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### LANDSTAR SYSTEM REPORTS DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE OF \$0.89 ON RECORD SECOND QUARTER REVENUE OF \$870 MILLION

Jacksonville, FL – Landstar System, Inc. (NASDAQ: LSTR) reported diluted earnings per share of \$0.89 on record second quarter revenue of \$870 million in the 2017 second quarter. Landstar reported diluted earnings per share of \$0.76 on revenue of \$775 million in the 2016 second quarter. Gross profit (defined as revenue less the cost of purchased transportation and commissions to agents) was a second quarter record of \$132.6 million in the 2017 second quarter compared to \$121.0 million in the 2016 second quarter. Operating margin, representing operating income divided by gross profit, was 46.0 percent in the 2017 second quarter.

Truck transportation revenue hauled by independent business capacity owners ("BCOs") and truck brokerage carriers in the 2017 second quarter was \$815.6 million, or 94 percent of revenue, compared to \$718.5 million, or 93 percent of revenue, in the 2016 second quarter. Truckload transportation revenue hauled via van equipment in the 2017 second quarter was \$509.1 million compared to \$458.0 million in the 2016 second quarter. Truckload transportation revenue hauled via unsided/platform equipment in the 2017 second quarter was \$283.5 million compared to \$242.0 million in the 2016 second quarter. Revenue hauled by rail, air and ocean cargo carriers was \$43.1 million, or 5 percent of revenue, in the 2017 second quarter compared to \$45.1 million, or 6 percent of revenue, in the 2016 second quarter.

Trailing twelve-month return on average shareholders' equity was 27 percent and trailing twelve-month return on invested capital, net income divided by the sum of average equity plus average debt, was 22 percent. Currently, there are approximately

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1,036,000 shares of the Company's common stock available for purchase under Landstar's authorized share purchase program. As of July 1, 2017, the Company had \$273 million in cash and short term investments and \$214 million available for borrowings under the Company's senior credit facility.

In addition, Landstar announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.10 per share payable on September 1, 2017, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on August 14, 2017. This quarterly dividend includes an 11 percent increase to the amount of the Company's quarterly dividend declared following each of the prior four quarters. It is currently the intention of the Board to pay dividends on a quarterly basis going forward.

Commenting on Landstar's 2017 second quarter, Landstar's President and CEO Jim Gattoni said, "I am very pleased with Landstar's performance in the 2017 second quarter. On April 26<sup>th</sup>, we provided second quarter revenue guidance of \$820 million to \$870 million and second quarter diluted earnings per share guidance of \$0.84 to \$0.89. Revenue and diluted earnings per share for the 2017 second quarter both came in at the top end of guidance. Revenue of \$870 million was a second quarter record and represented growth of 12 percent over the 2016 second quarter. Diluted earnings per share of \$0.89 grew 17 percent over the 2016 second quarter."

Gattoni continued, "The number of loads hauled via truck in the 2017 second quarter increased 10 percent over the 2016 second quarter, driven by a 10 percent increase in the number of loads hauled via van equipment, an 8 percent increase in the number of loads hauled via unsided/platform equipment and a 20 percent increase in less-than-truckload volume. The number of loads hauled via truck in the second quarter of 2017 was a second quarter record. The number of loads hauled via railroads, ocean cargo carriers and air cargo carriers was 5 percent lower in the 2017 second quarter compared to the 2016 second quarter, due to continued softness in rail intermodal volume."

Gattoni further commented, "As expected, the pricing environment for our truckload services continued to show slow improvement in the 2017 second quarter, as industry-wide truck capacity is firming in certain regions, especially with respect to flatbed loads.

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As a result, revenue per load on loads hauled via truck was 3 percent higher in the 2017 second quarter compared to the 2016 second quarter. The percentage change in year-over-year revenue per load on loads hauled via truck was consistent each month during the quarter. 2017 second quarter operating margin was 46.0 percent, in line with our historical second quarter operating margin."

