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

For the quarterly period ended October 29, 2016

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 1-7562

THE GAP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	94-1697231
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Two Folsom Street, San Francisco, California	94105
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (415) 427-0100

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 and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted 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 and post such files) Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	Accelerated filer	Non-accelerated filer	Smaller reporting company
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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 outstanding as of November 25, 2016 was 398,881,367.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the “safe harbor” provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than those that are purely historical are forward-looking statements. Words such as “expect,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “intend,” “plan,” “project,” and similar expressions also identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the following:

- the impact of the adoption of new accounting standards;
- total store closures in fiscal 2016, including closure of Old Navy stores in Japan and closure of select Banana Republic stores, primarily internationally;
- the impact of store closures and streamlining measures, including annualized savings, lost sales, tax expense, and restructuring costs;
- recognition of unrealized gains and losses from designated cash flow hedges into income;
- the impact of the potential settlement of outstanding tax matters and the closing of audits;
- the impact of losses due to indemnification obligations;
- the outcome of proceedings, lawsuits, disputes, and claims;
- the impact of the Fishkill distribution center fire, including anticipated insurance recoveries for certain related costs; Old Navy’s near-term growth ambitions anchored in North America and Mexico, as well as China and its franchise operations;
- continuing investment in our mobile digital capabilities;
- further enhancing our shopping experience for our customers;
- creation of a more efficient operating model;
 - the impact of foreign exchange rate fluctuations on our financial results;
- current cash balances and cash flows being sufficient to support our business operations, including growth initiatives and planned capital expenditures;
- ability to supplement near-term liquidity, if necessary, with our \$500 million revolving credit facility or other available market instruments;
- the impact of the seasonality of our operations;
- dividend payments in fiscal 2016; and
- the impact of changes in internal control over financial reporting.

Because these forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, there are important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. These factors include, without limitation, the following:

- the risk that adoption of new accounting pronouncements will impact future results;
- the risk that we or our franchisees will be unsuccessful in gauging apparel trends and changing consumer preferences;
- the risk that changes in global economic conditions or consumer spending patterns could adversely impact our results of operations;
- the highly competitive nature of our business in the United States and internationally;
- the risk that if we are unable to manage our inventory effectively, our gross margins will be adversely affected;
- the risk that the failure to attract and retain key personnel, or effectively manage succession, could have an adverse impact on our results of operations;
- the risk that we are subject to data or other security breaches that may result in increased costs, violations of law, significant legal and financial exposure, and a loss of confidence in our security measures, which could have an adverse effect on our results of operations and our reputation;
- the risks to our efforts to expand internationally, including our ability to operate under a global brand structure and operating in regions where we have less experience;
 - the risk that foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations could adversely impact our financial results;
- the risks to our business, including our costs and supply chain, associated with global sourcing and manufacturing;

the risks to our reputation or operations associated with importing merchandise from foreign countries, including

- failure of our vendors to adhere to our Code of Vendor Conduct;
- the risk that trade matters could increase the cost or reduce the supply of apparel available to us and adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations;

the risk that our franchisees' operation of franchise stores is not directly within our control and could impair the value of our brands;

the risk that we or our franchisees will be unsuccessful in identifying, negotiating, and securing new store locations and renewing, modifying, or terminating leases for existing store locations effectively;

the risk that our investments in omni-channel shopping initiatives may not deliver the results we anticipate;

the risk that comparable sales and margins will experience fluctuations;

the risk that changes in our credit profile or deterioration in market conditions may limit our access to the capital markets and adversely impact our financial results or our business initiatives;

- the risk that updates or changes to our information technology ("IT") systems may disrupt our operations;

the risk that failure to maintain, enhance, and protect our brand image could have an adverse effect on our results of operations;

the risk that natural disasters, public health crises, political crises, or other catastrophic events could adversely affect our operations and financial results, or those of our franchisees or vendors;

the risk that changes in the regulatory or administrative landscape could adversely affect our financial condition, strategies, and results of operations;

the risk that we do not repurchase some or all of the shares we anticipate purchasing pursuant to our repurchase program; and

the risk that we will not be successful in defending various proceedings, lawsuits, disputes, claims, and audits.

Additional information regarding factors that could cause results to differ can be found in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016 and our other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Future economic and industry trends that could potentially impact net sales and profitability are difficult to predict.

These forward-looking statements are based on information as of December 5, 2016, and we assume no obligation to publicly update or revise our forward-looking statements even if experience or future changes make it clear that any projected results expressed or implied therein will not be realized.

We suggest that this document be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016.

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PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

THE GAP, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

(\$ and shares in millions except par value)	October 29, 2016	January 30, 2016	October 31, 2015
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,522	\$ 1,370	\$ 1,042
Merchandise inventory	2,398	1,873	2,498
Other current assets	751	742	821
Total current assets	4,671	3,985	4,361
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$5,900, \$5,644, and \$5,673	2,662	2,850	2,814
Other long-term assets	674	638	631
Total assets	\$ 8,007	\$ 7,473	\$ 7,806
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Current maturities of debt	\$ 424	\$ 421	\$ 421
Accounts payable	1,413	1,112	1,327
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	1,059	979	997
Income taxes payable	19	23	23
Total current liabilities	2,915	2,535	2,768
Long-term liabilities:			
Long-term debt	1,320	1,310	1,331
Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities	1,046	1,083	1,098
Total long-term liabilities	2,366	2,393	2,429
Commitments and contingencies (see Note 12)			
Stockholders' equity:			
Common stock \$0.05 par value			
Authorized 2,300 shares for all periods presented; Issued and Outstanding 399, 397, and 404 shares	20	20	20
Additional paid-in capital	57	—	—
Retained earnings	2,621	2,440	2,484
Accumulated other comprehensive income	28	85	105
Total stockholders' equity	2,726	2,545	2,609
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 8,007	\$ 7,473	\$ 7,806
See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements			

THE GAP, INC.
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
 (Unaudited)

(\$ and shares in millions except per share amounts)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Net sales	\$3,798	\$ 3,857	\$11,087	\$ 11,412
Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses	2,305	2,417	6,948	7,132
Gross profit	1,493	1,440	4,139	4,280
Operating expenses	1,104	1,026	3,249	3,111
Operating income	389	414	890	1,169
Interest expense	20	19	57	41
Interest income	(3)	(1)	(6)	(3)
Income before income taxes	372	396	839	1,131
Income taxes	168	148	383	425
Net income	\$204	\$ 248	\$456	\$ 706
Weighted-average number of shares - basic	399	406	398	415
Weighted-average number of shares - diluted	400	408	400	417
Earnings per share - basic	\$0.51	\$ 0.61	\$1.15	\$ 1.70
Earnings per share - diluted	\$0.51	\$ 0.61	\$1.14	\$ 1.69
Cash dividends declared and paid per share	\$0.23	\$ 0.23	\$0.69	\$ 0.69

See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited)

(\$ in millions)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Net income	\$204	\$ 248	\$456	\$ 706
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:				
Foreign currency translation	(10)	(2)	(1)	(9)
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, net of tax (tax benefit) of \$4, \$(4) , \$(5) and \$9	39	(4)	(57)	22
Reclassification adjustment for (gains) losses on derivative financial instruments, net of tax of \$-, \$(14), \$(6) and \$(31)	—	(33)	1	(73)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	29	(39)	(57)	(60)
Comprehensive income	\$233	\$ 209	\$399	\$ 646

See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

THE GAP, INC.
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
 (Unaudited)

