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Research Policy Update

COVID-19 Data – Situation Summary – IHS Area Data

The purpose of this update is to share publicly available data and trends related to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic in Indian Country. The NCAI Policy Research Center views updates on various public sites in the early morning each day and records available data. The data shared in this update represents what has been shared publicly by the sources described below, and the NCAI Policy Research Center is not analyzing the primary sources of data. This update represents data posted at the time of viewing, and data may change during the course of the day or may otherwise need to be updated.

In reviewing this data, it is important to understand that current COVID-19 data is likely an underestimate of the actual data due to current lack of adequate testing availability. Tribal nations are encouraged to conduct their own surveillance locally in partnership with local, county, state and federal agencies.

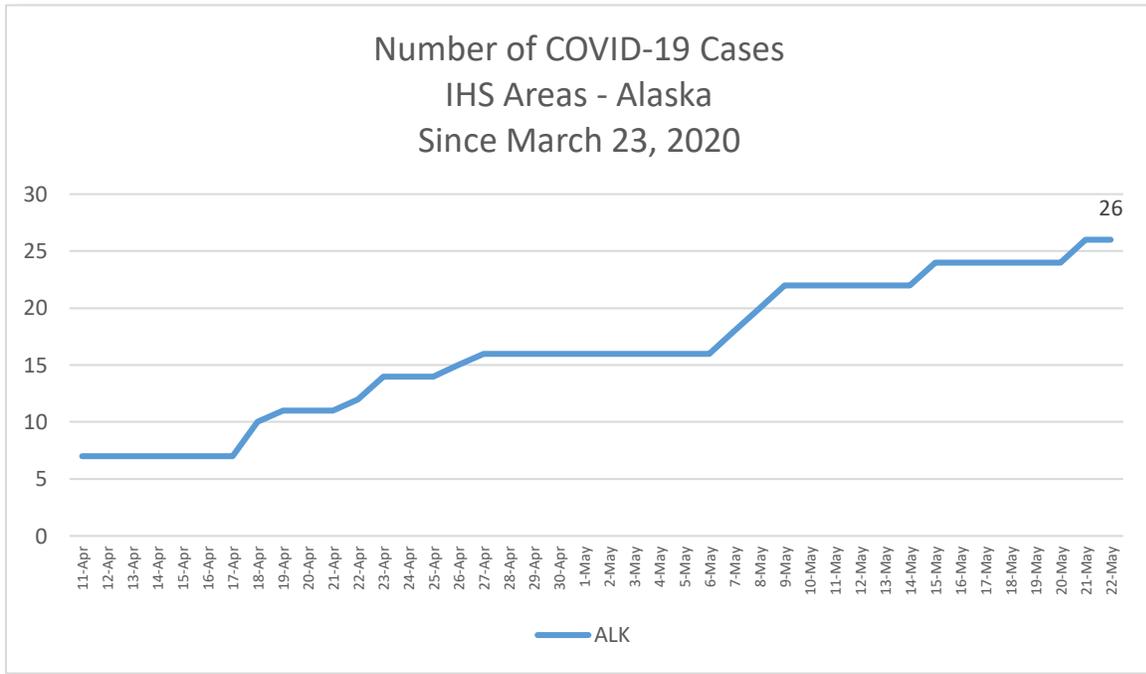
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE (IHS) AREA DATA

