

# Velenje, Slovenia



## Population

agglomeration: 32,802  
city: 24,939

## Land area

84 km<sup>2</sup>

## Population density

393 inhabitants/km<sup>2</sup>

Velenje is the fifth largest city in Slovenia. It is the economic, administrative, etc. centre of the Savinjska-Šaleška region. In the recent years there have been many investments in sustainable mobility (free local public transport and bike rental scheme, etc.), but the municipality still faces challenges with high car usage for everyday trips. The region is facing issues with depopulation due to its lack of good infrastructural connections with the rest of the country.

## Modal Split



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## Participation in previous and current EU transport related projects

- [GUTS \(2010 - 2013\)](#)  
Green Urban Transport Systems
- [BICY \(2010 - 2013\)](#)  
By designing and implementing trans-national, cross-border and national strategies the EU-Project BICY aims to achieve a widespread modal shift towards cycling and walking to improve the quality of life and reduce pollution. As pilot investment Velenje has locally developed and implemented an automated system for renting city bicycles (so called Bicy system). Pilot investment was realized in September 2012 and involved 5 stations with 25 bicycles.
- [CHESTNUT \(2016 - 2019\)](#)  
CHESTNUT will contribute to developing a better-connected & interoperable environmentally friendly transport & safe system in functional urban areas (FUA) of Danube Region, overall based on integration between more sustainable means. Velenje's pilot action will help them update bike sharing system BICY and an app LOKALC GUTS.
- [SMART COMMUTING \(2017 - 2020\)](#)  
SMART COMMUTING encourages coordination between public transport companies, city officials and other stakeholders to develop a holistic approach to planning more energy efficient transportation in urban areas. Training for public sector workers, expert analyses and the creation of institutional platforms will support better planning of sustainable transport.
- [SMILE \(2018 - 2019\)](#)  
SMILE is focused on first and last mile of mobility in some variegated and paradigmatic urban areas of Adrion Region, embracing coastal, inland and bordering cities of different size (capital, middle, little).
- [CIVINET Slovenija-Croatia](#)

## Status of the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan

The SUMP for Municipality of Velenje is not created yet. The interest and the need for creation of local SUMP exists. Municipality Velenje has gained the funds for SUMP development under national Open call for co-financing of SUMP within Operational Programme for the implementation of the European cohesion policy for the period 2014 - 2020. In March and April 2016 public tender for the SUMP team is opened and finally after 10 months from the tender Velenje will obtain a new SUMP.