(\$ in millions)	39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29,	October 31,
	2016	2015
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$456	\$ 706
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	449	438
Amortization of lease incentives	(47)	(48)
Share-based compensation	55	58
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vesting of stock units	(4)	22
Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vesting of stock units	(1)	(24)
Non-cash and other items	101	(45)
Deferred income taxes	(10)	(6)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Merchandise inventory	(513)	(615)
Other current assets and other long-term assets	(52)	30
Accounts payable	294	149
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	10	(24)
Income taxes payable, net of prepaid and other tax-related items	80	69
Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities	(18)	24
Net cash provided by operating activities	800	734
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(383)	(505)
Other	(1)	(4)
Net cash used for investing activities	(384)	(509)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of short-term debt	—	400
Proceeds from issuances under share-based compensation plans	25	60
Withholding tax payments related to vesting of stock units	(18)	(68)
Repurchases of common stock	—	(822)
Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vesting of stock units	1	24
Cash dividends paid	(275)	(285)
Other	—	(1)
Net cash used for financing activities	(267)	(692)
Effect of foreign exchange rate fluctuations on cash and cash equivalents	3	(6)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	152	(473)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,370	1,515
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$1,522	\$ 1,042
Non-cash investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment not yet paid at end of period	\$63	\$ 85
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Cash paid for interest during the period	\$80	\$ 76
Cash paid for income taxes during the period, net of refunds	\$318	\$ 338
See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements		

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of October 29, 2016 and October 31, 2015, the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income and the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 and October 31, 2015, and the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 and October 31, 2015 have been prepared by The Gap, Inc. (the "Company," "we," and "our"). In the opinion of management, such statements include all adjustments (which include normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary to present fairly our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows as of October 29, 2016 and October 31, 2015 and for all periods presented. The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of January 30, 2016 has been derived from our audited financial statements.

The accompanying unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, certain information and disclosures normally included in the notes to the annual financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") have been omitted from these interim financial statements, although the Company believes that the disclosures made are adequate to make the information not misleading. We suggest that you read these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016.

The results of operations for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 are not necessarily indicative of the operating results that may be expected for the 52-week period ending January 28, 2017.

Note 2. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued an accounting standards update ("ASU") No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, to clarify the principles of recognizing revenue and create common revenue recognition guidance between U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards. In August 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-14, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, Deferral of the Effective Date, which defers the effective date of the new revenue recognition standard by one year. As a result, the ASU No. 2014-09 is effective retrospectively for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2017.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-08, Revenue from Contracts with Customers: Principal versus Agent Considerations, which is intended to improve the operability and understandability of the implementation guidance on principal versus agent considerations. In April 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-10, Revenue from Contracts with Customers: Identifying Performance Obligations and Licensing, which clarifies the identification of performance obligations and the licensing implementation guidance. In May 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-11, Revenue Recognition and Derivatives and Hedging: Rescission of SEC Guidance Because of Accounting Standards Updates 2014-09 and 2014-16 Pursuant to Staff Announcements at the March 3, 2016 EITF Meeting, which rescinds SEC paragraphs pursuant to SEC staff announcements. These rescissions include changes to topics pertaining to accounting for shipping and handling fees and costs and accounting for consideration given by a vendor to a customer. In May 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-12, Revenue from Contracts with Customers: Narrow-Scope Improvements and Practical Expedients, which provides clarifying guidance in certain narrow areas and adds some practical expedients. The effective dates for these ASUs are the same as the effective date for ASU No. 2014-09. We are currently assessing the potential impact of these ASUs on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-17, Income Taxes, which changes how deferred taxes are classified on the balance sheet. The ASU eliminates the requirement for organizations to present deferred tax liabilities and assets as current and noncurrent in a classified balance sheet. Instead, organizations will be required to classify all deferred tax assets and liabilities as noncurrent. The ASU is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2016. Early adoption is permitted under this ASU. We adopted ASU

No. 2015-17 prospectively effective January 30, 2016, which resulted in a reclassification of our net current deferred tax assets to the net noncurrent deferred tax assets in our Consolidated Balance Sheet. In accordance with the provisions of the ASU, prior periods were not retrospectively adjusted.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-01, Financial Instruments - Overall: Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities. The new guidance is intended to improve the recognition and measurement of financial instruments. The ASU is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2017. We do not expect the adoption of this ASU to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, Leases. Under the new guidance, lessees will be required to recognize a lease liability and a right-of-use asset for all leases (with the exception of short-term leases) at the commencement date. The ASU is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2018. We are currently assessing the impact of this ASU on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, but expect that it will result in a significant increase in our long-term assets and liabilities.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09, Compensation - Stock Compensation: Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting. The amendments are intended to improve the accounting for employee share-based payments and affect all organizations that issue share-based payment awards to their employees. The ASU is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2016. We are currently assessing the potential impact of this ASU on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses: Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments. The amendments require the measurement of all expected credit losses for financial assets held at the reporting date based on historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts. The ASU is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2019. We do not expect the adoption of this ASU to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-15, Statement of Cash Flows: Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments. The amendments provide guidance for eight specific cash flow issues and are intended to address diversity in how certain cash receipts and cash payments are presented and classified in the statement of cash flows. The ASU is effective retrospectively for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2017. We will adopt the presentation and disclosure provisions of this ASU in the first quarter of fiscal 2018.

In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-16, Income Taxes: Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other than Inventory. The amendments remove the prohibition against the recognition of current and deferred income tax effects of intra-entity transfers of assets other than inventory until the asset has been sold to an outside party. The ASU is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2017. We do not expect the adoption of this ASU to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-17, Consolidation: Interests Held through Related Parties That Are Under Common Control. The amendments change how a reporting entity that is the single decision maker of a variable interest entity should treat indirect interests in the entity held through related parties that are under common control with the reporting entity when determining whether it is the primary beneficiary of that variable interest entity. The ASU is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2016. We do not expect the adoption of this ASU to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-18, Statement of Cash Flows: Restricted Cash. The amendments address diversity in practice that exists in the classification and presentation of changes in restricted cash and require that a statement of cash flows explain the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents. The ASU is effective retrospectively for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2017. We will adopt the presentation and disclosure provisions of this ASU in the first quarter of fiscal 2018.

Note 3. Store Closing and Other Operating Charges

In May 2016, the Company announced measures to better align talent and financial resources against its most important priorities; these measures include (i) focusing each brand on geographies with the greatest potential and (ii) streamlining the Company's operating model. The measures will result in the closure of its fleet of 53 Old Navy stores in Japan, the closure of select Banana Republic stores, primarily internationally, and the creation of a more efficient global brand structure. Including the Old Navy closures in Japan, the Company expects to close about 75 stores in total related to these measures in fiscal 2016. As of October 29, 2016, the Company has closed 10 stores related to these measures.

In connection with the decision to close stores and streamline the Company's operations, the Company incurred \$29 million and \$179 million in restructuring costs, on a pre-tax basis, during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016, respectively. The summary of the costs incurred during the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2016 and cumulative amount incurred as of October 29, 2016, as well as the Company's current estimates of the pre-tax amount expected to be incurred during the remainder of fiscal 2016, are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Costs Incurred		Estimated Costs to be Incurred	
	13 Weeks Ended October 29, 2016	Cumulative as of October 29, 2016	Remainder of Fiscal 2016	Total
Costs recorded in cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses:				
Accelerated depreciation, net of reversal of depreciation expense related to asset retirement obligations	\$ (6)	\$ (2)	\$ (5) - 0	\$ about (5)
Employee related costs	1	12	Less than 5	about 15
Other	(2)	(2)	(5) - 0	about (5)
Total costs recorded in cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses	(7)	8	about (5)	about 5
Costs recorded in operating expenses:				
Lease termination fees and lease losses	28	62	15 - 40	75 - 100
Employee related costs	2	32	15 - 20	45 - 50
Store asset impairment	2	54	—	about 55
Other	4	23	about 5	about 30
Total costs recorded in operating expenses	36	171	35 - 65	205 - 235
Total restructuring costs	\$29	\$ 179	\$ 31 - 61	\$ 210 - 240

In addition to the total pre-tax amount estimated above, the Company also expects to incur incremental tax expense related to the restructuring costs and resulting valuation allowances on certain foreign deferred tax assets. The Company's estimates of future charges associated with the store closures and streamlining of its operating model could change as the Company's plans evolve and become finalized. The actual amounts will also depend on the timing of closures and negotiations on lease termination fees during the remainder of fiscal 2016.

