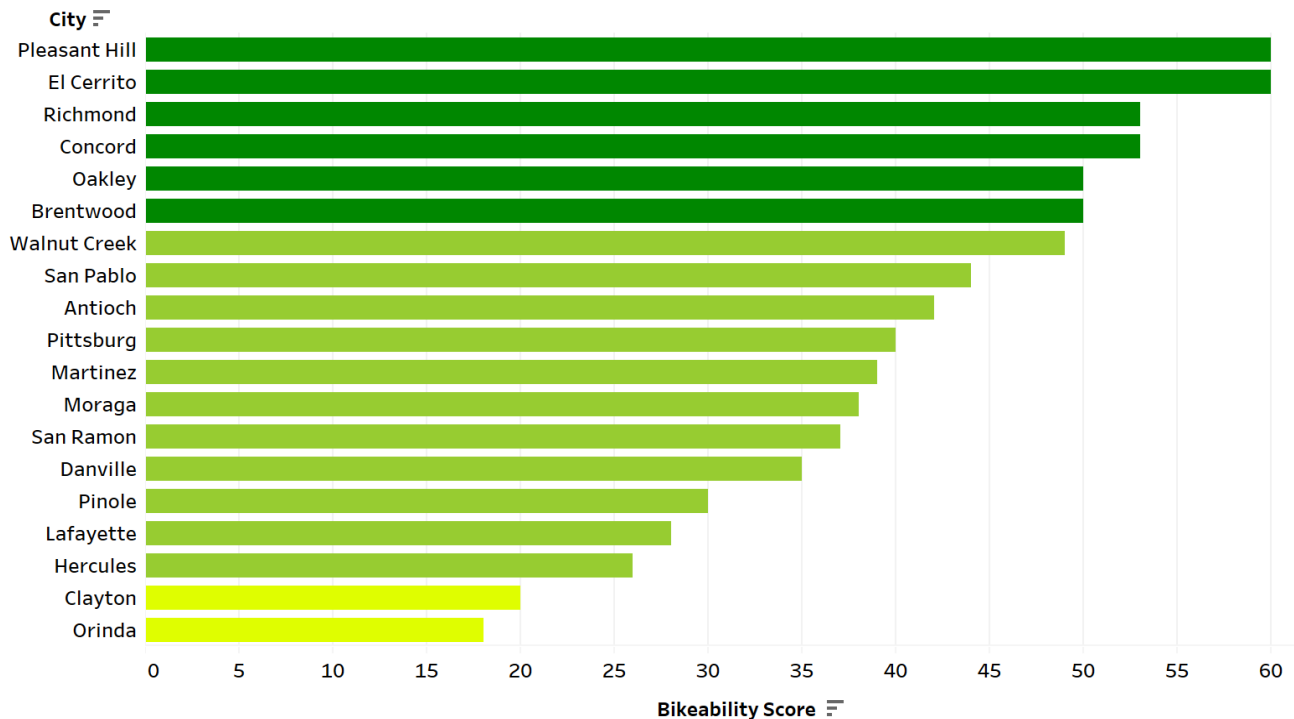
### Bikeability Scores

**Table 3 – Bike Score and Description**

Bike Score	Description
90–100	<b>Biker's Paradise</b> Daily errands can be accomplished on a bike.
70–89	<b>Very Bikeable</b> Biking is convenient for most trips
50–69	<b>Bikeable</b> Some bike infrastructure.
25–49	<b>Somewhat Bikeable</b> Minimal bike infrastructure
0–24	<b>Car-Dependent</b> Almost all errands require a car.

Bikeability Scores are presented similarly to walkability. Scores and their description can be found in Table 3. According to [walkscore.com](http://walkscore.com), "Walk Score uses a system to measure the walkability of an address. The Walk Score algorithm awards points based on the distance to amenities in each category. Amenities within .25 miles receive maximum points and no points are awarded for amenities further than one mile."

