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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – May 26, 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 Tuesday, May 26, 2020, DHHS announced 34 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 4,231 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed in New Hampshire. Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, all cases were adults with 50% being female and 50% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (10), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (6), Merrimack (3), Strafford (2), Belknap (1), and Coos (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (7) and Nashua (4).

One new hospitalized case was identified for a total of 421 (10%) of 4,231 cases. Three 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.

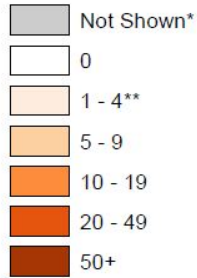
DHHS has also announced four additional deaths related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the families and friends.

- 3 female residents of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 male resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older

Current Situation in New Hampshire

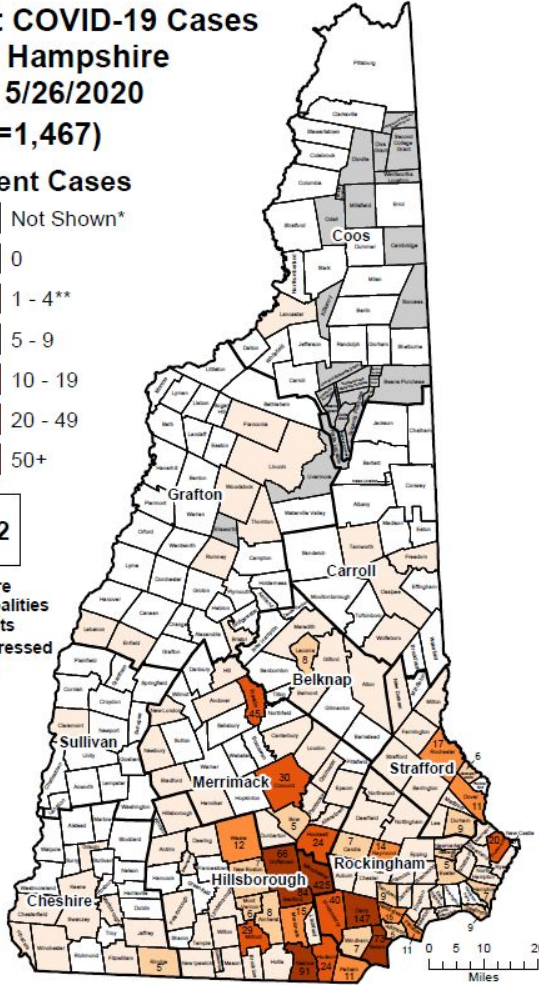
**Total Current COVID-19 Cases
in New Hampshire
as of 5/26/2020
(n=1,467)**

Current Cases



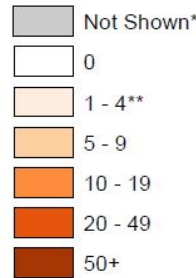
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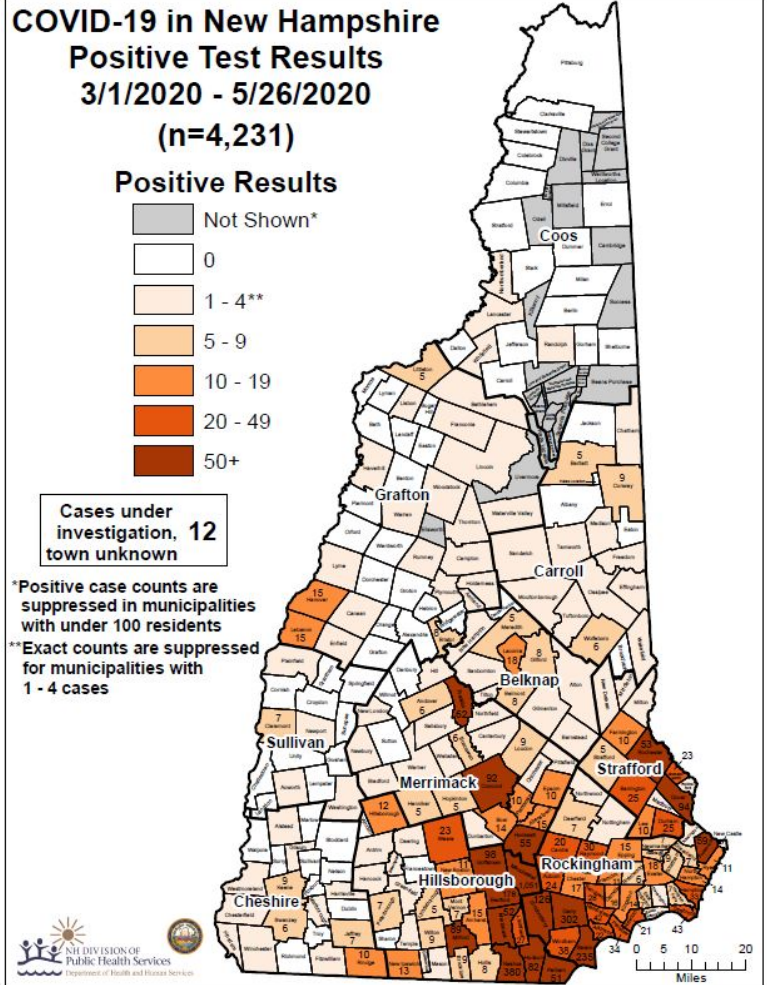
**COVID-19 in New Hampshire
Positive Test Results
3/1/2020 - 5/26/2020
(n=4,231)**

