

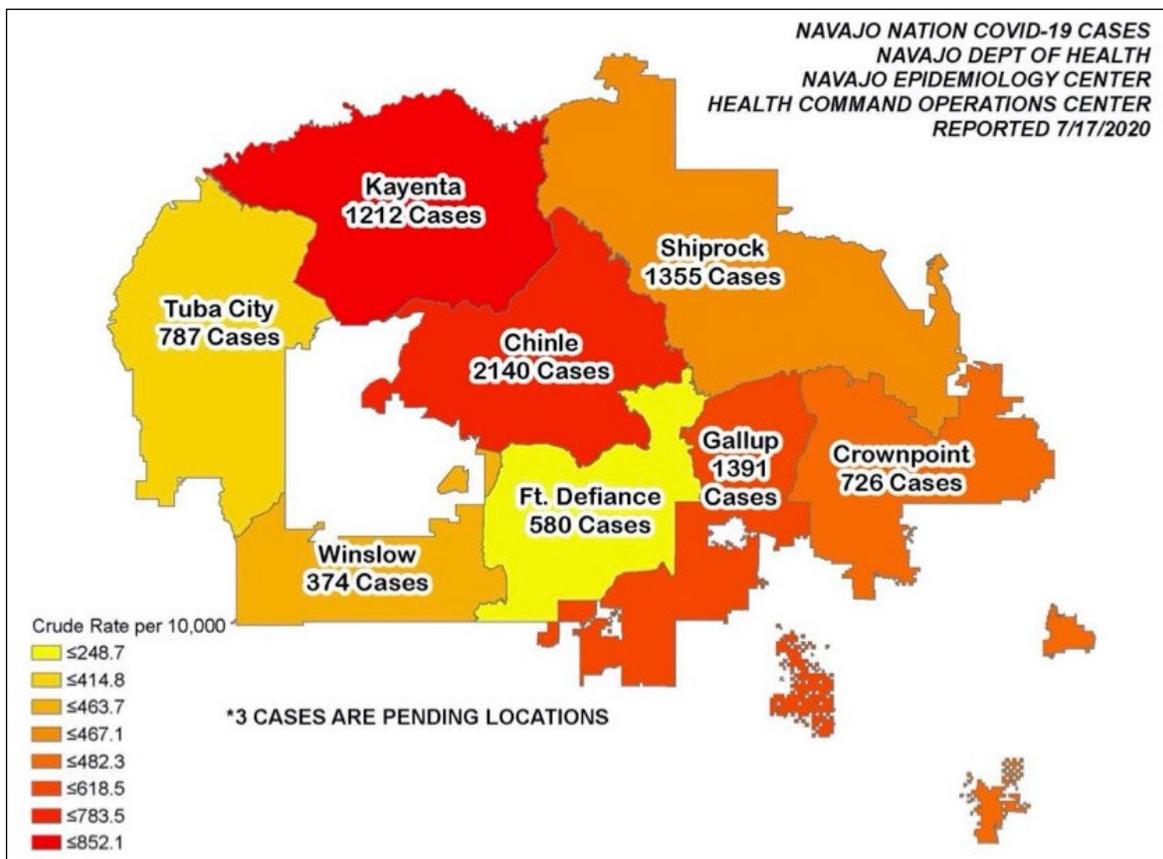


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**6,345 recoveries, 32 new cases, and three more deaths related to COVID-19 reported as 57-hour weekend lockdown continues**



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – On Saturday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 32 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and three more deaths. The total number of deaths has reached 415 as of Saturday.

Reports indicate that approximately 6,345 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 72,711 people have been tested for COVID-19. The total number of COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation is 8,568.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 2,140
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 726
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 580
- Gallup Service Unit: 1,391
- Kayenta Service Unit: 1,212
- Shiprock Service Unit: 1,355
- Tuba City Service Unit: 787
- Winslow Service Unit: 374

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

The Navajo Nation's 57-hour weekend lockdown remains in effect until Monday, July 20 at 5:00 a.m. to help slow the spread of COVID-19 and to keep the Navajo people safe. The Navajo Police Department and the New Mexico National Guard have setup checkpoints in various communities to help enforce the weekend lockdown.

"When we stay home, we are keeping ourselves safe, helping our first responders, and slowing the spread of the virus. When we isolate ourselves, we isolate the coronavirus. Wearing masks is making a difference, so please continue to wear your masks in public and we will get through this pandemic together. Our frontline warriors are working to save lives around the clock. Let's pray for them and honor them by wearing masks, social distancing, washing your hands, and staying home. Please also pray for all of those who have lost loved ones and those fighting to recover from the virus," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

The Nez-Lizer Administration is working with businesses to setup food donation drop-off sites at grocery stores to allow Navajo Nation residents to contribute non-perishable food items, which will be made available to Navajo people and others living in the Phoenix area as a way to give back to our relatives and friends of the Navajo Nation who graciously donated essential items to the Navajo Nation.

"Stay home and stay healthy. Our first responders don't get much time to be with their families, but they continue to put their lives at risk to help our people. So please pray for them and please wear your masks and stay home as much as possible to reduce the risk of contracting the virus. Stay home, stay safe, save lives," 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 at <http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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