

**CARICC WEEKLY SUMMARY  
 ON SEIZURES OF NARCOTIC DRUGS,  
 PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND THEIR PRECURSORS**  
 (based on mass media reports)

**21.01. to 31.01.2025**

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In the period from 21 to 31 January 2025, based on information from mass media law enforcement agencies and security structures of CARICC Member States seized **1 ton 370.78 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin - 13.15 kg, opium - 2 kg, cannabis group drugs - 1 ton 30.82 kg, synthetic drugs - 293.14 kg and potent substances - 31.67 kg.**

Drug seizures in CARICC Member States

Type of drug (in kg)	Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Tajikistan	Uzbekistan
Heroin	13.03	0	0	0.12	0	0
Opium	2	0	0	0	0	0
Cocaine	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cannabis group drugs	284.06	86.72	4.79	644.64	0	10.61
Synthetic drugs	0.43	208.6	0.4	83.23	0	0.48
Potent substances	0	0	0	30.38	0	1.29
<b>Total</b>	<b>299.52</b>	<b>295.32</b>	<b>5.19</b>	<b>758.37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12.38</b>

During the same period other countries seized a total of **3 tons 137 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: cocaine - 960 kg, synthetic drugs - 1 ton 440 kg and potent substances - 737 kg.**

**CARICC MEMBER STATES**

**AZERBAIJAN**

**21.01.2025** On 14 January at 12:30 at the service territory of the "Goradiz" border detachment of the Border Troops Command of the State Border Service prevented an attempt to smuggle **37.4 kg of marijuana** from Iran to Azerbaijan.  
<https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/predotvrashena-kontrabanda-krupnoj-partii-narkotikov-iz-irana-v-azerbajdzhan-01211332>

**21.01.2025** Police conducted operations based on information received about suspected traffickers of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in Narimanov, Yasamal and Surakhani districts of Baku. As a result, G. Sagiyev, N. Rzayev, Sh. Gasimov, G. Gurbanov and S. Jafarov were identified and detained. A total of about **20 kg of various illicit substances and psychotropic pills** were found and seized.  
<https://oxu.az/ru/proisshestviya/policiya-izyala-20-kg-narkotikov-v-baku>

**22.01.2025** During an operation conducted by police officers against drug trafficking in Agdash district, nine people were detained. Among the detainees were district residents Anar

Abdullayev, Niyazi Ismayilov, Nijat Mammadov, Vugar Kerimov, Gadir Gadirov, Parviz Ragimov, Geray Aliyev, Tural Muradov and Sakit Bakhishov. About **3 kg of marijuana** was found and seized. <https://oxu.az/ru/proisshestviya/policejskaya-operaciya-v-agdashskom-rajone-zaderzhany-9-narkotorgovcev>

**22.01.2025** Officers of Tovuz district police department detained 49-year-old Jamaledin Bayramov, previously convicted, who was engaged in drug trafficking. They seized **4 kg** of narcotic drugs - **marijuana, opium**, one automatic rifle, a magazine for this weapon and 4 cartridges. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-tovuzskom-rajone-zaderzhan-narkokurer-pryatavshij-narkotiki-na-kladbishe>

**23.01.2025** As a result of operational activities aimed at ensuring reliable protection of the state border and combating smuggling, illegal trafficking of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and their precursors on 20 January 20, 20:01 in the service territory of "Lankaran" border guard detachment of the Border Troops Command of the State Border Service seized 80.69 kg of drugs (**77.66 kg of marijuana, 3.03 kg of heroin**), **1000 tablets of methadone** (M-40) and **245 different pills**, which were tried to be illegally transported from the Islamic Republic to Azerbaijan. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/presechena-popytka-kontrabandy-80-kg-narkotikov-iz-irana-v-azerbajdzhan>

**23.01.2025** One of main members of a drug network in the country - 31-year-old Elgun Aliyev, previously convicted several times for drug crimes, was detained by the General Department for Combating Drugs of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Azerbaijan during operational measures, which started in Lankaran district and ended in Sabunchu district of Baku. About **36 kg of marijuana** was found in his house and car in which he was a passenger. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/mvd-preseklo-kontrabandu-krupnoj-partii-marihuany>

**24.01.2025** As a result of measures taken by officers of the Astara district police department to combat drug trafficking, Amid Bashirli, 38, and Nurlan Abbasov, 44, previously convicted, were detained. The arrested persons were found in possession of **9 kg of marijuana** enriched with psychotropic substances. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-astarinskom-rajone-iz-oborota-izyato-9-kg-narkotikov>

**25.01.2025** As a result of an operation conducted by officers of the Aghsuya district police department, 61-year-old Taleh Aziev and 60-year-old Mubariz Azizov, who had previously been convicted, were detained for trafficking in narcotic drugs. More than **3 kg of marijuana**, a Kalashnikov assault rifle and cartridges were found in their car. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-agsuinskom-rajone-zaderzhany-vooruzhennye-narkokurery>

