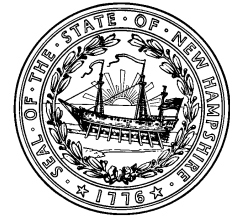


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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – December 2, 2020

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

On Wednesday, December 2, 2020, DHHS announced 566 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a daily PCR test positivity rate of 6.1%. Today's results include 472 people who tested positive by PCR test and 94 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 4,694 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Test results received Tuesday are still being processed and the total number of new positives for that day is not yet complete. Updated case counts for prior days will be reflected on the [COVID-19 interactive dashboard](#).

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are sixty-six individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 51% being female and 49% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (139), Merrimack (82), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (64), Belknap (40), Grafton (36), Strafford (33), Carroll (22), Cheshire (10), Sullivan (3), and Coos (2) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (64) and Nashua (33). The county of residence is being determined for thirty-eight new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or are associated with an outbreak setting.

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

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

There are currently 162 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 22,332 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed with 842 (4%) of those having been hospitalized.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

**New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report
(data updated December 2, 2020, 9:00 AM)**

NH Persons with COVID-19 ₁	22,332
Recovered	17,101 (77%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	537 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	4,694
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	842 (4%)
Current Hospitalizations	162
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	427,816
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	33,348
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	57,597
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	1,738
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	8,325

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, Mako, certain hospital laboratories, the University of New Hampshire and their contracted laboratory, 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.