Positive Results



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**New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report
(data updated May 26, 2020, 9:00 AM)**

NH Persons with COVID-19 ₁	4,231
Recovered	2,550 (60%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	214 (5%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	1,467
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	421 (10%)
Current Hospitalizations	91
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	64,232
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	10,031
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	22,439
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	1,370
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	4,150

County	Cases
Belknap	56
Carroll	46
Cheshire	54
Coos	5
Grafton	69
Hillsborough - Other	718
Hillsborough - Manchester	1,051
Hillsborough - Nashua	380
Merrimack	324
Rockingham	1,240
Strafford	259
Sullivan	17
County TBD	12
Grand Total	4,231

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.

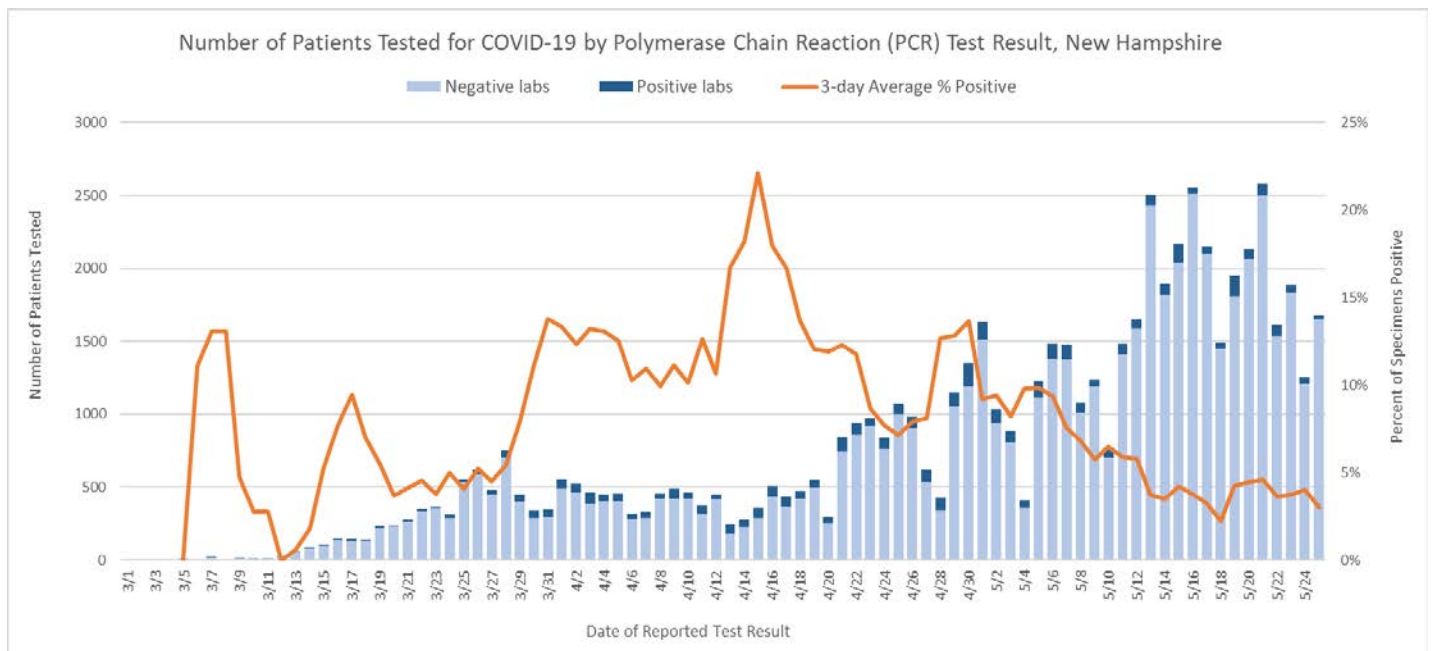
Number of Specimens Tested by Date of Report to NH DHHS

