

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

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In the period from 21 to 30 April 2025, based on information from mass media law enforcement agencies and security structures of CARICC member states seized **521.99 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: opium - 1.68 kg, cocaine - 0.15 kg, cannabis group drugs - 433.4 kg, synthetic drugs - 82.86 kg and potent substances - 3.9 kg.**

Drug seizures in CARICC Member States

Type of drug (in kg)	Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Tajikistan	Uzbekistan
Heroin	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opium	0	0	0	0	0	1.68
Cocaine	0	0	0	0.15	0	0
Cannabis group drugs	70.47	272.13	6.78	84.02	0	0
Synthetic drugs	0	0.02	0.1	82.72	0	0.02
Potent substances	0	3.6	0	0	0	0.3
Total	70.47	275.75	6.88	166.89	0	2

During the same period, other countries seized **3 tons 451 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: cocaine - 1 ton 634 kg, cannabis-group drugs - 251 kg, synthetic drugs - 1 ton 521 kg and potent substances - 45 kg.**

CARICC MEMBER STATES

AZERBAIJAN

22.04.2025 Azerbaijan border guards foiled an attempt to smuggle drugs from the territory of Iran using an unmanned aerial vehicle. The incident occurred on 21 April in the territory of Lankaran border detachment. As a result of operational measures, they found **6.6 kg of marijuana** dropped by a drone in the border zone. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/gps-azerbajdzhana-presekla-kontrabandu-narkotikov-dronom-s-territorii-irana>

23.04.2025 Azerbaijan border guards stopped an attempt to smuggle drugs from the territory of Iran using an unmanned aerial vehicle. The event took place in the territory of the border detachment "Goitepe". Residents of Masalli and a resident of Baku city, who were heading towards the border in a Toyota Prius car with state registration number 54-BK-650, were detained as suspects as a result of operational measures. It was found that the detainees arrived at the scene with the purpose of exporting a total of **53.87 kg of narcotic drugs.** <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/azerbajdzhanskie-pogranichniiki-presekli-kontrabandu-narkotikov-iz-irana-s-pomoshyu-drona>

23.04.2025 Officers of the Lerik District Police Department detained Nurlan Alizadeh, 32, Binnet Eyvazli, 30, and Nurlan Bashirov, 31, suspected of organizing delivery and sale of a large shipment of smuggled narcotic drugs. They were found in possession of a total of **10 kg of marijuana** and opium purchased from an Iranian national, whose identity is being investigated. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/operaciya-v-lerike-zaderzhany-tri-cheloveka>

KAZAKHSTAN

24.04.2025 Officers of the Department for Combating Drug Crime of the Karaganda Region DP detained a 34-year-old resident of the city at the moment of illegal sale of a narcotic substance - 4.4 grams of hashish. As part of investigation of the initiated criminal case, operatives conducted a search at the place of residence of the suspect. During investigative actions they seized more than **144 grams of marijuana, 134 grams of hashish**, 11 cell phones with SIM cards, two pistols and ammunition for gas and pneumatic weapons. <https://polisia.kz/ru/politsejskie-iz-yali-narkotiki-i-oruzhie-u-zhitelya-karagandy/>

24.04.2025 In the course of operational and search activities, police officers of Zhetysu region detained an 18-year-old resident of Eskelda district suspected of distributing synthetic drugs. During a personal search in his jacket pocket, police officers found 24 packages wrapped in duct tape. Inside was a powdery substance of white color with a specific odor. According to results of the forensic examination, the seized substance was found to be a psychotropic drug - **mephedrone**, with a total mass of **15 grams**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/zakladchik-popalsya-s-mefedronom-v-oblasti-zhetysu/>

28.04.2025 A resident of East Kazakhstan region is suspected of illegal cultivation of narcotic plants. In the course of operational activities conducted by police under the coordination of prosecutor's office of the region, bushes of green-colored plants were found in the house of a local resident. According to expert conclusion, the seized samples belong to a drug-containing plant - cannabis. In addition, more than **700 grams** of dried **marijuana** were seized from the suspect. <https://polisia.kz/ru/politsiya-zaderzhala-zhitelya-za-vyrashhivanie-kannabisa-vko/>

