

- Net sales +8%
  - Strong U.S. Retail Sales performance (comparable sales +6.0%)
  - Meaningful contribution from Skip Hop
- Adjusted EPS \$0.79 (+10%)



## Second Quarter 2017 Adjusted Results\*



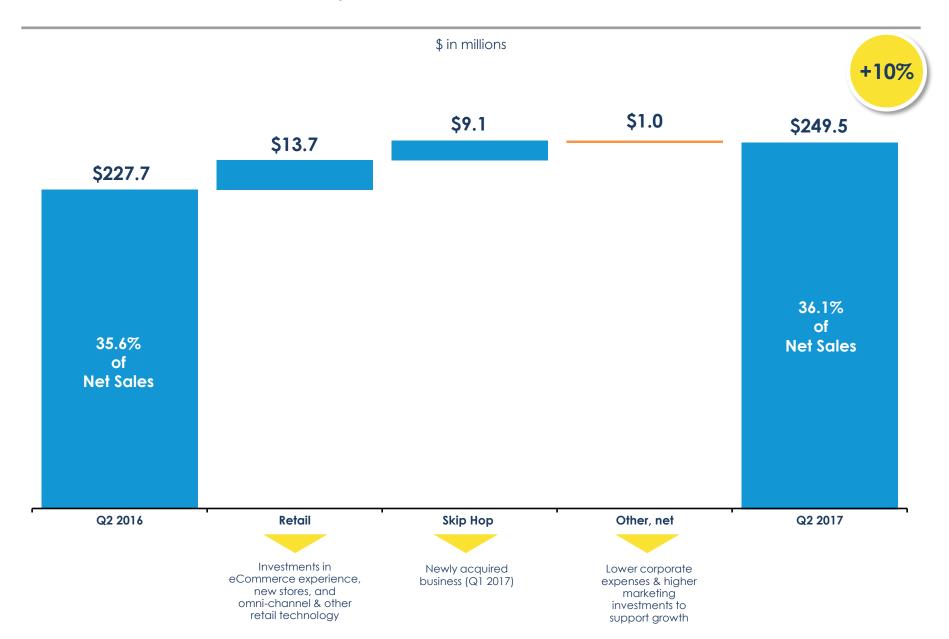




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Net sales	Q2 2017 \$692.1	% of Sales	<b>Q2 2016</b> \$639.5	% of Sales	Increase / (Decrease) 8%
Gross profit*	303.9	43.9%	282.2	44.1%	8%
Adjusted SG&A*	249.5	36.1%	227.7	35.6%	10%
Royalty income	(11.2)	(1.6%)	(9.5)	(1.5%)	18%
Adjusted operating income*	65.5	9.5%	64.0	10.0%	2%
Interest and other, net	6.6	0.9%	7.1	1.1%	(8%)
Income before taxes	59.0	8.5%	56.9	8.9%	4%
Income taxes	20.4	2.9%	20.2	3.2%	1%
Adjusted net income*	\$38.6	5.6%	\$36.7	5.7%	5%
Adjusted diluted EPS*	\$0.79		\$0.72		10%
Weighted average shares outstanding	48.4		50.6		(4%)
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$86.9	12.6%	\$81.3	12.7%	7%

<sup>\*</sup> Results are stated on an adjusted basis, a non-GAAP presentation; see reconciliation to GAAP on pages 32, 33, and 36. Note: Results may not be additive due to rounding.



