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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended January 2, 2018

OR

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

Jamba, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-32552	20-2122262
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File No.)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (469) 294-9600

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The aggregate market value of the registrant's common stock, \$0.001 par value per share, held by non-affiliates as of the last day of the registrant's second fiscal quarter ended July 4, 2017 was \$54,659,392 based upon the closing sales price of registrant's common stock on July 3, 2017. For purposes of this disclosure, shares of common stock held by persons who held more than 5% of the outstanding shares of common stock and shares held by officers and directors of the registrant have been excluded in that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination of

affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes.

The number of shares of common stock of Jamba, Inc. issued and outstanding as of May 4, 2018 was 18,447,023 and 15,588,206, respectively.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

None.

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Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. You can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as “may,” “will,” “would,” “could,” “should,” “might,” “project,” “po-,” “forecast,” “designed,” “goal,” “approximately,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “contemplate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “intend,” “plan,” or the negative of those words or words of similar meaning. Any statement that is not a historical fact, including any other estimates, projections, future trends and the outcome of events that have not yet occurred, is a forward-looking statement. Examples of such statements include references to accelerated growth, new store openings, Company Store comparable sales, expense management and the like. You should read statements that contain these words carefully because they:

- discuss future expectations;
- contain projections of future results of operations or financial condition; or
- state other “forward-looking” information.

We believe it is important to communicate our expectations to our shareholders. However, there may be events and circumstances in the future that we are not able to accurately predict or over which we have no control. The risk factors and cautionary language discussed in this document outline examples of risks, uncertainties and events that may cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations described in the forward-looking statements, including among other things:

- our business strategy and financial performance;
- our revenue and customer volatility based upon weather and general economic conditions;
- the operating results of our franchisees;
- fluctuations in various food and supply costs;
- competition and other risks related to the food services business;
 - our ability to retain our executive management team and key employees; and
- other factors discussed in the “Risk Factors” and “Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” portion of this annual report.

You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this document.

All forward-looking statements included herein are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to in this section. Except to the extent required by applicable laws and regulations, we undertake no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this document or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

You should be aware that the occurrence of the events described in the “Risk Factors” portion of this annual report, the documents incorporated herein and our other SEC filings could have a material adverse effect on our business, prospects, financial condition or operating results.

PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

Background of Jamba, Inc.

Jamba, Inc. through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Jamba Juice Company, is a healthful lifestyle brand that inspires and simplifies healthful living through freshly blended whole fruit and vegetable smoothies, bowls, juices, cold-pressed shots, boosts, snacks, and meal replacements. Jamba's blends are made with premium ingredients free of artificial flavors and preservatives so guests can feel their best and blend the most into life. Our global business is driven by a portfolio of franchised and company-owned Jamba Juice® stores.

In November 2014, the Company announced an accelerated transition to an asset-light model. Since the announcement we have refranchised approximately 200 Company stores, which is designed to facilitate a more flexible cost structure reduce capital expenditures and focus on unit growth initiatives. We completed our move to an asset-light model and we now have 94% of our locations owned by experienced franchisees.

As of January 2, 2018, there were 873 Jamba Juice stores globally, consisting of 53 Company-owned and operated stores, all located in the United States ("Company Stores"), 749 franchisee-owned and operated stores ("Franchise Stores") in the United States and 71 Franchise Stores in international locations ("International Stores"), collectively the ("Jamba System"). Currently, 6% of our stores are owned and operated by the Company and 94% of our stores are owned and operated by franchisees.

In 1990, Kirk Perron founded Juice Club to inspire and simplify healthy living. Since 1991, the Company has been operating as Jamba Juice. Jamba, Inc. was incorporated in Delaware on January 6, 2005 as a blank check company formed to serve as a vehicle for the acquisition of an operating business. On July 6, 2005, Jamba, Inc. consummated its initial public offering. On March 10, 2006, Jamba, Inc. entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with Jamba Juice Company, which was completed on November 29, 2006.

Unless the context otherwise requires, Jamba, Inc., the registrant, together with Jamba Juice Company, are referred to in this Form 10-K annual report ("Form 10-K") as the "Company", "Jamba Juice", "Jamba", "we", "us" and "our." Information regarding the Company's fiscal periods is included in Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

Fiscal Year

Our fiscal year ends each year on the Tuesday closest to December 31st and therefore we have a 52 or 53 week fiscal year. Fiscal Year 2017 was a 52 week fiscal year, ended on January 2, 2018. Fiscal Year 2016 was a 53 week fiscal year and ended on January 3, 2017, with the fourth quarter comprised of 13 weeks while fiscal year 2015 was a 52 week fiscal year and ended on December 29, 2015.

Our Stores

We operate a portfolio of flexible store formats that are utilized in different venues. We generally categorize our stores as either traditional, non-traditional or drive thru locations. A traditional location is characterized as a business premise that exists primarily as a Jamba Juice store. Traditional stores average approximately 1,200 - 1,300 square feet in size. These stores are located either in major urban centers or in suburban strip mall centers, either as in-line or standalone. We announced a franchise incentive program designed to accelerate new store openings in 2017, including our new Drive-Thru format which is intended to increase sales, improve unit level economics and expand our available trade-areas by increasing accessibility to the market. We believe this program will spur additional growth of

the incentivized store formats. As of January 2, 2018, there were 614 traditional Jamba Juice store locations. A non-traditional location is characterized as a Jamba Juice store located within another primary business, in conjunction with another business or at institutional settings, such as colleges and universities, entertainment venues, shopping malls, transportation centers, supermarkets, airports and Express concept. A “captive” audience is a common characteristic of non-traditional locations. We believe one benefit of the development of non-traditional stores is to increase awareness of the Jamba Juice brand to complement the traditional stores in the area. As of January 2, 2018, there were 188 non-traditional Jamba Juice store locations.

The Jamba Juice Express concept was launched in 2012. The concept is designed to target venues with a smaller footprint than our historical, non-traditional store. Jamba Juice Express units offer a limited menu of the brand's top selling smoothies and juices as compared to our other store formats. Our Jamba Juice Express platform is an in-fill strategy for venues such as colleges and universities, grocery stores, hospitals and business cafeterias where the Jamba brand is already a known presence in the market. As of January 2, 2018, there were 49 Jamba Juice Express locations open in 19 states. Due to the nature of the business format and smaller footprint, an Express unit generates a smaller financial store contribution than other formats. To better reflect the key contributors of new store development, Express units were excluded from store counts, beginning in the first quarter of 2017.

We continue to evaluate the design of traditional and non-traditional stores. Our goal is to vary the size and format of our stores to allow us to locate them in or near a variety of settings. Our flexibility in store construction enables us to develop stores in a wide range of venues, increasing the visibility of the Jamba brand and providing customers easy and convenient access. We believe format flexibility helps us attract qualified franchisees and offer them the potential to earn a higher return on their investment in capital expenditures.

As of January 2, 2018, we had 802 Jamba Juice store locations in the United States, operating in 33 states and Washington, D.C., consisting of 53 Company Stores and 749 Franchise Stores. During fiscal year 2017, 39 new Franchise Stores opened, 29 Franchise Stores closed, 13 Company Stores were refranchised, one new Company Store was opened and one Company Store was closed.

Franchising

As a franchisor, the Company grants a franchisee to operate Jamba Juice stores in a given area, with or without exclusivity. The franchisee pays the Company for its use of our concept, strategy, marketing, operating systems, purchasing power, and brand recognition. The franchisees are solely responsible for the day-to-day operations in each franchised restaurant, including labor and employment decisions, such as hiring, terminations, scheduling, and setting wages, determining benefits and all other terms of employment with respect to their employees.

Domestic

Through our franchising program, we offer franchisees choices in store location, format and the number of stores they wish to operate including traditional and non-traditional store formats. We also offer franchisees the opportunity to reserve larger territories by entering into multi-store development agreements, which grant the franchisee exclusive rights to develop and operate a specified number of stores within a specified period of time and geographic area. Development fees are typically equal to one-half the initial franchise fee per store.

For each franchised restaurant, we enter into a franchise agreement covering standard terms and conditions. The typical franchise agreement in the U.S. has a 10-year initial term. Franchisees pay us an initial franchise fee for the right to operate a restaurant, typically \$10,000 to \$35,000, depending on the store format and whether or not a multi-store agreement was also executed. All franchisees also are required to pay continuing royalty fees. The royalty fees are calculated on total net sales of each store and typically range from 5.5% to 6%, depending on the store format. Marketing program contributions are also required for traditional store formats. Marketing program contributions charged typically range from 3% to 4% of the franchisee store's net sales.

Our comprehensive market planning and site selection process helps guide the successful execution of our growth strategy. We have processes for identifying, analyzing and assigning undeveloped markets for Franchise Store development. Once a market is selected, we carefully screen trade areas for demand based on demographic, psychographic and Jamba Juice specific variables to ensure that they meet our guidelines for new store development and begin the site selection or approval process. Once a trade area is approved, we carefully screen prospective

locations for visibility, traffic patterns, ease-of-use, occupancy costs and co-tenancy for potential Franchise Store locations. Our expansion strategy involves using this market planning and site selection process to leverage areas of demand within each market. We use this approach as a means to create critical mass within specific geographic areas of demand, in order to increase brand awareness and improve operating and marketing efficiencies for Franchise Stores while leveraging the costs associated with regional supervision. Distribution efficiencies can also be realized through this strategy.

We partner with franchisees to ensure excellence in Franchise Store operations, principally through our Franchise Business Consultants ("FBCs"). FBCs are Company team members that work closely with franchise owners to review the financial health, strength of the team, best practices and procedures of our franchisees. We engage with our system through a Franchise Advisory Council ("FAC"), which formalizes a channel of communication through a representative group of franchisees to provide advice, counsel and input to us on all aspects impacting our business. Our franchise agreement calls for franchise partners to meet certain operational and maintenance requirements intended to align the operating processes system-wide around a common set of standards. Performance is monitored regularly by the FBCs, who in addition to ensuring operational standards, provide feedback, coaching and support, as needed.

As of January 2, 2018, we had 23 development agreements that contain rights to develop additional Franchise Stores. The exclusive territories covered by these agreements include selected markets in the states of Arizona, California, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, Utah and Washington. We have identified certain markets where a single-unit, owner-operator model may be the preferred way to increase brand awareness while expanding the brand eastward with new store openings. We anticipate increased recruiting efforts in the Texas, Colorado, Florida and Virginia/DC markets accordingly.

International

We continued our international expansion in our Asia and Middle East markets. Our international franchisees operate under a franchise agreement, multi-store development agreements and market opening services agreements. Our international developer agreements take the form of development and franchise agreements under which we typically receive an initial territory fee, store opening fees and ongoing royalty revenues based on a percentage of sales. The typical international agreement has a 10-year term. Franchisees pay us an initial franchise fee for the right to operate a restaurant, typically \$10,000 to \$35,000, under a multi-store and market services agreement. The multi-store development agreements grant the franchisee exclusive rights to develop and operate a specified number of stores, within a specified period of time, within their operating country. Development fees are typically equal to one-half the initial franchise fee per store. Market opening service agreements provide the franchisee the support necessary to establish the initial operating infrastructure within that country, including assistance with product development, marketing, supply chain, store design and store operations. All international franchisees also are required to pay continuing royalty fees. The royalty fees are calculated on total net sales of the store and typically range from 5.5% to 6%, depending on the store format.

Our international partners work closely with us to build the Jamba Juice brand and implement the Jamba Juice system in their local geographic markets, as well as to maximize revenue and margin growth opportunities, recognizing commercial, cultural and dietary diversity in each market. There were 71 International Stores, 8% of total global stores, as of January 2, 2018, with stores located in South Korea, the Philippines, Taiwan, the Middle East, Indonesia and Thailand. At the end of fiscal 2017, we had international master development agreements with partners in South Korea, the Philippines, Taiwan, Indonesia, Thailand and the countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council (Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates).

We believe our brand and products have international appeal and we continue to engage in discussions with additional interested partners regarding the expansion of Jamba Juice stores into new international markets in Asia Pacific and the GCC. The success of further international expansion will depend on, among other things, local acceptance of the Jamba Juice concept and menu offerings, regional supply chain infrastructure to drive profitable growth for our partners and our ability to attract qualified franchise partners.

Company stores

We operate 53 Company-owned stores, primarily in the Southern California market. It is our intention to retain our Company-owned stores for their contribution to the Company's financial performance and as a test platform used to explore initiatives that we may want to extend system-wide. Our field and store operations teams are responsible for maximizing the performance of our Company Stores across the system. We recruit and retain leaders with broad experience in management within our industry. Our field leadership consists of two Operational Directors and District Managers to support our Company Store operations. Our strong core values have attracted a tenured field team that is highly experienced and invested in the health of the business and the brand.

Our Store Excellence Program is designed to improve operational execution and performance by establishing the comprehensive standards expected at all of our stores. In addition, we offer a bonus program to Company Store managers based on achieving sales and profit goals. We believe these standards and programs positively impact customer satisfaction and ensure that all stores in the Jamba System are developing consistent customer satisfaction. We believe team members are the key to our success and support the development of a culture that fosters personal interaction, mutual respect, trust, empowerment, enthusiasm and commitment.

