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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – May 17, 2020

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Sunday, May 17, 2020, DHHS announced 41 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 3,596 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed in New Hampshire. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there is one individual under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 37% being female and 63% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (9), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (6), Carroll (3), Belknap (2), Strafford (2), and Merrimack (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (13) and Nashua (4). The county of residence is being determined for one new case.

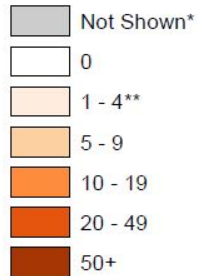
Twelve new hospitalized cases were identified for a total of 359 (10%) of 3,596 cases. Seven of the new cases have no identified risk factors. Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Most of the remaining cases have either had travel to domestic or international locations or have had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

DHHS has also announced one additional death related to COVID-19 in an adult female from Hillsborough County who was 60 years of age or older. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

Total Current COVID-19 Cases in New Hampshire as of 5/17/2020 (n=2,156)

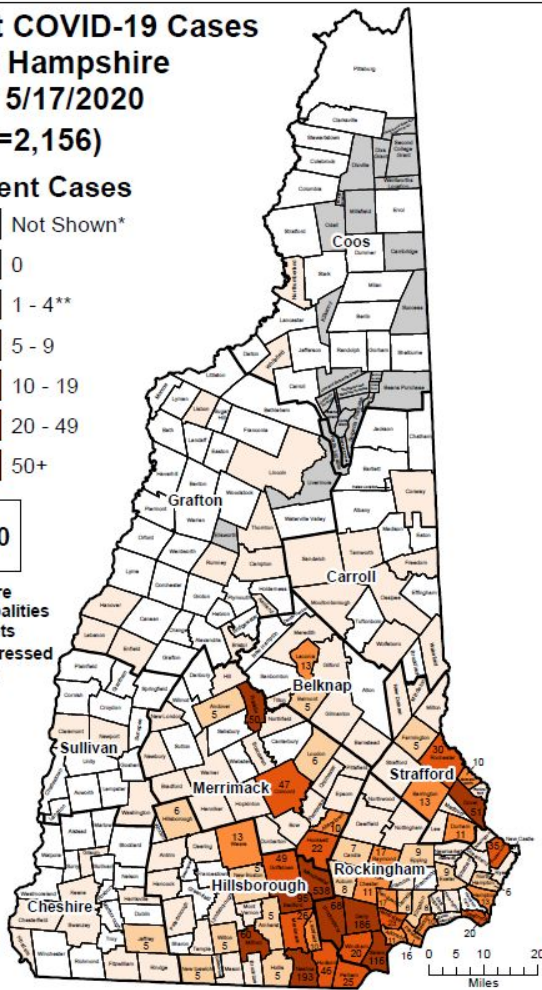
Current Cases



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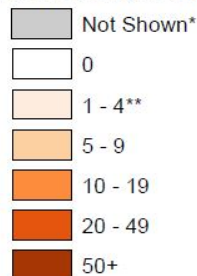
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COVID-19 in New Hampshire Positive Test Results 3/1/2020 - 5/17/2020 (n=3,596)

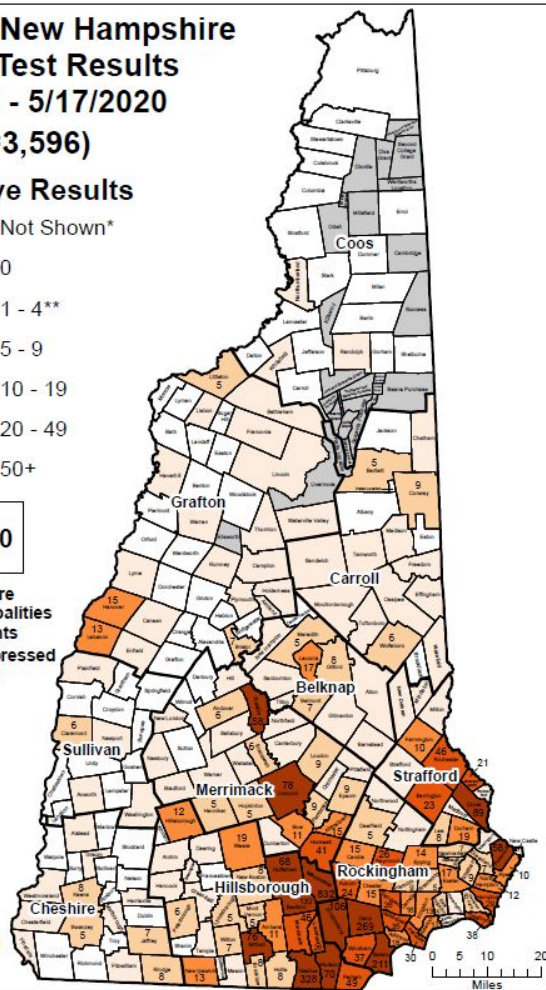
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New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (data updated May 17, 2020, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19 ₁	3,596
Recovered	1,268 (35%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	172 (5%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	2,156
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	359 (10%)
Current Hospitalizations	114
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	44,878
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	5,839
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	16,862
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	1,481
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	3,625