29.04.2025 Police officers of Turkestan region stopped an attempt to illegally transport a large shipment of narcotic drugs. In the course of operational activities in Tulkubas district, a Lada car with two men in it was stopped on the Almaty-Shymkent highway. During inspection of the vehicle in the trunk police found and seized more than **12,000 tablets of tramadol**, which is listed as a highly potent substance. <https://polisia.kz/ru/politsejskie-presekli-nezakonnuyu-perevozku-narkosoderzhashhih-preparatov-v-turkestanskoj-oblasti/>

30.04.2025 As part of the OPM "Law and Order", a Mitsubishi Lancer car driven by a 34-year-old resident of Baiseit village was stopped in Shelek village. During examination of the interior, police officers found a bag with 20 rolls of herbal substance and a homemade knife. Expert examination confirmed that the seized substance was dried **marijuana** weighing **1.15 kg**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/politsejskie-presekli-nezakonnyj-oborot-marihuany-v-almatinskoj-oblasti/>

30.04.2025 Officers of the Committee for Combating Drug Crime in Astana detained two residents of Zhambyl region. More than **270 kg** of narcotic drugs “**marijuana**” and “**hashish**” were seized from the suspects during a special operation. Further, a Makarov pistol was found during a search of the interior of their car. It is preliminarily found that the weapon refers to stolen units during the January 2022 events in the city of Taraz. <https://polisia.kz/ru/svyshe-270-kg-narkotikov-i-pistolet-iz-yali-u-dvuh-muzhchin-v-astane/>

KYRGYZSTAN

23.04.2025 A Bishkek resident was detained on suspicion of organizing a drug laboratory in his apartment. On 18 April, in the course of processing information received about illegal drug trafficking, U. D., born in 2005, was detained. During search operations in the apartment of the detainee were found chemical substances and equipment for production of synthetic drugs, liquid precursors, scales, containers, respirators. Synthetic drugs called “**Alpha-PVP**” weighing about **100 grams** were also seized. According to detainee's testimony, he produced synthetic drugs in his home having organized a laboratory. https://kaktus.media/doc/522435_y_bishkekchanina_v_kvartire_nashli_narkolaboratoriu._fo_to.html

29.04.2025 Drug enforcers detained a 27-year-old man in Bishkek. Law enforcers received information that unknown persons were selling drugs on the territory of Oktyabrsky district of capital. Operatives identified a suspect and detained him. They seized 160 convolutions of drugs. Total weight amounted to **6.78 kg**. It is reported that the seized substance is Afghan **hashish**.

https://24.kg/proisshestvija/327746_vbishkeke_zaderjan_mujchina_sbolee_chem_6kilogra_mmami_afganskogo_gashisha/

30.04.2025 Special services in Jalal-Abad oblast stopped an international drug trafficking channel. Law enforcers detected a drug supply channel from Tajikistan for further sale in the southern regions of Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan. As a result of operational development, five men and the organizer of the criminal scheme were detained in the village of Kypchak-Talaa and in the town of Shamaldy-Saye in the Nooken district of Jalal-Abad oblast while transporting and selling a shipment of drugs. **17 kilograms** of Afghan **hashish** imported from Tajikistan were seized.

https://24.kg/proisshestvija/327951_gashish_iztadjikistana_prodavali_nayuge_kr_spetsslujbi_zaderjali_narkodilerov_/

RUSSIA

21.04.2025 Police officers of UMVD of Russia in Odintsovo district detained a 41-year-old local resident on suspicion of drug trafficking as a result of operational and preventive measures in the village of Lesnoy Gorodok. During personal inspection of him they found and seized 32 convolutions, and at his place of residence - 3 containers, 93 bags and 58 convolutions with substance inside. The perpetrator also reported coordinates of 8 dead drops. According to results of examination, part of the seized substance is **mephedrone** with a total weight of more than **500 grams**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64164158/>

21.04.2025 Officers of the Drug Control Department detained an 18-year-old resident of Izhevsk in a forest area of the Votkinskiy district of the Udmurt Republic. In the young man's

briefcase law enforcement officers found a package containing two bags with a lumpy substance of beige color. Research showed that it was a synthetic drug **N-methylephedrone** weighing over **3 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64152442/>