**28.01.2025** Officers of the General Department for Combating Organized Crime identified members of a drug network - drug dealers - in Imishli district. They arrested 41-year-old Elshan Aliyev and 32-year-old Tarlan Bagirov, who had been previously convicted. **62 kg of marijuana** was found in their car and at their place of residence. In other measures, officers of the General Directorate detained 39-year-old Jeyhun Ismayilov and 29-year-old Rashad Mammadli for organizing drug trafficking. **18 kg of marijuana, heroin, methamphetamine and methadone tablets** were found in their homes. Arrests continue for other persons acting in collusion with E. Aliyev, D. Ismayilov, R. Mammadli and T. Bagirov. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-imishlinskom-rajone-razoblacheny-chleny-narkoseti>

**30.01.2025** Officers of the Sumgayit City Police Department detained 44-year-old Renad Sultanov, who had previously served a sentence for a similar crime, during a regular operation against illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs. During a search they found and seized about **14 kg** of drugs, including **marijuana and heroin**, and **79 tablets** of the psychotropic substance **methadone**. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/operaciya-v-sumgayite-predotvrashen-ovorot-14-kg-narkotikov>

**31.01.2025** As a result of operational activities carried out by the officers of Aghdjabedi district police department, 54-year-old Elshad Zeynalov, suspected of illegal trafficking of narcotic drugs, was detained. **12 kg of marijuana** was found and seized from E. Zeynalov. It was found that some time ago he had grown drugs by cultivation and stored at his place with the purpose of selling. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-agdzhabedinskom-rajone-policiya-obnaruzhila-12-kg-narkotikov>

**KAZAKHSTAN**

**24.01.2025** In cooperation with the General Transport Prosecutor's Office, the Department for Combating Drug Crime of the Ministry of Internal Affairs dismantled a drug supply channel. On the territory of the capital's railway station, a 24-year-old guy was detained and a travel suitcase with the drug "**mephedrone**" with a total weight of more than **8 kg** was seized. The detainee, who arrived from Almaty, intended to distribute drugs in Astana via dead drops. It was found that the suspect acted together with a 21-year-old friend, who earlier left the train in Karaganda to perform a similar task. He was also detained, about **600 grams of synthetics** were seized from him. As a result of the operational combination, another accomplice in drug trafficking scheme was identified - a 30-year-old man. <https://polisia.kz/ru/chemodan-s-krupnoj-partiej-sintetiki-prestupnaya-gruppa-planirovala-rasprostranit-narkotiki-v-regionah/>

**24.01.2025** Officers in charge of combating drug crime in Kostanai region seized a large shipment of drugs from a resident of Sarykol settlement. During a search of the man's house police officers found mayonnaise buckets, a can, plastic bottles, bags and electronic scales containing drugs of herbal origin. Expert examination confirmed that the seized substances were **marijuana** weighing **7 kg and hashish 5 kg**, which is a particularly large amount. <https://polisia.kz/ru/krupnyu-partiyu-narkotikov-iz-yali-u-zhitelya-kostanajskoj-oblasti/>

**25.01.2025** As part of operational and investigative measures carried out by officers of the Department for Combating Drug Crime of the Karaganda Region Police Department, a drug laboratory in Asyl settlement was dismantled. About **200 kg of narcotic substances** and equipment for production were found on the site. During the operation, a married couple - a 25-year-old man and a 29-year-old woman, natives of Almaty, were detained. As a result of further actions, a 30-year-old organizer of a network of drug laboratories, a native of Temirtau, was detained in Almaty. Physical evidence was seized from the suspect, including a laptop, scales, diaries and 21 cell phones, which were used to coordinate the activities of the criminal network. Investigation showed that the detainee was involved in organization of five drug laboratories located in Karaganda and Almaty regions. A total of five persons involved in criminal activities were detained. Operative and investigative measures are

ongoing to identify all participants of the organized crime group and to stop illegal activities. <https://polisia.kz/ru/v-karagandinskoj-oblasti-likvidirovana-set-narkolaboratorij/>

**28.01.2025** A 40-year-old man was detained by the Department for Combating Drug Crimes of the Ministry of Internal Affairs under coordination of the Prosecutor's Office during operational and investigative measures. The resident of Syrdarya district in his private house was engaged in cultivation and storage of narcotic substances on a particularly large scale with subsequent sale. During a search they seized 86 cannabis bushes, special equipment for growing narcotic plants, and two plastic containers with dried marijuana. Total weight of the seized drugs amounted to **2.7 kg of dried marijuana and 10 kg of cannabis plants**. The suspect was detained. <https://polisia.kz/ru/politsiya-presekla-deyatel-nost-narkofitolaboratorii-v-kyzylordinskoj-oblasti/>

**29.01.2025** A criminal case has been initiated in Zhambyl region against a 41-year-old resident of Shu. He is suspected of illegal manufacture and storage of narcotic substances in a particularly large amount. Drug stashes were found during a search of the suspect's house, on the adjacent territory and in a farm building. According to results of expert examination, the found substance is **hashish** weighing more than **2 kg**, dried **marijuana** weighing more than **23 g**. The man stored drugs in the house where he lived with his wife and three minor children. <https://polisia.kz/ru/tajniki-s-narkotikami-v-osobo-krupnom-razmere-najdeny-v-gorode-shu/>