The following table summarizes activities related to certain restructuring costs that will be settled with cash payments and the related liability balances as of October 29, 2016:

(\$ in millions)	Lease Termination Fees and Lease Losses	Employee Related Costs	Other	Total
	Balance at April 30, 2016	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
13 Weeks Ended July 30, 2016:				
Provision	34	41	12	87
Cash payments	—	—	(6)	(6)
Balance at July 30, 2016	34	41	6	81
13 Weeks Ended October 29, 2016:				
Provision	28	7	4	39
Adjustments	—	(4)	—	(4)

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Cash payments	(8)	(10)	(8)	(26)
Balance at October 29, 2016	\$	54	\$	34	\$	2	\$90	

We expect that the majority of the liability balance related to the lease termination fees and lease losses will be settled with cash payments by the end of fiscal 2016 as the stores are closed. The remaining liability balances are expected to settle with cash payments through fiscal 2017.

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Note 4. Debt and Credit Facilities

Long-term debt consists of the following:

(\$ in millions)	October 29, 2016	January 30, 2016	October 31, 2015
Notes	\$ 1,248	\$ 1,248	\$ 1,248
Japan Term Loan	96	83	104
Total long-term debt	1,344	1,331	1,352
Less: Current portion	(24)	(21)	(21)
Total long-term debt, less current portion	\$ 1,320	\$ 1,310	\$ 1,331

As of October 29, 2016, January 30, 2016, and October 31, 2015, the estimated fair value of our \$1.25 billion aggregate principal amount of 5.95 percent notes (the "Notes") due April 2021 was \$1.34 billion, \$1.29 billion, and \$1.33 billion, respectively, and was based on the quoted market price of the Notes (level 1 inputs) as of the last business day of the respective fiscal quarter. The aggregate principal amount of the Notes is recorded in long-term debt in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, net of the unamortized discount.

As of October 29, 2016, January 30, 2016, and October 31, 2015, the carrying amount of our 15 billion Japanese yen, four-year, unsecured term loan ("Japan Term Loan") approximated its fair value, as the interest rate varies depending on quoted market rates (level 1 inputs). Repayments of 2.5 billion Japanese yen (\$24 million as of October 29, 2016) are payable on January 15 of each year, and commenced on January 15, 2015, with a final repayment of 7.5 billion Japanese yen (\$72 million as of October 29, 2016) due on January 15, 2018. Interest is payable at least quarterly based on an interest rate equal to the Tokyo Interbank Offered Rate plus a fixed margin.

In October 2015, we entered into a \$400 million unsecured term loan (the "Term Loan"). The Term Loan was originally scheduled to mature, and was payable in full, on October 15, 2016, but had an option to be extended until October 15, 2017. In August 2016, the Company exercised the option to extend the Term Loan. As of October 29, 2016, the carrying amount of our \$400 million Term Loan approximated its fair value due to the short-term nature of the loan. Interest is payable at least quarterly based on an interest rate equal to the London Interbank Offered Rate plus a fixed margin. The Term Loan is included in current maturities of debt in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

We have a \$500 million, five-year, unsecured revolving credit facility (the "Facility"), which is scheduled to expire in May 2020. There were no borrowings and no material outstanding standby letters of credit under the Facility as of October 29, 2016.

We maintain multiple agreements with third parties that make unsecured revolving credit facilities available for our operations in foreign locations (the "Foreign Facilities"). These Foreign Facilities are uncommitted and are generally available for borrowings, overdraft borrowings, and the issuance of bank guarantees. The total capacity of the Foreign Facilities was \$46 million as of October 29, 2016. As of October 29, 2016, there were no borrowings under the Foreign Facilities. There were \$12 million in bank guarantees issued and outstanding primarily related to store leases under the Foreign Facilities as of October 29, 2016.

We have bilateral unsecured standby letter of credit agreements that are uncommitted and do not have expiration dates. As of October 29, 2016, we had \$18 million in standby letters of credit issued under these agreements.

Note 5. Fair Value Measurements

There were no purchases, sales, issuances, or settlements related to recurring level 3 measurements during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 or October 31, 2015. There were no transfers of financial assets or liabilities into or out of level 1 and level 2 during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 or October 31, 2015.

Financial Assets and Liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis and cash equivalents are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	October 29, 2016	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets:				
Cash equivalents	\$ 596	\$ 106	\$ 490	\$ —
Derivative financial instruments	62	—	62	—
Deferred compensation plan assets	41	41	—	—
Total	\$ 699	\$ 147	\$ 552	\$ —

Liabilities:

Derivative financial instruments	\$ 49	\$ —	\$ 49	\$ —
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(\$ in millions)	January 30, 2016	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets:				
Cash equivalents	\$ 517	\$ 204	\$ 313	\$ —
Derivative financial instruments	93	—	93	—
Deferred compensation plan assets	37	37	—	—
Total	\$ 647	\$ 241	\$ 406	\$ —

Liabilities:

Derivative financial instruments	\$ 3	\$ —	\$ 3	\$ —
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(\$ in millions)	October 31, 2015	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets:				
Cash equivalents	\$ 174	\$ 62	\$ 112	\$ —
Derivative financial instruments	84	—	84	—
Deferred compensation plan assets	41	41	—	—
Total	\$ 299	\$ 103	\$ 196	\$ —

Liabilities:

Derivative financial instruments	\$ 8	\$ —	\$ 8	\$ —
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We have highly liquid investments classified as cash equivalents, which are placed primarily in time deposits, money market funds, and commercial paper. These investments are classified as held-to-maturity based on our positive intent and ability to hold the securities to maturity. We value these investments at their original purchase prices plus interest that has accrued at the stated rate.

Derivative financial instruments primarily include foreign exchange forward contracts. The currencies hedged against changes in the U.S. dollar are Japanese yen, Canadian dollars, British pounds, Euro, Mexican pesos, Hong Kong dollars, Chinese yuan, and Taiwan dollars. The fair value of the Company's derivative financial instruments is determined using pricing models based on current market rates. Derivative financial instruments in an asset position are recorded in other current assets or other long-term assets in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Derivative financial instruments in a liability position are recorded in accrued expenses and other current liabilities or lease incentives and other long-term liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

We maintain the Gap Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan (“DCP”), which allows eligible employees and non-employee directors to defer compensation up to a maximum amount. Plan investments are recorded at market value and are designated for the DCP. The fair value of the Company’s DCP assets is determined based on quoted market prices, and the assets are recorded in other long-term assets in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Nonfinancial Assets

We review the carrying amount of long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. The fair value of the long-lived assets is determined using level 3 inputs and based on discounted future cash flows of the asset or asset group using a discount rate commensurate with the risk. The asset group is defined as the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are available and largely independent of the cash flows of other groups of assets, which for our retail stores is primarily at the store level. We also review the carrying amount of goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment annually and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that it is more likely than not that the carrying amount may not be recoverable.

We recorded a charge for the impairment of long-lived assets of \$33 million for the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2016, which reduced the then carrying amount of the applicable long-lived assets of \$34 million to their fair value of \$1 million. The impairment charges were recorded in operating expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income.

In May 2016, the Company announced measures that will result in the closure of its fleet of 53 Old Navy stores in Japan and select Banana Republic stores, primarily internationally. During the thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016, we recorded a charge for the impairment of long-lived assets of \$54 million related to the announced store closures, and an additional \$35 million for long-lived assets that were unrelated to the announced measures. The impairment charges were recorded in operating expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income and reduced the then carrying amount of the applicable long-lived assets of \$102 million to their fair value of \$13 million. There were no impairment charges recorded for goodwill or other indefinite-lived intangible assets for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016.

We recorded a charge for the impairment of long-lived assets of \$6 million for the thirteen weeks ended October 31, 2015, which reduced the then carrying amount of the applicable long-lived assets of \$6 million to their fair value of zero. The impairment charges were recorded in operating expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income.

