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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





Flexibility with strong balance sheet



Recent key achievements

We are driving the pace of innovation

- Delivering industry-leading coherent technology including 107GBd WaveLogic[™] 5 Extreme (WL5e) and the widest range of interoperable and performance pluggables
- Growing revenue with MCP multilayer visualization service across multi-vendor IP/Optical infrastructure
- Addition of 8110, 8112 & 8114 to the 81xx portfolio has extended our RSP reach well into the high scale aggregation & Metro space

We have a durable business and financial model

- Despite the challenging environment, we have grown our backlog and returned cash to shareholders
- Our balance sheet represents a competitive advantage
 - Ended the quarter with approximately \$1.3B in cash and investments
- Leverage remains in line with our target level after a successful \$400M Senior Notes offering

We are committed to our people and communities

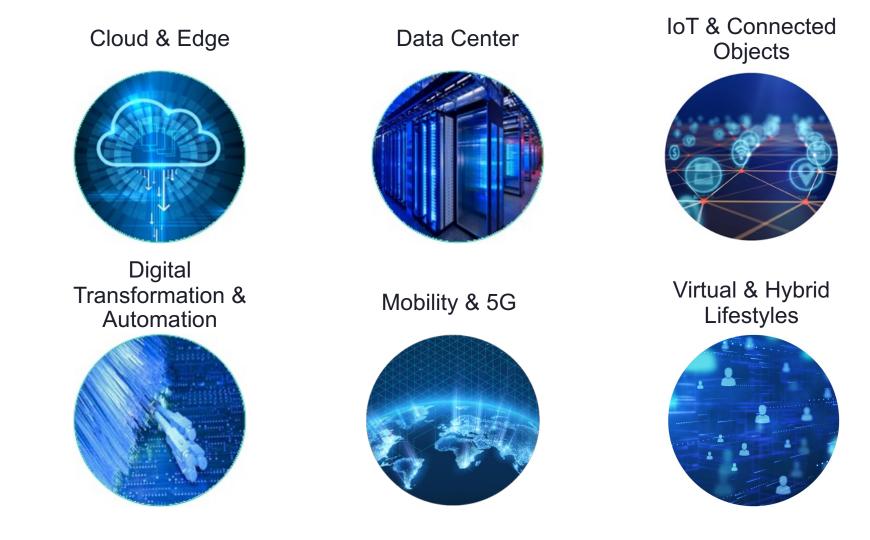
- Published ESG Investor
 Presentation and conducted
 stockholder outreach
- Established our Sustainability Governance model which includes board oversight and strategic executive leadership
- Communicated FY22 compensation goals that address climate, diversity & inclusion and community impact
- Earned Verizon's 2022 Supplier Environmental Excellence Award