Total COVID-19 Cases in Indian Country

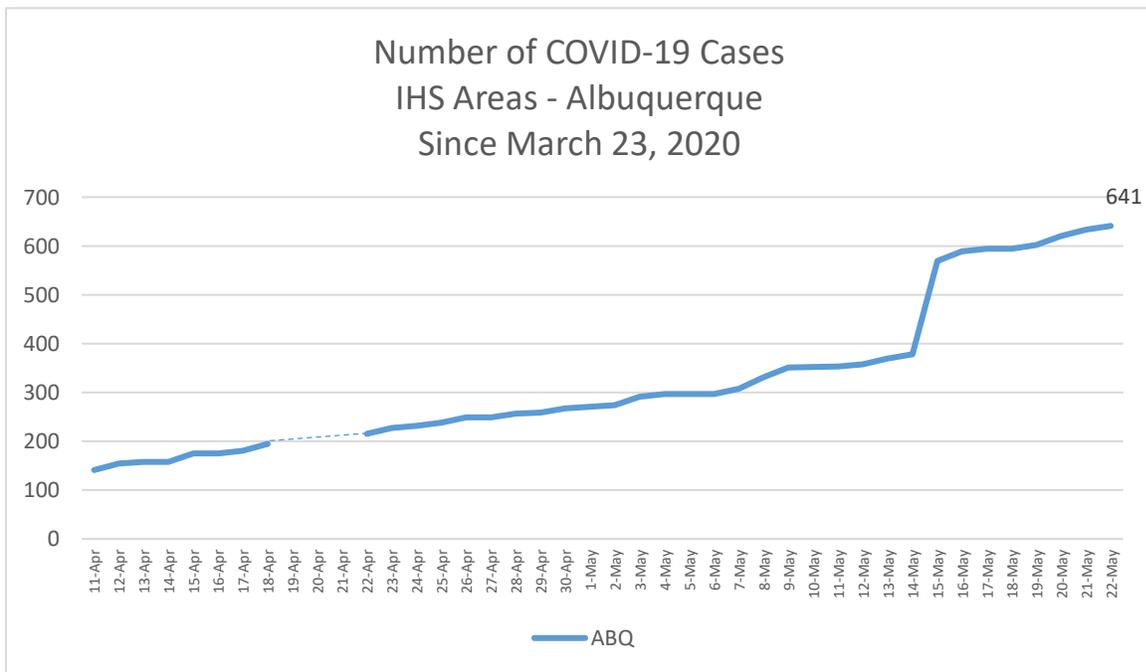
The primary public source of federal data on COVID-19 cases in American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/ANs) is the Indian Health Service (IHS) Coronavirus (COVID-19) website located at the following link: <https://www.ihs.gov/coronavirus/>. On this website, total COVID-19 cases are recorded daily as well as total cases in each IHS Area.

The NCAI Policy Research Center has tracked these case numbers daily since March 23, 2020. Using these numbers, we created graphs for each IHS Area. In all IHS Areas, total cases have continued to increase. These graphs are included on the next pages. When downward corrections in total cases were made, likely due to reclassification by location or an error, we denote the days with corrections with dotted lines on the graph. Flat areas of the curves are when cases did not increase for that day.