### Cities Ranked by Bikeability Scores



**Sources of Data**

[www.walkscore.com](http://www.walkscore.com) <sup>1</sup><http://www.walkscore.com/methodology.shtml>

<sup>2</sup>Safe Routes to School National Partnership <http://www.saferoutespartnership.org/resourcecenter/research/travel-impacts-on-air-quality-and-greenhouse-gases>



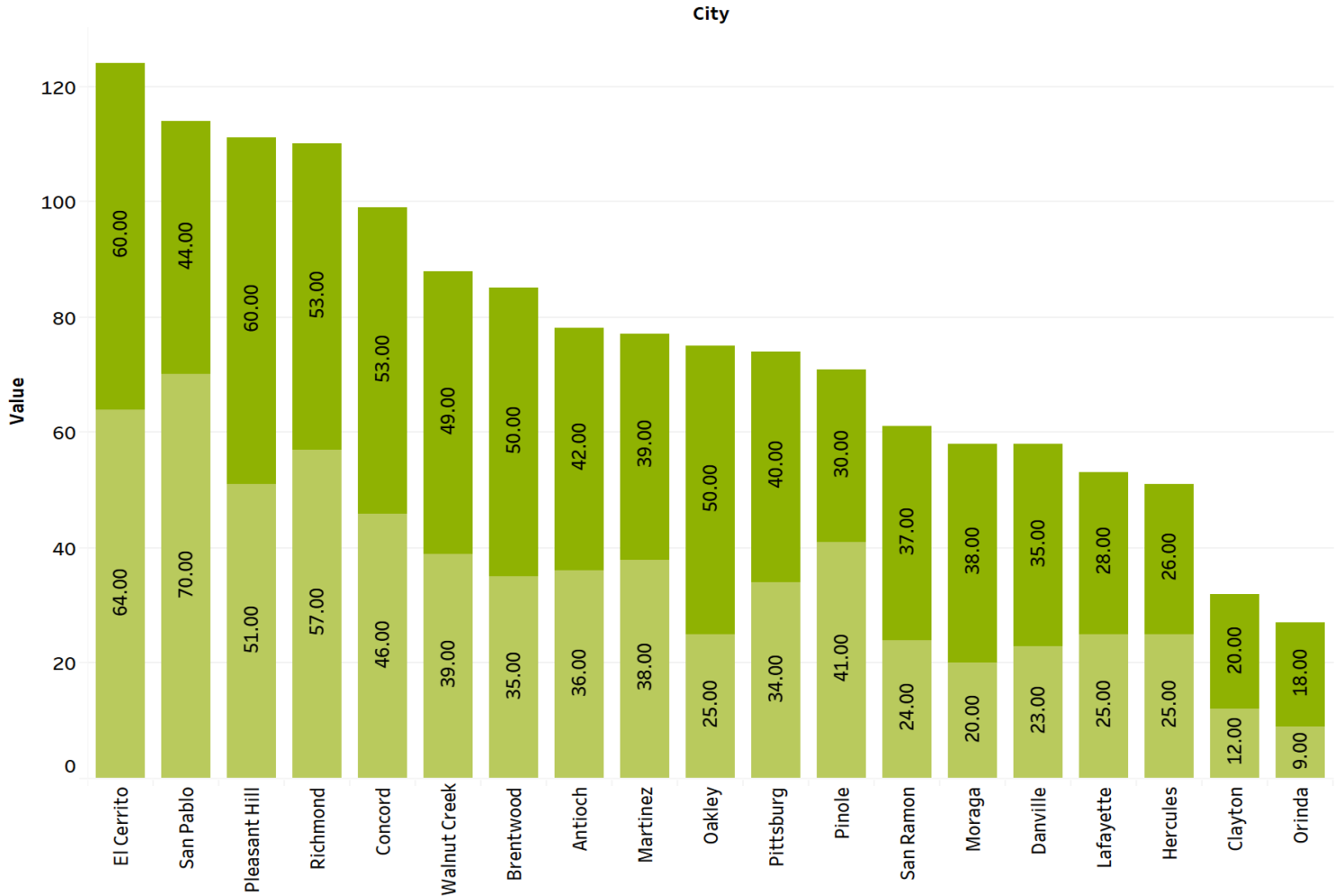
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### Combined Walk and Bike Scores



Walk Score's data sources include Google, Education.com, Open Street Map, and Localeze. Walk Score allows local residents to add and remove places from Walk Score in deference to these residents' familiarity with their locality