Maintaining a culture and a management style that embodies healthy, active lifestyles in an authentic, fun, friendly and efficient manner in Company Stores, as well as Franchise Stores, is essential as we continue to expand, and we believe that it is critical to developing our brand and ensuring our continued success.

Training

Our training programs ensure all team members in the system have the knowledge needed to deliver excellence in guest experience and connect team members to our mission. We conduct training through a variety of programs for franchise partners, team members, support center staff and our leadership team on a regular basis. We are dedicated to providing a meaningful experience for all employees, with ample opportunity to develop leadership skills as they build a career at Jamba. All of our training programs reinforce the importance of prioritizing the guest experience and building sales through menu knowledge. Training materials and best practices are available to our franchisees to help create, preserve and support a singular culture of excellence within all of the stores that comprise our system. The training programs are supplemented by an online training resources, Launchpad, designed to elevate engagement and deliver timely and cost effective training resources to our team and franchise partners.

Recruiting and Retention

We carefully screen potential team members to ensure that they embody our core values and fit into our culture. By maintaining this emphasis and encouraging responsibility and accountability at every level, we believe that we have created a sense of team member loyalty and an open and interactive work environment, resulting in a highly passionate workforce. Our team members are paid competitive wages and are offered opportunities for advancement. In addition to competitive wages, store managers are eligible for performance-based bonuses. In order to preserve a singular culture within the stores that comprise the Jamba System, we share best practice information, qualifications and other relevant information to assist franchisees with hiring and retention.

Advertising and Marketing

In fiscal 2017, much of our advertising and marketing efforts focused on product innovation and the continued refinement of our digital eco-system. Through a variety of product centric innovations, we focused consumers' attention on the fresh fruits and vegetables that are used to make Jamba juices, smoothies and bowls, underscoring our commitment to providing healthier food and beverage options and fulfilling our mission of inspiring and simplifying healthy living. We continued our investment in our loyalty program and refined our on-line-ordering solution.

Jamba marketing, promotional and public relations activities are designed to promote the Jamba brand image and differentiate it from competitors. Marketing and promotional efforts focus on providing consumers with simple, easy-to-adopt solutions for pursuing a healthy active lifestyle and we continuously endeavor to improve our social responsibility and environmental practices to achieve long-term sustainability. We believe our marketing efforts in fiscal 2017 extended our reach and relevance to consumers.

Product Supply

We are committed to providing only the finest smoothies, juices, bowls and other food products. Smoothie, juice and bowl products depend heavily upon supplies of fresh and individually quick-frozen (“IQF”) fruit and vegetables. We have an established nationwide fresh produce supply chain in order to facilitate our made-to-order freshly squeezed juice platform. The quality of each beverage depends to a large degree on the quality of the basic fruit and vegetable ingredients from which it is made. It is essential that the supply of fruit and vegetables is of the

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highest quality and is consistent throughout the year. To achieve these goals, we purchase our projected requirements for the coming year from suppliers at the height of the season. The supply and price of fresh and IQF fruit and vegetables are dependent upon the supply and demand at the time of purchase and are subject to volatility. Supply and price can be affected by multiple factors in the producing regions, including weather, natural disasters and national/regional political and economic conditions.

We buy certain produce and dairy using fixed priced or to-be-fixed priced purchase commitments to secure adequate supply of quality ingredients for our products. As a result, we have purchase obligations with certain suppliers for certain produce and dairy for various terms typically ranging from one year to three years. We depend on our relationships with our suppliers for our supply of produce, dairy and other products. While two distributors accounted for approximately 90% of the supplies delivered to our Company Stores, and also service our Franchise Stores, we believe, based on our established relationships with our suppliers, the risk of non-delivery on our purchase commitments is remote.

Our supply chain organization is funded by all stores across the Jamba System. This funding contributes to the cost of system-wide procurement and management of our supplies and supports our suppliers. The program allows for cost recovery of certain products purchased by Company Stores and Franchise Stores.

Competition

The retail beverage and food industry remains highly competitive and fragmented. Stores compete based on a number of factors, including quality, price-value relationships, customer service, name recognition, employee hiring and retention and location. We compete with international, national, regional and local retailers of beverage and food products, including quick service restaurants/fast food establishments, coffee shops, juice bars, donut shops, frozen yogurt shops and grocery stores. Competition in the beverage and food market is fragmented, and increasingly so, and a major competitor with substantially greater resources than us could enter the market at any time and compete directly against Jamba Juice stores.

We compete most directly with regional smoothie stores, most of which are franchises of other smoothie brands. The rising popularity of convenient and healthy food items resulted in increased competition from non-smoothie retailers as they increased their offerings of smoothies and other juice-related products. As we increase our food offerings, we have placed ourselves into direct competition with other quick serve food concepts with well established businesses.

Additionally, we face increasing competition from specialty juice bars and stores, which focus on made-to-order juices, juice blends, cold-press juices and fasting/cleansing packages. Many of these brands have cold-press direct-to-consumer capabilities that multiply the geographic reaches of their stores.

We also face intense competition from both restaurants and other specialty retailers for suitable sites for new stores and qualified personnel to operate both new and existing stores. There can be no assurance that we or our franchisees will be able to continue to secure adequate sites at acceptable rent levels or that we or franchisees will be able to attract a sufficient number of qualified personnel to operate our stores.

Government Regulation and Environmental Matters

Government Regulation. We and our franchisees are subject to extensive and varied federal, state and local government regulation, including regulations relating to public health and safety and zoning codes. We operate each of our stores in accordance with standards and procedures designed to comply with applicable codes and regulations. However, if we or our franchisees could not obtain or retain food or other licenses, it would adversely affect our operations. Although we have not experienced, and do not anticipate, any significant difficulties, delays or failures in

obtaining required licenses, permits or approvals, any such problem could delay or prevent the opening of, or adversely impact the viability of, a particular store or group of stores.

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California and other states and local jurisdictions have enacted laws, rules, regulations and ordinances which may apply to the operation of a Company Store or a Franchise Store, including those which (a) establish general standards, specifications and requirements for the construction, design and maintenance of the store premises; (b) regulate matters affecting the health, safety and welfare of our customers, such as general health and sanitation requirements for restaurants; employee practices concerning the storage, handling, cooking and preparation of food; special health, food service and licensing requirements; restrictions on smoking; exposure to tobacco smoke or other carcinogens or reproductive toxicants and saccharin; availability of and requirements for public accommodations, including restrooms; (c) set standards pertaining to employee health and safety and mandatory health insurance; (d) set standards and requirements for fire safety and general emergency preparedness; (e) regulate the proper use, storage and disposal of waste, insecticides and other hazardous materials; (f) establish general requirements or restrictions on advertising containing false or misleading claims, or health and nutrient claims on menus or otherwise, such as “low calorie”, “healthy” or “organic”; (g) establish requirements concerning withholdings and employee reporting of taxes on tips; (h) regulate the amount or type of ingredients in food and beverages; and (i) regulate or ban the use of particular packaging materials.

In order to develop and construct more stores, we, or our franchisees, need to comply with applicable zoning, land use and environmental regulations. Federal and state environmental regulations have not had a material effect on our operations to date, but expansion of our menu offerings or more stringent and varied requirements of local governmental bodies with respect to zoning, land use and environmental factors could delay or even prevent construction and increase development costs for new stores. We, and our franchisees, are also required to comply with the accessibility standards mandated by the U.S. Americans with Disabilities Act, which generally prohibits discrimination in accommodation or employment based on disability. We may, in the future, have to modify stores, for example, by adding access ramps or redesigning certain architectural fixtures, to provide service to or make reasonable accommodations for disabled persons. While these expenses could be material, our current expectation is that any such action will not require us to expend substantial funds.

We are subject to the U.S. Fair Labor Standards Act, the U.S. Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 and various federal and state laws governing various matters including minimum wages, overtime meal and rest periods, accommodations to certain employees and other working conditions. Complying with these rules subjects us to substantial expense and can also expose us to liabilities from claims for non-compliance. In addition, we and our franchisees pay a significant number of our hourly staff at rates consistent with, but higher than, the applicable federal, state or local minimum wage. Accordingly, increases in the minimum wage would increase our labor cost. We are also subject to various laws and regulations relating to our current and any future franchise operations. See “Risk Factors - Governmental regulation may adversely affect our ability to open new stores or otherwise adversely affect our existing and future operations and results.”

We are also subject to various federal and state laws that regulate the offer and sale of franchises and aspects of the licensor-licensee relationships. Many state franchise laws impose restrictions on the franchise agreement, including the duration and scope of non-competition provisions, the ability of a franchisor to terminate or refuse to renew and the ability of a franchisor to designate sources of supply. The Federal Trade Commission, or the FTC, and some state laws also require that the franchisor furnish to prospective franchisees a franchise disclosure document that contains prescribed information and, in some instances, require the franchisor to register the franchise offering.

Environmental Matters

We and our franchisees are subject to federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations concerning the use of, among others, polystyrene products, and several counties in which our stores are located have already banned the use of our polystyrene cups. We continued to make progress on certain eco-sustainability initiatives first launched in 2009, including phasing out the use of polystyrene cups, as well as increasing the use of recyclable products and

reducing waste. At the beginning of 2016 we launched plastic cups, which are more easily recycled than the double-walled coated paper cups we introduced in 2013. Our other green initiatives include the use of more environmentally friendly packaging for our cup carriers, oatmeal cups and lids, breakfast clear cups and lids, spoons and napkins, all of which are made from recycled material. We have also reduced the amount of corrugated cardboard used for bulk shipping, reduced labeling requirements, and reduced freight, resulting in lower fuel emissions. We have established several optimization programs to reduce waste, such as participation in recycling and composting programs for our food waste, where it is feasible for us to do so.

Trademarks and Domain Names

We own and/or have applied to register numerous trademarks and service marks in the United States and in other jurisdictions throughout the world. Some of our trademarks, including Jamba Juice[®] and the Jamba logo are of material importance to the Company. The duration of trademark registrations varies from country to country. However, trademarks are generally valid and may be renewed indefinitely as long as they are in use and/or their registrations are properly maintained. In addition, the Company has registered and maintains numerous Internet domain names, including “jamba.com” and “jambajuice.com”.

Management Information Systems

Each Company Store has computerized point-of-sale registers, which collect transaction data used to generate pertinent information, including sales transactions and product mix. Additionally, the point-of-sale system is used to authorize, batch and settle credit card data. All product prices are programmed into the point-of-sale register from the Company’s corporate office. Franchise Stores generally use the same point-of-sale registers as Company Stores, but may elect to use alternative systems provided Company approval and certain information is shared with the Company. Franchisees set their own menu prices, usually with guidance from the Company.

Company Stores use the Company’s licensed labor management software to record employee time clock information, schedule labor and provide management reports. Company Stores and many Franchise Stores use the Company’s licensed food cost management software to improve inventory management and provide management reports.

Our continued focus on technological and procedural enhancements, in areas such as labor and inventory management, has relieved our store managers from manual administrative tasks and enables them to better focus on delivering exceptional customer service.

Seasonality

Our business is subject to day-to-day volatility based on weather and varies by season. A significant portion of the Company’s revenue is realized during the second and third quarters of the fiscal year, which include the summer months. The fourth quarter of the fiscal year, which encompasses the winter months and the holiday season, has traditionally been our lowest revenue volume quarter. Our business will likely continue to be subject to seasonal patterns for the foreseeable future, given that the largest portion of our sales continues to be from the sale of smoothies during the warmer parts of the year. Because of the seasonality of the business, results for an individual quarter are not necessarily indicative of the results, which may be achieved for the full fiscal year.

Executive Officers

Our executive officers, their respective ages and positions and descriptions of their business experience are set forth below. There are no family relationships among any of the executive officers named below.

David A. Pace, Chief Executive Officer, age 59

Mr. Pace is one of our directors as well as our Chief Executive Officer, and, as such, his biographical information is included below under Item 10 “Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance”.

Marie L. Perry, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administrative Officer, age 52

Ms. Perry has served as the Company's Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer since August 2016 and served as the Company's Executive Vice President, Finance, from May 2016 to August 2016. From 2003 to 2016, Ms. Perry held roles leading all aspects of the Brinker International finance team including having served as interim CFO during a 12-month period, and most recently, serving as Senior Vice President, Controller and Treasurer. Ms. Perry also held senior finance and accounting roles at American Airlines and KPMG.

Claudia Schaefer, Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer, age 49

Ms. Schaefer has served as the Company's Chief Marketing Officer and Senior Vice President since November 2017. Previously, Ms. Schaefer served as Chief Marketing Officer for Cheddar's Casual Café from January 2015 to November 2017. From 2008 to 2015, Ms. Schaefer served as Vice President of Marketing at Brinker International. From 2004 to 2008, Ms. Schaefer served as Vice President of International Restaurants for T.G.I. Friday's.