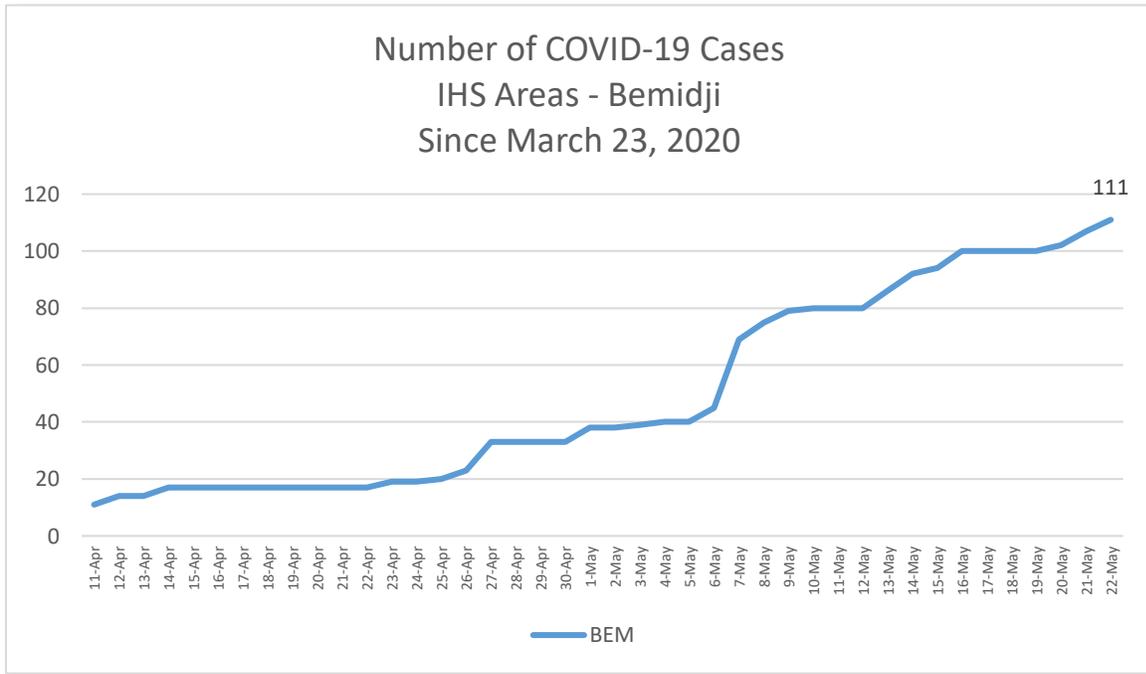
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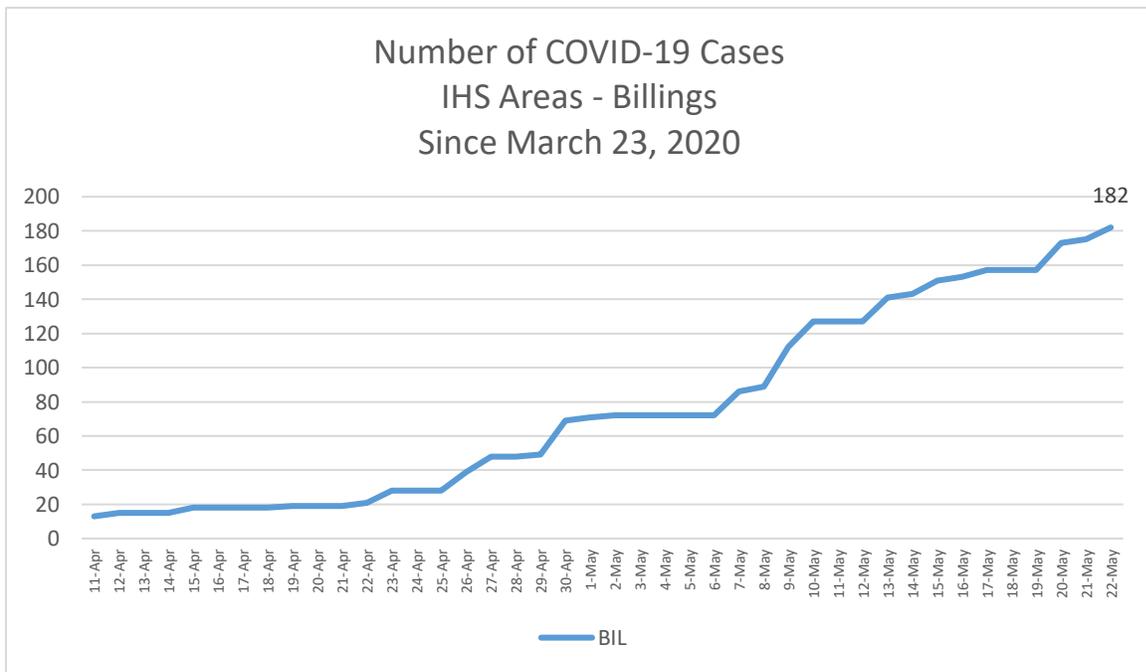
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