

**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 1 to 10 May 2026, based on information from mass media law enforcement agencies and security structures of CARICC states seized **587.97 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: opium – 32 kg, cannabis-group drugs – 435 kg, synthetic drugs – 106.01 kg, and potent substances – 14.96 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	32	0	0	0	0	0
Cocaine	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cannabis group drugs	137.32	199.84	4.56	42.44	0	50.84
Synthetic drugs	7	1.77	0.09	97.1	0	0.05
Potent substances	0	0	0	14.96	0	0
Total	176.32	201.61	4.65	154.5	0	50.89

During the same period other countries around the world seized **56 tons and 675.2 kg of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including: heroin – 8 tons and 170 kg, cocaine – 40 tons and 349 kg, cannabis-group drugs – 7 tons and 130 kg, synthetic drugs – 829.72 kg, and potent substances – 196.49 kg.**

CARICC MEMBER STATES

AZERBAIJAN

01.05.2026 As a result of operations conducted by officers of the Bardinsky District Police Department, Mansur Mamedov and Amil Musaev, who are suspected of drug trafficking, were detained. During a search, **4.43 kg of hashish, 3.25 kg of marijuana, and 1 kg of opium** were found in their possession. In their statements, detainees claimed that they had purchased drugs, which had been smuggled into the country, with the intention of distributing in the Bardinsky district. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/operaciya-v-bardinskom-rajone-zaderzhany-dva-cheloveka-foto-video>

01.05.2026 Azerbaijani border guards foiled an attempt to smuggle 55.57 kg of drugs from Iran into Azerbaijan as a result of search and operational activities. The operations were conducted in service area of the "Goytepe" border detachment of the Border Command. According to the agency, **23.3 kg** were discovered and seized on 23 April at 17:25, and **32.27 kg of marijuana** were seized on 26 April. <https://oxu.az/ru/proisshestviya/presechena-popytka-vvoza-svyshe-55-kg-marihuany-iz-irana-v-azerbajdzhan-foto>

04.05.2026 During operations conducted in Baku by officers of the Directorate General for Combating Drugs of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Javid Zamanov, Ehtiram Abdullayev, and Ilkin Bakhshiyev were detained. They were found in possession of **71 kg of opium, marijuana** laced with harmful substances, and **13,000 methadone tablets**. It was established that the detainees were drug couriers acting on behalf of foreign drug traffickers. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/policejskaya-operaciya-v-baku-est-zaderzhannye-video>

05.05.2026 A large shipment of drugs was discovered in the Lerik district. Police officers prevented importation into the capital and distribution of a large quantity of narcotics and psychotropic substances that had been smuggled into the country. During an operation to combat drug trafficking conducted by officers of the Lerik District Police Department, 29-year-old Azer Velibekov, 30-year-old Zia Magherramzade, and 36-year-old A. Jabieva were detained. They were found to be in possession of **14 kg of marijuana and 4,490 methadone tablets**. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/operaciya-v-lerike-zaderzhany-tricheloveka-vklyuchaya-zhenshinu-video>

07.05.2026 During an operation conducted by officers of the Khazar District Police Department, 31-year-old Syanan Mukhtarov was detained on suspicion of drug trafficking. During a search, a total of **6.77 kg of hashish and marijuana** was found and seized from him. It was found that the detainee had acquired narcotics for the purpose of distribution. <https://1news.az/news/20260507130850830-V-Baku-zaderzhan-muzhchina-s-krupnoi-partiei-narkotikov>

07.05.2026 Railway police officers in the Khachmaz district found drugs on two individuals. As a result of joint operations conducted by officers from the Khachmaz District Police Department of the Railway Police Directorate, 59-year-old S. Sirajov and 37-year-old A. Hasanov, both of whom had prior convictions, were detained. A total of approximately **1 kg of marijuana** was found and seized. <https://news.day.az/society/1832992.html>

