

Illicit Financial Flows

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The Financial Secrecy Structure

- Tax Havens
- Secrecy Jurisdictions
- Disguised Corporations
- Anonymous Trust Accounts
- Fake Foundations
- Money Laundering Techniques
- Trade Fraud
- Holes Left in Financial Regulations



Illicit Trade Flows – 2006-2015

All Developing Economies, 2006-2015

(Percent of total developing country trade unless noted)

2015 (Billions of US dollars)

IFFs

A. Outflows

DOTS-based estimates	807
Comtrade-based estimates	598

B. Inflows

DOTS-based estimates	1,128
Comtrade-based estimates	530

C. Total (outflows plus inflows)

DOTS-based estimates	1,935
Comtrade-based estimates	1,128



Global Crime: The Retail Value of Transnational Crime

Transnational Crime	Estimated Annual Value (US\$)
Drug Trafficking	\$426 billion to \$652 billion
Small Arms & Light Weapons Trafficking	\$1.7 billion to \$3.5 billion
Human Trafficking	\$150.2 billion
Organ Trafficking	\$840 million to \$1.7 billion
Trafficking in Cultural Property	\$1.2 billion to \$1.6 billion
Counterfeiting	\$923 billion to \$1.13 trillion
Illegal Wildlife Trade	\$5 billion to \$23 billion
IUU Fishing	\$15.5 billion to \$36.4 billion
Illegal Logging	\$52 billion to \$157 billion
Illegal Mining	\$12 billion to \$48 billion
Crude Oil Theft	\$5.2 billion to \$11.9 billion
Total	\$1.6 trillion to \$2.2 trillion



Curtailing the Reality of IFFs

- **Beneficial Ownership**
- **Country-by-Country Reporting**
- **Automatic Exchange of Tax Information**
- **Trade Misinvoicing Illegal**
- **Whole of Government Program**



Thank You

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