**31.01.2025** Officers of the Unit for Combating Drug Crime in Turkestan Province detained a 38-year-old man for illegal cultivation of drug-containing plants. An illegal drug laboratory was found on the territory of his house. From the greenhouse seized equipment for growing **drugs** and bags of plant matter, the total weight of which amounted to more than **60 kg**. "At present, expert examinations have been appointed. Work is ongoing in this direction," said Daniyar Meirkhan, deputy chairman of the Interior Ministry's Committee for Combating Drug Crime. <https://kazpravda.kz/n/zhitel-turkestanskoy-oblasti-izgotavlival-narkotiki-v-svoem-dome/>

## KYRGYZSTAN

**22.01.2025** A man with almost 4 kilograms of drugs was detained in the city of Kara-Kul, Jalal-Abad region, the press service of the CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic reported. On 7 January operatives of the Counter Narcotics Service together with canine officers searched the house of a 40-year-old resident of Kara-Kul, in whose garage a bag with **marijuana** was found among the planks. Total weight amounted to **3.99 kilograms**. [https://24.kg/proisshestvija/317506\\_pochti\\_4kilogramma\\_marihuanyi\\_nashli\\_v\\_garaje\\_uzaderjannogo\\_vkara-kule/](https://24.kg/proisshestvija/317506_pochti_4kilogramma_marihuanyi_nashli_v_garaje_uzaderjannogo_vkara-kule/)

**27.01.2025** On 25 January, the Department of Internal Affairs of Pervomaisky district received information that an unknown man was selling synthetic drugs in Bishkek. Operatives identified the suspect. A.A., 24 years old, was detained and taken to the TDF of the Bishkek Department of Internal Affairs. During a search they seized 188 briquettes (**376 g**) of drugs worth 1.5 million soms. All substances were sent to forensic service. In addition, it was found that the suspect received synthetic drugs under the name "**Alpha PVP**" via Telegram.

[https://24.kg/proisshestvija/318060\\_narkotiki\\_na15\\_milliona\\_somov\\_izyali\\_umujchinyi\\_vbi\\_shkeke/](https://24.kg/proisshestvija/318060_narkotiki_na15_milliona_somov_izyali_umujchinyi_vbi_shkeke/)

**30.01.2025** On January 29, Kyrgyz citizen K.S.A. was detained in the village of Baitik, Alamudun district, Chui region. During a search they found **800 g** of a dark green colored substance - so-called Afghan chars (**hashish**) in his possession. [https://kaktus.media/doc/517071\\_v\\_prigorode\\_bishkeka\\_zaderjali\\_podozrevaemogo\\_v\\_tor\\_govle\\_narkotikami\\_foto\\_video.html](https://kaktus.media/doc/517071_v_prigorode_bishkeka_zaderjali_podozrevaemogo_v_tor_govle_narkotikami_foto_video.html)

## RUSSIA

**21.01.2025** Officers of the Syzran line department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia on transport, while escorting a passenger train between Moscow and Chelyabinsk, detected a 26-year-old resident of the Moscow region who was transporting prohibited substances. Transport police officers noticed the young man during a train inspection. At the sight of law enforcement officers, the man became visibly nervous, which aroused suspicion. During a search in the backpack of the passenger, police officers found and seized a bag of pills in the amount of 900 pieces. Expert examination showed that the capsules with a total mass of more than **400 grams** contained the narcotic drug **MDMA**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60249298/>

**22.01.2025** While on patrol in the old part of the city, officers of the patrol service of UMVD of Russia in Nizhnevartovsk detained a resident of Voronezh coming out of a forest area. Seeing police officers, the man became nervous. In the course of personal examination of the detainee they found 6 packages with light-colored substance. Called to the scene of the incident investigative-operative group during inspection of the surrounding area with the participation of the suspect found 4 rolls with a similar substance. Expert analysis showed that the seized substance was a synthetic narcotic drug **alpha-PVP**. Total mass of narcotic substances amounted to **1678 grams**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60314488/>

**22.01.2025** Operatives of the Drug Control Department of UMVD of Russia in the Astrakhan region together with state traffic inspectors of the city police stopped a Russian-made car driven by an Astrakhan man born in 1985. In the interior of the vehicle police found and seized 66 packets with white powdery substance. Seized items were sent for examination. Specialists found that contents of the bags were **348 grams** of narcotic drugs of **synthetic origin**, which the Astrakhan man was supposed to sell in the regional center. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60293450/>

