

Need another word that means the same as “reckless”? Find 16 synonyms and 30 related words for “reckless” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Reckless” are: foolhardy, heady, rash, heedless, careless, thoughtless, incautious, unheeding, inattentive, hasty, overhasty, precipitate, precipitous, impetuous, impulsive, daredevil

Reckless as an Adjective

Definitions of "Reckless" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “reckless” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Heedless of danger or the consequences of one's actions; rash or impetuous.*
- *Marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences-Macaulay.*
- *Marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences.*
- *Characterized by careless unconcern- Edith Wharton.*
- *Characterized by careless unconcern.*



Synonyms of "Reckless" as an adjective (16 Words)

- careless** (of an action or its result) showing or caused by a lack of attention.
*He admitted **careless** driving.*
- daredevil** Reckless and daring.
*A **daredevil** test pilot having the right stuff.*
- foolhardy** Marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences-Macaulay.
***Foolhardy** enough to try to seize the gun from the hijacker.*
- hasty** Done with very great haste and without due deliberation.
*Rejected what was regarded as an over**hasty** plan for reconversion.*
- heady** (of alcoholic drink) potent; intoxicating.
*The **heady** days of my youth.*

- heedless** Characterized by careless unconcern- Edith Wharton.
*The **heedless** generosity and the spasmodic extravagance of persons used to large fortunes.*
- impetuous** Characterized by undue haste and lack of thought or deliberation.
*An **impetuous** display of spending and gambling.*
- impulsive** Acting or done without forethought.
*He regretted his **impulsive** offer.*
- inattentive** Showing a lack of attention or care.
*An **inattentive** babysitter.*
- incautious** (of a person or an action) heedless of potential problems or risks.
*He blames **incautious** borrowing during the boom.*
- overhasty** Done with very great haste and without due deliberation- Shakespeare-Arthur Geddes.
*Hard times are showing up **overhasty** mergers.*
- precipitate** Occurring suddenly or abruptly.
*I must apologize for my staff their actions were **precipitate**.*
- precipitous** Done with very great haste and without due deliberation- Shakespeare-Arthur Geddes.
*The **precipitous** rapids of the upper river.*
- rash** Marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences-Macaulay.
*Do something **rash** that he will forever repent.*
- thoughtless** Without care or thought for others.
*To think a few minutes of **thoughtless** pleasure could end in this.*
- unheeding** Marked by or paying little heed or attention-Franklin D. Roosevelt.
*Mary **unheeding** watched the television.*



Usage Examples of "Reckless" as an adjective

- *Became the fiercest and most reckless of partisans.*
- *You mustn't be so reckless.*
- *Reckless squandering of public funds.*
- *Reckless driving.*
- *A reckless driver.*



Associations of "Reckless" (30 Words)

- aggressive** Behaving or done in a determined and forceful way.
*An **aggressive** basketball player.*
- antagonistic** Used especially of drugs or muscles that counteract or neutralize each other's effect.
*He was **antagonistic** to the government's reforms.*
- antisocial** Relating to or having an antisocial personality disorder.
*Standoffish and **antisocial**.*
- brawl** A rough or noisy fight or quarrel.
*He ended up **brawling** with a lout outside his house.*
- careless** Marked by lack of attention or consideration or forethought or thoroughness; not careful.
***Careless** proofreading.*

combative	Ready or eager to fight or argue. <i>A combative impulse.</i>
<u>ferocious</u>	Savagely fierce, cruel, or violent. <i>A ferocious battle.</i>
<u>ferocity</u>	The property of being wild or turbulent. <i>She hated him with a ferocity that astonished her.</i>
foolhardy	Marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences. <i>Foolhardy enough to try to seize the gun from the hijacker.</i>
foolish	Having or revealing stupidity. <i>A foolish decision.</i>
furious	(of the elements) as if showing violent anger. <i>He drove at a furious speed.</i>
heedless	Characterized by careless unconcern. <i>His heedless impetuosity.</i>
<u>hostile</u>	Impossible to bring into friendly accord. <i>Hostile bid.</i>
inadvertent	Happening by chance or unexpectedly or unintentionally. <i>An inadvertent administrative error occurred that resulted in an overpayment.</i>
inimical	Not friendly. <i>An inimical critic.</i>
<u>militant</u>	A militant reformer. <i>Militant nations.</i>
<u>oblivious</u>	Failing to keep in mind. <i>Oblivious of the mounting pressures for political reform.</i>
<u>psychopath</u>	Someone with a sociopathic personality a person with an antisocial personality disorder psychopath was once widely used but has now been superseded by sociopath. <i>Playground psychopaths will gather around a fight to encourage the combatants.</i>
quarrelsome	Given to quarreling. <i>A moody quarrelsome man.</i>
<u>rampage</u>	Violently angry and destructive behavior. <i>Youths went on the rampage and wrecked a classroom.</i>
rash	Marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences. <i>Do something rash that he will forever repent.</i>

rashly	Without careful consideration of the possible consequences; impetuously. <i>Rashly Theresa accepts a second date with Tony.</i>
<u>regardless</u>	In spite of everything; without regard to drawbacks. <i>The allowance is paid regardless of age or income.</i>
<u>sociopath</u>	Someone with a sociopathic personality a person with an antisocial personality disorder psychopath was once widely used but has now been superseded by sociopath.
tempestuous	(of the elements) as if showing violent anger. <i>He had a reckless and tempestuous streak.</i>
unmindful	Lacking conscious awareness of. <i>Not unmindful of the heavy responsibility.</i>
unwary	Not alert to danger or deception- O.J.Campbell. <i>The shrieks of unwary animals taken by surprise.</i>
violent	Marked by extreme intensity of emotions or convictions inclined to react violently fervid. <i>Felt a violent dislike.</i>
<u>wanton</u>	Indulge in a carefree or voluptuous way of life. <i>The sea breeze wantoned among the quivering leaves of the chestnut tree.</i>

