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# NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – December 1, 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, December 1, 2020, DHHS announced 772 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a daily PCR test positivity rate of 6.2%. Today's results include 588 people who tested positive by PCR test and 184 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 5,022 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today, 150 new positive test results are from Sunday, 11/29 and 622 new positive test results are from Monday, 11/30. Test results received Monday are still being processed and the total number of new positives for that day is not yet complete. Updated case counts for prior days will be reflected on the <u>COVID-19 interactive</u> <u>dashboard</u>.

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 ninety individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 50% being female and 50% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (189), Merrimack (110), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (104), Belknap (57), Strafford (38), Cheshire (27), Carroll (16), Grafton (10), Sullivan (6), and Coos (4) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (126) and Nashua (44). The county of residence is being determined for forty-one new cases.

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 had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

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

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

There are currently 160 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 21,766 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed with 841 (4%) of those having been hospitalized.

#### **Current Situation in New Hampshire**

# New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (data updated December 1, 2020, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19 <sup>1</sup>	21,766
Recovered	16,216 (75%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	528 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	5,022
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	841 (4%)
Current Hospitalizations	160
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) <sub>2</sub>	424,089
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests <sup>2</sup>	33,186
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	57,502
Persons with Test Pending at NH $\text{PHL}_{\scriptscriptstyle 3}$	511
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	8,025

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, Mako, certain hospital laboratories, the University of New Hampshire and their contracted laboratory, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

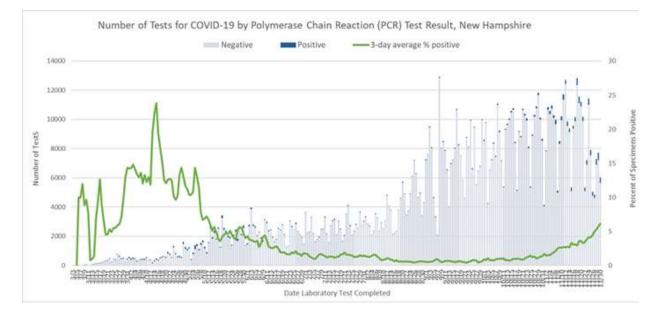
Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	11/24	11/25	11/26	11/27	11/28	11/29	11/30	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	1,257	1,347	0	1,127	1,042	1,743	779	1,042
LabCorp	2,410	1,520	1,600	850	1,850	1,343	847	1,489
Quest Diagnostics	2,441	1,018	1,003	942	1,829	2,870	1,865	1,710
Mako Medical	38	43	10	110	398	316	151	152
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	693	640	689	257	555	348	339	503
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	655	620	244	442	485	356	308	444
Other Laboratory*	1,923	2,670	1,501	771	1,049	738	980	1,376
University of New Hampshire**	2,004	33	0	359	85	0	757	463
Total	11,421	7,891	5,047	4,858	7,293	7,714	6,026	7,179

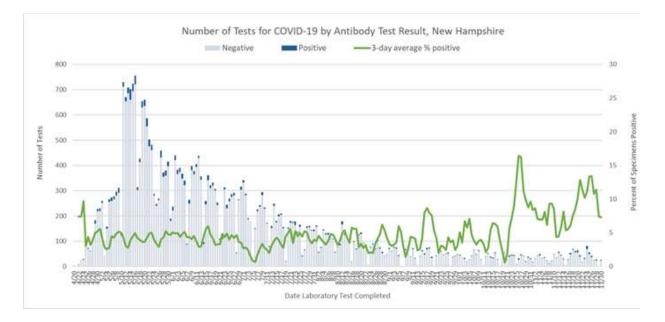
## Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	11/24	11/25	11/26	11/27	11/28	11/29	11/30	Daily Average
LabCorp	20	7	9	1	8	1	0	7
Quest Diagnostics	37	27	33	7	19	1	3	18
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	12	5	0	3	1	0	6	4
Other Laboratory*	8	14	0	9	0	0	16	7
Total	77	53	42	20	28	2	25	35

\* 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 laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.





NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive

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

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