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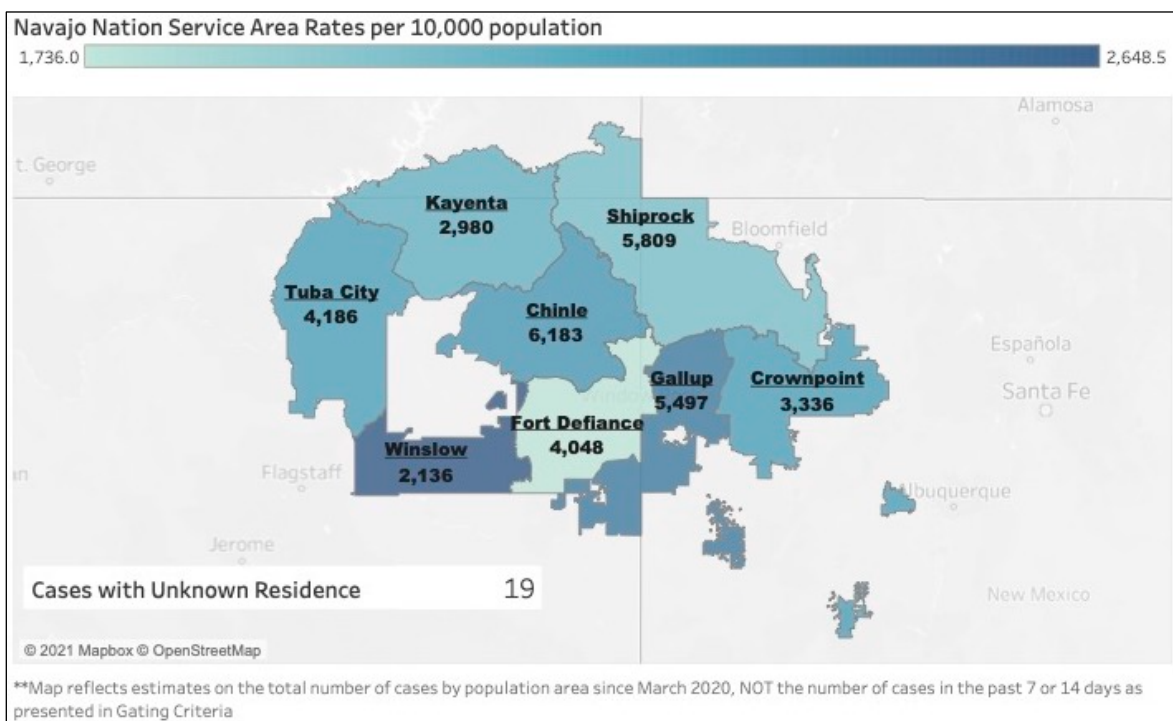
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22 new cases, 32,409 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19



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 22 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,447. The report indicates that 32,409 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 341,260 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 34,194.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 6,183
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,336
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,048
- Gallup Service Unit: 5,497
- Kayenta Service Unit: 2,980
- Shiprock Service Unit: 5,809

- Tuba City Service Unit: 4,186
 - Winslow Service Unit: 2,136
- * 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 2,254 new cases, Utah reported 1,264 new cases, and New Mexico reported 540 new cases.

"The main drivers of the new COVID-19 cases here on the Navajo Nation are in-person family and social gatherings such as birthday parties. In those settings, people tend to let their guard down and not wear masks, which sometimes leads to the spread of COVID-19 among family members and relatives. We have to keep our guard up at all times and minimize person-to-person contact with those who do not live within the same household. The safest place to be is at home here on the Navajo Nation. Please be safe, take precautions, and get fully vaccinated," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Our health care experts are asking everyone to minimize travel, especially off the Navajo Nation. We have a mask mandate in place here on the Navajo Nation, and we strongly encourage everyone to wear a mask in public if you must travel off the Nation. Please do everything you can to protect yourselves and others and continue to pray," 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.navajonnsn.gov/COVID-19>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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