

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

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During the period from 21 to 31 January 2026, based on information from media law enforcement agencies and security structures of CARICC member states seized **386.86 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 13.27 kg, opium – 13.6 kg, cocaine – 0.62 kg, cannabis-based drugs – 221.26 kg, synthetic drugs – 124.06 kg, and potent substances – 14.05 kg.**

Drug seizures in CARICC Member States

Type of drug (in kg)	Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Tajikistan	Uzbekistan
Heroin	13.15	0	0	0.12	0	0
Opium	11.64	0	0	0	0	1.96
Cocaine	0	0	0	0.62	0	0
Cannabis group drugs	187.4	2.8	2.01	25.68	0	3.37
Synthetic drugs	7.04	0.08	0	111.47	0	5.47
Potent substances	0	0	0	3.38	0	10.67
Total	219.23	2.88	2.01	141.27	0	21.47

During the same period other countries around the world seized **22 tons 295.56 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 130.09 kg, cocaine – 13 tons 894.6 kg, cannabis-group drugs – 7 tons 777 kg, synthetic drugs – 493 kg, and potent substances – 1.2 kg.**

CARICC MEMBER STATES

AZERBAIJAN

21.01.2026 Officers of the Yasamal District Police Department continue to combat illegal drug trafficking. During a recent operation, 24-year-old Aliaga Novruzazade, who had previously been convicted, was detained. The detainee and his home were found to contain packages of **marijuana** weighing a total of **20.49 kg** with harmful additives, as well as electronic scales used in the sale of drugs. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-baku-izyato-bolee-20-kilogramm-marihuany>

21.01.2026 A man attempting to sell more than 10 kg of narcotics was detained in Samukh. As a result of measures taken by officers from the Samukh District Police Department, 35-year-old Samed Aliyev, suspected of illegal drug trafficking, was detained. **Heroin, hashish, and marijuana** with a total weight of **10.75 kg** were found in his bag. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-samuhe-zaderzhan-muzhchina-pytavshijsya-prodat-10-kg-narkotikov>

21.01.2026 During an operation to combat drug trafficking in Lankaran officers from the city police department detained 46-year-old Ilyas Ismayilov and 41-year-old Veli Abdulov, both of whom had previous convictions. More than **18 kg of marijuana, heroin, opium, and methamphetamine, 427 methadone tablets**, and five electronic scales were seized. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-lyankyarane-zaderzhany-kurery-narkotorgovcev-iz-irana>

21.01.2026 As a result of an operation carried out by officers from the Agjabedi District Police Department, Elmar Atakishiev, a previously convicted resident of the district, was detained on suspicion of illegal drug trafficking. **10.24 kg of marijuana** was found at his place of residence. It was found that E. Atakishiev had purchased drugs for the purpose of sale. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-agdzhabedinskom-rajone-obnaruzheno-10-kg-narkotikov>

22.01.2026 As a result of operational measures carried out by officers of the Goychay District Police Department, a local resident, 38-year-old Ilkin Vezirov, was detained. During a search, **2 kg of marijuana, 2.46 kg of opium**, more than **1 kg of hashish**, about **200 g of heroin and 200 g of methamphetamine, 80 methadone tablets**, as well as illegally stored firearms (a pistol) were seized. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-gyojchae-zaderzhan-muzhchina-zanimavshijsya-sbytom-narkotikov>

22.01.2026 During operational activities officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Azerbaijan detained two suspects involved in illegal drug trafficking in the country. According to the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the suspects are 32-year-old Anar Akhmedov and 25-year-old Ali Seidzade. They were found in possession of **46 kg of marijuana** laced with harmful substances. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/operaciya-mvd-azerbajdzhana-izyato-46-kg-marihuany>

23.01.2026 Officers from the Fizuli District Police Department detained Eyyub Melikov and Ramil Guliev, a previously convicted felon, on suspicion of illegal drug trafficking. They seized **12.64 kg of marijuana, 2.88 kg of heroin**, about **1 kg of methamphetamine**, and **800 tablets** of the psychotropic drug **methadone**. It was found that drugs were bought for sale. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-fizuli-izyato-16-kg-narkoticheskikh-sredstv>

26.01.2026 A 33-year-old resident of Ganja, Safar Jamalov, was detained in the Sabail district of Baku. During a search of the car he was driving, police found **10.11 kg of marijuana and 2.06 kg of heroin**. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-sabailskom-rajone-obnaruzheno-12-kg-narkotikov>