In June 2015, the Company announced a series of strategic actions to position Gap brand for improved business performance in the future, including its decision to close about 175 Gap brand specialty stores in North America and a limited number of international stores. As a result of the announced strategic actions, we reviewed the global Gap brand specialty fleet for impairment and recorded a charge for the impairment of long-lived assets of \$38 million for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2015, primarily related to Gap brand, and an additional \$5 million for long-lived assets that were unrelated to the strategic actions. We also recorded an impairment charge of \$5 million related to an indefinite-lived intangible asset. The impairment charges were recorded in operating expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income and reduced the then carrying amount of the applicable long-lived assets of \$49 million to their fair value of \$6 million and the applicable indefinite-lived intangible asset of \$6 million to its fair value of \$1 million during the thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2015.

There were no impairment charges recorded for goodwill for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2015.

Note 6. Derivative Financial Instruments

We operate in foreign countries, which exposes us to market risk associated with foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations. We use derivative financial instruments to manage our exposure to foreign currency exchange rate risk and do not enter into derivative financial contracts for trading purposes. Consistent with our risk management guidelines, we hedge a portion of our transactions related to merchandise purchases for foreign operations and certain intercompany transactions using foreign exchange forward contracts. These contracts are entered into with large, reputable financial institutions that are monitored for counterparty risk. The currencies hedged against changes in the U.S. dollar are Japanese yen, Canadian dollars, British pounds, Euro, Mexican pesos, Hong Kong dollars, Chinese yuan, and Taiwan dollars. Cash flows from derivative financial instruments are classified as cash flows from operating activities in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Cash Flow Hedges

We designate the following foreign exchange forward contracts as cash flow hedges: (1) forward contracts used to hedge forecasted merchandise purchases and related costs denominated in U.S. dollars made by our international subsidiaries whose functional currencies are their local currencies; (2) forward contracts used to hedge forecasted intercompany royalty payments denominated in foreign currencies received by entities whose functional currencies are U.S. dollars; and (3) forward contracts used to hedge forecasted intercompany revenue transactions related to merchandise sold from our regional purchasing entities, whose functional currency is the U.S. dollar, to certain international subsidiaries in their local currencies. The foreign exchange forward contracts entered into to hedge forecasted merchandise purchases and related costs, intercompany royalty payments, and intercompany revenue transactions generally have terms of up to 24 months. The effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative financial instruments is reported as a component of other comprehensive income and is recognized in income in the period in which the underlying transaction impacts the income statement.

There were no material amounts recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 or October 31, 2015 as a result of our analysis of hedge ineffectiveness or hedge components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness. There were no material amounts reclassified into earnings during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 or October 31, 2015 as a result of the discontinuance of cash flow hedges because the forecasted transactions were no longer probable.

Net Investment Hedges

We also use foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge the net assets of international subsidiaries to offset the foreign currency translation and economic exposures related to our investment in the subsidiaries.

There were no material amounts recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 or October 31, 2015 as a result of our analysis of hedge ineffectiveness or hedge components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness.

Other Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

We enter into foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge our market risk exposure associated with foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations for certain intercompany balances denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the entity with the intercompany balance. The gain or loss on the derivative financial instruments that represent economic hedges, as well as the remeasurement impact of the underlying intercompany balances, is recorded in operating expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income in the same period and generally offset.

Outstanding Notional Amounts

We had foreign exchange forward contracts outstanding in the following notional amounts:

(\$ in millions)	October 29, January 30, October 31,		
	2016	2016	2015
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges	\$ 1,201	\$ 1,220	\$ 1,349
Derivatives designated as net investment hedges	31	30	31
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments	664	324	394
Total	\$ 1,896	\$ 1,574	\$ 1,774

Quantitative Disclosures about Derivative Financial Instruments

The fair values of foreign exchange forward contracts are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	October 29, January 30, October 31,		
	2016	2016	2015
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:			
Other current assets	\$ 35	\$ 71	\$ 56
Other long-term assets	\$ 13	\$ 8	\$ 12
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	\$ 26	\$ 1	\$ 3
Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities	\$ 8	\$ 1	\$ 3
Derivatives designated as net investment hedges:			
Other current assets	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ —
Other long-term assets	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:			
Other current assets	\$ 13	\$ 13	\$ 16
Other long-term assets	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	\$ 14	\$ 1	\$ 2
Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities	\$ 1	\$ —	\$ —
Total derivatives in an asset position	\$ 62	\$ 93	\$ 84
Total derivatives in a liability position	\$ 49	\$ 3	\$ 8

The majority of the unrealized gains and losses from designated cash flow hedges as of October 29, 2016 will be recognized in income within the next 12 months at the then-current values, which may differ from the fair values as of October 29, 2016 shown above.

Our foreign exchange forward contracts are subject to master netting arrangements with each of our counterparties and such arrangements are enforceable in the event of default or early termination of the contract. We do not elect to offset the fair values of our derivative financial instruments in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, and as such, the fair values shown above represent gross amounts. The amounts subject to enforceable master netting arrangements are \$9 million, \$2 million, and \$5 million as of October 29, 2016, January 30, 2016, and October 31, 2015, respectively. If we did elect to offset, the net amounts of our derivative financial instruments in an asset position would be \$53 million, \$91 million, and \$79 million and the net amounts of the derivative financial instruments in a liability position would be \$40 million, \$1 million, and \$3 million as of October 29, 2016, January 30, 2016 and October 31, 2015, respectively.

See Note 5 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures on the fair value measurements of our derivative financial instruments.

The effective portion of gains and losses on foreign exchange forward contracts in cash flow hedging and net investment hedging relationships recorded in other comprehensive income and the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, on a pre-tax basis, are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Derivatives in cash flow hedging relationships:				
Gain (loss) recognized in other comprehensive income	\$43	\$ (8)	\$(62)	\$ 31
Gain reclassified into cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses	\$2	\$ 45	\$15	\$ 99
Gain (loss) reclassified into operating expenses	\$(2)	\$ 2	\$(10)	\$ 5

Derivatives in net investment hedging relationships:

Gain (loss) recognized in other comprehensive income	\$1	\$ —	\$(1)	\$ 1
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For the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 and October 31, 2015, there were no amounts of gain or loss reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income into net income for derivative financial instruments in net investment hedging relationships, as we did not sell or liquidate (or substantially liquidate) any of our hedged subsidiaries during the periods.

Gains and losses on foreign exchange forward contracts not designated as hedging instruments recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, on a pre-tax basis, are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Gain (loss) recognized in operating expenses	\$ 12	\$ —	—\$ (5)	\$ —

Note 7. Share Repurchases

Share repurchase activity is as follows:

(\$ and shares in millions except average per share cost)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Number of shares repurchased	— 6.2	— 21.8		
Total cost	\$— 200	\$— 807		
Average per share cost including commissions	\$— 32.17	\$— 36.93		

In October 2014, we announced that the Board of Directors approved a \$500 million share repurchase authorization, all of which was completed by the end of May 2015. In February 2015, we announced that the Board of Directors approved a \$1.0 billion share repurchase authorization (the "February 2015 repurchase program"). In February 2016, we announced that the Board of Directors approved a new \$1.0 billion share repurchase authorization (the "February 2016 repurchase program"). The February 2015 repurchase program, which had \$302 million remaining, was superseded and replaced by the February 2016 repurchase program. The February 2016 repurchase program still had \$1.0 billion remaining as of October 29, 2016, as there were no shares repurchased during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016.

All of the share repurchases were paid for as of January 30, 2016 and October 31, 2015. All common stock repurchased is immediately retired.