**23.01.2025** As a result of a set of operational and investigative measures in Kropotkin, officers of UNK GU MVD of Russia in Krasnodar Krai and the Federal Security Service of Russia in Krasnodar Krai stopped illegal production of synthetic drugs. During a search in the basement of a house belonging to a 45-year-old local resident, police found and seized glass flasks with a light-colored crystal substance, cell phones, electronic scales, and items and components necessary for production and synthesis of mephedrone. A tray with a batch of ready-made narcotics was found and seized in the premises of bathhouse and left for storage for further sale by means of dead drop deposits in the territory of the Kavkazsky district. Members of the criminal group - a resident of Kropotkin and two newcomers from Kislovodsk,

aged 32 to 52 years old, were detained. A total of more than **5 kilograms of mephedrone** were seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60362049/>

**24.01.2025** In the course of a set of operational and investigative measures, officers of the Department for Drug Control of UMVD of Russia in Ryazan region and the inter-municipal department of MVD of Russia "Kasimovsky" detained a member of an ethnic group who acted as an inter-regional courier for transportation of wholesale drug shipments. In the city of Kasimov operatives stopped a foreign-made car driven by a 47-year-old native of Central Asia, a citizen of the Russian Federation. During inspection under the hood of the crossover, police found a cache containing a package with the drug **methadone** with a total mass of **1.17 kg**. During a search of the detainee's place of residence in the town of Klimovsk, Moscow region, in a private house, police officers additionally found and seized **120 grams** of the narcotic drug **heroin**, along with devices and materials for packaging drugs. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60440718/>

**24.01.2025** Officers of UKON GU MVD of Russia in Rostov region with the assistance of GUNK MVD of Russia detained a 38-year-old resident of the city of Bataysk suspected of illegal trafficking of narcotic drugs on a particularly large scale. While working out operational information, law enforcers stopped the man not far from his private house in a village in the Aksai district. During inspection of the territory operatives found and seized a cardboard box with two vacuum bags with a substance of white color inside. According to expert opinion, the seized substance contained a derivative of **N-methylephedrone**, the total mass of which amounted to about **2 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60414559/>

**24.01.2025** Officers of the Drug Control Department of the Perm Krai MVD detained a resident of the Sverdlovsk region who is suspected of attempted sale of illegal substances on a particularly large scale. It was found that the defendant had set up dead drops of synthetic drugs in the Berezniki urban district of the Kama region. During inspection of the scene operatives found packages containing several rolls of **mephedrone** with a total weight of **11.8 kilograms**. In the course of further work, police officers found that drug prepared for sale by the perpetrator had been produced in a laboratory located in a small village near Berezniki. Operatives detained two residents of the Moscow region, who organized artisanal production of synthetics in a former industrial building. The premises were equipped with video surveillance. One of the defendants tried to hide under the roof, but was detained by law enforcers. During searches, police found a reactor, laboratory utensils and about **2 tons of precursors**. In addition, law enforcement officers seized almost **8.5 kilograms of mephedrone**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60403555/>

**24.01.2025** Police officers in Rostov region detained a drug dealer and seized almost 2 kg of "synthetics". MVD officers detained a 38-year-old resident of Bataysk, who is suspected of drug trafficking on a particularly large scale. Law enforcers stopped the man near a private house in a village of Aksai district. During inspection of the territory operatives found and seized a cardboard box with two vacuum bags with a substance of white color inside. According to expert conclusion, the seized substance contains a derivative of **N-methylephedrone** with a total mass of about **2 kilograms**. [https://bloknot-rostov.ru/news/v-rostovskoy-oblasti-politseyskie-izyali-u-narkoza-1818453?sphrase\\_id=12701331](https://bloknot-rostov.ru/news/v-rostovskoy-oblasti-politseyskie-izyali-u-narkoza-1818453?sphrase_id=12701331)

**25.01.2025** Officers of the Drug Control Department of GU MVD of Russia in Stavropol Krai seized a large shipment of amphetamine and mephedrone intended for sale. Earlier operatives received information that an 18-year-old female resident of Moscow was planning to sell drugs in the territory of the regional center. The girl was detained and taken to internal affairs department. In the course of personal search they seized two rolls wrapped with white tape and a cell phone with coordinates of equipped dead drops. During a search at the place of residence of the citizen, police found a polymer bag with an unknown substance and packaging materials. According to results of examination, it was confirmed that the seized substance was **amphetamine** weighing more than **300 grams** and **mephedrone** weighing more than **330 grams**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60415111/>

**27.01.2025** As a result of a set of operational and investigative measures, officers of the Drug Control Department of UMVD of Russia in the Omsk region detained two citizens of neighboring countries on suspicion of illegal part-time work for an online drug distribution store. The defendants were detained by police officers in the village of Pushkino, Omsk district. In the course of personal examination, in the "dead drops" made by suspects, and also during searches in apartments rented by the defendants, police seized a total mass of **910 grams** of the drug **N-methylephedrone**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60539533/>

**27.01.2025** Officers of UNK UMVD of Russia in Kaluga region received operationally significant information about possible illegal activities of a resident of the city of Kaluga. During verification of the information, it was objectively confirmed. In the course of personal search, also at the suspect's apartment at his place of residence, police officers found several different packages containing the narcotic drug **mephedrone** with a total mass of **205 grams** and **hashish** with a mass of **10 grams**. Operatives found several more rolls with the substance in dead drops. Seized items were sent for expert examination to the EKC of UMVD of Russia in Kaluga region. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60555039/>