Gattoni continued, "Historically, revenue in the Company's third fiscal quarter has been relatively consistent with revenue generated in the Company's second fiscal quarter. We typically have experienced revenue per load on loads hauled via truck in the Company's third quarter as slightly ahead of the second quarter while the number of loads hauled via truck in the third quarter as slightly below the second quarter. Through the first few weeks of July, we have experienced the normal seasonal uptick in revenue per load on loads hauled via truck during the first few weeks of July is trending with the historical second quarter to third quarter pattern. As such, I expect 2017 third quarter revenue to be similar to the Company's 2017 second quarter revenue. Assuming insurance and claims costs in the 2017 third quarter are approximately 3.3 percent of BCO revenue, representing average insurance and claims costs as a percent of BCO revenue over the past 5 years, I would expect diluted earnings per share to be in a range of \$0.88 to \$0.93 in the 2017 third quarter."

Landstar will provide a live webcast of its quarterly earnings conference call tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m. ET. To access the webcast, visit the Company's website at www.landstar.com; click on "Investor Relations" and "Webcasts," then click on "Landstar's Second Quarter 2017 Earnings Release Conference Call."

This earnings announcement, as well as an accompanying slide presentation, is available through the Company's website at <a href="http://investor.landstar.com">http://investor.landstar.com</a> under "Presentations" and on a Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The following is a "safe harbor" statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements contained in this press release that are not based on historical facts are "forward-looking statements". This press release contains forward-looking statements, such as statements which relate to Landstar's business objectives, plans, strategies and expectations. Terms such as "anticipates," "believes," "estimates,"

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"intention," "expects," "plans," "predicts," "may," "should," "could," "will," the negative thereof and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements are by nature subject to uncertainties and risks, including but not limited to: an increase in the frequency or severity of accidents or other claims; unfavorable development of existing accident claims; dependence on third party insurance companies; dependence on independent commission sales agents; dependence on third party capacity providers; decreased demand for transportation services; U.S. foreign trade relationships; substantial industry competition; disruptions or failures in the Company's computer systems; cyber and other information security incidents; dependence on key vendors; changes in fuel taxes; status of independent contractors; regulatory and legislative changes; regulations focused on diesel emissions and other air quality matters; catastrophic loss of a Company facility; intellectual property; unclaimed property; and other operational, financial or legal risks or uncertainties detailed in Landstar's Form 10K for the 2016 fiscal year, described in Item 1A Risk Factors, and in other SEC filings from time to time. These risks and uncertainties could cause actual results or events to differ materially from historical results or those anticipated. Investors should not place undue reliance on such forwardlooking statements, and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements.

### About Landstar:

Landstar System, Inc. is a worldwide, asset-light provider of integrated transportation management solutions delivering safe, specialized transportation logistics services to a broad range of customers utilizing a network of agents, third-party capacity providers and employees. All Landstar transportation services companies are certified to ISO 9001:2008 quality management system standards and RC14001:2013 environmental, health, safety and security management system standards. Landstar System, Inc. is headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida. Its common stock trades on The NASDAQ Stock Market® under the symbol LSTR.

(Tables follow)

# Landstar System, Inc. and Subsidiary Consolidated Statements of Income (Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Twenty Six Weeks Ended			Thirteen Weeks Ended			
		July 1, 2017	 June 25, 2016		July 1, 2017		June 25, 2016
Revenue Investment income	\$	1,651,342 1,022	\$ 1,486,867 743	\$	870,434 608	\$	775,223 363
Costs and expenses:							
Purchased transportation		1,263,111	1,129,743		667,588		589,415
Commissions to agents		134,080	123,931		70,282		64,839
Other operating costs, net of gains on asset sales/dispositions		14,400	13,992		7,503		6,585
Insurance and claims		28,406	30,307		13,893		16,094
Selling, general and administrative		79,184	71,519		40,861		36,905
Depreciation and amortization		19,831	 17,093	<u> </u>	9,897		8,655
Total costs and expenses		1,539,012	 1,386,585		810,024		722,493
Operating income		113,352	101,025		61,018		53,093
Interest and debt expense		1,902	 1,777		819		888
Income before income taxes		111,450	99,248		60,199		52,205
Income taxes		41,557	 37,750		22,689		19,891
Net income	\$	69,893	\$ 61,498	\$	37,510	\$	32,314
Earnings per common share	\$	1.67	\$ 1.45	\$	0.89	\$	0.77
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.66	\$ 1.45	\$	0.89	\$	0.76
Average number of shares outstanding:							
Earnings per common share		41,907,000	 42,315,000		41,935,000		42,235,000
Diluted earnings per share		42,004,000	 42,424,000		42,010,000		42,357,000
Dividends per common share	\$	0.18	\$ 0.16	\$	0.09	\$	0.08