Note 8. Share-Based Compensation

Share-based compensation expense recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, primarily in operating expenses, is as follows:

(\$ in millions)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 2016	October 2015	October 2016	October 2015
Stock units	\$ 14	\$ 12	\$ 43	\$ 46
Stock options	4	2	9	8
Employee stock purchase plan	1	1	3	4
Share-based compensation expense	19	15	55	58
Less: Income tax benefit	(8)	(6)	(25)	(22)
Share-based compensation expense, net of tax	\$ 11	\$ 9	\$ 30	\$ 36

Note 9. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

Changes in accumulated other comprehensive income by component, net of tax, are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Foreign Currency Translation	Cash Flow Hedges	Total
Balance at January 30, 2016	\$ 22	\$ 63	\$85
13 Weeks Ended April 30, 2016:			
Foreign currency translation	31	—	31
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments	—	(89)	(89)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	(7)	(7)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net	31	(96)	(65)
Balance at April 30, 2016	53	(33)	20
13 Weeks Ended July 30, 2016:			
Foreign currency translation	(22)	—	(22)
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments	—	(7)	(7)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	8	8
Other comprehensive income (loss), net	(22)	1	(21)
Balance at July 30, 2016	31	(32)	(1)
13 Weeks Ended October 29, 2016:			
Foreign currency translation	(10)	—	(10)
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments	—	39	39
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	—	—
Other comprehensive loss, net	(10)	39	29
Balance at October 29, 2016	\$ 21	\$ 7	\$28

(\$ in millions)	Foreign Currency Translation	Cash Flow Hedges	Total
Balance at January 31, 2015	\$ 60	\$ 105	\$165
13 Weeks Ended May 2, 2015:			
Foreign currency translation	6	—	6
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments	—	(10)	(10)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	(21)	(21)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net	6	(31)	(25)
Balance at May 2, 2015	66	74	140
13 Weeks Ended August 1, 2015:			
Foreign currency translation	(13)	—	(13)
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments	—	36	36
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	(19)	(19)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net	(13)	17	4
Balance at August 1, 2015	53	91	144
13 Weeks Ended October 31, 2015:			
Foreign currency translation	(2)	—	(2)
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments	—	(4)	(4)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	(33)	(33)
Other comprehensive loss, net	(2)	(37)	(39)
Balance at October 31, 2015	\$ 51	\$ 54	\$105

See Note 6 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional disclosures about reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income and their corresponding effects on the respective line items in the

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

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Note 10. Income Taxes

The Company conducts business globally, and as a result, files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various state and foreign jurisdictions. In the normal course of business, we are subject to examination by taxing authorities throughout the world, including such major jurisdictions as the United States, Canada, France, the United Kingdom, China, Hong Kong, Japan, and India. We are no longer subject to U.S. federal income tax examinations for fiscal years before 2009, and with few exceptions, we are also no longer subject to U.S. state, local, or non-U.S. income tax examinations for fiscal years before 2008.

The Company engages in continual discussions with taxing authorities regarding tax matters in the various U.S. and foreign jurisdictions in the normal course of business. As of October 29, 2016, it is reasonably possible that we will recognize a decrease in gross unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months of up to \$2 million, primarily due to the closing of audits. If we do recognize such a decrease, the net impact on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income would not be material.

The effective income tax rate was 45.2 percent for the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2016, compared with 37.4 percent for the thirteen weeks ended October 31, 2015. The effective income tax rate was 45.6 percent for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016, compared with 37.6 percent for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2015. The increase in the effective tax rates was primarily due to the impact of restructuring costs incurred for foreign subsidiaries during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 and resulting valuation allowances on certain foreign deferred tax assets.

Note 11. Earnings Per Share

Weighted-average number of shares used for earnings per share is as follows:

(shares in millions)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Weighted-average number of shares - basic	399	406	398	415
Common stock equivalents	1	2	2	2
Weighted-average number of shares - diluted	400	408	400	417

The above computations of weighted-average number of shares – diluted exclude 8 million and 4 million shares related to stock options and other stock awards for the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2016 and October 31, 2015, respectively, and 7 million and 3 million shares related to stock options and other stock awards for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016 and October 31, 2015, respectively, as their inclusion would have an anti-dilutive effect on earnings per share.

Note 12. Commitments and Contingencies

We are a party to a variety of contractual agreements under which we may be obligated to indemnify the other party for certain matters. These contracts primarily relate to our commercial contracts, operating leases, trademarks, intellectual property, financial agreements, and various other agreements. Under these contracts, we may provide certain routine indemnifications relating to representations and warranties (e.g., ownership of assets, environmental or tax indemnifications) or personal injury matters. The terms of these indemnifications range in duration and may not be explicitly defined. Generally, the maximum obligation under such indemnifications is not explicitly stated, and as a result, the overall amount of these obligations cannot be reasonably estimated. Historically, we have not made significant payments for these indemnifications. We believe that if we were to incur a loss in any of these matters, the loss would not have a material effect on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements taken as a whole.

As a multinational company, we are subject to various proceedings, lawsuits, disputes, and claims (“Actions”) arising in the ordinary course of our business. Many of these Actions raise complex factual and legal issues and are subject to uncertainties. As of October 29, 2016, Actions filed against us included commercial, intellectual property, customer, employment, and data privacy claims, including class action lawsuits. The plaintiffs in some Actions seek unspecified damages or injunctive relief, or both. Actions are in various procedural stages and some are covered in part by insurance. As of October 29, 2016, January 30, 2016, and October 31, 2015, we recorded a liability for an estimated

loss if the outcome of an Action is expected to result in a loss that is considered probable and reasonably estimable. The liability recorded as of October 29, 2016, January 30, 2016, and October 31, 2015 was not material for any individual Action or in total. Subsequent to October 29, 2016 and through the filing date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, no information has become available that indicates a change is required that would be material to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements taken as a whole.

We cannot predict with assurance the outcome of Actions brought against us. Accordingly, developments, settlements, or resolutions may occur and impact income in the quarter of such development, settlement, or resolution. However, we do not believe that the outcome of any current Action would have a material effect on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements taken as a whole.

Fire at the Fishkill Distribution Center

On August 29, 2016, a fire occurred in one of the buildings at a Company-owned distribution center campus in Fishkill, New York. The impacted building primarily held Gap and Banana Republic products for distribution to stores and fulfilled online orders for Gap and Old Navy in the Northeast region of the United States. The other building, which processes Old Navy products, has returned to normal operation.

The Company maintains property and business interruption insurance coverage. Certain incremental costs incurred related to the fire and related insurance recovery for the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2016 are as follows:

	13 Weeks Ended October 29, 2016
(\$ in millions)	
Loss on inventory	\$ 86
Loss on property, plant, and equipment	12
Other fire-related costs	19
Total	117
Less: Expected insurance recoveries	(117)
Fire-related costs, net	\$ —

Based on the provisions of the Company's insurance policies, the Company has determined that recovery of certain fire-related costs incurred as of October 29, 2016 is probable and recorded \$117 million of insurance recoveries. During the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2016, the Company received \$73 million of insurance proceeds, representing an advance of funds. As a result, the insurance receivable balance was \$44 million as of October 29, 2016 and was recorded in other current assets in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. In November 2016, the Company received an additional advance of about \$25 million.

Note 13. Segment Information

The Gap, Inc. is a global retailer that sells apparel, accessories, and personal care products under the Gap, Old Navy, Banana Republic, Athleta, and Intermix brands. We identify our operating segments according to how our business activities are managed and evaluated. As of October 29, 2016, our operating segments included Gap Global, Old Navy Global, Banana Republic Global, Athleta, and Intermix. The operating results for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2015 also include Piperlime, which was discontinued as of the first quarter of fiscal 2015. We have determined that each of our operating segments share similar economic and other qualitative characteristics, and therefore the results of our operating segments are aggregated into one reportable segment as of October 29, 2016.