## Comprehensive Investment Agenda







eCommerce	<ul> <li>Braselton distribution center capacity expansion</li> <li>Website refresh &amp; Skip Hop tab</li> <li>Mobile App</li> </ul>	<ul><li>2017</li><li>2017</li><li>2017</li></ul>
Omni-channel	<ul> <li>New point of sale system enabling:         <ul> <li>Buy online, ship to store</li> <li>In store access to full online assortment</li> </ul> </li> <li>Improved integrated digital loyalty program (Rewarding Moments)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>2015 - 2017</li><li>2017</li></ul>
Retail Technology & Process	<ul><li>Inventory management</li><li>Assortment planning</li><li>Price optimization</li><li>Workforce management system</li></ul>	<ul><li>2017</li><li>2017</li><li>2017</li><li>2017 - 2018</li></ul>
China	<ul><li>In-country staffing</li><li>Distribution center capacity</li></ul>	<ul><li>2015 - 2017</li><li>2016</li></ul>
Enhanced Enterprise Capabilities	<ul> <li>New product lifecycle management system</li> <li>Hong Kong direct sourcing operations</li> <li>SAP financial systems</li> <li>New demand planning system</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2013 - 2019</li> <li>Initiated 2012; now ~50% of FOB</li> <li>2015 - 2016</li> <li>2016</li> </ul>







	\$ in millio	ons	
		2017	2016
	Cash	\$174	\$205
Balance Sheet	Accounts Receivable	165	151
(at Q2 end)	Inventory	610	587
	Accounts Payable	217	190
	Total Debt	662	581
		2017	2016
Cash Flow	Operating Cash Flow	\$107	\$86
(Q2 YTD)	Capital Expenditures	(34)	(50)
	Free Cash Flow <sup>1</sup>	\$73	\$36
		2017	2016
Return of	Share Repurchases	\$98	\$180
<b>Capital</b> (Q2 YTD)	Dividends	36	34
	Total	\$134	\$214

- Inventory +4% vs. LY; excluding Skip Hop, inventories decreased 1%
- Increase in debt balance reflects short term borrowings to support seasonal working capital needs, the purchase of Skip Hop, and return of capital initiatives
- Free cash flow improvement reflects favorable movements in working capital and lower capital expenditures
- Returned \$134 million to shareholders through share repurchases and dividends in H1 2017

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Non-GAAP measure.







\$ in millions

	Net Sales						Adjusted Operating Income*						Adjusted Operating Margin*			
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U.S. Retail (a)	\$	392	\$	353	\$	39	\$	42	\$	37	\$	5		10.8%	10.5 %	
U.S. Wholesale (b)		218		215		3		36		42		(6)		16.6%	19.3 %	
International (c)		83		72		11		8		9		(1)		9.4%	12.7 %	
Total before corporate expenses		692		640		53		86		88		(1)		12.4%	13.7 %	
Corporate expenses								(21)		(24)		3		(3.0%)	(3.7%)	
Total	\$	692	\$	640	\$	53	\$	66	\$	64	\$	2		9.5%	10.0 %	

<sup>(</sup>a) Results include U.S. stores and eCommerce.

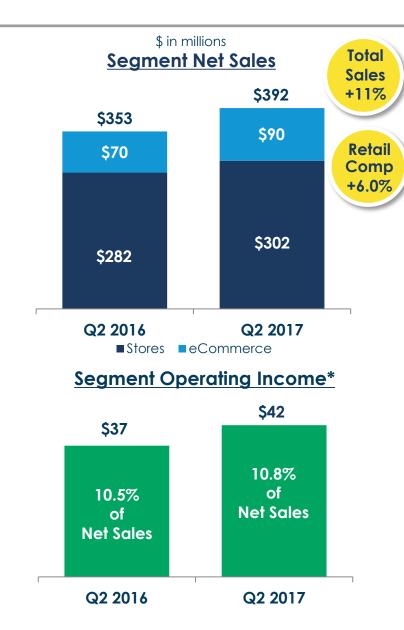
<sup>(</sup>b) Results include Carter's, Child of Mine, Just One You, Precious Firsts, Skip Hop, and Simple Joys.

<sup>(</sup>c) Results include international stores, eCommerce, and wholesale.









