

Ciena Corporation

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Overview & recent achievements



Ciena is an industry-leading global networking systems, services, and software company



Leading technology and innovation



Diversification and scale of business



Leader in Optical markets and disruptor in emerging opportunities

... with a strong track record of creating shareholder value



Demonstrated track record of financial performance



Flexibility with strong balance sheet



Recent key achievements

We are driving the pace of innovation

- Announced WaveLogic[™] 6, our next generation of coherent optics and the industry's first to support up to 1.6Tbps single-carrier wavelengths
- Delivering industry-leading coherent technology with WaveLogic 5 Extreme (WL5e), the most widely deployed 800G solution, and WaveLogic 5 Nano interoperable performance pluggables
- Launched WaveRouter, a purpose-built Coherent Router and industry-first platform architecture optimally designed for the converged metro
- Offering a fully integrated per port architecture for Broadband Access Solution encompassing Ciena, Benu, and Tibit products

We have a resilient business and financial model

- Our large backlog provides visibility as supply chain gradually improves
- In FY 2022, we repurchased approximately 8.4 million shares for \$500 million as part of our \$1 billion stock repurchase program and we committed to completing the program by FYE 2024
- Our balance sheet remains a competitive advantage
 - Ended the fiscal quarter with approximately \$1.3B in cash and investments

We are committed to our people and communities

- Released our 2022 Sustainability Report, detailing our progress and performance across environmental, social, and governance programs
- Submitted new greenhouse gas reduction goals to the Science Based Target Initiative for approval to address the environmental impact of our operations and ensure that our technology innovation becomes an even greater enabler of our customers' environmental ambitions
- Awarded 20 schools with a Ciena Solutions Challenge Sustainability Award, helping them bring to life their innovative solutions to sustainability challenges affecting their local communities



