



Critical Mass March 2007 (New York City). [Seth W./Flickr](#)

The grassroots movement known as [Critical Mass](#) will attempt to make its presence known in Birmingham this evening at 6 p.m. Their inaugural ride will begin at Linn Park downtown. These rides, which take place monthly throughout the country (and the world) are geared to remind drivers that cyclists should be allowed to share the road and that they're here.

The cyclists follow all of the rules of the road, emphasizing bicycle safety and a sustainable method of transportation. There's no real leader or plan to the route - it just seems to happen (and it's been happening now for more than 15 years). As you can see, the longer it goes, the more people get involved - like the scene from NYC up above.