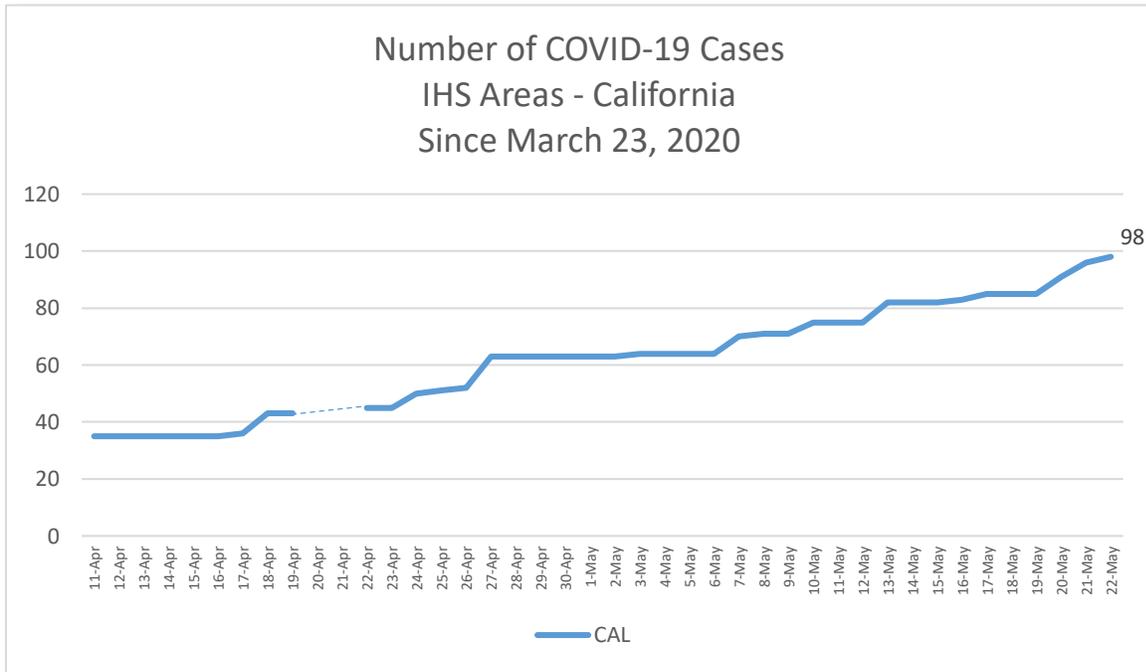
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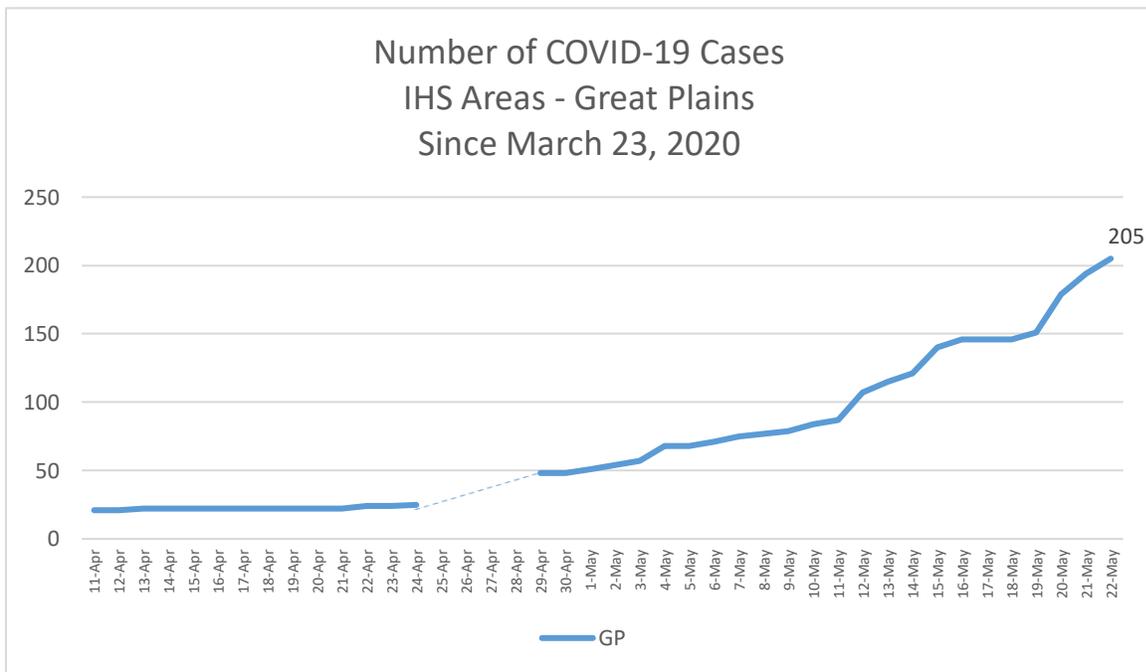