27.01.2026 Officers from the Nasiminsky District Police Department conducted a routine operation to combat illegal drug trafficking. During the operation, 38-year-old Azad Faradzhov and 41-year-old Mikail Salimov, who had previous convictions, were detained. Faradzhov was found in possession of **3.18 kg of opium, 7.34 kg of marijuana, and 800 methadone tablets**. Salimov had **2.01 kg of heroin and methamphetamine**, as well as **8.08 kg of marijuana**. As a result, 20.6 kg of narcotics were seized during the latest operation. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-nasiminskom-rajone-izyato-bolee-20-kg-narkotikov>

28.01.2026 During operational activities officers from the Neftechala District Police Department detained 43-year-old Samig Abushov, who is suspected of illegal drug trafficking. **Hashish and marijuana** weighing a total of about **20 kilograms** were found in the Toyota car he was driving. The suspect stated that he had been involved in drug courier activities by an Iranian citizen, whose identity is under investigation, and was supposed to deliver drugs to Baku. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-neftchale-zaderzhali-kurera-iranskogo-narkotorgovca>

30.01.2026 Baku police officers continue operations to prevent illegal trafficking of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances. As a result of these measures, suspects in organization of illegal drug trafficking were detained: 41-year-old Orkhan Agamali, his acquaintance 37-year-old Zahid Aliyev, and 40-year-old Mahir Gasimov. A total of **34.45 kg** of various types of **narcotic drugs** were found in their possession. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/operaciya-glavnogo-upravleniya-obnaruzheno-bolee-34-kg-narkotikov>

30.01.2026 Officers of the Zagatalsky District Police Department conducted an operation to combat drug trafficking. During the operation 62-year-old Elmi Mamedov, who had previously been convicted of similar and other crimes, was detained. A search of his belongings discovered approximately **4.3 kg of marijuana and opium**. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/policiya-obnaruzhila-u-recidivista-4-kg-narkotikov>

KAZAKHSTAN

24.01.2026 As a result of operational search measures, police officers stopped the illegal activities of a 26-year-old resident of Almaty suspected of illegal trafficking of prohibited substances in the city of Aksu. During a personal search, 29 packets of white crystalline powder were seized from the woman. Similar 28 "stashies" were found in equipped hiding places on the streets of the city. An examination of the seized substances showed that they were **synthetic drugs** weighing more than **50 g**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/zakladchitsa-narkotikov-zaderzhana-v-aksu/>

26.01.2026 During operational search activities, officers from the Turkestan Region Police Department's Counter-Extremism Unit detected illegal possession of narcotic drugs. Police officers stopped a Mercedes car in a residential area of the city of Turkestan. During a search, officers found packages containing narcotic drugs on the suspect. Total weight of the seized substances was about **5 g of mephedrone** and approximately **1 g of hashish**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/politsiya-iz-yala-u-zhitelya-turkestanskoj-oblasti-sinteticheskij-narkotik/>

26.01.2026 During operational search activities police officers stopped activities of a group of individuals involved in distribution of synthetic drugs in Almaty. Packages containing a powdery substance were seized from the suspects. A total of **19 packages** of psychoactive substances were confiscated. Forensic analysis confirmed that the seized substance belongs to the category of synthetic drugs known as **alpha-PVP**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/narkogruppa-rasprostranyavshaya-sinteticheskie-narkotiki-zaderzhana-v-almaty/>

28.01.2026 Law enforcement officers in Pavlodar prevented an attempt to sell a large shipment of drugs. Officers of the Department for Combating Drug Crime detained a 54-year-old resident of the city suspected of illegal drug trafficking. During investigation they found

bags of **cannabis**-based drugs on the detainee. Total weight of seized drugs was over **300 g**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/tajniki-v-supermarkete-zaderzhan-muzhchina-podozrevaemyj-v-rasprostranenii-narkotikov-v-pavlodare/>

29.01.2026 Officers from the Akmola Region Police Department, together with operatives from the Arshaly District Police Department, discovered a large cache of narcotics and unregistered weapons in one of the local settlements. During a search of the suspect's residence police seized a box containing a plant-based substance, believed to be **marijuana**, with a total weight of about **2.5 kg**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/narkotiki-i-oruzhie-obnaruzhili-politseyskie-u-zhitelya-pristolichnogo-rajona/>