Market context and Ciena's portfolio



Six mega trends and the innovations that will enable them

Cloud



AI, Digital Transformation & Automation



Data Center



Mobility & 5G



IoT and Connected Objects



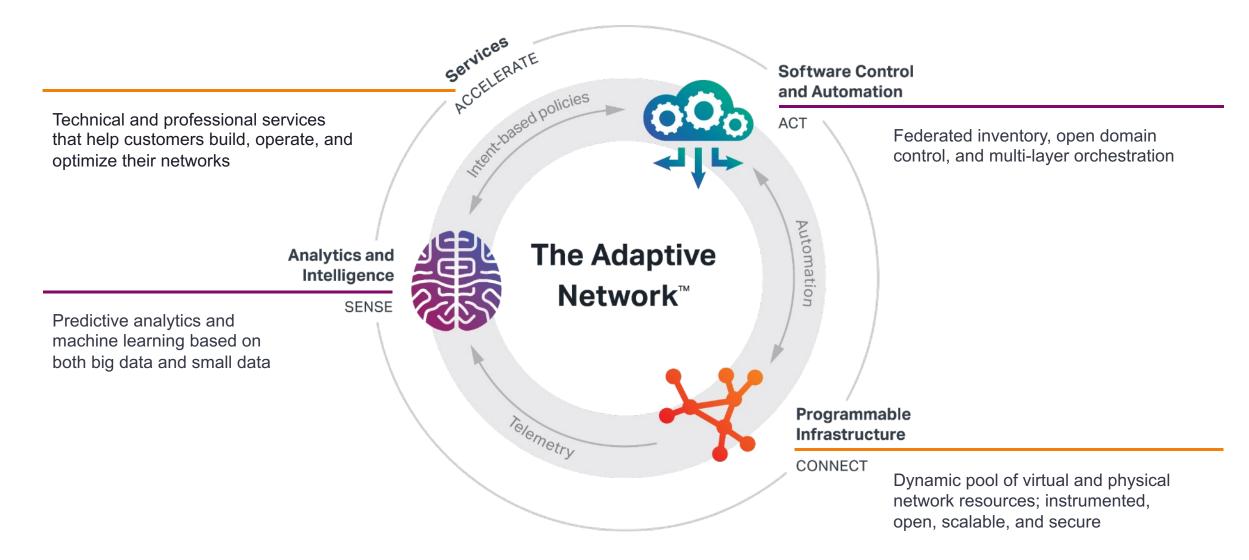
Virtual & Hybrid Lifestyles





Our vision for a new network end-state

How it works





Our market leadership

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#1 GLOBALLY

- SLTE WDM
- ACCESS SWITCHING

#1 N. AMERICA

- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT
- ACCESS SWITCHING

#2 GLOBALLY

- TOTAL WDM
- PURPOSE-BUILT/COMPACT MODULAR DCI

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- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- OPTICAL FOR SERVICE PROVIDER
- OPTICAL FOR ENTERPRISE & GOVERNMENT
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- PURPOSE-BUILT/COMPACT MODULAR DCI
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#1 N. AMERICA

- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT
- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- OPTICAL PACKET

#2 GLOBALLY

- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- OPTICAL PACKET
- COMMUNICATION SERVICE PROVIDER CUSTOMERS

Optical Networking Report, 4Q22 Service Provider Switching & Routing Report, 4Q22 Transport Hardware and Markets Report, 1Q23 Transport Applications Report, 1Q23

Optical Transport Report, 1Q23



Q2 FY 2023 results



Q2 FY 2023 key highlights

Achieving balanced growth

- Non-telco represented 42% of total revenue in fiscal Q2 2023
 - Direct Cloud Provider revenue increased 20% YoY
- Service Provider revenue increased 22% YoY
- Routing and Switching revenue increased 19% YoY in fiscal Q2 2023, reflecting strong contribution across the routing portfolio
- APAC revenue increased 60% YoY and 19% QoQ driven by strength in India

Driving the pace of innovation

- GAAP R&D investment was 17% of total revenue in fiscal Q2 2023
- Record quarter for 6500 RLS line systems driven by next gen, scalable C+L-band infrastructure build-outs
- Customer traction continues with 400G+ technologies, with 12 new wins on WL5n and 14 new wins on WaveLogic 5 Extreme
 - Record quarter for WL5e shipments with more than 75,000 modems shipped to date
- Expanded XGS-PON capabilities for residential and small office/home office applications with the 3806 XGS-PON weatherproof Optical Network Unit

Prioritizing long term shareholder value

- Total shareholder return five-year CAGR of 11%¹
- Made strategic investments to expand our addressable market, including the announcement of WaveRouter
- Under our authorized \$1 billion stock repurchase program, we are targeting the repurchase of \$250M in shares in FY2023



¹ Based on closing share price between 5/16//2018 to 5/16/2023

Q2 FY 2023 comparative financial highlights

	Q2 FY 2023	Q2 FY 2022
Revenue	\$1,132.7M	\$949.2M
Adjusted Gross Margin*	43.7%	43.0%
Adjusted Operating Expense*	\$338.1M	\$301.1M
Adjusted Operating Margin*	13.8%	11.3%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$180.6M	\$129.3M
Adjusted EPS*	\$0.74	\$0.50

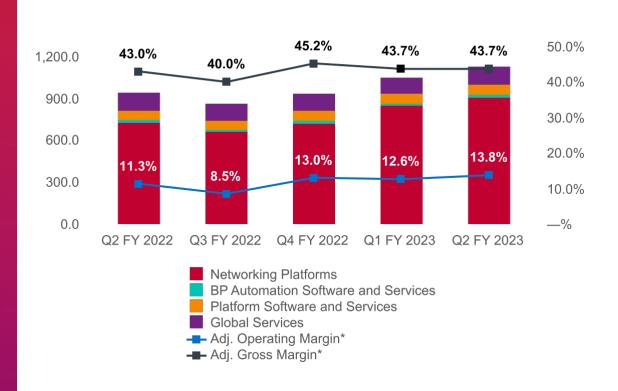
^{*} Reconciliations of these non-GAAP measures to our GAAP results are included in the Appendix and in the press release for the relative period.