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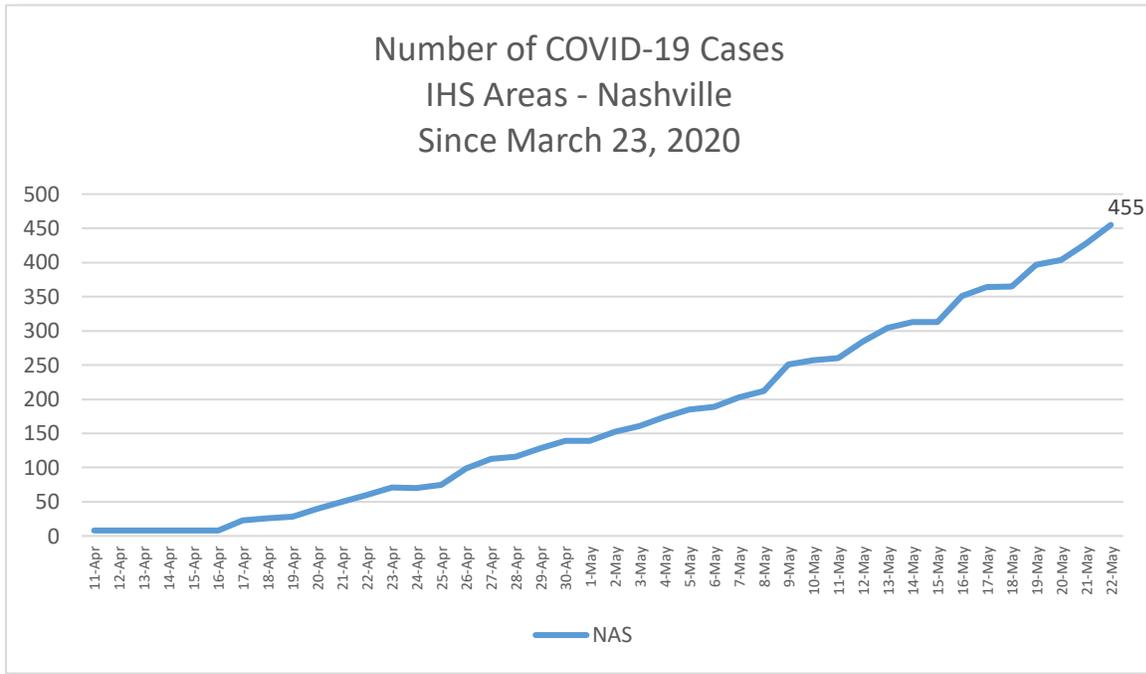
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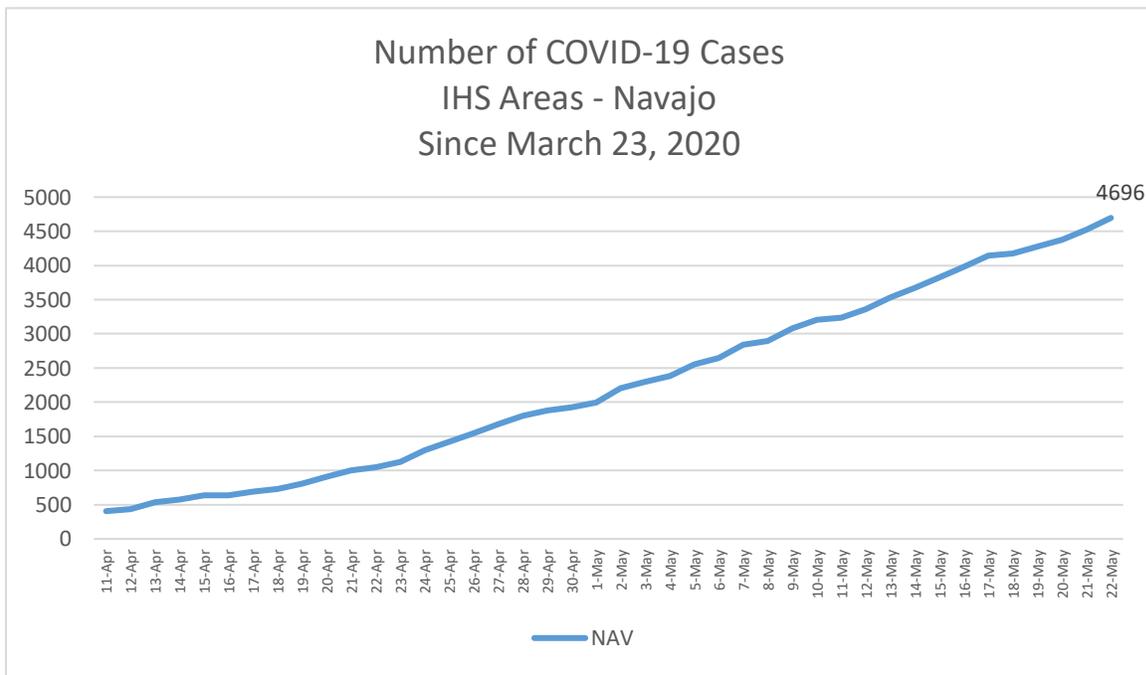
