Table 2: Labor Force & Employment

All data are for Lincoln MSA unless otherwise indicated. Lincoln MSA comprises Lancaster & Seward counties.

B. Labor Force Participation, Unemployment and Employment										
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Labor Force (Annual Average)	168,912	169,553	171,331	172,923	176,563		177,952	176,760	176,317	177,877
Unemployment Rate (Annual Average)	3.1%	4.3%	4.2%	4.0%	3.6%		3.5%	3.0%	2.7%	2.9%
Employment (Place of Residence)	163,726	162,263	164,129	166,021	170,197		171,729	171,463	171,579	172,743
Total Nonfarm Employment (Place of Work)	175,000	172,500	172,200	173,900	178,100		181,400	183,300	185,400	187,800
Participation Rates by Age, 2015							Male		Female	
16 to 19 years						52.37%			51.02%	
20 and 21 years						72.88%			79.54%	
22 to 24 years						77.86%			93.86%	
25 to 29 years						86.72%			92.77%	
30 to 34 years						84.21%			80.30%	
35 to 44 years						95.12%			85.79%	
45 to 54 years						90.72%			87.97%	
55 to 59 years						86.78%			76.65%	
60 and 61 years						79.19%			76.64%	
62 to 64 years						61.77%			62.77%	
65 to 69 years						55.49%			34.73%	
70 to 74 years						21.18%			16.96%	
75 years and over						10.83%			7.70%	
Total						74.48%			69.33%	