



DRUG TRAFFICKING

The supply of drugs around the world is a problem that governments are confronted with and endeavour to curtail, but the drug market continues to flourish.

Crossing all borders, these illegal products enter countries by truck, ship or small plane, often concealed in many different ways. Opium comes primarily from Afghanistan or Myanmar, while cocaine comes mostly from Colombia, Peru or Bolivia.

The type of drug use varies in different countries due to the availability of the drugs. Worldwide, cocaine accounts for the largest consumption, while amphetamine type stimulants (ATS) are increasing.

Farmers and chemists form the basis of the drug business as producers. They operate in underground ventures, dealing with pilots, accountants, legal advisors and financial experts.

It is important that as individuals we support every effort our governments make to limit the supply of drugs and encourage people to have a total abstinence stance to alcohol and other drugs.

Maps, showing the supply and trafficking of drugs can be viewed on a number of websites. *See Sources below.*

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