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Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 28, 2024

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 0-21238



LANDSTAR SYSTEM, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

06-1313069
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

13410 Sutton Park Drive South, Jacksonville, Florida
(Address of principal executive offices)

32224
(Zip Code)

(904) 398-9400
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock	LSTR	NASDAQ

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days: Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files): Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer,” “smaller reporting company,” and “emerging growth company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

The number of shares of the registrant’s common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, outstanding as of the close of business on October 21, 2024 was 35,331,173.

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Item 1. Financial Statements

The interim consolidated financial statements contained herein reflect all adjustments (all of a normal, recurring nature) which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair statement of the financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and changes in shareholders' equity for the periods presented. They have been prepared in accordance with Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X and do not include all the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. Operating results for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 28, 2024 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the entire fiscal year ending December 28, 2024.

These interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

LANDSTAR SYSTEM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	<u>September 28, 2024</u>	<u>December 30, 2023</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 468,830	\$ 481,043
Short-term investments	62,451	59,661
Trade accounts receivable, less allowance of \$12,134 and \$11,738	694,633	743,762
Other receivables, including advances to independent contractors, less allowance of \$16,759 and \$14,010	51,533	43,339
Other current assets	33,947	24,936
Total current assets	<u>1,311,394</u>	<u>1,352,741</u>
Operating property, less accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$456,770 and \$436,682	289,248	284,300
Goodwill	41,122	42,275
Other assets	115,491	122,530
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,757,255</u>	<u>\$ 1,801,846</u>
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Cash overdraft	\$ 50,746	\$ 61,541
Accounts payable	397,908	395,980
Current maturities of long-term debt	27,672	27,876
Insurance claims	43,370	41,825
Dividends payable	—	71,433
Contractor escrow	30,244	28,498
Other current liabilities	42,712	48,071
Total current liabilities	<u>592,652</u>	<u>675,224</u>
Long-term debt, excluding current maturities	44,834	43,264
Insurance claims	59,861	58,922
Deferred income taxes and other noncurrent liabilities	43,990	40,513
Shareholders' Equity		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, authorized 160,000,000 shares, issued 68,559,269 and 68,497,324 shares	686	685
Additional paid-in capital	255,398	254,642
Retained earnings	2,897,073	2,783,645
Cost of 33,228,096 and 32,780,651 shares of common stock in treasury	(2,128,684)	(2,048,184)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(8,555)	(6,865)
Total shareholders' equity	<u>1,015,918</u>	<u>983,923</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$ 1,757,255</u>	<u>\$ 1,801,846</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

LANDSTAR SYSTEM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
Revenue	\$ 3,609,915	\$ 4,098,877	\$ 1,213,867	\$ 1,289,345
Investment income	10,988	6,874	3,922	3,022
Costs and expenses:				
Purchased transportation	2,799,384	3,141,234	943,805	986,743
Commissions to agents	295,801	363,397	98,703	115,244
Other operating costs, net of gains on asset sales/dispositions	44,138	40,998	15,144	15,158
Insurance and claims	83,830	86,971	30,398	29,540
Selling, general and administrative	162,613	159,071	51,252	50,975
Depreciation and amortization	44,001	44,498	15,371	14,359
Total costs and expenses	<u>3,429,767</u>	<u>3,836,169</u>	<u>1,154,673</u>	<u>1,212,019</u>
Operating income	191,136	269,582	63,116	80,348
Interest and debt (income) expense	(4,455)	(2,079)	(1,169)	(1,046)
Income before income taxes	195,591	271,661	64,285	81,394
Income taxes	45,838	65,254	14,252	19,741
Net income	<u>\$ 149,753</u>	<u>\$ 206,407</u>	<u>\$ 50,033</u>	<u>\$ 61,653</u>
Basic and diluted earnings per share	<u>\$ 4.21</u>	<u>\$ 5.74</u>	<u>\$ 1.41</u>	<u>\$ 1.71</u>
Average basic and diluted shares outstanding	<u>35,608,000</u>	<u>35,958,000</u>	<u>35,420,000</u>	<u>35,951,000</u>
Dividends per common share	<u>\$ 1.02</u>	<u>\$ 0.93</u>	<u>\$ 0.36</u>	<u>\$ 0.33</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

LANDSTAR SYSTEM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(Dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	<u>Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended</u>		<u>Thirteen Weeks Ended</u>	
	<u>September 28, 2024</u>	<u>September 30, 2023</u>	<u>September 28, 2024</u>	<u>September 30, 2023</u>
Net income	\$ 149,753	\$ 206,407	\$ 50,033	\$ 61,653
Other comprehensive (loss) income:				
Unrealized holding gains on available-for-sale investments, net of tax expense of \$828, \$263, \$624 and \$49	3,023	958	2,277	176
Foreign currency translation (losses) gains	(4,713)	2,337	(1,354)	(1,494)
Other comprehensive (loss) income	(1,690)	3,295	923	(1,318)
Comprehensive income	<u>\$ 148,063</u>	<u>\$ 209,702</u>	<u>\$ 50,956</u>	<u>\$ 60,335</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

LANDSTAR SYSTEM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	<u>Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended</u>	
	<u>September 28,</u> <u>2024</u>	<u>September 30,</u> <u>2023</u>
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	\$ 149,753	\$ 206,407
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	44,001	44,498
Non-cash interest charges	198	198
Provisions for losses on trade and other accounts receivable	13,058	10,509
Gains on sales/disposals of operating property	(1,204)	(3,846)
Deferred income taxes, net	(4,359)	(5,595)
Stock-based compensation	3,573	4,270
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in trade and other accounts receivable	27,877	145,655
Increase in other assets	(7,884)	(13,115)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	727	(62,652)
Decrease in other liabilities	(2,785)	(15,734)
Increase (decrease) in insurance claims	2,484	(6,810)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>225,439</u>	<u>303,785</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Sales and maturities of investments	81,072	93,326
Purchases of investments	(74,297)	(86,115)
Purchases of operating property	(24,256)	(15,394)
Proceeds from sales of operating property	6,265	6,631
NET CASH USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>(11,216)</u>	<u>(1,552)</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Decrease in cash overdraft	(10,795)	(44,886)
Dividends paid	(107,758)	(105,302)
Proceeds from exercises of stock options	—	28
Taxes paid in lieu of shares issued related to stock-based compensation plans	(3,928)	(9,186)
Purchases of common stock	(78,697)	(15,433)
Principal payments on finance lease obligations	(22,872)	(28,017)
NET CASH USED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<u>(224,050)</u>	<u>(202,796)</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(2,386)	643
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(12,213)	100,080
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	481,043	339,581
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u>\$ 468,830</u>	<u>\$ 439,661</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

LANDSTAR SYSTEM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
Thirty-Nine and Thirteen Weeks Ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023
(Dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock at Cost		Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income	Total
	Shares	Amount			Shares	Amount		
Balance December 30, 2023	68,497,324	\$ 685	\$254,642	\$2,783,645	32,780,651	\$(2,048,184)	\$ (6,865)	\$ 983,923
Net income				47,096				47,096
Dividends (\$0.33 per share)				(11,802)				(11,802)
Issuance of stock related to stock-based compensation plans	50,229		(2,174)		4,864	(886)		(3,060)
Stock-based compensation			1,724					1,724
Other comprehensive income							30	30
Balance March 30, 2024	68,547,553	\$ 685	\$254,192	\$2,818,939	32,785,515	\$(2,049,070)	\$ (6,835)	\$1,017,911
Net income				52,624				52,624
Dividends (\$0.33 per share)				(11,777)				(11,777)
Purchases of common stock					315,649	(56,995)		(56,995)
Issuance of stock related to stock-based compensation plans	6,374	1			1,112	(201)		(200)
Stock-based compensation			1,892					1,892
Other comprehensive loss							(2,643)	(2,643)
Balance June 29, 2024	68,553,927	\$ 686	\$256,084	\$2,859,786	33,102,276	\$(2,106,266)	\$ (9,478)	\$1,000,812
Net income				50,033				50,033
Dividends (\$0.36 per share)				(12,746)				(12,746)
Purchases of common stock					121,270	(22,393)		(22,393)
Issuance of stock related to stock-based compensation plans	5,342		(643)		4,550	(25)		(668)
Stock-based compensation			(43)					(43)
Other comprehensive income							923	923
Balance September 28, 2024	68,559,269	\$ 686	\$255,398	\$2,897,073	33,228,096	\$(2,128,684)	\$ (8,555)	\$1,015,918

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock at Cost		Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income	Total
	Shares	Amount			Shares	Amount		
Balance December 31, 2022	68,382,310	\$ 684	\$258,487	\$2,635,960	32,455,300	\$(1,992,886)	\$ (15,024)	\$ 887,221
Net income				78,195				78,195
Dividends (\$0.30 per share)				(10,806)				(10,806)
Purchases of common stock					89,661	(15,433)		(15,433)
Issuance of stock related to stock-based compensation plans	101,653	1	(7,201)		5,891	(1,008)		(8,208)
Stock-based compensation			1,852					1,852
Other comprehensive income							2,831	2,831
Balance April 1, 2023	68,483,963	\$ 685	\$253,138	\$2,703,349	32,550,852	\$(2,009,327)	\$ (12,193)	\$ 935,652
Net income				66,559				66,559
Dividends (\$0.30 per share)				(10,780)				(10,780)
Issuance of stock related to stock-based compensation plans	13,361		(926)					(926)
Stock-based compensation			1,274					1,274
Other comprehensive income							1,782	1,782
Balance July 1, 2023	68,497,324	\$ 685	\$253,486	\$2,759,128	32,550,852	\$(2,009,327)	\$ (10,411)	\$ 993,561
Net income				61,653				61,653
Dividends (\$0.33 per share)				(11,862)				(11,862)
Issuance of stock related to stock-based compensation plans					128	(24)		(24)
Stock-based compensation			1,144					1,144
Other comprehensive loss							(1,318)	(1,318)
Balance September 30, 2023	68,497,324	\$ 685	\$254,630	\$2,808,919	32,550,980	\$(2,009,351)	\$ (11,729)	\$1,043,154

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

LANDSTAR SYSTEM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Landstar System, Inc. and its subsidiary, Landstar System Holdings, Inc., and reflect all adjustments (all of a normal, recurring nature) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of the results for the periods presented. The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires the use of management's estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Landstar System, Inc. and its subsidiary are herein referred to as "Landstar" or the "Company." Significant intercompany accounts have been eliminated in consolidation.

(1) Significant Accounting Policies

Revenue from Contracts with Customers – Disaggregation of Revenue

The following table summarizes (i) the percentage of consolidated revenue generated by mode of transportation and (ii) the total amount of truck transportation revenue hauled by BCO Independent Contractors and Truck Brokerage Carriers generated by equipment type during the thirty-nine-week and thirteen-week periods ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 (dollars in thousands):

Mode	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
Truck – BCO Independent Contractors	38%	38%	38%	39%
Truck – Truck Brokerage Carriers	52%	54%	52%	52%
Rail intermodal	2%	2%	2%	2%
Ocean and air cargo carriers	6%	5%	6%	5%
<u>Truck Equipment Type</u>				
Van equipment	\$ 1,851,237	\$ 2,123,693	\$ 603,993	\$ 665,569
Unsided/platform equipment	\$ 1,093,753	\$ 1,150,483	\$ 369,758	\$ 378,147
Less-than-truckload	\$ 77,902	\$ 90,770	\$ 24,195	\$ 28,097
Other truck transportation (1)	\$ 242,853	\$ 379,471	\$ 93,178	\$ 101,951

- (1) Includes power-only, expedited, straight truck, cargo van, and miscellaneous other truck transportation revenue generated by the transportation logistics segment. Power-only refers to shipments where the Company furnishes a power unit and an operator but not trailing equipment, which is typically provided by the shipper or consignee.