County	Cases
Belknap	53
Carroll	44
Cheshire	47
Coos	4
Grafton	61
Hillsborough - Other	587
Hillsborough - Manchester	832
Hillsborough - Nashua	328
Merrimack	278
Rockingham	1104
Strafford	232
Sullivan	16
County TBD	10
Grand Total	3596

₁Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

₂Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

₃Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

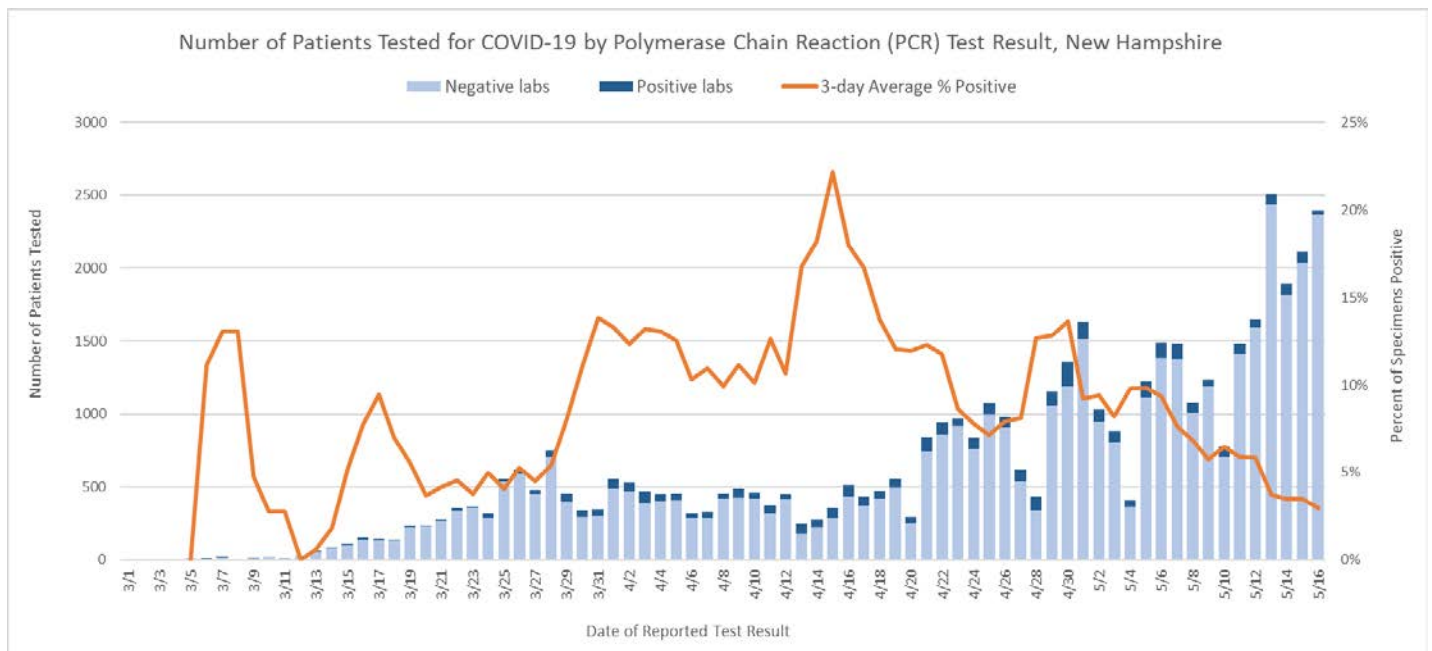
Number of Specimens Tested by Date of Report to NH DHHS