Market context and our portfolio



Six mega trends and the innovations that will enable them

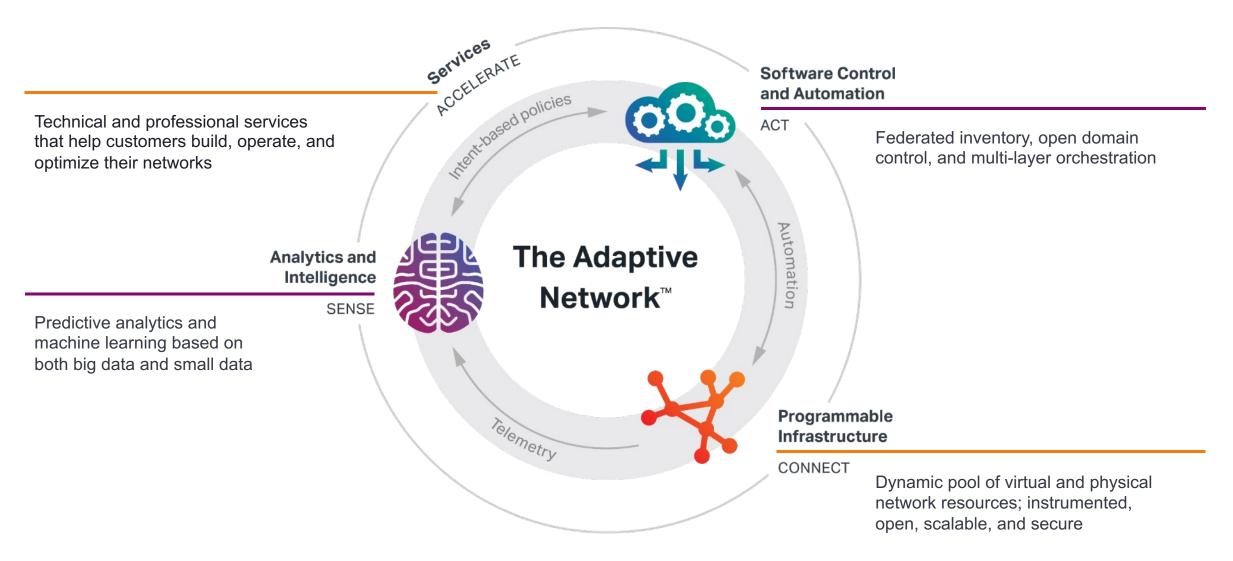


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Our vision for a new network end-state

How it works





Our market leadership

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#1 GLOBALLY

- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT FOR ICP/CNPs
- SLTE WDM

#1 N. AMERICA

- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT
- ACCESS SWITCHING

#2 GLOBALLY

- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- ACCESS SWITCHING



#1 GLOBALLY

- PURPOSE-BUILT/COMPACT MODULAR DCI
- OPTICAL FOR CLOUD & COLO
- SLTE WDM
- PACKET ACCESS

#1 N. AMERICA

- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- PURPOSE-BUILT/COMPACT MODULAR DCI
- OPTICAL FOR CLOUD & COLO
- PACKET ACCESS

#2 GLOBALLY

- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- OPTICAL FOR SERVICE PROVIDER
- OPTICAL FOR ENTERPRISE & GOVERNMENT



#1 GLOBALLY

- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT
- PURPOSE-BUILT/COMPACT MODULAR DCI
- OPTICAL FOR INTERNET CONTENT PROVIDER CUSTOMERS

#1 N. AMERICA

- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT
- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- OPTICAL PACKET

#2 GLOBALLY

- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- OPTICAL PACKET
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Optical Networking Report, 1Q22 Data Center Interconnect Market Share Report, 1Q22 Service Provider Switching & Routing Report, 1Q22 Transport Hardware Report, 2Q22 Transport Customer Markets Report, 1Q22 Transport Applications Report, 1Q22

Optical Transport Report, 2Q22



Q3 FY 2022 results



Q3 FY 2022 key highlights

Achieving balanced growth

- Non-telco represented approximately 38% of total revenue
- APAC region represented 15% of total revenue
- Routing and Switching revenue increased 45% YoY, in part reflecting strong contribution from the recently added Vyatta platform
- Platform Software and Services increased 11% YoY, representing 7% of total revenue

Driving the pace of innovation

- GAAP R&D investment was approximately 17% of total revenue
- 754 100G+ total customers, which includes 13 new wins on WaveLogic Ai and 14 new wins on WaveLogic 5 Extreme
- Gaining business momentum with our Universal Aggregation and XGS-PON solution
- Added 25 new Adaptive IP customers in Q3 bringing the total to nearly 200
- IP/Optical convergence leveraging WL5n ramping both 51xx and 81xx platforms over ELS & RLS