09.05.2026 Officers from the Surakhani District Police Department in Baku carried out another operation to combat drug trafficking, during which 43-year-old Hayal Zargarov, a man with a prior criminal record, was arrested. A total of **12.3 kg of marijuana** was seized. Investigation showed that the detainee had purchased drugs for the purpose of selling. <https://oxu.az/ru/kriminal/v-baku-u-byvshego-zaklyuchennogo-obnaruzhenno-12-kg-marihuany-video>

KAZAKHSTAN

04.05.2026 Police officers, in cooperation with the Border Service of the National Security Committee, foiled an attempt to smuggle a large shipment of drugs at Almaty International Airport. According to the Ministry of Internal Affairs, a 20-year-old foreign national was detained upon the arrival of a flight from Bangkok to Almaty. During a personal search, 12 plastic containers of **hashish oil** with a total weight of approximately **11 kg** were seized from the suspect. <https://tengrinews.kz/crime/aeroportu-almaty-zaderjali-inostrantsa-krupnoy-partiey-598468/>

05.05.2026 Police officers in the Zhambyl region conducted a series of successful special operations, resulting in the seizure of approximately 3 kilograms of drugs. Two suspects were detained: a retiree and a female passenger in a passenger car. The first incident occurred in the Merke district. During a warrant-authorized search of the home of a 64-year-old local resident, police discovered a cache. Inside was a bag containing a substance with a distinctive odor. Forensic analysis confirmed that the seized substance was **hashish**. The second incident occurred on a national highway. At the 238th kilometer of the Korday–Almaty highway patrol officers stopped a Toyota vehicle. While inspecting the passengers’ personal belongings, law enforcement officers noticed a bag of a 48-year-old woman. Inside were four carefully wrapped packages containing the same narcotic substance. Total weight of the “contraband” discovered during the two detentions amounted to approximately **3 kg**. <https://www.instagram.com/p/DX82A8MMox9/>

06.05.2026 Ministry of Internal Affairs is carrying out systematic efforts to combat drug trafficking. In Astana authorities shut down operations of a 32-year-old citizen of a European country who was acting as a “wholesale dealer.” A total of **1.5 kg of synthetic and cannabis-group drugs** were seized in a rented apartment before they could be distributed. <https://polisia.kz/ru/mvd-raskrylo-narkoshemy-s-uchastiem-inostrantsev/>

06.05.2026 Ministry of Internal Affairs is carrying out systematic efforts to combat drug trafficking. A 44-year-old citizen of an Eastern European country was detained in Almaty; **1.2 kg** of the synthetic drug “**A-PVP**” was seized. <https://polisia.kz/ru/mvd-raskrylo-narkoshemy-s-uchastiem-inostrantsev/>

06.05.2026 Police in Aktau stopped a 21-year-old woman from a neighboring country who was selling drugs via stashes. They seized **30 grams of “mephedrone”** before it could be sold. By doing so, they disrupted distribution channels and prevented the spread of drugs, including among young people. <https://polisia.kz/ru/mvd-raskrylo-narkoshemy-s-uchastiem-inostrantsev/>

06.05.2026 A case of illegal cultivation of narcotic substances was detected in Mangistau region. On 28 April, during an inspection of a private residence in a village in the Munaily district, two individuals were detained while attempting to dispose of plants resembling narcotic plants. During further investigative actions, operational-investigative team conducted a search, which led to the discovery of a specially equipped laboratory for growing narcotic plants in a farm building on the property. Grow lights, water filters, liquid fertilizers, electric generators, and cannabis plants were seized. In addition, packages containing a substance resembling a narcotic, electronic scales, drug consumption equipment, and a laptop were found in another outbuilding. Additional cultivated plants were also discovered on the property. According to expert analysis, total weight of the seized narcotics amounted to **30.84 kg of marijuana**. <https://polisia.kz/ru/laboratoriya-po-vyrashhivaniyu-narkoticheskikh-sredstv-likvidirovana-v-mangistauskoj-oblasti/>

