2. a i For the model  $Y=\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + E$ :

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0 \text{ vs. } H_A: \beta_1 \neq 0 \text{ and/or } \beta_2 \neq 0$$

F = 6.24 df: 2, 50

P = 0.0038

At  $\alpha = 0.05$ , we would reject  $H_0$  and conclude that  $\beta_1 \neq 0$  and/or  $\beta_2 \neq 0$ ; either  $X_1$ , or  $X_2$ , or both are linearly associated with Y.

ii For the model  $Y=\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + E$ :

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0 \text{ vs. } H_A: \beta_1 \neq 0$$

$$F = \frac{\text{Regression SS}(X_1)}{\text{Residual MS}(X_1)} = \frac{1535.8570}{12255.3128/51} = 6.39$$

Note: the regression sum of squares for this variables-added-in-order test is taken from the 'Type I SS' section of the SAS output. The residual MS given in Chapter 8, problem 2.

df: 1,51

0.01 <*P* <0.025

At  $\alpha = 0.05$ , we would reject  $H_0$  and conclude that  $\beta_1 \neq 0$ .  $X_1$  is linearly associated with Y.

iii For the model  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_2 X_2 + E$ :

$$H_0: \beta_2 = 0 \text{ vs. } H_A: \beta_2 \neq 0$$

$$F = \frac{\text{SSY-Residual SS}(X_2)}{\text{Residual MS}(X_2)} = \frac{13791.1698 - 13633.3225}{13633.3225 / 51} = 0.59$$

df: 1,51

*P*-value: P = Pr[F > 0.59] where  $F \sim F_{1,51}$ 

P > 0.25

At  $\alpha = 0.05$ , we would not reject  $H_0$  and conclude that  $\beta_2 = 0$ .  $X_2$  is not linearly associated with Y.

The overall F-test and partial F-tests for each variable indicate that  $X_1$  is significantly aids in predicting Y while  $X_2$  does not; therefore, we would choose the model containing only  $X_1$ . By contrast, in chapter 8, problem 2(b), the model containing both predictors was selected as the "best" model, based on the  $R^2$  values.  $R^2$  values should not be the sole criteria used in selecting models; they can be artificially inflated by adding variables that do not significantly aid in predicting the outcome.

- **b** The two variables-added-in-order tests are:
  - i  $H_0$ :  $\beta_1 = 0$  vs.  $H_A$ :  $\beta_1 \neq 0$  in the model  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + E$ .

From part (a) above: F = 6.39; df: 1, 51; 0.01 < P < 0.025.

At  $\alpha = 0.05$ , we reject  $H_0$  and conclude that  $\beta_1 \neq 0$ .

ii  $H_0$ :  $\beta_2 = 0$  vs.  $H_A$ :  $\beta_2 \neq 0$  in the model  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + E$ .

 $F(X_2|X_1) = 5.52$  df: 1, 50

P = 0.0228

At  $\alpha = 0.05$ , we would reject  $H_0$  and conclude that  $\beta_2 \neq 0$  in the model  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + E$ .