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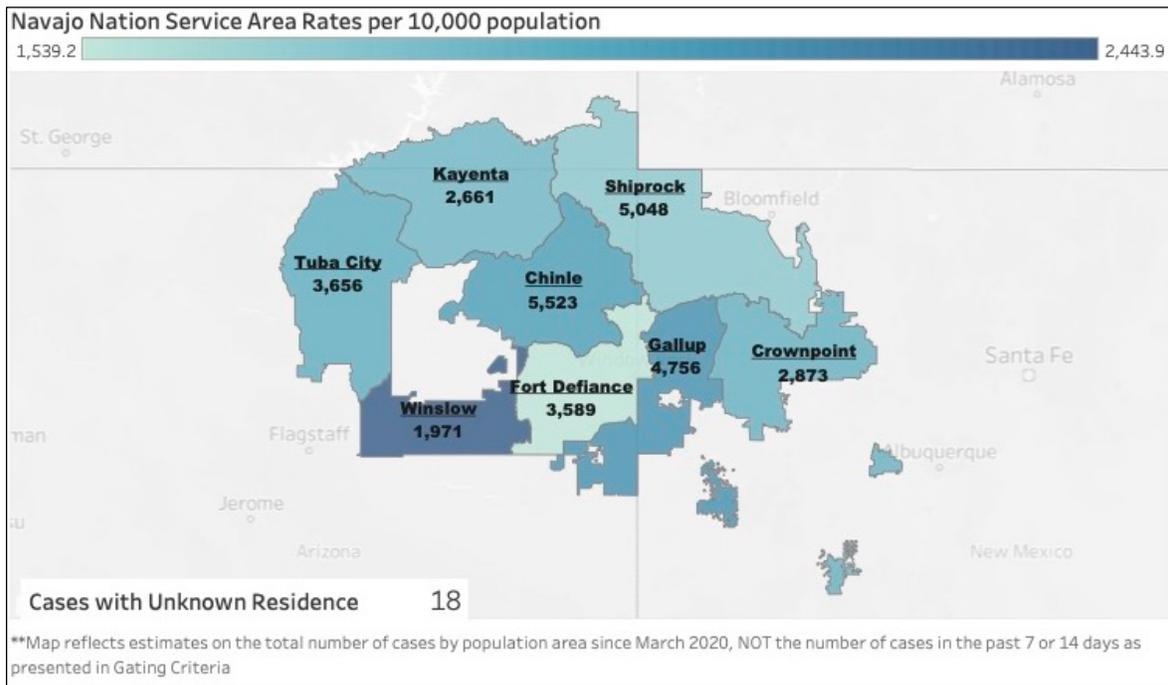
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15 new cases, 16,398 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 15 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,247 as previously reported on Tuesday. Reports indicate that 16,398 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 254,374 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 30,095, including one delayed reported case.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,523
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,873
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,589
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,756
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,661
- Shiprock Service Unit: 5,048
- Tuba City Service Unit: 3,656

- Winslow Service Unit: 1,971
- * 18 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Wednesday, the state of Arizona reported 733 new cases, Utah reported 514, and New Mexico reported 277 new cases.

“As we move forward, we have to continue to support one another and to hold each other accountable for adhering to the advice of our public health experts. The CDC Director continues to caution against lifting restrictions too soon and our own health care experts here on the Navajo Nation continue to urge all Navajo Nation residents to minimize travel, to keep wearing face masks, avoid large in-person gatherings, practice social distancing, to get vaccinated as soon as possible, and to get tested if you experience symptoms related to COVID-19. We know of at least one variant on the Navajo Nation, but this should not discourage us at all. Instead, it should serve to motivate us to do better and to keep taking all precautions. The safest place to be is at home here on the Navajo Nation,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines during drive-thru events or by appointment. If you would like to receive the vaccine, please contact your health care provider for more information for your Service Unit.

“The health care experts continue to ensure us that the COVID-19 vaccines are highly-effective in mitigating the effects of COVID-19. Even after a person is fully vaccinated, they have to keep taking all precautions including wearing a mask in public. We understand that there is COVID-19 fatigue, but we have to keep praying for strength and keep supporting one another,” said Vice President Myron Lizer.

The Nez-Lizer Administration will host an online town hall on Thursday, April 1 at 10:00 a.m. on the Nez-Lizer Facebook page and YouTube channel to provide more COVID-19 updates.

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.

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