**HAITIAN SENATE**

This file contains results for elections to the Haitian Senate in 2000, 2015-16, and 2016-17.

Normally, Haitian senatorial elections occur in two rounds. Any candidate who receives a majority in the first round is elected with twice as many candidates as seats remaining moving on to the second round for a runoff if needed.

Haitian elections have been disrupted by a variety of factors, including electoral disputes over fraud, opposition boycotts, and hurricanes. In 2000, disputes over fraud and the method of determining whether candidates won election in the first round resulted in an opposition boycott and very low turnout in the second round. Second round results for 2000 are not included in this file.

In 2015, problems in the first round resulted in the annulment of results for Centre, Grand Anse and Nord constituencies. These three constituencies held a rerun of the first round at the time that the second round was held in the remaining constituencies. Due to hurricane-related disruption, the second round for these three constituencies was not held until the time of the first round for the next set of senatorial seats in 2016.

The regularly scheduled 2016 elections were held late in December due to hurricane-related damage within the runoff held in January 2017.

**TYPE Election Type**

The following codes are used in this column:

“Annulled” indicates results from the annulled 2015 first round elections in Centre, Grand Anse, and Nord constituencies.

“Rerun” indicates results for the rerun elections in these same three constituencies with the first round held at the same time as the second round in other constituencies, and the second round held at the same time as the first round for the next set of senatorial seats in 2016.

“Scheduled” indicates results from all other elections.

**RG Region**

 The following eight regions are used in the dataset:

 Africa

 Asia

 Western Europe

 Eastern Europe

 Latin America

 North America

 Caribbean

 Oceania

**CTR\_N Country Name**

**CTR Country Code**

 Country codes developed by the UN,

 332 Haiti

See http://unstats.un.org/unsd/methods/m49/m49.htm

**YR1 Election Year in First Round**

 Year of election for the first round.

**MN1 Election Month in First Round**

 Month of election for the first round.

**CST\_N Constituency Name**

**CST Constituency Code**

 Each constituency has a unique numerical identifier:

1. Artibonite
2. Centre
3. Grand Anse
4. Nippes
5. Nord
6. Nord Est
7. Nord Ouest
8. Ouest
9. Sud Est
10. Sud

**MAG District Magnitude**

 Number of seats up for election within a constituency.

**PTY\_N Party Name**

Name of party or list.

**PTY\_A Party Abbreviation**

Abbreviation of party or list name.

**CAN Candidate Name**

 Name of candidate.

**CV1\_CEP Candidate Votes in First Round**

Number of votes for the candidate listed in CAN in the first round.

**CV1\_BED Candidate Votes in First Round**

Number of votes for the candidate listed in CAN in the first round.

**VV1\_CEP Valid Votes in First Round**

The total number of votes cast for candidates in a constituency in the first round. This variable should equal the sum of CV1 within a constituency for that election.

**VV1\_BED Valid Votes in First Round**

The total number of votes cast for candidates in a constituency in the first round. This variable should equal the sum of CV1 within a constituency for that election.

**BLANK1 Blank Votes in First Round**

 Number of blank ballots in the first round.

**IVV1 Spolit/Invalid Votes in First Round**

The total number of invalid or spoilt votes in a constituency in the first round. Excludes blank votes.

**VOT1 Votes Cast in First Round**

Total ballots cast in the first round. This variable should equal the sum of VV, BLANK, and IVV.

**YR2 Election Year in Second Round**

 Year of election for the second round.

**MN2 Election Month in Second Round**

 Month of election for the second round.

**CV2 Candidate Votes in Second Round**

Number of votes for the candidate listed in CAN in the second round.

**VV2 Valid Votes in Second Round**

The total number of votes cast for candidates in a constituency in the second round. This variable should equal the sum of CV2 within a constituency for that election.

**BLANK2 Blank Votes in Second Round**

 Number of blank ballots in the second round.

**IVV2 Spolit/Invalid Votes in Second Round**

The total number of invalid or spoilt votes in a constituency in the second round. Excludes blank votes.

**VOT2 Votes Cast in Second Round**

Total ballots cast in the second round. This variable should equal the sum of VV, BLANK, and IVV.

**SEAT Seats Won**

Coded 1 for victorious candidates and 0 otherwise. Parties and lists often have multiple candidates. As the number of seats won by a single party are not summed, one needs to sum all the seats won by a party’s candidates to determine the total number of a party’s successful candidates.

Sources: “The Election Observation Mission for the Legislative, Municipal and Local Elections in Haiti, February to July, 2000,” Organization of American States (Washington, D.C. 2000); Haiti Provisional Electoral Council (Conseil Electoral Provisional, CEP), https://www.cephaiti.ht/.