Joe Thornton, Senior Vice President, Chief Operations Officer, age 50

Mr. Thornton has served as the Company's Senior Vice President, Chief Operations Officer, since March 2017. Previously, Mr. Thornton served as Vice President, U.S. License Stores, for Starbucks Coffee Company from February 2016 to March 2017. From 2006 to 2016, Mr. Thornton held a variety of other leadership positions at Starbucks Coffee Company. From 1992 to 2006, Mr. Thornton held operational leadership roles at Blockbuster Video.

Employees

As of January 2, 2018, we employed approximately 933 persons, approximately 105 of whom were at our corporate offices or part of our field, direct selling and franchise support, operations, accounting, information technology and legal. The remainder of our team members was comprised of Company Store management and hourly store personnel. The Company also hires a significant number of seasonal team members during its peak selling seasons of the spring and summer. Our team members are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement. We consider our employee relations to be good. We place a priority on staffing our stores and support center positions with highly skilled team members who embrace our culture and we invest in training programs to ensure the quality of our store operations.

Available Information

Our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and amendments to reports filed or furnished pursuant to Sections 13(a) and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are available on our website at <http://ir.jambajuice.com>, free of charge as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such reports with, or furnish those reports to, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The SEC also maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information that we file electronically with the SEC at <https://www.sec.gov/edgar>. The public may also read and copy any materials that we file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Office of FOIA/ PA Operations, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-2736. Investors may obtain information on the operation of the SEC Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Our Corporate Governance Principles and Practices, Board of Directors committee charters (including the charters of the Audit Committee, Compensation and Executive Development Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee) and our code of ethics entitled "Code of Business Conduct and Ethics" also are available at that same location on our website. Information on our website is not incorporated into this annual report. Further, our references to the URLs for these websites are intended to be inactive textual references only. Shareholders may request free copies of these documents from:

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We included the certifications of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of Jamba, Inc. relating to the quality of our public disclosure, as required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and related rules, in this Annual Report on Form 10-K as Exhibits 31.1 and 31.2 hereto.

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ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the risks described below. If any of the risks and uncertainties described below actually occurs, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected. The risk factors listed below have been identified as material, however, are not exhaustive. Other sections of this Annual Report on Form 10-K include additional factors that could adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations. Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible to predict the impact of all of these factors on our business, financial condition or results of operation.

RISKS RELATED TO OUR BUSINESS

The loss of our Chief Executive Officer, or one or more of our executive management team could adversely affect our business.

On January 22, 2016, David A. Pace who has been on our Board of Directors since 2012 was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Our success depends substantially on the contributions and abilities of our executive management team as well as other key employees. We believe that these individuals understand our operational strategies and priorities and the steps necessary to drive our long-term growth and shareholder value. Competition for personnel in our industry is strong and the ability to retain key employees can be difficult. While we have entered into employment agreements with each of our executive officers, we cannot make any assurances that we can retain these individuals for the period necessary for us to achieve and sustain profitability. Our failure to retain and motivate executive management, key employees and Chief Executive Officer sufficient to maintain a competitive position within our industry, and to implement our strategic priorities, would adversely affect our results of operations.

We may continue to experience disruptions to our business resulting from the relocation of our corporate headquarters and data center in 2016 which could adversely affect our operations, operating results and financial condition.

During 2016, we relocated our corporate headquarters from Emeryville, California to Frisco, Texas, a suburb of Dallas. In addition, we relocated our data center from Emeryville, California to Richardson, Texas, also a suburb of Dallas. We incurred expenses of approximately \$7.4 million as a result of the move, associated with personnel relocation, employee attrition, retention, severance and replacement, office relocation and other costs. The relocation is intended to, among other things, reduce costs, attract and retain talent and provide a more central location for our market expansion plans.

The relocation included our corporate operations including human resources, finance and accounting, information technology and legal teams, our data center and associated employees. The relocation resulted in significant employee turnover and the planned and unplanned loss of personnel led to business disruptions stemming from delays in filling vacant positions and a lack of personnel with institutional or procedural knowledge and experience. The relocation has also required significant management time and effort, greater than had been anticipated, which was not otherwise devoted to focusing on ongoing business operations and other initiatives and opportunities.

As previously disclosed in our Form 12b-25 filings with respect to our Form 10-K for our fiscal years ended January 2, 2018 and January 3, 2017 and Form 10-Q for our quarters ended April 4, 2017, July 4, 2017 and October 3, 2017, our financial statements were delayed as a result of significant changes occurring in fiscal 2016, including the relocation of our corporate office in fiscal 2016.

In addition, a material weakness in internal control over financial reporting resulted for 2016. Management has remediated the material weakness by implementing a plan to assess risks of material misstatement over financial reporting, including the enhancement of internal controls activities, and training of key process owners, and with the

oversight of the Audit Committee, dedicated significant incremental resources to successfully implement and test effectiveness of the enhanced control. As a result, throughout fiscal 2017, G&A expenses have been negatively impacted by the costs associated with the remediation plan, and the Company also expects additional associated expenses in fiscal 2018.

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While we had implemented a transition plan to mitigate the risk relating to the relocation, the replacement and training of new personnel Company wide and transition of operating knowledge created unanticipated difficulties and delays in completing our year-end financials.

The expected benefits of the move may not be fully realized due to associated disruption to our operations and personnel. Any continued difficulties or disruptions could have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Our revenue is subject to volatility based on weather and varies by season and our operational results may be subject to unusual weather conditions.

Seasonal factors cause our revenue to fluctuate from quarter to quarter. The majority of our revenue results from the sale of smoothies, our revenue is typically lower during the winter months and the holiday season, and during periods of inclement weather (because fewer people choose cold beverages) and higher during the spring, summer and fall months (for the opposite reason). Unusual weather conditions, which may or may not result from climate change or other changes in global meteorological conditions, may add to this volatility. Unusual weather conditions may also have an adverse impact on agriculture, result in increased ingredients and raw materials costs, and adversely affect our results of operations.

We are subject to risks associated with climate change and climate change regulation.

Laws and regulations regarding climate change, energy usage and emissions controls may impact the Company directly through higher costs of goods. The potential impacts of climate change and climate change regulations are highly uncertain at this time, and the Company cannot anticipate or predict the material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows as a result of climate change and climate change regulations. For instance, changes in the prevailing climate may result in a reduction in, or increased prices of available produce and packaging, which may adversely affect our revenue and operating margins.

Our financial results depend upon the operating results of our franchisees.

Following the implementation of our significant refranchising initiative, we receive a substantial portion of our revenues in the form of royalties and other franchise revenues, which are generally based on development fees, initial franchise fees and a percentage of sales at franchise-operated stores and Jamba Juice Expresses. Accordingly, our financial results to a large extent are dependent upon the operational and financial success of our franchisees. If sales trends or economic conditions worsen for our franchisees, their financial results may deteriorate and our royalty and other revenues may decline and our accounts receivable from franchisees and related allowance for doubtful accounts for our franchisees may increase.

We may not be successful in implementing our strategic priorities, which may have a material adverse impact on our business and financial results.

Our business depends upon our ability to implement our strategic priorities, which we believe necessary to support the Company's continued growth and long-term shareholder value. There can be no assurance that we will be able to continue to successfully implement our strategic priorities or whether these strategic priorities will be successful, and a failure of either could impede our growth and negatively affect our operating results.

We have a history of net losses and may incur losses in the future.

We have incurred net losses in seven of the last nine fiscal years. We may continue to incur net losses in the future, and we cannot assure you that we will ever sustain profitability. Continued losses could adversely affect our liquidity and cash reserves and could negatively affect our operating results.

Failure to establish and maintain our internal control over financial reporting may result in us not being able to accurately report our financial results which could result in the loss of investor confidence and adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over our financial reporting. For fiscal 2016, we disclosed a material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting related to ineffective risk assessment of the risks of material misstatement in financial reporting. This material weakness was related to significant changes in our business model, leadership, key personnel, and relocation of our corporate office. These changes resulted in a significant increase in non-routine transactions and impacted certain routine processes needed to effectively accumulate and present consolidated financial results. This material weakness affected the design, implementation and operation of controls over the preparation, analysis and review of significant balances and disclosures and impacted its ability to close the books in a timely manner. This material weakness also contributed to misstatements related to a number of significant accounts and disclosures.

As a result of this material weakness, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was not effective for fiscal 2016. As described in Item 9A, we developed and implemented a remediation plan to address the material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting. We cannot, however, be certain that other material weaknesses and control deficiencies will not be discovered in the future. If additional material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in our internal controls are discovered or occur in the future, we may be unable to report our financial results accurately or on a timely basis, which could result in the loss of investor confidence and adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

A worsening of economic conditions or a decrease in consumer spending may substantially decrease our revenues and may adversely impact our ability to implement our business strategy.

To a significant extent, our success depends on discretionary consumer spending, which is influenced by general economic conditions and the availability of discretionary income. While economic conditions have been improving, there is no certainty that this trend will continue or that credit and financial markets and confidence in economic conditions will not deteriorate again. Accordingly, we may experience declines in revenue during economic turmoil or during periods of uncertainty. Any material decline in the amount of discretionary spending, leading cost-conscious consumers to be more selective in restaurants visited, could have a material adverse effect on our revenue, results of operations, business and financial condition.

The challenges of competing with the many food services businesses may result in reductions in our revenue and operating margins.

We compete with many well-established companies, food service and otherwise, on the basis of taste, quality and price of product offered, customer service, atmosphere, location and overall consumer experience. Our success depends, in part, upon the popularity of our products and our ability to develop new menu items that appeal to consumers across all four day-parts. Shifts in consumer preferences away from our products, our inability to develop new menu items that appeal to consumers across all day-parts, or changes in our menu that eliminate items popular with some consumers could harm our business. We compete with other smoothie and juice bar retailers, specialty coffee retailers, yogurt and ice cream shops, bagel shops, fast-food restaurants, delicatessens, cafés, take-out food service companies, supermarkets and convenience stores. Our competitors change with each of the four day-parts, ranging from coffee bars and bakery cafés to casual dining chains. Many of our competitors, or potential competitors, have substantially greater financial and other resources than we do, which may allow them to react to changes in the market quicker than we can. In addition, aggressive pricing by our competitors or the entrance of new competitors into our markets, could reduce our revenue and operating margins.

Fluctuations in various food and supply costs, particularly produce and dairy, could adversely affect our operating results.

Supplies and prices of the various products that we use to prepare our offerings can be affected by a variety of factors, such as weather, seasonal fluctuations, demand, politics and economics in the producing countries. These factors subject us to shortages or interruptions in product supplies, which could adversely affect our revenue and profits. In addition, the prices of fruit and dairy, which are the main products in our offerings, can be highly volatile.

The quality of produce we seek tends to trade on a negotiated basis, depending on supply and demand at the time of the purchase. An increase in pricing of any produce that we use in our products could have a significant adverse effect on our profitability. In addition, higher diesel and gasoline prices may affect our supply or transportation costs and may affect our profitability. Although we attempt to mitigate the risks of volatile commodity prices and allow greater predictability in pricing by entering into fixed price, or to-be-fixed price, purchase commitments for a portion of our produce and dairy requirements, we cannot assure you that these activities will be successful or that they will not result in our paying substantially more for our produce supply than would have been required absent such activities. Declines in sales may also adversely affect our business to the extent we have long-term purchase commitments in excess of our needs.

We are dependent upon a limited number of distributors for a significant amount of our food distribution for our Stores.

For Company Stores, we maintain food distribution contracts primarily with two regional distributors, Systems Services of America (“SSA”) and Gordon Food Services (“GFS”), which also service a majority of our Franchise Stores. SSA distributes to the Western United States, and GFS primarily distributes to the Eastern United States. Although we believe our relationship with these distributors will result in operational efficiencies and cost savings, we cannot assure you that we will be successful or that we will not have to pay substantially more for distributor services in the event GFS or SSA has operational problems. Should GFS or SSA have operational problems, our operations and our operating margins could be adversely affected.

We may face difficulties entering into new or modified arrangements with existing or new suppliers or new service providers.

If we expand our operations into new geographic areas through new Company Stores, Franchise Stores, Jamba Juice Express, or introduce new products with special manufacturing, storage or distribution requirements, we may have to seek new suppliers and service providers, or enter into new arrangements with existing ones. We may also encounter difficulties or be unable to negotiate pricing or other terms as favorable as those we currently enjoy, which could harm our business and operating results. For example, the potential growth in smaller format stores may cause the frequency of shipments to increase and the average number of cases per shipment to decrease, thereby increasing the Company’s per case shipment costs.

The Company’s success depends on the value of the Jamba Juice® brands.