**27.01.2025** On 13 January 2025, in the course of operational and investigative measures officers of ONK OMVD of Russia in Salekhard together with officers of the Department for Drug Control of UMVD of Russia for Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous District stopped activities of a group of persons, whose members intended to illegally sell drugs in large quantities in the city of Salekhard. At the moment of another attempt to sell drugs, the perpetrator was detained by police officers. In an attempt to conceal the crime, the man swallowed one package. In the course of personal examination and search at his place of residence they found and seized a substance with a total mass of more than **145 grams**. According to expert conclusion, part of the seized substance is a narcotic drug of **synthetic origin** and constitutes a large amount. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60545215/>

**27.01.2025** Operatives of the ONK UVD of SVAO GU MVD of Russia in Moscow detained a resident of Tver region suspected of attempting to sell mephedrone. As a result of operative-search activities, 34-year-old resident of the Tver region was detained on suspicion of illegal drug trafficking on Dmitrovskoye highway by operatives of ONK UVD of SVAO. During inspection of the car owned by the detainee, police seized 10 bags from the engine compartment, which contained 210 packages with unknown substance with a total mass of more than **660 grams**. Analysis showed that the substance contained the narcotic drug **mephedrone**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60445477/>

**28.01.2025** In cooperation with operatives from the Drug Control Department of GU MVD of Russia, officers of GUNK MVD of Russia in the Novosibirsk Region as a result of a set of operational and investigative measures foiled an attempt to sell synthetic narcotics on a particularly large scale. A car driven by a 20-year-old resident of Novosibirsk was stopped near a settlement in the Iskitimsky district of the region. During inspection of the foreign car, police found and seized two cell phones with correspondence in messengers containing addresses of wholesale drug dead drops equipped by the driver. At those coordinates police found 4 dead drops, which contained a total of 15 polymer rolls with powdery substance. According to expert report, the seized substance was synthetic narcotic drug - **N-methylephedrone** derivative with a total mass of almost **13 kilograms**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60597325/>

**28.01.2025** As a result of operational and investigative measures, officers of the Department for Combating Drug Threats on the Internet of UNK GU MVD of Russia for Altai Krai stopped activities of three members of a group who were involved in the sale of illegal substances. The youngest of the criminals was detained by regional police operatives on arrival at the airport in Barnaul. Her accomplice was caught by detectives at her place of residence in Novoaltaisk, where they found and seized about **30 grams** of synthetic drugs, packaging materials, a telephone, bank cards, as well as money in the amount of about 250,000 rubles, presumably obtained by criminal means. In the course of work with the detainees, police officers located a wholesale dead drops they had set up in Orenburg and seized 41 packages of **mephedrone** with a total mass of almost **400 grams** from it. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60600409/>

**29.01.2025** As part of operational activities, police officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia "Akshinsky" found three sacks with presumably narcotic substances of herbal origin on the territory of a private farm in the village of Mogoytui. A 42-year-old local resident stored the prohibited substance in a haystack. Operatives confiscated the mass and sent it for examination. According to results of the research, it was found that in the bags was hidden **marijuana** with a total weight of **20 kilograms**. The man admitted that he had prepared drugs for personal use. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60650617/>

**29.01.2025** As part of implementation of OPM "Carrier-2025", operative officers of the drug control department of the line department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia at the Moscow-Belorusskaya station at the railway station "Dachnoye" of the Smolensk direction identified a 24-year-old resident of the Moscow region suspected of illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs. In the course of personal search in his bag they found 37 rolls with substance inside, wrapped with adhesive tape. According to examination report, the seized substance contains the narcotic drug **methamphetamine** (pervitin) with a total mass of **94 grams**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60666415/>

**29.01.2025** Officers of the police patrol service of OP No. 4 of the Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the city of Stavropol noticed a citizen who became visibly nervous at the sight of law enforcement officers and dropped a massive package with a powdery substance of white color on the ground. Officers collected and sent it for examination. According to results of study, its contents were found to be the narcotic drug **mephedrone** weighing more than **1 kg**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60643538/>

**29.01.2025** Police officers of MU MVD of Russia “Shchyolkovskoye” detained a 25-year-old resident of Voronezh on suspicion of drug trafficking near a house in the village of Grebnevo. During a personal search of the man police found and seized 3 polymeric packages with powdery substance. According to expert conclusion, the seized substance is the narcotic drug **ephedrone** with a mass of about **1 kilogram**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60659890/>

