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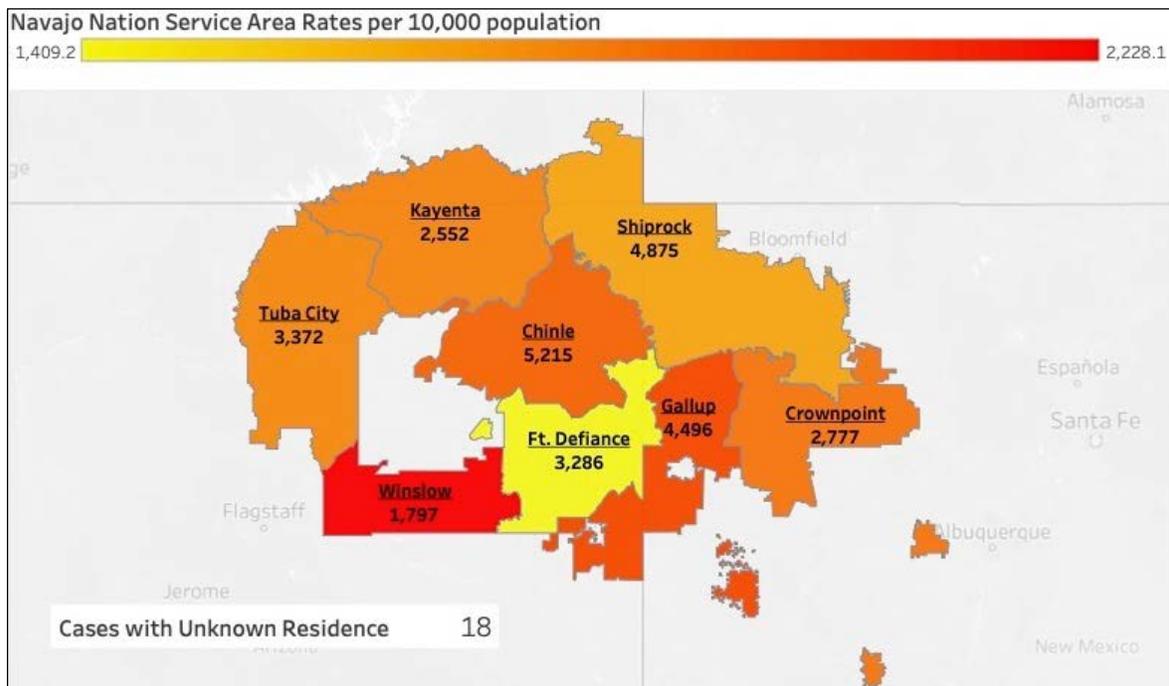
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61 new cases, 14,484 recoveries, and two more deaths related to COVID-19 as President Nez urges Navajo Nation residents to continue taking precautions



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Monday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 61 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and two more deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,020 as of Monday. Reports indicate that 14,484 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 233,041 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 28,388, including two delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,215
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,777
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,286
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,496

- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,552
- Shiprock Service Unit: 4,875
- Tuba City Service Unit: 3,372
- Winslow Service Unit: 1,797

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

On Monday, the state of Arizona reported 3,741 new cases, Utah reported 584, and New Mexico reported 487 new cases. As of Jan. 29, 2021, the Navajo Area IHS reported that the Navajo Nation received 64,713 doses of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines combined, and that 47,455 of those doses had been administered including some for second doses.

“We recently had a great discussion with the Biden-Harris Administration and other federal partners to request additional COVID-19 vaccines, test kits, and medical personnel to continue our fight against this virus. We know that many of our people are receiving Hardship Assistance funds and we want to remind them that it is not safe to travel to border towns and cities off the Navajo Nation. We have more and more COVID-19 variant cases being reported in regions closer and closer to the Navajo Nation. The new variants are said to be much more contagious, so please remain home and continue taking all precautions. The safest place for you and your family is at home here on the Navajo Nation. Continue to wear your masks in public, avoid large in-person gatherings, practice social distancing, and wash your hands often,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

On Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 10:00 a.m. (MST) the Nez-Lizer Administration will host an online town hall on the Nez-Lizer Facebook page and YouTube channel to provide more COVID-19 updates.

“President Nez and I continue to meet with our state and federal partners and leadership to continue coordinating the distribution of COVID-19 vaccines. Our health care workers are working seven days a week to administer the vaccine shots to our people and they need additional resources to keep up with the demand. We appreciate their hard work and we ask our Navajo people to continue to help them by staying home to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Keep praying and taking 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.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call [\(928\) 871-7014](tel:9288717014).

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