• Q2 retail comp +6%

#### **Stores**

- Net sales +7%
- Store Comp: +0.4%
  - Co-branded and Side-by-side locations best performing store models
- Q2 ending location count: 810<sup>1</sup>
  - 621 Stand-alone
  - 189 Dual-branded (151 Side-by-Side, 38 Co-branded)

#### <u>eCommerce</u>

- Strong sales performance (+27.6% comp)
- Q2 net sales 23% of retail segment sales (vs. 20% LY)

### **Segment Operating Margin**

 Operating margin improvement reflects strong growth in eCommerce, lower product costs, and expense leverage







### Why Open Retail Stores?

- High proportion of our direct customers shop in our stores (~87%)
  - ~74% shop only with us in our stores
- New stores are an important source of new customers
- High return on investment
- Important channel of distribution as existing business changes and evolves
  - Wholesale door closures
  - Older stores / outlet base
- Complementary channel and capabilities to our growing eCommerce business
- Important branding / marketing platform

### **Productivity Initiatives**

- Developed smaller, more productive store format: the co-branded store
- Differentiated customer experience: pairing the top two brands in young children's apparel marketplace: Carter's and OshKosh B'gosh
- · Rigorous store portfolio management
- Developed leading omni-channel capabilities
  - Buy online, ship to store
  - 'Endless aisle' access to full assortment
  - Integrated Rewarding Moments loyalty program
- Focused on improving productivity and efficiency of our stores
- Merchandising initiatives
  - Extended sizes
    - Skip Hop
    - Size / pack optimization
- Marketing investments especially digital
- New technologies
  - Price optimization
  - Assortment planning tool
  - Labor management technology
- New store build-out and remodel cost reductions





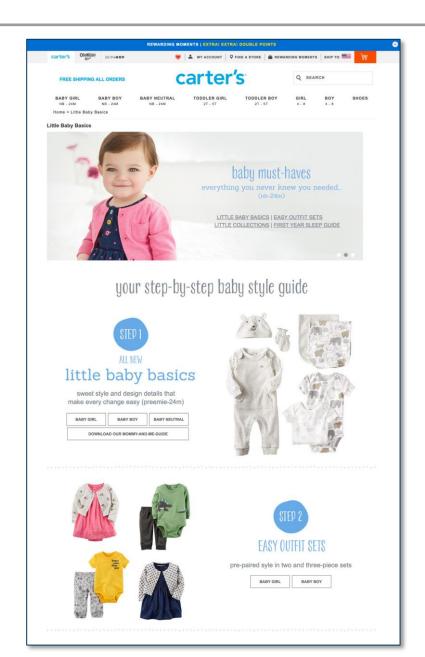




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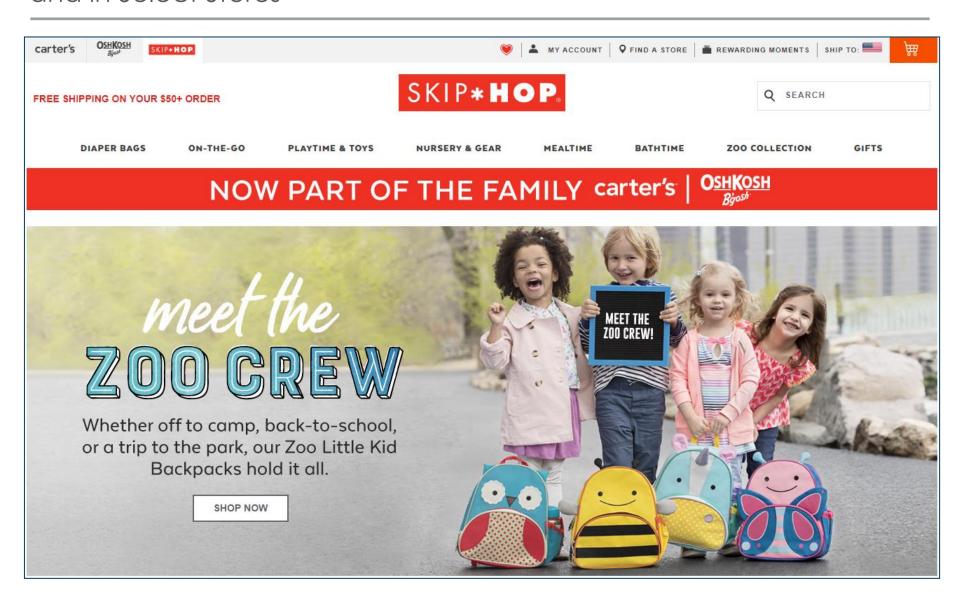


