

Table 7
Descriptive Statistics for PC(USA) Teaching Elders and Candidates, 2004 to 2012

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Teaching Elders ¹	20,849	21,064	21,161	21,235	21,286	21,368	21,360	21,312	21,287
Retired and Emeritus Teaching Elders	8,042	7,955	7,897	7,835	7,824	7,753	7,667	7,585	7,501
Active Teaching Elders ²	12,807	13,109	13,264	13,400	13,462	13,615	13,693	13,727	13,786
Women Teaching Elders ¹	5,519	5,401	5,528	5,126	4,998	4,886	4,735	4,571	4,430
Active Women Teaching Elders ²	4,464	4,435	4,382	4,324	4,253	4,219	4,124	4,031	3,957
Active Racial-Ethnic Teaching Elders ^{2,3}	1,496	1,404	1,390	1,365	1,341	1,220	1,172	1,136	1,103
Candidates ^{4,5}	1,076	1,148	1,177	1,154	1,164	1,168	1,437	1,408	1,427
Women Candidates ^{4,5}	611	652	659	657	659	659	776	765	761
Racial-Ethnic Candidates ^{4,5}	211	221	234	230	219	214	232	228	210
Ordinations	325	341	323	351	332	373	375	353	334
Received from Other Denominations	35	28	29	48	43	39	67	76	73
Dismissed to Other Denominations	125	30	31	33	38	38	17	28	29
Teaching Elders Deceased	353	356	350	358	321	294	323	295	290
Teaching Elders Removed from Office	99	85	55	73	104	79	65	82	62

¹ Includes retired and emeritus teaching elders.

² Excludes retired and emeritus teaching elders.

³ Based on active teaching elders whose race-ethnicity is known (81% in 2012).

⁴ Data for "candidates under care" only, and do not include "inquirers."

⁵ Data as of January, 2013 from the Office of Preparation for Ministry.