

Ciena Corporation

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December 8, 2022

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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

FY 2022 key achievements

We are driving the pace of innovation

- Delivering industry-leading coherent technology including the world's most widely deployed 800G, WaveLogic™ 5 Extreme (WL5e), and the widest range of interoperable and performance pluggables with WaveLogic 5 Nano
 - 200+ customers for WL5e with more than 50,000 modems shipped to date
- More than 200 Adaptive IP customers in our Routing and Switching portfolio fueled by momentum in Coherent Routing, Metro aggregation, PON and high-speed business services

We have a resilient business and financial model

- Despite the challenging supply environment, we have grown order backlog to record levels
- As part of our \$1 billion stock repurchase program, we repurchased approximately 8.4 million shares for \$500 million
- Our balance sheet remains a competitive advantage
 - Ended the fiscal year with approximately \$1.2B 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

- Achieved our sustainability objectives, including increased participation in our Ciena Cares program, reduced air travel, and corporate-wide diversity and inclusion training
- Volunteered 36,000 hours and raised more than \$3.2 million through employee giving, matched donations, and volunteer rewards
- Advanced toward our goal to be carbon neutral for operational emissions by end of 2023, reducing air travel by 50% from 2019 levels and addressing 75% of our site energy emissions through renewable sources



Market context and our portfolio



Six mega trends and the innovations that will enable them

Cloud



Digital Transformation & Automation



Data Center



Mobility & 5G



IoT & Connected Objects



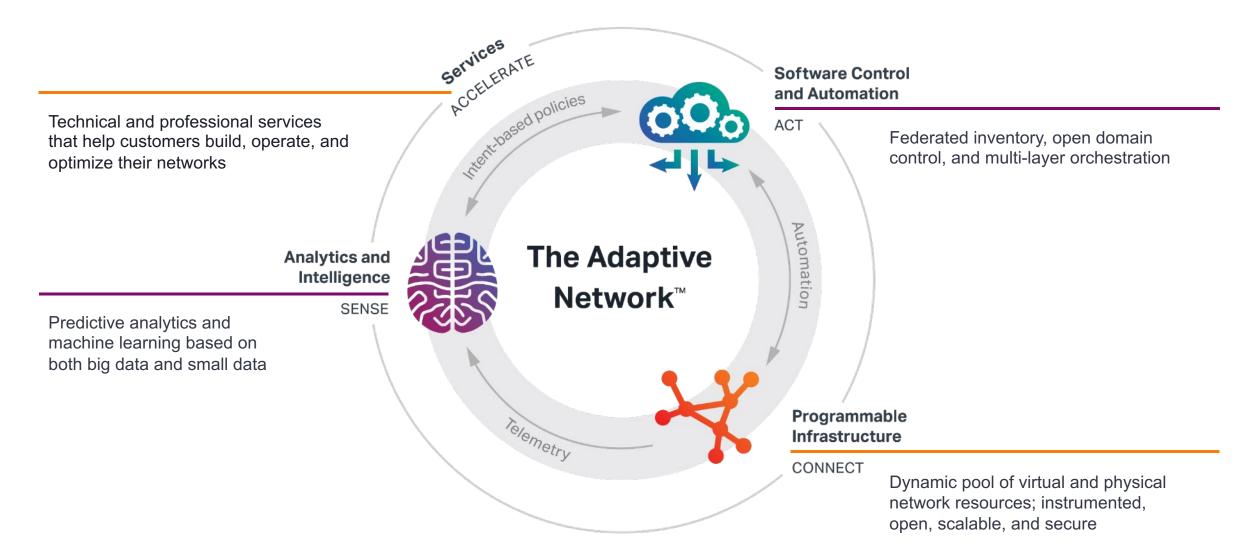
Virtual & Hybrid Lifestyles





Our vision for a new network end-state

How it works





Our market leadership

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#1 GLOBALLY

- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT
- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT FOR ICP/CNPs
- SLTE WDM
- ACCESS SWITCHING

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- TOTAL OPTICAL NETWORKING
- DATA CENTER INTERCONNECT
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- OPTICAL FOR ENTERPRISE & GOVERNMENT

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- OPTICAL PACKET

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Optical Networking Report, 3Q22 Data Center Interconnect Market Share Report, 2Q22 Service Provider Switching & Routing Report, 3Q22 Transport Hardware Report, 3Q22 Transport Customer Markets Report, 3Q22 Transport Applications Report, 2Q22

Optical Transport Report, 3Q22



Fiscal 2022 results



FY 2022 comparative financial highlights

	FY 2022	FY 2021
Revenue	\$3.63B	\$3.62B
Adjusted Gross Margin*	43.6%	47.9%
Adjusted Operating Expense*	\$1.18B	\$1.13B
Adjusted Operating Margin*	11.2%	16.8%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$502M	\$703M
Adjusted EPS*	\$1.90	\$2.91

