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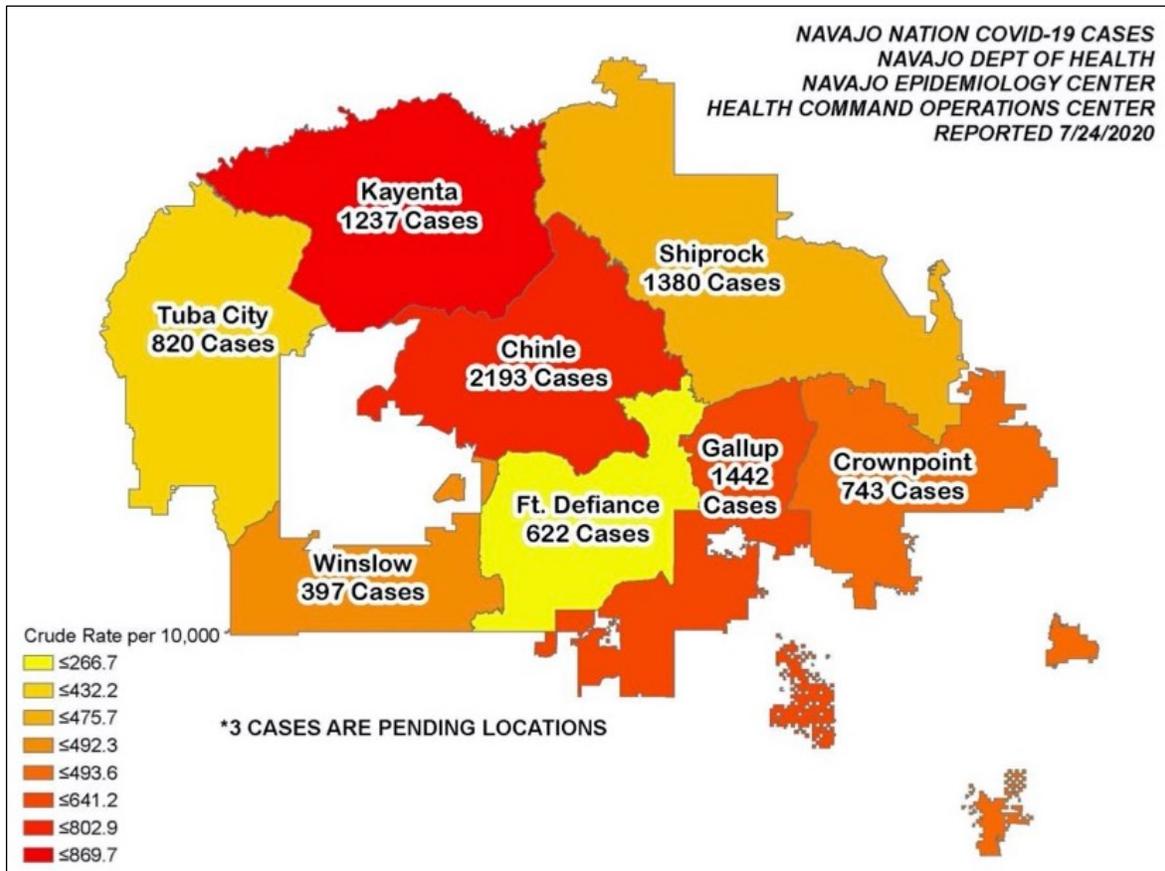
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**6,525 recoveries, 69 new cases, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19 reported as Navajo Nation reaches 30 consecutive days with less than 100 cases**



**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 69 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains at 434 as previously reported on Friday.

Reports indicate that approximately 6,525 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 76,902 people have been tested for COVID-19. The total number of COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation is 8,837.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 2,193
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 743
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 622
- Gallup Service Unit: 1,442
- Kayenta Service Unit: 1,237
- Shiprock Service Unit: 1,380
- Tuba City Service Unit: 820
- Winslow Service Unit: 397

\* 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 27 at 5:00 a.m. All businesses on the Navajo Nation are closed for the duration of the weekend lockdown. There will be another 57-hour weekend lockdown beginning on Friday, July 31 at 8:00 p.m. until Monday, Aug. 3 at 5:00 a.m.

"The data shows that the Navajo Nation has had under 100 new cases of COVID-19 on a daily basis for a month now, while cities and towns around us continue to contribute to the large increases of the virus in New Mexico, Arizona, and Utah. We have to remain diligent and continue safe practices to ensure that our numbers continue to flatten. Please stay home, wear your masks, practice social distancing, wash your hands often, and avoid large gatherings. Our health care experts are leading the charge and we have to keep listening to them and basing our decisions on the data that they provide," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

On Saturday, the state of Arizona reported 3,748 new cases of COVID-19, while New Mexico reported 324 new cases, and Utah reported 661 new cases. The Department of Health and the Health Command Operations Center is also preparing for the upcoming winter flu season, which will present more challenges, as well as a vaccination plan once a COVID-19 vaccine is proven to be safe and made available. The Nez-Lizer Administration also continues to develop and finalize a phased-in reopening of the Navajo Nation that will be implemented only when the number of cases decrease in each of the states and as long as the cases on the Navajo Nation decrease on a consistent basis.

"Help our health care workers and all of our frontline warriors by staying home as much as possible. Our health care system has been tested with the initial wave of the virus, but we cannot afford to have another spike in cases of COVID-19 on the Navajo Nation. Please pray for our communities, those fighting for their lives, and those on the frontlines. Please stay home, stay safe, and 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.navajonnsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call [\(928\) 871-7014](tel:9288717014).

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