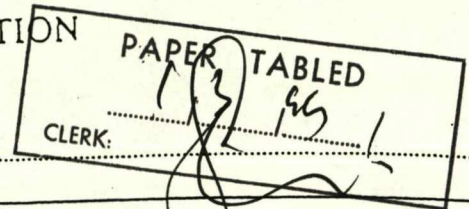


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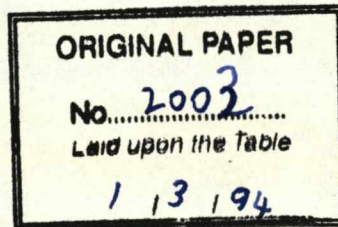


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10. How many hours per day did each operating theatre work before the recommendations of the Estimates Review Committee and CRESAP were adopted.
11. How many hours per day is this one operating theatre left working since the recommendations of the Estimates Review Committee and CRESAP were adopted.
12. How many hours of overtime have staff involved in theatre surgical procedures worked since the closure of a theatre; what has been the length of time of that been.
13. How many hours of overtime did staff involved in theatre surgical procedures work in each operating theatre before the closure of the operating theatre.
14. What is the waiting time at the Royal Darwin Hospital for elective surgery in each of the following categories:
 - (a) general;
 - (b) orthopaedics;
 - (c) ENT;
 - (d) ophthalmology;
 - (e) gynaecology; and
 - (f) other categories not named.

ANSWER

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13. 165.66 hours nursing overtime for emergency surgery. Not necessarily related to theatre closure. Medical officer overtime figures not available

14. As at 31 August total patients/speciality awaiting elective surgery are as follows:-

Plastic Surgery	18
Orthopaedics	144
General (4 surgeons)	201
Hand Surgery	7
Gynaecology (3 surgeons)	185
Ophthalmology	47
Ear Nose & Throat	101
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Actual waiting times are not recorded.

15. The following arrangements exist between Royal Darwin Hospital and Darwin Private Hospital.

1) Royal Darwin Hospital provides the following services to Darwin Private Hospital.

- i) Supply of Bulk Steam
- ii) " " " Oxygen
- iii) Collection and Disposal of Rubbish.

The conditions and rate for the services are set out in a contract between the two hospitals. The charges are based on full cost recovery.

- 2) There is a reciprocal arrangement between the two hospitals regarding the hire of equipment on an as required basis. Documentation is completed for each occasion and approved by senior staff of both establishments. Charges are dependent on the type of equipment involved.
- 3) Items held as stock by either establishment are supplied to the other on an as needed basis. Items supplied by Royal Darwin Hospital are charged at cost plus 15%. The volume of this type of transaction is small.
- 4) Darwin Private Hospital provide an Oncology service for Royal Darwin Hospital. Royal Darwin Hospital pays the cost of drugs and of administering drugs for Public patients.
- 5) Royal Darwin Hospital occasionally uses the motel facilities at Darwin Private Hospital to accommodate patients who are able to be discharged but have to wait for travel to become available. Rate \$40 per night.