

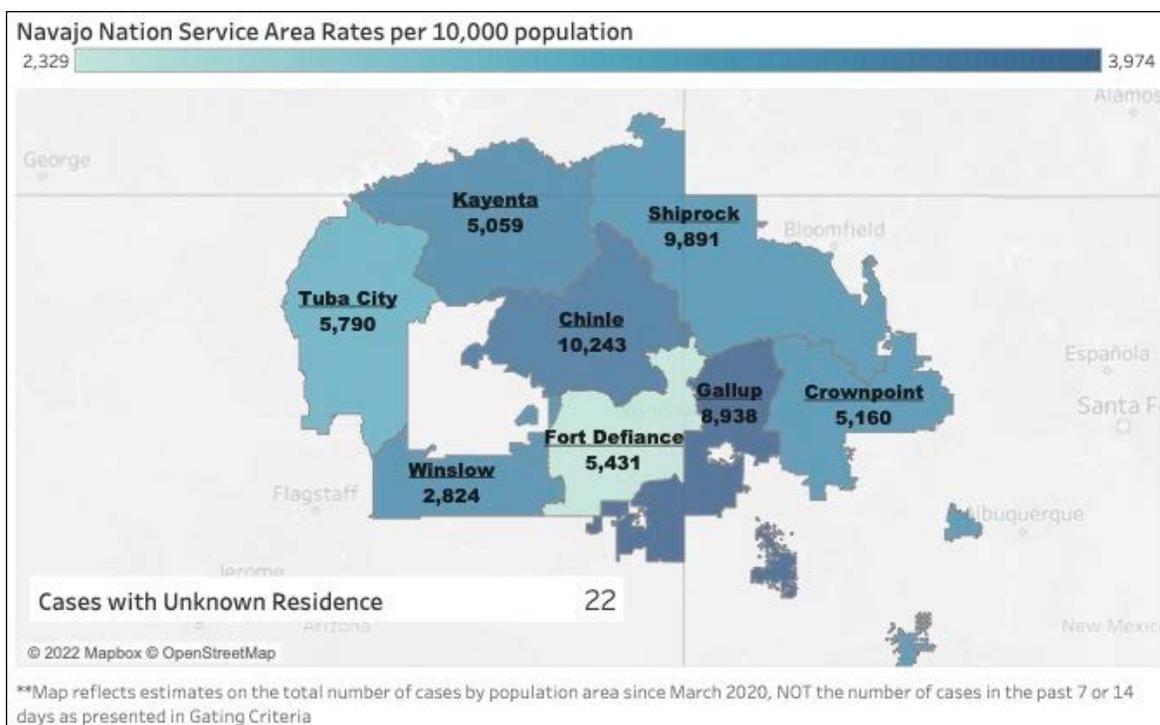


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**27 new cases, 51,505 recoveries, and no deaths related to COVID-19
over three-day period, 6 communities identified with uncontrolled spread**



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 27 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no deaths over the weekend and Monday. Below are case numbers including the past weekend and Monday:

- April 23-24: 24 new cases, 0 deaths
- April 25: 3 new cases, 0 deaths

The total number of deaths remains 1,758. The report indicates that 51,501 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 517,676 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 53,358, including 27 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 10,243

- Crownpoint Service Unit: 5,160
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,431
- Gallup Service Unit: 8,938
- Kayenta Service Unit: 5,059
- Shiprock Service Unit: 9,891
- Tuba City Service Unit: 5,790
- Winslow Service Unit: 2,824

* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

The Navajo Nation remains in “yellow status,” in accordance with Public Health Emergency Order No. 2022-004 available online at: <https://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19>. Based on cases from April 8 to April 21, 2022, the Navajo Department of Health issued a Health Advisory Notice for the following six communities due to uncontrolled spread of COVID-19:

- Chichiltah
- Ganado
- Tachee/Blue Gap
- Chinle
- Pinon
- Tselani/Cottonwood

“We continue to meet consistently with our health care experts to monitor the COVID-19 case numbers and we rely on their expertise as we move forward. We are not out of the pandemic, but our numbers have been consistently low for some time and that’s thanks to the great work of our Navajo people, frontline warriors, and the experts behind the scenes. I continue to encourage all of our people to take precautions, especially in public places, and continue to do everything you can to protect your elders and those with underlying health conditions. We are in this together and we must also continue to pray for our Nation,” said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on 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.

“Through the weekends and holidays, our first responders and those in the healthcare facilities continue to fight hard for all of us. We recognize their hard work and sacrifices to help save lives and reduce the impact of COVID-19 in our communities. Please remember them and please be safe and continue to pray each and every day,” 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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Navajo Department of Health Health Advisory Notice (HAN) COVID-19 Community Advisory No. 75 —Safety Precautions

WINDOW ROCK, AZ – The Navajo Health Command Operations Center is issuing uncontrolled spread of COVID-19 advisory for the following communities. The cases reflect dates April 8–21, 2022. The advisory will be in effect until the risk and cases decline.

The following communities are identified as having uncontrolled spread of COVID-19:

Chichiltah	Ganado	Tachee/Blue Gap
Chinle	Pinon	Tselani/Cottonwood

All residents should take precautions to protect their health from the spread of COVID-19. Individuals with the following conditions are at higher risk of being affected from COVID-19.

People at Increased Risk for Severe Illness <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Older Adults• Cancer• Chronic kidney disease• Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease• Heart conditions• Immunocompromised state• Obesity and severe obesity• Pregnancy• Sickle cell disease• Smoking• Type 2 diabetes mellitus	Might be at Increased Risk for Severe Illness <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asthma• Cerebrovascular disease• Cystic fibrosis• Hypertension or high blood pressure• Immunocompromised state• Neurologic conditions, such as dementia• Liver disease• Overweight• Pulmonary fibrosis• Thalassemia• Type 1 diabetes mellitus
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All residents should practice health and safety measures:

- Get vaccinated.
- Wear a mask in the public.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.
- Avoid touching your face, nose, and eyes with unwashed hands.
- Clean and disinfect your vehicle, home, workspace and other common areas on a regular basis.
- Social distance - keep 6 feet between yourself and others.
- Limit gatherings with individuals outside your immediate household.

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