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## NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – April 21, 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 Wednesday, April 21, 2021, DHHS announced 362 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 2.4%. Today's results include 222 people who tested positive by PCR test and 140 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 3,090 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- **4/20: 362** 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 seventy-nine 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 (73), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (50), Strafford (40), Grafton (37), Merrimack (27), Carroll (21), Belknap (18), Cheshire (14), Sullivan (11), and Coos (7) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (25) and Nashua (21). The county of residence is being determined for eighteen 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 two additional deaths related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

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

There are currently 124 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 92,391 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

### Current Situation in New Hampshire

#### New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated April 21, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	92,391
Recovered	88,028 (95%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,273 (1%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	3,090
Current Hospitalizations	124
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) <sub>2</sub>	686,661

Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests<sub>2</sub> 39,203

Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL 72,033

Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL<sub>3</sub> 694

<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, 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								
Testing Laboratory	4/14	4/15	4/16	4/17	4/18	4/19	4/20	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	648	552	715	554	0	186	195	407
LabCorp	573	461	445	379	444	244	356	415
Quest Diagnostics	606	659	628	535	391	316	548	526
Mako Medical	169	273	105	0	21	70	2	91
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	472	584	317	365	180	153	11	297
NorDX Laboratory	64	399	148	74	41	22	467	174
Broad Institute	4,339	2,875	6,820	3,392	318	2,038	4,234	3,431
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	830	481	506	406	381	424	447	496
Other Laboratory*	615	638	540	322	219	461	315	444
University of New Hampshire**	3,368	4,296	3,030	2,190	47	4,310	3,632	2,982
Total	11,684	11,218	13,254	8,217	2,042	8,224	10,207	9,264
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	4/14	4/15	4/16	4/17	4/18	4/19	4/20	Daily Average
LabCorp	2	2	7	7	1	1	0	3
Quest Diagnostics	12	10	6	5	0	0	5	5
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	4	4	9	0	0	3	2	3
NorDX Laboratory	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Laboratory*	25	12	8	5	0	11	0	9
Total	43	29	30	17	1	15	7	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.

The most up-to-date test positivity rates are available <https://www.covid19.nh.gov/dashboard/testing>.

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