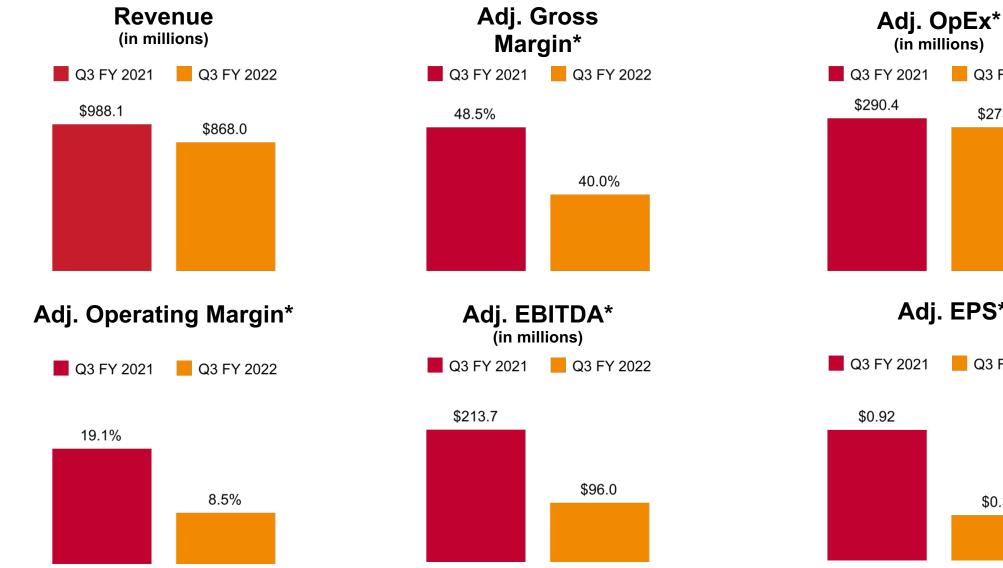
Prioritizing long term shareholder value

- Total shareholder return five year CAGR of 19%¹
- As part of our \$1 billion stock repurchase program, we repurchased approximately 3.2 million shares during the quarter for \$155 million

1 Based on closing share price between 8/17/2017 to 8/16/2022



Q3 FY 2022 comparisons (year-over-year)





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Q3 FY 2022 comparative operating metrics

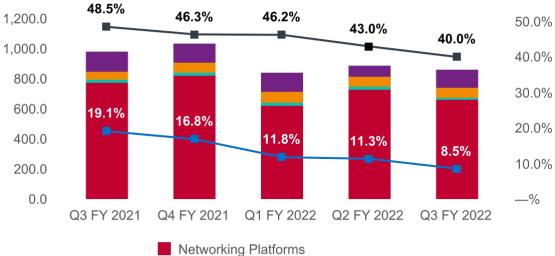
	Q3 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2021
Cash and Investments	\$1.3B	\$1.5B
Cash Flow from (used in) Operations	\$(205)M	\$69M
DSO	100	89
Inventory Turns	2.1	4.5
Gross Leverage	2.07x	1.10x
Net Cash	\$122M	\$724M

Q3 FY 2022 comparative financial highlights

	Q3 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2021
Revenue	\$868.0M	\$988.1M
Adjusted Gross Margin*	40.0%	48.5%
Adjusted Operating Expense*	\$273.1M	\$290.4M
Adjusted Operating Margin*	8.5%	19.1%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$96.0M	\$213.7M
Adjusted EPS*	\$0.33	\$0.92

* A reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to our GAAP results is included in the press release for the relative period.

Revenue by segment (Amounts in millions)



