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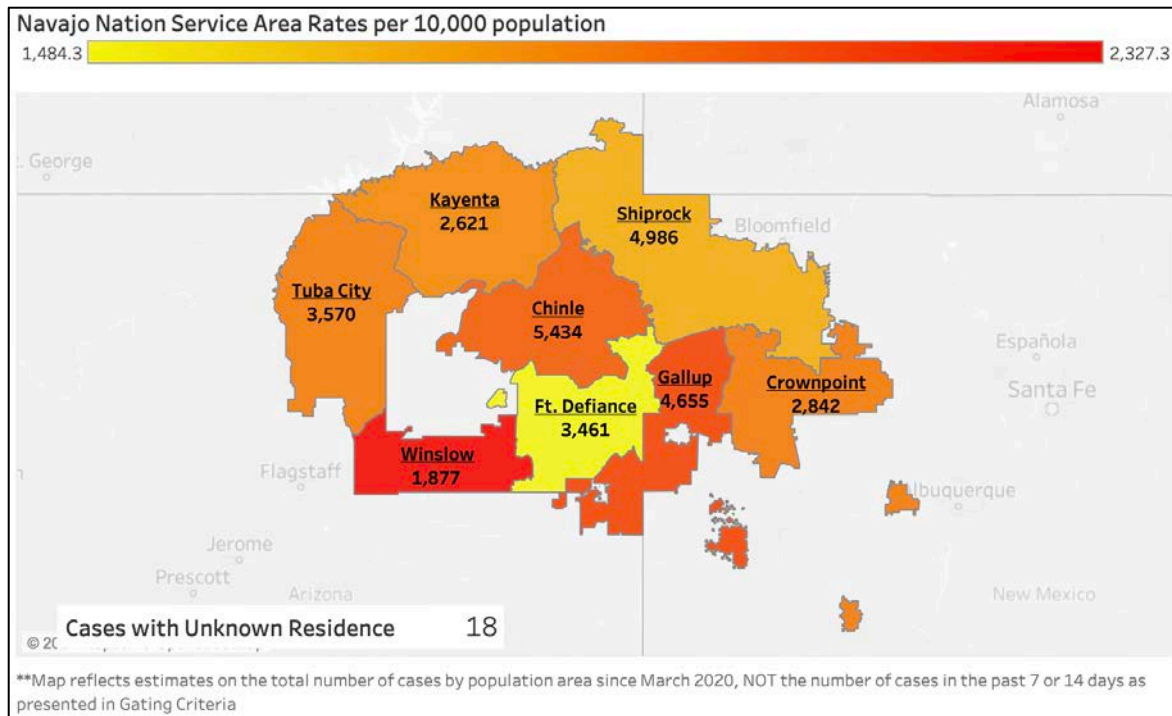
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48 new cases, 15,947 recoveries, and 11 more deaths related to COVID-19



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 48 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and 11 more deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,138 as of Friday. Reports indicate that 15,947 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 241,743 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 29,464, including 30 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,434
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,842
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,461
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,655
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,621

- Shiprock Service Unit: 4,986
 - Tuba City Service Unit: 3,570
 - Winslow Service Unit: 1,877
- * 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 1,918 new cases, Utah reported 857, and New Mexico reported 318 new cases. The Navajo Nation's curfew remains in effect from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. (MST) seven days a week.

"This week, our health care workers surpassed our goal of administering at least 100,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccines by the end of February. Now that we've accomplished that goal, we are setting a new goal of 120,000 doses by the end of the month. With the great work being done by our health care workers and the high confidence level among our Navajo people, I'm confident we will exceed that goal soon. We all have to continue taking all precautions to prevent another large surge in new cases of COVID-19, so please stay home as much as possible, wear a mask or two in public, avoid gatherings and crowds, practice social distancing, 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.

"We are seeing good progress with vaccinations, but please remember that even after you receive the vaccine you must continue to be very cautious and protect yourself and others. Continue to fight this virus together and please continue to pray for those who are struggling with the virus and for all of our frontline warriors fighting for us each day," 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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