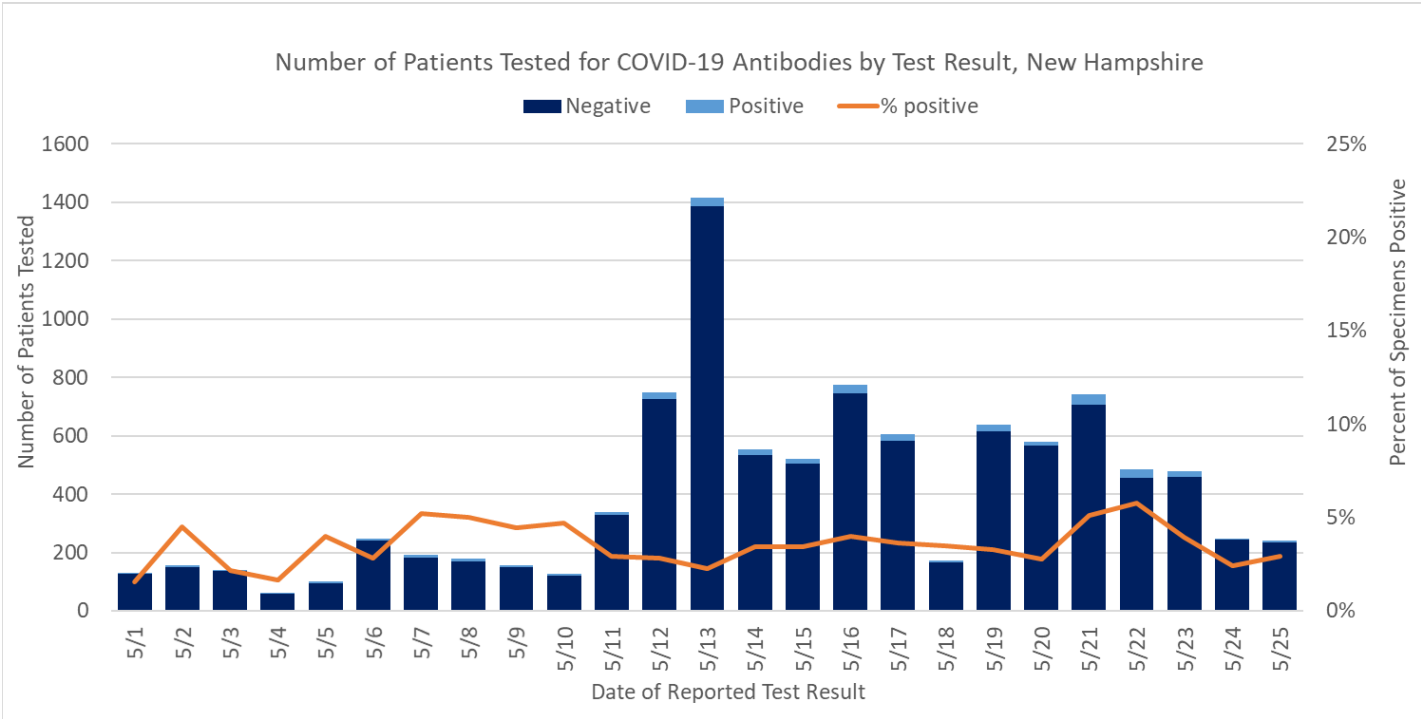
Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	5/19	5/20	5/21	5/22	5/23	5/24	5/25	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	425	469	738	598	894	561	760	635
LabCorp	507	501	459	256	241	211	175	336
Quest Diagnostics	735	845	1,086	502	495	257	629	650
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	31	194	154	155	165	191	72	137
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	215	102	112	62	80	26	n/a**	100
Other Laboratory*	41	20	34	39	16	9	38	28
Total	1,954	2,131	2,583	1,612	1,891	1,255	1,674	1,871

Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	5/19	5/20	5/21	5/22	5/23	5/24	5/25	Daily Average
LabCorp	6	35	94	47	37	17	0	34
Quest Diagnostics	628	535	640	425	435	224	236	446
Other Laboratory*	3	11	9	12	7	8	5	8
Total	637	581	743	484	479	249	241	488

* 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.





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

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