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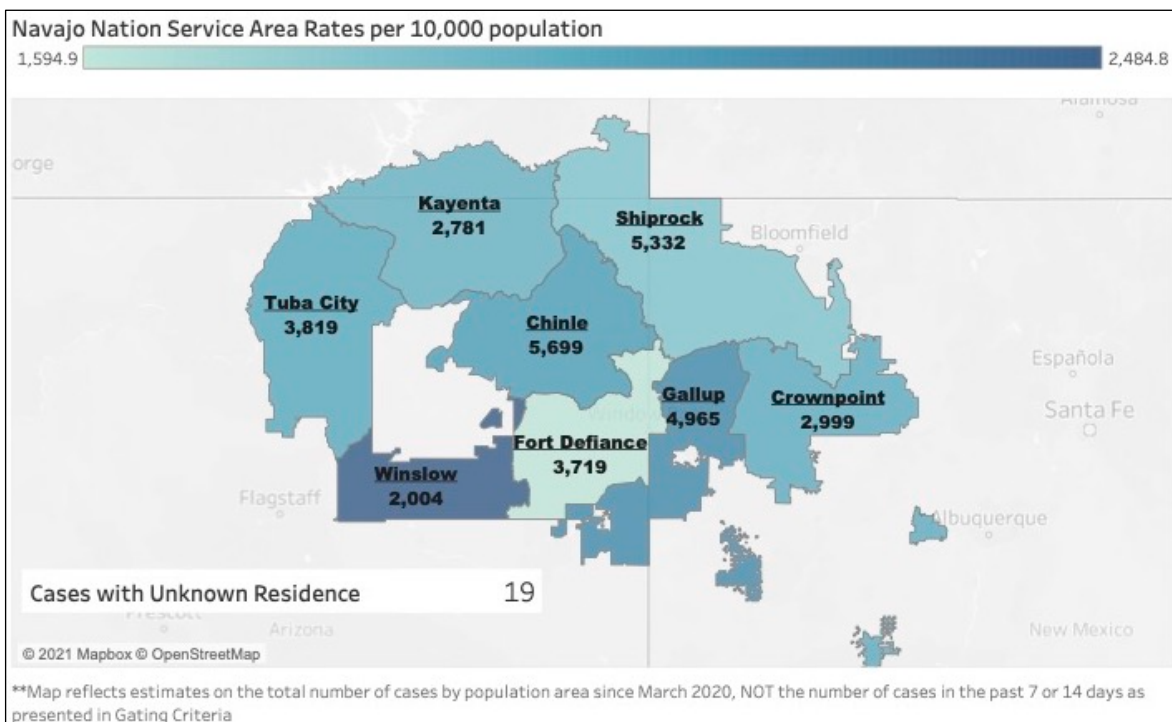
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14 new cases, 29,859 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 14 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,373. The report indicates that 29,859 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 289,930 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 31,337, including one delayed reported case.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,699
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,999
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,719

- Gallup Service Unit: 4,965
 - Kayenta Service Unit: 2,781
 - Shiprock Service Unit: 5,332
 - Tuba City Service Unit: 3,819
 - Winslow Service Unit: 2,004
- * 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Wednesday, the state of Arizona reported 1,361 new cases, Utah reported 843 cases, and New Mexico reported 329 new cases.

“We want to prevent another large surge in new cases of COVID-19, but we can’t do it on our own. We need all of our Navajo people to wear masks in public and to get vaccinated if you haven’t already. In other parts of the country, they are seeing large spikes in new infections mainly among people who have not been vaccinated. Here on the Navajo Nation, contact tracers are finding that many of the new positive cases are due to social and family gatherings where people let their guard down by not wearing masks and become infected with the virus. It only takes one person in a household to spread COVID-19 to a family and relatives. Please be safe and take 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.

“Our health care workers are doing a good job to mitigate the Delta variant, but we have to do better in order to prevent a larger surge here on the Navajo Nation. The vaccines are widely available, but we have a lesser number of people getting vaccinated. We have to keep our guard up and take 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.

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