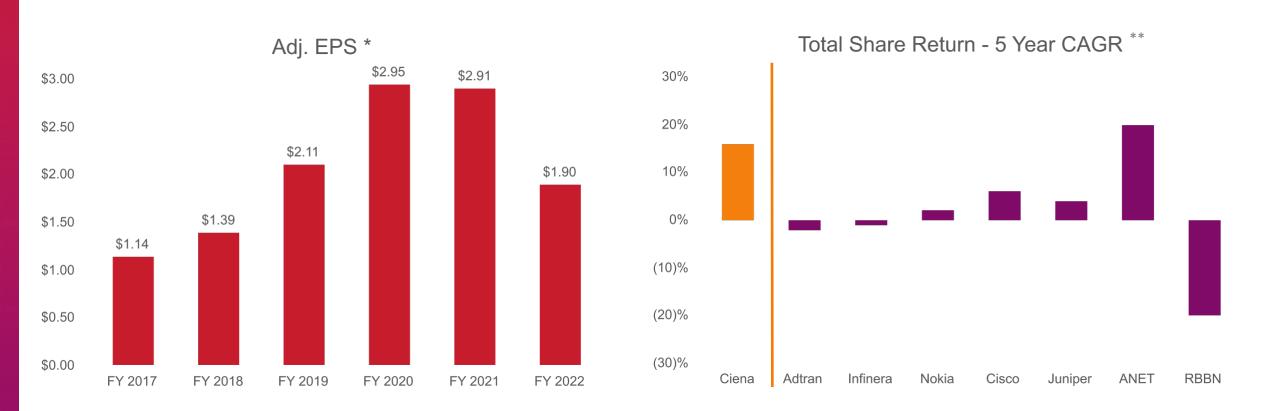
^{*} A reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to our GAAP results is included in the press release for the relative period.



FY 2022 comparative operating metrics

	FY 2022	FY 2021
Cash and investments	\$1.18B	\$1.67B
Cash from (used in) operations	\$(168)M	\$542M
DSO	107	98
Inventory Turns	1.8	4.1
Gross Leverage	2.25x	1.10x
Net Cash	\$51M	\$927M

Delivering profitability and total shareholder return



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^{**}Source: company disclosures and S&P Capital IQ. Represents 12/1/2017-11/30/2022

Q4 FY 2022 results



Recent key highlights

Achieving balanced growth

- Non-telco represented 38% of total revenue in fiscal Q4 2022
- Routing and Switching revenue increased 39% YoY in fiscal Q4 2022, reflecting strong contribution from the recently acquired Vyatta platform and organic portfolio enhancements
- Platform Software and Services increased 8% YoY in fiscal Q4 2022, representing 7% of total revenue

Driving the pace of innovation

- GAAP R&D investment was approximately 17.2% of total revenue in fiscal Q4 2022
- 776 100G+ total customers, which includes 17 new wins on WaveLogic Ai and 15 new wins on WaveLogic 5 Extreme
- Further expanded our Coherent Routing offering with the introduction and initial orders for our new 14.4T 8190 Coherent Aggregation Router

Prioritizing long term shareholder value

- Total shareholder return five year CAGR of 16%¹
- Made strategic investments to expand our addressable market
- Entered into agreement to acquire Tibit Communications, Inc., a provider of passive optical network solutions
- Completed the acquisition of Benu Networks, Inc., a provider of broadband network gateway software



¹ Based on closing share price between 12/1//2017 to 11/30/2022

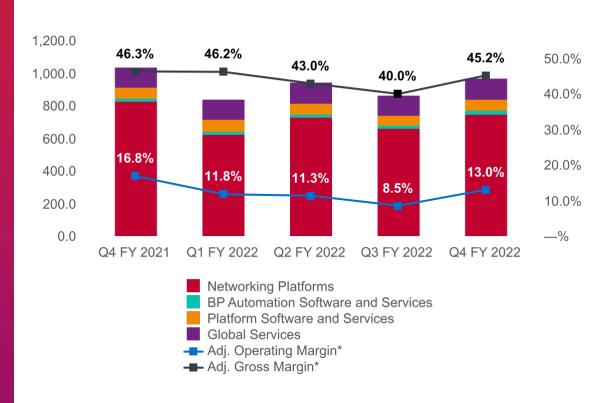
Q4 FY 2022 comparative financial highlights

	Q4 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021
Revenue	\$971.0M	\$1,041.5M
Adjusted Gross Margin*	45.2%	46.3%
Adjusted Operating Expense*	\$312.8M	\$307.1M
Adjusted Operating Margin*	13.0%	16.8%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$153.5M	\$199.2M
Adjusted EPS*	\$0.61	\$0.85



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Revenue by segment (Amounts in millions)