**29.01.2025** Law enforcement officers in Vladivostok conducted a special operation to stop activities of an organized criminal group engaged in drug trafficking in the shadow segment of the Internet. As a result of operative-search measures, officers of the Drug Control Department of the Primorsky Krai Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia detained four citizens suspected of distributing narcotic drugs by contactless method through dead drops. Three men, residents of Vladivostok, aged 23, 25 and 27, and a 44-year-old woman, a resident of Razdolnoye village, were detained. During a search of the garage, which was used by the perpetrators as a storage and packing place for narcotic drugs, they seized more than **600 grams of synthetic drugs**. Scales and packaging materials were also confiscated. As a result of a search of the apartment of a member of the group, amphetamine, MDMA, LSD, cocaine and mephedrone were seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60654784/>

**29.01.2025** Operatives of the Drug Control Department of GU MVD of Russia in Rostov region detained a 37-year-old resident of Azov city on suspicion of illegal trafficking of narcotic drugs. Police officers searched a private house at the address of residence of the attacker, where they found two paper rolls and 8 plastic bags with a substance of gray-green color. Expert analysis showed that the seized substance was **marijuana** with a total weight of about **35 grams**. Another part of the prohibited substance in the form of plant parts and ready-made drug was found by law enforcement officers in the attic of a farmhouse on the territory of a dacha located on the farm Pavlo-Ochakovo, Azovsky district. Research revealed that the samples were also **cannabis** with a mass of **7465 grams**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60654569/>

**29.01.2025** Officers of the Drug Control Department of OMVD of Russia for Neryungri district in the course of implementation of operational information on the Aldan-Neryungri highway detained two citizens of a neighboring country suspected of trafficking in narcotic drugs. During inspection of the vehicle they found and seized **96 rolls** with light-colored crystalline substance. Later, **12 more wraps** with similar contents were seized from dead drops they had set up in forest area. Research showed that the seized substance was a synthetic narcotic drug - **mephedrone**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60652101/>

**29.01.2025** In the course of operative-search activities on the territory of Sovetsky district, officers of the Drug Control Department of UMVD of Russia for the city of Bryansk detained a couple of young people red-handed. On the territory of the region, the young men were engaged in illegal distribution of illicit substances by means of dead drops. During personal inspection of the suspect, law enforcement officers found and seized 47 polymer rolls of illegal substances, and in the girl's cell phone - photos with coordinates of the place where a large amount of drugs had already been prepared for sale. The young couple was to distribute on the territory of the regional center. More than **250 grams of synthetic drugs** were seized from as a result of measures taken. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60651456/>

**29.01.2025** Officers of GUNK MVD of Russia together with their colleagues from Smolensk region detained a resident of Kirov. He is suspected of trafficking in narcotic drugs. Police officers with the support of Rosgvardiya officers detained the man at the place of drug production. During examination of the premises found powdery substance, canisters with liquid with a total volume of 140 liters, equipment for manufacture of illegal substances, smartphones, laptop and other items of evidentiary value. According to conclusion of expert examination, the seized narcotic drug is **mephedrone** with a total mass of about **28 kg**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60643861/>

**29.01.2025** As a result of operational and search measures, officers of the Drug Control Department of the Sterlitamak Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia caught red-handed a 30-year-old resident of Salavat who had no previous convictions. In the course of personal examination, and also from dead drops of the man's garage in Salavat, they seized more than **430 grams of hashish**, polymer bags, duct tape, and scales. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60639973/>

**29.01.2025** In the course of operational activities, drug control officers of Yaroslavl region near a cafe in Pervomaisky district in the car of a 25-year-old young man found and seized eighteen polymer bags with a substance inside. As a result of research conducted by experts of the EKC of UMVD, it was found that the packages contained the narcotic drug "hashish" with a total weight of more than **3.8 kilograms**. <https://echo76.ru/news/61959-v-pervomajskom-rajone-policzejskimi-izyato-bolee-3-kg-800-g-narkotikov>

**30.01.2025** As a result of a set of operative-search activities, officers of UKON of UMVD of Russia in the Vologda region detained a suspect in involvement in illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs on the highway A-114 near the village of Novoye. During inspection of the car, on which the suspect was traveling, inside the child's car seat police found 4 rolls with a substance inside, chemical examination of which showed that it was a **synthetic narcotic drug** weighing about **2 kg**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60727766/>

**30.01.2025** Operatives of the Drug Control Department of OMVD of Russia in Prigorodnoye District of the Republic of North Ossetia-Alania, in cooperation with the State Automobile Inspectorate, stopped a car driven by a resident of the village of Elkhotovo at kilometer 15 of the Ardon-Vladikavkaz highway. During a personal search of the man police found a transparent bag in his pants pocket, which, according to conducted research, contained a narcotic drug - **N-methylephedrone** with a mass of **1.18 grams**. During examination of the interior of the foreign car, law enforcement officers found a cache of black plastic bags containing several rolls of powder under the dashboard behind the car stereo. Expert analysis showed that they contained **mephedrone** weighing **462.46 grams** and almost **96 grams of ephedrone**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/60671622/>

