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Counterfeit Pills Seized in North Carolina

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Overview of Counterfeit Pills Seized in North Carolina

Counterfeit pills manufactured to look visually identical to legitimate prescription pills like oxycodone, alprazolam, amphetamine, hydrocodone, hydromorphone, and phentermine, but often containing lethal doses of synthetic drugs, have become a major threat. Drugs in pill form can be easier to sell and use, and since they are primarily sold through social media and e-commerce platforms, they are easily accessible to younger populations and are responsible for an increasing number of overdose fatalities.

Illicit fentanyl is the dominant ingredient in these counterfeit pills, and methamphetamine, xylazine, nitazenes, and benzodiazepines are frequently identified. DEA laboratory analyses estimate that in fiscal year 2025 approximately 29% of counterfeit pills with fentanyl contained a deadly dose (approximately 2 mg) and the average counterfeit pill contained 1.58 mg of fentanyl based on samples analyzed, down from a high of 2.47 mg in fiscal year 2023. Counterfeit pills now represent nearly half (49%) of all illicit fentanyl seized by the DEA, up from just 10% in 2017.

This report provides data about the counterfeit pill types seized in North Carolina between January 1, 2024, and December 31, 2025. (Pills seized within this time frame but not lab tested by December 31, 2025, are not counted.) Each pill type occupies its own page, and they are presented in order from those with the largest number seized within this time frame to those with the smallest number seized within this time frame.

The threshold for including a pill type in this report is that it must have been seized at least ten separate times nationwide and laboratory testing must have confirmed that at least 50% of the pills seized are counterfeit. Note that, in most states, counterfeit M|30 oxycodone pills are ranked number one and account for 85% of all pills submitted to DEA laboratories.

The data provided for each pill type includes the total number seized and analyzed by DEA laboratories during the time frame, the percentage that were determined to be counterfeit in laboratory testing, and the most identified licit and illicit ingredients.



M | 30

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the M | 30 pill contains 30 mg of Oxycodone

291.5 K identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

99.99% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **70.41%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
Fentanyl	87.76%
Lidocaine	66.64%
BTMPS	65.46%
Acetaminophen	18.20%
Caffeine	6.62%
Xylazine	4.59%
Methorphan	3.00%
Heroin	2.67%
Dimethyl Sulfone	2.67%
p-Fluorofentanyl	2.12%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
Fentanyl; BTMPS; Lidocaine	59.20%
Fentanyl	9.99%
Fentanyl; Caffeine; Lidocaine	6.58%
Fentanyl; Acetaminophen	4.26%
Fentanyl; Acetaminophen; Xylazine	3.78%
Acetaminophen; Heroin; Methorphan	2.67%
BTMPS	2.47%
Acetaminophen; BTMPS	2.07%
Acetaminophen	1.92%
o-Methyl Fentanyl	1.11%
Other	5.96%



T 189

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the T 189 pill contains 30 mg of Oxycodone

21.7 K identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **5.24%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
Fentanyl	91.15%
Acetaminophen	53.51%
BTMPS	48.95%
Lidocaine	48.95%
p-Fluorofentanyl	11.68%
Dimethyl Sulfone	6.83%
Xylazine	4.94%
No Substances Identified	4.89%
Protonitazene	1.11%
Methamphetamine	0.96%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
Fentanyl; Acetaminophen; BTMPS; Lidocaine	48.43%
Fentanyl	25.53%
Fentanyl; p-Fluorofentanyl	11.68%
No Substances Identified	4.89%
Acetaminophen; Dimethyl Sulfone	3.97%
Fentanyl; Dimethyl Sulfone; Xylazine	2.87%
Fentanyl; Acetaminophen; Protonitazene; Xylazine	1.11%
Fentanyl; Methamphetamine; Xylazine	0.96%
Fentanyl; BTMPS; Caffeine; Lidocaine; Methorphan	0.52%
Fentanyl; Caffeine; MDMA; Phenyltetrahydroimidazothiazole	0.04%



AD | 30

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the AD | 30 pill contains 30 mg of Amphetamine

20.8 K identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **5.05%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
Caffeine	100.00%
Methamphetamine	100.00%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
Methamphetamine; Caffeine	100.00%



XANAX | 2

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the XANAX | 2 pill contains 2 mg of Alprazolam

2,469 identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **0.60%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
Phenazolam	100.00%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
Phenazolam	100.00%



A 215

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the A 215 pill contains 30 mg of Oxycodone

2,193 identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **0.53%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
BTMPS	90.61%
Diphenhydramine	81.85%
Fentanyl	18.15%
Acetaminophen	9.30%
Xylazine	8.85%
Lidocaine	8.76%
Acetyl Fentanyl	0.55%
Ketamine	0.55%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
BTMPS; Diphenhydramine	81.85%
Fentanyl; Xylazine	8.85%
Fentanyl; Acetaminophen; BTMPS; Lidocaine	8.76%
Fentanyl; Acetaminophen; Acetyl Fentanyl; Ketamine	0.55%



b 974 | 30

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the b 974 | 30 pill contains 30 mg of Amphetamine

859 identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

97.32% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **0.21%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills		Drug Combinations Identified in Pills	
Drug	% Pills	Drug Combination	% Pills
Methamphetamine	100.00%	Methamphetamine	100.00%

**V | 2090**

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the V | 2090 pill contains 2 mg of Alprazolam

438 identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **0.11%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
Bromazolam	77.17%
Phenazolam	22.83%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
Bromazolam	77.17%
Phenazolam	22.83%



S903

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the S903 pill contains 2 mg of Alprazolam

229 identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **0.06%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills		Drug Combinations Identified in Pills	
Drug	% Pills	Drug Combination	% Pills
Bromazolam	100.00%	Bromazolam	100.00%



B707

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the B707 pill contains 2 mg of Alprazolam

213 identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **0.05%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
Bromazolam	88.26%
Etizolam	11.74%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
Bromazolam	88.26%
Etizolam	11.74%



R P | 10

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the R P | 10 pill contains 10 mg of Oxycodone

61 identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **0.01%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
Methamphetamine	100.00%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
Methamphetamine	100.00%



R039

Note: The legitimate pharmaceutical version of the R039 pill contains 2 mg of Alprazolam

28 identical pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

100% of these seized pills were determined to be counterfeit by DEA laboratories

They account for **0.01%** of all pills seized in North Carolina 01/01/24 – 12/31/25

Drugs Identified in Pills

Drug	% Pills
Bromazolam	100.00%

Drug Combinations Identified in Pills

Drug Combination	% Pills
Bromazolam	100.00%