KYRGYZSTAN

23.01.2026 As a result of operational search measures carried out at the corner of Kalinina and Ozernaya streets in the village of Vostok a KIA Picanto car was stopped. During inspection of the car's interior, the suspect, A.A., voluntarily handed over a package containing a herbal substance with a characteristic odor, weighing a total of **2.01 kg**. According to results of a forensic chemical examination, the seized substance was identified as the narcotic drug **marijuana**. <https://topnews.kg/proisshestvija/97885-v-sele-vostok-ostanovili-mashinu-s-marihuanoj.html>

RUSSIA

21.01.2026 A large-scale channel for supply of potent substances was shut down by officers of UFSB of Russia in the Ivanovo Region in cooperation with UMVD of Russia in the Ivanovo Region. During preliminary investigation, it was established that a 35-year-old resident of the regional center was engaged in the sale of potent substances in the region. While attempting to sell potent drugs that are prohibited, the suspect was detained by officers of UFSB of Russia in the Ivanovo Region. As a result of operational search measures and investigative actions, more than **2.5 kg of potent substances** intended for sale in the region were seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/77272116/>

21.01.2026 Officers of UMVD of Russia in Khabarovsk Krai received information that a 47-year-old Komsomolsk resident with no previous convictions and his 51-year-old acquaintance were involved in drug distribution in the region. Operatives from UMVD of Russia in Komsomolsk-on-Amur found a box with two containers and a plastic bag with a white substance in a garage box rented by the perpetrator. According to tests, the seized substance is a derivative of **N-methylephedrone**. Its total weight was more than **1.67 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/77244414/>

21.01.2026 Officers of UMVD of Russia in the Ulyanovsk region stopped activities of a group whose members had organized an interregional distribution channel for large shipments of drugs in three federal districts. According to available information, criminals specialized in wholesale deliveries of mephedrone, LSD, marijuana, and cocaine. Three residents of Ulyanovsk sold large quantities of illegal substances in the Moscow, Tver, and Leningrad regions. Their accomplice sold drugs in the city of Ulyanovsk. Police detained all suspects at the same time. Stashes containing **9 kg of mephedrone and LSD**, about **600 grams of**

cocaine, and about **2.5 kg of marijuana** were found in the Tver region.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/77265906/>

21.01.2026 As a result of operational search measures, officers of the East Siberian Transport Police Department of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs identified and detained a 40-year-old resident of Bratsk suspected of storing and selling a large consignment of potent substances. The citizen sent illegal goods by mail to subscribers of the community. In one of these parcels transport police officers discovered and seized 69 metal cans containing capsules. An examination showed that they contained more than **782 grams of sibutramine**. In addition, at the places of residence of the perpetrator and nine recipients of the criminal parcels in the Irkutsk region, detectives seized capsules and blister packs containing slimming pills containing more than **90 grams** of controlled substances.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/77244736/>

22.01.2026 As a result of operational search measures, officers of OMVD of Russia "Shakhovskiy" detained a 36-year-old local resident with a previous conviction on suspicion of illegal drug trafficking. During a search of a farm building belonging to the suspect, police officers found and seized a glass jar and a plastic barrel containing a green plant-based substance. According to expert conclusion, part of the seized substance is a narcotic drug, cannabis (**marijuana**), weighing more than **700 grams**.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/77361465/>

21.01.2026 Officers from the Russian Interior Ministry's Tuapsinsky District Department conducted a search of the home of a previously convicted Kuban resident in the village of Georgievskoye. In the home of the 49-year-old man, they found two plastic barrels and five plastic bags containing a crushed substance of herbal origin. According to preliminary data, the man was going to sell it in the municipal area. Total weight of the seized **marijuana** was **15 kg**. <https://kuban24.tv/item/politsejskie-nashli-v-dome-u-zhitelya-tuapsinskogo-okruga-15-kg-narkotikov>

22.01.2026 As a result of processing operational information about possible illegal drug trafficking, officers of the Criminal Investigation Department of OMVD of Russia in the Tverskoy District on Verkhnyaya Krasnoselskaya street detained a 32-year-old native of the city of Sarapul, Udmurt Republic, temporarily residing in the capital. It was found that the man had placed stashes of illegal substances on Miuskaya Square and Verkhnyaya Krasnoselskaya street. These have now been seized. Tests confirmed that the seized items contained the narcotic drug **mephedrone**. During a personal search and a search of his rented accommodation, more than **720 grams** were found and seized.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/77310473/>