21.04.2025 Counter-intelligence officers tracked down a 29-year-old Russian resident involved in trafficking in the synthetic drug mephedrone. His duties included distributing “synthetics” among drug users. At the time of his arrest, officers of UFSB of Russia in Chelyabinsk region found more than **14 kg of mephedrone**. https://polit74.ru/incident/yuzhnouralskim_ufsb_zaderzhan_narkodiler_s_krupnoy_partiey_narkotikov/

22.04.2025 Officers of the State Automobile Inspectorate of MU MVD of Russia “Balashikha” detained two natives of a Central Asian republic suspected of drug trafficking. During patrolling in Kupavna traffic police officers stopped a passenger car to check documents. In addition to the driver, there was a passenger in the cabin. During conversation with police officers citizens were visibly nervous and behaved suspiciously. Traffic police officers decided to search the vehicle, as a result of which under the seat they found **798 packages** with powdery substance. According to expert conclusion, 4 of the packages contained the narcotic drug **methadone**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64189248/>

22.04.2025 In the course of operative-search activities, officers of the Border Department of FSB of Russia in the Novosibirsk region supported by Rosgvardiya fighters, found and seized narcotic substances from a citizen born in 1989 on the land plot of the Ustyug village council in the Yemelyanovsky district. Expert analysis showed that the man had stored more than **17 kg of marijuana**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64193143/>

23.04.2025 Officers of the Drug Control Department of UMVD of Russia in Ryazan region stopped activities of an organized group involved in illegal sale of the drug methadone in the region. As a result of operational and investigative measures, police detained a native of the Rostov region, his cohabitant - a native of Skopinsky district and their acquaintance. During examination of the apartment rented by the cohabitants, police seized **484 grams of methadone and 3 grams of marijuana**, electronic scales, packaging materials and means of communication. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64242552/>

23.04.2025 As part of operational activities in the field of illicit drug trafficking, operatives of UMVD of Russia in Khanty-Mansi Autonomous Okrug - Yugra together with colleagues of the State Automobile Inspectorate of OMVD of Russia in Nefteyugansk stopped a car driven by a 64-year-old resident of Krasnodar Krai at the 13th km of the road “Approach to Surgut”. During inspection of the car in luggage compartment under the inner lining were found transparent polymer bags with light-colored substance. According to certificate of examination, the seized substance is a narcotic drug containing **clephedrone** with a total mass of about **3 kilograms**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64244106/>

23.04.2025 As a result of a set of operational and search measures, officers of UNK GU MVD of Russia in the Irkutsk region detained a 61-year-old resident of Khabarovsk transporting synthetic narcotics on the approach to the town of Zima. During examination of the interior of the car on which the detainee was traveling, operatives found and seized three bags with the drug derivative **N-methylephedrone** with a total mass of about **3 kg**.

Operatives found that on the way the suspect also prepared a “scheme” with drugs on the territory of the Alarsky district. Expert examination showed that it contained more than **1 kg** of the narcotic substance **mephedrone**. A total of about 4 kg of drugs were seized by police officers. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64227387/>

24.04.2025 Drug Control Department of Khabarovsk Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia on Transport received operational information about involvement of two residents of Khabarovsk in illegal drug trafficking. As a result of operational and investigative measures, operative officers of OKON UT MVD of Russia in the Far Eastern Federal District and Khabarovsk Department of MVD of Russia on Transport detained two members of an organized group. As a result of search operations they found and seized **500 grams of mephedrone and 20 grams of clephedrone** in the apartment of detainees. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64273433/>

24.04.2025 A car with a Moscow region license plate was stopped by traffic police of the Isetskoe police department in the evening at traffic circle in front of the entrance to the village of Isetskoe to check documents. The driver's behavior attracted attention of police officers - the young man became nervous and confused when answering questions. Police officers decided to search the vehicle. In presence of witnesses law enforcers found 12 oblong transparent packages with crystal-like substance in the cabin under the steering column in front panel. The seized substance was sent for examination. According to examination conducted by expert, it was found that the packages contained the narcotic drug **methadone** weighing about **3 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64272514/>