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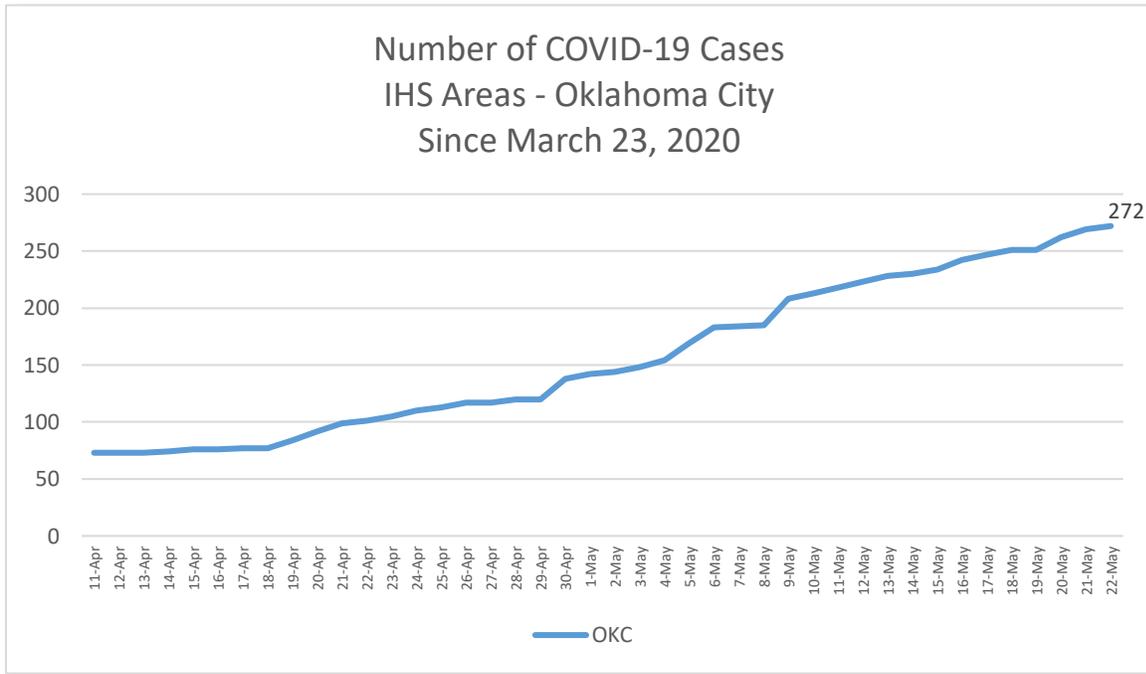
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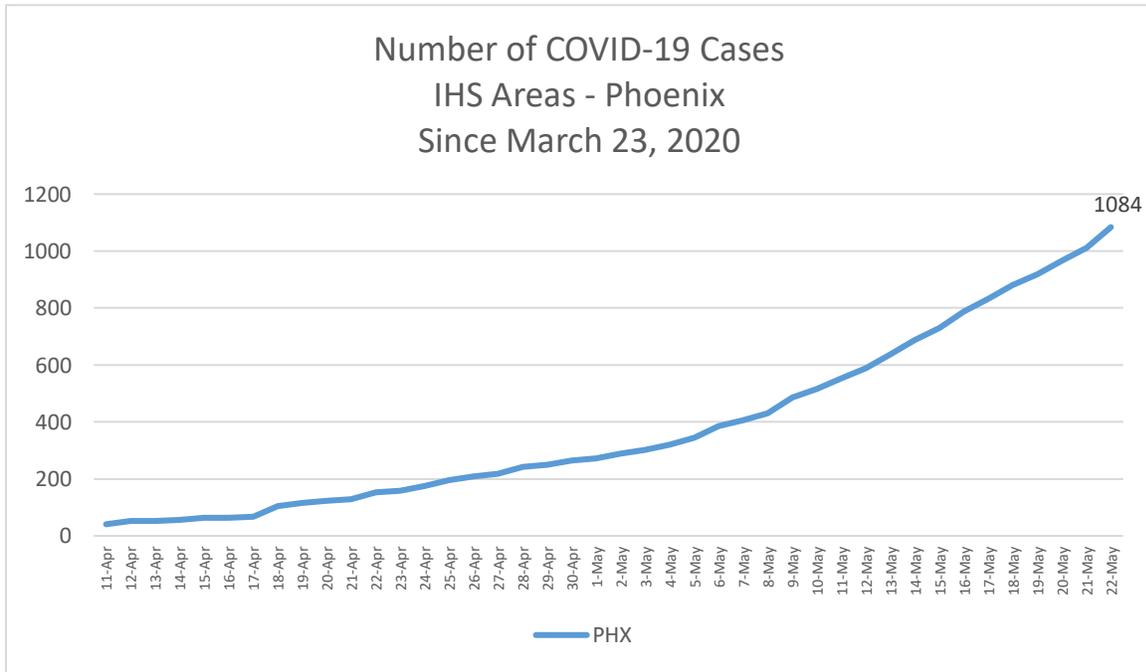