### Landstar System, Inc. and Subsidiary

**Consolidated Balance Sheets** 

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

	July 1, 2017	December 31, 2016	
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 222,102	\$ 178,897	
Short-term investments	51,167	66,560	
Trade accounts receivable, less allowance			
of \$5,311 and \$5,161	480,467	463,102	
Other receivables, including advances to independent			
contractors, less allowance of \$6,049 and \$5,523	20,518	18,567	
Other current assets	19,291	10,281	
Total current assets	793,545	737,407	
Operating property, less accumulated depreciation			
and amortization of \$202,050 and \$190,374	259,346	272,843	
Goodwill	31,134	31,134	
Other assets	75,249	55,207	
Total assets	\$ 1,159,274	\$ 1,096,591	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities: Cash overdraft	\$ 34,145	\$ 36,251	
Accounts payable	224,928	219,409	
Current maturities of long-term debt	41,356	45,047	
Insurance claims	29,077	26,121	
Other current liabilities	56,998	53,483	
Total current liabilities	386,504	380,311	
Long-term debt, excluding current maturities	77,639	93,257	
Insurance claims	30,402	26,883	
Deferred income taxes and other non-current liabilities	55,239	53,583	
Shareholders' equity: Common stock, \$0.01 par value, authorized 160,000,000			
shares, issued 67,696,487 and 67,585,675 shares	677	676	
Additional paid-in capital	203,410	199,414	
Retained earnings	1,575,342	1,512,993	
Cost of 25,749,493 and 25,747,541 shares of common			
stock in treasury	(1,167,600)	(1,167,437)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,339)	(3,089)	
Total shareholders' equity	609,490	542,557	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 1,159,274	\$ 1,096,591	

#### Landstar System, Inc. and Subsidiary

Supplemental Information

(Unaudited)

	Twenty Six \	Weeks Ended	Thirteen We	eeks Ended	
	July 1, 2017	June 25, 2016	July 1, 2017	June 25, 2016	
Revenue generated through (in thousands):					
Truck transportation					
Truckload:	• • • • • • •				
Van equipment	\$ 978,918	\$ 886,195 451,430	\$ 509,135	\$ 458,002	
Unsided/platform equipment Less-than-truckload	520,658 42,799	451,430 35,927	283,481 22,942	242,008 18,450	
Total truck transportation	1,542,375	1,373,552	815,558	718,460	
Rail intermodal	44,357	52,337	21,515	26,229	
Ocean and air cargo carriers	41,185	37,710	21,595	18,902	
Other <sup>(1)</sup>	23,425	23,268	11,766	11,632	
	\$ 1,651,342	\$ 1,486,867	\$ 870,434	\$ 775,223	
Revenue on loads hauled via BCO Independent Contractors (2)					
included in total truck transportation	\$ 776,085	\$ 707,652	\$ 411,177	\$ 373,374	
Number of loads:					
Truck transportation					
Truckload:					
Van equipment	613,565	556,119	315,499	287,079	
Unsided/platform equipment	236,427	219,034	125,242	116,292	
Less-than-truckload	64,508	55,727	34,589	28,829	
Total truck transportation Rail intermodal	914,500	830,880	475,330	432,200 12,150	
Ocean and air cargo carriers	20,960 11,940	24,180 9,780	10,310 6,210	5,220	
	947,400	864,840	491,850	449,570	
Loads hauled via BCO Independent Contractors <sup>(2)</sup> included in total truck transportation	453,860	414,660	235,630	216,990	
Revenue per load:					
Truck transportation					
Truckload:					
Van equipment	\$ 1,595	\$ 1,594	\$ 1,614	\$ 1,595	
Unsided/platform equipment Less-than-truckload	2,202 663	2,061 645	2,263 663	2,081 640	
Total truck transportation	1,687	1,653	1,716	1,662	
Rail intermodal	2,116	2,164	2,087	2,159	
Ocean and air cargo carriers	3,449	3,856	3,477	3,621	
Revenue per load on loads hauled via BCO Independent Contractors (2)	\$ 1,710	\$ 1,707	\$ 1,745	\$ 1,721	
Revenue by capacity type (as a % of total revenue);					
Truck capacity providers:					
BCO Independent Contractors (2)	47%	48%	47%	48%	
Truck Brokerage Carriers	46%	45%	46%	45%	
Rail intermodal	3%	4%	2%	3%	
Ocean and air cargo carriers	2%	3%	2%	2%	
Other	1%	2%	1%	2%	
			July 1,	June 25,	
			2017	2016	
Truck Capacity Providers					
BCO Independent Contractors <sup>(2)</sup> Truck Brokerage Carriers:			8,818	8,856	
Approved and active <sup>(3)</sup>			31,636	30,137	
Other approved			15,381	15,594	
			47,017	45,731	
Total available truck capacity providers			55,835	54,587	
Trucks provided by BCO Independent Contractors $\ensuremath{^{(2)}}$			9,404	9,462	

