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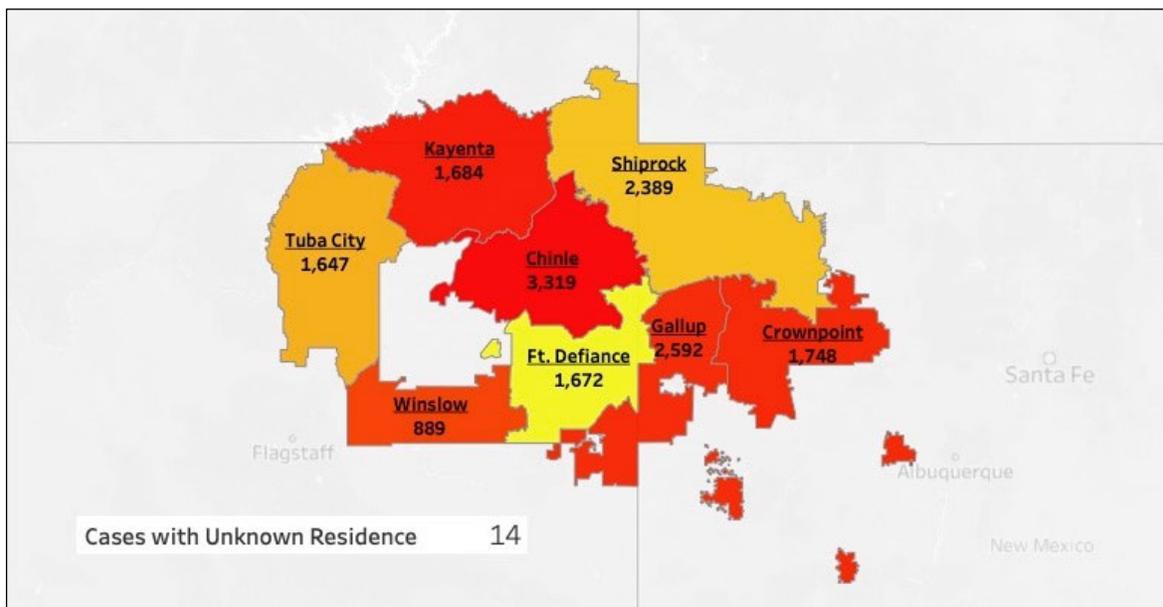
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**91 new cases, 8,609 recoveries, and three more deaths related to COVID-19**



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – On Friday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 91 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and three more deaths. The total number of deaths is now 648 as of Friday. Reports indicate that 8,609 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 155,113 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 15,954, including four delayed unreported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 3,319
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 1,748
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 1,672
- Gallup Service Unit: 2,592
- Kayenta Service Unit: 1,684
- Shiprock Service Unit: 2,389
- Tuba City Service Unit: 1,647

· Winslow Service Unit: 889

\* 14 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Friday, the state of New Mexico reported 2,076 new cases of COVID-19, the state of Arizona reported 4,314 new cases, and Utah reported 6,142 for Thursday and Friday combined.

“We love our people and that’s why we take the advice of the health care experts to implement restrictions to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. The Navajo Nation remains in a stay-at-home lockdown, which means the only time anyone should leave their home is for essential items such as food, medication, or hygiene products. We are once again seeing a peak in new cases, so please stay home as much as possible. You do not want your family to experience this potentially deadly virus. Stay home, wear a mask, practice social distancing, avoid crowds, and wash your hands often,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

The Navajo Nation’s three-week stay-at-home lockdown is in effect 24-hours a day, seven days a week with the exception of essential workers, cases of emergencies, and to purchase essential items such as food and medication when essential businesses are open from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily. Navajo Area IHS and 638 hospitals continue to offer COVID-19 drive-thru testing sites.

“Up to this point, we have lost at least 648 of our people to COVID-19. This is a very dangerous and very contagious virus, so please be safe and listen to our public health experts. Our first responders are constantly putting their health and lives on the line to protect us and to fight for us. Please be thankful to them and pray for them and our entire Nation as we fight this virus together,” 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.navajonnsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call [\(928\) 871-7014](tel:9288717014).

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