Table 7 Descriptive Statistics for PC(USA) Ministers and Candidates, 2001 to 2009

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Ministers ¹	21,235	21,286	21,368	21,360	21,312	21,287	21,248	21,194	21,151
Retired Ministers	7,835	7,824	7,753	7,667	7,585	7,501	7,444	7,349	7,216
Active Ministers ²	13,400	13,462	13,615	13,693	13,727	13,786	13,804	13,845	13,935
Women Ministers ¹	5,126	4,998	4,886	4,735	4,571	4,430	4,308	4,152	4,015
Active Women Ministers ²	4,324	4,253	4,219	4,124	4,031	3,957	3,884	3,766	3,677
Active Racial-Ethnic Ministers ^{2, 3}	1,365	1,341	1,220	1,172	1,136	1,103	1,094	1,084	1,059
Candidates ⁴	1,154	1,164	1,168	1,437	1,408	1,427	1,371	1,294	1,215
Women Candidates ⁴	657	659	659	776	765	761	733	675	650
Racial-Ethnic Candidates ⁴	230	219	214	232	228	210	246	242	238
Ordinations	351	332	373	375	353	334	346	327	394
Received from Other Denominations	48	43	39	67	76	73	104	76	87
Dismissed to Other Denominations	33	38	38	17	28	29	21	24	16
Ministers Deceased	358	321	294	323	295	290	315	275	292
Ministers Removed from Office	73	104	79	65	82	62	66	73	58

Includes retired and emeritus ministers.

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³ Based on active ministers whose race ethnicity is known (74% in 2009).
⁴ Data as of March, 2010 for "candidates under care" only, and do not include "inquirers."