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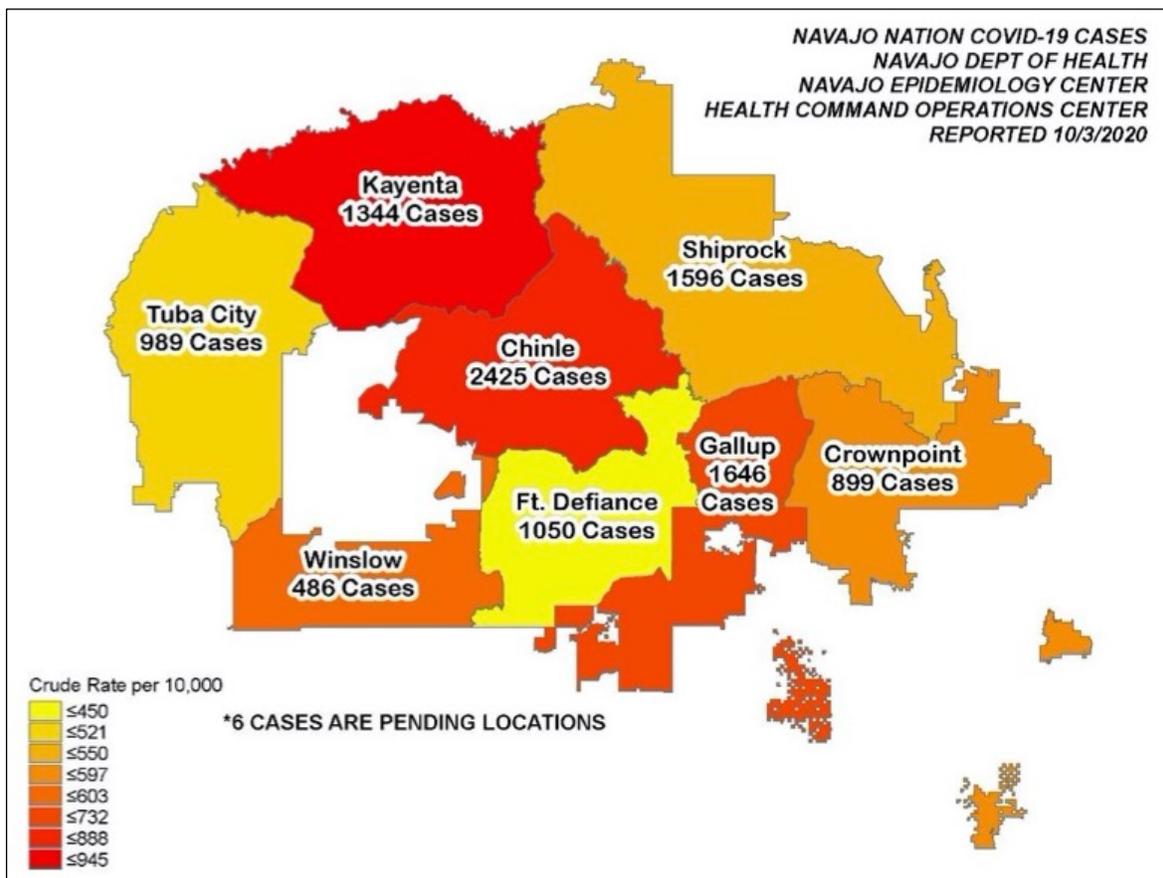
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### 19 new cases, 7,271 recoveries, and one recent death related to COVID-19



**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 19 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths is now 559 as of Sunday. Reports indicate that 7,271 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 108,653 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 10,441, including one additional case that was previously unreported.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 2,425

- Crownpoint Service Unit: 899
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 1,050
- Gallup Service Unit: 1,646
- Kayenta Service Unit: 1,344
- Shiprock Service Unit: 1,596
- Tuba City Service Unit: 989
- Winslow Service Unit: 486

\* Six 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 5:00 a.m. (MDT) on Monday, Oct. 5. A Stay-At-Home Order also remains in effect for the entire Navajo Nation.

"Today, the state of Utah reported its second highest daily number of new COVID-19 cases since the start of the pandemic with 1,393 new cases reported on Sunday. Numbers for Arizona and New Mexico also remain high. These are the facts based on the data of health care facilities. When you leave the Navajo Nation, the risk of contracting COVID-19 increases substantially. We have to keep our guard up. Stay home, wear a mask, wash your hands, practice social distancing, and avoid large gatherings," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

On Sunday, the state of New Mexico reported 189 new cases of COVID-19, the state of Arizona reported 355 new cases, and Utah reported 1,393.

"The COVID-19 pandemic combined with the flu season is a challenge we have not faced before, but we are strong and one day we will overcome these difficult times. Our health care workers and other frontline warriors are not giving, so we, the general public, cannot give up. Please stay strong, remain optimistic, and keep praying," 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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