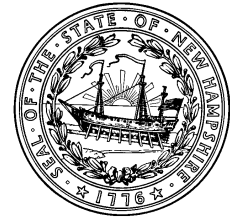


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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – December 7, 2020

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

On Monday, December 7, 2020, DHHS announced 1,045 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a daily PCR test positivity rate of 6.8%. Today's results include 765 people who tested positive by PCR test and 280 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 5,386 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today, 78 new positive test results are from Wednesday, 12/2 (for a new daily total of 1,157); 244 new positive test results are from Thursday, 12/3 (for a new daily total of 798); 423 new positive test results are from Saturday, 12/5 (for a daily total of 485); and 300 new positive test results are from Sunday, 12/6. Test results for previous days are still being processed and the total number of new positives for those days are 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 one hundred and sixteen individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 54% being female and 46% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (243), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (176), Merrimack (122), Strafford (54), Belknap (49), Grafton (41), Cheshire (39), Sullivan (15), Carrol (13), and Coos (8) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (145) and Nashua (79). The county of residence is being determined for sixty-one 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 two additional deaths related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

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

There are currently 185 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 25,816 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed with 849 (3%) of those having been hospitalized.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

**New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report
(updated December 7, 2020, 9:00 AM)**

NH Persons with COVID-19	25,816
Recovered	19,864 (77%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	566 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	5,386
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	849 (3%)
Current Hospitalizations	185
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ¹	443,890
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ²	33,589
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	58,824
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ³	1,165

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.

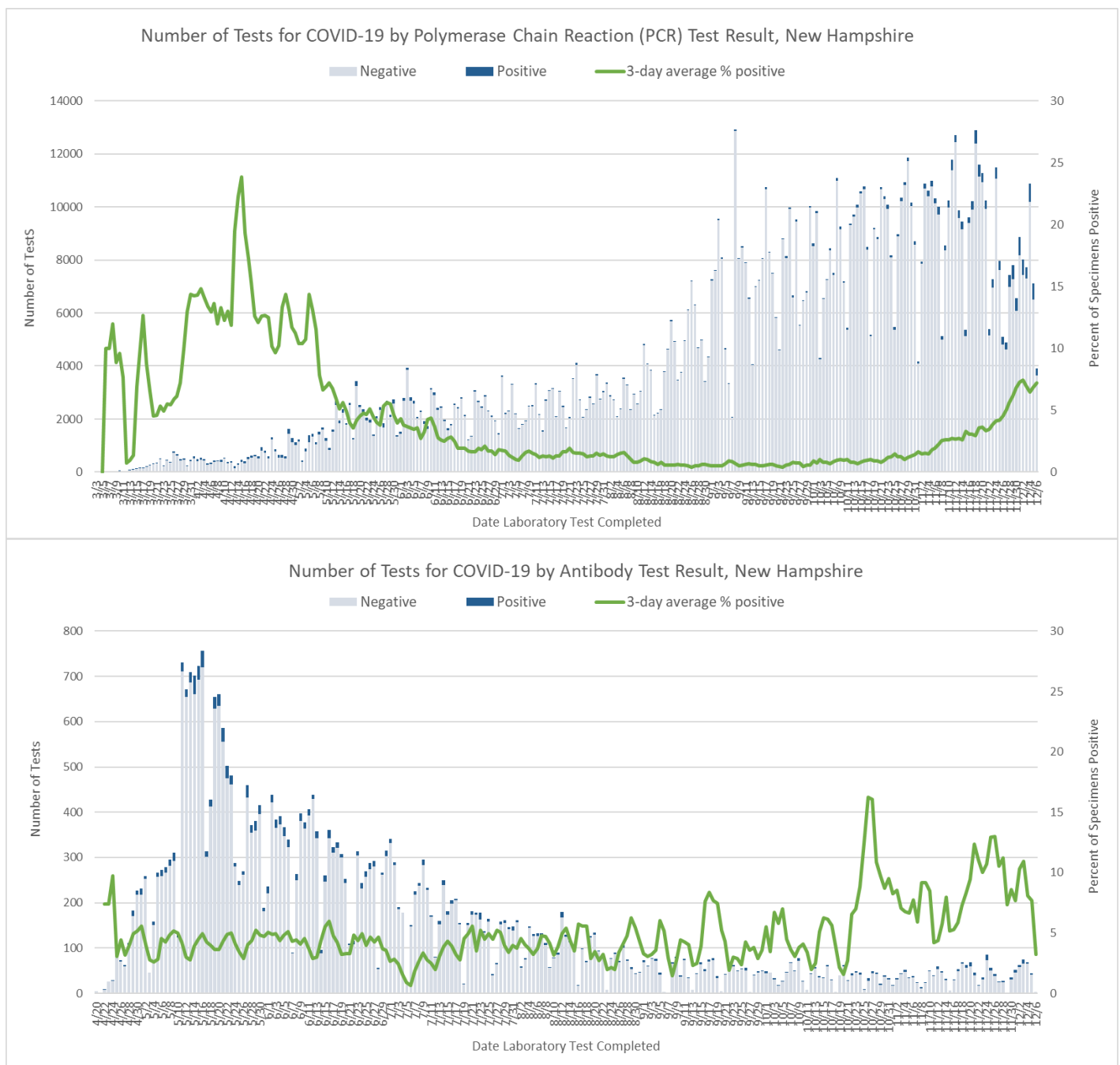
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	11/30	12/01	12/02	12/03	12/04	12/05	12/06	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	779	1,184	1,163	1,277	1,087	1,499	820	1,116
LabCorp	848	1,607	1,234	832	1,847	1,375	926	1,238
Quest Diagnostics	1,967	1,488	1,007	1,192	1,659	1,606	1,092	1,430
Mako Medical	151	4	189	191	398	183	99	174
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	339	595	884	740	879	601	0	577
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	453	633	651	461	685	272	325	497
Other Laboratory*	1,252	2,154	2,134	1,493	2,545	1,581	656	1,688
University of New Hampshire**	763	1,202	757	1,547	1,769	1	0	863
Total	6,552	8,867	8,019	7,733	10,869	7,118	3,918	7,582
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	11/30	12/01	12/02	12/03	12/04	12/05	12/06	Daily Average
LabCorp	0	13	8	13	9	20	0	9
Quest Diagnostics	7	23	29	38	33	23	1	22
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	6	2	5	13	7	1	0	5
Other Laboratory*	20	10	15	9	11	0	2	10
Total	33	48	57	73	60	44	3	45

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

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

** 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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