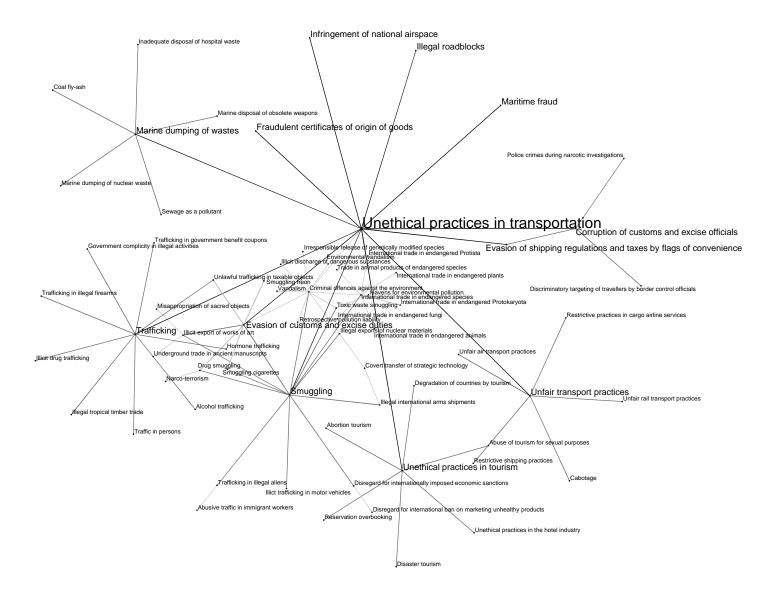
Figure 10.2.6. Unethical practices in transportation

Database: World Problems and Issues Link type: narrower problems Network nodes: 70

UIA database: http://db.uia.org/scripts/sweb.dll/uiaf?DD=PR&CL=2&DR=D1012



Because of its highly competitive and lucrative nature, especially in the case of international transport between legal jurisdictions, the transport sector is vulnerable to a wide range of unethical practices. These include: abuse of safety standards (as in the case of ferry boats), improper maintenance (as in the case of aircraft, trucks and automobiles), use of personnel who are improperly qualified and/or working excessive hours (as in the case of pilots), price fixing (as with air passenger transport and cargo shipping conferences), diversion and/or relabelling of cargoes (as in sanction beating), smuggling (as in the case of arms, drugs and black market goods), transport of crew or passengers with improper travel documents (as in the case of illegal immigrants), avoidance of tax and other regulations (as with flags of convenience). In many such instances, and especially cargo handling, organized crime is a significant factor.