

Global trade in fake goods on the increase

A dramatic rise in global counterfeiting and piracy run by criminal gangs on an industrial level is threatening business livelihood and consumer safety, with the annual trade in fake goods worth \$600 billion

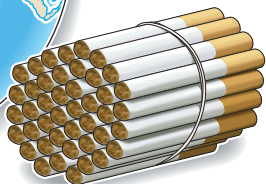
Clothing and footwear: Copies of brands such as Nike and Louis Vuitton use inferior materials and are sold at fraction of normal price

Value of counterfeit goods seized by U.S. customs by origin, 2005 \$ millions

China	28.37 (64%)
Hong Kong	2.83
UAE	1.87
Pakistan	1.18
Russia	1.08
India	0.77
Taiwan	0.77
Italy	0.72
Korea	0.65
Singapore	0.43
Others	5.57
Total	44.24



Cigarettes: Often have higher levels of tar and nicotine. China alone produces about 100 billion fake cigarettes a year

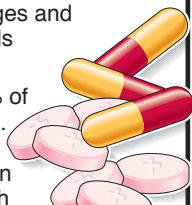


Toys:

Counterfeiters ignore safety standards, resulting in lethal hazards such as lead paint, sharp edges and inflammable materials

Pharmaceuticals:

WHO estimates 10% of global market is fake. Harmful or lack of active ingredients can result in patient death



CDs, DVDs and software:

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