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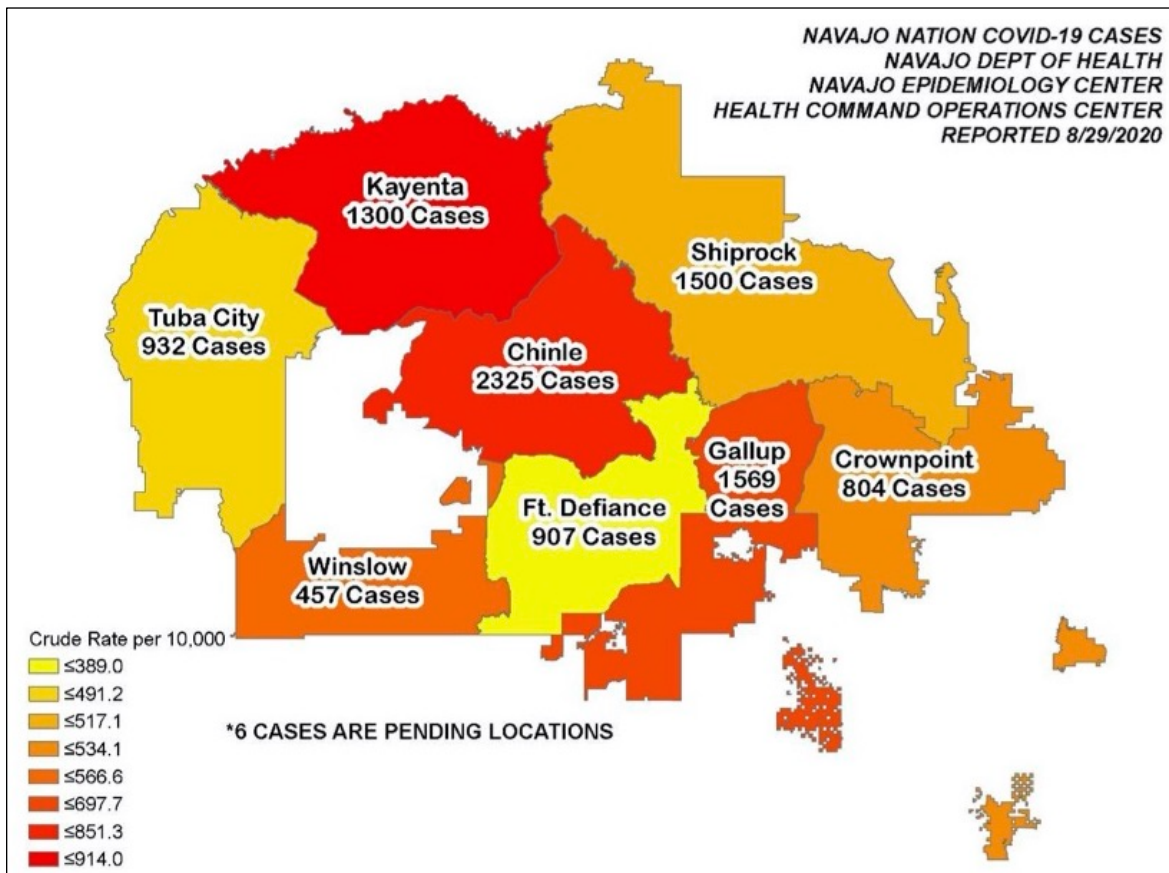
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11 new cases, 7,057 recoveries, and one more death related to COVID-19 as 32-hour lockdown continues



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Sunday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 11 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths has reached 502 as of Sunday. Reports indicate that 7,057 individuals have recovered from COVID-19 and 94,403 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 9,800.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 2,325
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 804
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 907
- Gallup Service Unit: 1,569
- Kayenta Service Unit: 1,300
- Shiprock Service Unit: 1,500
- Tuba City Service Unit: 932
- Winslow Service Unit: 457

* Six residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

The Navajo Nation's 32-hour weekend lockdown is currently in effect and will last until Monday, Aug. 31 at 5:00 a.m.

"As we proceed closer to the start of the flu season, we have to continue wearing our masks and practicing all of the preventative measures that we have in place for COVID-19. I believe that if we continue wearing masks, practicing social distancing, staying home as much as possible, avoiding large crowds, and washing your hands often, it will help keep the number of flu cases relatively low as well. We have to keep fighting COVID-19 together and that will help us during the flu season as well. We will be much better prepared," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

On Sunday, the state of Utah reported 448 new cases of COVID-19, the state of Arizona reported 374 new cases, and New Mexico reported 107.

"We owe much gratitude to our health care experts, contact tracers, and epidemiology teams for their work to keep our people safe and for bringing our numbers down. We have to keep listening to their advice and evaluating the data to keep our numbers down. Please keep praying for all of those who have loved ones who are fighting the coronavirus and for the families who have lost loved ones," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: <http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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