08.05.2026 In early May police officers in the city of Semey dismantled a well-established drug trafficking network supplying cannabis-group drugs from the southern regions of the country following a series of investigative and special operations. During a search of the garage belonging to one of the suspects under investigation, a 35-year-old local resident, a particularly large shipment of **marijuana** weighing a total of **154 kg** was seized. Drugs were packed in large plastic bags for further distribution throughout the Abai region. <https://polisia.kz/ru/zhitel-semeya-prevratil-svoj-garazh-v-narkosklad-mvd-iz-yalo-154-kg-marihuany/>

10.05.2026 Shymkent police officers arrested a young man caught red-handed during a raid on suspicion of distributing synthetic drugs. During a search they found approximately **40 packets of psychotropic substances** in his possession prepared for further distribution. <https://ru.qaz365.kz/zakon-i-poryadok/20678-rasprostranial-narkotiki-i-razmeshchal-narkograffiti-politsiia-presekla-prestupnuiu-deiatelnost-v-shymkente/>

KYRGYZSTAN

06.05.2026 On 31 March, officers from CNS conducted searches at residences of M.U.N. (born in 1991), A.O.I. (born in 1980), and E.A.T. (born in 1978), during which they seized **2.21 kg of hashish**. Investigators believe that the detainees are members of an organized criminal group. <https://topnews.kg/proisshestviya/130824-video-obyskov-v-domah-u-podozrevaemyh-v-rasprostraneni-kрупnoj-partii-gashisha.html>

08.05.2026 In Bishkek officers from CNS detained a woman suspected of distributing synthetic drugs via so-called "stashers." On 5 May, during an operation anti-drug officers detained a woman born in 1988. During a personal search, they found 43 packets containing a synthetic narcotic substance on her. Additionally, based on the detainee's statements, they found locations of previously hidden "stashers," from which they seized another 50 packets. In total, law enforcement officers seized **93 packets** of narcotic substances. According to forensic analysis, the seized substances are **synthetic drugs**. <https://topnews.kg/proisshestviya/130934-v-bishkeke-zaderzhana-38-letnjaja-podozrevaemaja-v-rasprostraneni-narkotikov-cherez-zakladki.html>

10.05.2026 During an investigation into intelligence reports that T.K., born in 1977, was storing and selling narcotics at his home in the village of Zhani-Turmus, officers from the Chui District Internal Affairs Department went to the specified address and discovered and seized **2.26 kg of marijuana**. Later, during a search of A.A.'s home in the city of Tokmok, a brown substance with a characteristic odor, weighing a total of **94 grams**, was discovered; it is presumed to be **hashish**. <https://svodka.akipress.org/news:2463633?from=svodka&place=newstopic>

RUSSIA

04.05.2026 Officers from GU MVD of Russia in Moscow stopped activities of two Moscow residents. It was preliminarily found that criminals had set up a marijuana plantation on the grounds of a garage and construction cooperative in Moscow's Eastern Administrative District. Approximately **30 kg of marijuana** ready for sale, fertilizers, equipment, and packaging materials were discovered on the premises. Street value of the seized narcotics exceeds 45 million rubles. This quantity is sufficient to produce approximately 6,000 single doses. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/84794833/>

04.05.2026 Following implementation of intelligence information, officers from UMVD of Russia in the Penza Region detained two residents of the Belgorod region involved in drug trafficking. As a result of the operation, police officers discovered and seized more than five packages containing a dark-colored substance from stashers equipped by perpetrators in the Bessonovsky district of the Penza region. Chemical analysis showed that the substance was **hashish** weighing approximately **800 grams**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/84658560/>

04.05.2026 Officers from OMVD of Russia "Istrinsky" detained a Moscow resident suspected of drug trafficking. As a result of investigative operations, police determined that the suspect had set up a drug laboratory under remote direction of unknown supervisors. To produce illegal substances, he rented a house on Yablonevaya street in the city of Istra. During a search of the offender's residence, investigators discovered and seized a powdery substance, various containers with chemical liquids, as well as mixing equipment, glass flasks, scales, a vacuum pump, respirators, and protective clothing. According to expert report, part of the seized powder is a derivative of the narcotic substance **N-methylephedrone**, weighing over **15 kg**. The remainder of seized items will be examined as part of preliminary investigation. According to the detainee, he planned to sell finished product in the Moscow region through stashes. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/84791768/>