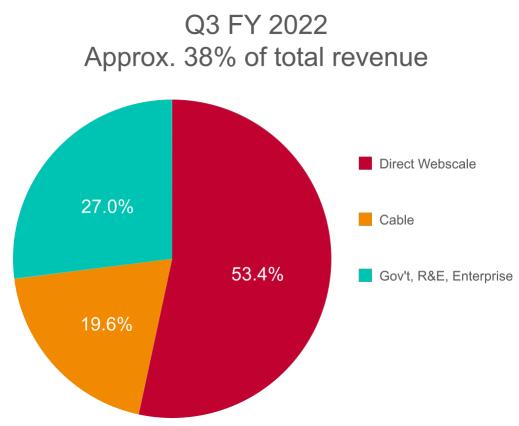


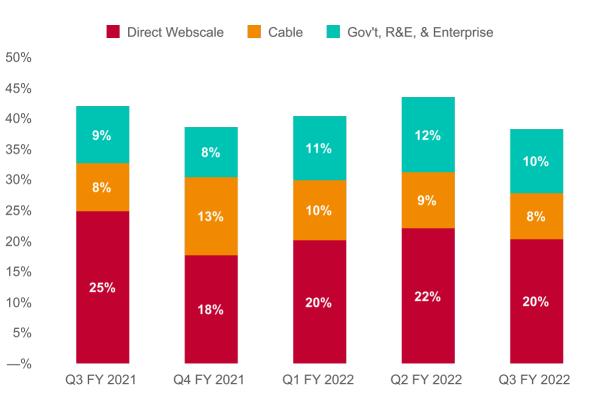
	Q3 FY	2022	Q3 FY	2021
	Revenue	%**	Revenue	%**
Networking Platforms				
Converged Packet Optical	\$563.9	65.0	\$712.9	72.1
Routing and Switching	100.7	11.6	69.7	7.1
Total Networking Platforms	664.6	76.6	782.6	79.2
Platform Software and Services	63.5	7.3	56.9	5.8
Blue Planet Automation Software and Services	17.3	2.0	16.6	1.7
Global Services				
Maintenance Support and Training	72.8	8.4	74.0	7.5
Installation and Deployment	38.7	4.4	46.7	4.7
Consulting and Network Design	11.1	1.3	11.3	1.1
Total Global Services	122.6	14.1	132.0	13.3
Total	\$868.0	100.0 %	\$988.1	100.0 %

* A reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to GAAP results is included in the appendix to this presentation. ** Denotes % of total revenue