Q2 FY 2023 comparative operating metrics

	Q2 FY 2023	Q2 FY 2022
Cash and investments	\$1.34B	\$1.64B
Cash from operations	\$230M	\$106M
DSO	96.7	87.0
Inventory Turns	2.0	3.4
Gross Leverage	2.78x	1.71x
Net Cash (Debt)	\$(284)M	\$497M

Revenue by segment (Amounts in millions)



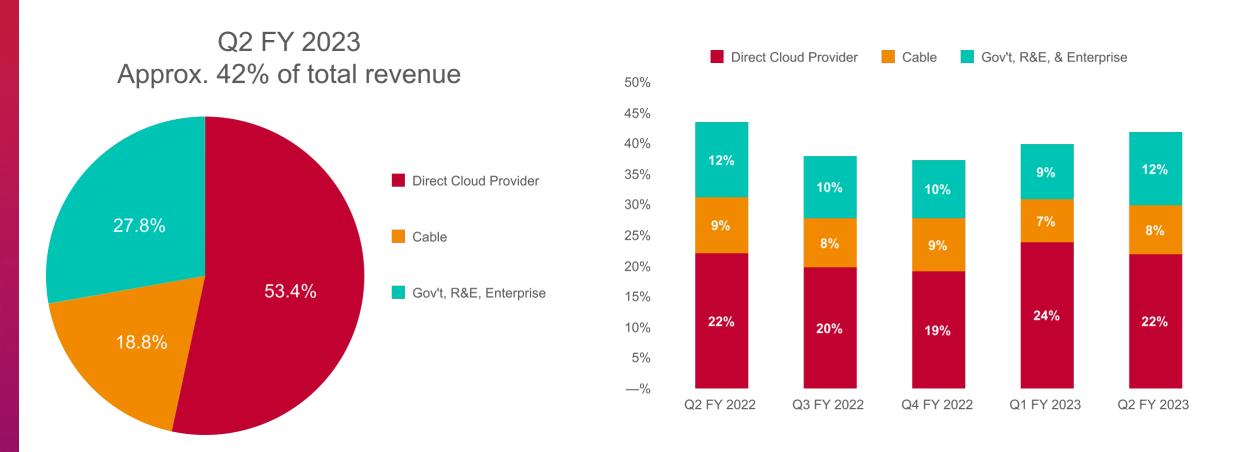
	Q2 FY	⁷ 2023	Q2 FY	2022
	Revenue	%**	Revenue	%**
Networking Platforms				
Converged Packet Optical	\$784.5	69.3	\$625.3	65.8
Routing and Switching	130.4	11.5	109.2	11.5
Total Networking Platforms	914.9	80.8	734.5	77.3
Platform Software and Services	69.4	6.1	69.1	7.3
Blue Planet Automation Software and Services	20.6	1.8	16.9	1.8
Global Services				
Maintenance Support and Training	73.2	6.5	74.0	7.8
Installation and Deployment	39.5	3.5	41.4	4.4
Consulting and Network Design	15.1	1.3	13.3	1.4
Total Global Services	127.8	11.3	128.7	13.6
Total	\$1,132.7	100.0	\$949.2	100.0

^{*} A reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to GAAP results is included in the appendix to this presentation.



^{**} Denotes % of total revenue

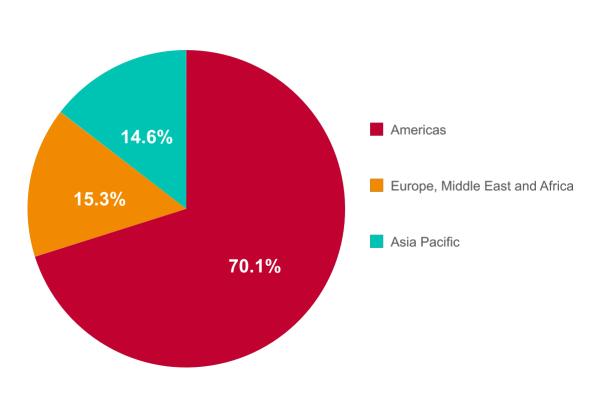
Continued revenue strength derived from non-telco customers

