



# What's in Reno's Drug Supply?

## Summary - November/December 2025



What the Cut is a free, anonymous, **drug checking program** that analyzes tiny samples of drugs or residue to understand what's actually in them.



Since 2024, we have analyzed **91 samples** from Washoe County.

### November/December Results



24 samples with results

#### Samples were believed to be:

- Methamphetamine (13)
- Fentanyl (7)
- Cocaine (3)
- Cannabis (1)\*

\*Sample brought for testing after causing unexpected effects.



### What did we see?



#### Of **13** expected meth samples:

- 9/13 had only methamphetamine
- 2/13 had meth and related drugs
- 1/13 had meth and cocaine
- 1/13 had only cocaine

#### Of **7** expected fentanyl samples:

- 2/7 had only fentanyl
- 2/7 had no identifiable substances
- 2/7 had fentanyl and other drugs
- 1/7 had only methamphetamine

#### Of **3** expected cocaine samples:

- 3/3 had only cocaine

A cannabis sample\* had cannabidiol, cocaine, nicotine, and THC

**14 of 24 (53%)** of winter's samples showed only the expected drug.

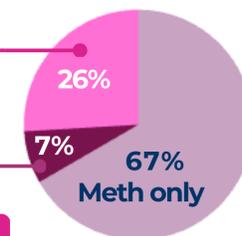
### A look at 2025's samples:

#### Of **27** methamphetamine samples:

- 18 (**67%**) had only methamphetamine.
- 7 (**26%**) had meth with other substances
- Two (**7%**) had no meth and instead had cocaine (1) or fentanyl (1).

#### Meth and other drugs\*\*

#### No meth found



In the 26% of samples that contained meth and other substances,

fentanyl (3/5), lidocaine (a cut) (2/5), and N,N-DMA (meth byproducts) (2/5) were found most often and in the largest amounts.

Xylazine, carfentanil, and cocaine were less common and found in smaller amounts.

We also saw cuts of quinine and sweeteners (erythritol and mannitol).

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# A Closer Look

## What is drug seizure data?

In addition to individual sample results, data from state agencies helps us see a larger picture of Nevada's drug supply.

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Information on treatment, naloxone, and test strips:

[behavioralhealthnv.org](http://behavioralhealthnv.org)  
[988lifeline.org](http://988lifeline.org)



## Why seizure data?

We use data to give us context about what drugs have been seized in Northern Nevada counties.

Data about drugs seized / tested by law enforcement helps us make sense of changes in drug contents over time.

Although seizure data has many limitations, it can tell us more about:

What's missing in your area?



What does law enforcement report when they seize drugs?

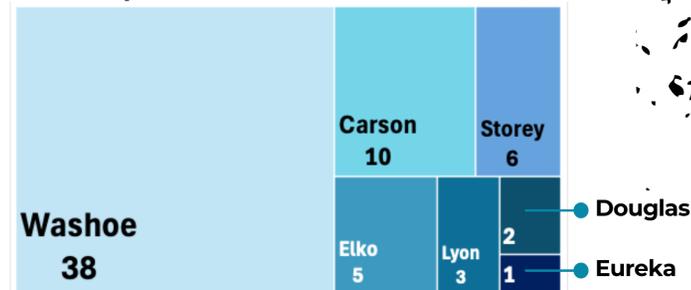
While no source of drug related data is free from bias or error, seizure data tells us what law enforcement report if they test the drugs they confiscate.

To show how we'll share this data in future alerts, we included seizure data from last winter (10-12/2024).

## What's been seized?

From 10/1/2024 – 1/1/2025, 118 seizures were reported, most commonly methamphetamine (65) and fentanyl (25).

### Methamphetamine seized 10/2024 – 12/2024



### Fentanyl seized 10/2024 – 12/2024

