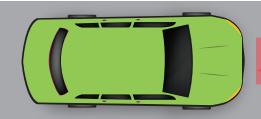
# The only remedy for fatigue is sleep

## Dangers of fatigue

If a driver falls asleep for just 4 seconds while travelling at a speed of 100 km/h the car will have gone 111 metres without a driver in control.

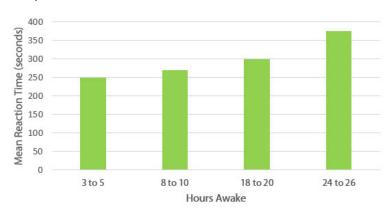


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Source: http://www.tac.vic.gov.au/road-safety/statistics/summaries/fatigue-statistics

#### **Reaction time**

As the number of hours you are awake for increases, so does your mean reaction time.





Drowsiness affects drivers safety by increasing their reaction time, decreasing their ability to concentrate and creates the very real risk of falling asleep at the wheel

Sources: https://infrastructure.gow.au/roads/safety/publications/2006/pdf/grant\_200601.pdf http://www.tac.vic.gov.au/road-safety/tac-campaigns/fatigue

#### Relative crash rate

Drivers who have slept for 4-5 hours in the past 24 hours are 4.5 times more likely to crash than drivers who have slept 7 hours or more



Drivers who have slept 4 hours in the past 24 hours are 11.5 times more likely to crash than drivers who have slept 7 or more



Source: https://www.aaafoundation.org/sites/default/files/AcuteSleepDeprivationCrashRisk.pdf and the state of the state

## **Tips**



The only remedy to drowsiness and fatigue is **sleep** 



Take a 15 minute power nap



Only drive for **2 hours** at a time



Limit driving to less than 8 hours per day



Avoid direct sun on the body (use shading)



Beware of the effects of **monotony** 

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