“the value of confiscated proceeds of crime related to money-laundering arising from drug trafficking at the global level remains low”
Important to compare confiscated proceeds of drug crime with drug profits and related illicit financial flows
A framework to measure IFF for statistical purposes

Source: UNCTAD and UNODC.
Value of exported drugs and inward IFF

Illicit drugs, $8.12 - $17.20
Agricultural products exports, $12.63

Sources: INEGI, Sistema de Cuentas Nacionales de México (agricultural exports) and UNODC Estimates (illicit drugs)

Heroin
USD 3.5 - 6.4 billion

Cocaine
USD 3.2 - 6.3 billion

Methamphetamine
USD 1.4 - 4.5 billion
Value of exported drugs and inward IFF and imports of precursors and related outward IFF

Estimated value of inward and outward IFFs from cocaine trafficking in Colombia (in million US Dollars)

Source: UNODC estimates
Opiate economy in Afghanistan

**Gross income (2019)**
- 1.2 – 2.1 billion (7 – 11% of GDP)

**Domestic use market**
- 76 million

**IFF inflow: Value of exports**
- 1.1 – 2. billion (6 – 11% of GPD)

**IFF outflow: Value of imports** *(precursors)*
- USD 77 - 148 million
Where are drug profits invested?

Distribution of countries according to the percentage of net income generated by drug trafficking that is invested/consumed abroad
(ARQ 2021, preliminary data, latest available year)

- 50% (< 25%)
- 42% (25–50%)
- 8% (> 50%)

Total number of responses: 12
Of which: Europe (3), Asia (6), Oceania (1), Africa (2)
Source: UNODC Annual Report Questionnaires
Value of assets frozen and confiscated in relation to drug trafficking offences (source: new ARQ), 2020

In 20 reporting countries (4 in Africa, 7 in the Americas, 3 in Asia, and 6 in Europe)

- Total: USD 255.4 million

An average of USD 12.8 million per country