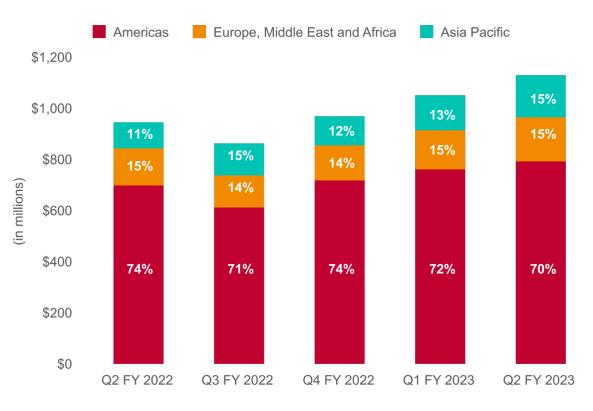




Revenue by geographic region







Business outlook



Economic considerations and assumptions in our fiscal 2023 outlook

Business Assumptions

- Macro environment does not significantly worsen and any adverse effects on our business, including with respect to our customers' capex priorities and their ability to take delivery of product during the year, remain immaterial
- Longer-term fundamental industry demand drivers – including increasing demand for bandwidth, adoption of cloud architectures and network automation requirements – will drive customers to prioritize network capex to address this demand
- Huawei displacement opportunities and government infrastructure spending provide growth tailwinds
- We continue to benefit from strong demand dynamics in our industry given our distinct competitive advantages

Revenue Assumptions

- Supply chain conditions continue to improve throughout the year
- Component suppliers largely deliver on their supply commitments and we do not encounter any substantial decommits that we cannot successfully mitigate
- As lead times improve and customer place fewer advance orders, our reliance upon securing quarterly book to revenue orders grows and those orders represent a more typical composition of our quarterly revenue

Profitability Assumptions

- Supply and logistics costs remain elevated but begin to ease throughout the year
- As new wins and early deployments accelerate with supply chain improvements, we expect our product mix to include a larger proportion of lowermargin common equipment
- Operating expense increases to fund strategic investments as we expand our addressable market and aim to capture opportunities that advance our position in key growth areas



Business outlook¹

Q3 FY 2023					
Revenue	\$1.00B to \$1.08B				
Adjusted Gross Margin	Low 40s%				
Adjusted Operating Expense	Approximately \$335M				

FY 2023					
Revenue Growth	18% to 22%				
Adjusted Gross Margin	42% to 44%				
Adjusted Operating Expense	Approximately \$1.33B				

¹ Projections or outlook with respect to future operating results are only as of June 6, 2023, the date presented on the related earnings call. Actual results may differ materially from these forward-looking statements. Ciena assumes no obligation to update this information, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.



Q2 FY 2023 appendix



Gross Profit Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q2 FY 2023	Q1 FY 2023	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022
GAAP gross profit	\$487,683	\$455,946	\$433,597	\$340,779	\$401,781
Share-based compensation-products	1,155	1,051	907	1,002	1,058
Share-based compensation-services	2,659	2,297	2,066	1,940	1,943
Amortization of intangible assets	3,431	2,883	2,005	3,140	3,313
Total adjustments related to gross profit	7,245	6,231	4,978	6,082	6,314
Adjusted (non-GAAP) gross profit	\$494,928	\$462,177	\$438,575	\$346,861	\$408,095
Adjusted (non-GAAP) gross profit percentage	43.7 %	43.7 %	45.2 %	40.0 %	43.0 %