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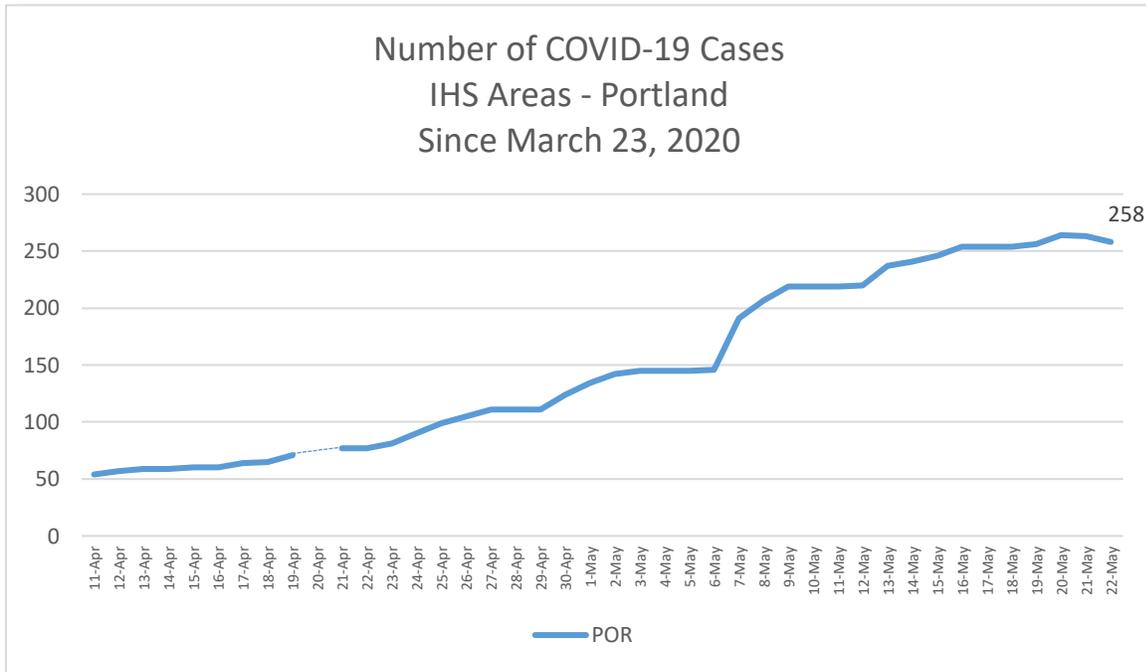
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PHOENIX (+73)

