



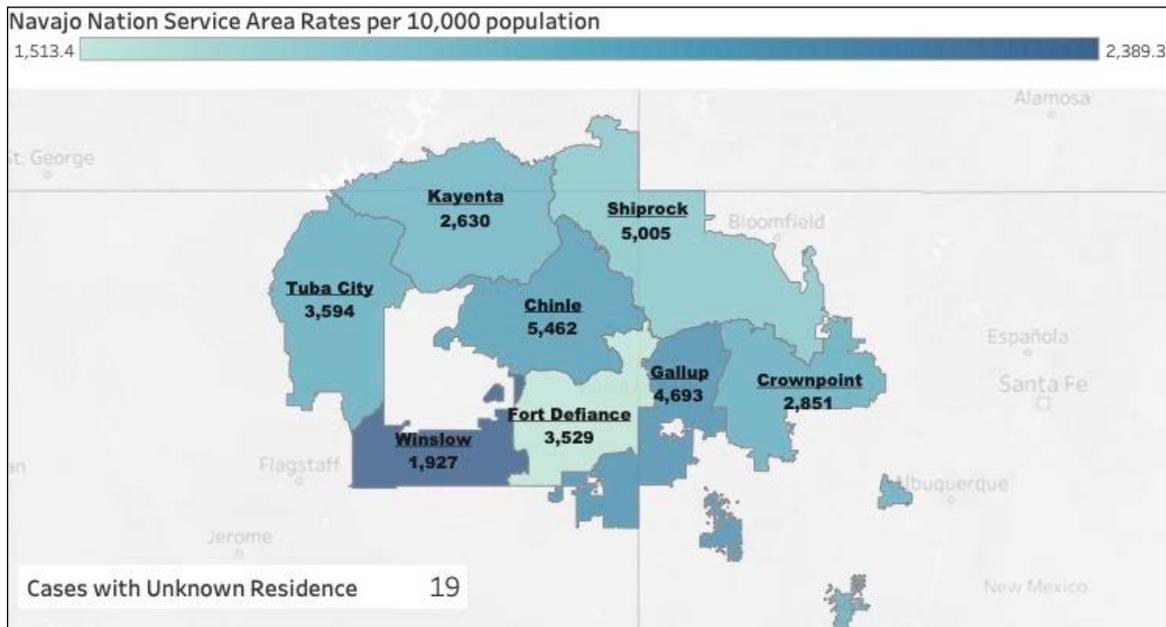
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23 new cases, 16,057 recoveries, and four more deaths related to COVID-19



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 23 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and four more deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,165 as of Friday. Reports indicate that 16,057 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 243,896 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 29,710, which includes delayed reported cases from the Winslow Service Unit that were not reported promptly.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,462
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,851
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,529
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,693
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,630
- Shiprock Service Unit: 5,005

- Tuba City Service Unit: 3,594
 - Winslow Service Unit: 1,927
- * 19 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 1,621 new cases, Utah reported 651, and New Mexico reported 659 new cases. The Navajo Nation's daily curfew remains in effect from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. (MST) seven days a week.

"We have to continue to stay home as much as possible, wear a mask or two, avoid large gatherings, practice social distancing, and wash your hands with soap and warm water often. Please continue to encourage your loved ones to take all precautions, especially elders and those with underlying health conditions. We know that people want to travel and gather with family, but we have to remember that we are putting ourselves and others at greater risk if we do. Remain diligent and keep fighting COVID-19 together. Our health care workers are working seven days a week fighting for us, so let's fight for them by taking all precautions," 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.

"Mental health is a great concern for our people. The Navajo Nation Division of Behavioral and Mental Health Services and the health care facilities can provide assistance for those who are needing help, whether it be counseling or faith-based services. Please continue to remain strong, take all precautions, and keep praying 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.navajonnsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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