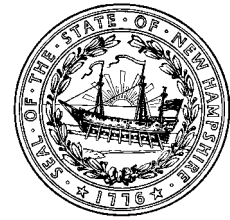


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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – February 16, 2021

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

On Tuesday, February 16, 2021, DHHS announced 258 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 2.6%. Today's results include 139 people who tested positive by PCR test and 119 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 2,857 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- **2/15: 258** new cases

Test results for previous days are still being processed and the total number of new positives for those days are not yet complete. Updated case counts for prior days will be reflected on the [COVID-19 interactive dashboard](#).

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 forty-one individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 52% being female and 48% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (57), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (33), Grafton (23), Merrimack (21), Strafford (21), Cheshire (18), Carroll (9), Sullivan (9), Coos (6), and Belknap (5) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (27) and Nashua (14). The county of residence is being determined for fifteen 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 have recently traveled.

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

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

There are currently 119 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 71,215 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated February 16, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	71,215
Recovered	67,222 (94%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,136 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	2,857
Current Hospitalizations	119

Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₁	616,889
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	37,178
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	67,981
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	53

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.

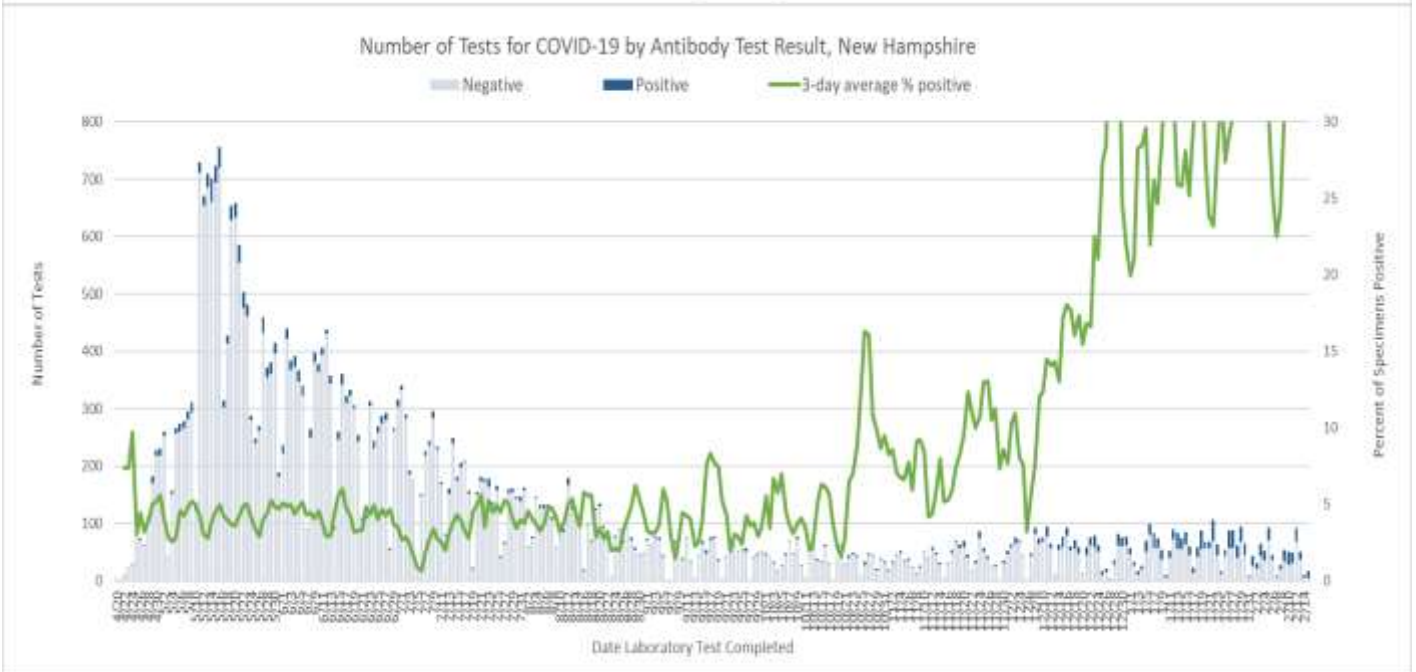
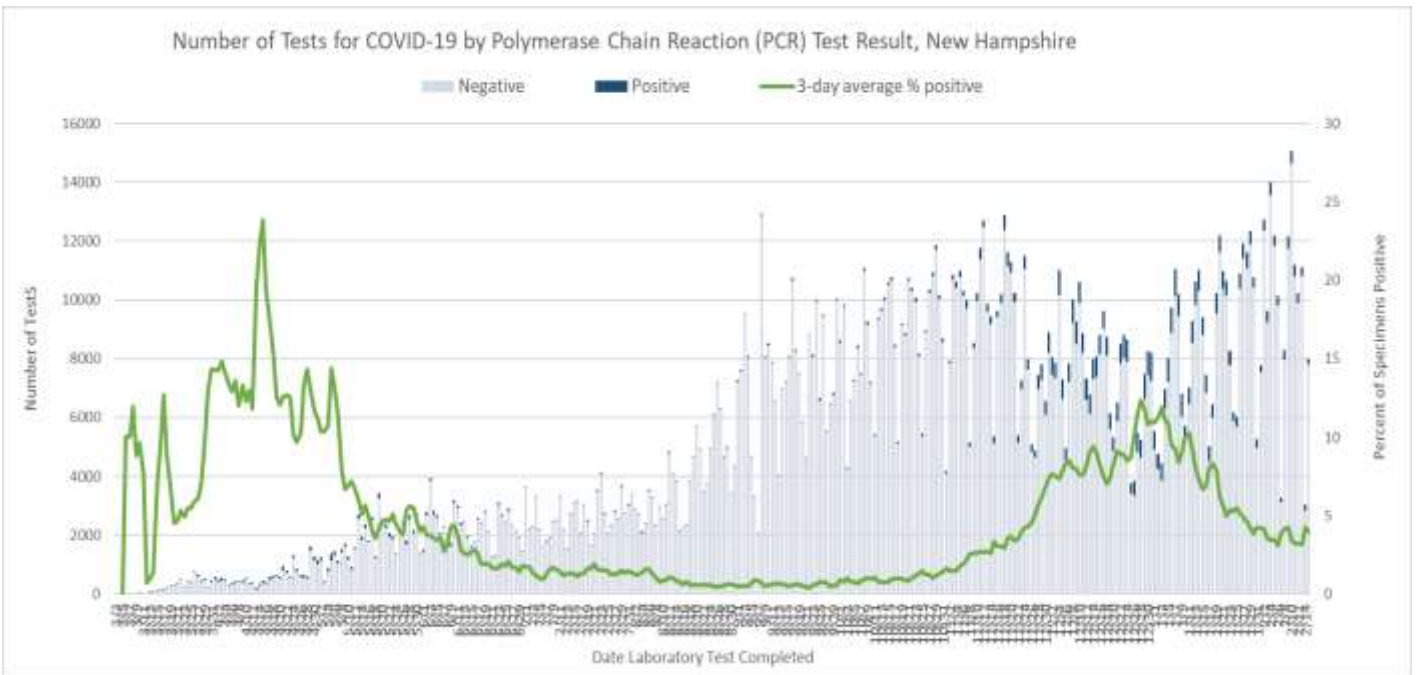
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	2/09	2/10	2/11	2/12	2/13	2/14	2/15	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	186	765	813	574	640	42	36	437
LabCorp	992	700	730	602	454	494	464	634
Quest Diagnostics	714	725	611	656	674	565	201	592
Mako Medical	161	315	235	152	11	136	301	187
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	516	648	544	389	400	287	0	398
NorDX Laboratory	582	492	571	343	131	74	58	322
Broad Institute	4,147	4,842	2,640	2,613	5,350	870	2,570	3,290
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	497	750	431	413	289	243	320	420
Other Laboratory*	347	1,749	452	357	231	259	185	511
University of New Hampshire**	4,015	4,069	4,163	4,143	2,923	54	3,873	3,320
Total	12,157	15,055	11,190	10,242	11,103	3,024	8,008	10,111
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	2/09	2/10	2/11	2/12	2/13	2/14	2/15	Daily Average
LabCorp	16	12	10	11	9	2	2	9
Quest Diagnostics	17	17	16	52	21	6	0	18
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	7	7	9	8	4	1	0	5
NorDX Laboratory	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Other Laboratory*	3	9	9	10	13	0	3	7
Total	43	47	44	82	47	9	5	40

* 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.nh.gov/covid19>.

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