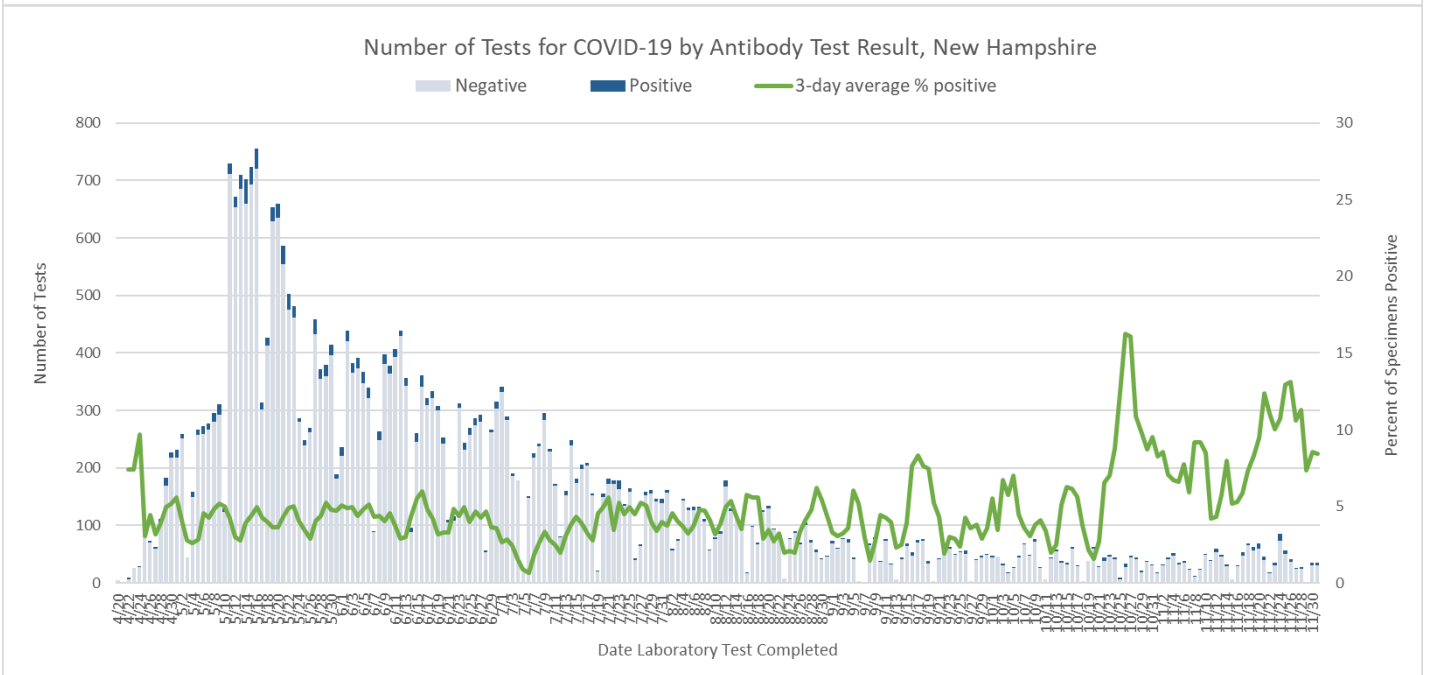
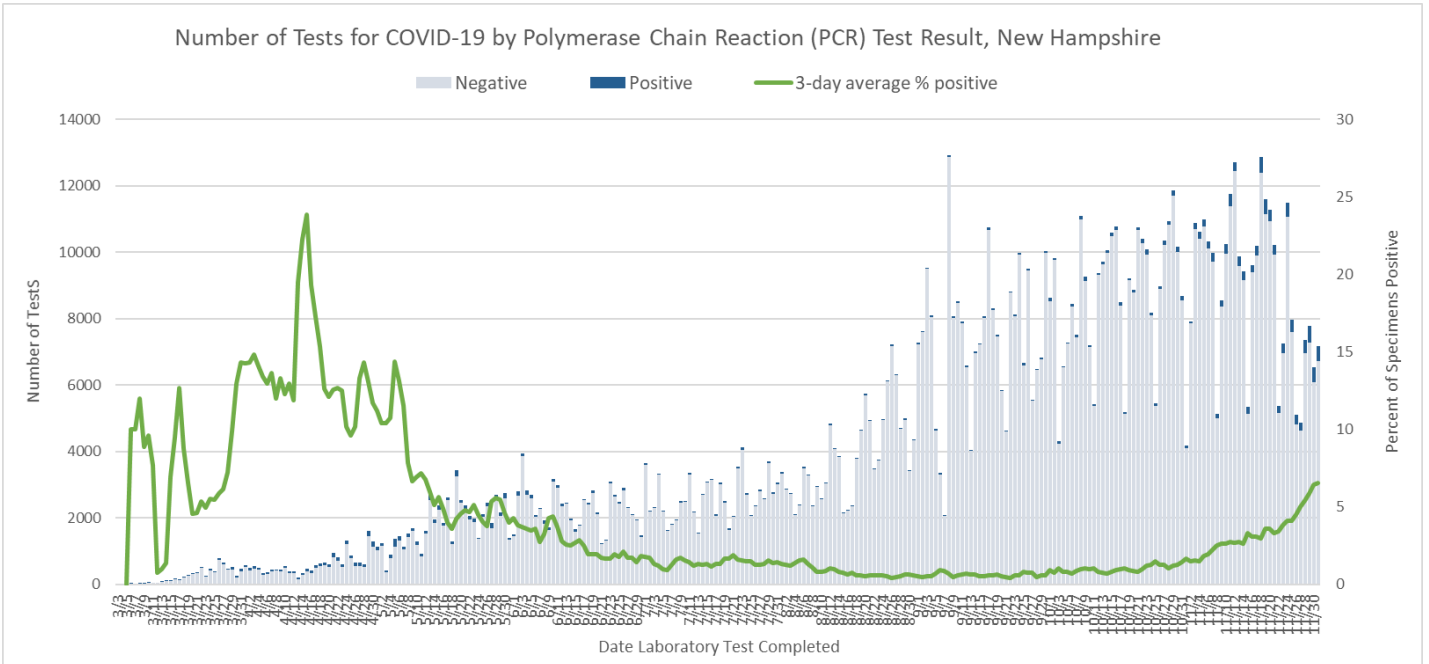
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
	11/25	11/26	11/27	11/28	11/29	11/30	12/01	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	1,347	0	1,127	1,042	1,743	779	1,183	1,032
LabCorp	1,520	1,600	850	1,852	1,345	848	1,020	1,291
Quest Diagnostics	1,018	1,003	942	1,830	2,871	1,966	1,429	1,580
Mako Medical	43	10	110	398	316	151	4	147
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	640	689	257	555	348	339	71	414
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	636	252	454	509	375	449	390	438
Other Laboratory*	2,721	1,537	778	1,098	785	1,239	1,863	1,432
University of New Hampshire**	36	0	359	85	0	757	1,202	348
Total	7,961	5,091	4,877	7,369	7,783	6,528	7,162	6,682
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
	11/25	11/26	11/27	11/28	11/29	11/30	12/01	Daily Average
LabCorp	7	9	1	8	1	0	0	4
Quest Diagnostics	27	33	7	19	1	7	23	17
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	5	0	3	1	0	6	0	2

Other Laboratory*	14	0	9	0	0	20	9	7
Total	53	42	20	28	2	33	32	30

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

** Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboratory and their contracted lab Veritas.



[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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