04.05.2026 Drug control officers from UMVD of Russia in Tver Region detained three drug dealers in Tver who were working for an online store. Investigators brought a man and two women to police station. One of the women was found to be carrying **86 packets of mephedrone**. In the apartment where all three lived, narcotics officers discovered five bags containing synthetic and herbal drugs with a total weight of over **200 grams**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/84814317/>

04.05.2026 Kazan police officers detained a drug courier who was planning to sell more than **2.5 kg of mephedrone**. 52-year-old local resident was detained in the Novo-Savinovsky district, and the man is suspected of drug trafficking. During a search of the vehicle the suspect was driving, officers found and seized a bag on the front seat containing two packages of mephedrone weighing 172.9 grams. During a search of his residence, law enforcement officers found and seized over 2.5 kilograms of "synthetics." Some of drugs were packaged in small bags, while the rest was stored in a plastic container. According to police, the suspect was a wholesale drug courier and planned to sell the entire shipment of illegal substance in Kazan. <https://kazanfirst.ru/news/kilogrammy-sintetiki-doma-i-svertki-v-mashine-v-kazani-zaderzhali-optovogo-narkokurera>

05.05.2026 Officers from UMVD of Russia in Korolyov, following an investigation, detained a 46-year-old local woman suspected of attempting to illegally sell controlled substances. During a search of the suspect's apartment, investigators discovered and seized more than **500 blister** packs of pills, as well as rough notes, envelopes, and bank cards. According to expert report, 40 tablets from four blister packs contain the potent substance **tramadol**. The remainder of the seized items has been sent for analysis. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/84869796/>

06.05.2026 While investigating reports that a man born in 1988 was involved in drug trafficking in the Samara region, law enforcement officers apprehended the suspect in Syzran. During a personal search, as well as searches of his vehicle and garage, police seized **1.8 kg of methylephedrone**. In addition, **500 grams of mephedrone** were found in stashes he had hidden in Togliatti. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/84946276/>

06.05.2026 Following analysis of intelligence and a series of investigative operations, officers from GU MVD of Russia in Moscow stopped a foreign-made vehicle. A search of the vehicle's interior resulted in the discovery and seizure of two packages containing a powdery substance weighing over **1.5 kg**. Driver and passenger of the vehicle, men from neighboring

countries, were detained. An analysis of a sample of the seized substance confirmed that it contained the narcotic drug **methadon**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/84916097/>

06.05.2026 Officers from OMVD of Russia in the Kireevsky District, during investigative operations, disrupted illegal activities related to unlawful possession of narcotics. According to preliminary data, a plant-based substance was discovered and seized at the residence of an unemployed local resident in the village of Krivoluchye. According to expert report, the seized items are parts of **cannabis** plants containing the narcotic substance tetrahydrocannabinol. Total weight of the drugs was **1.32 kg**, which constitutes a large quantity. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/84978740/>

06.05.2026 During an investigation, officers from the Drug Control Department of GU MVD of Russia in the Kemerovo Region—Kuzbass received information about an upcoming sale of a large shipment of synthetic drugs. Police officers planned a special operation and, within the Yurga municipal district, stopped an Audi driven by a resident of Kemerovo. Inside the vehicle investigators discovered and seized a bag containing five packages of synthetic drugs with a total weight of approximately **5 kg**. It was preliminarily established that the suspect found a criminal opportunity online, received the shipment of **synthetic drugs** via a contactless method, and was transporting prohibited substance for further distribution using a system of caches. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/84978730/>

