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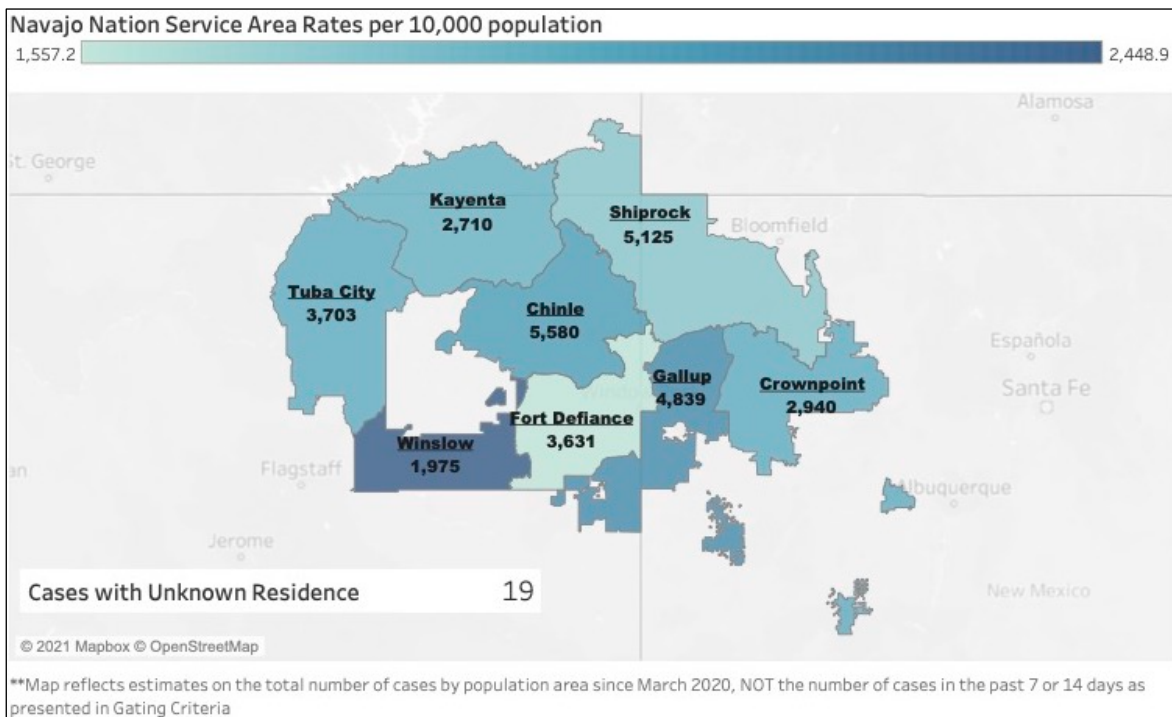
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## 3 new cases, 16,596 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19 as the Navajo Nation nears 100,000 people fully vaccinated



**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 three new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,281 as previously reported. Reports indicate that 16,596 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 266,002 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 30,522, including five delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 5,580

- Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,940
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,631
- Gallup Service Unit: 4,839
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,710
- Shiprock Service Unit: 5,125
- Tuba City Service Unit: 3,703
- Winslow Service Unit: 1,975

\* 19 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 652 new cases, Utah reported 228, and New Mexico reported 685 cases that includes Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. The Navajo Area Indian Health Service reported on Wednesday that 247,165 total vaccine doses have been received, 224,465 administered, which represents nearly 91-percent. 99,254 individuals have been fully vaccinated.

“We have nearly 100,000 people who are fully vaccinated here on the Navajo Nation. We are moving closer and closer to reaching herd immunity, but we have to remain diligent and remember that we have two variants identified within our homelands. We have to keep pushing back on COVID-19 and the variants by getting vaccinated, wearing masks, social distancing, washing your hands often, avoiding large in-person gatherings, and limiting travel. The safest place to be is at home here on the Navajo Nation,” 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 COVID-19 vaccines are widely available on the Navajo Nation, so please consider receiving the vaccine if you haven’t already. A big thank you to all of our health care workers who continue to work around the clock to vaccinate people and to save lives. Keep praying and keep supporting one another,” said Vice President Myron Lizer.

The Nez-Lizer Administration will host an online town hall on Tuesday, May 4 at 10:00 a.m. (MDT) on the Nez-Lizer Facebook page and YouTube channel.

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-nnsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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