

Table 2: Labor Force & Employment

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

A. Educational Attainment, Population Age 25 and Over, 2016

	#	%
Population 25 years and over	202,113	100.0%
Less than 9th grade	5,946	2.9%
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	8,211	4.1%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	43,243	21.4%
Some college, no degree	41,716	20.6%
Associate's degree	22,633	11.2%
Bachelor's degree	51,072	25.3%
Graduate or professional degree	29,292	14.5%
Percent high school graduate or higher	93.0%	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	39.8%	

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%