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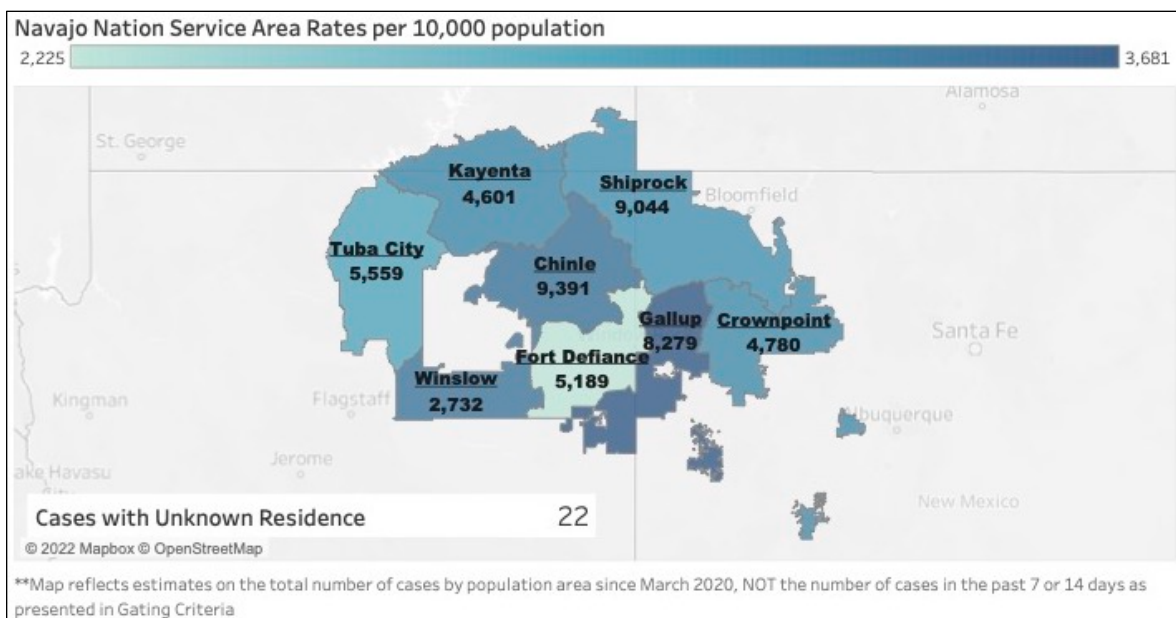
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250 new cases, 45,475 recoveries, and two deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Saturday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 250 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and two deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,616. The report indicates that 45,475 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 470,464 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 49,597, including 63 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 9,391
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 4,780
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,189
- Gallup Service Unit: 8,279
- Kayenta Service Unit: 4,601
- Shiprock Service Unit: 9,044

- Tuba City Service Unit: 5,559
- Winslow Service Unit: 2,732

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

On Saturday, the state of Arizona reported 15,506 new cases. The states of Utah and New Mexico will report case numbers on Monday. Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez and First Lady Phefelia Nez joined frontline workers on Saturday, during the Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation's COVID-19 vaccine and booster shot drive in the community of Kaibeto, Ariz. and distributed masks, cleaning products, and other PPEs to residents.

"We truly appreciate all of our frontline warriors who sacrifice time with their families on weekends to administer COVID-19 vaccines and booster shots for our people. They go above and beyond their call of duty and they are helping to save lives. If you or someone you know has not received the vaccines, please encourage them to do so as soon as possible. As this surge continues, the data shows how effective the vaccines are in preventing severe symptoms and hospitalizations. We are in this together," 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.

"If you're feeling sick, please stay home, isolate, and make a plan to safely get tested as soon as you can. The Omicron variant is highly transmissible, but we know what precautions we must take to protect ourselves. Please be safe, take safety measures, and keep praying for our frontline workers and 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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