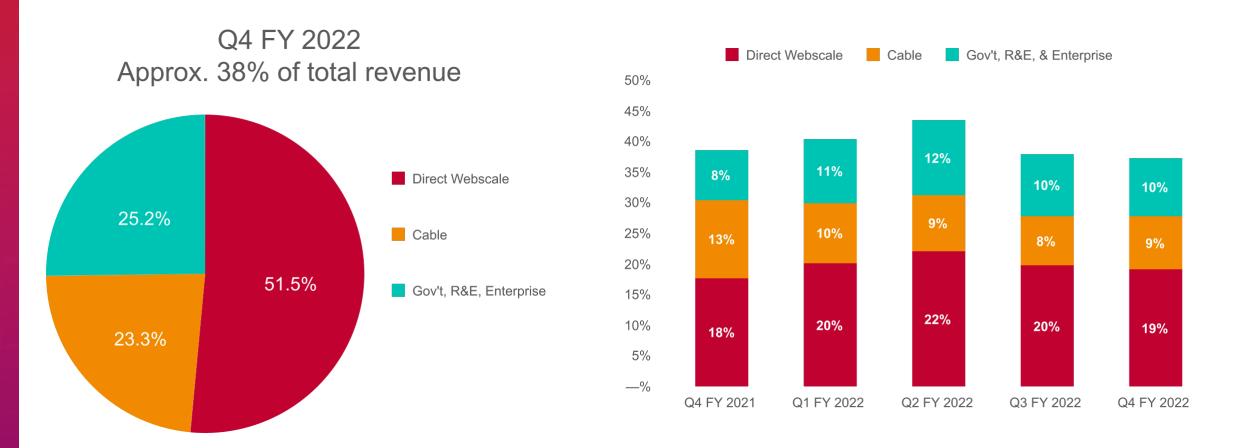
	Q4 FY	2022	Q4 FY	2021
	Revenue	%**	Revenue	%**
Networking Platforms				
Converged Packet Optical	\$649.9	66.9	\$754.6	72.5
Routing and Switching	102.8	10.6	74.2	7.1
Total Networking Platforms	752.7	77.5	828.8	79.6
Platform Software and Services	71.6	7.4	66.1	6.3
Blue Planet Automation Software and Services	21.2	2.2	19.8	1.9
Global Services				
Maintenance Support and Training	73.1	7.5	71.3	6.9
Installation and Deployment	36.9	3.8	47.2	4.5
Consulting and Network Design	15.5	1.6	8.3	0.8
Total Global Services	125.5	12.9	126.8	12.2
Total	\$971.0	100.0	\$1,041.5	100.0

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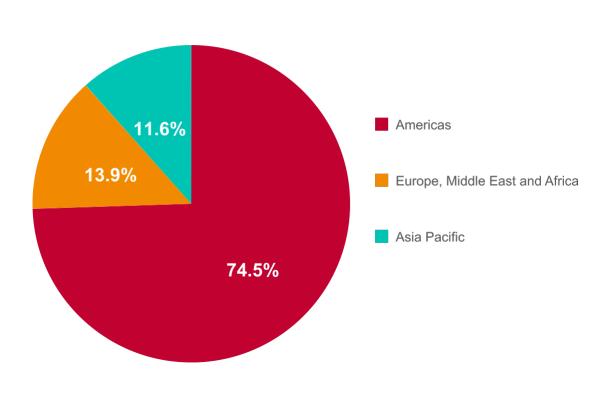
^{**} Denotes % of total revenue

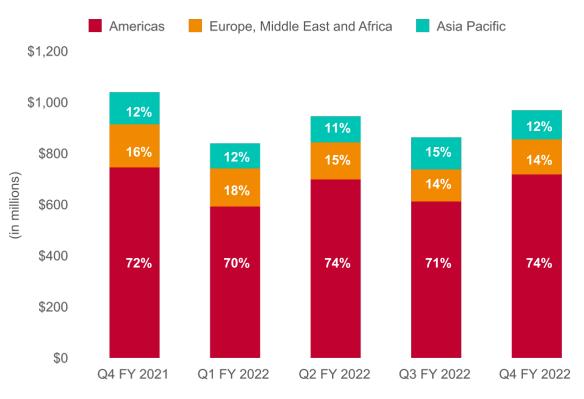
Continued revenue strength derived from non-telco customers



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 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 remain volatile, but continue to improve gradually throughout the year
- Component suppliers largely deliver on their supply commitments and we do not encounter any substantial decommits that we cannot successfully mitigate
- Covid-related lockdowns in China do not continue to exacerbate an already challenging supply environment

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

Q1 FY 2023					
Revenue	\$910M to \$990M				
Adjusted Gross Margin	Low 40s%				
Adjusted Operating Expense	\$320M to \$325M				

FY 2023						
Revenue Growth	16% to 18%					
Adjusted Gross Margin	42% to 44%					
Adjusted Operating Expense	Approximately \$325 per quarter					

