

Safe Driving During Songkran in Thailand 🇹🇼

✓ Key Risks, Statistics, and Prevention Guide

Why Songkran is High-Risk ?



- ◆ One of Thailand's busiest travel periods
- ◆ Millions travel nationwide within a short time
- ◆ Known as the "Seven Dangerous Days"
- ◆ Sharp increase in traffic → higher accident risk

⚠ Main Causes of ACCIDENTS

- Speeding**

 - Rushing to destinations
 - Reduced reaction time in heavy traffic
- Drunk Driving**

 - Common during celebrations
 - Impairs judgment and coordination
- Poor Visibility & Risky Behavior**

 - Wet roads from water splashing
 - Sudden lane changes and unsafe overtaking

🌸 Songkran-Specific Risk Factors 🍹

Wet & Slippery Roads

Reduced tire grip and longer braking distance

Heavy Traffic Congestion

High volume in a short travel window

Driver Fatigue

Long-distance travel reduces alertness

Alcohol Consumption

Increased risk from social drinking



Key Statistics (2025)

1,538

ACCIDENTS



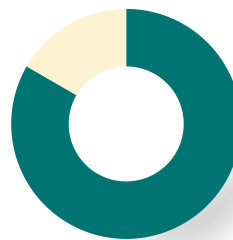
1,495

INJURIES



253

FATALITIES



83.34%
involve motorcycles



41.35%
occur on highways



Peak time:
3:00–6:00 PM

Vehicle Safety Checklist



- ✓ **Brakes**
responsive and fluid level sufficient
- ✓ **Tires**
proper pressure & tread depth
- ✓ **Fluids**
oil, coolant, washer fluid
- ✓ **Battery**
fully functional
- ✓ **Lights**
headlights, brake lights, signals
- ✓ **Wipers**
clear visibility in wet conditions

Driver Safety Checklist



- 🛌 **Get 7–8 hours of sleep before driving**
- 📍 **Plan routes in advance (with alternatives)**
- 🚫 **No alcohol before driving**
- 📌 **Wear seat belts (all passengers)**
- 🕒 **Take breaks every 2–3 hours**
- 👥 **Share driving duties on long trips**

💡 Key Takeaway

Most Songkran accidents are preventable. Safe travel depends on:

PROPER PREPARATION

RESPONSIBLE DRIVING BEHAVIOR

SHARED AWARENESS ON THE ROAD