23.01.2026 Officers of UMVD of Russia in Ryazan Region dismantled a laboratory for production of synthetic drugs operating in Klepikovskiy District. As part of a series of operational search measures, organizer of the laboratory, a foreign citizen, and an interregional courier, a resident of Chelyabinsk Region, were detained. Operatives located the drug lab and detained the foreigner red-handed while he was producing drugs. More than 3 kg of mephedrone and 2.6 kg of precursors were seized from the house and outbuildings. As the operatives found out, the perpetrator had placed a previously manufactured shipment of mephedrone in a hiding place near the village of Pavlovo in the Klepikovskiy district, and

he had recently handed over another shipment of criminal goods to the courier who had arrived. In total, as a result of operational search measures, **7.57 kg of mephedrone** were seized. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/77444840/>

23.01.2026 Police officers detained a 21-year-old resident of Tatarstan in the suburbs of Makhachkala (Dagestan). He was transporting **32.28 kg of mephedrone** in a Volkswagen Polo. Drug was packaged in packages for further distribution. <https://rt-online.ru/news/zitelia-tatarstana-zaderzali-v-prigorode-maxackaly-za-perevozku-32-kg-mefedrona-536186>

26.01.2026 Officers of GU MVD of Russia in the Moscow Region, together with colleagues from UMVD Russia in Sergiev Posad, detained a 38-year-old resident of Zelenograd on suspicion of illegal production of narcotic drugs and dismantled a drug laboratory as a result of operational search measures. During a search of the garage, police officers discovered and seized various containers with substances, equipment for mixing and packaging, as well as a bag and a bucket with a substance inside. According to examination report, the seized substance is a derivative of the narcotic drug **N-methylephedrone** weighing more than **1 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/77623232/>

26.01.2026 Officers of UMVD of Russia in Khanty-Mansi Autonomous Okrug – Ugra identified and stopped illegal activities of a 39-year-old resident of Surgut, who was an interregional drug courier. The perpetrator was detained by police at a roadside hotel where she had spent the night while returning to the Khanty-Mansi Autonomous Okrug with another shipment of drugs. Detectives found and seized 20 plastic bags in her car, each containing half a kilogram of **N-methyl ephedrone** derivative. As a result, operatives prevented the sale of **10 kg** of synthetic drugs in the Yugra region. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/77601252/>

26.01.2026 Officers of GU MVD of Russia in the Voronezh region, in cooperation with colleagues from the regional UFSB, identified and detained 19 people. They are suspected of illegal drug trafficking in the Voronezh, Kursk, and Tambov regions. As a result of operational search measures and investigative actions, more than **230 grams** of narcotics (**methadone, heroin**) were seized in the Voronezh, Kursk, and Tambov regions. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/77618132/>

27.01.2026 Officers of UMVD of Russia in the Murmansk region stopped a Citroën car near the entrance to the city of Monchegorsk. During inspection of the car, six plastic bags containing a powdery substance were found under the rear seat. An examination confirmed that the seized substance was the synthetic drug **alpha-PVP**, with a total weight of about **4 kilograms**. Police officers detained the suspects, who were two residents of St. Petersburg. They were traveling in a rented car and planned to distribute drugs in the Murmansk region. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/77693337/>

27.01.2026 Officers of GU MVD of Russia in Samara Region, together with operatives of MO MVD of Russia "Pohvistnevsky," during an inspection of a man's property in Pohvistnevsky district in the presence of witnesses seized two bags of dry plant material with a specific odor. Testing results showed that the bags contained **3.52 kg of marijuana**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/77686057/>

27.01.2026 Officers of GUNK MVD of Russia detained a suspect in an attempt to sell narcotics on a large scale. As a result of processing operational information, police officers detained a 37-year-old previously convicted man on suspicion of illegal drug trafficking in an apartment on Mosfilmovskaya street. During a search of the premises, police officers found and seized packages containing plant-based substances, a powdery substance, and 20 pots with plants. Examination showed that the seized items were **marijuana** weighing more than **130 grams** and **cocaine** weighing more than **16 grams**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77650513/>