(2) Share-based Payment Arrangements

As of September 28, 2024, the Company has an employee equity incentive plan, the 2011 equity incentive plan (the “2011 EIP”). The Company also has a stock compensation plan for members of its Board of Directors, the 2022 Directors Stock Compensation Plan (the “2022 DSCP”). 6,000,000 shares of the Company’s common stock were authorized for issuance under the 2011 EIP and 200,000 shares of the Company’s common stock were authorized for issuance under the 2022 DSCP. The 2011 EIP and 2022 DSCP are each referred to herein as a “Plan,” and, collectively, as the “Plans.” Amounts recognized in the financial statements with respect to these Plans are as follows (in thousands):

	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
Total cost of the Plans during the period	\$ 3,573	\$ 4,270	\$ (43)	\$ 1,144
Amount of related income tax benefit recognized during the period	(1,997)	(3,878)	(313)	(286)
Net cost of the Plans during the period	\$ 1,576	\$ 392	\$ (356)	\$ 858

Included in income tax benefits recognized in the thirty-nine-week periods ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 were excess tax benefits from stock-based awards of \$1,122,000 and \$2,830,000, respectively.

As of September 28, 2024, there were 181,450 shares of the Company’s common stock reserved for issuance under the 2022 DSCP and 2,800,060 shares of the Company’s common stock reserved for issuance under the 2011 EIP.

Restricted Stock Units

The following table summarizes information regarding the Company’s outstanding restricted stock unit (“RSU”) awards with either a performance condition or a market condition under the Plans:

	Number of RSUs	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Outstanding at December 30, 2023	132,722	\$ 138.93
Granted	102,762	\$ 138.85
Shares earned in excess of target ⁽¹⁾	1,791	\$ 51.42
Vested shares	(45,057)	\$ 115.69
Forfeited	(29,801)	\$ 140.20
Outstanding at September 28, 2024	162,417	\$ 144.13

⁽¹⁾ Represents additional shares earned under the April 24, 2018 and July 1, 2019 RSU awards as total shareholder return during the applicable performance period exceeded target performance level under each of those awards.

During the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024, the Company granted RSUs with a performance condition and RSUs with a market condition, as further described below. Outstanding RSUs at both December 30, 2023 and September 28, 2024 include RSUs with a performance condition and RSUs with a market condition, as further described below and in the Company’s 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

RSUs with a performance condition granted on February 2, 2024 may vest on January 31 of 2027, 2028 and 2029 based on growth in operating income and pre-tax income per diluted share from continuing operations as compared to the results from the 2023 fiscal year.

On February 2, 2024, the Company granted 58,268 RSUs that vest based on a market condition. These RSUs may vest based on the achievement of the target Company’s total shareholder return (“TSR”) compound annual growth rate, adjusted to reflect dividends (if any) paid during such periods and capital adjustments as may be necessary, and are eligible to vest annually starting after the sixth anniversary of the grant date and concluding after the tenth anniversary of the grant date. The fair value of this RSU award was determined at the time of grant based on the expected achievement of the market condition. With respect to these RSU awards, the Company reports compensation expense ratably over the service period of the award based on the number of units granted multiplied by the grant date fair value of the RSU. Previously recognized compensation cost would be reversed only if the employee did not complete the requisite service period due to termination of employment.

The Company recognized approximately \$408,000 and \$1,503,000 of share-based compensation expense related to RSU awards in the thirty-nine-week periods ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively. As of September 28, 2024, there was a maximum of \$40.7 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to RSU awards granted under the Plans with an expected average remaining life of approximately 3.6 years. With respect to RSU awards with a performance condition, the amount of future compensation expense to be recognized will be determined based on future operating results.

Non-vested Restricted Stock and Deferred Stock Units

The following table summarizes information regarding the Company's outstanding shares of non-vested restricted stock and Deferred Stock Units (defined below) under the Plans:

	<u>Number of Shares and Deferred Stock Units</u>	<u>Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value</u>
Non-vested at December 30, 2023	46,348	\$ 158.38
Granted	31,525	\$ 187.08
Vested	(25,647)	\$ 151.16
Forfeited	(4,707)	\$ 169.92
Non-vested at September 28, 2024	<u>47,519</u>	<u>\$ 180.17</u>

The fair value of each share of non-vested restricted stock issued and Deferred Stock Unit granted under the Plans is based on the fair value of a share of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. Shares of non-vested restricted stock are generally subject to vesting in three equal annual installments either on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of the grant or the third, fourth and fifth anniversary of the date of the grant, in two equal annual installments on the first and second anniversary of the date of the grant or 100% on the first, third or fifth anniversary of the date of the grant. For restricted stock awards granted under the 2022 DSCP, each recipient may elect to defer receipt of shares and instead receive restricted stock units ("Deferred Stock Units"), which represent contingent rights to receive shares of the Company's common stock on the date of the recipient's separation from service from the Board of Directors, or, if earlier, upon a change in control event of the Company. Deferred Stock Units become vested 100% on the first anniversary of the date of the grant. Deferred Stock Units do not represent actual ownership in shares of the Company's common stock and the recipient does not have voting rights or other incidents of ownership until the shares are issued. However, Deferred Stock Units do contain the right to receive dividend equivalent payments prior to settlement into shares.

As of September 28, 2024, there was \$5,754,000 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested shares of restricted stock and Deferred Stock Units granted under the Plans. The unrecognized compensation cost related to these non-vested shares of restricted stock and Deferred Stock Units is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.8 years.

Stock Options

The Company had no issued and outstanding vested or unvested stock options or unrecognized compensation costs related to non-vested stock options granted under the Plans as of December 30, 2023 or September 28, 2024. The total intrinsic value of stock options exercised during the thirty-nine-week period ended September 30, 2023 was \$218,000.

(3) Income Taxes

The provisions for income taxes for the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods were based on estimated annual effective income tax rates of 24.3% and 24.4%, respectively, adjusted for discrete events, such as benefits resulting from stock-based awards. The effective income tax rate for the 2024 thirty-nine-week period was 23.4%. The effective income tax rate was higher than the statutory federal income tax rate of 21% in the 2024 period primarily attributable to state taxes, partially offset by federal tax credits. The effective income tax rate for the 2023 thirty-nine-week period was 24.0%. The effective income tax rate was higher than the statutory federal income tax rate of 21% in the 2023 period primarily attributable to state taxes.

(4) Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per common share are based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding, which includes outstanding non-vested restricted stock and outstanding Deferred Stock Units. Diluted earnings per share are based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus the incremental shares that would have been outstanding upon the assumed exercise of all dilutive stock options. For each of the thirty-nine-week and thirteen-week periods ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding is the same for purposes of the calculations of both basic and diluted earnings per share. During and as of the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024, there were no outstanding stock options issued by the Company. For the thirty-nine-week period ended September 30, 2023, the impact on earnings per share of future compensation expense related to outstanding, unvested time-based awards was greater than the incremental impact of outstanding dilutive stock options, and would therefore have an anti-dilutive effect on earnings per share if included in the calculation of earnings per share. Accordingly, the Company had no reconciling items between the average number of common shares outstanding used to calculate basic earnings per common share and the average number of common shares and common share equivalents outstanding used to calculate diluted earnings per share during each of the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week and thirteen-week periods.

Outstanding RSUs were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share for all periods because the performance metric requirements or market condition for vesting had not been satisfied.

(5) Additional Cash Flow Information

During the 2024 thirty-nine-week period, Landstar paid income taxes and interest of \$45,638,000 and \$2,641,000, respectively. During the 2023 thirty-nine-week period, Landstar paid income taxes and interest of \$68,136,000 and \$2,814,000, respectively. Landstar acquired operating property by entering into finance leases in the amount of \$24,238,000 in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period. Landstar acquired \$6,690,000 of operating property for which the Company accrued a corresponding liability in accounts payable of \$1,201,000 and in other noncurrent liabilities of \$5,489,000 as of September 28, 2024. Landstar did not acquire any operating property by entering into finance leases in the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. During the 2024 thirty-nine-week period, the Company purchased its common stock at a total cost of \$79,388,000, including \$78,697,000 in cash purchases and accrued excise tax of \$691,000, which is included in other current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet at September 28, 2024.

(6) Segment Information

The following table summarizes information about the Company's reportable business segments as of and for the thirty-nine-week and thirteen-week periods ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 (in thousands):

	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended					
	September 28, 2024			September 30, 2023		
	Transportation Logistics	Insurance	Total	Transportation Logistics	Insurance	Total
External revenue	\$ 3,561,941	\$ 47,974	\$3,609,915	\$ 4,043,824	\$ 55,053	\$4,098,877
Internal revenue		65,411	65,411		64,138	64,138
Investment income		10,988	10,988		6,874	6,874
Operating income	141,070	50,066	191,136	222,827	46,755	269,582
Expenditures on long-lived assets	24,256		24,256	15,394		15,394
Goodwill	41,122		41,122	41,934		41,934

	Thirteen Weeks Ended					
	September 28, 2024			September 30, 2023		
	Transportation Logistics	Insurance	Total	Transportation Logistics	Insurance	Total
External revenue	\$ 1,198,334	\$ 15,533	\$1,213,867	\$ 1,271,385	\$ 17,960	\$1,289,345
Internal revenue		12,065	12,065		11,960	11,960
Investment income		3,922	3,922		3,022	3,022
Operating income	47,618	15,498	63,116	63,974	16,374	80,348
Expenditures on long-lived assets	7,478		7,478	2,763		2,763

In the thirty-nine-week periods ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, no single customer accounted for more than 10% of the Company's consolidated revenue.

(7) Other Comprehensive Income

The following table presents the components of and changes in accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income, net of related income taxes, as of and for the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024 (in thousands):

	Unrealized Holding (Losses) Gains on Available-for-Sale Securities	Foreign Currency Translation	Total
Balance as of December 30, 2023	\$ (5,010)	\$ (1,855)	\$(6,865)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	3,023	(4,713)	(1,690)
Balance as of September 28, 2024	<u>\$ (1,987)</u>	<u>\$ (6,568)</u>	<u>\$(8,555)</u>

Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income to investment income due to the realization of previously unrealized gains and losses in the accompanying consolidated statements of income were not significant for the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024.

