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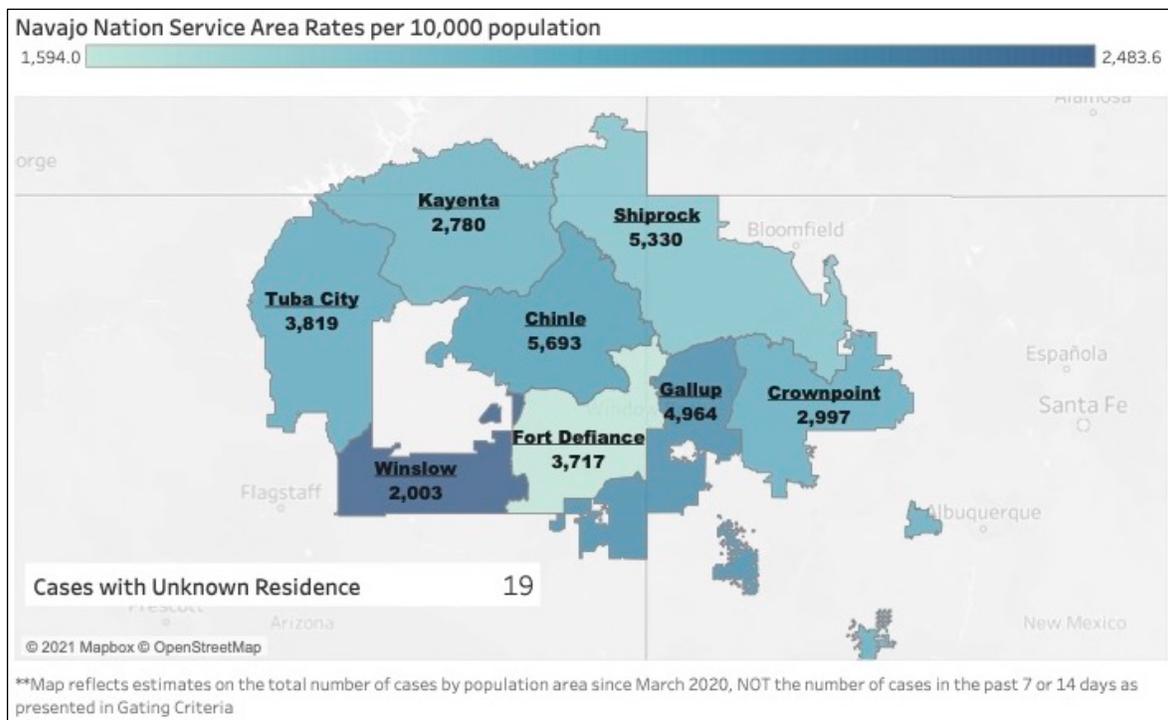
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15 new cases, 29,844 recoveries, and one more death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Tuesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 15 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths is now 1,373. The report indicates that 29,844 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 289,598 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 31,322, including two delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,693
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,997
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,717

- Gallup Service Unit: 4,964
 - Kayenta Service Unit: 2,780
 - Shiprock Service Unit: 5,330
 - Tuba City Service Unit: 3,819
 - Winslow Service Unit: 2,003
- * 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Tuesday, the state of Arizona reported 1,475 new cases, Utah reported 613 cases, and New Mexico reported 242 new cases. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued updated guidance on Tuesday, recommending that fully vaccinated people wear masks indoors in areas that have substantial and high transmission rates of COVID-19 and the Delta variant.

“The CDC issued new guidance for mask wearing today, but here on the Navajo Nation our mask mandate has remained in place since April of last year. Wearing masks and getting fully vaccinated are highly effective in reducing the spread of COVID-19 and the variants, and keeping ourselves safe and healthy. We have to remember that even if you are fully vaccinated, you can still get COVID-19, but the vaccine helps to lessen the symptoms and reduce the chances of being hospitalized and deaths. The majority of new infections across the country involve people who are not vaccinated, so please encourage your loved ones to get fully vaccinated if they haven’t already. We are in this together, so let’s support one another and keep praying-,” 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.

“The mask mandate remains in place for the Navajo Nation and that applies to our visitors and tourists as well. We are in this fight against COVID-19 together, so please adhere to the guidance of our health care experts who are fighting for us each and every day. Please take precautions where ever you travel and please continue to pray for our first responders and all of our Navajo 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.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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