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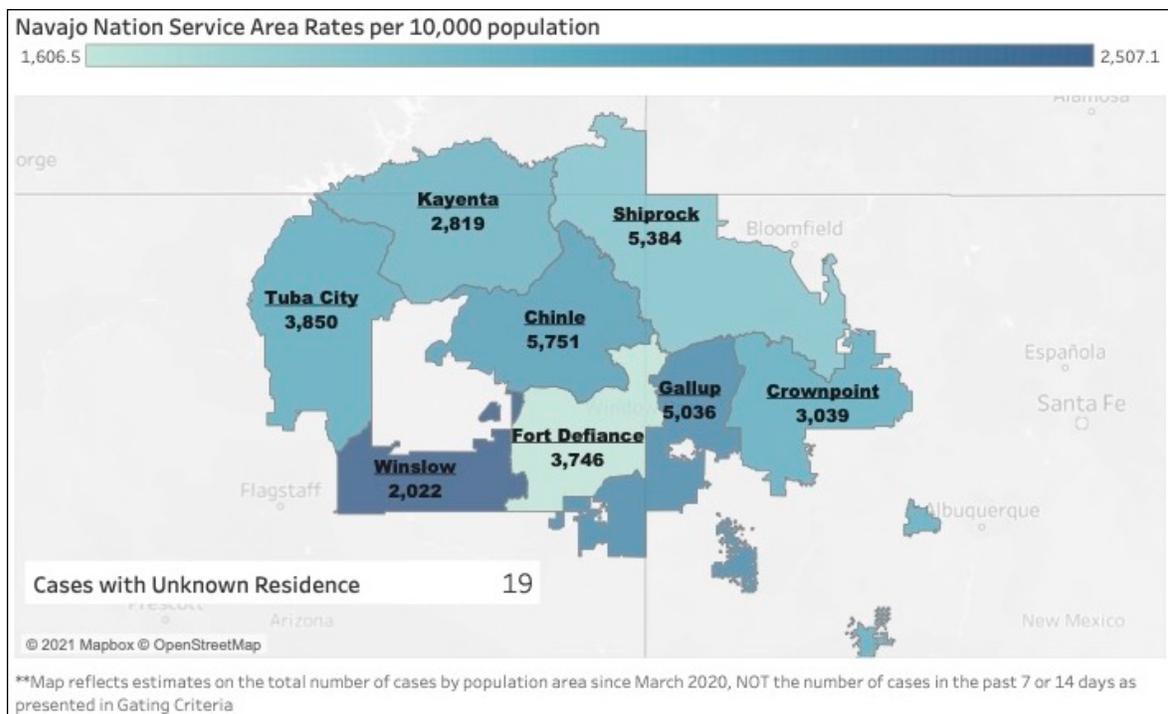
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16 new cases, 30,055 recoveries, and one more death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Tuesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 16 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths is now 1,384. The report indicates that 30,055 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 296,492 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 31,666.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,751
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,039
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,746
- Gallup Service Unit: 5,036
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,819

- Shiprock Service Unit: 5,384
 - Tuba City Service Unit: 3,850
 - Winslow Service Unit: 2,022
- * 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Tuesday, the state of Arizona reported 2,582 new cases. Utah reported 630 cases, and New Mexico reported 688 new cases.

“Please get fully vaccinated for COVID-19 if you haven’t already. The vaccines don’t guarantee that you won’t get COVID-19, but they are effective in preventing severe symptoms and they lower the chances of being hospitalized or losing your life if you do contract the virus. We have to continue to rely on the facts, the data, and our public health experts. The data here on the Navajo Nation still shows that the majority of new cases are the result of in-person social and family gatherings where people let their guard down and often don’t wear masks. We have to keep our guard up at all times and limit visits with family members in other households for the time being, until we see a reduction in the spread of the virus. Continue to take precautions, wear a mask in public, and get vaccinated as soon as possible,” 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.

“Our public health experts continue to caution everyone about visiting family and friends who live in separate households. Unfortunately, contact tracers are finding that some people are not wearing masks when they attend birthday parties and other social gatherings and this has led to an increase in COVID-19 cases. So please be safe, wear a mask around others, and take all precautions,” 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.

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