1046-W1-2031 Robin H Lock* (rlock@stlawu.edu), Dept. of Math, CS & Statistics, St. Lawrence University, Canton, NY 13617. Should Statistics Tables be Banned from the Curriculum?

Has the time arrived for "back of the book" statistics tables to follow the path of log and trig tables into extinction? We will argue that the continued use of paper-based stat tables hampers student learning while electronic alternatives available in calculators, statistical software and web applets are becoming increasingly more convenient and better suited to help students understand statistical ideas. (Received September 16, 2008)