(8) Investments

Investments include primarily investment-grade corporate bonds, asset-backed securities and commercial paper having maturities of up to five years (the “bond portfolio”) and money market investments. Investments in the bond portfolio are reported as available-for-sale and are carried at fair value. Investments maturing less than one year from the balance sheet date are included in short-term investments and investments maturing more than one year from the balance sheet date are included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets. Management performs an analysis of the nature of the unrealized losses on available-for-sale investments to determine whether an allowance for credit loss is necessary. Unrealized losses, representing the excess of the purchase price of an investment over its fair value as of the end of a period, considered to be a result of credit-related factors, are to be included as a charge in the statements of income, while unrealized losses considered to be a result of non-credit-related factors are to be included as a component of shareholders’ equity. Investments whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets are classified within Level 1. Investments that trade in markets that are not considered to be active, but are valued based on quoted market prices, are classified within Level 2. As Level 2 investments include positions that are not traded in active markets, valuations may be adjusted to reflect illiquidity and/or non-transferability, which are generally based on available market information. Any transfers between levels are recognized as of the beginning of any reporting period. Fair value of the bond portfolio was determined using Level 1 inputs related to money market investments and Level 2 inputs related to investment-grade corporate bonds, asset-backed securities, commercial paper and direct obligations of government agencies. Unrealized losses, net of unrealized gains, on the investments in the bond portfolio were \$2,531,000 and \$6,382,000 at September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively.

The amortized cost and fair values of available-for-sale investments are as follows at September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023 (in thousands):

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
September 28, 2024				
Money market investments	\$ 14,998	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14,998
Asset-backed securities	17,535	21	1,563	15,993
Corporate bonds, commercial paper and direct obligations of government agencies	118,857	998	1,987	117,868
Total	<u>\$151,390</u>	<u>\$ 1,019</u>	<u>\$ 3,550</u>	<u>\$148,859</u>
December 30, 2023				
Money market investments	\$ 16,832	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 16,832
Asset-backed securities	16,543	—	2,236	14,307
Corporate bonds, commercial paper and direct obligations of government agencies	118,481	279	4,384	114,376
U.S. Treasury obligations	6,287	2	43	6,246
Total	<u>\$158,143</u>	<u>\$ 281</u>	<u>\$ 6,663</u>	<u>\$151,761</u>

For those available-for-sale investments with unrealized losses at September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, the following table summarizes the duration of the unrealized loss (in thousands):

	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer			Total
	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss
September 28, 2024						
Asset-backed securities	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 13,107	\$ 1,563	\$ 13,107	\$ 1,563
Corporate bonds, commercial paper, and direct obligations of government agencies	—	—	65,324	1,987	65,324	1,987
Total	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 78,431</u>	<u>\$ 3,550</u>	<u>\$ 78,431</u>	<u>\$ 3,550</u>
December 30, 2023						
Asset-backed securities	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14,307	\$ 2,236	\$ 14,307	\$ 2,236
Corporate bonds, commercial paper, and direct obligations of government agencies	3,506	42	86,841	4,342	90,347	4,384
U.S. Treasury obligations	—	—	2,305	43	2,305	43
Total	<u>\$3,506</u>	<u>\$ 42</u>	<u>\$103,453</u>	<u>\$ 6,621</u>	<u>\$106,959</u>	<u>\$ 6,663</u>

The Company believes unrealized losses on investments were primarily caused by rising interest rates rather than changes in credit quality. The Company expects to recover, through collection of all of the contractual cash flows of each security, the amortized cost basis of these securities as it does not intend to sell, and does not anticipate being required to sell, these securities before recovery of the cost basis. For these reasons, no losses have been recognized in the Company's consolidated statements of income.

(9) Leases

Landstar's noncancelable leases are primarily comprised of finance leases for the acquisition of new trailing equipment. Each finance lease for the acquisition of trailing equipment is a five year lease with a \$1 purchase option for the applicable equipment at lease expiration. Substantially all of Landstar's operating lease right-of-use assets and operating lease liabilities represent leases for facilities maintained in support of the Company's network of BCO Independent Contractors and office space used to conduct Landstar's business.

These leases do not have significant rent escalation holidays, concessions, leasehold improvement incentives or other build-out clauses. Further, the leases do not contain contingent rent provisions. Landstar also rents certain trailing equipment to supplement the Company-owned trailer fleet under “month-to-month” lease terms, which are not required to be recorded on the balance sheet due to the less than twelve month lease term exemption. Sublease income is primarily comprised of weekly trailing equipment rentals to BCO Independent Contractors.

Most of Landstar’s operating leases include one or more options to renew. The exercise of lease renewal options is typically at Landstar’s sole discretion, and, as such, the majority of renewals to extend the lease terms are not included in the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities as they are not reasonably certain of exercise. Landstar regularly evaluates the renewal options, and when they are reasonably certain of exercise, Landstar includes the renewal period in the lease term.

As most of Landstar’s operating leases do not provide an implicit rate, Landstar utilized its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the lease commencement date in determining the present value of the lease payments. Landstar has a centrally managed treasury function; therefore, based on the applicable lease terms and the current economic environment, the Company applies a portfolio approach for determining the incremental borrowing rate.

The components of lease cost for finance leases and operating leases for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 28, 2024 were (in thousands):

Finance leases:	
Amortization of right-of-use assets	\$12,901
Interest on lease liability	<u>1,863</u>
Total finance lease cost	14,764
Operating leases:	
Lease cost	2,883
Variable lease cost	—
Sublease income	<u>(4,273)</u>
Total net operating lease income	<u>(1,390)</u>
Total net lease cost	<u>\$13,374</u>

A summary of the lease classification on the Company's consolidated balance sheet as of September 28, 2024 is as follows (in thousands):
Assets:

Operating lease right-of-use assets	Other assets	\$ 1,074
Finance lease assets	Operating property, less accumulated depreciation and amortization	108,185
Total lease assets		\$ 109,259

Liabilities:

The following table reconciles the undiscounted cash flows for the finance and operating leases to the finance and operating lease liabilities recorded on the balance sheet at September 28, 2024 (in thousands):

	Finance Leases	Operating Leases
2024 Remainder	\$ 8,069	\$ 191
2025	28,968	533
2026	21,074	213
2027	10,686	175
2028	6,584	49
Thereafter	2,963	—
Total future minimum lease payments	78,344	1,161
Less amount representing interest (1.6% to 6.5%)	5,838	87
Present value of minimum lease payments	\$72,506	\$ 1,074
Current maturities of long-term debt	27,672	
Long-term debt, excluding current maturities	44,834	
Other current liabilities		618
Deferred income taxes and other noncurrent liabilities		456

The weighted average remaining lease term and the weighted average discount rate for finance and operating leases as of September 28, 2024 were:

	Finance Leases	Operating Leases
Weighted average remaining lease term (years)	3.2	2.4
Weighted average discount rate	4.2%	6.5%

(10) Debt

Other than the finance lease obligations as presented on the consolidated balance sheets, the Company had no outstanding debt as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023.

On July 1, 2022, Landstar entered into a second amended and restated credit agreement with a bank syndicate led by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (as further amended as of June 21, 2024, the "Credit Agreement"). The Credit Agreement, which matures July 1, 2027, provides for borrowing capacity in the form of a revolving credit facility of \$300,000,000, \$45,000,000 of which may be utilized in the form of letters of credit. The Credit Agreement also includes an "accordion" feature providing for a possible increase of up to an aggregate amount of borrowing capacity of \$600,000,000. As of September 28, 2024, the Company had no borrowings outstanding under the Credit Agreement.

The revolving credit loans under the Credit Agreement, at the option of Landstar, bear interest at (i) a forward-looking term rate based on the secured overnight financing rate plus 0.10% and an applicable margin ranging from 1.25% to 2.00%, or (ii) an alternate base rate plus an applicable margin ranging from 0.25% to 1.00%, in each case with the applicable margin determined based upon the Company's Leverage Ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement, at the end of the most recent applicable fiscal quarter for which financial statements have been delivered. The revolving credit facility bears a commitment fee, payable quarterly in arrears, of 0.20% to 0.30%, based on the Company's Leverage Ratio at the end of the most recent applicable fiscal quarter for which financial statements have been delivered.

The Credit Agreement contains a number of covenants that limit, among other things, the incurrence of additional indebtedness. The Company is required to, among other things, maintain a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, as described in the Credit Agreement, and maintain a Leverage Ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement, below a specified maximum. The Credit Agreement provides for a restriction on cash dividends and other distributions to stockholders on the Company's capital stock to the extent there is a default under the Credit Agreement. In addition, the Credit Agreement under certain circumstances limits the amount of such cash dividends and other distributions to stockholders to the extent that, after giving effect to any payment made to effect such cash dividend or other distribution, the Leverage Ratio would exceed 2.5 to 1 on a pro forma basis as of the end of the Company's most recently completed fiscal quarter. The Credit Agreement provides for an event of default in the event that, among other things, a person or group acquires 35% or more of the outstanding capital stock of the Company or obtains power to elect a majority of the Company's directors or the directors cease to consist of a majority of Continuing Directors, as defined in the Credit Agreement. None of these covenants are presently considered by management to be materially restrictive to the Company's operations, capital resources or liquidity. The Company is currently in compliance with all of the debt covenants under the Credit Agreement.

The interest rates on borrowings under the revolving credit facility are typically tied to short-term interest rates and, as such, carrying value approximates fair value. Interest rates on borrowings under finance leases approximate the interest rates that would currently be available to the Company under similar terms and, as such, carrying value approximates fair value.

(11) Commitments and Contingencies

Short-term investments include \$62,451,000 in current maturities of investments held by the Company's insurance segment at September 28, 2024. The non-current portion of the bond portfolio of \$86,408,000 is included in other assets. The short-term investments, together with \$18,790,000 of non-current investments, provide collateral for the \$73,117,000 of letters of credit issued to guarantee payment of insurance claims. As of September 28, 2024, Landstar also had \$35,250,000 of additional letters of credit outstanding under the Company's Credit Agreement.

The Company is involved in certain claims and pending litigation arising from the normal conduct of business. Many of these claims are covered in whole or in part by insurance. Based on knowledge of the facts and, in certain cases, opinions of outside counsel, management believes that adequate provisions have been made for probable losses with respect to the resolution of all such claims and pending litigation and that the ultimate outcome, after provisions therefor, will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company, but could have a material effect on the results of operations in a given quarter or year.

(12) Change in Accounting Estimate for Self-Insured Claims

Landstar provides for the estimated costs of self-insured claims primarily on an actuarial basis. The amount recorded for the estimated liability for claims incurred is based upon the facts and circumstances known on the applicable balance sheet date. The ultimate resolution of these claims may be for an amount greater or less than the amount estimated by management. The Company continually revises its existing claim estimates as new or revised information becomes available on the status of each claim. Historically, the Company has experienced both favorable and unfavorable development of prior years' claims estimates within its various programs.

The following table summarizes the adverse effect of the increase in the cost of insurance claims resulting from unfavorable development of prior year self-insured claims estimates on operating income, net income and basic and diluted earnings per share set forth in the consolidated statements of income for the thirty-nine-week and thirteen-week periods ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
Operating income	\$ 6,666	\$ 5,154	\$ 4,550	\$ 2,323
Net income	\$ 5,046	\$ 3,896	\$ 3,444	\$ 1,756
Basic and diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.05

(13) Recent Accounting Pronouncements*Accounting Standards Issued But Not Yet Adopted*

In November 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-07, *Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures* (“ASU 2023-07”), which expands disclosures about a public entity’s reportable segments and requires more enhanced information about a reportable segment’s expenses, interim segment profit or loss, and how a public entity’s chief operating decision maker uses reported segment profit or loss information in assessing segment performance and allocating resources. ASU 2023-07 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2023. The Company expects ASU 2023-07 to impact only its disclosures with no impacts to its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09, *Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures* (“ASU 2023-09”), which expands disclosures in an entity’s income tax rate reconciliation table and regarding cash taxes paid both in the U.S. and foreign jurisdictions. ASU 2023-09 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024. ASU 2023-09 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.



