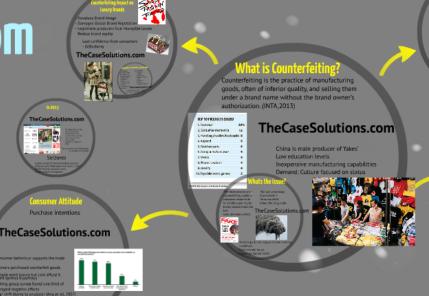
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What is Counterfeiting?

Counterfeiting is the practice of manufacturing goods, often of inferior quality, and selling them under a brand name without the brand owner's authorization. (INTA,2013)

# TOP 10 PRODUCTS SEIZED 1. Footwear 38% 2. Consumer electronics 12 3. Handbags/wallets/backpacks 8 4. Apparel 8 5. Watches/parts 6 6. Computers/hardware 5 7. Media 4 8. Pharmaceuticals 4 9. Jewelry 4 10. Toys/electronic games 2

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China is main producer of 'fakes'
Low education levels
Inexpensive manufacturing capabilities
Demand: Culture focused on status

SOURCE U.S. Customs and Border Protection

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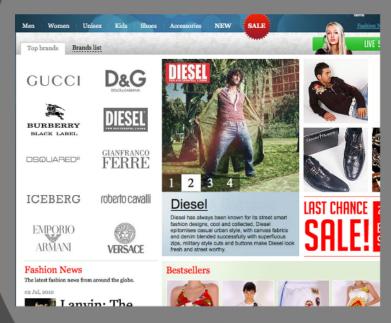


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"As ecommerce expands, we are seeing more international criminal organisations exploiting cyberspace to further their criminal enterprises," Vogue.com, 2013

Dupe consumers into thinking they are buying genuine goods

#### Seizures

16,000 counterfeit Hermes handbags seized at California ports," Washington Post, March 5, 2013. 20,000 Christian Louboutin shoes 79,000 counterfeit sunglasses

### Counterfeiting Impact on **Luxury Brands**

- Devalues Brand Image
- Damages Global Brand Reputation
- · Legitimate producers face intangible losses -Reduce brand equity

Lost confidence from consumers

- LV, Burberry





- Brand awareness
- Free Advertising
- 'You've made it'

#### Disadvantages:

- Design is
- Health and safety
- · Brand loses exclusivity
- · Devaluation of brand

#### Primarily Price The Case Solutions, com

Prada CEO Says Counterfeit Fashion Isn't A Bad Thing' (Sanchez, 2012)



#### Can the industry benefit from counterfeiting?

#### Advantages:

- Brand awareness
- Free Advertising
- Products status and symbol of high brand value
- 'You've made it'
- Flattering to be imitated
- Primarily Price advantages

#### Disadvantages:

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## **Consumer Attitude**

Purchase intentions

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Consumer behaviour supports the trade

80% of consumers purchased counterfeit goods

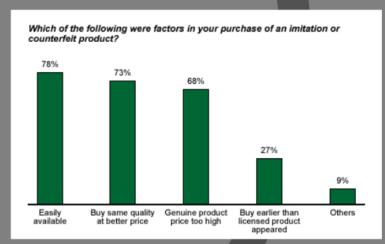
People want luxury but cant afford it Want symbol it portrays

Anti-counterfeiting group survey found one third of consumers disregard negative effects

Buyer shift blame to producer (Ang et all, 2007)

Consumers do not perceive the counterfeit trade as illegal (Penz, Stottinger, 2005)

Consumers may feel they are being 'ripped off' by brand



## What are brands doing to protect themselves?

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#### Preventions:

- Registering
   Trademarks
- Brands investing in research

Industry wants to change attitudes of consumers

Hermes and
Burberry
recently won
court cases over
online
counterfeiting

Seizures - LV Carried out 4,200 raids last year

'New technology spots designer knock-offs' (FT,

2013)

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Luxury brands must remain innovative = Harder to replictate

