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## **NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – October 6, 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 6, 2020, DHHS announced 53 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a daily PCR test positivity rate of 0.6%. Today's results include 34 people who tested positive by PCR test and 19 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 500 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 fifteen individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 47% being female and 53% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (10), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (8), Strafford (6), Merrimack (3), Belknap (2), Cheshire (1), Grafton (1), and Sullivan (1) counties, and in the cities of Nashua (9) and Manchester (7). The county of residence is being determined for five new cases.

No new hospitalized cases were identified. There are currently 20 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. Twelve 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 recently traveled.

DHHS has also announced two additional deaths related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

- 1 female resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 male resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older

In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 8,731 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 6, 2020, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19 <sub>1</sub>	8,731
Recovered	7,785 (89%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	446 (5%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	500
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	743 (9%)
Current Hospitalizations	20
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) <sub>2</sub>	283,471
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests <sub>2</sub>	31,302
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	47,778
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL <sub>3</sub>	429
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	2,825

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

<sub>2</sub>Includes 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.

<sub>3</sub>Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

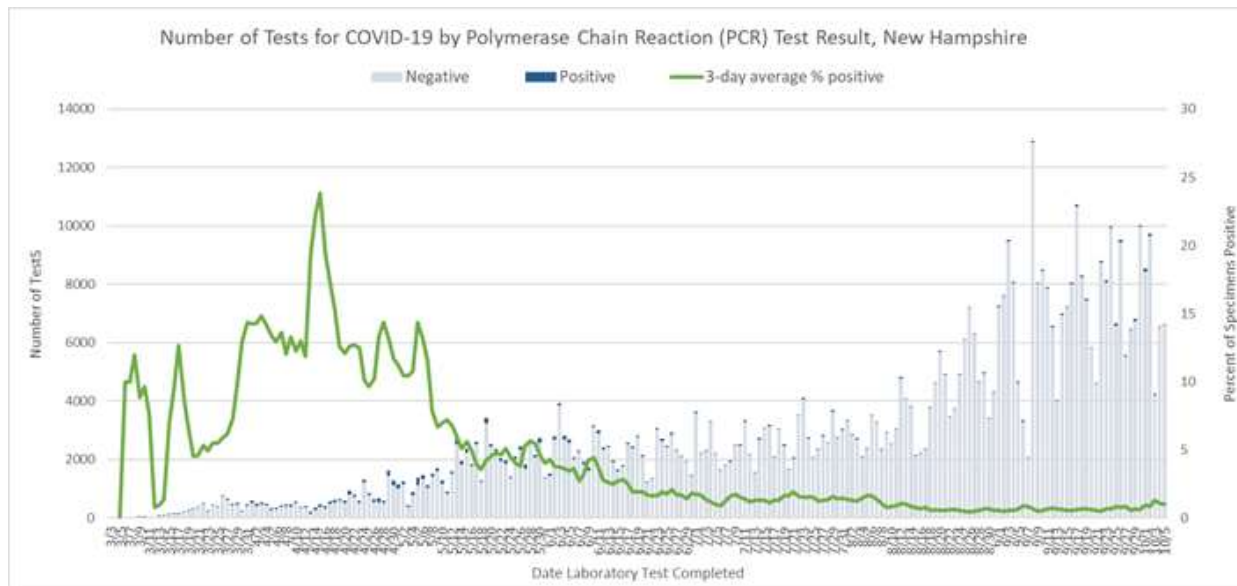
### Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

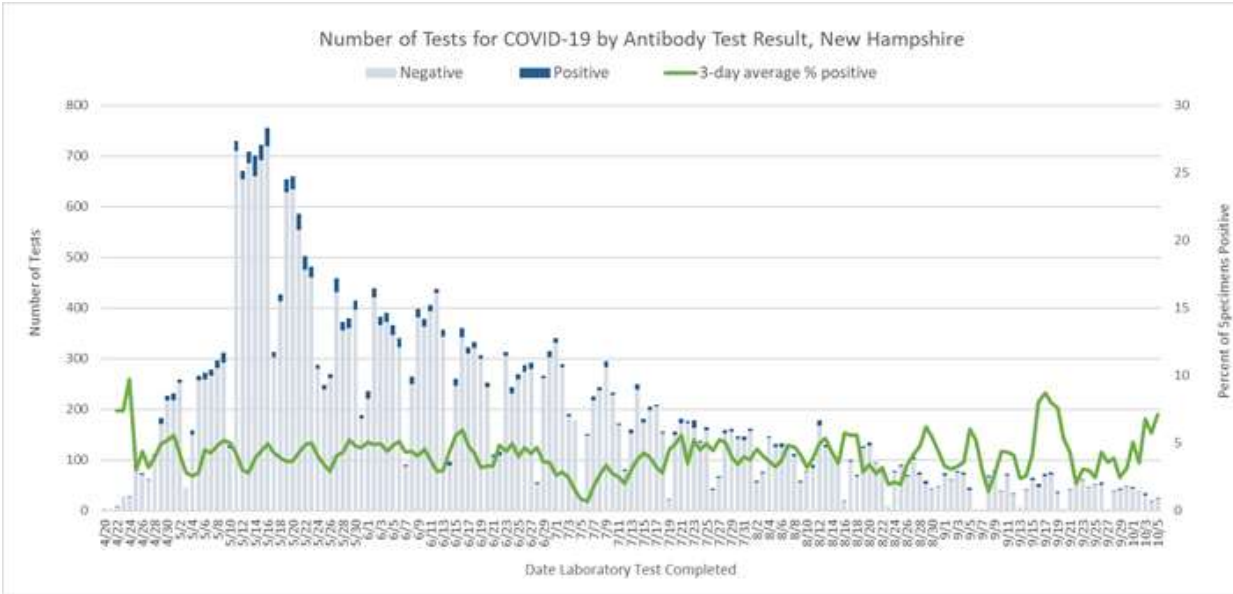
Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
	9/29	9/30	10/1	10/2	10/3	10/4	10/5	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	719	869	917	1,289	754	718	717	855
LabCorp	1,122	1,251	735	679	895	369	183	748
Quest Diagnostics	651	2,036	1,600	1,561	1,236	2,000	1,625	1,530
Mako Medical	0	6	10	133	0	0	28	25
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	820	787	852	701	693	190	531	653
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	391	391	313	450	252	228	223	321
Other Laboratory*	209	140	300	224	210	163	44	184
University of New Hampshire**	2,912	4,544	3,803	4,686	221	2,890	3,282	3,191

Total	6,824	10,024	8,530	9,723	4,261	6,558	6,633	7,508
<b>Antibody Laboratory Tests</b>								
	9/29	9/30	10/1	10/2	10/3	10/4	10/5	Daily Average
LabCorp	9	8	6	6	5	1	2	5
Quest Diagnostics	25	19	28	24	22	17	16	22
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	7	9	6	7	3	0	3	5
Other Laboratory*	1	12	5	2	4	0	4	4
Total	42	48	45	39	34	18	25	36

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

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