# Skip Hop – Now Available on Our Website and in Select Stores





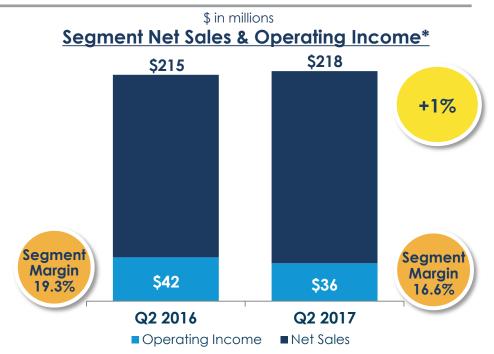












- Sales performance reflects benefit of *Skip Hop* acquisition, offset by lower demand for seasonal products
  - Skip Hop contributed \$15 million to net sales
  - Ex-Skip Hop, net sales down 6%, reflecting lower seasonal bookings
- Segment operating margin reflects addition of the *Skip Hop* business, changes in sales mix, and additional bad debt provisions
- 2017 outlook:
  - Fall 2017 bookings: down mid-single digits vs. LY
  - U.S. Wholesale full year net sales (including *Skip Hop*): up low single digits
- Spring 2018 outlook (ex-Skip Hop): bookings slightly lower vs. 2017

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## Wholesale Customer eCommerce Offerings









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Toddler Girl

Toddler Boy

Baby Girl



















#### **Net Sales**

- International segment net sales +15% on a reported basis (+19% constant currency)
  - Skip Hop contributed \$9 million to segment net sales in Q2 2017
  - Canada Retail comp: +8.2%

#### Canada Stores

- Net sales +9%
- Store comp: +5.9%
- Opened 18 net new stores in last 12 months (168 locations at Q2 end)

#### eCommerce

 Net sales +17%, driven by continued growth in Canada (+47% comp¹) and China (+11% comp¹)

#### Wholesale

- Net sales +28%; reflects benefit of Skip Hop contribution and growth in China, partially offset by decline in demand from partners in other markets outside of the U.S.
- 25 stores now operated by partner in China

### **Segment Operating Margin**

 Operating margin reflects sales mix, China operating loss, higher bad debt provisions, and inclusion of Skip Hop

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Constant currency

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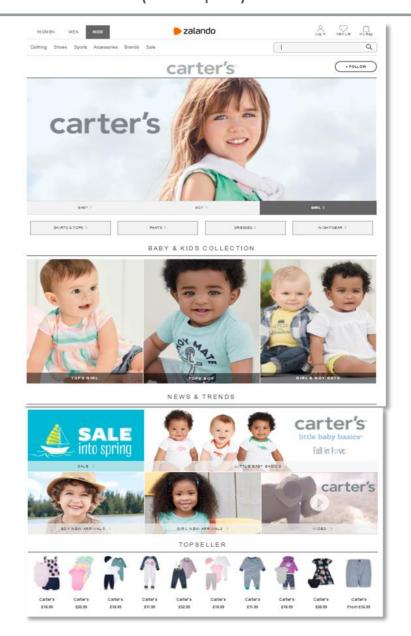


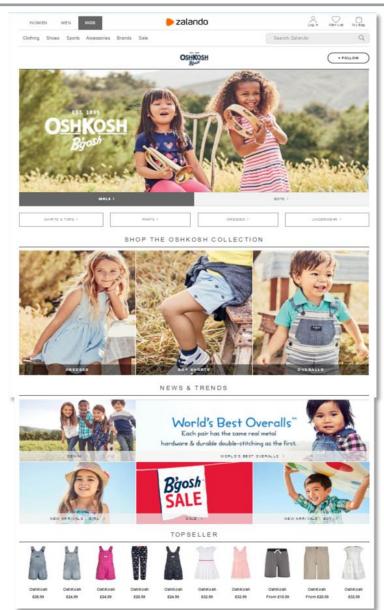
# International Partner eCommerce Site – Zalando.com (Europe)