06.05.2026 An investigation is underway in the Lipetsk region into illegal activities of two relatives linked to trafficking of synthetic drugs. The suspects were detained in mid-April of this year at the 461st kilometer of the M-4 “Don” federal highway. During a search of the vehicle in which the relatives were traveling, police discovered packages containing **methadone and mephedrone** with a total weight of approximately **1 kg** under the bottom of the rear seat. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/84970612/>

06.05.2026 Officers from GUT MVD of Russia detained a 36-year-old man who had set up a synthetic drug production operation. It was found that previously convicted suspect had organized a clandestine drug laboratory in a private home in the Ardatovsky district of the Nizhny Novgorod region. During a search of the property, police discovered a chemical reactor, 40 containers ranging in size from 5 to 65 liters filled with a chemical liquid, 37 bags containing a crystalline substance with a total weight of over **37 kg**, and equipment for production and packaging of illicit substances. Test results confirmed that the seized powders contained the narcotic substance **PVP**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/85003408/>

06.05.2026 Operatives from GU MVD of Russia in the Chelyabinsk Region detained two men, born in 2000 and 2002, in the Etkulsky district. Approximately 700 grams of a **synthetic narcotic substance** were discovered and seized; the substance was intended for further distribution via contactless methods using stashes in the Southern Urals. During further investigations, police found 170-gram packets containing a powdery substance that the suspects had placed in stashes in the Sovetsky district of Chelyabinsk shortly before their arrest. In addition, another 117 similar packages, as well as electronic scales and packaging materials, were found in the apartment they rented in the regional center. Total weight of drugs seized was approximately **1 kg**. <https://mgorsk.ru/text/gorod/2026/05/06/76405490/>

07.05.2026 A large drug laboratory was raided in Nizhny Novgorod. It was found that a 37-year-old man from Vyksa had purchased a garage in the Nizhegorodsky district. There, he manufactured and stored a particularly large amount of mephedrone. Law enforcement officers seized equipment, two refrigerators, packaging materials, precursors, and the synthesized drug. According to FSB, more than **3 kg of mephedrone** was discovered. His employer hired him to set up the laboratory and synthesize drug from materials obtained through secret stashes. <https://www.vgoroden.ru/novosti/krupnuyu-narkolaboratoriyu-nakryli-v-garazhe-v-nizhnem-novgorode-id430980>

07.05.2026 At the Shumilkino border crossing, Pskov customs officials discovered nearly **10 kg of hashish** in a passenger car traveling from Berlin to Moscow. Drugs were concealed in the spare tire. A total of 108 bricks, wrapped in foil and plastic film, were seized. The shipment is estimated to be worth up to 20 million rubles on black market. The driver, a Lithuanian citizen, stated that he was supposed to deliver the cargo to an unknown man. A 50-year-old Russian man was detained while receiving drugs near a Moscow hotel; according to investigators, he was supposed to transport it further for a fee. <https://news.ru/regions/tamozhenniki-nashli-v-zapasnom-kolese-avtomobilya-10-kg-gashisha>

07.05.2026 A 41-year-old resident of the Kemerovo region who worked as a drug courier was detained in the Novosibirsk region. The man responded to an ad on a messaging app, communicated with an anonymous contact person, and on 29 April drove his personal car to the Novosibirsk region for a “workshop.” His car was stopped by traffic police officers in the Kochenevsky district. In the trunk, inside a pair of rubber boots, they found four vacuum-sealed packages. An analysis showed that they contained **mephedrone** with a total weight of about **2 kg**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/85050813/>

07.05.2026 Officers from GU MVD of Russia in Krasnodar Krai put a stop to illegal activities of eight members of an organized group. They are suspected of trafficking in potent substances. It was preliminarily established that perpetrators had set up a commercial organization in Sochi. Through this organization and pharmacy chains under their control, they organized over-the-counter sale of medications containing substances prohibited from free distribution. During searches, investigators seized **32,700 blister packs and 500 vials of medications**, cash in rubles and foreign currency, computer equipment, documents, and other items of evidentiary value. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/85057082/>