28.01.2026 Acting on operational information, officers from the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs Department in Rostov-on-Don detained a 44-year-old resident of a neighboring republic. During a search of the car used by the detainee, a cache was discovered and seized. It contained a package with seven zip bags of a light-colored substance and four packages with plastic bags filled with a gray substance. According to expert conclusion, the seized substance is the narcotic drug **A-PVP** with a total weight of **31 grams**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77791733/>

28.01.2026 In the Altai region officers from the Kamensky MO MVD of Russia detained a 40-year-old resident of Kamensk-on-Ob with multiple convictions on suspicion of illegal drug trafficking. During a search of his home and outbuildings, investigators found several bags of dried plant material with a characteristic odor. An examination showed that the seized substance was **marijuana** weighing almost **2.5 kg**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77785818/>

28.01.2026 Officers of UMVD of Russia in the city of Yekaterinburg, Sverdlovsk region, while processing operational information detained a 23-year-old citizen of a neighboring country residing in the regional center in a forest belt near intersection of Amundsen and Ob'ezdnaya streets. During a personal search, as well as in the detainee's stashes and rented apartment, they found packages and containers with drugs, with a total weight of more than **2.1 kg**. A subsequent study confirmed that the seized substances were a derivative of **N-methylephedrone**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77766893/>

28.01.2026 Police officers of OMVD of Russia in Vyazemsky District detained a 46-year-old local resident on suspicion of illegal possession of narcotic drugs. During the course of their investigation criminal investigators discovered two cans and a white plastic bag in the suspect's home, containing a green herbal substance that appeared to be a narcotic. According to results of examination, the seized substance was **marijuana** weighing more than **1.2 kilograms**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77749596/>

29.01.2026 Operatives of GUNK MVD of Russia, together with colleagues from ONK UVD for VAO GU MVD of Russia for Moscow, stopped illegal activities of a citizen of a neighboring country. As a result of operational search measures, police detained the suspect on Izmailovskaya Square. During a search, four plastic bags containing an unknown substance were found on him. According to tests, the seized substance is a derivative of **N-methylephedrone** with a total weight of about **4 kg**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77890102/>

29.01.2026 Officers of ONK OMVD of Russia in the Gagarin district of Sevastopol, while working on operational information, detained a 25-year-old man when he was attempting to pick up a master stash intended for further packaging into single doses. During an inspection

of the detainee's mobile phone, geographical coordinates of the stashes were identified, from which drug control officers seized six packages containing narcotics. In total, operatives seized more than **317 grams of methylephedrone**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77840515/>

29.01.2026 During operational search activities, officers of UNK GU MVD of Russia in the Krasnoyarsk Krai detained a vehicle driven by a resident of the regional center. During a personal search of the man, they seized a plastic bag containing approximately **300 grams of methadone**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77764460/>

29.01.2026 Officers of OMVD of Russia in Salavat detained a 30-year-old resident of Kumertau in the entrance hall of a residential building. Police seized about **80 grams of illegal synthetic drugs**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77835041/>

30.01.2026 During the course of their work officers of UMVD of Russia in Kaliningrad region identified a 25-year-old local resident suspected of illegal drug trafficking. The young man was detained by law enforcement officers in the village of Laskino, Guryevsky district, after receiving a parcel containing prohibited substance. According to results of examination, the substance was identified as a synthetic drug known among drug addicts as "salt". Total weight of seized substance was **3.5 kilograms**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/77933451/>

30.01.2026 Officers of UFSB of Russia in Kurgan Region prevented an attempt to deliver a large shipment of synthetic drugs. According to law enforcement agencies, two residents of the Republic of Tatarstan acted in collusion and purchased about **3 kg of mephedrone** in Chelyabinsk region. Drugs were intended for further sale in Nizhnevartovsk. To conceal the shipment, couriers divided it into smaller packages and hid them under car's undercarriage. The car was stopped in the Kurgan region, and during inspection law enforcement officers discovered and seized six packages containing the prohibited substance. <https://kurgan.ru/news/proisshestviya/siloviki-presekli-perevozkku-krupnoy-partii-narkotikov-cherez-kurgan/>

