**6 a** 
$$H_0: \rho_{YX_3 \mid X_1} = 0$$
  $H_A: \rho_{YX_3 \mid X_1} \neq 0$ 

$$F(X_3 \mid X_1) = \frac{7010.03}{\underbrace{2259.16}} = 68.265 \qquad (1, 22 \text{ df})$$

P < 0.001

At  $\alpha = 0.05$  we reject  $H_0$  and conclude that  $X_3$  added to a model already containing  $X_1$  does explain a significant amount of variation in Y.

**b** 
$$H_0: \rho_{YX_2 \mid X_1, X_3} = 0$$
  $H_A: \rho_{YX_2 \mid X_1, X_3} \neq 0$   
 $F(X_2 \mid X_1, X_3) = \frac{10.93}{21} = 0.102$  (1, 21 df)

P > 0.25

At  $\alpha = 0.05$  we do not reject  $H_0$  and conclude that  $X_2$  added to a model already containing  $X_1$  and  $X_3$  does not explain a significant amount of variation in Y.

c 
$$H_0: \rho_{Y(X_2, X_3)|X_1} = 0$$
  $H_A: \rho_{Y(X_2, X_3)|X_1} \neq 0$   

$$F(X_2, X_3|X_1) = \frac{(7010.03 + 10.93)/2}{2248.23/21} = 32.79$$
 (2, 21 df)

P < 0.001

At  $\alpha = 0.05$  we reject  $H_0$  and conclude that  $X_2$  and  $X_3$  added to a model already containing  $X_1$  explain a significant amount of variation in Y.

**d** We would include  $X_1$  and  $X_3$  in the model and omit  $X_2$ .