07.05.2026 A local resident has been arrested in Nizhny Novgorod. He found a side job through a messaging app — his employer tasked him with setting up a laboratory to synthesize drugs from precursors obtained through hidden stashes. The man rented a garage in the Nizhegorodsky district, where he set up a fully equipped laboratory: during a search, police seized **5 containers** of the substance, 46 canisters of liquid, a glass flask, a furnace, a pump, a distiller, laboratory equipment, two refrigerators, and packaging materials. An analysis confirmed that the substance in one of the containers was **mephedrone**. <https://мвд.рф/news/item/85058306/>

07.05.2026 Officers from UMVD of Russia in Ryazan Region received information that members of an organized criminal group, posing as an online store in the dark web, were preparing to ship a large consignment of illegal substances to the region. Acting preemptively, officers from the UMVD’s Anti-Narcotics Department conducted a special operation in Rybnovsky district. At the border with the Moscow region police stopped a car traveling toward Ryazan and detained the 43-year-old driver, a resident of the Nizhny Novgorod

region. After thoroughly searching the foreign-made vehicle, investigators discovered four packages behind the back of the rear seat, containing numerous small bundles of powdery and plant-based substances. According to expert conclusion, **138 grams of an N-methylephedrone derivative, 45 grams of mephedrone, 14 grams of hexahydrocannabinol, and 9 grams of marijuana** were seized—a total of more than 206 grams of drugs. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/85072341/>

07.05.2026 Officers from Directorate General of Criminal Investigation of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs, in collaboration with colleagues from the Ramenskoye District Department of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs, detained a previously convicted resident of Ramenskoye on suspicion of drug trafficking following an investigative operation near the village of Ugryumovo in the Domodedovo municipal district. During a search of the area, police discovered a hiding place containing 13 packages of a powdery substance weighing approximately 10 kg. In addition, six containers with a light-colored substance weighing approximately 1 kg were found in the man's apartment. According to expert report, the seized substance is **ephedrone** weighing more than **10 kg**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/85075406/>

07.05.2026 Officers from UMVD of Russia in Novokuznetsk received intelligence indicating that a married couple was involved in illegal sale of drugs. During the course of investigative operations, police officers detained a resident of Osinniki and his wife, who had a prior criminal record. Police officers discovered a package containing a narcotic substance near the suspects' residence. According to forensic report, the seized substance was **methadone** weighing approximately **400 grams**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/85073867/>

07.05.2026 Officers from UNK MVD in the Udmurt Republic detained an unemployed local woman in the entrance of an apartment building in Izhevsk on suspicion of drug trafficking. During a search of the apartment she rented, investigators discovered a large number of containers and bags containing **narcotics and psychotropic substances** with a total weight of over **6 kg**. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/85075641/>

07.05.2026 While on patrol, traffic police officers from DPS UMVD of Russia in Ulyanovsk noticed a suspicious, poorly dressed young man. During a personal search, they seized 19 packets containing **mephedrone** and "salt" weighing over **290 grams**. The detainee was found to be an unemployed resident of Ulyanovsk. During a search of his home, police found electronic scales, packaging, over **300 grams of hashish, over 570 grams of "salt," and 73 small packets** containing packaged "salt." The young man explained that he does not use drugs but works as a packer for an online store: he picked up wholesale shipments, packaged them at home, and set up stashes around the city. <https://мвд.пф/news/item/85054205/>

09.05.2026 In April operatives from the FSB Directorate for the Voronezh Region shut down two major interregional drug trafficking networks at once. More than **3 kg** were found in personal car of a 38-year-old "dealer" in the Ramonsky district, and more than **1 kg** were found with a group in Voronezh—two young men aged 19 and 22 and their 22-year-old girlfriend. All were caught red-handed. They had retrieved **mephedrone** from stashes; their next task was to sell it. <https://voronezh1.ru/text/criminal/2026/05/09/76412721/>