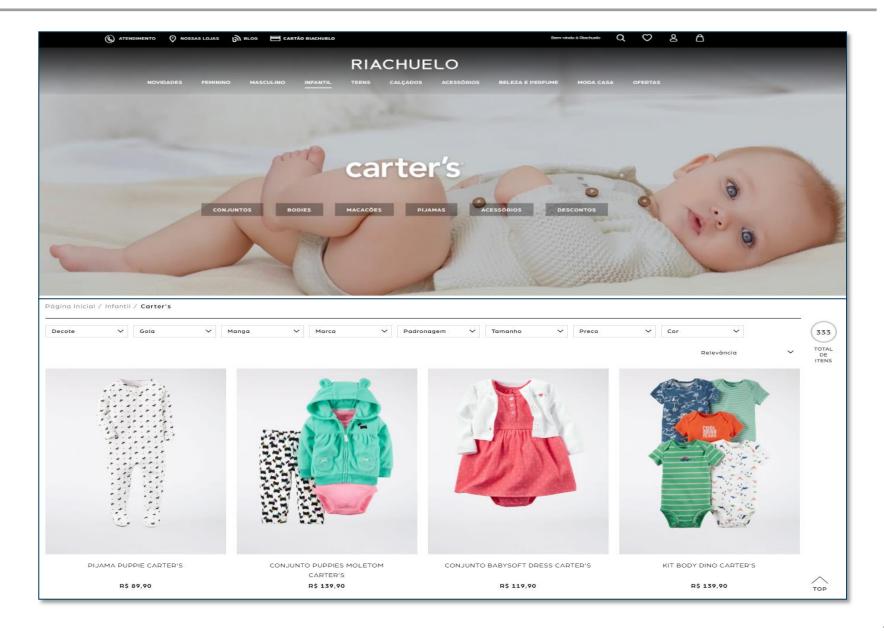


















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	Fiscal 2017	% of Sales	Fiscal 2016	% of Sales	Increase / (Decrease)
Net sales	\$1,424.9		\$1,363.6		4%
Gross profit*	619.7	43.5%	593.1	43.5%	4%
Adjusted SG&A*	495.8	34.8%	455.7	33.4%	9%
Royalty income	(21.8)	(1.5%)	(20.6)	(1.5%)	6%
Adjusted operating income*	145.6	10.2%	158.0	11.6%	(8%)
Interest and other, net	13.3	0.9%	16.9	1.2%	(21%)
Income before taxes	132.3	9.3%	141.1	10.3%	(6%)
Income taxes	46.1	3.2%	49.9	3.7%	(8%)
Adjusted net income*	\$86.2	6.0%	\$91.3	6.7%	(6%)
Adjusted diluted EPS*	\$1.76		\$1.77		(1%)
Weighted average shares outstanding	48.6		51.1		(5%)
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$187.0	13.1%	\$189.3	13.9%	(1%)

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### Net sales growth of approximately 5%

- Growth driven by U.S. Retail business and contribution from *Skip Hop*
- Adjusted EPS approximately comparable to LY (\$1.61 LY)
- Expect continued investment in growth initiatives
  - eCommerce
  - New stores
  - Technology
  - Marketing
  - China start up costs
  - Skip Hop integration

### · Reaffirming full year guidance

- Net sales growth of approximately 4% to 6%
- Adjusted EPS growth of approximately 8% to 10% (vs. \$5.14 LY)
- Store openings / closures
  - U.S.: ~60 new stores; ~12 closures
  - Canada: ~15 new stores; ~2 closures
- Operating Cash Flow approximately \$300 to \$325 million
- CapEx approximately \$90 million



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# Second Quarter Reconciliation of Net Income carter's Allocable to Common Shareholders





	Fiscal Quar	ter Ended
	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Weighted-average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding:		
Basic number of common shares outstanding	47,863,618	50,143,568
Dilutive effect of equity awards	550,726	469,114
Diluted number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	48,414,344	50,612,682