24.04.2025 A female passenger from Latvia tried to smuggle children's toys with drugs concealed inside them through the Ubylinka checkpoint in the Pskov Region, the Russian Federal Customs Service reported. In total, the 43-year-old woman was found in possession of several bags of white powder weighing almost **600 grams**. Expert analysis showed that it was the synthetic drug **methadone**. <https://news.ru/regions/tamozhenniki-nashli-svyshe-polkilo-narkotikov-v-detskih-igrushkah>

25.04.2025 Officers of the Drug Control Department of MVD of Russia “Ramenskoye” in cooperation with the UFSB of Russia in Moscow and Moscow region dismantled a drug laboratory and detained a 32-year-old native of the North Caucasus Federal District suspected of drug trafficking.

It was found that the perpetrator organized production of methylephedrone in a private house located in the village of Tolmachevo. During examination of the laboratory, police seized a plastic container with a powdery substance, 47 canisters with various chemical reagents and liquids, glass flasks and other equipment necessary for drug production. According to expert report, the seized powder is the narcotic drug **methylephedrone** weighing more than **5 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64317500/>

25.04.2025 Officers of the Drug Control Department of MVD for the Republic of Mari El stopped illegal activities of a 45-year-old Moscow resident, previously convicted of fraud, suspected of distributing illicit substances across the country. The criminal delivery man was detained in Yoshkar-Ola when he was driving a Volkswagen car towards Kirov region with the purpose of selling synthetic drugs in the neighboring region. During inspection of the car in the trunk of the car were found packages with an unknown white substance. As the results of the investigation showed, the found powder contained about **150 grams of cocaine** and

about **70 grams** of dangerous synthetic drug - **clephedrone**.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/64345619/>

25.04.2025 Officers of the Drug Control Department of MVD for the Republic of Tatarstan as a result of operational and investigative measures came on the trail of two previously convicted interregional drug distributors living in Kurgan. Law enforcers detained the criminals on the highway M-12 "Vostok", when they were driving a Toyota car in the direction of the Kurgan region. During inspection of the vehicle in the cache, which was located under the lining of the rear left door, they found 10 rolls of **hashish** with a total mass of about **3 kg**, and also the potent drug **pregabalin** with a total mass of **1.17 g**.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/64338260/>

25.04.2025 In the course of operational-search activities, officers of the Drug Control Department of UMVD of Russia in the Vologda region detained a man born in 1971 in the village of Korovaitsevo. Operatives seized from him a package with a substance of white color, which was sent for examination. According to conclusion of specialists of the EKC in the package was a narcotic drug of **synthetic origin**, its total weight was about **193 grams**. In the garage, which the man rented, police found scales, packaging material and **19 more bags** with similar substance. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64325418/>

27.04.2025 As a result of operational and investigative measures, officers of the Drug Control Department of UMVD of Russia in Ulyanovsk region together with UFSB of Russia in Ulyanovsk region blocked a drug distribution channel in the territory of the Ulyanovsk region. It was preliminarily found that a resident of the Novgorod region planned to sell a large shipment of the narcotic drug "**mephedrone**" on the territory of several subjects of the Volga Federal District of the Russian Federation. While transporting the prohibited substance on the territory of the Tsilninsky district of the Ulyanovsk region, the suspect was detained by police officers. During inspection of the car operatives found about **3 kg** of the drug.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/64317789/>

28.04.2025 Officers of the Drug Control Department of MVD in the Republic of Ingushetia together with colleagues from the regional FSB of Russia in the course of implementation of operational information at the 564th km of the federal highway R-217 "Kavkaz" stopped a car "Lada Kalina", with a driver and a passenger in it. During examination of the vehicle and additional examination of the car operatives found rolls with powdery substance. According to conclusion of expert examination, the seized substance was **mephedrone** with total mass of **506 grams**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64427833/>

28.04.2025 Officers of ONK UMVD of Russia in Tambov received operational information that a resident of Yoshkar-Ola was planning to sell a large shipment of synthetic drugs in the city. Police officers carried out a set of operational and search measures, which resulted in detention of the trafficker. During a survey of the area, police officers found drug caches, which she had managed to equip. Research showed that the seized substance was a synthetic drug **methylephedrone** with a total mass of **1 kilogramme**.
<https://мвд.рф/news/item/64410583/>