Item 2. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the interim consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included herein, and with the Company’s audited financial statements and notes thereto for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2023 and Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in the 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The following is a “safe harbor” statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements contained in this document that are not based on historical facts are “forward-looking statements.” This Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and other sections of this Form 10-Q contain forward-looking statements, such as statements which relate to Landstar’s business objectives, plans, strategies and expectations. Terms such as “anticipates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “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; the impact of the Russian conflict with Ukraine on the operations of certain independent commission sales agents, including the Company’s largest such agent by revenue in the 2023 fiscal year; decreased demand for transportation services; U.S. trade relationships; substantial industry competition; disruptions or failures in the Company’s computer systems; cyber and other information security incidents; dependence on key vendors; potential changes in taxes; status of independent contractors; regulatory and legislative changes; regulations focused on diesel emissions and other air quality matters; regulations requiring the purchase and use of zero-emission vehicles; intellectual property; and other operational, financial or legal risks or uncertainties detailed in Landstar’s Form 10-K for the 2023 fiscal year, described in Item 1A “Risk Factors,” in this report or in Landstar’s other Securities and Exchange Commission 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 forward-looking statements and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements.

Introduction

Landstar System, Inc. and its subsidiary, Landstar System Holdings, Inc. (collectively referred to herein with their subsidiaries and other affiliated companies as “Landstar” or the “Company”), is a technology-enabled, 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 Company offers services to its customers across multiple transportation modes, with the ability to arrange for individual shipments of freight to comprehensive third party logistics solutions to meet all of a customer’s transportation needs. Landstar provides services principally throughout the United States and to a lesser extent in Canada and Mexico, and between the United States and Canada, Mexico and other countries around the world. The Company’s services emphasize safety, information coordination and customer service and are delivered through a network of approximately 1,100 independent commission sales agents and over 78,000 third party capacity providers, primarily truck capacity providers, linked together by a series of digital technologies which are provided and coordinated by the Company. The nature of the Company’s business is such that a significant portion of its operating costs varies directly with revenue.

Landstar markets its integrated transportation management solutions primarily through independent commission sales agents and exclusively utilizes third party capacity providers to transport customers' freight. Landstar's independent commission sales agents enter into contractual arrangements with the Company and are responsible for locating freight, making that freight available to Landstar's capacity providers and coordinating the transportation of the freight with customers and capacity providers. The Company's third party capacity providers consist of independent contractors who provide truck capacity to the Company under exclusive lease arrangements (the "BCO Independent Contractors"), unrelated trucking companies who provide truck capacity to the Company under non-exclusive contractual arrangements (the "Truck Brokerage Carriers"), air cargo carriers, ocean cargo carriers and railroads. Through this network of agents and capacity providers linked together by Landstar's ecosystem of digital technologies, Landstar operates an integrated transportation management solutions business primarily throughout North America with revenue of \$5.3 billion during the most recently completed fiscal year. The Company reports the results of two operating segments: the transportation logistics segment and the insurance segment.

The transportation logistics segment provides a wide range of integrated transportation management solutions. Transportation services are provided by Landstar's "Operating Subsidiaries": Landstar Ranger, Inc., Landstar Inway, Inc., Landstar Ligon, Inc., Landstar Gemini, Inc., Landstar Transportation Logistics, Inc., Landstar Global Logistics, Inc., Landstar Express America, Inc., Landstar Canada, Inc., Landstar Metro, S.A.P.I. de C.V., and Landstar Blue, LLC. Transportation services offered by the Company include truckload, less-than-truckload and other truck transportation, rail intermodal, air cargo, ocean cargo, expedited ground and air delivery of time-critical freight, heavy-haul/specialized, U.S.-Canada and U.S.-Mexico cross-border, intra-Mexico, intra-Canada, project cargo and customs brokerage. Examples of the industries serviced by the transportation logistics segment include automotive parts and assemblies, consumer durables, building products, metals, chemicals, foodstuffs, heavy machinery, retail, electronics and military equipment. In addition, the transportation logistics segment provides transportation services to other transportation companies, including third party logistics and less-than-truckload service providers. The independent commission sales agents market services provided by the transportation logistics segment. Billings for freight transportation services are typically charged to customers on a per shipment basis for the physical transportation of freight and are referred to as transportation revenue. During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 28, 2024, revenue generated by BCO Independent Contractors, Truck Brokerage Carriers and railroads represented approximately 38%, 52% and 2%, respectively, of the Company's consolidated revenue. Collectively, revenue generated by air and ocean cargo carriers represented approximately 6% of the Company's consolidated revenue in the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024.

The insurance segment is comprised of Signature Insurance Company ("Signature"), a wholly owned offshore insurance subsidiary, and Risk Management Claim Services, Inc. The insurance segment provides risk and claims management services to certain of Landstar's operating subsidiaries. In addition, it reinsures certain risks of the Company's BCO Independent Contractors and provides certain property and casualty insurance directly to certain of Landstar's operating subsidiaries. Revenue at the insurance segment represents reinsurance premiums from third party insurance companies that provide insurance programs to BCO Independent Contractors where all or a portion of the risk is ultimately borne by Signature. Revenue at the insurance segment represented approximately 1% of the Company's consolidated revenue for the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024.

Changes in Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Management believes the Company's success principally depends on its ability to generate freight revenue through its network of independent commission sales agents and to deliver freight safely and efficiently utilizing third party capacity providers. Management believes the most significant factors to the Company's success include increasing revenue, sourcing capacity, empowering its network through technology-based tools and controlling costs, including insurance and claims.

Revenue

While customer demand, which is subject to overall economic conditions, ultimately drives increases or decreases in revenue, the Company primarily relies on its independent commission sales agents to establish customer relationships and generate revenue opportunities. Management's emphasis with respect to revenue growth is on revenue generated by independent commission sales agents who on an annual basis generate \$1 million or more of Landstar revenue ("Million Dollar Agents"). Management believes future revenue growth is primarily dependent on its ability to increase both the revenue generated by Million Dollar Agents and the number of Million Dollar Agents through a combination of recruiting new agents, increasing the revenue opportunities generated by existing independent commission sales agents and providing its independent commission sales agents with digital technologies they may use to grow revenue and increase efficiencies at their businesses. During the 2023 fiscal year, 524 independent commission sales agents generated \$1 million or more of Landstar revenue and thus qualified as Million Dollar Agents. During the 2023 fiscal year, the average revenue generated by a Million Dollar Agent was \$9,645,000 and revenue generated by Million Dollar Agents in the aggregate represented 95% of consolidated revenue.

Management monitors business activity by tracking the number of loads (volume) and revenue per load by mode of transportation. Revenue per load can be influenced by many factors other than a change in price. Those factors include the average length of haul, freight type, special handling and equipment requirements, fuel costs and delivery time requirements. For shipments involving two or more modes of transportation, revenue is generally classified by the mode of transportation having the highest cost for the load. The following table summarizes this information by trailer type for truck transportation and by mode for all others:

	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
Revenue generated through (in thousands):				
Truck transportation				
Truckload:				
Van equipment	\$ 1,851,237	\$ 2,123,693	\$ 603,993	\$ 665,569
Unsided/platform equipment	1,093,753	1,150,483	369,758	378,147
Less-than-truckload	77,902	90,770	24,195	28,097
Other truck transportation (1)	242,853	379,471	93,178	101,951
Total truck transportation	3,265,745	3,744,417	1,091,124	1,173,764
Rail intermodal	65,981	73,953	20,979	23,064
Ocean and air cargo carriers	201,729	202,358	76,349	65,824
Other (2)	76,460	78,149	25,415	26,693
	<u>\$ 3,609,915</u>	<u>\$ 4,098,877</u>	<u>\$ 1,213,867</u>	<u>\$ 1,289,345</u>
Revenue on loads hauled via BCO Independent Contractors included in total truck transportation	\$ 1,374,915	\$ 1,543,634	\$ 456,844	\$ 508,753
Number of loads:				
Truck transportation				
Truckload:				
Van equipment	887,895	966,867	287,922	311,831
Unsided/platform equipment	362,627	389,471	118,220	126,286
Less-than-truckload	119,346	134,580	36,496	41,514
Other truck transportation (1)	114,552	157,112	43,112	46,739
Total truck transportation	1,484,420	1,648,030	485,750	526,370
Rail intermodal	21,420	22,150	7,040	6,760
Ocean and air cargo carriers	26,120	25,380	8,880	8,630
	<u>1,531,960</u>	<u>1,695,560</u>	<u>501,670</u>	<u>541,760</u>
Loads hauled via BCO Independent Contractors included in total truck transportation	620,640	689,260	198,340	225,350
Revenue per load:				
Truck transportation				
Truckload:				
Van equipment	\$ 2,085	\$ 2,196	\$ 2,098	\$ 2,134
Unsided/platform equipment	3,016	2,954	3,128	2,994
Less-than-truckload	653	674	663	677
Other truck transportation (1)	2,120	2,415	2,161	2,181
Total truck transportation	2,200	2,272	2,246	2,230
Rail intermodal	3,080	3,339	2,980	3,412
Ocean and air cargo carriers	7,723	7,973	8,598	7,627
Revenue per load on loads hauled via BCO Independent Contractors	\$ 2,215	\$ 2,240	\$ 2,303	\$ 2,258
Revenue by capacity type (as a % of total revenue):				
Truck capacity providers:				
BCO Independent Contractors	38%	38%	38%	39%
Truck Brokerage Carriers	52%	54%	52%	52%
Rail intermodal	2%	2%	2%	2%
Ocean and air cargo carriers	6%	5%	6%	5%
Other	2%	2%	2%	2%

- (1) Includes power-only, expedited, straight truck, cargo van, and miscellaneous other truck transportation revenue generated by the transportation logistics segment. Power-only refers to shipments where the Company furnishes a power unit and an operator but not trailing equipment, which is typically provided by the shipper or consignee.
- (2) Includes primarily reinsurance premium revenue generated by the insurance segment and intra-Mexico transportation services revenue generated by Landstar Metro.

Expenses

Purchased transportation

Also critical to the Company's success is its ability to secure capacity, particularly truck capacity, at rates that allow the Company to profitably transport customers' freight. The following table summarizes the number of available truck capacity providers on the dates indicated:

	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
BCO Independent Contractors	8,266	9,455
Truck Brokerage Carriers:		
Approved and active ⁽¹⁾	44,828	51,717
Other approved	25,714	27,925
	<u>70,542</u>	<u>79,642</u>
Total available truck capacity providers	<u>78,808</u>	<u>89,097</u>
Trucks provided by BCO Independent Contractors	9,027	10,253

⁽¹⁾ Active refers to Truck Brokerage Carriers who moved at least one load in the 180 days immediately preceding the fiscal quarter end.