(1) Includes primarily reinsurance premium revenue generated by the insurance segment.

(2) BCO Independent Contractors are independent contractors who provide truck capacity to the Company under exclusive lease arrangements.

(3) Active refers to Truck Brokerage Carriers who moved at least one load in the 180 days immediately preceding the fiscal quarter end.

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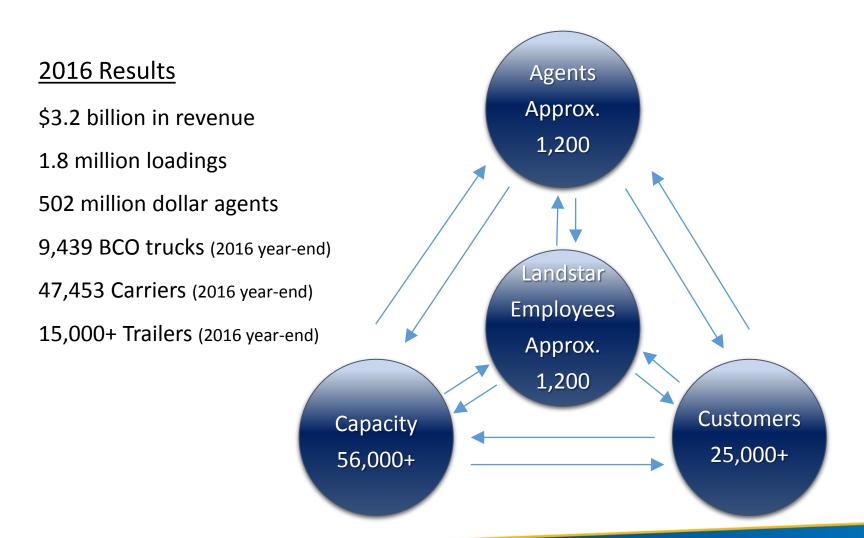


# **Model Definition**

Landstar is a worldwide, asset-light provider of integrated transportation management solutions delivering safe, specialized transportation services to a broad range of customers utilizing a network of agents, third party capacity providers and employees.



# The Network



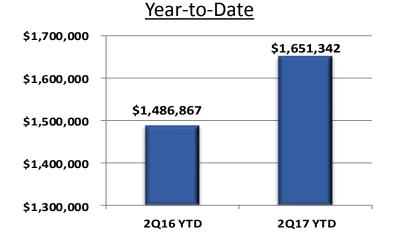


# **Transportation Management Services**

	Percentage of Revenue 2Q16 2Q17		
Truck Transportation			
Truckload			
Van equipment	59%	58%	
Unsided/platform equipment	31%	33%	
Less-than-truckload	2%	3%	
Rail intermodal	3%	2%	
Ocean and air cargo	2%	2%	

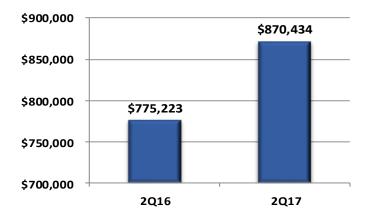


## Revenue (\$'s in thousands)



Year over Prior Year	Rate (1)	Volume <sup>(2)</sup>	Change
Truck Revenue	2.0%	10.1%	12.3%
Rail Intermodal Revenue	-2.2%	- 13.3%	- 15.2%
Ocean/Air Revenue	- 10.5%	22.1%	9.2%
Insurance Premiums	NA	NA	0.4%
Total Revenue			11.1%