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Long-term financial targets¹



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Q4 FY 2022 appendix



Gross Profit Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021
GAAP gross profit	\$433,597	\$340,779	\$401,781	\$384,187	\$477,119
Share-based compensation-products	907	1,002	1,058	900	920
Share-based compensation-services	2,066	1,940	1,943	1,584	1,240
Amortization of intangible assets	2,005	3,140	3,313	3,312	2,856
Total adjustments related to gross profit	4,978	6,082	6,314	5,796	5,016
Adjusted (non-GAAP) gross profit	\$438,575	\$346,861	\$408,095	\$389,983	\$482,135
Adjusted (non-GAAP) gross profit percentage	45.2 %	40.0 %	43.0 %	46.2 %	46.3 %

Operating Expense Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021
GAAP operating expense	\$356,329	\$313,672	\$343,352	\$324,183	\$339,710
Share-based compensation-research and development	8,507	8,233	8,309	6,830	5,684
Share-based compensation-sales and marketing	8,084	8,075	8,061	7,060	6,192
Share-based compensation-general and administrative	7,610	7,579	7,334	7,912	7,466
Significant asset impairments and restructuring costs	13,621	7,692	9,102	3,409	5,700
Amortization of intangible assets	5,754	8,919	8,920	8,918	5,836
Acquisition and integration costs	_	35	495	68	1,712
Total adjustments related to operating expense	43,576	40,533	42,221	34,197	32,590
Adjusted (non-GAAP) operating expense	\$312,753	\$273,139	\$301,131	\$289,986	\$307,120

Income from Operations Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021
GAAP income from operations	\$77,268	\$27,107	\$58,429	\$60,004	\$137,409
Total adjustments related to gross profit	4,978	6,082	6,314	5,796	5,016
Total adjustments related to operating expense	43,576	40,533	42,221	34,197	32,590
Total adjustments related to income from operations	48,554	46,615	48,535	39,993	37,606
Adjusted (non-GAAP) income from operations	\$125,822	\$73,722	\$106,964	\$99,997	\$175,015
Adjusted (non-GAAP) operating margin percentage	13.0 %	8.5 %	11.3 %	11.8 %	16.8 %

Net Income Reconciliation (Amounts in thousands)

	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021
GAAP net income	\$57,645	\$10,512	\$38,922	\$45,823	\$103,499
Exclude GAAP provision for income taxes	7,735	4,319	8,330	9,219	25,826
Income before income taxes	65,380	14,831	47,252	55,042	129,325
Total adjustments related to income from operations	48,554	46,615	48,535	39,993	37,606
Unrealized gain on cost method equity investment	_	_	_	(4,120)	_
Adjusted income before income taxes	113,934	61,446	95,787	90,915	166,931
Non-GAAP tax provision on adjusted income before income taxes	23,015	12,412	19,349	18,365	34,221
Adjusted (non-GAAP) net income	\$90,919	\$49,034	\$76,438	\$72,550	\$132,710
Weighted average basic common shares outstanding	148,548	149,862	152,197	154,151	155,232
Weighted average diluted potential common shares outstanding ⁽¹⁾	149,111	150,463	153,344	155,807	156,689

Net Income per Common Share								
		Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021		
GAAP diluted net income per potential common share	\$	0.39 \$	0.07 \$	0.25 \$	0.29 \$	0.66		
Adjusted (non-GAAP) diluted net income per potential common share	\$	0.61 \$	0.33 \$	0.50 \$	0.47 \$	0.85		

^{1.} Weighted average dilutive potential common shares outstanding used in calculating Adjusted (non-GAAP) diluted net income per potential common share for the fourth 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)	Q4 FY 2022	Q3 FY 2022	Q2 FY 2022	Q1 FY 2022	Q4 FY 2021
Net income (GAAP)	\$57,645	\$10,512	\$38,922	\$45,823	\$103,499
Add: Interest expense	13,775	12,642	11,985	8,648	7,916
Less: Interest and other income (loss), net	1,887	366	808	3,686	(168)
Add: Provision for income taxes	7,735	4,319	8,330	9,219	25,826
Add: Depreciation of equipment, building, furniture and fixtures, and amortization of leasehold improvements	27,642	22,250	22,377	23,653	24,315
Add: Amortization of intangible assets	7,759	12,059	12,233	12,230	8,692
EBITDA	\$112,669	\$61,416	\$93,039	\$95,887	\$170,416
Add: Share-based compensation cost	27,174	26,857	26,673	24,297	21,366
Add: Significant asset impairments and restructuring costs	13,621	7,692	9,102	3,409	5,700
Add: Acquisition and integration costs	_	35	495	68	1,712
Adjusted EBITDA	\$153,464	\$96,000	\$129,309	\$123,661	\$199,194



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