UZBEKISTAN

01.05.2026 Officers from the Ministry of Internal Affairs, in collaboration with personnel from the State Security Service and the Customs Committee, carried out operational and preventive measures as part of the "Kora Dori-2026" program. During these operations, a man born in 1964 with a prior criminal record was detained in the Shakhrisabz district of Kashkadarya region. It is reported that the man was transporting **45.77 kg** of the narcotic substance "**hashish**" for further distribution. During investigation it was established that in 2008 the suspect organized a transnational criminal group that periodically engaged in supply of narcotic substances to the territory of Uzbekistan. <https://upl.uz/incidents/62590-news.html>

05.05.2026 Officers from the Ministry of Internal Affairs, in conjunction with personnel from the State Security Service and the Tashkent City Customs Administration, conducted a special operation in the Tashkent region. During the operation the home of a resident of the Tashkent district was searched, resulting in the discovery of 10 cans and 1 bag containing narcotic substances. A total of **4.46 kg** of the narcotic substance "**marijuana**" was identified and seized. <https://upl.uz/incidents/62715-news.html>

06.05.2026 Law enforcement officers conducted preventive operations in the Bektemir district of the capital. During the operation, a man and a woman were identified who were distributing stashes of narcotics from hiding places. The incident occurred in the Abay neighborhood. The suspects were found to be carrying **36 packages**. In addition, another **18 packages of drugs** were discovered and seized, which the suspects had already managed to hide in secret stashes throughout the district. <https://upl.uz/incidents/62763-news.html>

08.05.2026 Officers from the Ministry of Internal Affairs, in conjunction with personnel from the State Security Service and the Prosecutor's Office, conducted a special operation in the Almazari district of Tashkent. During the operation, a man's temporary residence was searched, where **50 packages** of the narcotic substance "**hashish**," ready for distribution, were found. Based on his testimony, a search was also conducted at the residence of an accomplice, where approximately **50 grams** of narcotic substances were found. <https://upl.uz/incidents/62795-news.html>

10.05.2026 Officers from the Ministry of Internal Affairs, in conjunction with State Security Service personnel, conducted a special operation in the Fergana region. During the operation, a woman from the Rishan district, born in 2001, was detained while attempting to sell **510 grams** of the narcotic substance "**hashish**." The woman planned to earn 83 million soums for this quantity of drugs. <https://upl.uz/incidents/62864-news.html>

OTHER COUNTRIES

AFGHANISTAN

03.05.2026 Large-scale anti-drug operations are continuing in Afghanistan. According to the IANS news agency, on 3 May 2026, the country's anti-drug forces seized a large shipment of drugs in the southern province of Helmand. During the raid, approximately **8,170 kg of**

heroin were confiscated, along with materials used in processing and production of illicit substances. In addition, in the province of Nimroz in western Afghanistan, law enforcement officers discovered and seized **55 kg of methamphetamine**.
<https://www.thehawk.in/news/world/police-seize-large-quantity-of-narcotics-in-southern-afghanistan>

HAITI

05.05.2026 U.S. Coast Guard handed over approximately **1.4 tons of marijuana** to the Haitian National Police, marking the fourth major drug seizure in the country in less than a month. A vessel carrying the cargo, which was traveling along the Mole-Saint-Nicolas route, was intercepted on 30 April 2026. Total weight of seized drugs was 1,376 kilograms, valued at approximately 3.8 million dollars. A Jamaican national was detained during the operation. All evidence and suspect were handed over to Haitian authorities for further investigation. This incident underscores Haiti's growing role as a transit hub for drug trafficking from South and Central America to markets in North America and Europe, a trend facilitated by lax controls along its extensive coastline. <https://haitiantimes.com/2026/05/05/us-coast-guard-hands-over-drug-haiti-police/>

INDIA

01.05.2026 In one of the largest anti-drug intelligence operations in recent years, the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) seized **349 kg** of high-quality **cocaine** worth 1,745 crore rupees, dismantling an alleged transnational drug trafficking network operating across Mumbai and its surrounding logistics corridor. The operation, codenamed "White Strike," followed more than six months of continuous intelligence gathering and surveillance. <https://www.deccanherald.com/india/maharashtra/narcotics-control-bureau-seizes-349-kg-cocaine-worth-rs-1745-crore-in-mumbai-3987624>

