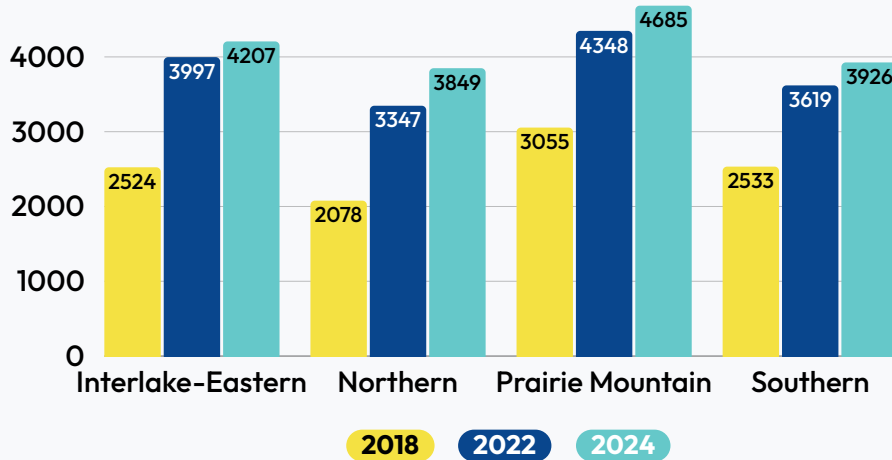


Rural Ambulance Wait Times

Rural Manitobans are waiting longer for emergency medical services (EMS) as paramedic staffing shortages remain at a critical level. Read more in the backgrounder below, with data obtained by the Manitoba Association of Health Care Professionals (MAHCP) through a Freedom of Information request.

Increase in Emergency Quarterly Call Volume by Health Region



CALL VOLUMES

Since 2018, call volumes across the four health regions have increased an average of

64%

The Northern region saw the highest call-volume increase at

85%

RESPONSE TIMES

Since 2018, there has been little to no improvement in response times across all four health regions.

25%

SOUTHERN HEALTH

44%

PRAIRIE MOUNTAIN HEALTH

Greatest overall increases (2018-24)

Greatest increases (2023-24)

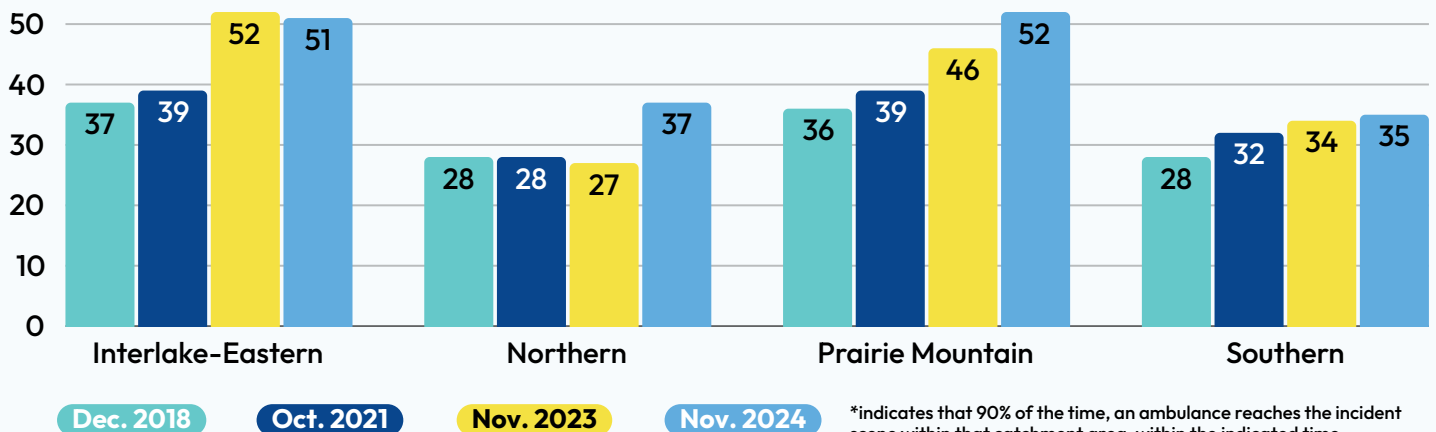
12%

PRAIRIE MOUNTAIN HEALTH

39%

NORTHERN HEALTH

Max Ambulance Response Time (minutes) at 90th Percentile* for All Calls by Region



*indicates that 90% of the time, an ambulance reaches the incident scene within that catchment area, within the indicated time.

