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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – October 3, 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 Saturday, October 3, 2020, DHHS announced 66 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a positivity rate of 0.6%. There are now 500 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Today’s results include 51 people that tested positive by PCR test and 15 that tested positive by antigen test.

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 eight individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 47% being female and 53% being male. The new cases reside in Merrimack (9), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (8), Rockingham (8), Strafford (2), Belknap (2), Grafton (2), and Cheshire (1) counties, and in the cities of Nashua (19) and Manchester (12). The county of residence is being determined for three new cases.

No new hospitalized cases were identified. There are currently 17 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. Fourteen 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 either have 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 8,597 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed with 743 (9%) of those having been hospitalized.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

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

NH Persons with COVID-19 ₁	8,597
Recovered	7,655 (89%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	442 (5%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	500

Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	743 (9%)
Current Hospitalizations	17
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ²	279,564
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ²	31,231
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	47,505
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ³	607
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	2,750

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.

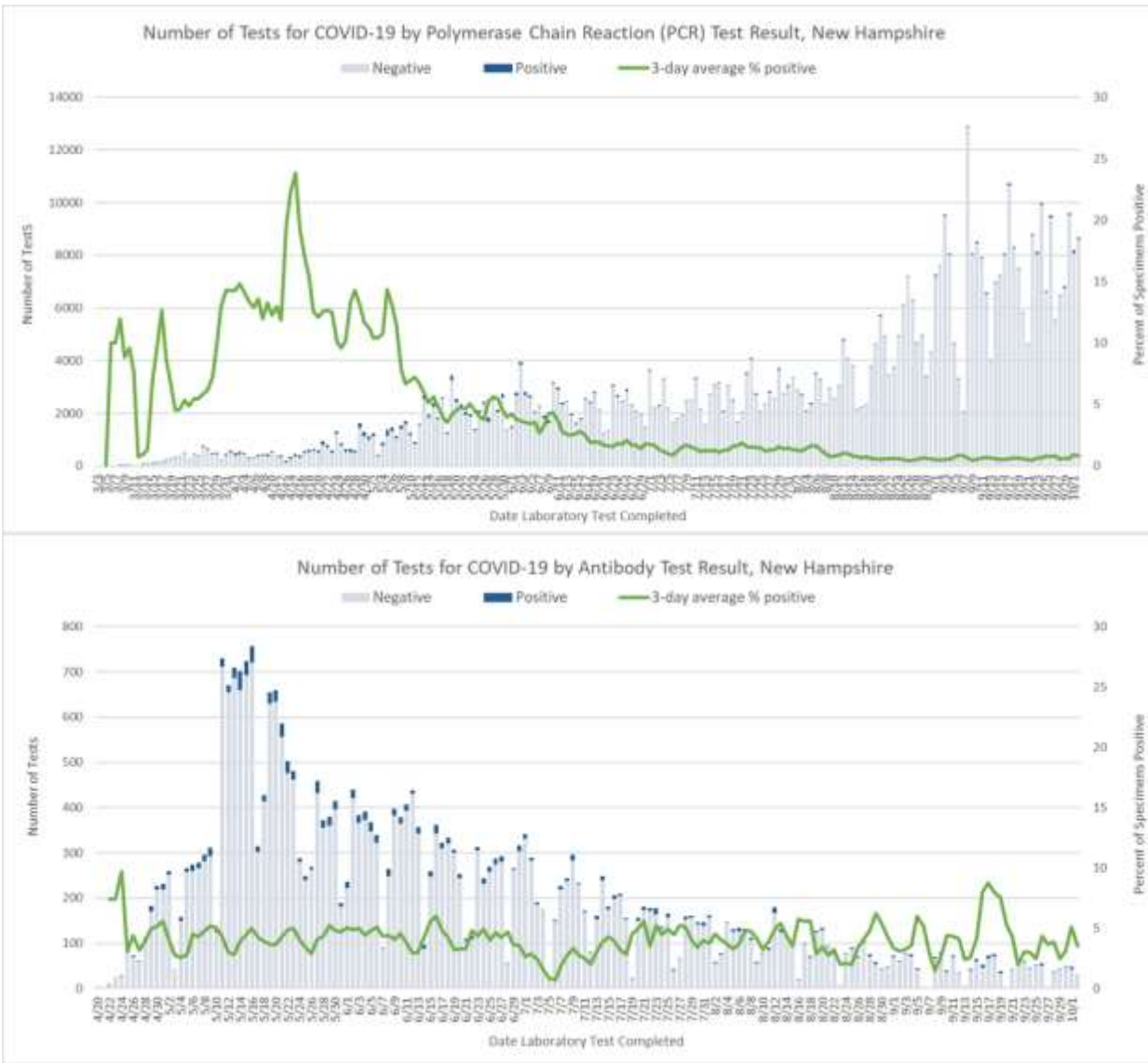
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	9/26	9/27	9/28	9/29	9/30	10/1	10/2	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	1,028	1,294	1,300	719	869	917	1,289	1,059
LabCorp	785	358	78	1,122	1,251	733	199	647
Quest Diagnostics	1,447	2,941	763	651	2,036	1,596	1,512	1,564
Mako Medical	30	0	0	0	6	10	133	26
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	952	201	42	820	787	852	701	622
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	246	398	400	391	391	313	376	359
Other Laboratory*	242	215	114	208	140	300	104	189
University of New Hampshire**	4,785	158	3,754	2,912	4,106	3,449	4,357	3,360
Total	9,515	5,565	6,451	6,823	9,586	8,170	8,671	7,826
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	9/26	9/27	9/28	9/29	9/30	10/1	10/2	Daily Average
LabCorp	9	3	1	9	8	6	0	5
Quest Diagnostics	35	0	20	25	19	28	23	21

Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	2	0	3	7	9	6	7	5
Other Laboratory*	8	0	13	1	12	5	0	6
Total	54	3	37	42	48	45	30	37

* 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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