SPAIN

05.05.2026 Spanish police seized a record shipment of **cocaine** in the Atlantic Ocean, estimated to weigh up to **40 tons**. This is the largest seizure in the country's history and one of the largest in the world. A ship, literally packed with drugs and intercepted in international waters off the Canary Islands, was en route from Freetown, capital of Sierra Leone, to Benghazi in Libya. About 20 people accompanying the cargo were arrested. The AUGC suspects that organizers planned to transfer drugs to smaller vessels for distribution in Europe and is investigating the possibility that the operation was coordinated through international networks. <https://oxu.az/ru/v-mire/policiya-ispaini-zaderzhala-rekordnuyu-partiyu-kokaina-foto>

MALAYSIA

04.05.2026 Officers from Royal Malaysian Customs at the port of Sepanggar (Sabah) foiled a major drug smuggling attempt. The shipment, declared as "beverages," was found to contain **305.72 kg of methamphetamine** (shabu). Total value of the seized drugs, found in 15 boxes inside a container that arrived from the port of Klang, is estimated at more than 15 million Malaysian ringgit. The operation took place on 22 April 2026 during a routine

inspection. <https://www.thevibes.com/articles/news/122586/customs-foils-rm15-million-drug-smuggling-bid-at-sabah-port-using-false-drink-declaration>

NIGERIA

01.05.2026 Officers from the Nigeria Customs Service seized a large shipment of drugs found inside vehicles imported from Canada. Total weight of the seized **cannabis** amounted to **4.7 tons**. The contraband was hidden in secret compartments and caches inside the vehicles, which had arrived by sea. The operation was one of the largest in the region in recent times. According to the agency, cargo was carefully packaged to avoid detection by customs scanners. <https://leadership.ng/customs-intercept-4-7-tonnes-of-cannabis-in-imported-cars-from-canada/>

03.05.2025 Nigerian Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) seized **76,440 tramadol tablets** during a nationwide operation along the northern borders. Two operations stand out in particular: in Kaduna State, **290 kg of cannabis** were intercepted on the Abuja–Jos highway (suspects were arrested), and a record **740 kg** of skunk (**marijuana**) were confiscated at the Avolowo Market in Lagos. <https://opitanglobalmedia.com/ndlea-arrests-octogenarians-seizes-large-dru/>

USA

07.05.2026 In Houston, Texas, during a routine traffic stop, Houston Police Department (HPD) officers discovered and seized a shipment of **methamphetamine** weighing a total of **469 kg** (1,033 pounds). Drugs were concealed in a secret compartment (false panel) of a trailer, where 396 kg (873 pounds) were found. An armed suspect, whose identity has not been disclosed, was arrested at the scene. The investigation continued, and a search of the suspect's home uncovered an additional 73 kg (160 pounds) of methamphetamine. In addition to HPD, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and the Harris County Sheriff's Office participated in the operation. <https://www.click2houston.com/news/local/2026/05/07/over-1k-pounds-of-meth-seized-in-houston-area-after-officers-find-hidden-compartment-on-trailer-during-traffic-stop/>

TÜRKİYE

08.05.2026 A large-scale operation targeting drug production and trafficking was carried out in Istanbul, resulting in the seizure of approximately 1 million narcotic pills and a large shipment of counterfeit goods. The operation was coordinated by the Bakırköy Chief Prosecutor's Office and anti-drug units in the Bayrampaşa and Güngören districts, as well as in a single vehicle. As a result, six suspects were detained. During searches, **181.2 kg** of red-and-white capsules containing **pregabalin**, 150 kg of tablet-making materials, and five production machines were seized. Law enforcement officials estimate that seized materials could have yielded approximately 1 million narcotic tablets. <https://caliber.az/post/v-turcii-izyali-million-narkoticheskikh-tabletok>