Purchased transportation represents the amount a BCO Independent Contractor or other third party capacity provider is paid to haul freight. The amount of purchased transportation paid to a BCO Independent Contractor is primarily based on a contractually agreed-upon percentage of revenue generated by loads hauled by the BCO Independent Contractor. Purchased transportation paid to a Truck Brokerage Carrier is based on either a negotiated rate for each load hauled or, to a lesser extent, a contractually agreed-upon fixed rate per load. Purchased transportation paid to railroads and ocean cargo carriers is based on either a negotiated rate for each load hauled or a contractually agreed-upon fixed rate per load. Purchased transportation paid to air cargo carriers is generally based on a negotiated rate for each load hauled. Purchased transportation as a percentage of revenue for truck brokerage, rail intermodal and ocean cargo services is normally higher than that of BCO Independent Contractor and air cargo services. Purchased transportation is the largest component of costs and expenses and, on a consolidated basis, increases or decreases as a percentage of consolidated revenue in proportion to changes in the percentage of consolidated revenue generated through BCO Independent Contractors and other third party capacity providers and external revenue from the insurance segment, consisting of reinsurance premiums. Purchased transportation as a percent of revenue also increases or decreases in relation to the availability of truck brokerage capacity and with changes in the price of fuel on revenue generated from shipments hauled by Truck Brokerage Carriers. The Company passes 100% of fuel surcharges billed to customers for freight hauled by BCO Independent Contractors to its BCO Independent Contractors. These fuel surcharges are excluded from revenue and the cost of purchased transportation. Purchased transportation costs are recognized over the freight transit period as the performance obligation to the customer is completed.

Commissions to agents

Commissions to agents are based on contractually agreed-upon percentages of (i) revenue, (ii) revenue less the cost of purchased transportation, or (iii) revenue less a contractually agreed upon percentage of revenue retained by Landstar and the cost of purchased transportation (the "retention contracts"). Commissions to agents as a percentage of consolidated revenue vary directly with fluctuations in the percentage of consolidated revenue generated by the various modes of transportation and reinsurance premiums and, in general, vary inversely with changes in the amount of purchased transportation as a percentage of revenue on services provided by Truck Brokerage Carriers, railroads, air cargo carriers and ocean cargo carriers. Commissions to agents are recognized over the freight transit period as the performance obligation to the customer is completed.

Other operating costs, net of gains on asset sales/dispositions

Maintenance costs for Company-provided trailing equipment, the provision for uncollectible advances and other receivables due from BCO Independent Contractors and independent commission sales agents and recruiting and qualification costs for BCO Independent Contractors are the largest components of other operating costs. Also included in other operating costs are trailer rental costs and gains/losses, if any, on sales of Company-owned trailing equipment.

Insurance and claims

With respect to insurance and claims cost, potential liability associated with accidents in the trucking industry is severe and occurrences are unpredictable.

Landstar retains liability through a self-insured retention for commercial trucking claims up to \$5 million per occurrence. Effective May 1, 2023, the Company entered into a three year commercial auto liability insurance arrangement for losses incurred between \$5 million and \$10 million (the "2023 Initial Excess Policy") with a third party insurance company. For commercial trucking claims incurred on or after May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2026, the 2023 Initial Excess Policy provides for an aggregate deductible of \$18 million over the thirty-six-month term ending April 30, 2026. After payment of the deductible, the 2023 Initial Excess Policy provides for a limit for a single loss of \$5 million, with an aggregate limit of \$15 million for the thirty-six-month term ending April 30, 2026.

The Company also maintains third party insurance arrangements providing excess coverage for commercial trucking liabilities in excess of \$10 million. These third party arrangements provide coverage on a per occurrence or aggregated basis. Over the past decade, there has been a significant increase in the occurrence of trials in courts throughout the United States involving catastrophic injury and fatality claims against commercial motor carriers that have resulted in verdicts in excess of \$10 million. Within the transportation logistics industry, these verdicts are often referred to as "Nuclear Verdicts." The increase in Nuclear Verdicts has had a significant impact on the cost of commercial auto liability claims throughout the United States. Due to the increasing cost of commercial auto liability claims, the availability of excess coverage has significantly decreased, and the pricing associated with such excess coverage, to the extent available, has significantly increased. Since the annual policy year ended April 30, 2020, as compared to the annual policy year ending April 30, 2025, the Company experienced an increase of approximately \$22 million, or over 400%, in the premiums charged by third party insurance companies to the Company for excess coverage for commercial trucking liabilities in excess of \$10 million.

Moreover, the Company from year to year manages the level of its financial exposure to commercial trucking claims in excess of \$10 million, including through the use of additional self-insurance, deductibles, aggregate loss limits, quota shares and other arrangements with third party insurance companies, based on the availability of coverage within certain excess insurance coverage layers and estimated cost differentials between proposed premiums from third party insurance companies and historical and actuarially projected losses experienced by the Company at various levels of excess insurance coverage. For example, with respect to a single hypothetical claim in the amount of \$65 million incurred during the annual policy year ending April 30, 2025, the Company would have an aggregate financial exposure of approximately \$30 million. Furthermore, the Company's third party insurance arrangements provide excess coverage up to an uppermost coverage layer, in excess of which the Company retains additional financial exposure. No assurances can be given that the availability of excess coverage for commercial trucking claims will not continue to deteriorate, that the pricing associated with such excess coverage, to the extent available, will not continue to increase, nor that insurance coverage from third party insurers for excess coverage of commercial trucking claims will even be available on commercially reasonable terms at certain levels. Moreover, the occurrence of a Nuclear Verdict, or the settlement of a catastrophic injury and/or fatality claim that could have otherwise resulted in a Nuclear Verdict, could have a material adverse effect on Landstar's cost of insurance and claims and its results of operations.

Further, the Company retains liability of up to \$2,000,000 for each general liability claim, \$250,000 for each workers' compensation claim and up to \$250,000 for each cargo claim. In addition, under reinsurance arrangements by Signature of certain risks of the Company's BCO Independent Contractors, the Company retains liability of up to \$500,000, \$1,000,000 or \$2,000,000 with respect to certain occupational accident claims and up to \$750,000 with respect to certain workers' compensation claims. The Company's exposure to liability associated with accidents incurred by Truck Brokerage Carriers, railroads and air and ocean cargo carriers who transport freight on behalf of the Company is reduced by various factors including the extent to which such carriers maintain their own insurance coverage. A material increase in the frequency or severity of accidents, cargo claims or workers' compensation claims or the material unfavorable development of existing claims could have a material adverse effect on Landstar's cost of insurance and claims and its results of operations.

Selling, general and administrative

During the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024, employee compensation and benefits accounted for approximately 64% of the Company's selling, general and administrative costs. Employee compensation and benefits include wages and employee benefit costs as well as incentive compensation and stock-based compensation expense. Incentive compensation and stock-based compensation expense is highly variable in nature in comparison to wages and employee benefit costs.

Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation and amortization primarily relate to depreciation of trailing equipment and information technology hardware and software.

Costs of revenue

The Company incurs costs of revenue related to the transportation of freight and, to a much lesser extent, to reinsurance premiums received by Signature. Costs of revenue include variable costs of revenue and other costs of revenue. Variable costs of revenue include purchased transportation and commissions to agents, as these costs are entirely variable on a shipment-by-shipment basis. Other costs of revenue include fixed costs of revenue and semi-variable costs of revenue, where such costs may vary over time based on certain economic factors or operational metrics such as the number of Company-controlled trailers, the number of BCO Independent Contractors, the frequency and severity of insurance claims, the number of miles traveled by BCO Independent Contractors, or the number and/or scale of information technology projects in process or in-service to support revenue generating activities, rather than on a shipment-by-shipment basis. Other costs of revenue associated with the transportation of freight include: (i) other operating costs, primarily consisting of trailer maintenance, the provision for uncollectible advances and other receivables due from BCO Independent Contractors and independent commission sales agents and BCO Independent Contractor recruiting and qualification costs, as reported in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income, (ii) transportation-related insurance premiums paid and claim costs incurred, included as a portion of insurance and claims in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income, (iii) costs incurred related to internally developed software including ASC 350-40 amortization, implementation costs, hosting costs and other support costs utilized to support the Company's independent commission sales agents, third party capacity providers, and customers, included as a portion of depreciation and amortization and of selling, general and administrative in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income; and (iv) depreciation on Company-owned trailing equipment, included as a portion of depreciation and amortization in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income. Other costs of revenue associated with reinsurance premiums received by Signature are comprised of broker commissions and other fees paid related to the administration of insurance programs to BCO Independent Contractors and are included in selling, general and administrative in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income. In addition to costs of revenue, the Company incurs various other costs relating to its business, including most selling, general and administrative costs and portions of costs attributable to insurance and claims and depreciation and amortization. Management continually monitors all components of the costs incurred by the Company and establishes annual cost budgets that, in general, are used to benchmark costs incurred on a monthly basis.

Gross Profit, Variable Contribution, Gross Profit Margin and Variable Contribution Margin

The following table sets forth calculations of gross profit, defined as revenue less costs of revenue, and gross profit margin, defined as gross profit divided by revenue, for the periods indicated. The Company refers to revenue less variable costs of revenue as "variable contribution" and variable contribution divided by revenue as "variable contribution margin." Variable contribution and variable contribution margin are each non-GAAP financial measures. The closest comparable GAAP financial measures to variable contribution and variable contribution margin are, respectively, gross profit and gross profit margin. The Company believes variable contribution and variable contribution margin are useful measures of the variable costs that we incur at a shipment-by-shipment level attributable to our transportation network of third-party capacity providers and independent commission sales agents in order to provide services to our customers. The Company believes variable contribution and variable contribution margin are important performance measurements and management considers variable contribution and variable contribution margin in evaluating the Company's financial performance and in its decision-making, such as budgeting for infrastructure, trailing equipment and selling, general and administrative costs.

The reconciliations of gross profit to variable contribution and gross profit margin to variable contribution margin are each presented below:

	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
Revenue	\$ 3,609,915	\$ 4,098,877	\$ 1,213,867	\$ 1,289,345
Costs of revenue:				
Purchased transportation	2,799,384	3,141,234	943,805	986,743
Commissions to agents	295,801	363,397	98,703	115,244
Variable costs of revenue	3,095,185	3,504,631	1,042,508	1,101,987
Trailing equipment depreciation	20,764	24,240	6,930	7,721
Information technology costs	18,115	19,791	6,129	6,298
Insurance-related costs (1)	85,122	88,484	30,463	30,102
Other operating costs	44,138	40,998	15,144	15,158
Other costs of revenue	168,139	173,513	58,666	59,279
Total costs of revenue	3,263,324	3,678,144	1,101,174	1,161,266
Gross profit	\$ 346,591	\$ 420,733	\$ 112,693	\$ 128,079
Gross profit margin	9.6%	10.3%	9.3%	9.9%
Plus: other costs of revenue	168,139	173,513	58,666	59,279
Variable contribution	\$ 514,730	\$ 594,246	\$ 171,359	\$ 187,358
Variable contribution margin	14.3%	14.5%	14.1%	14.5%

- (1) Insurance-related costs in the table above include (i) other costs of revenue related to the transportation of freight that are included as a portion of insurance and claims in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income and (ii) certain other costs of revenue related to reinsurance premiums received by Signature that are included as a portion of selling, general and administrative in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income. Insurance and claims costs included in other costs of revenue relating to the transportation of freight primarily consist of insurance premiums paid for commercial auto liability, general liability, cargo and other lines of coverage related to the transportation of freight and the related cost of claims incurred under those programs, and, to a lesser extent, the cost of claims incurred under insurance programs available to BCO Independent Contractors that are reinsured by Signature. Other insurance and claims costs included in costs of revenue that are included in selling, general and administrative in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income consist of brokerage commissions and other fees incurred by Signature relating to the administration of insurance programs available to BCO Independent Contractors that are reinsured by Signature.

