

## 50 MILLION DOSES IN 2025: Attorney General Sunday Credits Collaboration for Historic Progress in Stopping Fentanyl Traffickers

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PHILADELPHIA — Attorney General Dave Sunday, along with law enforcement and community leaders across Pennsylvania, announced efforts to halt fentanyl trafficking have resulted in a record amount of fentanyl seizures by the Office of Attorney General in 2025.

Through September, the Office of Attorney General's Bureau of Narcotics Investigation seized more than **50 million doses** of fentanyl statewide. The seizures happened during the course of investigations when arrests were typically made, as well as recoveries of other drugs and firearms possessed illegally.

Attorney General Sunday joined partners in public announcements this week in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, where the majority of the fentanyl was seized.

"We are not claiming victory with this record number of fentanyl seizures — we are sending a message to the predatory dealers perpetrating this flow of deadly fentanyl into our communities," Attorney General Sunday said. "That message is: your days are numbered. I am a strong proponent of treatment and recovery options that provide second chances for those who embrace help, but I am also a firm believer in stopping the flow of deadly poisons with aggressive enforcement and prosecution efforts."

Nearly 27 million doses were seized in the greater Philadelphia area. Philadelphia is a source city for nearly every county in Pennsylvania, as well as parts of New Jersey, Delaware, and Maryland.

Notable fentanyl investigations in the Philadelphia area are HERE.

About 18 million doses have been seized in the greater Pittsburgh area, where Attorney General Sunday appeared Monday with partners.

Notable fentanyl investigations in the Pittsburgh area are <u>HERE</u>.

While most of the fentanyl has been seized in metropolitan areas, Office of Attorney General investigations are happening in other parts of the state.

In September, Melissa Woodling was charged in connection with more than 200 grams of fentanyl — more than 100,000 doses — that were seized in Blair and Clearfield counties.

In all, through September, the Office of Attorney General has seized more than 220 pounds of fentanyl, which has taken the place of heroin as the opioid of choice for drug traffickers. Fentanyl is much more potent and dangerous than heroin, with only 2 milligrams qualifying a potentially lethal dose.

Fentanyl's potency, availability, and low cost makes it a desired product for drug traffickers.

"I want to thank all of our partners who will not relent in this fight, and I applaud the police officers on the streets every day making vehicle stops and serving warrants as part of this collaborative mission. Those officers are encountering dangerous individuals with unknown intentions — to those officers, I say, your sacrifices do not go unnoticed," Attorney General Sunday said.

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