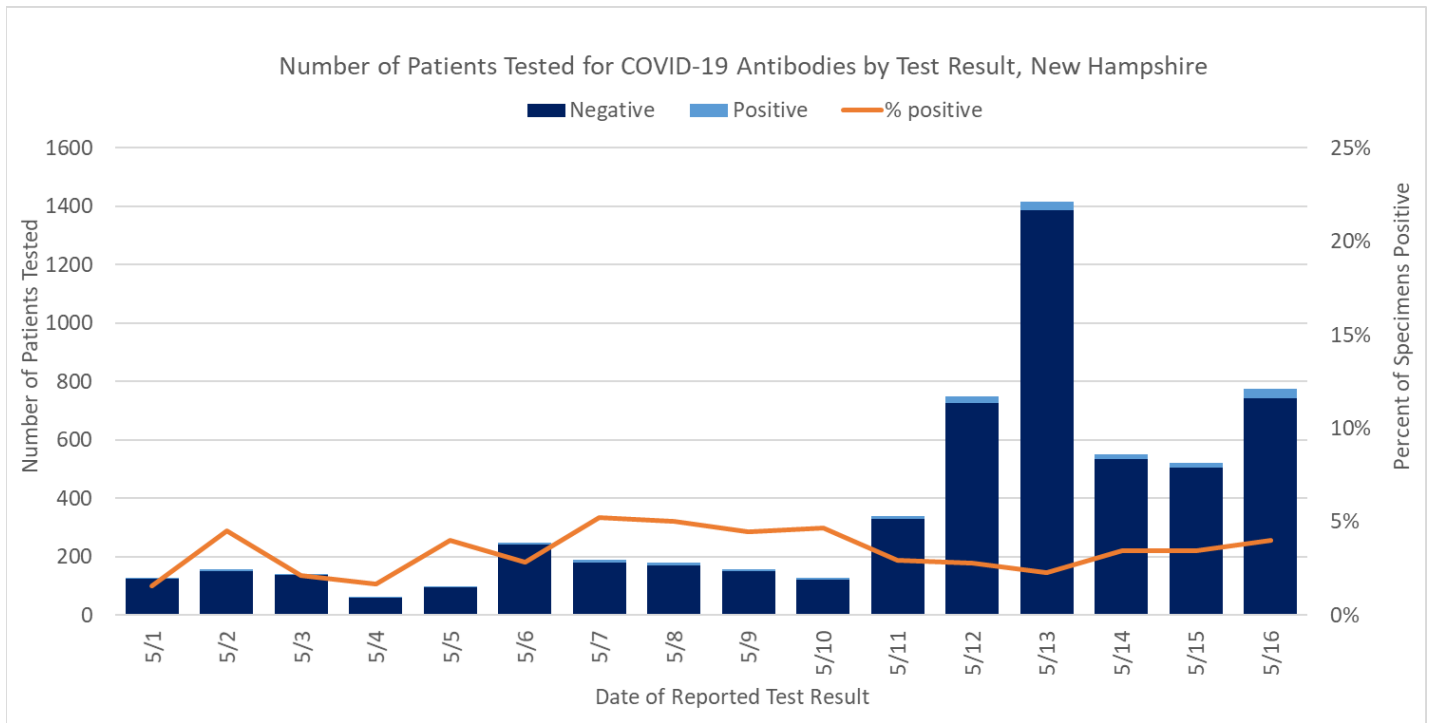
Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	5/10	5/11	5/12	5/13	5/14	5/15	5/16	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	263	245	308	443	344	537	697	405
LabCorp	n/a**	618	131	536	406	933	588	535
Quest Diagnostics	214	518	903	1240	674	304	816	667
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	207	31	97	96	326	185	268	173
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	86	49	177	156	105	134	n/a**	118
Other Laboratory*	6	21	34	35	37	22	27	26
Total	776	1482	1645	2506	1896	2115	2396	1831

Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	5/10	5/11	5/12	5/13	5/14	5/15	5/16	Daily Average
LabCorp	0	51	3	62	59	76	43	42
Quest Diagnostics	126	286	728	1348	488	428	712	588
Other Laboratory*	2	2	17	7	5	18	20	10
Total	128	339	748	1417	552	522	775	640

* Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

** Not available at the time of this report.





[NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive](#)

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at <https://www.nh.gov/covid19>.

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