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# WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE BY DEPUTY M. TADIER OF ST. BRELADE ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 1st MARCH 2011

### **Question**

Will the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee confirm how many uncontested elections have occurred over the past 10 years for each category of States Member; how many of these were in single seat constituencies and how many non-contested elections there have been in multi-seat constituencies for each category?

#### **Answer**

### **Deputies**

Since 1999 there have been 20 uncontested elections for the post of Deputy and 51 contested elections (including by-elections). Three of the 20 uncontested elections were in multi seat constituencies; the remaining 17 were in single seat constituencies, as follows:

<b>Uncontested elections for Deputy</b>					
Year	Constituency	Number of uncontested elections	Number of uncontested seats	Single seat constituency	Multi seat constituency
1999	St. Clement	1	2	-	1
	St. Lawrence	1	2	-	1
	St. John	1	1	1	-
	St. Mary	1	1	1	-
	St. Ouen	1	1	1	-
	Trinity	1	1	1	-
	St. Brelade No. 1	1	1	1	-
2002	Trinity	1	1	1	-
	St. Saviour No. 2	1	2	-	1
	St. John	1	1	1	-
2005	Grouville	1	1	1	-
	St. Martin	1	1	1	-
	St. Ouen	1	1	1	-
	St. Peter	1	1	1	-
	St. Saviour No. 3	1	1	1	-
	Trinity	1	1	1	-
2008	Grouville	1	1	1	-
	St. Saviour No. 3	1	1	1	-
	St. Ouen	1	1	1	-
	Trinity	1	1	1	-
Total		20	23	17	3

Note: Certain parishes are split into districts for the purpose of the Deputies elections. If there is only one seat in a particular district, this is a single seat constituency; if there is more than one seat, it is a multi seat constituency. If a constituency constitutes an entire parish and there is more than one seat available in that particular parish, this constitutes a multi seat constituency.

## Connétables

There have been 35 uncontested elections and 14 contested elections for the post of Connétable since 1999. There are no multi seat constituencies for the position of Connétable as there is only ever one seat available in each constituency.

Uncontested elections for Connétable			
Date	Constituency	Number of uncontested elections	
1999	St. Brelade	1	
	Trinity	1	
2000	St. John	1	
	St. Lawrence	1	
	St. Martin	1	
	St. Mary	1	
	St. Ouen	1	
2001	St. Clement	1	
	Grouville	1	
	St. Saviour	1	
2002	St. Brelade	1	
	Trinity	1	
2003	St. Martin	1	
	St. Mary	1	
	St. Ouen	1	
2004	Grouville	1	
	St. Helier	1	
	St. Peter	1	
	St. Saviour	1	
2005	Trinity	1	
2006	St. John	1	
	St. Lawrence	1	
	St. Mary	1	
	St. Ouen	1	
2007	St. Clement	1	
	St. Peter	1	
	St. Saviour	1	
2008	St. Brelade	1	
	St. Martin	1	
	St. Ouen	1	
	St. Saviour	1	
	Trinity	1	
2009	St. John	1	
2010	Grouville	1	
	St. Helier	1	
Total		35	

## Senators

There were no uncontested elections for the post of Senator during given the time period.

The following table shows the number of times an uncontested election has taken place and the number of seats that have been affected:

Category	Number of occurrences	Number of seats
Deputies	20	23
Connétables	35	35
Senators	0	0

The following table shows the number of uncontested **seats** per year:

Number of uncontested seats per year			
Year	Connétables	Deputies	Total
1999	2	9	11
2000	5	0	5
2001	3	0	3
2002	2	4	6
2003	3	0	3
2004	4	0	4
2005	1	6	7
2006	4	0	4
2007	3	0	3
2008	5	4	9
2009	1	0	1
2010	2	0	2
Total	35	23	58

The following table shows the number of uncontested **elections** per year:

Number of uncontested elections per year			
Year	Connétables	Deputies	Total
1999	2	7	9
2000	5	0	5
2001	3	0	3
2002	2	3	5
2003	3	0	3
2004	4	0	4
2005	1	6	7
2006	4	0	4
2007	3	0	3
2008	5	4	9
2009	1	0	1
2010	2	0	2
Total	35	20	55