In general, variable contribution margin on revenue generated by BCO Independent Contractors represents a fixed percentage due to the nature of the contracts that pay a fixed percentage of revenue to both the BCO Independent Contractors and independent commission sales agents. For revenue generated by Truck Brokerage Carriers, variable contribution margin may be either a fixed or variable percentage, depending on the contract with each individual independent commission sales agent. Variable contribution margin on revenue generated from shipments hauled by railroads, air cargo carriers, ocean cargo carriers and Truck Brokerage Carriers, other than those under retention contracts, is variable in nature, as the Company's contracts with independent commission sales agents provide commissions to agents at a contractually agreed upon percentage of the amount represented by revenue less purchased transportation for these types of shipments. Approximately 43% of the Company's consolidated revenue in the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024 was generated under transactions that pay a fixed percentage of revenue to the third party capacity provider and/or agents while 57% was generated under transactions that pay a variable percentage of revenue to the third party capacity provider and/or agents.

Operating income as a percentage of gross profit and operating income as a percentage of variable contribution

The following table presents operating income as a percentage of gross profit and operating income as a percentage of variable contribution. The Company's operating income as a percentage of variable contribution is a non-GAAP financial measure calculated as operating income divided by variable contribution. The Company believes that operating income as a percentage of variable contribution is useful and meaningful to investors for the following principal reasons: (i) the variable costs of revenue for a significant portion of the business are highly influenced by short-term market-based trends in the freight transportation industry, whereas other costs, including other costs of revenue, are much less impacted by short-term freight market trends; (ii) disclosure of this measure allows investors to better understand the underlying trends in the Company's results of operations; (iii) this measure is meaningful to investors' evaluations of the Company's management of costs attributable to operations other than the purely variable costs associated with purchased transportation and commissions to agents that the Company incurs to provide services to our customers; and (iv) management considers this financial information in its decision-making, such as budgeting for infrastructure, trailing equipment and selling, general and administrative costs.

	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
Gross profit	\$ 346,591	\$ 420,733	\$ 112,693	\$ 128,079
Operating income	\$ 191,136	\$ 269,582	\$ 63,116	\$ 80,348
Operating income as % of gross profit	55.1%	64.1%	56.0%	62.7%
Variable contribution	\$ 514,730	\$ 594,246	\$ 171,359	\$ 187,358
Operating income	\$ 191,136	\$ 269,582	\$ 63,116	\$ 80,348
Operating income as % of variable contribution	37.1%	45.4%	36.8%	42.9%

The decrease in operating income as a percentage of gross profit from the 2023 thirty-nine-week period to the 2024 thirty-nine-week period and from the 2023 thirteen-week period to the 2024 thirteen-week period resulted from the decrease of operating income at a more rapid percentage rate than the decrease in gross profit, primarily due to the impact of the Company's fixed cost infrastructure, principally certain components of selling, general and administrative costs, in comparison to a smaller gross profit base.

The decrease in operating income as a percentage of variable contribution from the 2023 thirty-nine-week period to the 2024 thirty-nine-week period and from the 2023 thirteen-week period to the 2024 thirteen-week period resulted from the decrease of operating income at a more rapid percentage rate than the decrease in variable contribution, primarily due to the impact of the Company's fixed cost infrastructure, principally certain components of selling, general and administrative costs, in comparison to a smaller variable contribution base.

Also, as previously mentioned, the Company reports two operating segments: the transportation logistics segment and the insurance segment. External revenue at the insurance segment, representing reinsurance premiums, has historically been relatively consistent on an annual basis at 2% or less of consolidated revenue and generally corresponds directly with the number of trucks provided by BCO Independent Contractors. The discussion of cost line items in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations considers the Company's costs on a consolidated basis rather than on a segment basis. Management believes this presentation format is the most appropriate to assist users of the financial statements in understanding the Company's business for the following reasons: (1) the insurance segment has no other operating costs; (2) discussion of insurance and claims at either segment without reference to the other may create confusion amongst investors and potential investors due to intercompany arrangements and specific deductible programs that affect comparability of financial results by segment between various fiscal periods but that have no effect on the Company from a consolidated reporting perspective; (3) selling, general and administrative costs of the insurance segment comprise less than 10% of consolidated selling, general and administrative costs and have historically been relatively consistent on a year-over-year basis; and (4) the insurance segment has no depreciation and amortization.

THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 COMPARED TO THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

Revenue for the 2024 thirty-nine-week period was \$3,609,915,000, a decrease of \$488,962,000, or 12%, compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. Transportation revenue decreased \$481,883,000, or 12%. The decrease in transportation revenue was attributable to a decreased number of loads hauled of approximately 10% and decreased revenue per load of approximately 3% compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. Reinsurance premiums were \$47,974,000 and \$55,053,000 for the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods, respectively. The decrease in revenue from reinsurance premiums was primarily attributable to a decrease in the average number of trucks provided by BCO Independent Contractors in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period.

Truck transportation revenue generated by BCO Independent Contractors and Truck Brokerage Carriers (together, the “third party truck capacity providers”) for the 2024 thirty-nine-week period was \$3,265,745,000, representing 90% of total revenue, a decrease of \$478,672,000, or 13%, compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The number of loads hauled by third party truck capacity providers decreased approximately 10% compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period, and revenue per load on loads hauled by third party truck capacity providers decreased approximately 3% in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period.

The decrease in the number of loads hauled via truck compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period was primarily due to a broad-based decrease in demand for the Company’s truck transportation services. Loads hauled via other truck transportation services decreased 27%, less-than-truckload loadings decreased 11%, loads hauled via van equipment decreased 8% and loads hauled via unsided/platform equipment decreased 7% as compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period.

The decrease in revenue per load on loads hauled via truck was primarily due to a softer freight demand environment experienced during the 2024 thirty-nine-week period. Revenue per load on loads hauled via other truck transportation services decreased 12%, on loads hauled via van equipment decreased 5% and on less-than-truckload loadings decreased 3%, while revenue per load on loads hauled via unsided/platform equipment increased 2% as compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The increase in revenue per load on loads hauled via unsided/platform equipment of 2% was favorably impacted by an increase in the percentage of revenue contributed by heavy/specialized equipment, which typically has a higher revenue per load.

Fuel surcharges billed to customers on revenue generated by BCO Independent Contractors are excluded from revenue. Fuel surcharges on Truck Brokerage Carrier revenue identified separately in billings to customers and included as a component of Truck Brokerage Carrier revenue were \$89,862,000 and \$112,879,000 in the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods, respectively. It should be noted that billings to many customers of the Company’s truck brokerage services include a single all-in rate that do not separately identify fuel surcharges on loads hauled via Truck Brokerage Carriers. Accordingly, the overall impact of changes in fuel prices on revenue and revenue per load on loads hauled via truck is likely to be greater than that indicated.

Transportation revenue generated by rail intermodal, air cargo and ocean cargo carriers (collectively, the “multimode capacity providers”) for the 2024 thirty-nine-week period was \$267,710,000, or 7% of total revenue, a decrease of \$8,601,000, or 3%, compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. Revenue per load on revenue generated by multimode capacity providers decreased approximately 3% in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period, while the number of loads hauled by multimode capacity providers was approximately equal to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. Revenue per load on loads hauled via air and rail intermodal decreased 58% and 8% respectively, while revenue per load on loads hauled via ocean increased 11%, during the 2024 thirty-nine-week period as compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The decrease in revenue per load on loads hauled by air cargo carriers was primarily attributable to the impact of high value air loadings at one specific customer during the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The decrease in revenue per load on loads hauled by rail intermodal and the increase in revenue per load on loads hauled via ocean were both broad-based across many customers. Revenue per load on revenue generated by multimode capacity providers is influenced by many factors, including revenue mix among the various modes of transportation used, length of haul, complexity of freight, density of freight lanes, fuel costs and availability of capacity.

Purchased transportation was 77.5% and 76.6% of revenue in the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods, respectively. The increase in purchased transportation as a percentage of revenue was primarily due to an increased rate of purchased transportation on revenue generated by Truck Brokerage Carriers, partially offset by an increased percentage of revenue generated by BCO Independent Contractors, which typically has a lower rate of purchased transportation than Truck Brokerage Carriers. Commissions to agents were 8.2% and 8.9% of revenue in the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods, respectively. The decrease in commissions to agents as a percentage of revenue was primarily attributable to an increased cost of purchased transportation as a percentage of revenue on revenue generated by Truck Brokerage Carriers.

Investment income was \$10,988,000 and \$6,874,000 in the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods, respectively. The increase in investment income was attributable to higher average rates of return on investments in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period and a higher average investment balance held by the insurance segment during the 2024 thirty-nine-week period.

Other operating costs increased \$3,140,000 in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The increase in other operating costs compared to the prior year was primarily due to decreased gains on sales of operating property and an increased provision for contractor bad debt.

Insurance and claims costs decreased \$3,141,000 in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The decrease in insurance and claims expense compared to the prior year was primarily due to decreased BCO miles traveled and decreased frequency of trucking accidents during the 2024 thirty-nine-week period, partially offset by increased net unfavorable development of prior years’ claims in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period. During the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods, insurance and claims costs included \$6,666,000 and \$5,154,000 of net unfavorable adjustments to prior years’ claims estimates, respectively.

Selling, general and administrative costs increased \$3,542,000 in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The increase in selling, general and administrative costs compared to prior year was primarily attributable to increased employee benefit costs, primarily attributable to increased medical and pharmacy costs under the self-insured portion of the Company's medical plan, the impact of Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") transition costs and an increased provision for incentive compensation, partially offset by decreased project consulting fees. Included in selling, general and administrative costs was incentive compensation expense of \$2,184,000 and \$483,000 for the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods, respectively.

Depreciation and amortization decreased \$497,000 in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The decrease in depreciation and amortization expense was primarily due to decreased trailing equipment depreciation, partially offset by increased depreciation on new and updated digital tools deployed for use by the Company's network of agents, capacity providers and employees.

Net interest and debt income increased \$2,376,000 in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared to the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The increase in interest and debt income was primarily attributable to increased interest income earned on cash balances held by the transportation logistics segment and decreased interest expense related to finance lease obligations.

The provisions for income taxes for the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods were based on estimated annual effective income tax rates of 24.3% and 24.4%, respectively, adjusted for discrete events, such as benefits resulting from stock-based awards. The effective income tax rate for the 2024 thirty-nine-week period was 23.4%. The effective income tax rate was higher than the statutory federal income tax rate of 21% in the 2024 period primarily attributable to state taxes, partially offset by federal tax credits. The effective income tax rate for the 2023 thirty-nine-week period was 24.0%. The effective income tax rate was higher than the statutory federal income tax rate of 21% in the 2023 period primarily attributable to state taxes.