OUT OF SERVICE HOURS

More ambulances than ever are sitting idle across the province because there aren't enough paramedics to staff them.

Due to staffing shortages, ambulances were out of service for an average of

~30,000

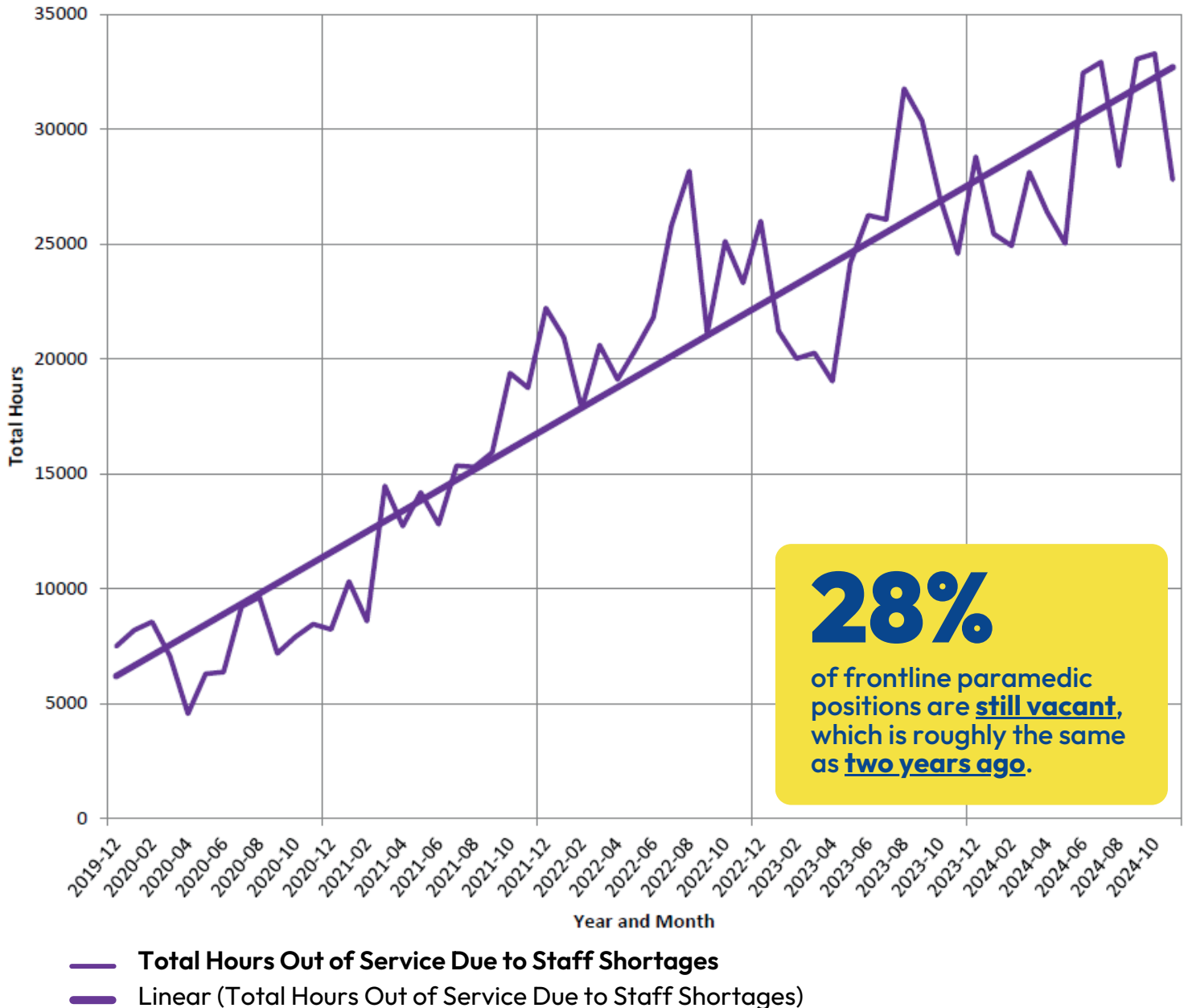
hours per month in 2024.

That's an increase of

400%

since 2020.

Total Hours Out of Service Due to Staff Shortages (all rural regions)



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