### <u>Quarter</u>



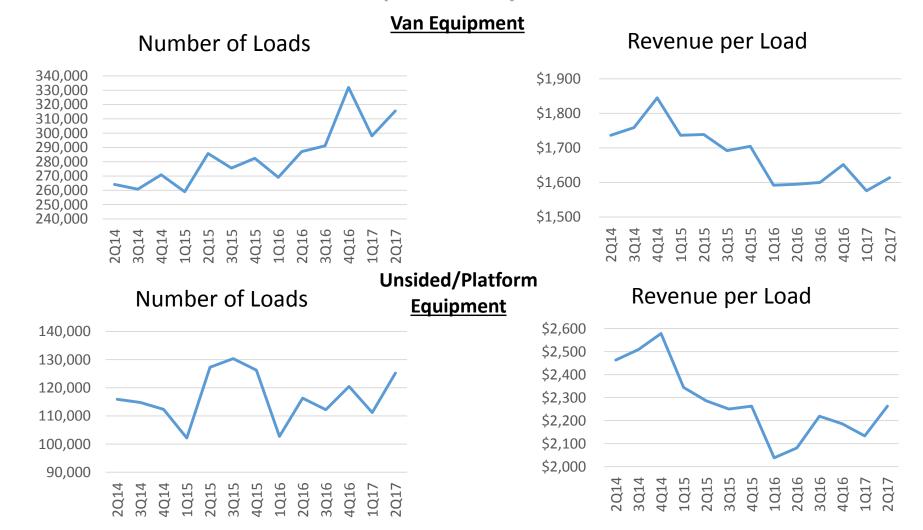
Qtr over Prior Year Qtr	Rate (1)	Volume <sup>(2)</sup>	Change
Truck Revenue	3.2%	10.0%	13.5%
Rail Intermodal Revenue	- 3.3%	- 15.1%	- 18.0%
Ocean/Air Revenue	-4.0%	19.0%	14.2%
Insurance Premiums	NA	NA	0.7%
Total Revenue			12.3%

(1) Percentage change in rate is calculated on a revenue per load basis.

(2) Percentage change in volume is calculated on the number of loads hauled.



## Truckload Loadings and Revenue per Load (Excludes LTL)



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# **Industries Served**

	As a Percenta	Quarter over Prior Year Quarter	
	2Q16	2Q17	Growth
Consumer Durables	20.4	21.1	16%
Machinery	14.6	15.2	18%
Automotive	9.1	8.2	1%
Building Products	9.6	9.7	13%
Metals	7.0	6.7	9%
AA&E, Hazmat	8.0	9.0	26%
Foodstuffs	5.1	4.7	3%
Energy	3.0	3.7	36%
Other	23.2	21.7	6%
Transportation Revenue	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>	12%



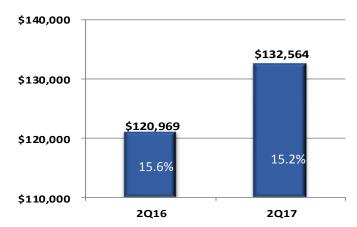
# Gross Profit<sup>(1)</sup> and Gross Profit Margin<sup>(2)</sup>

(\$'s in thousands)

### Year-to-Date



	2nd Qtr YTD <sup>(3)</sup>	
Changes in gross profit margin	%	
2016 Period	15.7	
Revenue - fixed gp margin	0.0	
Revenue - variable gp margin	-0.1	
Change in mix and other	-0.2	
2017 Period	15.4	



Quarter

	2nd Qtr <sup>(3)</sup>
Changes in gross profit margin	%
2016 Period	15.6
Revenue - fixed gp margin	0.0
Revenue - variable gp margin	-0.2
Change in mix and other	-0.2
2017 Period	15.2

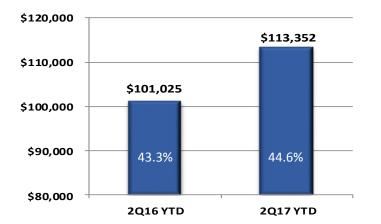
- (1) Gross profit equals revenue less the cost of purchased transportation and commissions to agents.
- (2) Gross profit margin equals gross profit divided by revenue.

