2016 TRAVEL TIME ANALYSIS

What is Travel Time?

"Travel time" is a term used by the Casualty Actuarial Society (CAS) to denote the number of years it takes a candidate to achieve CAS designations (ACAS or FCAS). Although travel time is defined to start with the first date of full-time actuarial employment, the 2016 Analysis is compiled from data based on date from first examination to allow for a much larger data set.



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NEW TRAVEL TIME ANALYSIS APPROACH?

Since 2007, the approach for measuring Travel Time (as seen on page 1) has been based on date from 1st PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION. Since the SOA discontinued the agreement with the CAS to offer preliminary exams on a joint basis, entry of candidates into the CAS database is significantly delayed.

In an effort to provide more up-to-date information on candidates who have reached the CAS-administered exams, we have compiled a new set of travel time statistics, based on the travel time from **FIRST CAS EXAMINATION** (Exam 5 or higher).



2016 CAS TRAVEL TIME ANALYSIS CONCLUSIONS:

- Travel time from 1st CAS exam to Associateship was somewhat affected by the 2001 syllabus, and has clearly been affected by the 2011 syllabus.
 - Travel time to Fellowship is still at the upper end of the Board of Directors' goal.