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## NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – September 18, 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, September 18, 2020, DHHS announced 48 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 7,861 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 fourteen individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 38% being female and 62% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (10), Strafford (5), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (4), Merrimack (4), and Carroll (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (14) and Nashua (6). The county of residence is being determined for four new cases.

No new hospitalized cases were identified for a total of 725 (9%) of 7,861 cases. Nine 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 are either associated with an outbreak setting, have 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 September 18, 2020, 9:00 AM)**

NH Persons with COVID-19 <sub>1</sub>	7,861
Recovered	7,117 (91%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	438 (6%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	306
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	725 (9%)
Current Hospitalizations	7
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) <sub>2</sub>	237,518
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests <sub>2</sub>	30,635
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	45,094
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL <sub>3</sub>	991

Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time) 2,025

<sup>1</sup>Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

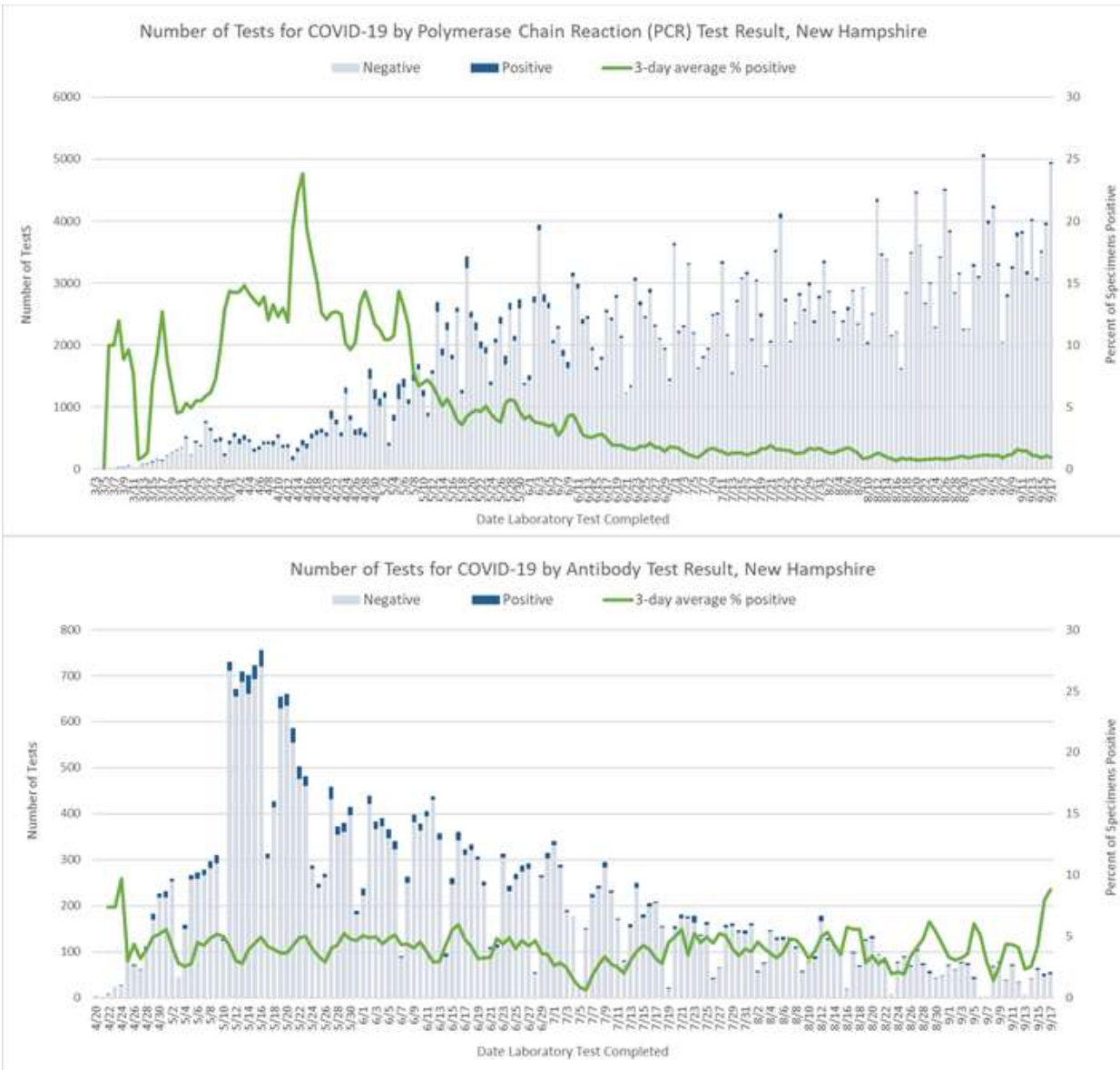
<sup>2</sup>Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

<sup>3</sup>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								
	9/11	9/12	9/13	9/14	9/15	9/16	9/17	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	856	598	622	583	1,232	559	1,165	802
LabCorp	648	765	531	441	731	1,023	162	614
Quest Diagnostics	1,055	639	2,494	1,267	527	1,316	2,720	1,431
Mako Medical	6	2	12	17	0	29	11	11
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	771	700	203	127	609	640	587	520
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	368	387	111	456	312	268	211	302
Other Laboratory*	133	97	57	192	112	139	103	119
Total	3,837	3,188	4,030	3,083	3,523	3,974	4,959	3,799
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
	9/11	9/12	9/13	9/14	9/15	9/16	9/17	Daily Average
LabCorp	3	9	1	1	12	7	0	5
Quest Diagnostics	50	17	6	31	31	34	38	30
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	8	2	0	5	8	6	7	5
Other Laboratory*	11	5	0	5	8	5	8	6
Total	72	33	7	42	59	52	53	45

\* 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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