

# THE JOLTING TRUTH

- In 2008, more than 270 new energy drinks were launched worldwide.

- The energy drink market is a 4.8 billion per year industry.

-Most (73.6%) Canadian youth and young adults (age 12–24) surveyed had consumed Caffeinated Energy Drinks.

-Half of ever-consumers (and most youth) had consumed  $\leq$  5 CEDs in their lifetime.

# **THE DANGERS**

## **Caffeine intoxication resulting in:**

- Increased heart rate
- Elevated blood pressure
- Nausea
- Insomnia
- Anxiety
- Nervousness
- Upset stomach

## HOLY CAFFEINE 1 ENERGY DRINK contains as much caffeine as 5 cans of soda!



# THE SCARY TRUTH

**Energy Drinks are NOT regulated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or any governing agency.** 

Manufacturers can mix a variety of ingredients in these products without any agency checking the safety.



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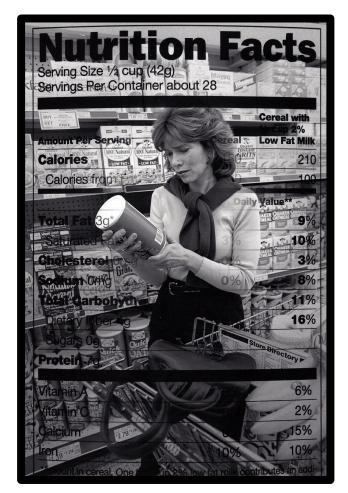
**Energy drink** 

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to label ingredients

including caffeine.



# ENERGY DRINKS + ALCOHOL =

**Combining energy drinks** and alcohol is very dangerous. The stimulant effect can make someone feel less intoxicated, so someone may use more alcohol to feel the effect. This can be extremely dangerous since the blood alcohol concentration is the same.



## **NOT SAFE FOR EVERYONE**



Caution statements vary by brand and product – always read labels carefully!

**Caution/Usage:** Do not consume more than 1 can (473 mL) per day. Not recommended for children, women who are pregnant, planning to become pregnant, or breastfeeding, or for caffeine sensitive persons. This product is not intended to replace food or fluid intake. Do not use with alcohol.

## WHAT IS IN AN ENERGY DRINK....

#### To find out, look at:

Nutrition Facts table

Ingredient list

High caffeine content

Amount %	Daily Value
Calories 210	
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Sodium 370 mg	15 %
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### What to look for?

% Daily Value

Tells you if a food has a little (5 %) or a lot (15 %) of a nutrient.

- This energy drink has more B vitamins than you need in one day!
- · It is also high in sodium

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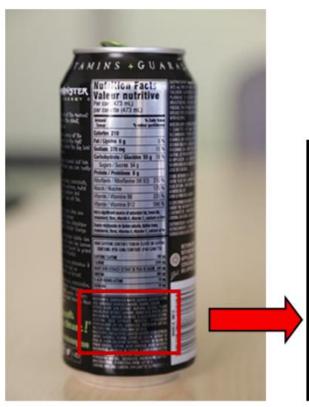
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#### Ginseng

**Claim:** Provides energy and mental alertness **Reality:** Little research to support this claim **Risk:** Some people may experience insomnia, anxiety, or headaches

### Gingko

Claim: Helps with mental alertness Reality: Little research to support this claim Risk: May interfere with blood clotting



#### B vitamins- Thiamine, Riboflavin, Niacin, Pantothenic Acid, Pyrodoxine (B6), and Cobalamin (B12)

Claim: Energy regulation

**Reality:** B vitamins are found in many food sources such as meat, whole grains, bananas, and beans **Risk:** Very high intake of some vitamins can have negative health effects such as skin rashes

#### Carnitine

Claim: Increases energy levels Reality: Most people get enough from food; additional carnitine is not used by the body

#### **Taurine**



Claim: It regulates energy levels

**Reality:** Found in meat and meat alternatives and made by our bodies

**Risk:** Research has not determined the safety of supplementing with these large doses

### **High Caffeine Content**



Contains (per 473 mL): 166 mg Total Caffeine, 10 mg Guarana, 2000 mg Taurine, 500 mg Grape Seed Extract, 10 mg Inositol, 400 mg Ginseng, 10 mg D-Glucuronolactone

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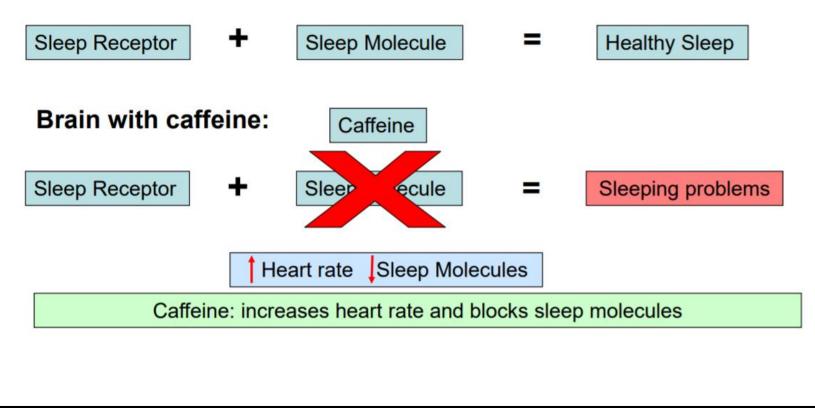


### **Caffeine: Know your limit**

- We do not need caffeine
- Less caffeine is better
- Limit for teens is 85 mg -150 mg per day
- One energy drink can have 180 mg of caffeine

## **Caffeine in Your Brain**

### Brain without caffeine:



**TARGET MARKET** Despite the known dangers highly-caffeinated products pose to young people's health and safety, energy drink companies deliberately target children and teens with its marketing.



