




11,000+

life science employees  
in NH in 2021<sup>3</sup>

Lightcast forecast estimates more than  
12,000 life sciences jobs by 2026.

Bioscience-Related Patents (2019–2023)



1,707<sup>1</sup>

Top Patent Categories

- Medical & Surgical Devices: 931 patents
- Biochemistry: 270 patents
- Drugs & Pharmaceuticals: 175 patents

\$73.9  
Million


venture capital  
invested in NH  
bioscience in  
2023<sup>1</sup>




Average earnings for NH  
life sciences worker

\$136,164<sup>1</sup>

79% higher





State average salary for all workers

\$68,806<sup>6</sup>

1,048

Bioscience  
businesses  
in NH<sup>1</sup>






27.9%

New Hampshire's employment growth  
in bioscience jobs from 2019 to 2023,  
significantly faster than the nation.<sup>1</sup>

88%

of UNH's College of Life  
Sciences and Agriculture undergraduate  
students have a job related to their  
major within one year of graduation. The  
rate exceeds 96% for students earning  
advanced degrees.<sup>5</sup>





Members of  
NH Life Sciences

53<sup>2</sup>

Biggest Member  
Lonza

Newest Member  
HIARC

2024 National Institutes of  
Health Grant Awards to NH

\$134 Million<sup>4</sup>

Top R&D categories for NIH funds (2023)

Biological &  
Biomedical Sciences

\$99 Million<sup>1</sup>

Health Sciences

\$96.8 Million<sup>1</sup>



\$4.3  
Billion

Total sales for  
life sciences  
businesses  
in 2021<sup>3</sup>

NHLS works to connect, convene, and facilitate the advancement of the life sciences industry in the Granite State through member programs and events, policy advocacy and industry intelligence, and education.

SOURCES

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<sup>2</sup> NH Life Sciences internal records (Aug. 2025)

<sup>3</sup> State of New Hampshire report "Life Sciences Industry Assessment and Strategy" (2023)

<sup>4</sup> National Institute of Health database export 2024

<sup>5</sup> University of New Hampshire First Destination Survey (2024)

<sup>6</sup> New Hampshire Employment Security Occupational Employment and Wages (2024)