Operating Expense Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q2 FY 2023	Q1 FY 2023	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022
GAAP operating expense	\$384,870	\$370,730	\$356,329	\$313,672	\$343,352
Share-based compensation-research and development	10,731	9,234	8,507	8,233	8,309
Share-based compensation-sales and marketing	8,755	8,424	8,084	8,075	8,061
Share-based compensation-general and administrative	8,468	9,468	7,610	7,579	7,334
Significant asset impairments and restructuring costs	8,153	4,298	13,621	7,692	9,102
Amortization of intangible assets	9,845	7,441	5,754	8,919	8,920
Acquisition and integration costs	857	2,558	_	35	495
Total adjustments related to operating expense	46,809	41,423	43,576	40,533	42,221
Adjusted (non-GAAP) operating expense	\$338,061	\$329,307	\$312,753	\$273,139	\$301,131

Income from Operations Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q2 FY 2023	Q1 FY 2023	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022
GAAP income from operations	\$102,813	\$85,216	\$77,268	\$27,107	\$58,429
Total adjustments related to gross profit	7,245	6,231	4,978	6,082	6,314
Total adjustments related to operating expense	46,809	41,423	43,576	40,533	42,221
Total adjustments related to income from operations	54,054	47,654	48,554	46,615	48,535
Adjusted (non-GAAP) income from operations	\$156,867	\$132,870	\$125,822	\$73,722	\$106,964
Adjusted (non-GAAP) operating margin percentage	13.8 %	12.6 %	13.0 %	8.5 %	11.3 %

Net Income Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q2 FY 2023	Q1 FY 2023	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022
GAAP net income	\$57,654	\$76,241	\$57,645	\$10,512	\$38,922
Exclude GAAP provision for income taxes	29,821	25,078	7,735	4,319	8,330
Income before income taxes	87,475	101,319	65,380	14,831	47,252
Total adjustments related to income from operations	54,054	47,654	48,554	46,615	48,535
Gain on cost method equity investment	_	(26,455)	_	_	<u> </u>
Adjusted income before income taxes	141,529	122,518	113,934	61,446	95,787
Non-GAAP tax provision on adjusted income before income taxes	31,136	26,954	23,015	12,412	19,349
Adjusted (non-GAAP) net income	\$110,393	\$95,564	\$90,919	\$49,034	\$76,438
Weighted average basic common shares outstanding	149,616	149,081	148,548	149,862	152,197
Weighted average diluted potential common shares outstanding ⁽¹⁾	150,147	149,551	149,111	150,463	153,344

Net Income per Common Share								
		Q2 FY 2023	Q1 FY 2023	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022		
GAAP diluted net income per potential common share	\$	0.38 \$	0.51 \$	0.39 \$	0.07 \$	0.25		
Adjusted (non-GAAP) diluted net income per potential common share	\$	0.74 \$	0.64 \$	0.61 \$	0.33 \$	0.50		

^{1.} Weighted average dilutive potential common shares outstanding used in calculating Adjusted (non-GAAP) diluted net income per potential common share for the second quarter of fiscal 2023 includes 0.5 million shares underlying certain stock option and stock unit awards.



Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) (Amounts in thousands)

Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA)	Q2 FY 2023	Q1 FY 2023	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022
Net income (GAAP)	\$57,654	\$76,241	\$57,645	\$10,512	\$38,922
Add: Interest expense	23,889	15,870	13,775	12,642	11,985
Less: Interest and other income, net	8,551	31,973	1,887	366	808
Add: Provision for income taxes	29,821	25,078	7,735	4,319	8,330
Add: Depreciation of equipment, building, furniture and fixtures, and amortization of leasehold improvements	23,695	22,208	27,642	22,250	22,377
Add: Amortization of intangible assets	13,275	10,325	7,759	12,059	12,233
EBITDA	\$139,783	\$117,749	\$112,669	\$61,416	\$93,039
Add: Share-based compensation cost	31,768	30,474	27,174	26,857	26,673
Add: Significant asset impairments and restructuring costs	8,153	4,298	13,621	7,692	9,102
Add: Acquisition and integration costs	857	2,558	_	35	495
Adjusted EBITDA	\$180,561	\$155,079	\$153,464	\$96,000	\$129,309





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