

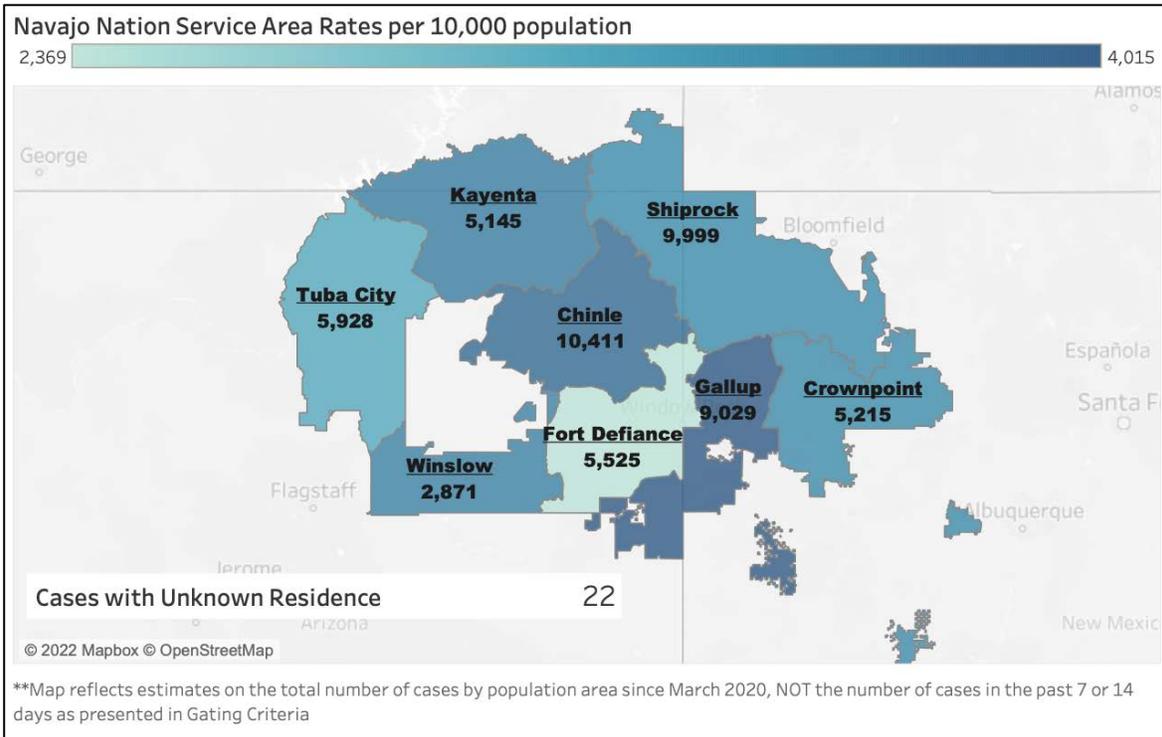


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38 new cases, 52,071 recoveries, and one death related to COVID-19 reported



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 38 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one recent death. The total number of deaths is now 1,786. The report indicates that 52,071 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 529,248 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 54,145, including 27 delayed reported cases. A new case is defined as a positive test within the last 72-hours. Some cases are due to delayed reporting from the states. Any positive tests from beyond the last 72-hours are considered delayed.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

- Chinle Service Unit: 10,411

- Crownpoint Service Unit: 5,215
- Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,525
- Gallup Service Unit: 9,029
- Kayenta Service Unit: 5,145
- Shiprock Service Unit: 9,999
- Tuba City Service Unit: 5,928
- Winslow Service Unit: 2,871

* 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>.

“COVID-19 cases on are the rise in certain areas of the country. When case numbers increase in border towns and cities near and around the Navajo Nation, we tend to see increases in infections on the Navajo Nation. As I’ve stated many times before, our public health experts have gone above and beyond to study the virus and give us the guidance that we need to protect ourselves and others. It is ultimately our personal responsibility to adhere to their guidance to help lessen the spread of COVID-19 in our homes and communities. We are in this together and we will continue to work together with our public health experts and to support our frontline warriors who are helping our people. Please take precautions and continue to protect yourselves and others, especially in public places this holiday weekend,” 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 support and strength of our family members and friends, we continue to persevere through this pandemic. There are many challenges along the way, but we have the resources and guidance to push back on COVID-19. Please continue to be safe and please keep praying for our people, frontline workers, and those who are sick with the virus at this moment,” 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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