The Jamba Juice® brand promise is to inspire and simplify healthful living. We believe we must preserve and grow the value of the Jamba Juice brands in order to be successful in building our business, and particularly in building a consumer products growth platform under the Jamba brands. Brand value is based in part on consumer perceptions, and the Jamba Juice brand has been highly rated in several recent brand studies. We intend to reinforce and extend these perceptions for the Jamba brands to help support our licensing efforts. Our brand building initiatives involve increasing our product offerings, opening new Franchise Stores and Jamba Juice Express platforms, and entering into licensing arrangements to increase awareness of our brands and create and maintain brand loyalty. Our franchisees and licensees are often authorized to use our logos and provide branded beverages, food and other products directly to customers. We provide training and support to, and monitor the operations of, these business partners, but the product quality and service they deliver may be diminished by any number of factors beyond our control, including financial pressures. We believe customers expect the same quality of products and service from our franchisees and licensees as they do from us. Any shortcoming of one of our business partners, particularly an issue affecting the quality of the service experience or the safety of beverages or food, may be attributed by customers to us, thus damaging our reputation and brand value and potentially affecting our results of operations. If our brand building initiatives are unsuccessful, or if business incidents occur that erode consumer perceptions of our brand, then the value of our

products may diminish and we may not be able to implement our business strategy.

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We may experience higher than anticipated costs in connection with the refresh and remodel of existing Company Stores.

Updating the format and design of our Company Stores is important to maintaining a positive consumer association with the Jamba Juice brand. While we intend for such remodeling efforts to inure to the benefit of the Company, the associated costs may be higher than expected, and our revenues and expenses could be negatively impacted.

We may not be able to adequately protect our intellectual property, which could harm the value of our brand and adversely affect our business.

Our intellectual property is material to the conduct of our business. Our ability to implement our business plan successfully depends in part on our ability to build further brand recognition using our trademarks, service marks, trade dress and other proprietary intellectual property, including our name and logos and the unique ambiance of our stores, both domestically and overseas. We have secured the ownership and rights to our marks in the United States and have filed or obtained registrations in select classes including restaurant services in most other significant foreign jurisdictions. We undertake similar efforts to protect our brands in other relevant consumer product categories in relevant jurisdictions. If our efforts to protect our intellectual property are inadequate, or if any third party misappropriates or infringes on our intellectual property, the value of our store brand and our consumer products brands may be harmed, which could have a material adverse effect on our business. While we have not encountered material claims from prior users of intellectual property relating to restaurant services in areas where we operate or intend to conduct material operations in the near future, there can be no assurances that we will not encounter any material claims in the future. If so, this could harm our image, brands or competitive position and cause us to incur significant penalties and costs.

Our business could be adversely affected by increased labor or healthcare costs. Self-insurance plan claims could materially impact our results.

Labor is a primary component in the cost of operating our business. We compete with other employers in our markets for hourly workers and may become subject to higher labor costs as a result of such competition. We devote significant resources to recruiting and training our team members. A considerable number of the team members employed by us are paid at rates related to the federal minimum wage. Many of our Company Store team members work in stores located in states where the minimum wage is greater than the federal minimum wage and receive compensation equal to the state's minimum wage. The current minimum wage in California for businesses with 26 or more employees increased to \$11.00 per hour effective January 1, 2018, and increases each year until reaching \$15.00 per hour in 2022.

Moreover, municipalities may set minimum wages above the applicable state standards, such as in San Francisco, which raised the minimum wage to \$13.00 as of July 1, 2016, and will reach \$15.00 on July 1, 2018. Any further increases in the federal minimum wage or the enactment of additional state or local minimum wage increases where our employees may be located will increase our labor costs. Competition for employees in various markets could also result in higher required wage rates. Furthermore, the Company is self-insured for employee healthcare and dental benefits. The Company pays a substantial part of the healthcare benefits for team members at the general manager level and above and for those working at the Company's corporate office. The Company has a guaranteed cost Worker's Compensation policy effective October 1, 2016. Liabilities associated with our self-insured plans the Company retains are estimated in part, by considering historical claims experience, reserves and other actuarial assumptions. The estimated accruals for these liabilities are based on statistical analyses of historical industry data as well as the Company's actual historical trends. If actual claims experience differs from the Company's assumptions, historical trends, and estimates, changes in the Company's insurance reserves could materially impact our results of operations.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act enacted in 2010, as well as other healthcare reform legislation being considered by Congress and state legislatures may have a material adverse impact on our business. We continue to monitor and evaluate any impact the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act or alternative regulations may have on our business.

We are reliant on our outsourcing partner to provide effective administrative functions.

Since 2014, we have engaged a third party service provider to provide outsourced accounting, IT, human resources and contract management services. This may allow us to achieve efficiencies and cost savings, in part, through a reduction in our workforce. If our outsourcing partner fails to perform at a sufficient level to ensure our efficient operation, we may not have the resources to timely and efficiently take over those functions, and our financial performance might be adversely impacted as a result.

We are subject to all of the risks associated with leasing space subject to long-term non-cancelable leases.

We, and our franchisees, compete in the market for real estate and our, or their, inability to secure appropriate real estate or lease terms could impact our respective abilities to grow. Our leases generally have initial terms of between five and 15 years, and generally can be extended only in five-year increments if at all. We generally cannot cancel these leases. If an existing or new store is not profitable, and we decide to close it, as we have done in the past and may do in the future, we may nonetheless be committed to perform our obligations under the applicable lease including, among other things, paying the base rent for the balance of the lease term. Additionally, because we sublease the premises of Company Stores sold to franchisees in our refranchising program, we are still legally liable to the landlords under the prime leases, and we will need to assume obligations under the prime lease should a franchisee default on its sublease obligations. Current locations of our stores and franchised locations may become unattractive as demographic patterns change. In addition, as each of our leases expire, we may fail to negotiate renewals, either on commercially acceptable terms or at all, which could require us to close stores in desirable locations.

Our business and results may be subject to disruption from work stoppages, terrorism or natural disasters.

Our operations may be subject to disruption for a variety of reasons, including work stoppages, acts of war, terrorism, pandemics, fire, earthquake, flooding or other natural disasters. These disruptions can result in, among other things, lost sales when consumers stay home or are physically prevented from reaching our stores, property damage, lost sales when our stores are forced to close for extended periods of time and interruptions in supply when vendors suffer damages or transportation is affected. If a natural disaster were to occur near our headquarters and data center in Frisco, Texas, our corporate offices and data center may be damaged or destroyed. Such a disruption could result in the temporary or permanent loss of critical data, suspension of operations, delays in shipments of product, and disruption of business in both the affected region and nationwide, which would adversely affect our revenue and results of operations.

We are highly dependent on the financial performance of stores concentrated in certain geographic areas.

Our financial performance is highly dependent on stores located in California. Stores located in California comprise over 92% of Company Stores and generate a significant portion of our Company Store revenue. These stores also comprise approximately 47% of our total global system stores. If geographic regions in which we have a high concentration of stores experience significant economic pressures, our sales and operating results could be negatively impacted. In addition, state and local laws, government regulations, weather conditions and natural disasters affecting California and other regions where we have a high concentration of stores may have a material impact upon our operating results.

We may not realize the anticipated benefits of any acquisitions, joint ventures or strategic investments.

We expect to continue to evaluate and consider a wide array of potential strategic transactions, including acquisitions, joint ventures and strategic investments. At any given time, we may be engaged in discussions or negotiations with respect to one or more of these types of transactions. Any of these transactions could be material to our financial

condition and results of operations. We may not realize the anticipated benefits of any or all of our acquisitions, joint ventures or strategic investments, or we may not realize them in the time frame expected. Future acquisitions, joint ventures or strategic investments may require us to issue additional equity securities, spend a substantial portion of our available cash, or incur debt or liabilities, amortize expenses related to intangible assets or incur write-offs of goodwill, which could adversely affect our results of operations and dilute the economic and voting rights of our shareholders.

Governmental regulation may adversely affect our ability to open new stores or otherwise adversely affect our existing and future operations and results.

We, and our franchisees, are subject to various federal, state and local regulations. Each of our stores is subject to state and local licensing and regulation by health, sanitation, food and workplace safety and other agencies. We, and our franchisees, may experience material difficulties or failures in obtaining the necessary licenses or approvals for new stores, which could delay planned store openings. In addition, stringent and varied requirements of local regulators with respect to zoning, land use and environmental factors could delay or prevent development of new stores in particular locations.

Our operations are also subject to the U.S. Fair Labor Standards Act and National Labor Relations Act, which governs such matters as minimum wages, overtime and other working conditions, along with the U.S. Americans with Disabilities Act, family leave mandates and a variety of similar laws enacted by the states that govern these and other employment law matters. In recent years, there has been an increased legislative, regulatory, and consumer focus on nutrition and advertising practices in the food industry. Establishments operating in the quick-service and fast-casual segments have been a particular focus, and compliance with additional regulations can become costly and affect our operating results.

Our federal, state and local tax returns may, from time to time, be selected for audit by the taxing authorities, which may result in tax assessments, interest or penalties that could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and financial position.

We are subject to federal, state and local taxes in the U.S. In making tax estimates and paying taxes, significant judgment is often required. Although we believe our tax positions and estimates are reasonable, if a taxing authority disagrees with the positions taken by the Company, we could have an additional tax liability, including interest and penalties. If material, payment of such additional amounts could have a material impact on our results of operations and financial position.

We rely heavily on information technology and a material failure of that technology could impair our ability to efficiently operate our business.

Our business operations rely heavily on information systems, including point-of-sale processing in our stores, management of our supply chain and distribution system, vendor and franchisee invoicing, and various other processes and procedures. The efficient management of our business depends significantly on the reliability and capacity of these systems, and any related failure and/or breach of security could cause delays in customer service and reduce efficiency in our operations. Significant capital investments might be required to remediate any problems.

Failure to protect the integrity and security of individually identifiable data of customers, vendors or employees could expose us to data loss, litigation and liability, and our reputation could be significantly harmed.

Our business operations require us to process and/or maintain certain personal, business and financial information about customers, vendors and employees. The use of such information by us is regulated by federal, state and foreign laws, as well as certain third party agreements. If our security and information systems are compromised or if our employees or franchisees fail to comply with the applicable laws and regulations, and this information is obtained by unauthorized persons or used inappropriately, it could adversely affect our reputation and result in litigation and settlement costs, damage awards, or penalties and fines. As privacy and information security law and regulations change, we may incur additional costs to ensure that we remain in compliance.

A failure or breach of our security systems or infrastructure as a result of cyber-attacks could disrupt our business, result in the disclosure or misuse of confidential or proprietary information, damage our reputation, increase our costs and cause losses.

Information security risks have significantly increased in recent years in part because of the proliferation of new technologies, the use of the Internet and telecommunications technologies to conduct financial transactions, and the increased sophistication and activities of organized crime, hackers, terrorists and other external parties. These threats may derive from fraud or malice on the part of our employees or third parties, or may result from human error or accidental technological failure. These threats include cyber-attacks such as computer viruses, malicious code, phishing attacks or information security breaches.

To date, we have not experienced any material impact relating to cyber-attacks or other information security breaches. Any actual attacks could lead to damage to our reputation, additional costs (such as repairing systems and investigation or compliance costs), penalties, financial losses to both us and our customers and partners and the loss of customers and business opportunities. If such attacks are not detected immediately, their effect could be compounded. As cyber-threats continue to evolve, we may be required to expend significant additional resources to continue to modify or enhance our protective measures or to investigate and remediate any information security vulnerabilities. Any of the risks described above could materially adversely affect our overall business and results of operations.

The new presidential administration may make substantial changes to regulatory policies that may adversely affect our business.

The new presidential administration has called for substantial change to various policies and regulations, including labor, healthcare, trade, tax and fiscal policy. We cannot predict the impact, if any, of these changes to our business. However, it is possible that these changes could adversely affect our business. It is likely that some policies adopted by the new administration will benefit us and others will negatively affect us. Until we know what changes are enacted, we will not know whether in total we benefit from, or are negatively affected by, the changes.

In December of 2017, the U.S. government enacted comprehensive tax legislation that includes significant changes to the taxation of business entities, including, among other provisions, a permanent reduction to the corporate income tax rate. The Act also eliminates Alternative Minimum Tax (“AMT”) in post-2017 tax years for corporations. Notwithstanding the reduction in the corporate income tax rate and the elimination of AMT, the overall impact of this tax reform is uncertain, and our business and financial condition could be adversely affected.

RISKS RELATED TO OUR FRANCHISE BUSINESS

Termination of an arrangement with a master developer could adversely impact our revenues.

We enter into relationships with “master developers” to develop and operate restaurants in defined domestic and international geographic areas. Master developers are granted exclusive rights with respect to larger territories than our typical franchisees. The termination of an arrangement with a master developer or a lack of expansion by certain master developers could result in the delay of the development and expansion of our business in our targeted markets. Any such delay or interruption could result in lower revenues for us, particularly if we were to choose to close stores following the termination of an arrangement with a master developer.

Our growth strategy depends on increasing franchise ownership.