**30.01.2025** As a result of a complex of operative-search measures, operatives of UNK GU MVD of Russia in Moscow with support of Rosgvardiya officers detained a 57-year-old man with a previous conviction on suspicion of trafficking in potent substances. During a search in the apartment at the place of residence of the detainee, police found and seized substances with a total mass of more than **30 kilograms**, a sealed mail bag weighing about **200 grams**, prepared for further sale, and money, presumably obtained from illegal activities, equipment and documents of evidentiary value for investigation. An examination concluded that part of

the seized items contained the potent substance **stanazolol**. Contents of the mail bag, weighing about ten grams, included the potent substance **nandrolone ester**. The remaining substances were sent for examination. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60672690/>

**31.01.2025** Operatives of Criminal Investigation of the Linear Police Department at Kizlyar Station of the Makhachkala Linear Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia on Transport detained a 27-year-old citizen of neighboring country on suspicion of drug trafficking. During the parking of the train Moscow - Makhachkala in a parlor car in the pillow on the sleeping place of the intruder police found about 270 rolls wrapped with insulating tape. The suspect was taken to the front office of the line department. According to research conducted by expert forensic experts, the seized substance is a narcotic drug - **mephedrone** with a mass of about **200 grams**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/60748731/>

**31.01.2025** Officers of Krasnodar Customs stopped smuggling of a narcotic drug and a potent substance from the United Arab Emirates. During an inspection of the postal items, it was discovered that a parcel addressed to a resident of Kuban contained prohibited substances. So, 40 blisters with capsules "Pregabalin Capsules IP 300 mg" and 10 packages of tablets "Modafinil Tablets IP Modafinil" were found in the mail. According to results of examination, the seized substances were found to be the narcotic drug **modafinil (32 grams)** and the potent substance **pregabalin (180 grams)**, prohibited for transportation across the border. <https://russianemirates.com/news/uae-news/zhitelyu-kubani-prislali-po-pochte-iz-uae-narkotiki/>

**31.01.2025** Perpetrators face life imprisonment. According to the press service of the FSB of Russia in the Amur region, two perpetrators organized a drug distribution channel and set up a laboratory for illicit substances. They seized **612 kilograms of marijuana, about 800 grams of hashish oil, 500 grams of mephedrone, 100 grams of hashish** and means for drug production. Their total value exceeded 25 million rubles, and 6 million single doses of illicit substances were taken out of circulation. <https://amurobl.tv/news/proisshestviya/2025-01-31-sotrudniki-ufsb-zaderzhali-dvukh-amurchan-kotorye-sobiralis-sbyt-osobo-krupnuyu-partiyu-narkotikov>

## UZBEKISTAN

**25.01.2025** Officers of internal affairs bodies carried out a special operational activity. During the event, the house of a resident of Fergana who was suspected of possession of narcotic substances was examined. During inspection of the citizen's house they managed to identify the narcotic substance "**marijuana**" stored in glass jars and matchboxes. According to expert opinion, **651 g** of the drug substance was seized. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48438-news.html>

**25.01.2025** Officers of the Bekabad District Office of the Department under the General Prosecutor's Office, together with OVD officers, conducted a special operational activity. During the event, the house of a previously convicted resident of Zangiata district of Tashkent region was checked. During inspection of his house they found **770 units** of the psychotropic drug "**Zardex**" and **26 units** of the psychotropic drug "**Tropicamide**". All identified psychotropic preparations were seized as material evidence. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48450-news.html>

**27.01.2025** Internal affairs officers conducted a special operational activity in Zangiata district of Tashkent region. During the event, a 29-year-old man was detained who tried to sell **50 units** of psychotropic drugs to a buyer for 3.3 million sums. Based on testimony of the detained citizen, it was also possible to detain his supplier born in 1986. A check of his residence resulted in identification of another **796 units of psychotropic drugs**. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48471-news.html>

**27.01.2025** Officers of internal affairs bodies carried out a special operational activity. During the event, the house of a resident of Sayhunabad district of Syrdarya province, born in 1973, was examined. During inspection of his bedroom and auxiliary premises, several bags with narcotic substances of herbal origin were found. A total of **7.4 kg of narcotic substances** were seized. It is reported that the citizen had no previous convictions, has a secondary education and is a father of three children. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48484-news.html>

**28.01.2025** Operational measures were carried out - reports the press service of the capital's Department of Internal Affairs. In particular, a car with two citizens inside was stopped in Shaykhantakhur district. When checking their car it was found that these citizens were transporting a large shipment of **psychotropic drugs**, in the amount of **1028 units**. All identified prohibited substances were seized as material evidence. Similarly, the residence of a citizen suspected of distributing narcotic substances was checked in the same area. According to results of the check, **various narcotic substances** in the amount of **132 g**, electronic scales and other items necessary for packing of narcotic substances were identified and seized. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48524-news.html>

**28.01.2025** Officers of internal affairs bodies, together with SGB officers, carried out special operational activities, during which two citizens, born in 1994, were detained. The criminals were stopped by law enforcement officers while driving in the territory of Bostanlyk district in a black-colored car "Onix". During inspection of their car, under the rear door trim they found **760 units of psychotropic drugs**, the total value of which is 10 thousand US dollars. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48529-news.html>