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Net sales by brand and region are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Gap	Old	Banana	Other	Total	Percentage
13 Weeks Ended October 29, 2016	Global	Navy Global	Republic Global	(2)		of Net Sales
U.S. (1)	\$756	\$1,507	\$479	\$172	\$2,914	77 %
Canada	102	131	55	1	289	8
Europe	150	—	14	—	164	4
Asia	296	55	25	—	376	10
Other regions	36	12	7	—	55	1
Total	\$1,340	\$1,705	\$580	\$173	\$3,798	100 %
Sales growth (decline)	(7)%	5 %	(7)%	9 %	(2)%	

(\$ in millions)	Gap	Old	Banana	Other	Total	Percentage
13 Weeks Ended October 31, 2015	Global	Navy Global	Republic Global	(2)		of Net Sales
U.S. (1)	\$838	\$1,449	\$520	\$159	\$2,966	77 %
Canada	94	118	56	—	268	7
Europe	182	—	17	—	199	5
Asia	300	50	26	—	376	10
Other regions	34	6	8	—	48	1
Total	\$1,448	\$1,623	\$627	\$159	\$3,857	100 %
Sales growth (decline)	(7)%	4 %	(11)%	4 %	(3)%	

(\$ in millions)	Gap	Old	Banana	Other	Total	Percentage
39 Weeks Ended October 29, 2016	Global	Navy Global	Republic Global	(2)		of Net Sales
U.S. (1)	\$2,203	\$4,335	\$1,456	\$550	\$8,544	77 %
Canada	264	358	159	2	783	7
Europe	453	—	45	—	498	5
Asia	856	171	80	—	1,107	10
Other regions	100	32	23	—	155	1
Total	\$3,876	\$4,896	\$1,763	\$552	\$11,087	100 %
Sales growth (decline)	(6)%	1 %	(8)%	8 %	(3)%	

(\$ in millions)	Gap	Old	Banana	Other	Total	Percentage
39 Weeks Ended October 31, 2015	Global	Navy Global	Republic Global	(3)		of Net Sales
U.S. (1)	\$2,368	\$4,352	\$1,598	\$511	\$8,829	77 %
Canada	251	344	167	2	764	7
Europe	522	—	54	—	576	5
Asia	855	142	80	—	1,077	10
Other regions	128	12	26	—	166	1
Total	\$4,124	\$4,850	\$1,925	\$513	\$11,412	100 %
Sales growth (decline)	(8)%	4 %	(7)%	(2)%	(3)%	

(1)U.S. includes the United States, Puerto Rico, and Guam.

(2)Includes Athleta and Intermix.

(3)Includes Athleta, Intermix, and Piperlime, which was discontinued as of the first quarter of fiscal 2015.

Net sales by region are allocated based on the location of the store where the customer paid for and received the merchandise or the distribution center or store from which the products were shipped.

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

OUR BUSINESS

We are a global retailer offering apparel, accessories, and personal care products for men, women, and children under the Gap, Old Navy, Banana Republic, Athleta, and Intermix brands. We have Company-operated stores in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Ireland, Japan, Italy, China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and beginning in October 2015, Mexico. Our products are also available to customers online through Company-owned websites and through the use of third parties that provide logistics and fulfillment services. We have franchise agreements with unaffiliated franchisees to operate Gap, Banana Republic, and Old Navy stores throughout Asia, Australia, Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, and Africa. Under these agreements, third parties operate, or will operate, stores that sell apparel and related products under our brand names. In addition to operating in the specialty, outlet, online, and franchise channels, we also use our omni-channel capabilities to bridge the digital world and physical stores to further enhance our shopping experience for our customers. Our omni-channel services, including order-in-store, reserve-in-store, find-in-store, and ship-from-store, as well as enhanced mobile experiences, are tailored uniquely across our portfolio of brands. Most of the products sold under our brand names are designed by us and manufactured by independent sources. We also sell products that are designed and manufactured by branded third parties, primarily at our Intermix brand.

OVERVIEW

In fiscal 2016, one of our primary objectives is to continue transforming our product to market process, resulting in more consistent, on-trend product offerings, and a compelling customer experience in stores and online. To enable this, we have several product and supply chain initiatives underway. Further, we expect to continue our investment in mobile digital capabilities to enhance our shopping experience for our customers.

Trends in the apparel retail environment have been challenging, and the change in our business trajectory is not happening at the desired pace. On May 19, 2016, we announced measures to better align talent and financial resources against our most important priorities to position the Company for improved business performance and long-term success.

Our aim is to recapture market share in our home market, North America, where we have our largest structural advantages, and to focus on international regions with the greatest potential. As part of this effort, Old Navy is winding down its operations in Japan, resulting in the closure of its fleet of 53 stores by the end of fiscal 2016. The brand's near-term growth ambitions will be anchored in North America, including its recent debut of Company-operated stores in Mexico, as well as China and its global franchise operations. Japan remains an important market for the Company's portfolio, with a continued strong presence of more than 200 Gap and Banana Republic stores. Additionally, the Company expects to close select Banana Republic stores, primarily internationally, by the end of fiscal 2016.

We are also creating a more efficient operating model, enabling us to more fully leverage our scale.

The Company estimates that its actions will result in annualized pre-tax savings of about \$275 million. The Company estimates an annualized sales loss of about \$250 million associated with the store closures and expects to recognize pre-tax restructuring costs in fiscal 2016 of about \$210 million to \$240 million from the store closures and operating model changes. The Company expects that the charges will primarily include lease termination fees, store asset impairment, and employee related costs. In addition to the total pre-tax amount of restructuring costs estimated, the Company also expects to incur incremental tax expense related to the restructuring costs and resulting valuation allowances on certain foreign deferred tax assets. In connection with the decision to close stores and streamline the Company's operations, the Company incurred \$29 million and \$179 million in restructuring costs during the third quarter of fiscal 2016 and thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2016, respectively, on a pre-tax basis.

On August 29, 2016, a fire occurred in one of the buildings at a Company-owned distribution center campus in Fishkill, New York. We immediately activated contingency plans designed to help mitigate the overall impact to the business, including utilizing the Company's other distribution centers in North America and rerouting inbound freight intended for the Fishkill distribution center to other distribution centers. The Company also constructed a temporary fulfillment site at the Fishkill campus, which has begun processing orders. For the third quarter of fiscal 2016, the

Company incurred fire-related costs which included \$86 million in loss on inventory, \$12 million on loss on property, plant, and equipment, and \$19 million in other fire-related costs. Based on the provisions of the Company's insurance policies, the Company has determined that recovery of certain fire-related costs incurred during the third quarter of fiscal 2016 is probable, and the insurance receivable balance, net of advance insurance proceeds received, has been recorded as of October 29, 2016 to fully offset the fire-related costs. The company expects to continue to record additional costs and recoveries until the insurance claim is fully settled. While the Company has activated contingency plans to help mitigate the overall impact to the business, we expect a negative impact to net sales for the remainder of fiscal 2016 as a result of lost inventory, as well as increased logistics costs.

Financial results for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 are as follows:

Net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 decreased 2 percent compared with the third quarter of fiscal 2015.

Comparable sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 decreased 3 percent, including an estimated negative impact from the Fishkill distribution center fire of approximately 2 percentage points, compared with a 2 percent decrease for the third quarter of fiscal 2015.

Operating margin for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 was 10.2 percent compared with 10.7 percent for the third quarter of fiscal 2015. Operating margin is defined as operating income as a percentage of net sales.

Net income for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 was \$204 million compared with \$248 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2015, and diluted earnings per share was \$0.51 for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 compared with \$0.61 for the third quarter of fiscal 2015. Diluted earnings per share for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 included about \$0.09 impact of restructuring costs incurred in the third quarter of fiscal 2016.

During the first three quarters of fiscal 2016, we distributed \$275 million to shareholders through dividends.

We expect that foreign exchange rate fluctuations will continue to have a meaningful negative impact on our full-year results in fiscal 2016, primarily in gross margin. Our merchandise purchases are primarily in U.S. dollars, which can have a negative impact on gross margins for our largest foreign subsidiaries whose currencies weakened.