31.01.2026 Police in Ryazan detained a 30-year-old Ryazan resident who was distributing synthetic drugs via contactless stashes. During his arrest they seized 26 grams of illegal synthetic psychostimulants, and during subsequent searches, they found another 70 grams in 102 stashes. Total amount seized: **98 grams of psychostimulants**. <https://fedpress.ru/news/62/incidents/3422826>

31.01.2026 Employees of the Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance (Rosselkhozadzor) in Dagestan prevented an attempt to smuggle a large consignment of narcotics, discovering approximately **130 kilograms** of plant material similar to **marijuana**. The discovery was made during a routine quarantine phytosanitary inspection at the Viaduct temporary storage warehouse, where imported products were being inspected. A shipment of fresh dill delivered by road from abroad aroused suspicion of inspectors. Upon closer inspection of the boxes of greens carefully packed bags containing plant material of unknown origin were found at the bottom. Smugglers attempted to conceal the prohibited cargo by hiding it under a layer of legal agricultural products. <https://checheninfo.ru/426485-dagestan-krupnaja-partija-narkotikov-zamaskirovana-pod-ukrop-v-dagestane.html>

UZBEKISTAN

21.01.2026 Law enforcement officers in Uzbekistan cracked down on drug couriers and dealers, seizing large quantities of synthetic drugs and hashish. SGB officers discovered a large shipment of drugs in the Fergana region. In the bag of a 19-year-old passenger in a Spark they found **969 grams of hashish** imported from Kyrgyzstan. It was found out that the owner of the drugs was a 20-year-old resident of Fergana. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/v-uzbekistane-presechena-deyatelnost-narkokurerov-postavlyavshikh-gashish-i-mefedron-iz-za-rubezha/>

22.01.2026 Law enforcement officers, together with SGB officers, conducted a special operation in the Bektemir district of Tashkent. During the operation a man was detained who had several packages of narcotic substances in his possession. During a search of his place of residence in the Tashkent region **1.7 kg of hashish and 0.5 kg of mephedrone** were found. Another **800 grams of mephedrone** were discovered at his home in the Jizzakh region. It came to light that the man had come to Tashkent to work on a construction site but wanted to earn more money. <https://upl.uz/incidents/59724-news.html>

24.01.2026 In the Yangikhatay district of Tashkent law enforcement agencies identified and thwarted illegal activities related to the manufacture and sale of narcotic drugs in a residential building. During a search of the home of citizen Sh. S., several dozen matchboxes and packages wrapped in tape were found, inside which was a black, resin-like substance of brown color with a pungent odor. As a result of the operation, a total of **3.76 kg** of narcotics worth 2 billion 29 million soums were seized. This prevented distribution of 18,755 doses of **hashish and marijuana** among the population. <https://www.uznews.uz/ru/news/106734>

24.01.2026 During a series of joint operational search and preventive measures carried out by law enforcement agencies in Gulistan, during an inspection of a Gentra car driven by a previously convicted citizen born in 2002, data on potent narcotic drugs was seized from the driver's mobile phone. Operational and investigative measures showed that since December 2025, the suspect had simultaneously performed functions of a "storer" and "chemist" in several Telegram channels and organized a drug laboratory in Gulistan. During a search, police seized **2.79 kg of pregabalin, 1,900 pregabalin capsules, 150 units of tropicamide**, and **1 liter** of liquid **tropicamide**, as well as equipment for production of these drugs. <https://www.uzdaily.uz/ru/sgb-i-mvd-uzbekistana-proveli-masshtabnye-reidy-protiv-oborota-narkotikov-i-prestupnosti/>

24.01.2026 Three citizens born in 1983, 1988, and 1998 were detained in the Tashkent region through joint efforts of the State Security Service and the Ministry of Internal Affairs. They sold 36 Regapen tablets worth 3 million soums to a confidential buyer. In total, during further operational activities in the city of Tashkent, **7,928 Regapen tablets** and **5,289 Zardex tablets** were seized from rented accommodation, a car, and a drug supplier. <https://www.uzdaily.uz/ru/sgb-i-mvd-uzbekistana-proveli-masshtabnye-reidy-protiv-oborota-narkotikov-i-prestupnosti/>

26.01.2026 During a law enforcement operation in the Chinaz district of the Tashkent region, a previously convicted resident of Bekabad was detained. He was caught red-handed while attempting to sell **200 grams of hashish** to a buyer for 50 million soums. It was later

discovered that he had given part of the money received – 6.9 million soums – to an acquaintance. During the arrest, another **500 grams of hashish** were seized from the second suspect. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/pravookhraniteli-v-tashoblasti-presekli-nezakonny-oborot-okolo-trekh-kilogramm-mov-narkotikov/>