**29.01.2025** Officers of internal affairs bodies, together with officers of other law enforcement agencies, conducted a special operational activity. During the event, in the territory of Yashnabad district, a citizen who aroused suspicion by his behavior was stopped and checked. During the check he was found to be carrying a package containing 5 g of **narcotic substance** of herbal origin. In addition, the place of residence of this citizen was checked, where they found another **800 g** of the same narcotic substance. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48535-news.html>

**30.01.2025** Officers of internal affairs bodies carried out a special operative action. In the course of the event, held in the city of Margilan, a resident of this city, born in 1995, was detained, who tried to sell **1 kg** of narcotic substance **hashish** to a buyer. For this amount of narcotic substance the criminal received 120 million soums. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48575-news.html>

**31.01.2025** On 6 January this year, a native of Namangan region, who had two previous convictions, was detained by border guards while illegally crossing the border. The criminal illegally crossed into the territory of Kyrgyzstan on 5 January and returned the next day. The perpetrator grew cannabis in Uichi district and transported finished marijuana to Tashkent, where he temporarily resided. A total of **631 g of marijuana**, most of which he kept in his rented apartment in Tashkent, was identified and seized. <https://upl.uz/incidents/48603-news.html>

**31.01.2025** In Chirchik city, Tashkent region, law enforcers stopped activity of clandestine drug laboratory, seizing illegal substances worth more than 800 thousand dollars. It all started with detention of a resident of Uchtepinsky district, who was found in possession of potent drugs and synthetic narcotics. This is how officers of the Tashkent Police Department together with the SGB got on the trail of a previously convicted resident of the city. **42 liters of precursors, 42 grams of narcotic substances, 21 tablets of potent drugs** and equipment for manufacture were found in his house. The man admitted that he combined roles of courier and organizer of distribution scheme. Soon another person involved in the case was detained. In his home they found **435 grams of narcotic substances and 12 tablets of potent drugs**. According to law enforcers, seized precursors could be used for production of 10 kilograms of synthetic drugs. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/v-chirchike-likvidirovali-narkolaboratoriyu-i-izyali-narkotiki-na-800-tysyach-dollarov/>

## OTHER COUNTRIES

### INDIA

**28.01.2025** In a major blow to illicit drug trade in Gujarat, the state's Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) seized **500 kg of tramadol**, an opioid painkiller often referred to as "war drug," from a warehouse in Dholka, Ahmedabad. The raid was culmination of intelligence gathered during an earlier operation in Anand district on 24 January, where ATS recovered **107 kg of alprazolam**. Investigators estimated that drug had been stored in the warehouse for more than eight months. <https://english.gujaratsamachar.com/news/gujarat/gujarat-ats-seizes-500-kg-of-tramadol-in-major-drug-bust-in-ahmedabad>

### CANADA

**22.01.2025** Canadian authorities seized a record **835 kilograms of cocaine** in Toronto, marking the largest drug seizure in the city's history. Estimated to be worth 83 million dollars, cocaine is believed to be linked to the Jalisco New Generation Cartel, a notorious Mexican drug organization. In a press release, officials said they seized drugs as part of an investigation known as Project Castillo, which began in August 2024. In October, after five months of work, Toronto police discovered cocaine concealed in a truck and other drugs were found in several stash houses after executing search warrants. <https://san.com/cc/record-cocaine-bust-in-canada-surges-street-price-by-20-police/>

### USA

**27.01.2025** Grayson County Sheriff's deputies made a large drug seizure on US-75 near Howe Highway last week. The Sheriff's Office said about **90 kg of methamphetamine** was found during the traffic stop. "This is one of the largest seizures I can remember in Grayson



County since I've been here," Capt. Mark Kosemund said.  
<https://www.kxii.com/2025/01/27/deputies-seize-200-lbs-meth-traffic-stop-near-howe/>

**31.01.2025** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials increased their seizures of Mexican cartel drugs along the border this month. Chief of the U.S. Border Patrol (USBP) said his agency seized more than 750 kilograms (1670 pounds) of drugs worth 6 million dollars during the last week of January. A total of about **600 kg of methamphetamine, 125 kg of cocaine and 35 kg of fentanyl** were seized, along with guns and ammunition.  
[https://www.thedesertreview.com/law/us-border-large-drug-seizures-surge-in-january/article\\_972bd52e-dff9-11ef-aaf3-db804d30b538.html](https://www.thedesertreview.com/law/us-border-large-drug-seizures-surge-in-january/article_972bd52e-dff9-11ef-aaf3-db804d30b538.html)

**30.01.2025** The Arizona Financial Crimes Task Force in conjunction with the DEA in the Phoenix area seized 50 pounds of methamphetamine during a vehicle search on Monday, 27 January. As a result of a search warrant, investigators subsequently seized approximately **750 kg of methamphetamine and 95 kg of fentanyl** during a search of a residence.  
<https://gilaherald.com/arizona-financial-crimes-task-force-and-dea-seize-over-1750-pounds-of-meth-and-fentanyl-in-major-drug-bust/>