Our current growth strategy is to continue to pursue an asset-light business model, and increasing the number of franchise locations as a percentage of all stores in the Jamba system. By emphasizing Franchise Store development,

we receive an increasingly significant amount of our revenues in the form of royalties from our franchisees. Accordingly, the success of our business is increasingly dependent upon the operational and financial success of our franchisees. This strategy is subject to risks and uncertainties, which may be concentrated where any particular franchisee owns a significant number of franchise locations. While our franchise agreements set forth certain operational standards and guidelines, we have limited control over how our franchisees' businesses are run, and any significant inability of our franchisees to operate successfully could adversely affect our operating results

through decreased royalty payments. We may not be able to identify franchisee candidates with appropriate experience and financial resources or to negotiate mutually acceptable agreements with those that do. Our franchisee candidates may not have access to the financial or management resources that they need to open or continue operating the stores contemplated by their franchise agreements with us. In addition, franchisees may not be able to find suitable sites on which to develop new stores or negotiate acceptable lease terms for the sites, obtain the necessary permits and government approvals or meet construction schedules. If our franchisees incur too much debt or if economic or sales trends deteriorate such that they are unable to repay existing debt, it could result in financial distress or even possible insolvency or bankruptcy. Some of our franchisees experienced financial pressures during fiscal 2017, 2016 and 2015. If a significant number of our franchisees become financially distressed, this could harm our operating results through reduced or delayed royalty payments or increased rent obligations for leased properties on which we are contingently liable.

Expansion into new geographic markets may present increased risks.

Franchise growth is planned in new geographic areas in the United States and select international markets. Our future results, and the results of new Franchise Stores, depend on various factors, including successful selection and expansion into these new geographic markets and market acceptance of the Jamba Juice experience. Those markets may have different competitive conditions, consumer tastes and discretionary spending patterns as compared to existing markets. As a result, those new stores may be less successful than stores in our existing markets. Consumers in a new market may not be familiar with the Jamba Juice brand, and we may need to build brand awareness in that market through greater investments in advertising and promotional activity than we originally planned. Franchisees may find it more difficult in new markets to hire, motivate and keep qualified employees who can project our vision, passion and culture. Stores opened in new markets may also have lower average store revenue than stores opened in existing markets, and may have higher construction, occupancy or operating costs than stores in existing markets. Furthermore, we may have difficulty in finding reliable suppliers or distributors or ones that can provide us, either initially or over time, with adequate supplies of ingredients meeting our quality standards. Revenue at stores opened in new markets may take longer to increase and reach expected revenue levels, and may never do so, thereby affecting our overall royalty income. As with the experience of other retail food concepts that have tried to expand nationally and internationally, we may find that the Jamba Juice concept has limited appeal to customers in new markets or we may experience a decline in the popularity of the Jamba Juice experience. Newly opened stores may not succeed, future markets and stores may not be successful and, even if we are successful, our average store revenue, and the royalty income generated therefrom, may not increase and may even decline.

Our efforts to expand internationally may not be successful and could impair the value of our brand.

Our current strategy includes international expansion in a number of countries around the world. Expanding into international markets will expose us to new risks and uncertainties, including product supply, import/export limitations and regulations to which we are not currently bound and may not be currently set up to handle, consumer preferences, occupancy costs, operating expenses and labor and infrastructure challenges. If stores open in international markets and such stores are unable to source inventory locally, franchisees may be required to import inventory from our U.S. distributors and any resulting import duties, tariffs, transportation or other charges may disproportionately impact such stores' cost of goods which could harm the viability of such stores. Finally, international operations have inherent risks such as foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, the application and effect of local laws and regulations and enforceability of intellectual property and contract rights. Additionally, effectively managing growth can be challenging, particularly as we continue to expand into new international markets where we must balance the need for flexibility and a degree of autonomy for local management against the need for consistency with our goals, philosophy and standards. Failure of our international expansion strategy could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations.

Termination or non-renewal of franchise agreements may disrupt store performance.

Each franchise agreement is subject to termination by us in the event of default by the franchisee after the applicable cure period. Upon the expiration of the initial term of a franchise agreement, the franchisee generally has an option to renew for an additional term. There is no assurance that franchisees will meet the criteria for renewal or will desire or be able to renew their franchise agreements. If not renewed, a franchise agreement and payments required thereunder will terminate. We may be unable to find a new franchisee to replace such lost revenue. Furthermore, while we will be entitled to terminate franchise agreements following a default that is not cured within the applicable cure period, if any, the disruption to the performance of the stores could materially and adversely affect our business.

Our franchisees could take actions that harm our reputation and reduce our royalty revenue.

While we have franchise agreements in place with our franchisees that provide certain operational requirements, we do not exercise control over the day-to-day operations of our Franchise Stores. Any operational or developmental shortcomings of our Franchise Stores, including their failure to comply with applicable laws, are likely to be attributed to our system-wide operations in the eyes of consumers and could adversely affect our reputation and have a direct negative impact on the royalty revenue we receive from those and other stores.

We could face liability from our franchisees and from government agencies.

A franchisee or government agency may bring legal action against us based on the franchisor/franchisee relationship. Various state and federal laws govern our relationship with our franchisees and our potential sale of a franchise. If we fail to comply with these laws, we could be liable for damages to franchisees, fines or other penalties. Expensive litigation with our franchisees or government agencies may adversely affect both our profits and our important relations with our franchisees.

RISKS RELATED TO THE FOOD SERVICE BUSINESS

Litigation and publicity concerning food quality, health claims, and other issues can result in liabilities, increased expenses, distraction of management, and can also cause customers to avoid our products, which could adversely affect our results of operations, business and financial condition.

Food service businesses can be adversely affected by litigation and complaints from customers or government authorities resulting from food quality, health claims, allergens, illness, injury or other health concerns or operating issues stemming from one retail location or a number of retail locations. Adverse publicity about these allegations may negatively affect us, regardless of whether the allegations are true, by discouraging customers from buying our products.

Our customers occasionally file complaints or lawsuits against us alleging that we are responsible for some illness or injury they suffered at or after a visit to our stores, or that we have problems with food quality or operations. We are also subject to a variety of other claims arising in the ordinary course of our business, including false advertising claims, personal injury claims, contract claims and claims alleging violations of federal and state law regarding workplace and employment matters, discrimination and similar matters, and we could become subject to class action or other lawsuits related to these or different matters in the future. Regardless of whether any claims against us are valid, or whether we are ultimately held liable, claims may be expensive to defend and may divert time and money away from our operations and hurt our performance. A judgment significantly in excess of our insurance coverage, or for which we are not covered by insurance, could materially and adversely affect our financial condition or results of operations. Any adverse publicity resulting from these allegations may also materially and adversely affect our reputation or prospects, which in turn, could adversely affect our results.

In addition, the food services industry has been subject to a growing number of claims based on the nutritional content of food products they sell, and disclosure and advertising practices. We may also be subject to this type of proceeding in the future and, even if not, publicity about these matters (particularly directed at the quick-service and fast-casual segments of the industry) may harm our reputation or prospects and adversely affect our results.

We are also impacted by trends in litigation, including class-action allegations brought under various consumer protection laws, securities and derivative lawsuits claiming violations of state and federal securities law, and employee lawsuits, including wage and hour claims. We may also be impacted by litigation involving our relationship with franchisees and the legal distinction between our franchisees and us for employee claims based on, among other

things, wage and hour violations, discrimination, harassment, or wrongful termination, as these types of claims are increasingly asserted against franchisors on a co-employer theory by employees of franchisees.

Due to the inherent uncertainties of litigation and regulatory proceedings, we cannot accurately predict the ultimate outcome of any such proceedings. An unfavorable outcome could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, regardless of the outcome of any litigation or regulatory proceedings, these proceedings could result in substantial costs and may require that we devote

substantial resources to defend our Company and could affect the future premiums we would be required to pay on our insurance policies. Further, changes in governmental regulations could have adverse effects on our business and subject us to additional regulatory actions.

Food safety concerns and instances of food-borne illnesses could harm our customers, result in negative publicity and cause the temporary closure of some stores and, in some cases, could adversely affect the price and availability of fruits and vegetables, any of which could harm our brand reputation, result in a decline in revenue or an increase in costs.

We consider food safety a top priority and dedicate substantial resources toward ensuring that our customers enjoy high-quality, safe and wholesome products. However, we cannot guarantee that our internal controls and training will be fully effective in preventing all food-borne illnesses. Furthermore, our reliance on third-party food suppliers and distributors increases the risk that food-borne illness incidents (such as e. coli, hepatitis A, salmonella or listeria) could occur outside of our control and at multiple locations. Instances of food-borne illnesses, whether real or perceived, and whether at our stores or those of our competitors, could harm customers and otherwise result in negative publicity about us or the products we serve, which could adversely affect revenue. If there is an incident involving our stores serving contaminated products, our customers may be harmed, our revenue may decrease and our brand name and reputation may be impaired. If our customers become ill from food-borne illnesses, we could be forced to temporarily close some stores. In addition, we may have different or additional competitors for our intended customers as a result of making any such changes and may not be able to compete successfully against those competitors. Food safety concerns and instances of food-borne illnesses and injuries caused by food contamination have in the past, and could in the future, adversely affect the price and availability of affected ingredients and cause customers to shift their preferences, particularly if we choose to pass any higher ingredient costs along to consumers. As a result, our costs may increase and our revenue may decline. A decrease in customer traffic as a result of these health concerns or negative publicity, or as a result of a change in our menu or dining experience or a temporary closure of any of our stores, could materially and adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.

RISKS RELATED TO OWNERSHIP OF COMMON STOCK

Failure of the Company's internal control over financial reporting could harm its business and financial results.

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. Internal control over financial reporting is a process to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Internal control over financial reporting includes: (i) maintaining reasonably detailed records that accurately and fairly reflect our transactions; and (ii) providing reasonable assurance that we (a) record transactions as necessary to prepare the financial statements, (b) make receipts and expenditures in accordance with management authorizations; and (c) would timely prevent or detect any unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements. Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting is not intended to provide absolute assurance that we would prevent or detect a misstatement of our financial statements or fraud. Any failure to maintain an effective system of internal control over financial reporting could limit our ability to report our financial results accurately and timely or to detect and prevent fraud. In addition, we are required to comply with a variety of reporting, accounting and other rules and regulations. Compliance with existing requirements is expensive. Our accounting systems are older and require manual processing. We may need to implement additional finance and accounting systems and procedures and controls to comply with our reporting requirements. A significant financial reporting failure could cause an immediate loss of investor confidence in us and a sharp decline in the market price of our common stock.

In fiscal 2016, the Company underwent significant changes in its business model, leadership, key personnel, and relocation of its corporate office. These changes resulted in a significant increase in non-routine transactions and impacted certain routine processes needed to effectively accumulate and present consolidated financial results. The Company identified that its risk assessment process, which was intended to identify new transactions and changes to existing processes and design appropriate control activities over financial reporting, was not sufficient to prevent or detect material misstatement in a timely basis. Consequently, in fiscal 2016, a material weakness in internal control over financial reporting resulted from ineffective risk assessment of material misstatement in financial reporting. As disclosed in Item 9A, management remediated the material weakness identified in fiscal 2016 in our internal control over financial reporting related to its risk assessment process.

Our anti-takeover provisions may delay or prevent a change of control of us, which may adversely affect the price of our common stock.

Certain provisions in our corporate documents and Delaware law may delay or prevent a change of control of us, which could adversely affect the price of our common stock. For example, the Company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws include anti-takeover provisions such as:

- limitations on the ability of shareholders to amend our charter documents, including shareholder supermajority voting requirements;
- the inability of shareholders to act by written consent or to call a special meeting absent the request of the holders of a majority of the outstanding common stock; and
- advance notice requirements for nomination for election to the board of directors and for shareholder proposals.

The Company is also afforded the protections of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law which prevents it from engaging in a business combination with a person who acquires at least 15% of its common stock for a period of three years from the date such person acquired such common stock, unless board of directors or shareholder approval is obtained.

Our stock price may fluctuate significantly.

The trading price of our common stock has been volatile and is likely to continue to be volatile. Our stock price could be subject to wide fluctuations in response to a variety of factors. The stock market has experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that have often been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of particular companies. Broad market factors, including the effect of international political instability, armed conflict, natural disasters, financial markets, and general economic conditions, may have a material adverse effect on our stock price, regardless of our actual performance.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

The Company's headquarters were relocated to Frisco, Texas from Emeryville, California in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2016. The Frisco facility is occupied under a lease for approximately 25,000 square feet, at a cost of approximately \$0.8 million per year with a lease term that expires on March 31, 2027. The Emeryville facility was occupied under a lease for approximately 37,000 square feet, at a cost of approximately \$1.2 million per year and has a lease term that expired on January 31, 2017.

The Company, including our franchisees, currently operates all of its stores under leases and typically signs five to 15 year leases. The Company does not intend to purchase real estate for any of its sites in the future. The Company believes that the size and flexibility of its format provide it with a competitive advantage in securing sites. At January 2, 2018, the Company served its customers primarily through a combination of Company Stores, Franchise Stores and International Stores in 33 different States, the District of Columbia, Indonesia, Taiwan, Thailand, South Korea, the Philippines, and the Middle East.

