



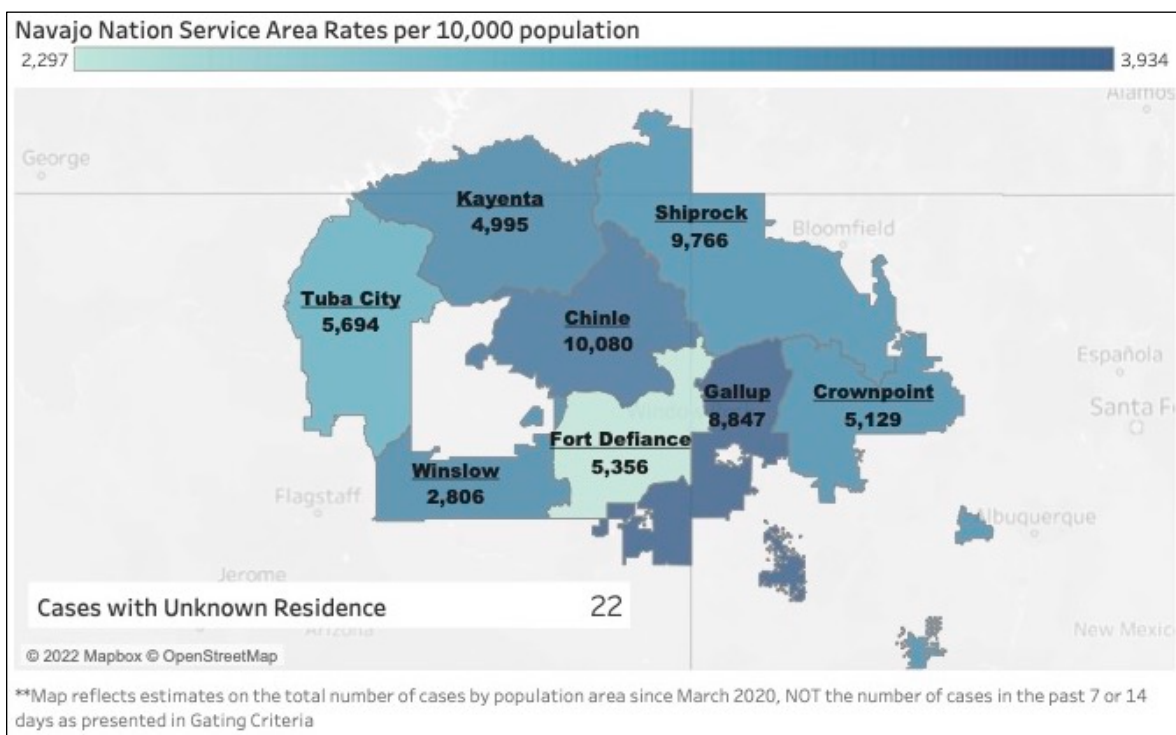
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**9 new cases, 50,799 recoveries, and one death related to COVID-19**



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – On Friday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported nine new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one death. The total number of deaths remains 1,656. The report indicates that 50,799 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 500,411 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 52,695, including one delayed reported case.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 10,080
- Crownpoint Service Unit: 5,129
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,356
- Gallup Service Unit: 8,847

- Kayenta Service Unit: 4,995
- Shiprock Service Unit: 9,766
- Tuba City Service Unit: 5,694
- Winslow Service Unit: 2,806

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

On Friday, the state of New Mexico reported 264 new cases and Utah reported 244 new cases. The state of Arizona now reports COVID-19 cases on a weekly basis, each Wednesday.

“COVID-19 remains a priority for the Navajo Nation as we continue relying on the guidance of our public health experts as we move forward. Case numbers are low at the moment, but we have to be cautious and prepared in the event that another variant begins to spread. Our mitigation efforts were successful in minimizing hospitalizations during the recent Omicron surge, and a large part of that success was due to our high vaccination rate on the Navajo Nation. We continue to urge our citizens to get fully vaccinated including a booster shot and to continue wearing masks in public places,” 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 faith and prayers continue to carry us through this pandemic. Our health experts and frontline warriors continue to do a tremendous job guiding us through these challenging times and saving lives. We truly appreciate their dedication and sacrifices. Please be safe, take precautions, and keep praying for 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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