

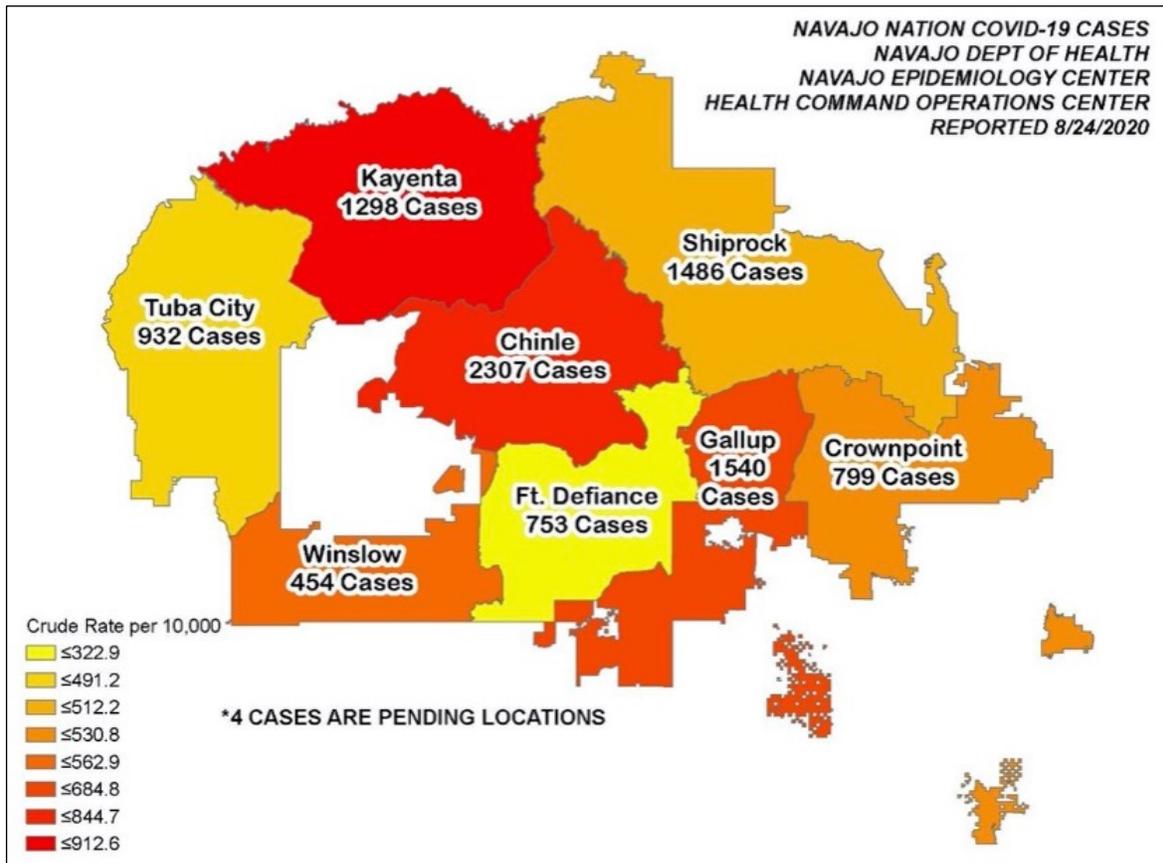


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Six new cases, 7,347 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Tuesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported six new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 494 as previously reported on Monday. Reports indicate that 7,347 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 92,751 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of COVID-19 positive cases is 9,573.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 2,307
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 799
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 753

- Gallup Service Unit: 1,540
- Kayenta Service Unit: 1,298
- Shiprock Service Unit: 1,486
- Tuba City Service Unit: 932
- Winslow Service Unit: 454

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

The Navajo Nation will have a 32-hour weekend lockdown beginning Saturday, Aug. 29, at 9:00 p.m. until Monday, Aug. 31 at 5:00 a.m.

"We have only six positive COVID-19 cases today, but that doesn't mean we can be careless or start traveling. We have to remember that numbers are still relatively high in nearby towns and cities, so there is still substantial risk. Please keep wearing your mask, social distancing, washing your hands, staying home as much as possible, and avoid crowds. We do not want another spike and our health care system can't handle another COVID-19 spike," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

On Tuesday, the state of New Mexico reported 69 new cases of COVID-19, Utah reported 403, and the state of Arizona reported 859 new cases.

"The Navajo people and all the frontline workers have done an outstanding job fighting this virus and I'm confident they will continue to do so. Please keep everyone, including the doctors, nurses, EMT's, police officers, firefighters, and others in your prayers each day. Keep fighting hard and don't give up. We're doing a great job and we have to keep it and not let down," 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-nnsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call [\(928\) 871-7014](tel:9288717014).

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