	Store Count as of January 2, 2018		
	Franchise & Company		Total
	Stores	International Stores	
United States			
Arizona	—	39	39
California	49	364	413
Colorado	—	23	23
Connecticut	—	2	2
Delaware	—	1	1
District of Columbia	—	3	3
Florida	—	27	27
Georgia	—	6	6
Hawaii	—	37	37
Idaho	—	10	10
Illinois	—	16	16
Indiana	—	1	1
Iowa	—	1	1
Kentucky	—	1	1
Louisiana	—	2	2
Maryland	—	7	7
Massachusetts	—	3	3
Michigan	—	3	3
Minnesota	—	8	8
Missouri	—	5	5
Nevada	—	17	17
New Jersey	—	9	9
New York	2	15	17
North Carolina	—	7	7
Ohio	—	4	4
Oklahoma	—	7	7
Oregon	—	24	24
Pennsylvania	—	9	9
Tennessee	—	3	3
Texas	2	35	37
Utah	—	23	23
Virginia	—	4	4
Washington	—	30	30
Wisconsin	—	3	3

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Total in United States	53	749	802
International			
Indonesia	—	5	5
Middle East	—	8	8
Philippines	—	27	27
South Korea	—	24	24
Taiwan	—	5	5
Thailand	—	2	2
Total International	—	71	71
Grand Total	53	820	873

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company is party to various legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of its business, but it is not currently a party to any legal proceeding that management believes would have a material adverse effect on the Consolidated Financial Position or results of operations of the Company.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURE

Not applicable.

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PART II

ITEM MARKET FOR JAMBA, INC.'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED SHAREHOLDER MATTERS AND
5. ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Market Information

The shares of Jamba, Inc. common stock are currently quoted on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol JMBA. The closing price per share of Jamba, Inc. common stock as reported on the NASDAQ Global Market on May 4, 2018, was \$9.30.

The following table sets forth, for the fiscal quarter indicated, the quarterly high and low closing sales prices of our shares of common stock as reported on the NASDAQ Global Market, as applicable, for each quarter during the last two fiscal years.

	Common Stock	
	High	Low
2017 First Quarter	10.35	8.86
2017 Second Quarter	8.69	6.77
2017 Third Quarter	10.15	7.45
2017 Fourth Quarter	8.95	7.65
2016 First Quarter	13.64	11.76
2016 Second Quarter	13.52	10.08
2016 Third Quarter	11.51	10.02
2016 Fourth Quarter	10.94	9.75

We have not historically paid any cash dividends on our common stock and do not currently have plans to pay any cash dividends. As of May 4, 2018, there were 90 holders of record of our common stock.

Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans

Our equity compensation plan information required by this item is incorporated by reference to the information in Part III, Item 12 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Performance Graph

The following graph compares our cumulative total shareholder return since December 31, 2011 with the cumulative total return of (i) the NASDAQ Composite Index; (ii) the Russell 2000 Index; and (iii) Russell MicroCap Index. The graph assumes that the value of the investment in our common stock and each index (including reinvestment of dividends) was \$100 on January 3, 2012. The comparisons in the graph below are based on historical data and are not intended to forecast the possible future performance of our common stock. This performance graph shall not be deemed “soliciting material” or to be “filed” with the SEC for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any of our filings under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The table below summarizes the Company's recent financial information. The historical information was derived from the Consolidated Financial Statements of Jamba, Inc. and subsidiary for the fiscal years ended January 2, 2018, January 3, 2017, December 29, 2015, December 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013. The data set forth below should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto in Item 8 and with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in Item 7.

Statements of Operations Data

(In thousands, except share data and per share amounts)

	Fiscal Year Ended January 2, 2018 (2)	Fiscal Year Ended January 3, 2017 (1) (2)	Fiscal Year Ended December 29, 2015 (2)	Fiscal Year Ended December 30, 2014 (2)	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (2)
Revenue:					
Company stores	\$44,673	\$51,282	\$137,025	\$198,737	\$212,887
Franchise and other revenue	26,253	28,341	24,651	19,311	16,362
Total revenue	70,926	79,623	161,676	218,048	229,249
Costs and operating expenses:					
Cost of sales	10,231	12,601	33,737	52,236	52,211
Labor	15,653	17,872	44,732	61,749	62,015
Occupancy	6,487	7,659	18,951	27,630	29,350
Store operating	8,228	9,285	25,152	33,089	34,802
Depreciation and amortization	3,549	5,749	6,569	10,084	10,974
General and administrative	28,260	37,958	36,872	37,278	37,771
Loss (gain) on disposal of assets	688	790	(21,609)	(2,957)	(3,153)
Store pre-opening	711	1,224	1,031	763	880
Impairment of long-lived assets	—	3,410	2,523	175	728
Store lease termination and closure	297	4,160	1,669	575	148
Other operating, net	15	1,083	1,795	726	1,155
Total costs and operating expenses	74,119	101,791	151,422	221,348	226,881
Income (loss) from operations	(3,193)	(22,168)	10,254	(3,300)	2,368
Other income (expenses):					
Interest income	105	250	137	74	9
Interest expense	(325)	(439)	(220)	(195)	(242)
Total other income (expenses), net	(220)	(189)	(83)	(121)	(233)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(3,413)	(22,357)	10,171	(3,421)	2,135
Income tax (expense) benefit	671	(79)	(701)	(168)	(55)
Net income (loss)	(2,742)	(22,436)	9,470	(3,589)	2,080
Preferred stock dividends and deemed dividends	—	—	—	—	(588)

Less: Net income attributable					
to noncontrolling interest	—	—	52	43	—
Net income (loss) attributable					
to Jamba, Inc.	\$(2,742	) \$(22,436	) \$9,418	\$(3,632	) \$1,492
Weighted-average shares used in the					
computation of income (loss) per					
share attributable to Jamba, Inc.:					
Basic	15,513,028	15,229,102	15,787,806	17,197,904	16,793,235
Diluted	15,513,028	15,229,102	16,228,033	17,197,904	17,222,030
Income (loss) per share attributable to					
Jamba, Inc. common shareholders:					
Basic	\$(0.18	) \$(1.47	) \$0.60	\$(0.21	) \$0.09
Diluted	\$(0.18	) \$(1.47	) \$0.58	\$(0.21	) \$0.09

(1) Fiscal year ended January 3, 2017 contains the results of operations for 53 weeks.

(2) Share and per share data have been adjusted for all periods presented to reflect a five-for-one reverse stock split effective May 31, 2013.

Selected Balance Sheet and Operating Data

(In thousands, fiscal years ended)

	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015	December 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,030	\$ 7,133	\$ 19,730	\$ 17,750	\$ 32,386
Total assets	40,648	41,620	69,616	92,489	97,916
Total liabilities	55,222	55,397	64,625	75,744	71,074
Total shareholders' (deficit) equity	(14,574)	(13,777)	4,991	16,745	26,842
Total liabilities and shareholders' (deficit) equity	40,648	41,620	69,616	92,489	97,916
Selected Operating Data ⁽²⁾					
Percentage change in Company Store comparable sales ⁽¹⁾	(1.3)%	0.8 %	1.5 %	2.8 %	0.5 %
Total Company Stores	53	66	70	263	268
Total Franchise Stores - Domestic	749	726	706	504	499
Total International Stores	71	70	75	62	48
Total Stores	873	862	851	829	815

(1) Percentage change in Company Store comparable sales compares the sales of Company Stores during the current fiscal year to the sales from the same Company Stores for the prior fiscal year. A Company Store is included in this calculation after its first full fiscal year of operations. Sales from Franchise and International Stores are not included in the Company Store comparable sales.

(2) As communicated on March 20, 2017, the Company now excludes Express format stores counts.

ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

You should read the following discussion and analysis in conjunction with Part II, Item 6 "Selected Financial Data" and our audited Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes thereto included in Item 8 "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data." In addition to historical consolidated financial information, this discussion contains forward-looking statements that reflect our plans, estimates and beliefs. Actual results could differ from these expectations as a result of factors including those described under Item 1A, "Risk Factors," "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" and elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

JAMBA, INC. OVERVIEW

Jamba, Inc. through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Jamba Juice Company, is a global healthy lifestyle brand that inspires and simplifies healthful living through freshly blended whole fruit and vegetable smoothies, bowls, juices, cold-pressed shots, boosts, snacks, and meal replacements. Jamba's blends are made with premium ingredients free of artificial flavors and preservatives so guests can feel their best and blend the most into life.

We operate on a 52 or 53 week fiscal year ending on the Tuesday closest to December 31st. Our fiscal quarters are comprised of 13 weeks, with the exception of the fourth quarter of a 53 week year, which contains 14 weeks. Fiscal year 2017 contained 52 weeks, fiscal year 2016 contained 53 weeks and 2015 contained 52 weeks.

Fiscal 2017 Financial and Business Highlights

- Franchisees opened 49 new Jamba Juice stores globally; which included 25 traditional stores, 10 non-traditional stores, 4 drive thru stores and 10 International Stores. In addition, one non-traditional Company-store opened in 2017.
- At January 2, 2018, there were 873 stores globally, including 53 Domestic Company Stores, 749 Domestic Franchise Stores and 71 International Franchise Stores.
- Total revenue for the year decreased \$8.7 million to \$70.9 million from \$79.6 million for the prior year. primarily due to the decline in comparable store sales, store closures and the exit of JambaGO[®] and Ready to Drink during fiscal year 2016. Additionally, the refranchising of the Chicago market area resulted in fewer number of Company Stores due to our transition to an asset-light model further impacting revenue.
 - Company Store comparable sales decreased 1.3%. System-wide comparable sales (includes both Company and Franchise stores) declined 0.5% for the year. System-wide and Franchise Store comparable store sales are non-GAAP financial measures and represent the change in year-over-year sales, for stores opened for at least one full fiscal year.
- Net loss for fiscal 2017 improved to \$2.7 million compared to \$22.4 million for fiscal 2016.
- In the second quarter of fiscal 2017 we completed the refranchising of 13 company-owned operations in the Chicago area. The transaction included a development agreement to grow the market over the next several years.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The discussion that follows should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto. The following table sets forth selected operating data as a percentage of total revenue (unless otherwise noted), of certain items included in our Consolidated Statements of Operations, for the periods indicated.

	Fiscal Year Ended ⁽¹⁾					
	January 2, 2018		January 3, 2017		December 29, 2015	
Revenue:						
Company stores	63.0	%	64.4	%	84.8	%
Franchise and other revenue	37.0	%	35.6	%	15.2	%
Total revenue	100.0	%	100.0	%	100.0	%
Costs and operating expenses:						
Cost of sales	22.9	%	24.6	%	24.6	%
Labor	35.0	%	34.9	%	32.6	%
Occupancy	14.5	%	14.9	%	13.8	%
Store operating	18.4	%	18.1	%	18.4	%
Depreciation and amortization	5.0	%	7.2	%	4.1	%
General and administrative	39.8	%	47.7	%	22.8	%
Loss (gain) on disposal of assets	1.0	%	1.0	%	(13.4))%
Store pre-opening	1.0	%	1.5	%	0.6	%
Impairment of long-lived assets	0.0	%	4.3	%	1.6	%
Store lease termination and closure	0.4	%	5.2	%	1.0	%
Other operating, net	0.0	%	1.4	%	1.1	%
Total costs and operating expenses	104.5	%	127.8	%	93.7	%
Income (loss) from operations	(4.5)	)%	(27.8)	)%	6.3	%
Other income (expenses):						
Interest income	0.1	%	0.3	%	0.1	%
Interest expense	(0.5)	)%	(0.6)	)%	(0.1))%
Total other income (expenses), net	(0.3)	)%	(0.2)	)%	(0.1))%
Income (loss) before income taxes	(4.8)	)%	(28.1)	)%	6.3	%
Income tax (expense) benefit	0.9	%	(0.1)	)%	(0.4))%
Net income (loss)	(3.9)	)%	(28.2)	)%	5.9	%
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	0.0	%	0.0	%	(0.1))%
Net income (loss) attributable to Jamba, Inc.	(3.9)	)%	(28.2)	)%	5.8	%

(1) Cost of sales, labor, occupancy and store operating expense percentages are calculated using Company Stores revenue. All other line items are calculated using total revenue. Certain percentage amounts do not sum to total due to rounding.

Known Events, Trends or Uncertainties Impacting or Expected to Impact Comparisons of Reported or Future Results

Management reviews and discusses its operations based on both financial and non-financial metrics. Among the key financial metrics upon which management focuses is performance based on the Company's consolidated GAAP results, including Company Store comparable sales, franchise and other revenue, and income from operations. Management also uses certain supplemental, non-GAAP financial metrics in evaluating financial results, including

Franchise Store comparable sales and system-wide comparable sales.

Company Store comparable sales represents the change in year-over-year sales for all Company Stores opened for at least one full year. Franchise Store comparable sales, a non-GAAP financial measure, represents the change in year-over-year sales for all Franchise Stores opened for at least one full year, as reported by franchisees excluding International Stores. System-wide comparable store sales, a non-GAAP financial measure, represents the change in year over-year sales for all Company and Franchise Stores opened for at least one full year and is based on sales by both company-owned and domestic franchise operated stores, as reported by franchisees, which are in the store base. System-wide comparable store sales excludes International Stores, JambaGO® units and Jamba Juice Express™.