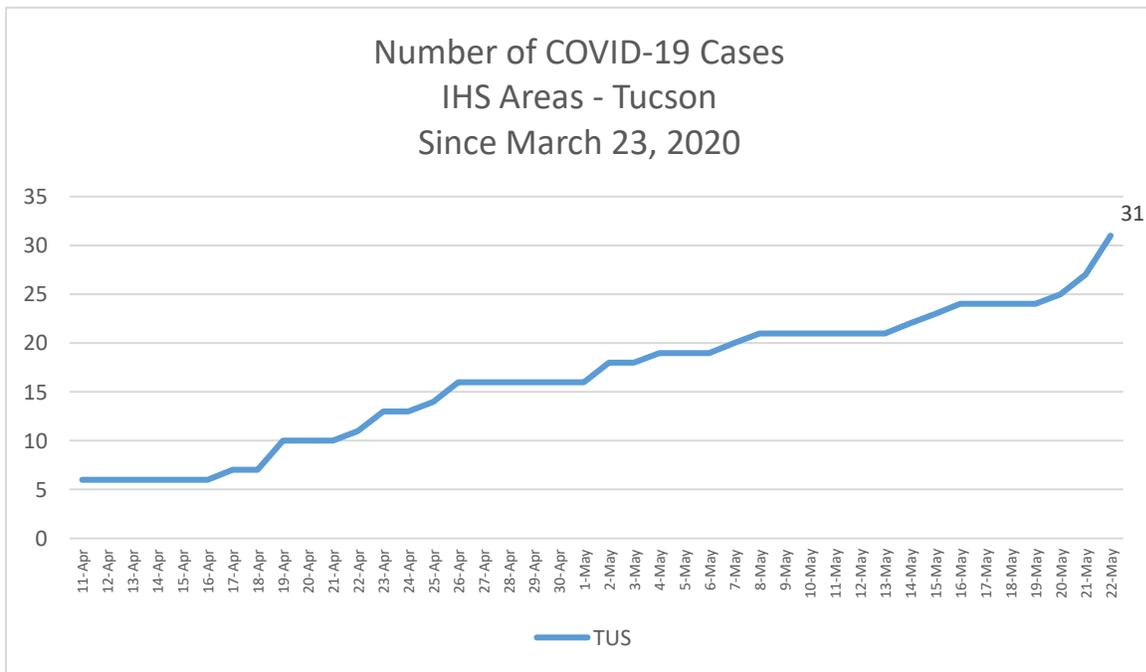


PORTLAND (-5)

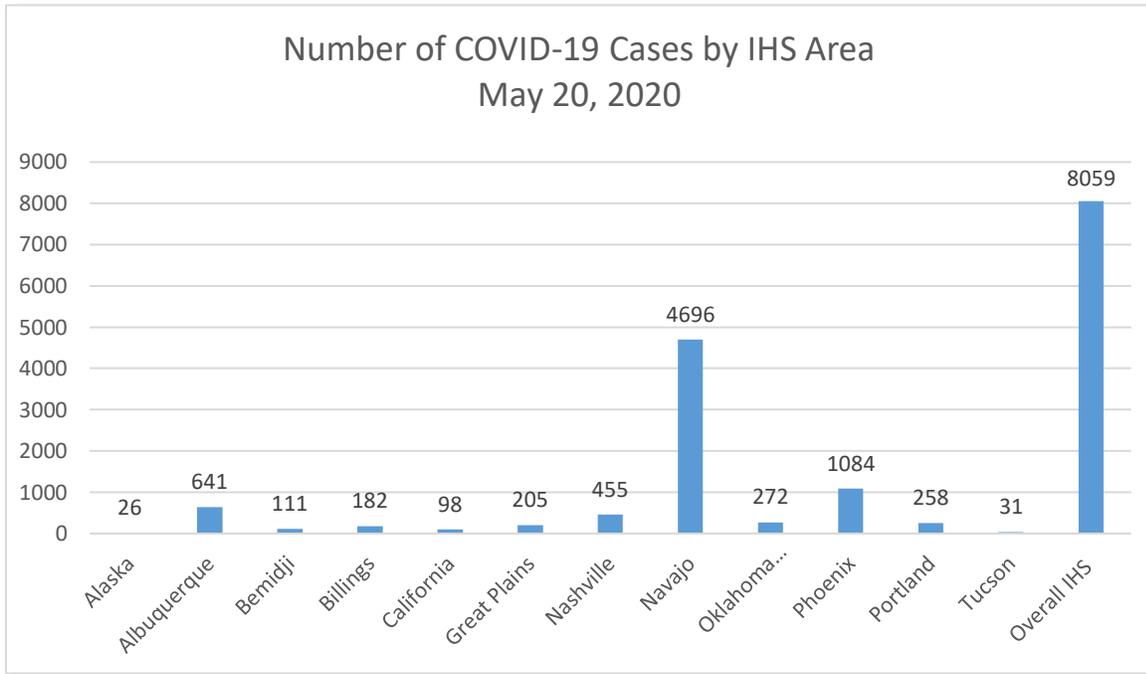


*negative change probable correction or error

TUCSON (+4)



ALL IHS AREAS (+306)



IHS AREA TOTAL COVID-19 CASES (in descending order)

IHS Area	COVID-19 Cases
Navajo	4696
Phoenix	1084
Albuquerque	641
Nashville	455
Oklahoma City	272
Portland	258
Great Plains	205
Billings	182
Bemidji	111
California	98
Tucson	31
Alaska	26

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