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## **NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – March 22, 2020**

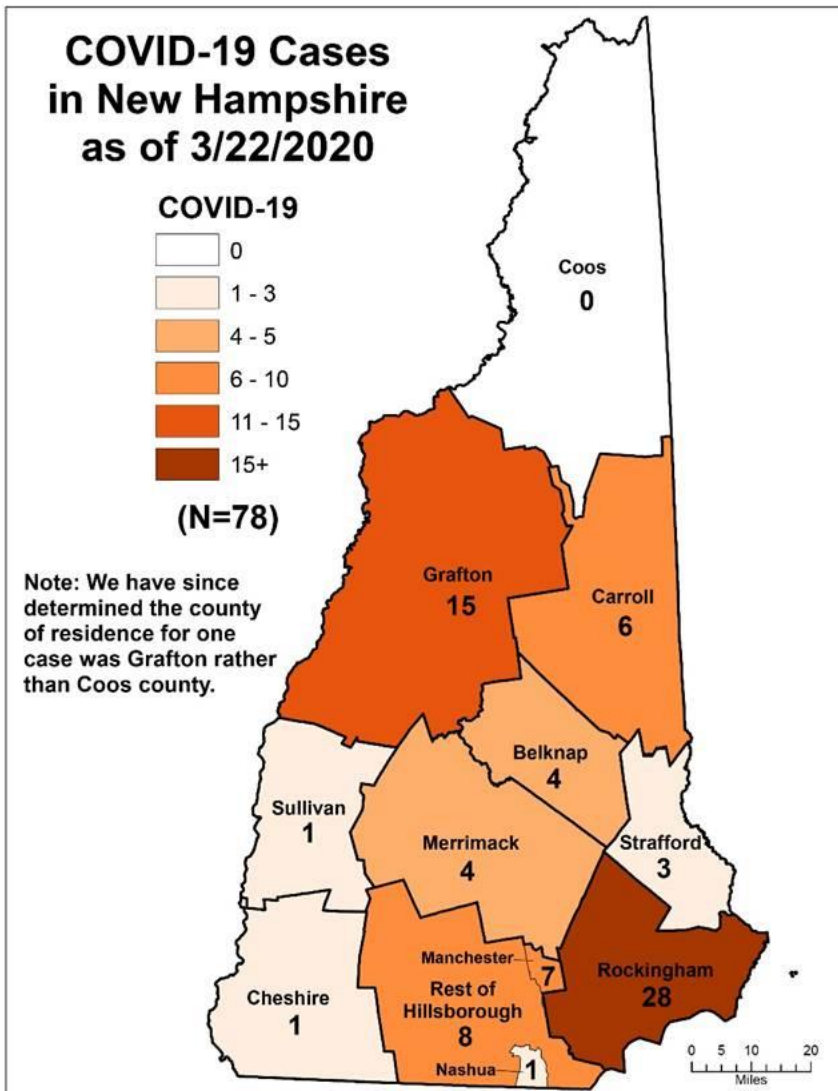
**Concord, NH** – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update for March 22, 2020, on the new coronavirus, COVID-19. DHHS will continue to issue COVID-19 updates each day to provide media and the public with current information about the State’s efforts.

### **New COVID-19 Cases in New Hampshire**

On Sunday, March 22, 2020, DHHS announced 13 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 78 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed in New Hampshire. The new cases are all adults, including nine males and four females. The 13 new cases reside in Rockingham (3), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (3), Strafford (2), Grafton (1), Manchester (1), Belknap (1), Carroll (1), and Sullivan (1) counties. This is the first positive case of COVID-19 identified in Sullivan County. Eight of the new cases have either had travel to domestic or international locations or have had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis. Five of the cases have no identified risk factors. Community-based transmission has been identified in the majority of the counties in the State. Nine new cases are isolating at home. Two of the new cases are currently hospitalized and one was hospitalized and released; thus far, six patients out of the 78 positive cases (8%) have been hospitalized.

DHHS is also updating the county of residence for a case announced on March 20. DHHS has since determined that the county of residence was Grafton County rather than Coos County. The map issued today reflects this new information.

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



**New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated March 22, 2020, 9:00 AM)**

NH Persons with COVID-19 <sub>1</sub>	78
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL <sub>2</sub>	889
Total Persons Tested at NH PHL <sub>3</sub>	2341
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	850

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

<sub>2</sub>Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL). Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

<sub>3</sub>Includes specimens sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

[NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive](#)

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/2019-ncov.htm>.

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