In the EU, 28 customs authorities are working for you.

**EU Strategy for Customs Risk Management**

Customs have primary responsibility for supervising the EU's international trade in goods.

**What did customs authorities deal with in 2015?**

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**More than 2,140 EU customs offices dealt with 293 million customs declarations representing a trade value of €3.5 trillion:**

- 9 Customs declarations per second
- Representing €102,000 of value per second

A total of 23.3 billion EUR on import duties are collected, of which 18.6 billion EUR are transferred to the EU budget.

Goods threatening the safety and security of EU citizens seized thanks to customs controls:

- 397 tonnes of drugs
- More than 42 million of counterfeit articles of which 900,000 medicines and 4 million toys
- 7,300 weapons and 3.2 million pieces of ammunition

**How to further improve customs controls?**

**The EU Strategy for customs risk management**

The strategy aims to achieve a high-quality, multi-layered approach to risk management and is based on four principles:

- Assess in advance, control where required
- Multi-agency cooperation
- Multi-layered and coordinated approach
- Efficient use of resources

**Key objectives**

- Improved Data Quality
- Information sharing
- Efficient controls and risk mitigation
- Capacity building
- Interagency cooperation
- Cooperation with traders
- International customs cooperation

The European Commission, Member States and even economic operators all have roles to play in ensuring that the strategy is implemented successfully.