28.04.2025 According to press service of UFSB of Russia in Nizhny Novgorod region, a resident of the region involved in activities of an illegal drug laboratory was detained red-handed. According to information, as part of the investigation law enforcers seized more than

35 kg of synthetic drugs, more than **600 liters** of chemical reagents and **precursors**. They also confiscated equipment, means of packing and other items. https://nta-pfo.ru/news/accidents/2025/news_714449/

29.04.2025 Officers of the Directorate General for Drug Control of MVD of Russia detained an unemployed 39-year-old local resident suspected of drug trafficking. It was found that the perpetrator was growing cannabis in the basement of his private house, located in a SNT in the Dmitrovsky district. As a result of inspection police found and seized on the ground floor of the house **56 bushes** of drug-containing **cannabis** plants, in the attic 7 bags with a substance of herbal origin, electronic scales, packaging material and vacuum cleaner. According to expert report, the seized plant substance is **marijuana** weighing more than **3 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64441466/>

29.04.2025 Officers of the Drug Control Department of UMVD of Russia in the Arkhangelsk region detained a 44-year-old local resident suspected of a drug offense. Within the framework of operative-search measures the woman was detained in a forest belt near Sevstroi street in Tsiglomen settlement. During a personal search operatives found 30 packages with an unknown substance in her possession. During a search at the place of residence of the detainee they found several more packages with a similar substance, scales and packing material. According to specialist conclusion, total mass of the seized illegal substances, which were synthetic **hashish and mephedrone**, is about **3 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64446304/>

29.04.2025 Officers of the Directorate General for Drug Control of MVD of Russia, together with colleagues from GU MVD of Russia for St. Petersburg and the Leningrad region, detained two suspects in illegal trafficking of drugs of herbal origin. It was preliminarily found that the perpetrators were growing cannabis in several residential premises in St. Petersburg. As a result of operative-search measures, police detected illegal activities of suspects and detained them. In the course of searches at the residences, they found **64 cannabis bushes**, **cannabis**-group narcotics weighing more than **25 kilograms**, equipment for cultivating narcotic plants, fertilizers and other items of evidentiary value. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64444934/>

29.04.2025 Officers of the Drug Control Department of the Moscow Directorate General detained a suspect in illicit trafficking of prohibited substances. As a result of operational and search measures, police officers detained the suspect on Leningradskoye highway. During examination of the residential premises where the detainee lived, and also the apartment where the suspect kept narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances for conspiracy purposes, operatives found and seized a box and convolutions with substances and a sports bag with 20 convolutions with a total mass of about 5.5 kilograms. Examination of part of the seized substances showed that they contained about **16 grams of hashish**, **600 grams** of the psychotropic substance **amphetamine**, and over **1.18 kilograms of mephedrone**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64427002/>

30.04.2025 Operatives of Drug Control Department of Moscow Drug Control Directorate and GUNK MVD of Russia detained three suspects in an attempt to sell narcotic drugs. As a result of working out information received and operational and investigative measures carried out, police officers detained two girls aged 19 and 20. During a personal search were seized

70 packages with substances. Examination of a part of the seized substances showed that they contained the narcotic drug methadone. At the place of residence of the defendants in the apartment on Charoitova street police detained a 23-year-old citizen, also involved in distribution of drugs. During a search of the premises, operatives found and seized about 300 more rolls and two bags with the substance. According to examination of part of the seized substance, it is **methadone** with a total mass of about **230 grams**. The rest was sent for examination. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/64470633/>

UZBEKSITAN

24.04.2025 In the course of the preventive measure "Safe and Healthy Country", officers of internal affairs bodies, together with SGB officers, conducted an operational activity in the territory of Samarkand region. During the event, the house of a 34-year-old resident of Samarkand district, who was suspected of distributing illegal substances, was inspected. During inspection of the house it was found out the perpetrator kept more than **300 units of psychotropic drugs**, electronic scales, two throwing knives and a stun gun in the house. <https://upl.uz/incidents/51208-news.html>

