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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – August 20, 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 Thursday, August 20, 2020, DHHS announced 14 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 7,050 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, there are two individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults, with 43% being female and 57% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (4), Merrimack (3), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (2), Cheshire (1), and Strafford (1) counties, and in the city of Manchester (1). The county of residence is being determined for two new cases.

No new hospitalized cases were identified for a total of 710 (10%) of 7,050 cases. One of the new cases had no identified risk factors. 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 have recently traveled.

DHHS has also announced one additional death 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

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (data updated August 20, 2020, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19 ₁	7,050
Recovered	6,367 (90%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	428 (6%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	255
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	710 (10%)
Current Hospitalizations	11
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	189,682
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	28,924

Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL 40,791

Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL³ 913

Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time) 2,325

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

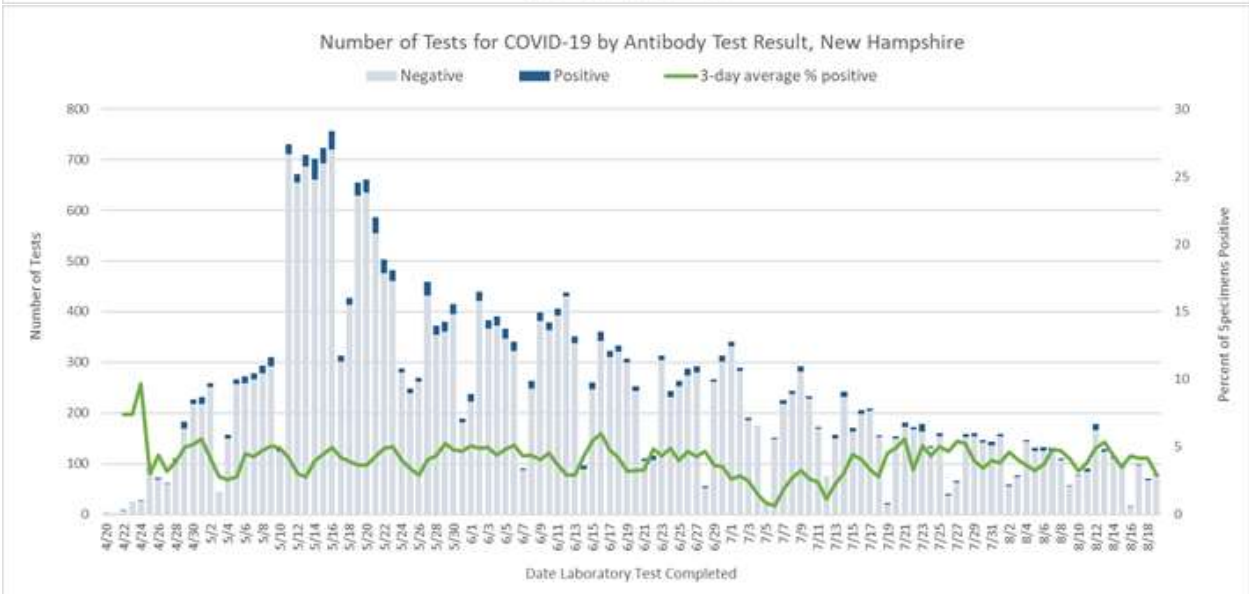
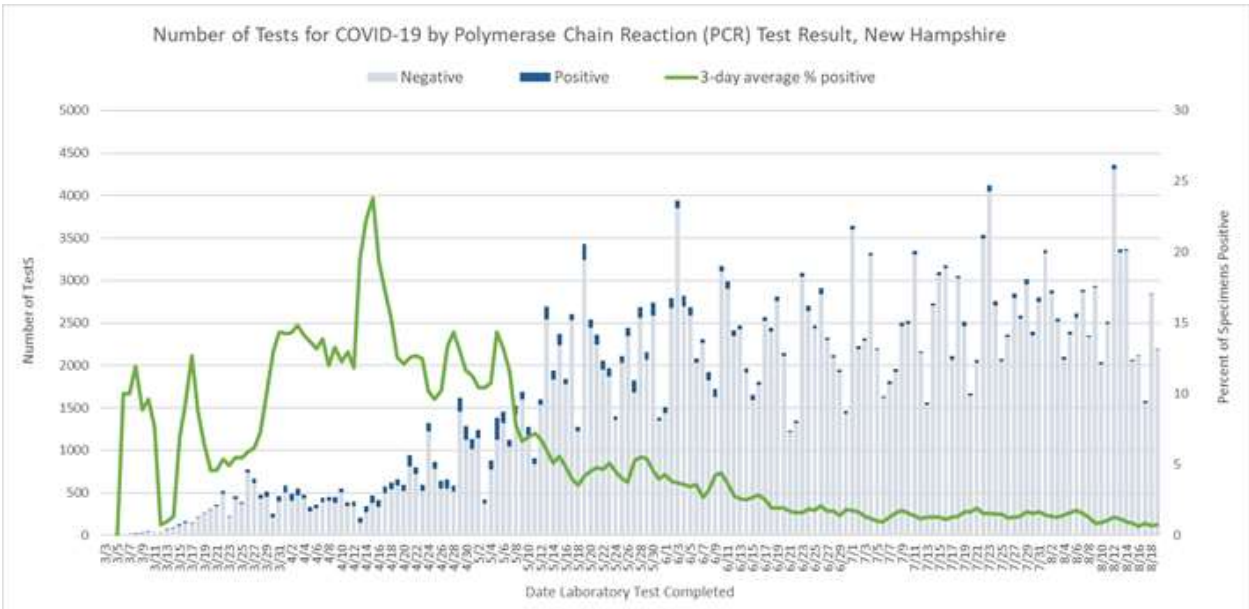
² Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

³ Includes 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								
	8/13	8/14	8/15	8/16	8/17	8/18	8/19	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	695	767	1	563	272	587	643	504
LabCorp	679	877	450	509	473	895	348	604
Quest Diagnostics	1,080	958	912	396	226	237	267	582
Mako Medical	29	9	35	3	6	0	16	14
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	690	544	522	345	224	586	734	521
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	136	179	124	142	199	211	149	163
Other Laboratory*	57	31	25	165	177	332	35	117
Total	3,366	3,365	2,069	2,123	1,577	2,848	2,192	2,506
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
	8/13	8/14	8/15	8/16	8/17	8/18	8/19	Daily Average
LabCorp	23	11	16	3	1	10	0	9
Quest Diagnostics	92	76	67	13	74	31	54	58
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	12	21	4	0	10	21	21	13
Other Laboratory*	1	4	9	0	11	8	4	5
Total	128	112	96	16	96	70	79	85

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



[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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