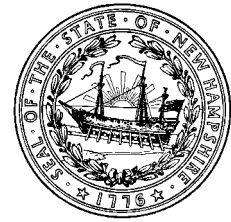


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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – April 18, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Sunday, April 18, 2021, DHHS announced 308 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 2.8%. Today's results include 230 people who tested positive by PCR test and 78 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 3,140 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- **4/17: 308** new cases

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 fifty-nine individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 47% being female and 53% being male. The new cases reside in Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (48), Rockingham (46), Merrimack (39), Strafford (34), Belknap (15), Coos (14), Grafton (14), Sullivan (9), Cheshire (8), and Carroll (4) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (39) and Nashua (25). The county of residence is being determined for thirteen 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 either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or are associated with an outbreak setting.

DHHS has also announced four additional deaths related to COVID-19. Two of the deaths occurred in December of 2020 and were recently confirmed as related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

- 1 male resident of Carroll County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 male resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older
- 2 male residents of Rockingham County, 60 years of age and older

There are currently 133 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 91,586 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated April 18, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	91,586
Recovered	87,176 (95%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,270 (1%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	3,140
Current Hospitalizations	133

Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	683,571
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	39,164
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	N/A
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	122

₁Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

₂Includes 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.

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

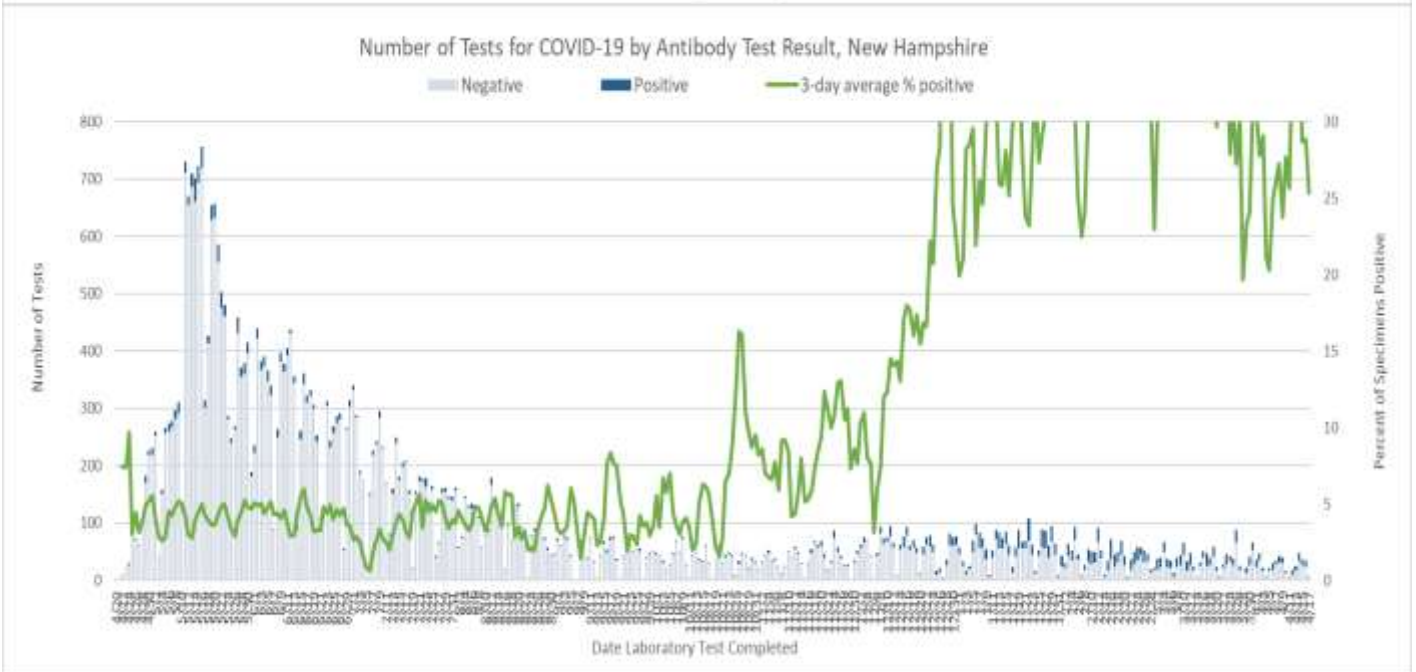
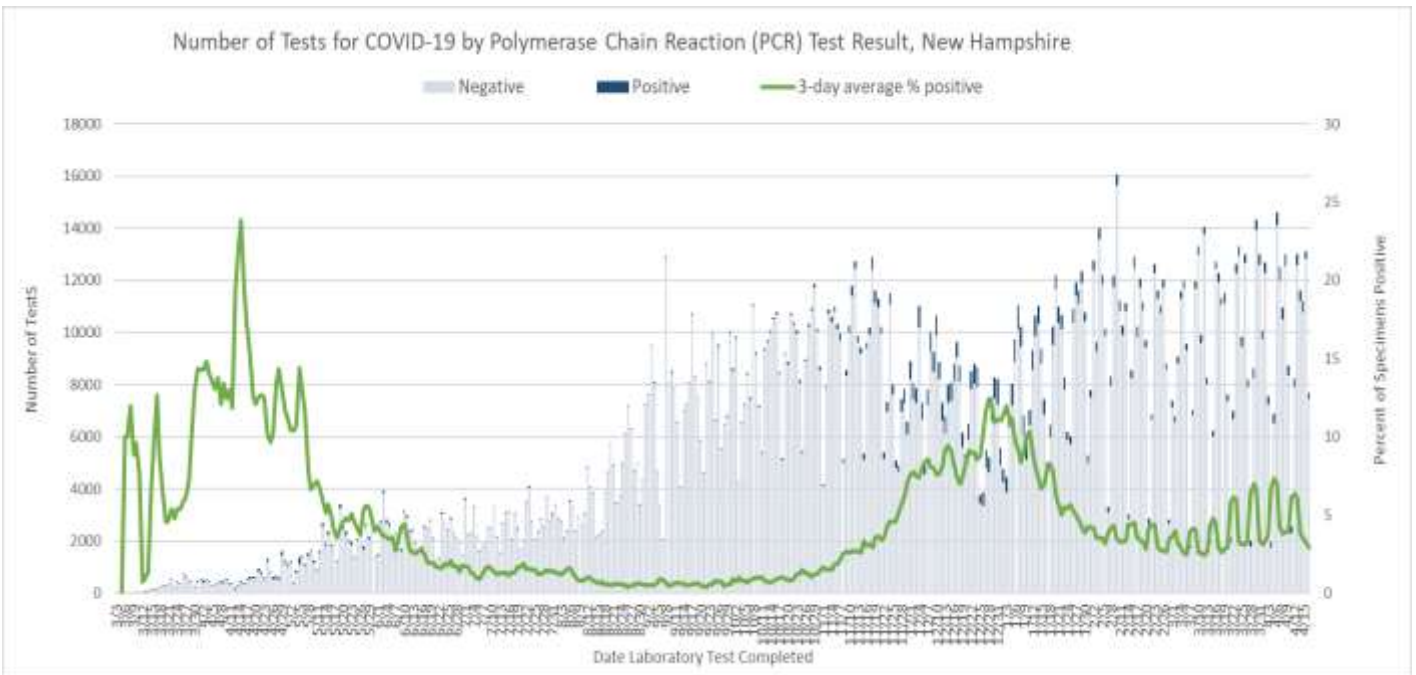
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	4/11	4/12	4/13	4/14	4/15	4/16	4/17	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	0	155	305	648	552	715	554	418
LabCorp	178	426	592	573	461	435	342	430
Quest Diagnostics	476	318	441	606	659	621	502	518
Mako Medical	18	238	12	169	273	105	0	116
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	274	195	462	472	584	317	100	343
NorDX Laboratory	76	27	487	64	399	148	74	182
Broad Institute	506	1,900	5,725	4,338	2,873	6,788	3,381	3,644
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	410	540	483	828	481	505	355	515
Other Laboratory*	575	453	634	561	611	455	178	495
University of New Hampshire**	60	4,008	3,871	3,368	4,296	3,030	2,190	2,975
Total	2,573	8,260	13,012	11,627	11,189	13,119	7,676	9,637
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	4/11	4/12	4/13	4/14	4/15	4/16	4/17	Daily Average
LabCorp	1	0	5	2	2	7	0	2
Quest Diagnostics	2	0	0	12	10	6	5	5
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	2	4	2	4	4	9	0	4
NorDX Laboratory	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Other Laboratory*	0	9	9	25	12	6	0	9
Total	5	13	17	43	29	28	5	20

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

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

** Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboratory and their contracted lab Veritas.



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

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

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