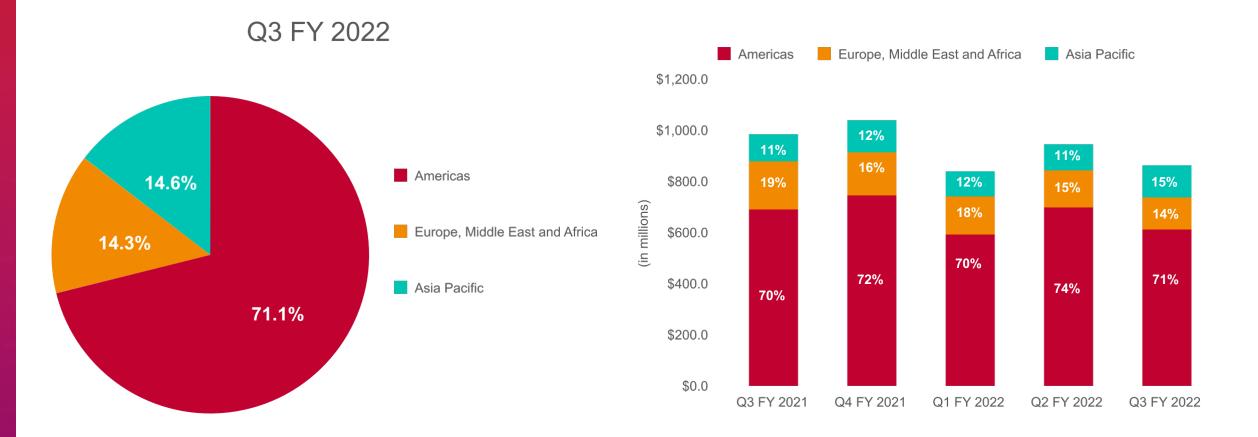
Non-telco revenue





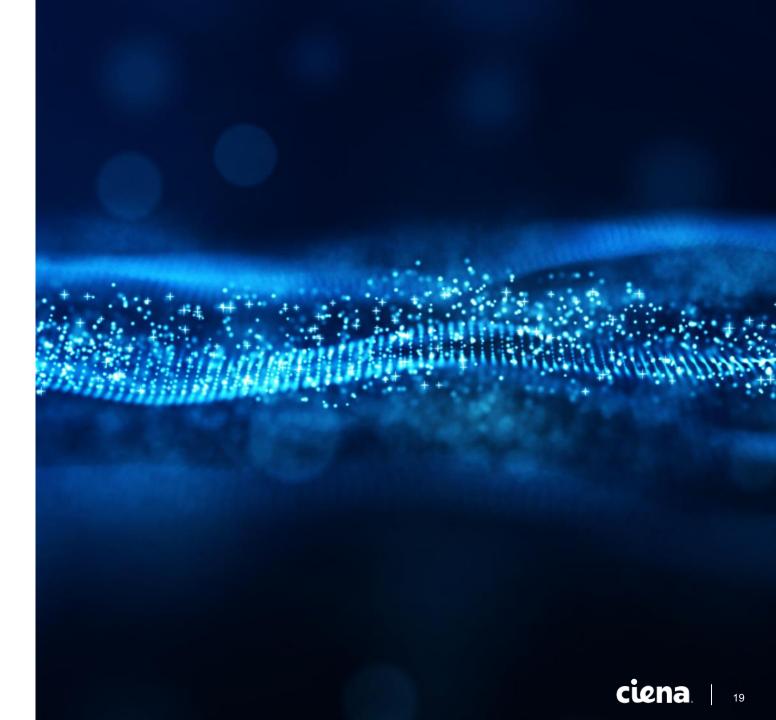


Revenue by geographic region





Q4 FY 2022 outlook



Economic considerations and assumptions in our 2022 outlook

Revenue Assumptions

- The length and severity of current supply conditions will negatively impact both overall industry growth rates and our revenue
- Component suppliers deliver on their supply commitments consistent with our expectations and we do not encounter any substantial new decommits that we cannot successfully mitigate
- No new Covid-related lockdowns exacerbate an already challenging supply environment

Profitability Assumptions

- Gross margin moderates from FY 2021
 levels
- Supply chain constraints, increased component costs, expedite fees and logistics costs will adversely impact gross margin
- As new wins are monetized, we expect our revenue mix to include a larger proportion of lower-margin common equipment
- Operating expense increases to fund strategic investments in our people and portfolio

Business Assumptions

- Economic conditions do not worsen and adverse effects to our business from geopolitical events remain immaterial
- Supply chain and COVID-19 headwinds do not worsen
- Longer-term fundamental demand drivers

 including increasing demand for bandwidth, adoption of cloud architectures and network automation requirements – remain strong
- We continue to benefit from strong demand dynamics in our industry given our distinct competitive advantage



Business Outlook¹

Q4 FY 2022					
Revenue	\$800M to \$880M				
Adjusted Gross Margin	Approximately 40%				
Adjusted Operating Expense	Approximately \$315M				

¹ Projections or outlook with respect to future operating results are only as of September 1, 2022, 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. Copyright © Ciena Corporation 2022. All rights reserved. Proprietary information.



Q3 FY 2022 appendix



Gross Profit Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021	Q3 FY 2021
GAAP gross profit	\$340,779	\$401,781	\$384,187	\$477,119	\$474,550
Share-based compensation-products	1,002	1,058	900	920	1,037
Share-based compensation-services	1,940	1,943	1,584	1,240	1,315
Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy - products	_	_	_	_	(94)
Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy - services	_	-	_	_	(47)
Amortization of intangible assets	3,140	3,313	3,312	2,856	2,857
Total adjustments related to gross profit	6,082	6,314	5,796	5,016	5,068
Adjusted (non-GAAP) gross profit	\$346,861	\$408,095	\$389,983	\$482,135	\$479,618
Adjusted (non-GAAP) gross profit percentage	40.0 %	43.0 %	46.2 %	46.3 %	48.5 %

