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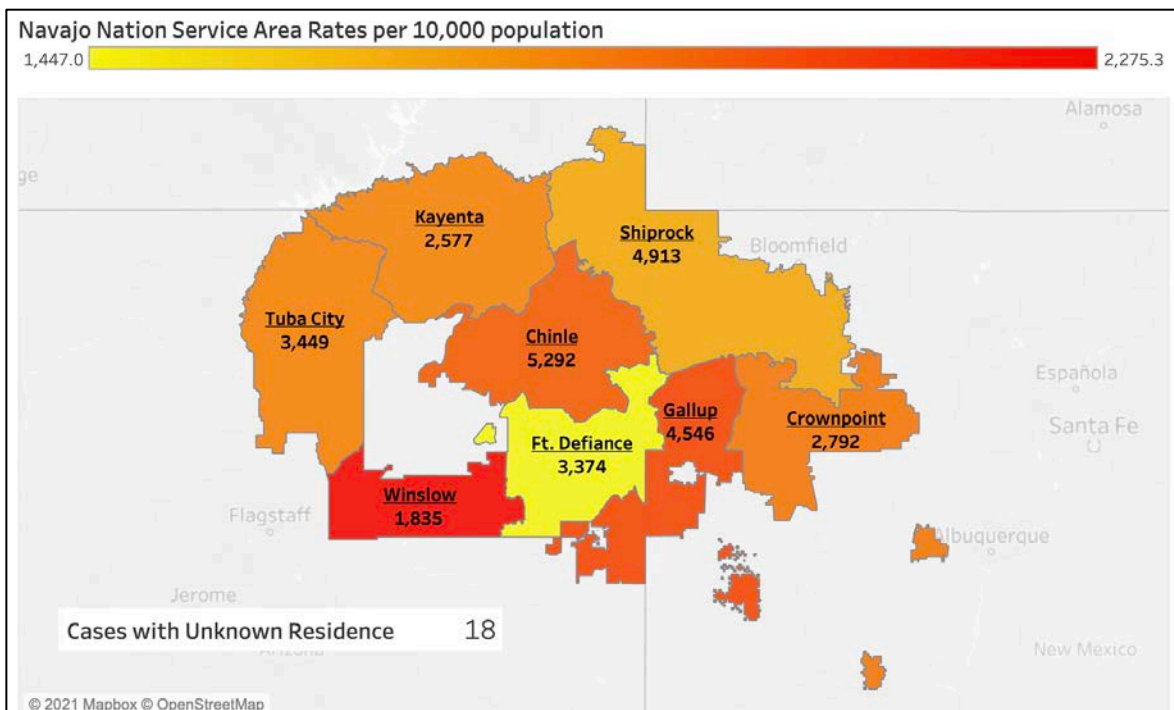
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114 new cases, 15,067 recoveries, and six more deaths related to COVID-19



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 114 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and six more deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,053 as of Friday. Reports indicate that 15,067 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 235,531 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 28,796, including 14 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,292
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,792
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,374
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,546
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,577

- Shiprock Service Unit: 4,913
 - Tuba City Service Unit: 3,449
 - Winslow Service Unit: 1,835
- * 18 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Friday, the state of Arizona reported 3,826 new cases, Utah reported 1,216, and New Mexico reported 589 new cases. Public health officials continue to urge the public not to hold in-person gatherings on Super Bowl Sunday due to the risks of COVID-19.

“We know that it’s a fun time for sports fans, but the risks associated with COVID-19 remain high right now. For your health and safety and those of others, please do not hold in-person gatherings with individuals outside of your immediate household. You can still enjoy Super Bowl Sunday with those that live in your household, but please do not invite others over and do not go into the homes of others due to COVID-19. We are doing our best to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and we cannot have another surge in new cases. Please be safe and keep staying home as much as possible, wear a mask in public, practice social distancing, avoid large gatherings, and wash your hands often,” 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.

“A big thank you to all of our health care workers and first responders who work around the clock caring for our people and saving lives. This weekend, several health care facilities will hold drive-thru vaccine events to help protect our people from the virus. Please remember that there may be long waits for the vaccines, so please remain patient and remember to bring snacks and any necessary items. Be safe and continue to pray for our people,” 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-nns.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call [\(928\) 871-7014](tel:9288717014).

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