24.04.2025 Officers of the Anti-Smuggling Department of the Syrdarya Regional Customs Department, with the assistance of SGB and other law enforcement officers, conducted a special operational activity in the territory of Danghara district of Fergana region. During the event, a man was detained, who had previously been taken under operational surveillance. The arrest took place near a district trade complex, at the moment of selling **429 units** of psychotropic drug "Zardex" and **280 units** of psychotropic drug "Lyrica" to a nominal buyer, for a total amount of 26 million soums. <https://upl.uz/incidents/51232-news.html>

28.04.2025 Officers of internal affairs bodies carried out a special operational event. During the event, two residents of Markhamat district were detained, who received 20 thousand US dollars and 165 million soums. It was found that for this money they sold **1.68 kg** of narcotic substance "opium". <https://upl.uz/incidents/51312-news.html>

30.04.2025 As part of operational and preventive measures, officers of internal affairs bodies identified a citizen who distributed synthetic drugs. Law enforcers noticed him in Kuyichirchik district, when the perpetrator was organizing another stash with a bundle of synthetic drugs, burying it in the ground. It was found that the criminal was a citizen, born in 1999. About 20 bundles of **synthetic drugs**, total weight of which amounted to **24 g**, were identified and seized. <https://upl.uz/incidents/51391-news.html>

OTHER COUNTRIES

ALGERIA

28.04.2025 Algerian authorities said Monday they seized **1650000 ecstasy tablets** and arrested nine suspects involved in an international criminal network operating between Morocco and France. A police statement said the shipment was concealed in a truck that arrived on board a ship from the French port of Marseille. Several vehicles and large sums of cash believed to be “proceeds of crime” were also seized, police said. <https://www.trt.global/afrika-english/article/dfaf15fc2e0d>

INDIA

29.04.2025 Mizoram police on Tuesday seized **47.51 kilograms of methamphetamine** in Aizawl with an estimated market value of Rs 6,176 crore. The operation was carried out by the CID (SB) office, which arrested two men from Champhai town along with two vehicles allegedly used to transport drugs. <https://hubnetwork.in/two-arrested-in-massive-meth-seizure-in-aizawl/>

ITALY

30.04.2025 Military officers of the Ancona Provincial Command, together with customs officials, seized more than 163 kilograms of drugs during an operation called “Porto di mezzo” in the port of Ancona. Drug substance was concealed in a truck that was about to sail to the port of Dorico. During inspection of the “sensitive” cargo, Guardia di Finanza and ADM officers noticed discrepancies in transportation documents and decided to carry out a more thorough check of the road train. This led to the discovery of numerous boxes cleverly placed in the front of the trailer. Inside the vehicles were numerous black cellophane bags containing over **161 kg** of high THC **marijuana** and over **2 kg** of chemically processed **methamphetamine**. <https://www.agenzianova.com/ru/news/sequestrati-oltre-163-chili-di-stupefacenti-nel-porto-di-ancona/>

COLOMBIA

23.04.2025 Colombian authorities seized **1400 kilograms of cocaine** concealed in banana boxes in a shipping container in the Caribbean port of Santa Marta. The shipment was destined for Southampton in the United Kingdom, police said Monday. Seized drugs were found hidden in banana boxes in a shipping container. <https://www.freshfruitportal.com/news/2025/04/23/colombian-authorities-make-major-cocaine-seizure/>

MOLDOVA

24.04.2025 During a joint operation with the Ukrainian authorities, law enforcers seized 150 thousand psychotropic pills worth about 2.5m lei. Ten people were detained, including those responsible for managing drug distribution network in Ukraine, IPN reported. Drugs were delivered to Moldova by mail from Kazakhstan. They were then transported to Otaci, and couriers from Ukraine picked up there. When attempting to transport a new shipment of psychotropic substances, the couriers were detained in Ukraine. Both countries have since conducted searches, resulting in the seizure of more than **150,000 tablets of psychotropic substances**, computers, cell phones, three vehicles used to transport the substances, and money allegedly derived from the crime. <https://ipn.md/ru/в-ходе-совместной-операции-с-украиной/>