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Company-owned stores that were sold in franchising transactions are included in the store base for each accounting period of the fiscal quarter in which the store was sold to the extent the sale is consummated at least three days prior to the end of such accounting period, but only for the days such stores have been company-owned. Thereafter, such stores are excluded from the store base until such stores have been franchise-operated for at least one full fiscal period at which point such stores are included in the store base and compared to sales in the comparable period of the prior year. Comparable store sales include closed locations for the periods in which they have comparable sales.

We review the increase or decrease in Company Store comparable sales, Franchise Store comparable sales and system-wide comparable sales compared with the same period in the prior year to assess business trends and make certain business decisions. We believe that Franchise Store comparable sales and system-wide comparable sales data, both non-GAAP financial measures, are useful in assessing the overall performance of the Jamba brand and, ultimately, the performance of the Company.

As a result of the 53-week fiscal 2016, reported 2017 comparable sales for fiscal comparisons are offset by one week. The comparable sales calculations presented in this Form 10-K accurately reflect the change in sales for comparable stores in the reported fiscal period. However, as a result of the one week offset, management also reviewed and previously reported comparable sales calculations on a calendar, rather than fiscal basis. Management believes this calendar comparison offers a clearer understanding of comparable sales performance of the business as it compares truly comparable time periods, rather than fiscal periods that compare periods with a one week shift.

During fiscal 2016, we underwent significant changes in our business model, leadership, key personnel, and relocation of our corporate office. These changes resulted in a significant increase in non-routine transactions and impacted certain routine processes needed to effectively accumulate and present consolidated financial results. We identified that our risk assessment process, which was intended to identify new transactions and changes to existing processes and design appropriate control activities over financial reporting, was not sufficient to prevent or detect material misstatement on a timely basis. Consequently, a material weakness in internal control over financial reporting resulted for fiscal 2016. As described in "ITEM 9A. Controls and Procedures," management has remediated the material weakness by implementing a plan to assess risks of material misstatement over financial reporting, including the enhancement of internal control activities, and training of key process owners. Management, with the oversight of the Audit Committee dedicated significant incremental resources to successfully implement and test effectiveness of the enhanced controls throughout fiscal 2017. G&A expenses have been negatively impacted by costs in connection with the remediation plan in fiscal 2017 and the Company also expects additional associated expenses in fiscal 2018.

On December 22, 2017 the U.S. government passed sweeping tax legislation with the "Tax Cuts and Jobs Act" which includes significant changes to the taxation of business entities. These legislative changes begin to take effect after December 31, 2017. These changes include, among others, (i) a permanent reduction of the corporate income tax rate to a flat 21%, (ii) a repeal of the corporate alternative minimum tax (AMT), (iii) changes to tax depreciation for first-year property, luxury automobiles and qualified leasehold improvements, (iv) a partial limitation on the deductibility of business interest expense, (v) for losses incurred after December 21, 2017 the NOL deduction is limited to 80% of taxable income with an indefinite carry forward and (vi) a disallowance of entertainment expenses but an expansion of the types of expenses allowable as a 50% business meal expenditure. Notwithstanding the reduction in the corporate income tax rate, the overall impact of this tax reform is uncertain, we continue to assess the impact of the recently enacted federal tax reform legislation on our business and our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Key Financial Metrics

The following table sets forth operating data that do not otherwise appear in our Consolidated Financial Statements for the periods indicated:

Increase / (decrease)	Fiscal year ended		
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017 ⁽³⁾	December 29, 2015
Percentage change in company store sales			
Company stores ⁽¹⁾	(1.3)%	0.8 %	1.5 %
Franchise stores	(0.4)%	(0.3)%	2.7 %
System-wide ⁽²⁾	(0.5)%	(0.2)%	2.3 %
Percentage change in comparable company store sales			
Traffic	(4.7)%	(2.4)%	(3.5)%
Average check	3.4 %	3.2 %	5.0 %
Total comparable company store sales			
	(1.3)%	0.8 %	1.5 %

Certain percentage amounts do not sum to total due to rounding.

- (1) Percentage change in comparable sales compares sales during the current fiscal year to sales from the same stores for the prior fiscal year. A store is included in this calculation after its first full fiscal year of operations. Company Store comparable sales excludes sales from Franchise and International Stores. Franchise Store comparable sales excludes sales from Company and, International Stores. Closed locations are included for the periods in which they have comparable sales.
- (2) Percentage change in system-wide comparable sales compares the combined sales of Company and Franchise Stores, during the current fiscal year to the combined sales from the same Company and Franchise Stores for the prior fiscal year. A Company or Franchise Store is included in this calculation after its first full fiscal period of operations. System-wide comparable store sales excludes International Stores, Jamba Juice Express, and JambaGO[®] locations. Closed locations are included for the periods in which they have comparable sales.
- (3) Year ended January 3, 2017 amounts are calculated based on 52 weeks.

The following table sets forth certain data relating to Company Stores, Franchise Stores and International Stores for the periods indicated:

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017 ⁽¹⁾	December 29, 2015 ⁽¹⁾

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Company Stores:			
Beginning of year	66	70	263
Company Stores opened	1	2	—
Company Stores acquired			
from franchisees	—	—	2
Company Stores closed	(1)	(5)	(16)
Company Stores sold to			
franchisees	(13)	(1)	(179)
Total Company Stores	53	66	70

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	Fiscal Year Ended		
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017 ⁽¹⁾	December 29, 2015 ⁽¹⁾
Franchise Stores - Domestic:			
Beginning of year	726	706	504
Franchise Stores opened	39	44	44
Franchise Stores purchased			
by Company	—	—	(2)
Franchise Stores closed	(29)	(25)	(19)
Franchise Stores purchased			
from Company	13	1	179
Total Franchise Stores -			
Domestic	749	726	706

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017 ⁽¹⁾	December 29, 2015 ⁽¹⁾
International Stores:			
Beginning of year	70	75	62
International Stores opened	10	19	22
International Stores closed	(9)	(24)	(9)
Total International Stores	71	70	75
Grand Total	873	862	851

(1) As communicated on March 20, 2017, the Company now excludes Express format stores counts. Store counts exclude Express in both 2016 and 2017 for comparability.

Revenue

Fiscal Year 2017 to Fiscal Year 2016

Total revenue is comprised of the revenue from Company Stores, royalties and fees from Franchise Stores in the U.S. and from International Stores, income from JambaGO[®] locations and license income from sales of Jamba-branded Consumer Packaged Goods (“CPG”) products.

The following table summarizes revenue for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

Fiscal Year Ended	% of Total Revenue	Fiscal Year Ended	% of Total Revenue
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	January 2, 2018		January 3, 2017		
Revenue:					
Company Stores	\$ 44,673	63.0	% \$ 51,282	64.4	%
Franchise and other revenue	26,253	37.0	% 28,341	35.6	%
Total revenue	\$ 70,926	100.0	% \$ 79,623	100.0	%

Total revenue in fiscal year 2017, decreased by \$8.7 million, or 10.9%, compared to fiscal year 2016. The decrease is primarily due to a reduction in the number of Company Stores for fiscal year 2017 compared to fiscal year 2016 due to refranchising activity and the exit of JambaGO®. We ended fiscal 2017 owning 53 Company Stores compared to 66 at the end of the prior year. Reductions in revenue were partially offset by an increase in the number of Franchise and International Stores in fiscal year 2017 as compared to fiscal year 2016.

Company Store revenue

Company Store revenue in fiscal year 2017, decreased by \$6.6 million or 12.9% compared to fiscal year 2016. The reduction in Company Store revenue is due to a reduction in the number of Company Stores as a result of refranchising activities, a reduction in the number of weeks in the fiscal year from 53 in fiscal 2016 to 52 in fiscal 2017, and the decline in comparable store sales, as illustrated by the following table (dollars in thousands):

	Company Store Increase / (Decrease) in Revenue 2017 vs. 2016
Company Store comparable sales	
increase / (decrease)	\$ (555)
Impact of 53rd operating week	(591)
Reduction in Company Store, net	(5,463)
Total change in Company Store revenue	\$ (6,609)

Company Store comparable sales decreased by \$0.6 million in fiscal year 2017, or 1.3%, attributable to a decrease of 4.7% in transaction count, partially offset by an increase in the average check amount of 3.4%.

Franchise and other revenue

Franchise and other revenue in fiscal year 2017, decreased by \$2.1 million, or 7.4%, compared to fiscal year 2016. The decrease was primarily due to the exit of JambaGO® and decreases in Franchise Store comparable store sales, partially offset by royalties generated from the net increase in the number of Franchise and International Stores. The number of Franchise Stores and International Stores grew to 820 as of January 2, 2018 compared to 796 as of January 3, 2017.

Fiscal Year 2016 to Fiscal Year 2015

Total revenue in fiscal year 2016 decreased \$82.1 million, or 50.8%, compared to fiscal year 2015. The following table summarizes revenue for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

Fiscal Year Ended	% of Total	Fiscal Year Ended	% of Total
January 3, 2017	Revenue	December 29, 2015	Revenue

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Revenue:						
Company Stores	\$ 51,282	64.4	%	\$ 137,025	84.8	%
Franchise and other revenue	28,341	35.6	%	24,651	15.2	%
Total revenue	\$ 79,623	100.0	%	\$ 161,676	100.0	%

Company Store revenue

Company Store revenue in fiscal year 2016 decreased by \$85.7 million or 62.6% compared to fiscal year 2015. The decrease in Company Store revenue is primarily due to the reduction of 179 Company Stores due to our refranchising strategy, partially offset by the increase in comparable store sales and the 53rd fiscal week, as illustrated by the following table (dollars in thousands):

	Company Store Increase / (Decrease) in Revenue 2016 vs. 2015
Company Store comparable sales	
increase / (decrease)	\$ 388
Impact of 53 rd operating week	735
Reduction in Company Store, net	(86,866)
Total change in Company Store revenue	\$ (85,743)

Company Store comparable sales increased by \$0.4 million in fiscal 2016, or 0.8%, attributable to a 3.2% increase in average check, offset by a 2.4% decrease in transaction count. The increase in average check was driven by product mix as we continue to increase the sales in bowl and higher ticket items.

Franchise and other revenue

Franchise and other revenue in fiscal year 2016, increased by \$3.7 million, or 15.0%, compared to fiscal year 2015. The increase was primarily due to royalties received on a larger base of Franchise and International Stores, fees recognized and the 53rd fiscal week and partially offset by Franchise Store comparable store sales decrease of 0.3%. Other revenue, which primarily includes revenue from CPG and JambaGO®, decreased by \$1.5 million or 25.6% to \$4.3 million, compared to \$5.8 million in fiscal year 2015.

The number of Franchise Stores and International Stores grew to 796 as of January 3, 2017 compared to 781 as of December 29, 2015.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales is primarily comprised of produce, dairy, and other products used to make smoothies and juices and paper products. The following table summarizes cost of sales for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			% Change in 2017	% Change in 2016
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015		
Cost of sales	\$10,231	\$12,601	\$33,737	(18.8)%	(62.6)%
Percentage of company stores revenue	22.9%	24.6%	24.6%		

Cost of sales in fiscal year 2017 as a percentage of Company Store revenue, decreased 1.7% compared to fiscal year 2016, primarily due to favorable commodity costs led by strawberries and mangos, and menu price increases. Cost of sales for fiscal year 2017 decreased by \$2.4 million compared to fiscal year 2016, primarily due to the decrease in number of Company Stores.

Cost of sales in fiscal year 2016 as a percentage of Company Store revenue, was unchanged compared to fiscal 2015 primarily due to favorable commodity pricing driven by strawberries and mangos and menu price increases, partially offset by product mix shift, increased discounts and change in store base. Cost of sales for fiscal year 2016 decreased by \$21.1 million compared to fiscal year 2015, primarily due to the decrease in number of Company Stores as a result of our transition to an asset-light model.

Labor

Labor costs are comprised of store management salaries and bonuses, hourly team member payroll, training costs and other associated fringe benefits. The following table summarizes labor costs for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

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	Fiscal Year Ended			% Change in 2017	% Change in 2016
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015		
Labor	\$ 15,653	\$ 17,872	\$ 44,732	(12.4)%	(60.0)%
Percentage of company stores revenue	35.0 %	34.9 %	32.6 %		

The 0.1% increase in labor in fiscal year 2017, as a percentage of Company Store revenue, was primarily attributable to increased wage rates, partially offset by changes in the composition of the store base. Labor costs for fiscal year 2017 decreased \$2.2 million compared to fiscal year 2016 primarily due to the decrease in number of Company Stores.

The 2.3% increase in labor in fiscal year 2016, as a percentage of Company Store revenue, was primarily attributable to the change in store base, increased wage rates, and reduced labor efficiency due to outages in the Company's labor scheduling system in the second and third quarters of 2016. These charges are partially offset by lower fringe benefits driven by worker's comp. Labor costs for fiscal year 2016 decreased by \$26.9 million compared to fiscal year 2015, primarily due to the decrease in number of Company Stores as a result of our transition to an asset-light model.

