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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – August 21, 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 Friday, August 21, 2020, DHHS announced 24 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 7,071 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 46% being female and 54% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (5), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (3), Merrimack (3), Strafford (3), Carroll (1), and Cheshire (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (5) and Nashua (3).

No new hospitalized cases were identified for a total of 709 (10%) of 7,071 cases. Two 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.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (data updated August 21, 2020, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19 ₁	7,071
Recovered	6,385 (90%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	428 (6%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	258
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	709 (10%)
Current Hospitalizations	14
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	192,777
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	29,064
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	40,934

Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL₃ 239

Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time) 2,225

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

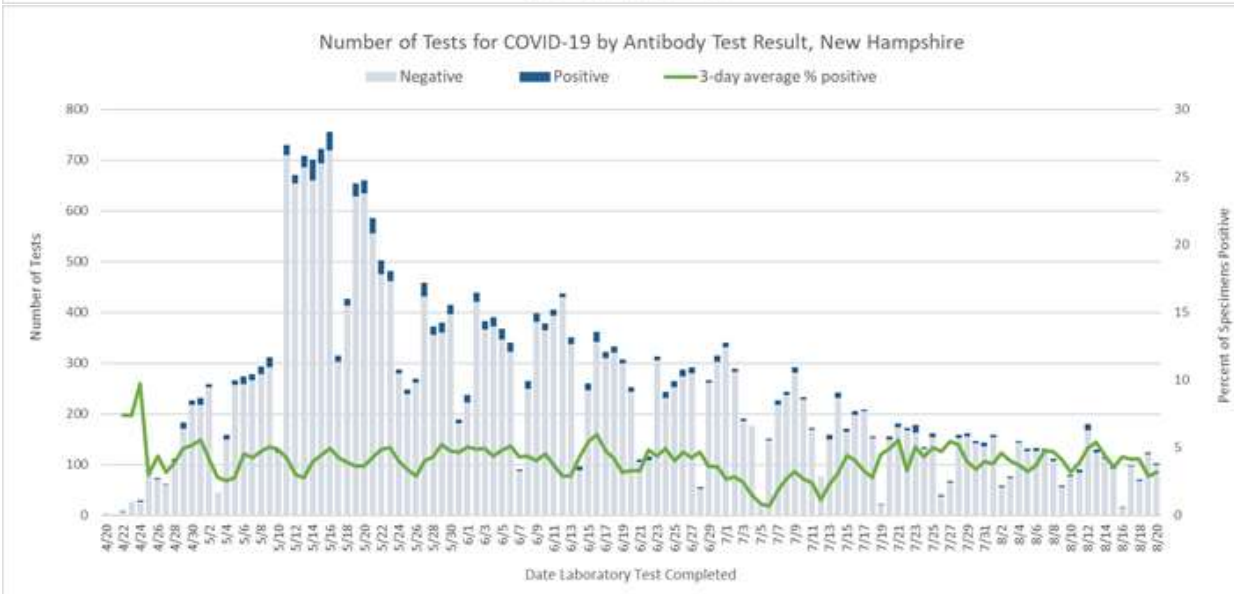
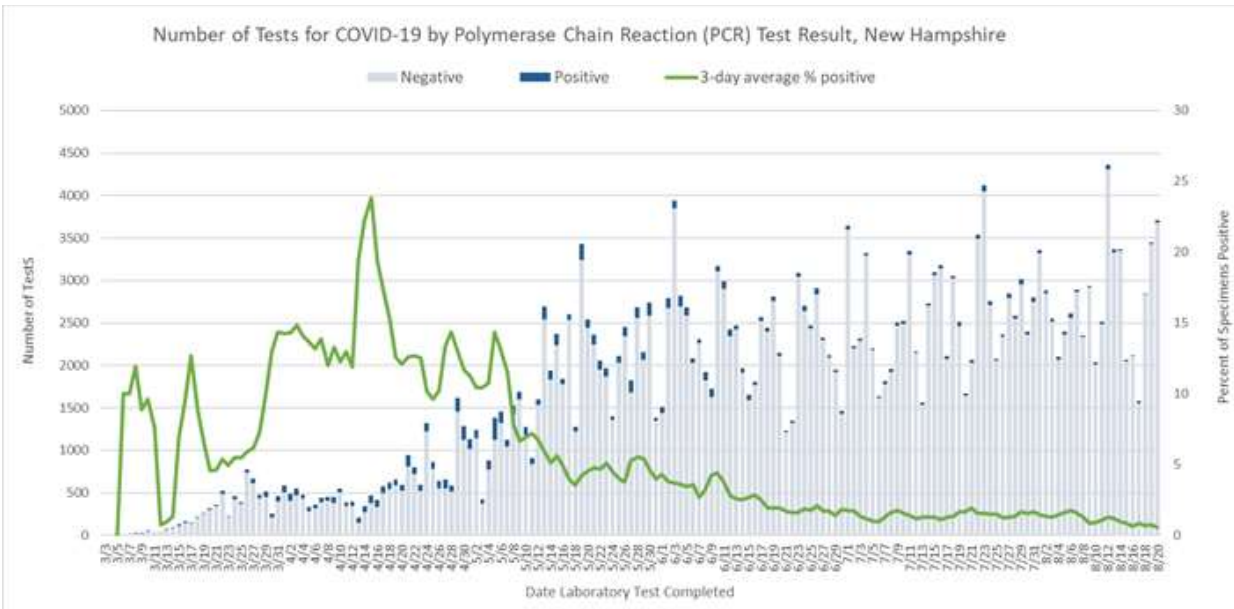
2. Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

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								
Testing Laboratory	8/14	8/15	8/16	8/17	8/18	8/19	8/20	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	767	1	563	272	587	644	931	538
LabCorp	878	450	509	473	895	966	246	631
Quest Diagnostics	958	912	396	226	237	859	1,569	737
Mako Medical	9	35	3	6	0	16	17	12
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	544	522	345	224	586	734	750	529
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	179	124	142	199	211	195	110	166
Other Laboratory*	31	25	165	177	331	34	83	121
Total	3,366	2,069	2,123	1,577	2,847	3,448	3,706	2,734
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	8/14	8/15	8/16	8/17	8/18	8/19	8/20	Daily Average
LabCorp	11	16	3	1	10	8	0	7
Quest Diagnostics	76	67	13	74	31	91	89	63
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	21	4	0	10	21	21	2	11
Other Laboratory*	4	9	0	11	8	4	11	7
Total	112	96	16	96	70	124	102	88

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



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

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