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| Table 2. Zero-Order Correlations Economic Development & Small Business Lending |
|  | Small Business  |  |  |  |
|  | Lending  |  |  |  |
|  | 1996-99 |  |  |  |
|  | r | r2 | p |  |
| Per Worker Nonfarm Earnings 2000 | 0.42326 | 0.179 | \*\*\* |  |
| Per Capita Income 1999 | 0.40225 | 0.162 | \*\*\* |  |
| Median family income 1999 | 0.32514 | 0.106 | \*\*\* |  |
| Gini Coefficient 1999 | -0.11528 | 0 |  |  |
| Poverty Rate 1999 | -0.1663 | 0.028 | \*\* |  |
| \*p<.05; \*\*p<.01; \*\*\*p<.001 | n=251 |  |  |  |



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