26.01.2026 Law enforcement officers seized **600 grams of opium** from a passenger in a Cobalt car in the Bekabad district. It was found that he had purchased drugs from an acquaintance in Bekabad for 5,000 dollars and 5 million soums. Later, more than **1 kg of opium** was seized from the alleged seller's home, and another **335 g of opium** was seized from his two accomplices.. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/pravookhraniteli-v-tashoblasti-presekli-nezakonny-oborot-okolo-trekh-kilogramm-mov-narkotikov/>

30.01.2026 In the Yangikhatay district of the capital officers of GUV D and the State Security Service conducted a special operation during which they detained a 55-year-old man with a criminal record who was involved in the sale of large quantities of drugs. During a search of his home, they found **drugs** packaged in **410 packets**. Total value of the seized drugs was 284 million soums. According to the detainee, he used drugs himself and found “stash es” through Telegram, receiving locations from acquaintances. <https://podrobno.uz/cat/proisshestviya/v-tashkente-zaderzhan-55-letniy-muzhchina-khranivshiy-dlya-rasprostraneniya-krupnuyu-partiyu-narkoti/>

31.01.2026 Law enforcement officers in the Fergana region prevented an attempt to smuggle potent drugs from Kyrgyzstan. According to State Security Service, the operation took place in the city of Kokand. A Gentra car was stopped on the street, in which a local resident born in 1994 was traveling. During the search, **2,797 tablets** of the potent drug **Regapen** were found in his belongings. According to investigation, it was illegally imported into Uzbekistan. https://24.kg/proisshestviya/360078_uzbekistantsa_zaderjali_spartiey_psihotropov_vvezenn_oy_izkyrgyzstana/

OTHER COUNTRIES

GREECE

25.01.2026 On the morning of 23 January, coast guard officers conducted a large-scale operation to combat drug trafficking, during which two men aged 49 and 41 were detained and more than 155 kilograms of narcotic substances were seized. The operation took place in the port of Patras and in the Attica region. According to the coast guard, during an inspection of a truck driven by a 49-year-old man, Patras port service employees searched a vehicle from a passenger-cargo ship that had arrived from an Italian port. A thorough inspection revealed **44.6 kg of cocaine and 133.67 kg of cannabis**. <https://rua.gr/news/procrim/75950-v-portu-patry-v-gruzovike-najdeno-bolee-155-kilogrammova-narkotikov>

29.01.2026 Authorities in northern Peloponnese seized more than **130 kg of cannabis** with an estimated value of nearly 1 million euros and arrested two people suspected of drug smuggling, officials said Thursday. A Coast Guard statement said the drugs were found by sniffer dogs early Tuesday morning in a truck that had just disembarked from a ferry. <https://www.ekathimerini.com/news/1293721/two-arrested-over-large-cannabis-seizure-in-northern-peloponnese/>

IRELAND

31.01.2026 As a result of ongoing investigations targeting organized crime as part of Operation TARA, a joint operation was carried out yesterday by the Customs Service and the National Bureau for Combating Drugs and Organized Crime in County Louth. The operation resulted in the seizure of **506 kg of cannabis** with an estimated value of €10,120,000. Three men—two aged around 30 and one aged 50—have been arrested. <https://www.lmf.com/news/lmf-news/cannabis-worth-over-e10-million-seized-in-major-louth-drugs-bust/>

ISRAEL

25.01.2026 Soldiers from the IDF's Yoav Brigade, together with the Arad police, carried out a large-scale operation in the Neot HaKikar and Rotem areas. During the raid, two suspects aged 20-30, residents of the Al-Azama tribe, were detained and approximately **53 kg of hashish** with a total value of about 250,000 shekels were seized. The suspicious behavior of the men, who were moving around with backpacks, allowed the security forces to crack down on the criminal cell. Separately, the police uncovered other illegal drug production facilities in Nahariya and Akko. There, they found laboratories with hundreds of **cannabis** seedlings weighing about **25 kg**. <https://cursorinfo.co.il/israel-news/tsahal-i-politsiya-raskryli-krupnejshuyu-kontrabandu-narkotikov-v-izrail/>

