EFFECT OF BUDGET EXCISE TAX INCREASE ON HONG KONG DAILY SMOKING RATE				
2009	2010	2011	2012	2013 Jan - July
50% EXCISE HIKE	NO EXCISE TAX HIKE	41.45% EXCISE HIKE	NO EXCISE TAX HIKE	NO EXCISE TAX HIKE
EXCISE HK\$ 1206 PER 1000 STIC	EXCISE HK\$ 1206 PER 1000 STIC	EXCISE HK\$ 1706 PER 1000 STIC	EXCISE HK\$ 1706 PER 1000 STIC	EXCISE HK\$ 1706 PER 1000 STI
(EXCISE \$804 PER 1000 STICKS		657,000 DAILY SMOKERS		
2001-2008)				
		260,332,000 sticks reduction	36,529,000 sticks increase	
LEGAL EXCISE PAID STICKS	3.137462 BN	2.877130 BN	2.913659 BN	1.773249 BN
STICKS PER MONTH	261,455,160	239,760,830	242,804,910	253,321,280
EXCISE REVENUE HK\$	3,817,388,053	4,372,179,964	5,024,396,014	3,059,446,776
EXCISE INCREASE OVER 2010		14.5% increase	31.6% increase	37.4% increase
ILLICIT CIGARETTES SEIZED	76 million	106 million	76 million	61 million
Source: HK Customs and Exc	se Dept			

http://www.who.int/tobacco/mpower/facts_findings/en/index.html RAISE TAXES ON TOBACCO

