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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – October 27, 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, October 27, 2020, DHHS announced 140 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a daily PCR test positivity rate of 0.9%. Today’s results include 112 people who tested positive by PCR test and 28 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 1,067 current COVID-19 cases 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 fourteen 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 (39), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (19), Strafford (15), Merrimack (13), Grafton (10), Belknap (4), Coos (4), Cheshire (3), Carroll (2), and Sullivan (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (12) and Nashua (12). The county of residence is being determined for six new cases.

Three new hospitalized cases were reported. There are currently 31 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. This census may include out of state residents hospitalized in NH and/or individuals readmitted to the hospital, therefore increases in the daily hospital census may not always equal the number of new hospitalizations reported in a given day. 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.

In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 10,531 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed with 771 (7%) of those having been hospitalized.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (data updated October 27, 2020, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19 _t	10,531
Recovered	8,989 (85%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	475 (5%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	1,067
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	771 (7%)

Current Hospitalizations	31
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	334,409
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	32,004
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	51,301
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	373
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	4,600

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.

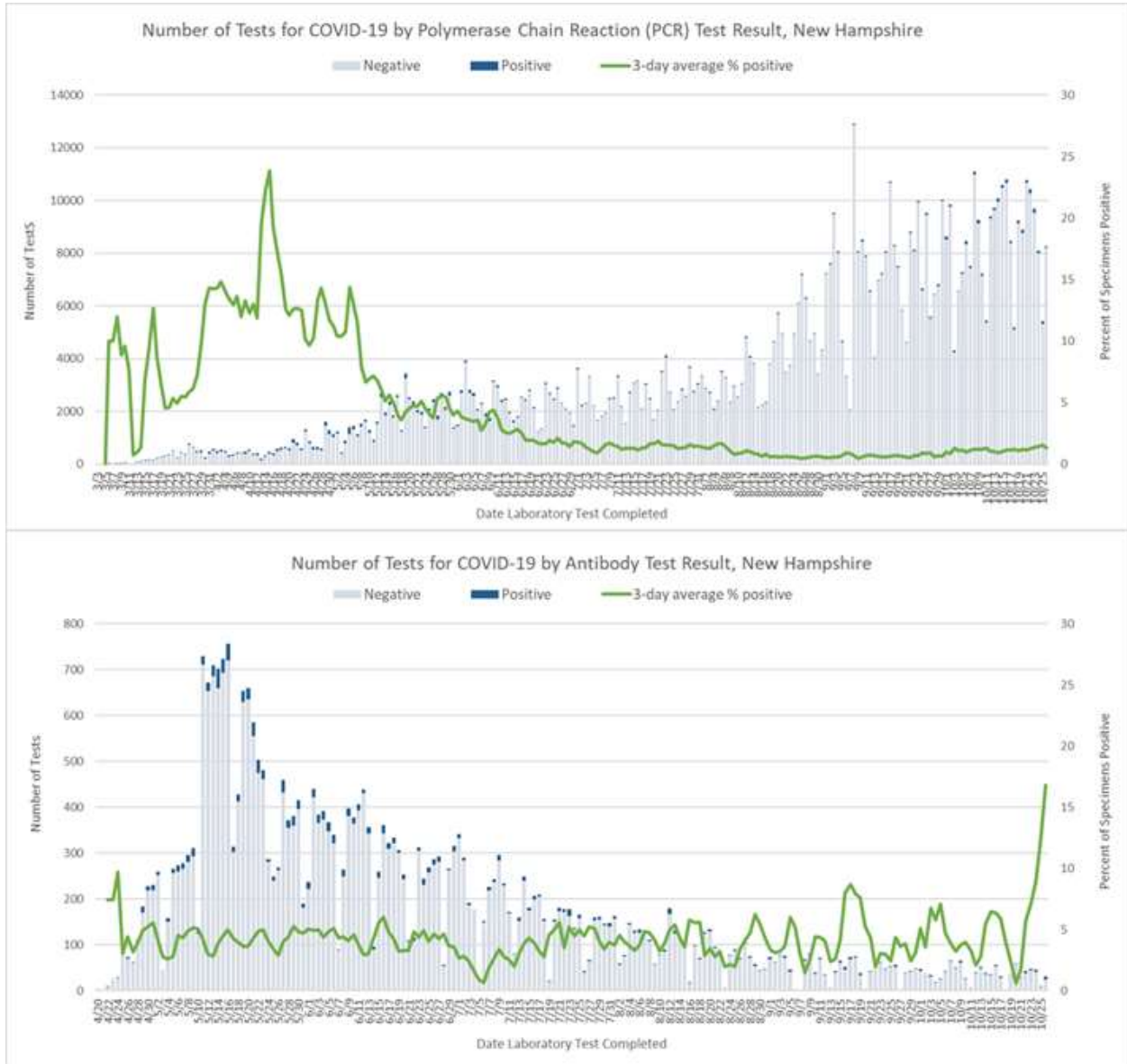
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
	10/20	10/21	10/22	10/23	10/24	10/25	10/26	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	687	850	656	519	838	858	725	733
LabCorp	996	1,018	1,095	1,240	1,212	994	647	1,029
Quest Diagnostics	1,050	1,384	1,245	964	723	2,591	2,240	1,457
Mako Medical	0	23	141	91	18	59	3	48
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	513	870	659	932	579	217	153	560
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	427	442	451	474	269	197	216	354
Other Laboratory*	1,683	1,692	1,958	2,301	1,181	456	805	1,439
University of New Hampshire**	3,532	4,486	4,217	3,156	3,268	49	3,473	3,169
Total	8,888	10,765	10,422	9,677	8,088	5,421	8,262	8,789
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
	10/20	10/21	10/22	10/23	10/24	10/25	10/26	Daily Average
LabCorp	7	9	9	11	11	1	1	7
Quest Diagnostics	34	14	20	21	27	6	9	19
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	9	2	8	4	2	0	12	5
Other Laboratory*	7	3	6	4	5	2	9	5

	Total	57	28	43	40	45	9	31	36
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* 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.



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