Fiscal 2015 results were impacted by a series of strategic actions to position Gap brand for improved business performance in the future, including right-sizing the Gap brand store fleet primarily in North America, streamlining the brand's headquarter workforce, and developing a clear, on-brand product aesthetic framework to strengthen the Gap brand to compete more successfully on the global stage. During fiscal 2015, the Company completed the closure of about 150 Gap global specialty stores related to the strategic actions. In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company incurred \$13 million of charges in connection with the strategic actions, primarily consisting of impairment charges and employee related expenses. During the thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2015, the Company incurred \$107 million of charges in connection with the strategic actions, primarily consisting of impairment of store assets related to underperforming stores, lease termination fees and lease losses, and impairment of inventory that did not meet brand standards.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net Sales

See Note 13 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part I, Item 1 in this Form 10-Q, for net sales by brand and region.

Comparable Sales

The percentage change in comparable ("Comp") sales by global brand and for total Company, as compared with the preceding year, is as follows:

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 2016		October 2015	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Gap Global	(8)%	(4)%	(5)%	(7)%
Old Navy Global	3%	4%	(1)%	3%
Banana Republic Global	(8)%	(12)%	(9)%	(8)%
The Gap, Inc.	(3)%	(2)%	(3)%	(3)%

Comp sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 include an estimated negative impact from the Fishkill distribution center fire of approximately 4 percentage points for Gap Global, approximately 1 percentage point for Old Navy Global, and approximately 2 percentage points for Banana Republic Global.

Comp sales include the results of Company-operated stores and sales through online channels in those countries where we have existing Comp store sales. The calculation of total Company Comp sales includes the results of Athleta and Intermix but excludes the results of our franchise business.

A store is included in the Comp sales calculations when it has been open and operated by the Company for at least one year and the selling square footage has not changed by 15 percent or more within the past year. A store is included in the Comp sales calculations on the first day it has comparable prior year sales. Stores in which the selling square footage has changed by 15 percent or more as a result of a remodel, expansion, or reduction are excluded from the

Comp sales calculations until the first day they have comparable prior year sales.

A store is considered non-comparable (“Non-comp”) when it has been open and operated by the Company for less than one year or has changed its selling square footage by 15 percent or more within the past year.

A store is considered “Closed” if it is temporarily closed for three or more full consecutive days or it is permanently closed. When a temporarily closed store reopens, the store will be placed in the Comp/Non-comp status it was in prior to its closure. If a store was in Closed status for three or more days in the prior year, the store will be in Non-comp status for the same days the following year.

Current year foreign exchange rates are applied to both current year and prior year Comp sales to achieve a consistent basis for comparison.

Store Count and Square Footage Information

Net sales per average square foot is as follows:

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016		October 29, 2015	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Net sales per average square foot (1)	\$ 81	\$ 82	240	\$ 246

(1) Excludes net sales associated with our online and franchise businesses.

Store count, openings, closings, and square footage for our stores are as follows:

	January 30, 2016	39 Weeks Ended October 29, 2016		October 29, 2016	
	Number of Store Locations	Number of Stores Opened	Number of Stores Closed	Number of Store Locations	Square Footage (in millions)
Gap North America	866	11	19	858	9.0
Gap Asia	305	18	8	315	3.0
Gap Europe	175	1	10	166	1.4
Old Navy North America	1,030	19	10	1,039	17.4
Old Navy Asia	65	5	10	60	0.9
Banana Republic North America	612	7	7	612	5.1
Banana Republic Asia	51	—	2	49	0.2
Banana Republic Europe	10	—	—	10	0.1
Athleta North America	120	10	—	130	0.5
Intermix North America	41	2	1	42	0.1
Company-operated stores total	3,275	73	67	3,281	37.7
Franchise	446	52	37	461	N/A
Total	3,721	125	104	3,742	37.7
Decrease over prior year				(1.4)%	(2.3)%

	January 31, 2015	39 Weeks Ended October 31, 2015		October 31, 2015	
	Number of Store Locations	Number of Stores Opened	Number of Stores Closed	Number of Store Locations	Square Footage (in millions)
Gap North America	960	25	46	939	9.8
Gap Asia	266	34	1	299	2.9
Gap Europe	189	5	10	184	1.6
Old Navy North America	1,013	27	13	1,027	17.4
Old Navy Asia	43	14	—	57	0.8
Banana Republic North America	610	18	10	618	5.2

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Banana Republic Asia	44	6	—	50	0.2	
Banana Republic Europe	11	—	—	11	0.1	
Athleta North America	101	17	—	118	0.5	
Intermix North America	42	2	1	43	0.1	
Piperlime North America	1	—	1	—	—	
Company-operated stores total	3,280	148	82	3,346	38.6	
Franchise	429	42	23	448	N/A	
Total	3,709	190	105	3,794	38.6	
Increase over prior year				3.1	% 1.6	%

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Gap and Banana Republic outlet and factory stores are reflected in each of the respective brands.

Net Sales

Our net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 decreased \$59 million, or 2 percent, compared with the third quarter of fiscal 2015 driven by a decrease in net sales at Gap and Banana Republic, partially offset by an increase in net sales at Old Navy, as well as a favorable impact of foreign exchange of \$17 million. The favorable impact of foreign exchange was primarily due to the strengthening of the Japanese yen against the U.S. dollar, offset by the weakening of the British pound. The foreign exchange impact is the translation impact if net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2015 were translated at exchange rates applicable during the third quarter of fiscal 2016.

Our net sales for the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 decreased \$325 million, or 3 percent, compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015 driven by a decrease in net sales at Gap and Banana Republic, partially offset by an increase at Old Navy.

Cost of Goods Sold and Occupancy Expenses

(\$ in millions)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses	\$2,305	\$ 2,417	\$6,948	\$ 7,132
Gross profit	\$1,493	\$ 1,440	\$4,139	\$ 4,280
Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses as a percentage of net sales	60.7 %	62.7 %	62.7 %	62.5 %
Gross margin	39.3 %	37.3 %	37.3 %	37.5 %

Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses decreased 2.0 percentage points in the third quarter of fiscal 2016 compared with the third quarter of fiscal 2015.

Cost of goods sold decreased 2.2 percent as a percentage of net sales in the third quarter of fiscal 2016 compared with the third quarter of fiscal 2015, primarily driven by improved product acceptance resulting in improved margins at Old Navy.

Occupancy expenses increased 0.2 percentage points in the third quarter of fiscal 2016 compared with the third quarter of fiscal 2015, primarily driven by the decrease in net sales without a corresponding decrease in occupancy expenses.

Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses increased 0.2 percentage points during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015.

Cost of goods sold decreased 0.3 percent as a percentage of net sales during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015, primarily driven by improved product acceptance resulting in improved margins at Old Navy.

Occupancy expenses increased 0.5 percentage points during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015, primarily driven by the decrease in net sales without a corresponding decrease in occupancy expenses.

Operating Expenses

(\$ in millions)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Operating expenses	\$1,104	\$ 1,026	\$3,249	\$ 3,111
Operating expenses as a percentage of net sales	29.1 %	26.6 %	29.3 %	27.3 %
Operating margin	10.2 %	10.7 %	8.0 %	10.2 %

Operating expenses increased \$78 million, or 2.5 percent as a percentage of net sales, in the third quarter of fiscal 2016 compared with the third quarter of fiscal 2015. The increase in operating expenses was primarily due to restructuring costs of \$36 million incurred in the third quarter of fiscal 2016 compared with the costs related to strategic actions of \$7 million incurred in the third quarter of fiscal 2015, as well as store asset impairment charges of

\$31 million unrelated to restructuring activities in the third quarter of fiscal 2016 compared with store asset impairment charges of \$4 million unrelated to the strategic actions in the third quarter of fiscal 2015.

Operating expenses increased \$138 million, or 2.0 percent as a percentage of net sales, during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015. The increase was primarily due to restructuring costs of \$171 million incurred during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with the costs related to strategic actions of \$79 million incurred during the first three quarters of fiscal 2015, as well as store asset impairment charges of \$35 million unrelated to restructuring activities during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with store asset impairment charges of \$5 million unrelated to the strategic actions during the first three quarters of fiscal 2015.