Net income was \$149,753,000, or \$4.21 per basic and diluted share, in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period. Net income was \$206,407,000, or \$5.74 per basic and diluted share, in the 2023 thirty-nine-week period.

THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 COMPARED TO THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

Revenue for the 2024 thirteen-week period was \$1,213,867,000, a decrease of \$75,478,000, or 6%, compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. Transportation revenue decreased \$73,051,000, or 6%. The decrease in transportation revenue was attributable to a decreased number of loads hauled of approximately 7%, partially offset by an increased revenue per load of approximately 2% compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. Reinsurance premiums were \$15,533,000 and \$17,960,000 for the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods, respectively. The decrease in revenue from reinsurance premiums was primarily attributable to a decrease in the average number of trucks provided by BCO Independent Contractors in the 2024 thirteen-week period compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period.

Truck transportation revenue generated by third party truck capacity providers for the 2024 thirteen-week period was \$1,091,124,000, representing 90% of total revenue, a decrease of \$82,640,000, or 7%, compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. The number of loads hauled by third party truck capacity providers decreased approximately 8% compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period, while revenue per load on loads hauled by third party truck capacity providers increased approximately 1% in the 2024 thirteen-week period compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period.

The decrease in the number of loads hauled via truck compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period was primarily due to a broad-based decrease in demand for the Company's truck transportation services. Less-than-truckload loadings decreased 12%, loads hauled via other truck transportation services decreased 8%, loads hauled via van equipment decreased 8% and loads hauled via unsided/platform equipment decreased 6% as compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period.

The increase in revenue per load on loads hauled via truck was primarily due to an increased average length of haul on truckload shipments during the 2024 thirteen-week period. Revenue per load on loads hauled via unsided/platform equipment increased 4%, while revenue per load on less-than-truckload loadings decreased 2%, on loads hauled via van equipment decreased 2% and on loads hauled via other truck transportation services decreased 1% as compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period.

Fuel surcharges billed to customers on revenue generated by BCO Independent Contractors are excluded from revenue. Fuel surcharges on Truck Brokerage Carrier revenue identified separately in billings to customers and included as a component of Truck Brokerage Carrier revenue were \$29,560,000 and \$33,584,000 in the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods, respectively.

Transportation revenue generated by multimode capacity providers for the 2024 thirteen-week period was \$97,328,000, or 8% of total revenue, an increase of \$8,440,000, or 9%, compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. Revenue per load on revenue generated by multimode capacity providers increased approximately 6% in the 2024 thirteen-week period compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period, and the number of loads hauled by multimode capacity providers increased approximately 3% over the same period. Revenue per load on loads hauled via ocean increased 28%, while revenue per load on loads hauled via air and rail intermodal decreased 52% and 13%, respectively, during the 2024 thirteen-week period as compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. The increase in revenue per load on loads hauled via ocean was broad-based across many customers and reflected the impact of various geopolitical events on ocean shipping rates, generally. The decrease in revenue per load on loads hauled by air cargo carriers was primarily attributable to the impact of high value air loadings at one specific customer during the 2023 thirteen-week period. The decrease in revenue per load on loads hauled by rail intermodal was broad-based. Revenue per load on revenue generated by multimode capacity providers is influenced by many factors, including revenue mix among the various modes of transportation used, length of haul, complexity of freight, density of freight lanes, fuel costs and availability of capacity. The increase in the number of loads hauled by multimode capacity providers was due to increases in air, rail intermodal and ocean loadings of 10%, 4% and 1%, respectively. The 10% increase in air loadings was primarily attributable to increased loadings at one specific agency. The 4% increase in rail intermodal loadings was primarily attributable to increased loadings at three specific agencies. The 1% increase in ocean loadings was primarily attributable to increased loadings at one specific customer.

Purchased transportation was 77.8% and 76.5% of revenue in the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods, respectively. The increase in purchased transportation as a percentage of revenue was primarily due to (i) an increased rate of purchased transportation on revenue generated by Truck Brokerage Carriers and (ii) an increased percentage of revenue generated by Truck Brokerage Carriers and multimode capacity providers, which typically have a higher rate of purchased transportation than that of BCO Independent Contractors. Commissions to agents were 8.1% and 8.9% of revenue in the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods, respectively. The decrease in commissions to agents as a percentage of revenue was primarily attributable to an increased cost of purchased transportation as a percentage of revenue on revenue generated by Truck Brokerage Carriers.

Investment income was \$3,922,000 and \$3,022,000 in the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods, respectively. The increase in investment income was attributable to higher average rates of return on investments in the 2024 thirteen-week period and a higher average investment balance held by the insurance segment during the 2024 thirteen-week period.

Other operating costs decreased \$14,000 in the 2024 thirteen-week period compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. The decrease in other operating costs compared to the prior year was primarily due to decreased trailing equipment maintenance costs, almost entirely offset by an increased provision for contractor bad debt and decreased gains on sales of operating property.

Insurance and claims costs increased \$858,000 in the 2024 thirteen-week period compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. The increase in insurance and claims expense compared to the prior year was primarily due to increased net unfavorable development of prior years' claims in the 2024 thirteen-week period, partially offset by decreased BCO miles traveled and decreased frequency of current year trucking claims during the 2024 thirteen-week period. During the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods, insurance and claims costs included \$4,550,000 and \$2,323,000 of net unfavorable adjustments to prior years' claims estimates, respectively.

Selling, general and administrative costs increased \$277,000 in the 2024 thirteen-week period compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. The increase in selling, general and administrative costs compared to prior year was primarily attributable to increased employee benefit costs, primarily attributable to increased medical and pharmacy costs under the self-insured portion of the Company's medical plan, and an increased provision for incentive compensation, partially offset by decreased stock-based compensation expense and decreased project consulting fees. Included in selling, general and administrative costs was incentive compensation expense of \$729,000 and \$160,000 for the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods, respectively, and stock-based compensation (benefit) expense of (\$43,000) and \$1,144,000 for the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods, respectively.

Depreciation and amortization increased \$1,012,000 in the 2024 thirteen-week period compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. The increase in depreciation and amortization expense was primarily due to increased depreciation on new and updated digital tools deployed for use by the Company's network of agents, capacity providers and employees, partially offset by decreased trailing equipment depreciation.

Net interest and debt income increased \$123,000 in the 2024 thirteen-week period compared to the 2023 thirteen-week period. The increase in interest and debt income was primarily attributable to increased interest income earned on cash balances held by the transportation logistics segment, partially offset by increased interest expense related to finance lease obligations.

The provisions for income taxes for the 2024 and 2023 thirteen-week periods were based on estimated annual effective income tax rates of 24.3% and 24.4%, respectively, adjusted for discrete events, such as benefits resulting from stock-based awards. The effective income tax rate for the 2024 thirteen-week period was 22.2%. The effective income tax rate was higher than the statutory federal income tax rate of 21% in the 2024 period primarily attributable to state taxes, partially offset by federal tax credits. The effective income tax rate for the 2023 thirteen-week period was 24.3%. The effective income tax rate was higher than the statutory federal income tax rate of 21% in the 2023 period primarily attributable to state taxes.

Net income was \$50,033,000, or \$1.41 per basic and diluted share, in the 2024 thirteen-week period. Net income was \$61,653,000, or \$1.71 per basic and diluted share, in the 2023 thirteen-week period.

CAPITAL RESOURCES AND LIQUIDITY

Working capital and the ratio of current assets to current liabilities were \$718,742,000 and 2.2 to 1, respectively, at September 28, 2024, compared with \$677,517,000 and 2.0 to 1, respectively, at December 30, 2023. Landstar has historically operated with current ratios within the range of 1.5 to 1 to 2.0 to 1. Cash provided by operating activities was \$225,439,000 in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period compared with \$303,785,000 in the 2023 thirty-nine-week period. The decrease in cash flow provided by operating activities was primarily attributable to decreased net income and decreased favorable net working capital impacts in connection with decreased net receivables, defined as accounts receivable less accounts payable.

The Company declared and paid \$1.02 per share, or \$36,325,000 in the aggregate, in cash dividends during the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024 and, during such period, also paid \$71,433,000 of dividends payable which were declared in December 2023 and included in current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet at December 30, 2023. The Company declared and paid \$0.93 per share, or \$33,448,000 in the aggregate, in cash dividends during the thirty-nine-week period ended September 30, 2023 and, during such period, also paid \$71,854,000 of dividends payable which were declared in December 2022 and included in current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2022. During the thirty-nine-week period ended September 28, 2024, the Company purchased 436,919 shares of its common stock at a total cost of \$79,388,000, including \$78,697,000 in cash purchases and accrued excise tax of \$691,000, which is included in other current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet at September 28, 2024. During the thirty-nine-week period ended September 30, 2023, the Company purchased 89,661 shares of its common stock at a total cost of \$15,433,000. As of September 28, 2024, the Company may purchase in the aggregate up to 2,563,081 shares of its common stock under its authorized stock purchase programs. Long-term debt, including current maturities, was \$72,506,000 at September 28, 2024, \$1,366,000 higher than at December 30, 2023.

Shareholders' equity was \$1,015,918,000, or 93% of total capitalization (defined as long-term debt including current maturities plus equity), at September 28, 2024, compared to \$983,923,000, or 93% of total capitalization, at December 30, 2023. The increase in shareholders' equity was primarily the result of net income, partially offset by purchases of shares of the Company's common stock and dividends declared by the Company in the 2024 thirty-nine-week period.

On July 1, 2022, Landstar entered into a second amended and restated credit agreement with a bank syndicate led by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (as further amended as of June 21, 2024, the "Credit Agreement"). The Credit Agreement, which matures July 1, 2027, provides for borrowing capacity in the form of a revolving credit facility of \$300,000,000, \$45,000,000 of which may be utilized in the form of letters of credit. The Credit Agreement also includes an "accordion" feature providing for a possible increase of up to an aggregate amount of borrowing capacity of \$600,000,000.

The Credit Agreement contains a number of covenants that limit, among other things, the incurrence of additional indebtedness. The Company is required to, among other things, maintain a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, as described in the Credit Agreement, and maintain a Leverage Ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement, below a specified maximum. The Credit Agreement provides for a restriction on cash dividends and other distributions to stockholders on the Company's capital stock to the extent there is a default under the Credit Agreement. In addition, the Credit Agreement under certain circumstances limits the amount of such cash dividends and other distributions to stockholders to the extent that, after giving effect to any payment made to effect such cash dividend or other distribution, the Leverage Ratio would exceed 2.5 to 1 on a pro forma basis as of the end of the Company's most recently completed fiscal quarter. The Credit Agreement provides for an event of default in the event that, among other things, a person or group acquires 35% or more of the outstanding capital stock of the Company or obtains power to elect a majority of the Company's directors or the directors cease to consist of a majority of Continuing Directors, as defined in the Credit Agreement. None of these covenants are presently considered by the Company to be materially restrictive to the Company's operations, capital resources or liquidity. The Company is currently in compliance with all of the debt covenants under the Credit Agreement.

