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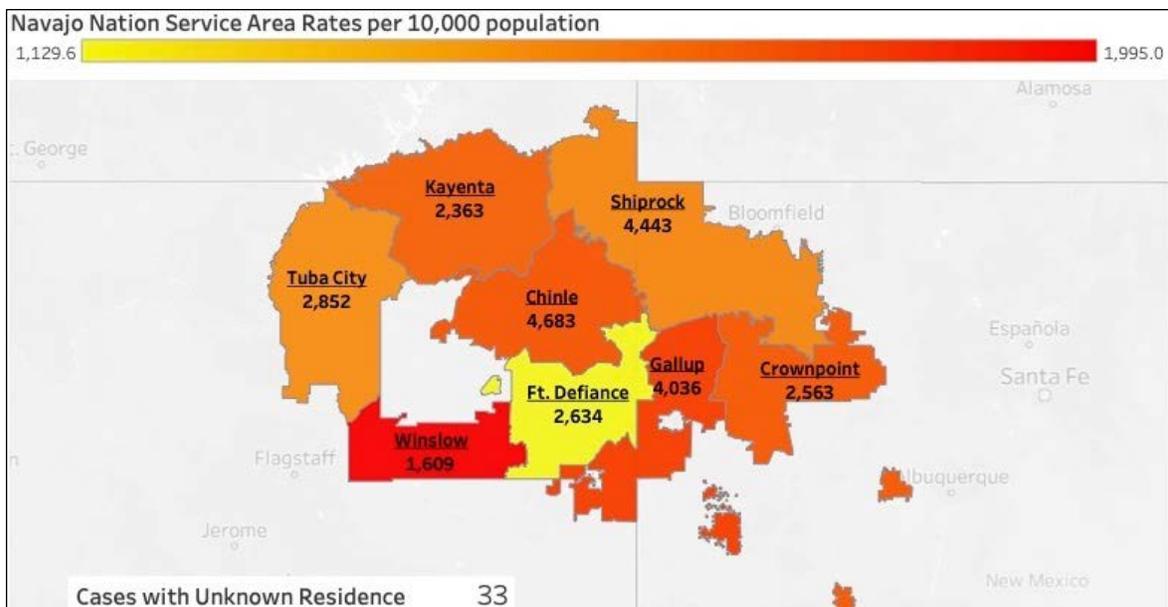
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**233 new cases, 12,817 recoveries, and two more deaths
related to COVID-19 as holiday spikes continue to be reported**



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Sunday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 233 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and two more deaths. The total number of deaths is now 871 as of Sunday. Reports indicate that 12,817 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 215,708 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 25,216, including four delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 4,683
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,563
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 2,634
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,036
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,363
- Shiprock Service Unit: 4,443
- Tuba City Service Unit: 2,852

- Winslow Service Unit: 1,609
- * 33 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Sunday, the state of Arizona reported 11,201 new cases, Utah reported 2,276, and New Mexico reported 1,208 new cases. The Navajo Nation's 57-hour weekend lockdown is in effect until Monday, Jan. 11 at 5:00 a.m. (MST), requiring all Navajo Nation residents to remain home with the exception of essential workers and cases of emergencies.

"Unfortunately, it appears that we are continuing to see the results of holiday gatherings and traveling that occurred recently. We have to keep our focus on bringing down the numbers of new COVID-19 cases by isolating the virus. When we choose to stay home more often, we are choosing to lessen the spread of COVID-19 and possibly to save lives. Our health care experts are doing their very best to rid our communities of this invisible monster, but they cannot do it alone. We have to help them by staying home as much as possible, wearing a mask, avoiding gatherings, practicing social distancing, and washing your hands often with soap and warm water," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Public Health Emergency Order No. 2021-001 will take effect on Monday, Jan. 11, extending the stay-at-home order and 57-hour weekend lockdowns through Monday, Jan. 25, 2021. The order is available online at: <https://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19>.

"So many of our Navajo men and women are fighting for us every day, and they need our help by staying home more often to slow and reduce the spread of the coronavirus. Our health care workers and many others are doing everything they can to help and to administer the COVID-19 vaccines. We must remain engaged and continue to listen to our health care experts," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

COVID-19 testing schedules are available online at the Navajo Health Command Operations Center website: <https://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19/COVID-19-Testing>. 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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