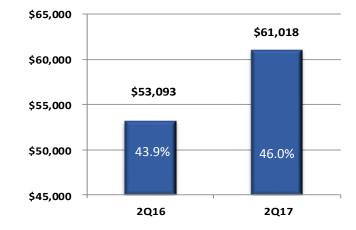
(3) Revenue on transactions with a fixed gross profit margin was 56% and 54% of revenue in the 2016 and 2017 year-to-date periods, respectively, and 55% and 54% of revenue in the 2016 and 2017 second quarters, respectively.



## **Operating Income and Operating Margin**<sup>(1)</sup> (\$'s in thousands)

### Year-to-Date





Quarter

	2nd Qtr YTD
Changes in operating margin	%
2016 Period	43.3
Other operating costs	0.3
Insurance and claims	1.9
SG&A	-0.5
Depreciation and amortization	-0.4
2017 Period	44.6

	2nd Qtr
Changes in operating margin	%
2016 Period	43.9
Other operating costs	-0.2
Insurance and claims	2.9
SG&A	-0.3
Depreciation and amortization	-0.3
2017 Period	46.0

(1) Operating margin equals operating income divided by gross profit.



# **Truck Capacity Data**

### (All information is provided as of the end of the period)

	Jun 25, 2016 <sup>(2)</sup>	Dec 31, 2016	Jul 1, 2017 <sup>(2)</sup>
BCO Independent Contractors	8,856	8,824	8,818
Truck Brokerage Carriers:			
Approved and Active <sup>(1)</sup>	30,137	31,471	31,636
Other Approved	15,594	15,982	15,381
	45,731	47,453	47,017
Total Available Truck Capacity Providers	54,587	56,277	55,835
Trucks Provided by BCO Independent Contractors	9,462	9,439	9,404

(1) Active refers to truck brokerage carriers who hauled freight for Landstar in the 180 day period immediately preceding the period end.

(2) Fuel surcharges billed to customers on freight hauled by BCO Independent Contractors, which are paid 100% to the BCO and excluded from revenue and the cost of purchased transportation were \$80.6 million and \$56.3 million in the 2017 and 2016 year-todate periods, respectively, and \$42.1 million and \$30.8 million in the 2017 and 2016 second quarters, respectively.



## Key Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statistics (\$'s in thousands)

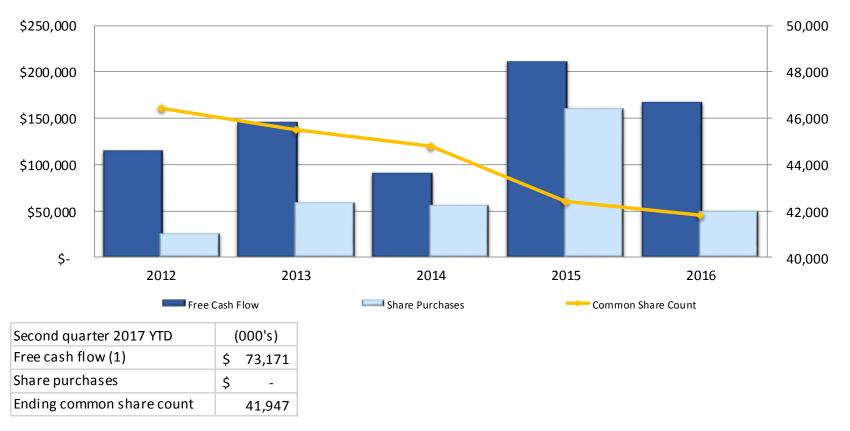
	YTD	YTD
	Jun 25 <i>,</i>	Jul 1,
	2016	2017
Balance sheet (period end amounts):		
Debt to Capital	19%	16%
Net Cash (1)	\$ 95,965	\$ 154,274
Cash flow:		
Cash flow from operations	\$ 105,135	\$ 79,799
Capital expenditures	\$ 8,955	\$ 6,628
Share repurchases	\$ 26,485	\$ -
Dividends paid	\$ 6,782	\$ 7,544
Returns:		
TTM Return on Equity	29%	27%
TTM Return on Invested Capital	23%	22%
TTM Return on Assets	14%	14%

(1) Net cash is defined as cash and cash equivalents plus short term investments less outstanding debt.



# Free Cash Flow <sup>(1)</sup> / Share Purchases

(In Thousands)



(1) Free cash flow is defined as cash flow from operations less capital expenditures, each set forth on the prior slide.



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