Operating Expense Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021	Q3 FY 2021
GAAP operating expense	\$313,672	\$343,352	\$324,183	\$339,710	\$326,027
Share-based compensation-research and development	8,233	8,309	6,830	5,684	5,541
Share-based compensation-sales and marketing	8,075	8,061	7,060	6,192	6,534
Share-based compensation-general and administrative	7,579	7,334	7,912	7,466	8,237
Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy-research and development	—	—	—	_	(596)
Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy-sales and marketing	—	—	—	_	(53)
Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy-general and administrative	—	—	—	_	(46)
Significant asset impairments and restructuring costs	7,692	9,102	3,409	5,700	9,789
Amortization of intangible assets	8,919	8,920	8,918	5,836	5,967
Acquisition and integration costs	35	495	68	1,712	259
Total adjustments related to operating expense	40,533	42,221	34,197	32,590	35,632
Adjusted (non-GAAP) operating expense	\$273,139	\$301,131	\$289,986	\$307,120	\$290,395

Income from Operations Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021	Q3 FY 2021
GAAP income from operations	\$27,107	\$58,429	\$60,004	\$137,409	\$148,523
Total adjustments related to gross profit	6,082	6,314	5,796	5,016	5,068
Total adjustments related to operating expense	40,533	42,221	34,197	32,590	35,632
Total adjustments related to income from operations	46,615	48,535	39,993	37,606	40,700
Adjusted (non-GAAP) income from operations	\$73,722	\$106,964	\$99,997	\$175,015	\$189,223
Adjusted (non-GAAP) operating margin percentage	8.5 %	11.3 %	11.8 %	16.8 %	19.1 %

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Net Income Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021	Q3 FY 2021
GAAP net income	\$10,512	\$38,922	\$45,823	\$103,499	\$238,232
Exclude GAAP provision (benefit) for income taxes	4,319	8,330	9,219	25,826	(96,690)
Income before income taxes	14,831	47,252	55,042	129,325	141,542
Total adjustments related to income from operations	46,615	48,535	39,993	37,606	40,700
Unrealized gain on cost method equity investment	-	_	(4,120)	_	_
Adjusted income before income taxes	61,446	95,787	90,915	166,931	182,242
Non-GAAP tax provision on adjusted income before income taxes	12,412	19,349	18,365	34,221	37,360
Adjusted (non-GAAP) net income	\$49,034	\$76,438	\$72,550	\$132,710	\$144,882
Weighted average basic common shares outstanding	149,862	152,197	154,151	155,232	155,271
Weighted average diluted potential common shares outstanding ⁽¹⁾	150,463	153,344	155,807	156,689	156,744

Net Income per Common Share								
		Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021	Q3 FY 2021		
GAAP diluted net income per potential common share	\$	0.07 \$	0.25 \$	0.29 \$	0.66 \$	1.52		
Adjusted (non-GAAP) diluted net income per potential common share	\$	0.33 \$	0.50 \$	0.47 \$	0.85 \$	0.92		

1. Weighted average dilutive potential common shares outstanding used in calculating Adjusted (non-GAAP) diluted net income per potential common share for the third quarter of fiscal 2022 includes 0.6 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)	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021	Q3 FY 2021
Net income (GAAP)	\$10,512	\$38,922	\$45,823	\$103,499	\$238,232
Add: Interest expense	12,642	11,985	8,648	7,916	7,776
Less: Interest and other income (loss), net	366	808	3,686	(168)	795
Add: Provision (benefit) for income taxes	4,319	8,330	9,219	25,826	(96,690)
Add: Depreciation of equipment, building, furniture and fixtures, and amortization of leasehold improvements	22,250	22,377	23,653	24,315	24,623
Add: Amortization of intangible assets	12,059	12,233	12,230	8,692	8,824
EBITDA	\$61,416	\$93,039	\$95,887	\$170,416	\$181,970
Less: Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy	-	_	_	_	836
Add: Share-based compensation cost	26,857	26,673	24,297	21,366	22,471
Add: Significant asset impairments and restructuring costs	7,692	9,102	3,409	5,700	9,789
Add: Acquisition and integration costs	35	495	68	1,712	259
Adjusted EBITDA	\$96,000	\$129,309	\$123,661	\$199,194	\$213,653



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