Interest Expense

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
(\$ in millions)	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Interest expense	\$ 20	\$ 19	\$ 57	\$ 41

Interest expense for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 and 2015 and the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 primarily consists of interest on overall borrowings and obligations mainly related to our \$1.25 billion 5.95 percent Notes. Interest expense for the first three quarters of fiscal 2015 includes \$56 million of interest on overall borrowings and other obligations mainly related to our \$1.25 billion 5.95 percent Notes, partially offset by a reversal of approximately \$15 million of tax-related interest expense primarily resulting from a favorable foreign tax ruling and actions of foreign tax authorities related to transfer pricing matters.

Income Taxes

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
(\$ in millions)	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Income taxes	\$168	\$ 148	\$383	\$ 425
Effective tax rate	45.2 %	37.4 %	45.6 %	37.6 %

The increase in the effective tax rates for the third quarter of fiscal 2016 compared with the third quarter of fiscal 2015, and the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015, was primarily due to the impact of restructuring costs incurred for foreign subsidiaries during fiscal 2016 and resulting valuation allowances on certain foreign deferred tax assets.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our largest source of cash flows is cash collections from the sale of our merchandise. Our primary uses of cash include merchandise inventory purchases, occupancy costs, personnel-related expenses, purchases of property and equipment, payment of taxes, dividends, and share repurchases. As of October 29, 2016, cash and cash equivalents were \$1.5 billion. As of October 29, 2016, the majority of our cash and cash equivalents was held in the United States and is generally accessible without any limitations.

We believe that current cash balances and cash flows from our operations will be sufficient to support our business operations, including growth initiatives and planned capital expenditures, for the next 12 months and beyond. We are also able to supplement near-term liquidity, if necessary, with our \$500 million revolving credit facility or other available market instruments.

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 increased \$66 million compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015, primarily due to the following:

- an increase of \$146 million related to non-cash and other items primarily due to the reclassification of gain related to our derivative financial instruments in the first three quarters of fiscal 2015 and an increase in store asset impairment in the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015;
- an increase of \$145 million related to accounts payable primarily due to the timing of merchandise payments; and
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an increase of \$102 million related to merchandise inventory primarily due to the volume and timing of receipts; partially offset by

a decrease of \$250 million in net income; and

a decrease of \$82 million related to other current assets and other long-term assets in part due to the insurance claim receivable from the fire of the company-owned distribution center in Fishkill, New York on August 29, 2016.

We fund inventory expenditures during normal and peak periods through cash flows from operating activities and available cash. Our business follows a seasonal pattern, with sales peaking during the end-of-year holiday period. The seasonality of our operations may lead to significant fluctuations in certain asset and liability accounts between fiscal year-end and subsequent interim periods.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Net cash used for investing activities during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 decreased \$125 million compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015, primarily due to less property and equipment purchases.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Net cash used for financing activities during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 decreased \$425 million compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2015, primarily due to the following:
 • no repurchases of common stock in the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 compared with \$822 million cash outflows related to repurchases of common stock in the first three quarters of fiscal 2015; partially offset by \$400 million proceeds from the issuance of short-term debt in fiscal 2015.

Free Cash Flow

Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. We believe free cash flow is an important metric because it represents a measure of how much cash a company has available for discretionary and non-discretionary items after the deduction of capital expenditures, as we require regular capital expenditures to build and maintain stores and purchase new equipment to improve our business. We use this metric internally, as we believe our sustained ability to generate free cash flow is an important driver of value creation. However, this non-GAAP financial measure is not intended to supersede or replace our GAAP results.

The following table reconciles free cash flow, a non-GAAP financial measure, from a GAAP financial measure.

(\$ in millions)	39 Weeks Ended	
	October 29, 2016	October 31, 2015
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$800	\$ 734
Less: Purchases of property and equipment	(383)	(505)
Free cash flow	\$417	\$ 229

Debt and Credit Facilities

Certain financial information about the Company's debt and credit facilities is set forth under the heading "Debt and Credit Facilities" in Note 4 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

Dividend Policy

In determining whether and at what level to declare a dividend, we consider a number of factors including sustainability, operating performance, liquidity, and market conditions.

We paid a dividend of \$0.23 per share during each of the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 and fiscal 2015. Including the dividend paid during the first three quarters of fiscal 2016 of \$0.69 per share, we intend to pay an annual dividend of \$0.92 per share for fiscal 2016, consistent with the annual dividend for fiscal 2015.

Share Repurchases

Certain financial information about the Company's share repurchases is set forth under the heading "Share Repurchases" in Note 7 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

Summary Disclosures about Contractual Cash Obligations and Commercial Commitments

There have been no material changes to our contractual obligations and commercial commitments as disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of January 30, 2016, other than those which occur in the normal course of business. See Note 12 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q, for disclosures on commitments and contingencies.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

There have been no significant changes to our critical accounting policies and estimates as discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Our market risk profile as of January 30, 2016 is disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and has not significantly changed. See Notes 4, 5, and 6 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part I, Item 1, of this Form 10-Q, for disclosures on our debt, investments, and derivative financial instruments.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Company's third quarter of fiscal 2016 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

As a multinational company, we are subject to various proceedings, lawsuits, disputes, and claims arising in the ordinary course of our business. Many of these Actions raise complex factual and legal issues and are subject to uncertainties. Actions filed against us from time to time include commercial, intellectual property, customer, employment, and data privacy claims, including class action lawsuits. The plaintiffs in some Actions seek unspecified damages or injunctive relief, or both. Actions are in various procedural stages, and some are covered in part by insurance.

We cannot predict with assurance the outcome of Actions brought against us. Accordingly, developments, settlements, or resolutions may occur and impact income in the quarter of such development, settlement, or resolution. However, we do not believe that the outcome of any current Action would have a material effect on our financial results.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

There have been no material changes in our risk factors from those disclosed in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016, other than what was previously disclosed in Part II, Item 1A of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended April 30, 2016, except as follows:

Our results could be adversely affected by natural disasters, public health crises, political crises, or other catastrophic events.

Natural disasters, such as hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, earthquakes, and other adverse weather and climate conditions; unforeseen public health crises, such as pandemics and epidemics; political crises, such as terrorist attacks, war, labor unrest, and other political instability; or other catastrophic events, such as fires or other disasters occurring at our distribution centers or vendors' manufacturing facilities, whether occurring in the United States or internationally, could disrupt our operations, including the operations of our franchisees or the operations of one or more of our vendors. In particular, these types of events could impact our product supply chain from or to the impacted region and could impact our ability or the ability of our franchisees or other third parties to operate our stores or websites. In addition, these types of events could negatively impact consumer spending in the impacted regions or, depending upon the severity, globally. Disasters occurring at our vendors' manufacturing facilities could impact our reputation and our customers' perception of our brands. To the extent any of these events occur, our operations and financial results could be adversely affected.

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

The following table presents information with respect to purchases of common stock of the Company made during the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2016 by The Gap, Inc. or any affiliated purchaser, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 10b-18(a)(3). There were no shares repurchased during the period.

	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share Including Commissions	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number (or approximate dollar amount) of Shares that May Yet be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (1)
Month #1 (July 31-August 27)	—	\$	—	\$ 1,000 million
Month #2 (August 28 - October 1)	—	\$	—	\$ 1,000 million
Month #3 (October 2 - October 29)	—	\$	—	\$ 1,000 million
Total	—	\$	—	

(1)

On February 26, 2015, we announced that the Board of Directors approved a \$1 billion share repurchase authorization. On February 25, 2016, we announced that the Board of Directors approved a new \$1 billion share repurchase authorization. The February 2015 repurchase program, which had \$302 million remaining, was superseded and replaced by the February 2016 repurchase program, which has no expiration date.

Item 6. Exhibits.

- 10.1 Letter Amendment No. 1 to the Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement dated August 31, 2016, filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Registrant's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended July 30, 2016.
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(1) Filed herewith.

(2) 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.

THE GAP, INC.

Date: December 5, 2016 By /s/ Arthur Peck
Arthur Peck
Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 5, 2016 By /s/ Sabrina L. Simmons
Sabrina L. Simmons
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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