NEW ZEALAND

28.04.2025 New Zealand Customs seized more than **90 kg of methamphetamine** in four abandoned bags at Auckland Airport. The first occurred after a flight from Malaysia landed around midnight on Saturday and customs officials found 50.2 kg of methamphetamine in two bags. The second case occurred in the early hours of Sunday morning. Border Guard officers found two backpacks and handed them over to Customs. Officers searched the bags and found 40.5 kilograms of methamphetamine. New Zealand Customs estimates that the two methamphetamine seizures had a street value of up to 34 million dollars and caused potential damage and loss to New Zealand of up to 95 million dollars. <https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/auckland-airport-customs-staff-seize-34-million-of-methamphetamine-within-12-hours/3ZUEDGQYL5E7BKOZJPPG3GGDJY/>

USA

21.04.2025 167 kg of methamphetamine was recovered and two people were arrested during dismantling of a methamphetamine laboratory in Hanford. The joint operation was conducted by the Kern County Sheriff's Office and several task forces, culminating in the drug seizure. The operation included search warrants at a clandestine methamphetamine processing laboratory located in the 8700 block of Jersey Avenue. The California Highway Patrol's Central K-9 Unit assisted in execution of search warrants. <https://kmpd.com/news/local/meth-lab-bust-in-hanford-leads-to-arrests-and-seizure-of-368-pounds-of-methamphetamine>

23.04.2025 U.S. Border Patrol agents dealt a major blow to drug trafficking in the region, seizing **45 kg of cocaine** worth nearly 3 million dollars in two major arrests that occurred hours apart at a checkpoint in South Texas. In the first case, agents conducting a checkpoint search used a K-9 detection team to examine a white Volkswagen sedan. Inside the vehicle, agents found 16 packages of cocaine, tightly concealed and weighing approximately 23 pounds. Border Patrol agents estimated the estimated street value of the seizure to be approximately 1.6 million dollars. Later that day, another vehicle, a Dodge Challenger, was sent for inspection. A thorough inspection discovered another 20 kg of cocaine concealed within the vehicle's structure, with an estimated street value of approximately 1.4 million dollars. <https://foxrgv.tv/cocaine-seizures-3m-in-drugs-confiscated-in-one-day-at-border-patrol-checkpoint/>

28.04.2025 San Joaquin County law enforcement officials announced the seizure of a large shipment of cocaine this week after intercepting a truck they tracked from the Mexican border to a residence in Tracy. On 22 April, San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office officials along with state and federal agencies stopped a truck carrying **189 kg of cocaine**. The truck was allowed to pull up to an apartment building on Coster Road, where agents then showed up and detained two suspects. Officials said authorities also seized more than **90 kg of marijuana** inside the home. <https://www.newsbreak.com/san-diego-post-314653203/3981469154709-california-authorities-seize-415-pounds-of-cocaine-in-massive-drug-bust>

30.04.2025 On 20 April, U.S. Customs and Border Protection intercepted **90 kg of cocaine** worth more than 3 million dollars at the Detroit-Windsor border crossing. Officers found two duffel bags concealed in the trailer of a vehicle containing a white powdery substance, and after testing, it was confirmed to be "cocaine." A Canadian man, the driver of the vehicle, was arrested and charged with possession with intent to distribute. The driver claimed that while transporting vegetables to Georgia, his truck broke down and he unknowingly picked up a trailer in Michigan that had drugs in it. <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/international/canada/cocaine-worth-over-3-million-seized-at-us-canada-border/articleshow/120782861.cms?from=mdr>

TÜRKIYE

22.04.2025 Türkiye Interior Minister Ali Yerlikaya announced that **801.5 kilograms of methamphetamine** were seized during a police operation in Istanbul. Two suspects were detained. In a statement released on social media, Yerlikaya specified that the operation was conducted in coordination with the Gaziosmanpaşa Chief Public Prosecutor's Office and the Anti-Narcotics Unit of the General Security Directorate. The Istanbul Anti-Narcotics Crime Directorate conducted the operation in the Arnavutköy district. Authorities seized a total of 773 kg of liquid methamphetamine in 29 separate containers, and 28.5 kg of crystalline methamphetamine. <https://www.turkiyetoday.com/turkiye/801-5-kilograms-of-meth-seized-in-major-drug-bust-in-istanbul-147923/>