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Emergency Room Strain and Overcapacity

My questions are to the Minister of Health and Social Services:

1. What are the monthly emergency room (ER) admission numbers for each hospital in the Northwest Territories from 2020 to 2024?
2. Provide the number of ER visits broken down by:
 - a) community;
 - b) age group;
 - c) number of ER visits resulting in admission.
3. Provide the average wait times to see an ER physician.
4. Provide the instances of ER overcapacity or patient diversion:
 - a) full complement of ER staffing levels (normal day); and
 - b) describe how often a full complement is not met in the ER with respect to staffing levels.
5. Provide the number of times the ER has not been fully staffed, indicating the appropriate level of staffing in the response.