KOSOVO

22.01.2026 During operations carried out by the Kosovo police last night and this morning near Merdar, more than **81 kilograms of marijuana** were seized, along with weapons, vehicles, mobile phones, and nearly 3,000 euros in cash. Three people were arrested during the operation, codenamed "Bereg," and are being held in police custody for 48 hours. <https://kossev.info/ru/zaplenjeno-vise-od-81-kilogram-marihuane-u-akciji-kod-merdara-uhapsene-tri-osobe/>

THE NETHERLANDS

28.01.2026 Dutch customs officers discovered a total of 4,882 packages of cocaine containing approximately **4,830 kilograms of cocaine** on 8 and 9 January. Drugs were discovered during a routine inspection of two shipping containers filled with electric magnets from Ecuador. This is one of the largest drug seizures in history, with the Netherlands as the final destination. Customs discovered anomalies in containers while scanning the cargo. <https://nltimes.nl/2026/01/28/industrial-magnets-used-hide-4830-kg-cocaine-among-largest-dutch-drug-busts-ever>

NIGERIA

25.01.2026 During a major anti-drug operation, the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) arrested 30-year-old Brazilian Ingrid Benevides at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport in Abuja with **30.09 kg of heroin**, making it the largest heroin seizure at the airport to date. Seized drugs, hidden in factory-sealed coffee bags, are estimated to be worth more than ₦3 billion on the streets. In addition, Nigerian law enforcement officers seized **3,990 tramadol tablets** in Lagos and **1,848 kg of cannabis** in Lekka during other operations. <https://lagostelevision.com/2026/01/25/ndlea-makes-largest-heroin-seizure-at-abuja-airport-arrests-brazilian-woman/>

PORTUGAL

29.01.2026 Portuguese authorities intercepted a drug cartel submarine in the North Atlantic carrying nearly **9 tons of cocaine**. The submarine was caught more than 400 km from the Azores, an archipelago in the Atlantic Ocean belonging to Portugal. It was headed for Europe from Latin America. The cargo is estimated to be worth around 520 million pounds. According to a Portuguese police representative, this is the largest cocaine seizure in the country's history. Portuguese Navy and Air Force participated in the operation, as well as representatives of the British and US special services. The arrest took place in difficult weather conditions. When the police attempted to board the submarine, it sank, and 35 of the 300 packages of drugs sank to the bottom. There were three Colombian citizens and one Venezuelan citizen on board. All four have been detained. <https://oxu.az/ru/v-mire/v-portugalii-perehvatili-submarinu-s-kokainom-na-700-mln-dollarov>

SERBIA

30.01.2026 Law enforcement agencies in Serbia have carried out a drug bust that will go down in the country's history. During a raid near the town of Krusevac, a total of **5 tons of**

marijuana was seized, and attention was also drawn to the presence of heavy weapons during the operation. Officials emphasized that the bust is the largest marijuana seizure operation ever conducted in Serbia to date. <https://ru.haberler.com/russian-news-19520389/>

SUDAN

28.01.2026 Sudan's customs anti-smuggling units in Red Sea province foiled a major drug trafficking attempt, which officials described as the largest in the history of customs. Authorities confiscated **493 kg** of crystal **methamphetamine** ("ice"), **100 kg of heroin**, and a small amount of combined ice and caffeine. <https://www.msn.com/en-xl/africa/top-stories/red-sea-anti-smuggling-units-foil-major-drug-trafficking-attempt-seizing-493-kg-of-crystal-meth-and-100-kg-of-heroin-in-record-bust/ar-AA1V6SFZ>

USA

27.01.2026 Louisiana State Police and criminal investigators, along with special agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, participated in a joint narcotics investigation against members of a drug trafficking organization (DTO) involved in interstate distribution of cocaine. As part of this investigation, law enforcement agencies executed several state search warrants in the Hammond area. These coordinated efforts resulted in the seizure of approximately **20 kilograms of cocaine** with an estimated street value of 1,500,000.00, one Glock pistol, and approximately 7,150.00 in U.S. currency. https://www.an17.com/news/crime/lsp-joint-narcotics-investigation-leads-to-major-cocaine-seizure-multiple-arrests-in-hammond/article_48e37139-2a7a-41ee-8fdf-f3b685175f56.html