



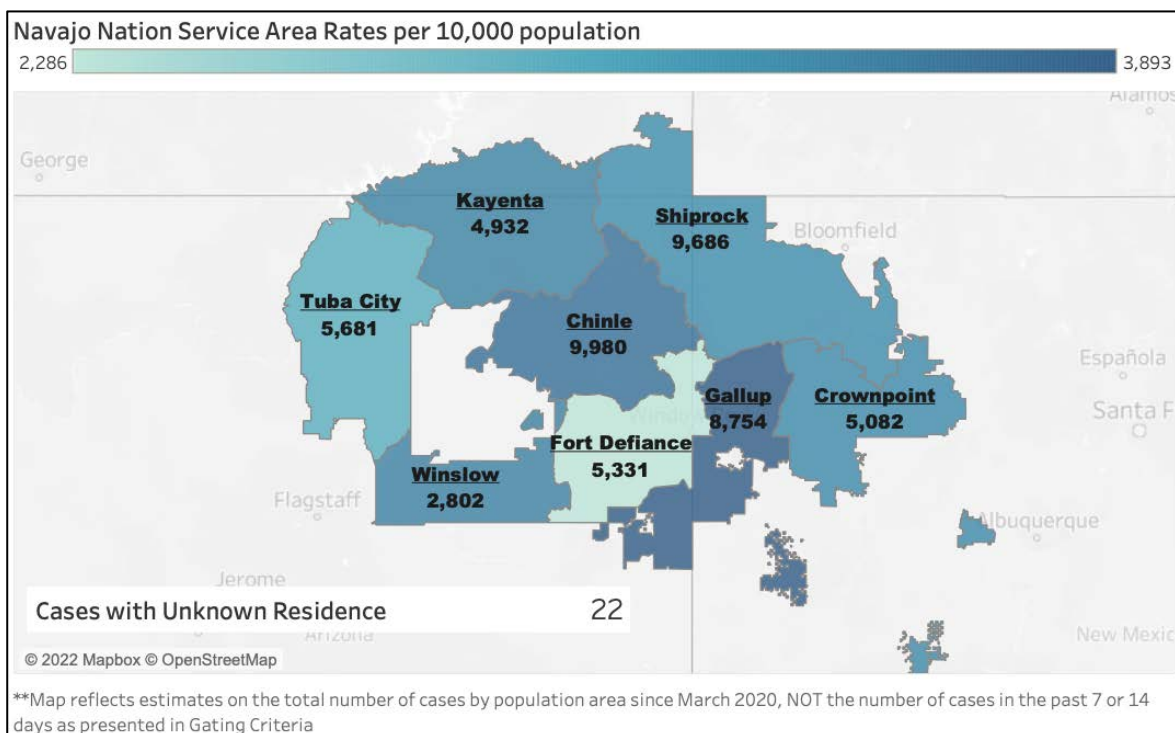
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48 new cases, 50,216 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Thursday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 48 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths is 1,646. The report indicates that 50,216 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 493,571 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 52,270, including four delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 9,980
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 5,082
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,331

- Gallup Service Unit: 8,754
- Kayenta Service Unit: 4,932
- Shiprock Service Unit: 9,686
- Tuba City Service Unit: 5,681
- Winslow Service Unit: 2,802

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

On Thursday, the state of Arizona reported 1,801 new cases, the state of Utah reported 627 new cases, and New Mexico reported 628 cases.

“The recent Omicron surge demonstrated how effective the COVID-19 vaccines are in pushing back on symptoms and reducing the number of hospitalizations and deaths. We had high numbers of infections at the peak of the surge, but because we have so many of our Navajo people vaccinated, we did not have high numbers of hospitalizations and deaths. Please get fully vaccinated, which includes a booster shot. Our mask mandate remains in effect in all public places within the Navajo Nation. Please take precautions and be extra cautious in public,” 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.

“Our frontline workers continue to work hard and sacrifice for all of us each day. Their commitment and dedication have not wavered even at the peaks of new COVID-19 infections. We thank them and their families and pray for their health and safety each day. Please be safe, be cautious, and continue to pray for all of our 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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