			F	iscal Quarte	er End	ed		
	As	reported or	n a GA		(a)			
\$ in thousands, except EPS	Jul	y 1, 2017	Jul	y 2, 2016	Jul	y 1, 2017	Jul	y 2, 2016
Basic net income per common share:  Net income Income allocated to participating securities	\$	37,925 (291)	\$	36,198 (280)	\$	38,559 (297)	\$	36,697 (283)
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	37,634	\$	35,919	\$	38,263	\$	36,414
Basic net income per common share		\$0.79		\$0.72		\$0.80		\$0.73
Diluted net income per common share:								
Net income Income allocated to participating securities	\$	37,925 (290)	\$	36,198 (278)	\$	38,559 (295)	\$	36,697 (281)
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	37,636	\$	35,920	\$	38,265	\$	36,415
Diluted net income per common share		\$0.78		\$0.71		\$0.79		\$0.72

<sup>(</sup>a) In addition to the results provided in this earnings release in accordance with GAAP, the Company has provided adjusted, non-GAAP financial measurements that present the information above excluding \$0.6 million and \$0.5 million in after-tax expenses from these results for the fiscal quarters ended July 1, 2017 and July 2, 2016, respectively.

# Second Quarter Reconciliation of Reported to Adjusted Earnings







\$ in millions, except EPS

									Segment Reporting							
Second Quarter of Fiscal 2017	Gross Margin	% of sales	SG&A	% of sales	Operating Income	% of sales	Net Income	Diluted EPS	U.S. Retail Operating Income	% of segment net sales	U.S. Wholesale Operating Income	% of segment net sales	International Operating Income	% of segment net sales	Corporate Operating Expenses	% of total net sales
As reported (GAAP)	\$303.5	43.8%	\$250.1	36.1%	\$64.5	9.3%	\$37.9	\$0.78	\$42.3	10.8%	\$35.8	16.4%	\$7.6	9.2%	(\$21.2)	(3.1%)
Acquisition-related costs Direct sourcing initiative (a)	0.4		(0.6) (0.1)		1.0 0.1		0.6	0.01	0.1		0.2		0.1		0.6 0.1	
As adjusted	\$303.9	43.9%	\$249.5	36.1%	\$65.5	9.5%	\$38.6	\$0.79	\$42.4	10.8%	\$36.0	16.6%	\$7.7	9.4%	(\$20.6)	(3.0%)

									Segment R	eporting
Second Quarter of Fiscal 2016	Gross Margin	% of sales	SG&A	% of sales	Operating Income	% of sales	Net Income	Diluted EPS	Corporate Operating Expenses	% of total net sales
As reported (GAAP)	\$282.2	44.1%	\$228.5	35.7%	\$63.2	9.9%	\$36.2	\$0.71	(\$24.3)	(3.8%)
Amortization of tradename  As adjusted	\$282.2	44.1%	(0.8) <b>\$227.7</b>	35.6%	0.8 <b>\$64.0</b>	10.0%	0.5 <b>\$36.7</b>	0.01 <b>\$0.72</b>	0.8 (\$23.5)	(3.7%)

(a) Costs associated with the Company's direct sourcing initiative, to include severance and relocation.

# First Half Reconciliation of Net Income Allocable to Common Shareholders

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	Two Fiscal Qu	Quarters Ended		
	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016		
Weighted-average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding:				
Basic number of common shares outstanding	48,093,155	50,660,278		
Dilutive effect of equity awards	552,866	468,632		
Diluted number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	48,646,021	51,128,910		