At September 28, 2024, the Company had no borrowings outstanding and \$35,250,000 of letters of credit outstanding under the Credit Agreement. At September 28, 2024, there was \$264,750,000 available for future borrowings under the Credit Agreement and access to an additional \$300,000,000 under the Credit Agreement's "accordion" feature. In addition, the Company has \$73,117,000 in letters of credit outstanding as collateral for insurance claims that are secured by investments totaling \$81,241,000 at September 28, 2024. Investments, all of which are carried at fair value, include primarily investment-grade bonds, asset-backed securities and commercial paper having maturities of up to five years. Fair value of investments is based primarily on quoted market prices. See "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" included herein for further discussion on measurement of fair value of investments.

Historically, the Company has generated sufficient operating cash flow to meet its debt service requirements, fund continued growth, both organic and through acquisitions, complete or execute share purchases of its common stock under authorized share purchase programs, pay dividends and meet working capital needs. As an asset-light provider of integrated transportation management solutions, the Company's annual capital requirements for operating property are generally for trailing equipment and information technology hardware and software. In addition, a significant portion of the trailing equipment available to the Company is provided by third party capacity providers, thereby reducing the Company's capital requirements. During the 2024 thirty-nine-week period, the Company purchased \$24,256,000 of operating property and acquired \$24,238,000 of trailing equipment by entering into finance leases. In addition, during the 2024 thirty-nine-week period, Landstar acquired \$6,690,000 of operating property for which the Company accrued a corresponding liability of \$1,201,000 in accounts payable and \$5,489,000 in other noncurrent liabilities as of September 28, 2024. Landstar anticipates acquiring either by purchase or lease financing during the remainder of fiscal year 2024 approximately \$39,000,000 in operating property, consisting primarily of new trailing equipment to replace older trailing equipment and information technology hardware and software.

Management believes that cash flow from operations combined with the Company's borrowing capacity under the Credit Agreement will be adequate to meet Landstar's debt service requirements, fund continued growth, both internal and through acquisitions, pay dividends, complete the authorized share purchase programs and meet working capital needs.

LEGAL MATTERS

The Company is involved in certain claims and pending litigation arising from the normal conduct of business. Many of these claims are covered in whole or in part by insurance. Based on knowledge of the facts and, in certain cases, opinions of outside counsel, the Company believes that adequate provisions have been made for probable and reasonably estimable losses with respect to the resolution of all such claims and pending litigation and that the ultimate outcome, after provisions therefor, will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company, but could have a material effect on the results of operations in a given quarter or year.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

Landstar provides for the estimated costs of self-insured claims primarily on an actuarial basis. The amount recorded for the estimated liability for claims incurred is based upon the facts and circumstances known on the applicable balance sheet date. The ultimate resolution of these claims may be for an amount greater or less than the amount estimated by the Company. The Company continually revises its existing claim estimates as new or revised information becomes available on the status of each claim. Historically, the Company has experienced both favorable and unfavorable development of prior years' claims estimates within its various programs. During the 2024 and 2023 thirty-nine-week periods, insurance and claims costs included \$6,666,000 and \$5,154,000 of net unfavorable adjustments to prior years' claims estimates, respectively. It is reasonably likely that the ultimate outcome of settling all outstanding claims will be more or less than the estimated claims liability at September 28, 2024, primarily due to the inherent difficulty in estimating the severity of commercial trucking claims and the potential judgment or settlement amount that may be incurred in connection with the resolution of such claims.

Significant variances from the Company's estimates for the ultimate resolution of self-insured claims could be expected to positively or negatively affect Landstar's earnings in a given quarter or year. However, management believes that the ultimate resolution of these items, given a range of reasonably likely outcomes, will not significantly affect the long-term financial condition of Landstar or its ability to fund its continuing operations.

SEASONALITY

Landstar's operations are subject to seasonal trends common to the trucking industry. Historically, truckload shipments for the quarter ending in March are typically lower than for the quarters ending June, September and December. The COVID-19 global pandemic and related supply chain issues significantly disrupted these typical seasonal patterns. In particular, the Company's 2022 and 2023 fiscal year results did not reflect normal seasonal patterns. No assurances can be given regarding the extent to which or when trends common to the trucking industry and Landstar's operations, in particular, will return to more typical, pre-pandemic, seasonal patterns.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The Company is exposed to changes in interest rates as a result of its financing activities, primarily its borrowings on its revolving credit facility, if any, and investing activities with respect to investments held by the insurance segment.

On July 1, 2022, Landstar entered into the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (as further amended as of June 21, 2024, the "Credit Agreement") with a bank syndicate led by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent. The Credit Agreement, which matures July 1, 2027, provides for borrowing capacity in the form of a revolving credit facility of \$300,000,000, \$45,000,000 of which may be utilized in the form of letters of credit. The Credit Agreement also includes an "accordion" feature providing for a possible increase of up to an aggregate amount of borrowing capacity of \$600,000,000.

The revolving credit loans under the Credit Agreement as of September 28, 2024, at the option of Landstar, bear interest at (i) a forward-looking term rate based on the secured overnight financing rate plus 0.10% and an applicable margin ranging from 1.25% to 2.00%, or (ii) an alternate base rate plus an applicable margin ranging from 0.25% to 1.00%, in each case with the applicable margin determined based upon the Company's Leverage Ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement, at the end of the most recent applicable fiscal quarter for which financial statements have been delivered. The revolving credit facility bears a commitment fee, payable in arrears, of 0.20% to 0.30%, based on the Company's Leverage Ratio at the end of the most recent applicable fiscal quarter for which financial statements have been delivered. During the third quarter of 2024 and as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, the Company had no borrowings outstanding under the Credit Agreement.

Long-term investments, all of which are available-for-sale and are carried at fair value, include primarily investment-grade bonds and asset-backed securities having maturities of up to five years. Assuming that the long-term portion of investments remains at \$86,408,000, the balance at September 28, 2024, a hypothetical increase or decrease in interest rates of 100 basis points would not have a material impact on future earnings on an annualized basis. Short-term investments primarily consist of short-term investment-grade instruments and the current maturities of investment-grade corporate bonds and asset-backed securities. Accordingly, any future interest rate risk on these short-term investments would not be material to the Company's operating results.

Assets and liabilities of the Company's Canadian and Mexican operations are translated from their functional currency to U.S. dollars using exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date and revenue and expense accounts are translated at average monthly exchange rates during the period. Adjustments resulting from the translation process are included in accumulated other comprehensive income. Transactional gains and losses arising from receivable and payable balances, including intercompany balances, in the normal course of business that are denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the operation are recorded in the statements of income when they occur. The assets held at the Company's Canadian and Mexican subsidiaries at September 28, 2024 were collectively, as translated to U.S. dollars, less than 3% of total consolidated assets. Accordingly, translation gains or losses of approximately 30% or less related to the Canadian and Mexican operations would not be material.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, an evaluation was carried out, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the CEO and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended). Based on that evaluation, the CEO and CFO concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 28, 2024 to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms.

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the third quarter of 2024, which were identified in connection with management's evaluation required by paragraph (d) of Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

In designing and evaluating disclosure controls and procedures, Company management recognizes that any disclosure controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. Because of the inherent limitation in any control system, no evaluation or implementation of a control system can provide complete assurance that all control issues and all possible instances of fraud have been or will be detected.

PART II

OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

See Part I, Item 2, "*Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Legal Matters*"

Item 1A. Risk Factors

For a discussion identifying risk factors and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated, see the discussions under Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2023, and in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

There have been no material changes to the Risk Factors described in Part I "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2023 as filed with the SEC.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Purchases of Equity Securities by the Company

The following table provides information regarding the Company's purchase of its Common Stock during the period from June 30, 2024 to September 28, 2024, the Company's third fiscal quarter:

<u>Fiscal Period</u>	<u>Total Number of Shares Purchased</u>	<u>Average Price Paid Per Share ⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Programs</u>	<u>Maximum Number of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Programs</u>
June 29, 2024				2,684,351
June 30, 2024 – July 27, 2024	—	\$ —	—	2,684,351
July 28, 2024 – August 24, 2024	32,066	186.69	32,066	2,652,285
August 25, 2024 – September 28, 2024	89,204	181.56	89,204	2,563,081
Total	121,270	\$ 182.91	121,270	

⁽¹⁾ The average price paid per share does not include the 1% excise tax on net stock repurchases, as applicable.

On December 7, 2021, the Landstar System, Inc. Board of Directors authorized the Company to purchase up to 1,912,824 shares of the Company's common stock from time to time in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions. On December 6, 2022, the Landstar System, Inc. Board of Directors authorized the Company to purchase up to 1,900,826 additional shares of the Company's common stock from time to time in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions. On December 4, 2023, the Landstar System, Inc. Board of Directors authorized the Company to purchase up to 319,332 additional shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions under its share purchase program. As of September 28, 2024, the Company had authorization to purchase in the aggregate up to 2,563,081 shares of its common stock under these programs. No specific expiration date has been assigned to the December 7, 2021, December 6, 2022 or December 4, 2023 authorizations.

Dividends

Landstar entered into the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated July 1, 2022, with a bank syndicate led by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (as further amended as of June 21, 2024, the "Credit Agreement"). The Credit Agreement provides for a restriction on cash dividends and other distributions to stockholders on the Company's capital stock in the event there is a default under the Credit Agreement. In addition, the Credit Agreement, under certain circumstances, limits the amount of such cash dividends and other distributions to stockholders to the extent that, after giving effect to any payment made to effect such cash dividend or other distribution, the Leverage Ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement, would exceed 2.5 to 1 on a pro forma basis as of the end of the Company's most recently completed fiscal quarter.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

During the thirteen-week period ended September 28, 2024, none of our directors or executive officers adopted or terminated any contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of Landstar's securities that was intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c) or any "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement."

Item 6. Exhibits

The exhibits listed on the Exhibit Index are furnished as part of this quarterly report on Form 10-Q.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Registrant's Commission File No.: 0-21238

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
(31)	Certifications Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.1*	Chief Executive Officer certification, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2*	Chief Financial Officer certification, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
(32)	Certifications Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1**	Chief Executive Officer certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2**	Chief Financial Officer certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS*	Inline XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
101.SCH*	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL*	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF*	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB*	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE*	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
104*	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)

* Filed herewith

** Furnished herewith

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

LANDSTAR SYSTEM, INC.

Date: October 30, 2024

/s/ Frank A. Lonegro

Frank A. Lonegro
President and
Chief Executive Officer

Date: October 30, 2024

/s/ James P. Todd

James P. Todd
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

SECTION 302 CERTIFICATION

I, Frank A. Lonegro, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Landstar System, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 30, 2024

/s/ Frank A. Lonegro

Frank A. Lonegro

President and Chief Executive Officer

SECTION 302 CERTIFICATION

I, James P. Todd, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Landstar System, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 30, 2024

/s/ James P. Todd

James P. Todd
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant
Secretary

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Landstar System, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending September 28, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Frank A. Lonegro, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: October 30, 2024

/s/ Frank A. Lonegro

Frank A. Lonegro
President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Landstar System, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending September 28, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, James P. Todd, Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary of the Company, certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: October 30, 2024

/s/ James P. Todd

James P. Todd
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant
Secretary