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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – September 22, 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, September 22, 2020, DHHS announced 38 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 7,990 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 two individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 74% being female and 26% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (12), Strafford (10), Grafton (3), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (3), Merrimack (2), Carroll (1), Cheshire (1), and Coos (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (1) and Nashua (1). The county of residence is being determined for three new cases.

One new hospitalized case was identified for a total of 727 (9%) of 7,990 cases. Thirteen 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 have recently traveled.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

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

NH Persons with COVID-19[1]	7,990
Recovered	7259 (91%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	438 (5%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	293
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	727 (9%)
Current Hospitalizations	11
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)[2]	243,527
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests[2]	30,781

Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	45,824
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL[3]	988
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	2,225

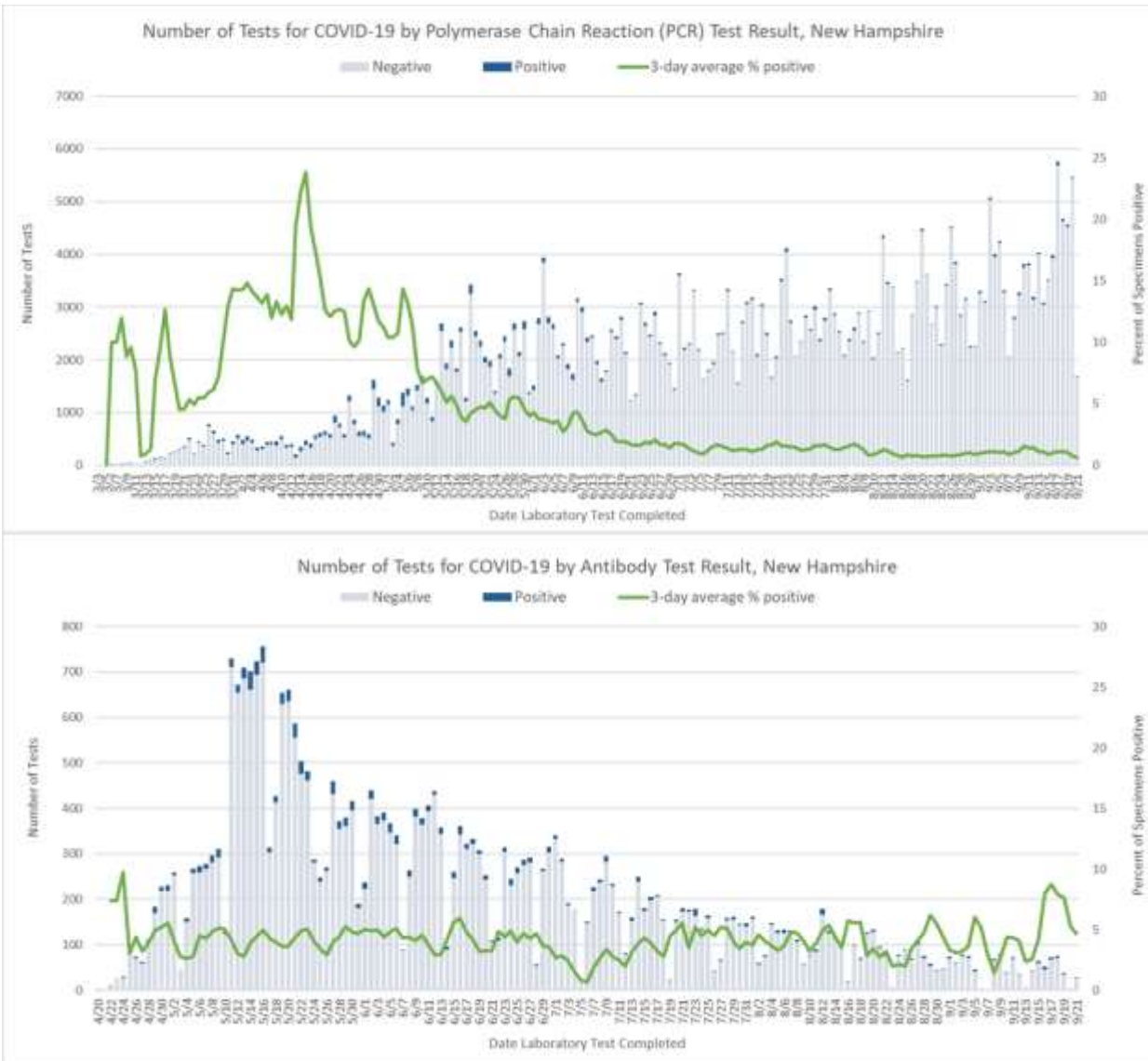[1]Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.
[2]Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.
[3]Includes specimens 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								
Testing Laboratory	9/15	9/16	9/17	9/18	9/19	9/20	9/21	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	1,232	559	1,165	892	623	1,244	710	918
LabCorp	731	1,023	738	844	865	511	300	716
Quest Diagnostics	527	1,316	2,784	1,138	1,781	2,992	481	1,574
Mako Medical	0	29	11	218	45	29	0	47
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	609	640	588	1,091	724	424	38	588
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	312	268	274	279	233	159	118	235
Other Laboratory*	113	139	193	210	296	109	38	157
Total	3,524	3,974	5,753	4,672	4,567	5,468	1,685	4,235
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	9/15	9/16	9/17	9/18	9/19	9/20	9/21	Daily Average
LabCorp	12	7	12	9	12	0	0	7
Quest Diagnostics	31	34	38	56	22	4	18	29
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	8	6	7	4	2	0	0	4
Other Laboratory*	8	5	13	4	0	0	6	5
Total	59	52	70	73	36	4	24	45

* Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not listed in the above table.

Number of Tests for COVID-19 by Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Test Result, New Hampshire

Number of Tests for COVID-19 by Antibody Test Result, New Hampshire

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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