	Two Fiscal Quarters Ended										
	As	reported or	a GA/	I	(a)						
\$ in thousands, except EPS	Jul	July 1, 2017		July 2, 2016		July 1, 2017		y 2, 2016			
Basic net income per common share:											
Net income	\$	84,589	\$	90,178	\$	86,167	\$	91,276			
Income allocated to participating securities		(660)		(720)		(673)		(729)			
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	83,929	\$	89,458	\$	85,494	\$	90,547			
Basic net income per common share		\$1.75		\$1.77		\$1.78		\$1.79			
Diluted net income per common share:											
Net income	\$	84,589	\$	90,178	\$	86,167	\$	91,276			
Income allocated to participating securities		(656)		(716)		(668)		(725)			
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	83,933	\$	89,463	\$	85,498	\$	90,551			
Diluted net income per common share		\$1.73		\$1.75		\$1.76		\$1.77			

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\$ in millions, except EPS

									Segment Reporting								
First Half of Fiscal 2017	Gross Margin	% of sales	SG&A	% of sales	Operating Income	% of sales	Net Income	Diluted EPS	U.S. Retail Operating Income	% of segment net sales	U.S. Wholesale Operating Income	% of total net sales	International Operating Income	% of segment net sales	Corporate Operating Expenses	% of total net sales	
As reported (GAAP)	\$619.3	43.5%	\$497.9	34.9%	\$143.1	10.0%	\$84.6	\$1.73	\$72.2	9.6%	\$105.5	20.7%	\$11.3	7.1%	(\$45.9)	(3.2%)	
Acquisition related costs Direct sourcing initiative (a)	0.4		(1.8)		2.2 0.3		1.4 0.2	0.03	0.1		0.2		0.1		1.8 0.3		
As adjusted	\$619.7	43.5%	\$495.8	34.8%	\$145.6	10.2%	\$86.2	\$1.76	\$72.3	9.6%	\$105.7	20.7%	\$11.4	7.2%	(\$43.8)	(3.1%)	

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First Half of Fiscal 2016	Gross Margin	% of sales	SG&A	% of sales	Operating Income	% of sales	Net Income	Diluted EPS	Corporate Operating Expenses	% of total net sales
As reported (GAAP)	\$593.1	43.5%	\$457.5	33.5%	\$156.3	11.5%	\$90.2	\$1.75	(\$47.6)	(3.5%)
Amortization of tradename  As adjusted	\$593.1	43.5%	(1.7) <b>\$455.7</b>	33.4%	1.7 \$158.0	11.6%	1.1 \$91.3	0.02 <b>\$1.77</b>	1.7 (\$45.9)	(3.4%)

(a) Costs associated with the Company's direct sourcing initiative, to include severance and relocation.







\$ in millions

		Fiscal Quai 1, 2017		ded 2, 2016		o Fiscal Qu	Ended 2, 2016	Four Fiscal Quarters Ended  July 1, 2017		
Net income	\$	37.9	\$	36.2	\$	84.6	\$	90.2	\$	252.5
Interest expense	•	7.2	·	6.8	·	14.3		13.5	·	27.8
Interest income		(0.1)		(0.2)		(0.2)		(0.4)		(0.4)
Tax expense		20.0		19.9		45.2		49.2		133.9
Depreciation and amortization (a)		20.8		18.6		40.6		36.7		75.0
EBITDA	\$	85.9	\$	81.3	\$	184.4	\$	189.3	\$	491.2
Adjustments to EBITDA										
Acquisition related costs	\$	1.0	\$	-	\$	2.2	\$	-	\$	4.6
Direct sourcing initiative (b)		0.1				0.3				1.0
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	86.9	\$	81.3	\$	187.0	\$	189.3	\$	496.7

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes amortization of acquired tradename.

<sup>(</sup>b) Costs associated with the Company's direct sourcing initiative, to include severance and relocation.





	Single-brand		Dual-brand						
	U.S. Stand- alone Format	U.S. Side-by-Side Format	U.S. Co-branded Format	Canada Co-branded Format	Total Retail Stores				
Store count at July 2, 2016	642	119	6	150	917				
Openings (a)	18	24	16	20	78				
Closings (a)	(12)	-	-	(2)	(14)				
Conversions to dual-branded formats	(27)	8	16	-	(3)				
Store count at July 1, 2017	621	151	38	168	978				

(a) Includes 1 relocation in the U.S.

# Forward-looking Statements and Other Information







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