The manufacture and trafficking of amphetamine in Western and Central Europe is intraregional and amphetamine constitutes the most important ATS in terms of quantities seized. In 2015, countries in that subregion identified only countries within the same subregion as the origin of their amphetamine seizures, with six countries reporting the Netherlands as a country of origin and five reporting Poland.\(^{30}\)

Amphetamine manufacture has been reported in a number of countries in Europe. In the period 2014-2015, amphetamine laboratories were discovered in Austria, Belgium, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and Sweden. The largest number of amphetamine laboratories dismantled was in Belgium (14) and in Germany (13), but the Netherlands also reported a large number of laboratories dismantled.\(^{31}\) Most amphetamine laboratories discovered in Western and Central Europe in the period 2014-2015 were small-scale, with the exception of those in Belgium, Poland and Sweden, where some were also medium-sized. P-2-P is the primary precursor used for the manufacture of amphetamine in Europe, and in recent years the emergence of a pre-precursor to P-2-P, namely alpha-phenylacetoacetonitrile (APAAN), has been seen in a number of countries. Since its international scheduling in 2013, increased seizures of APAAN have been reported, including 5.4 tons in Belgium, more than 1 ton in Estonia and 180 kg in Lithuania. A total of 43.5 tons were seized in 2013, and while seizures decreased in 2014, 11 tons of the substance were seized, including 5.1 tons seized in Germany, 3 tons seized in the Netherlands and 2 tons seized in Bulgaria. Seizures of APAAN continued to decrease in 2015, with slightly more than 1.5 tons in total being reported by five countries.\(^{32}\)

There has been a recent surge in amphetamine seizures in Central America. In 2015, around 25 per cent of global amphetamine seizures were in that region, increasing from 1.5 tons in 2014 to 12.7 tons in 2015. This large increase in amphetamine seizures is almost entirely attributable to the increase

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30 These countries include Austria, Czechia, Denmark, Poland and Sweden.

31 The Netherlands reported the dismantling of a total of 59 "ecstasy"/amphetamine laboratories in 2015. Disaggregated figures by manufactured drug were not available.