Occupancy

Occupancy costs include both fixed and variable portions of rent, common area maintenance charges, property taxes, licenses and property insurance for all Company Store locations. The following table summarizes occupancy costs for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			% Change in 2017	% Change in 2016
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015		
Occupancy	\$6,487	\$ 7,659	\$ 18,951	(15.3)%	(59.6)%
Percentage of company stores revenue	14.5 %	14.9 %	13.8 %		

The 0.4% decrease in occupancy costs in fiscal year 2017, as a percentage of Company Store revenue, was primarily due to changes in the composition of the store base partially offset by reduced leverage due to the decrease in sales. Occupancy costs for fiscal year 2017 decreased by \$1.2 million compared to fiscal year 2016, primarily due to the decrease in number of Company Stores.

The 1.1% increase in occupancy costs in fiscal year 2016, as a percentage of Company Store revenue, was primarily due to common area maintenance, property taxes, rent and insurance and partially offset by sales leverage. Occupancy costs for fiscal year 2016 decreased by \$11.3 million compared to fiscal year 2016, primarily due to the decrease in number of Company Stores as a result of our transition to an asset-light model.

Store operating expenses

Store operating expenses consist of various store-level costs such as utilities, marketing, repairs and maintenance, credit card fees and other store operating expenses. The following table summarizes store operating expenses for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			% Change in 2017	% Change in 2016
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015		
Store operating	\$8,228	\$ 9,285	\$ 25,152	(11.4)%	(63.1)%
Percentage of company stores revenue	18.4 %	18.1 %	18.4 %		

The 0.3% increase in store operating expense in fiscal year 2017, as a percentage of Company Store revenue, was primarily due to higher repairs, reduced leverage due to the decrease in sales, and change in composition of the store base. Total store operating expenses for fiscal year 2017 decreased by \$1.1 million compared to fiscal year 2016, primarily due to the decrease in the number of Company Stores.

The 0.3% decrease in store operating expense in fiscal year 2016, as a percentage of Company Store revenue, was primarily due to lower store-level advertising costs and sales leverage, partially offset by higher software and credit card expenses. Total store operating expenses for fiscal year 2016 decreased by \$15.9 million compared to fiscal year 2015, primarily due to the decrease in the number of Company Stores as a result of our transition to an asset-light model.

Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation and amortization expenses include the depreciation of fixed assets and the amortization of intangible assets. The following table summarizes depreciation and amortization for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			%	%
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015			Change in 2017	Change in 2016
Depreciation and amortization	\$3,549	\$ 5,749	\$ 6,569	(38.3)%	(12.5)%
Percentage of total revenue	5.0 %	7.2 %	4.1 %		

The decrease in depreciation and amortization in fiscal year 2017, was primarily due to the disposition of assets from the previous Emeryville headquarters and store refranchising activity. The decrease in depreciation and amortization in fiscal year 2016, was primarily due to the discontinuation of depreciation relating to stores refranchised in the prior year which were partially offset by an increase in depreciation relating to capitalized information technology corporate programs and a correction of an immaterial prior period adjustment which overstated depreciation expense by approximately \$0.2 million for fiscal year 2016.

General and administrative (“G&A”)

G&A expenses include costs associated with our corporate headquarters (in Emeryville, California and Frisco, Texas), field supervision, performance related incentives, outside and contract services, accounting and legal fees, travel and travel-related expenses, share-based compensation and other G&A expenses. Also included in G&A are costs related to the move of the support center to Frisco, Texas, settlement and other legal costs. The following table summarizes G&A expenses for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			%	%
	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015			Change in 2017	Change in 2016
General and administrative	\$28,260	\$ 37,958	\$ 36,872	(25.5)%	2.9 %
Percentage of total revenue	39.8 %	47.7 %	22.8 %		

Total G&A expenses for fiscal year 2017 decreased by \$9.7 million compared to fiscal year 2016. The decrease is primarily due to lower 2017 expenses related to our Support Center relocation to Frisco, Texas compared to 2016, efficiencies gained from corporate structure changes resulting from our shift to an asset light model, and lower legal fees. These cost reductions were partially offset by an increase in audit and related expenses.

Total G&A expenses for fiscal year 2016 increased by \$1.1 million compared to fiscal year 2015. The increase was primarily due to costs related to our relocation to Frisco, Texas and legal settlement and liability for ongoing legal action and a correction for an immaterial understatement of prior period expenses in fiscal year 2016 which were partially offset by a decline in share-based compensation expenses and lower expenses related to our organizational changes resulting from our shift to an asset-light model. The increase in G&A expenses in fiscal year 2016 as a percentage of total revenue is primarily due to a fewer number of Company Stores contributing revenue as a result of our transition to an asset-light model.

Loss (gain) on disposal of assets

Loss (gain) on disposal of assets includes losses or gains from the sales of related furniture, fixtures and equipment and refranchising of Company Stores. The following table summarizes disposal of assets expenses for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			%	%
	January 1, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015			Change in 2017	Change in 2016
(Loss) gain on disposal of assets	\$688	\$ 790	\$ (21,609)	(12.9)%	(103.7)%
Percentage of total revenue	1.0 %	1.0 %	(13.4)%		

Loss on disposal of assets decrease by \$0.1 million in fiscal 2017 compared to fiscal year 2016, primarily due to an increase in disposal of fixed assets which related to the relocation of the Company's headquarters from Emeryville, California to Frisco, Texas in December 2016 partially offset by an increase in loss from refranchising Company-owned stores in the Chicago area which was completed in fiscal 2017.

For the fiscal year 2016, the Company recognized a loss on disposal of assets of \$0.8 million compared to a gain of \$21.6 million in fiscal year 2015. In fiscal 2016, the decrease in the disposal of assets gain relates to the gain on refranchising 179 Company Stores in fiscal 2015 relating to our transition to an asset-light model as well as a correction of an understated prior period loss.

Store pre-opening

Store pre-opening consists of costs incurred in connection with start-up and promotion of new store openings as well as rent from possession date to store opening date are expensed as incurred.

The following table summarizes store pre-opening for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			%	%
	January 1, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015			Change in 2017	Change in 2016
Store pre-opening	\$711	\$ 1,224	\$ 1,031	(41.9)%	18.7 %
Percentage of total revenue	1.0 %	1.5 %	0.6 %		

For the fiscal year 2017, store pre-opening decreased by \$0.5 million compared to fiscal year 2016. The decrease was due to pre-opening rent related to a Company store opened in fiscal 2017 compared to two Company stores in fiscal 2016. In addition, the decrease reflects a decrease in franchise store openings, 49 franchise stores opened in fiscal 2017 compared to 63 in fiscal 2016.

For the fiscal year 2016, store pre-opening increased by \$0.2 million compared to fiscal year 2015. The increase was primarily related to the opening of two Company Stores in fiscal 2016 and also juice bar remodels in fiscal 2016.

Impairment of long-lived assets

We evaluate long-lived assets for impairment when facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying values of long-lived assets may not be recoverable.

The following table summarizes impairment of long-lived assets expenses for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			% Change in 2017	% Change in 2016
	January 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015		
Impairment of long-lived assets	\$—	\$ 3,410	\$ 2,523	(100.0)%	35.2 %
Percentage of total revenue	0.0%	4.3 %	1.6 %		

For the fiscal year 2017, impairment of long-lived assets decreased by \$3.4 million compared to fiscal year 2016. The Company had no impairment during the fiscal year 2017; the losses in fiscal year 2016 were related to impairment of fixed assets associated with JambaGO® exit and several operating stores.

For the fiscal year 2016, impairment of long-lived assets increased by \$0.9 million compared to fiscal year 2015. The increase was primarily related to the loss recorded to reflect assets associated with JambaGO® exit and other long-lived assets.

Store lease termination and closure

Store lease termination and closure costs consists of expenses incurred when closing a store. At the date the Company ceases use of a store under an operating lease, a liability is recorded for the net present value of any remaining lease obligations, net of estimated sublease income, if any.

The following table summarizes store lease termination expenses for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended			% Change in 2017	% Change in 2016
	January 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015		
Store lease termination and closure	\$297	\$ 4,160	\$ 1,669	(92.9)%	149.3 %
Percentage of total revenue	0.4 %	5.2 %	1.0 %		

For the fiscal year 2017, store lease termination and closure decreased by \$3.9 million compared to fiscal year 2016. The decrease was primarily related to closing a newer Company Store and related fixed asset disposals before lease expiration in fiscal 2016.

For the fiscal year 2016, store lease termination and closure increased by \$2.5 million compared to fiscal year 2015. The increase was primarily related to closing a newer Company Store and related fixed assets before lease expiration.

Other operating, net

Other operating, net consists of income from breakage from our gift cards (known as jambacard®), gift card-related fees, expenses related to our franchisees, sublease income, international expenses, gain/loss on investments, bad debt expense and CPG and JambaGO® activities. The following table summarizes other operating, net for the periods

indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended				
	January 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015	% Change in 2017	% Change in 2016
Other operating, net	\$ 15	\$ 1,083	\$ 1,795	(98.6)%	(39.7)%
Percentage of total revenue	0.0%	1.4 %	1.1 %		

For the fiscal year 2017, other operating, net decreased by \$1.1 million compared to fiscal year 2016. The decrease is primarily related to the exit of JambaGO®.

For the fiscal year 2016, other operating, net decreased by \$0.7 million compared to fiscal year 2015, changes in the components of other operating, net include an increase in sublease income from a higher number of subleased refranchise stores, a decrease in CPG and JambaGO® direct expense, a decrease in franchise related expenses and a correction for an immaterial understatement of prior period expenses and a decrease in franchise expenses. These changes were partially offset by a decrease in gift card breakage income.

Income tax expense/benefit

Income tax benefit in fiscal 2017 was \$0.7 million compared to an income tax expense of \$0.1 million for fiscal 2016. Our effective income tax rates were 19.7% and 0.4% for the fiscal years 2017 and 2016, respectively. Although the Company is in a taxable loss position in both fiscal years 2017 and 2016, the Company was able to release a portion of the valuation allowance against its alternative minimum tax (“AMT”) credit due to tax law changes, mainly the change in the deferred tax rate from 34% to 21%.

We recorded income tax expense for fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2015 and our effective income tax rates were 0.4% and 6.9%, respectively. The decrease in income tax expense was primarily due to the fact that the Company had a large pre-tax net loss in fiscal year 2016.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with GAAP requires the appropriate application of certain accounting policies, many of which require us to make estimates and assumptions about future events and their impact on amounts reported in our Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes. Since future events and their impact cannot be determined with certainty, actual results may differ from our estimates. Such differences may be material to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

We believe our application of accounting policies, and the estimates inherently required therein, are reasonable. These accounting policies and estimates are periodically reevaluated, and adjustments are made when facts and circumstances dictate a change.

Our accounting policies are more fully described in Note 1 “Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” in the “Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements,” included elsewhere in this Form 10-K. We consider the following policies to be the most critical in understanding the judgments that are involved in preparing the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

We evaluate long-lived assets for impairment when facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying values of long-lived assets may not be recoverable. The impairment evaluation is generally performed at the individual store asset group level. We first compare the carrying value of the asset to the asset’s estimated future undiscounted cash flows. If the estimated future cash flows are less than the carrying value of the asset, we measure an impairment loss based on the asset’s estimated fair value. The fair value of a store’s assets is estimated using a discounted cash flow model based on internal projections and taking into consideration the view of a market participant. The estimate of cash flows is based on, among other things, certain assumptions about expected future operating performance. Factors considered during the impairment evaluation include factors related to actual operating cash flows, the period of time since a store has been opened or remodeled, refranchising expectations and the maturity of the relevant market.

Our estimates of cash flows used to assess impairment are subject to a high degree of judgment. If our estimates of future cash flows differ from actual cash flows due to, among other things, changes in economic conditions, changes to our business model or changes in operating performance, it would result in an adjustment to results of operations.

Goodwill

We evaluate goodwill for impairment on an annual basis during our fourth fiscal quarter, or more frequently if circumstances, such as material deterioration in performance, indicate carrying values may exceed their fair values. In September 2011, the FASB issued new guidance allowing an entity the option to make a qualitative evaluation about the likelihood of goodwill impairment to determine whether it should calculate the fair value of a reporting unit. If impairment is deemed more likely than not, management would perform the currently prescribed two-step goodwill impairment test. Otherwise, the two-step goodwill impairment test is not required. First, the reporting unit's estimated fair value is compared to its carrying value, including goodwill. If we determine that the estimated fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying value, we move to the second step to determine the implied fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill. If the carrying amount of the reporting unit's goodwill exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss is recognized. When reviewing goodwill for impairment, we assess whether goodwill should be allocated to operating levels lower than our single operating segment for which discrete financial information is available and reviewed for decision-making purposes. These lower levels are referred to as reporting units. Currently, our one operating segment was determined to be one reporting unit. Considerable judgment is applied in determining the assumptions used in the qualitative evaluation and in computing fair value. Changes in the assumptions could result in an adjustment to our results of operations.

Other Intangible Assets with Indefinite Lives

We evaluate intangible assets not subject to amortization (primarily trademarks) for impairment on an annual basis during the fourth fiscal quarter, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. We qualitatively assess the impairment for other intangible assets not subject to amortization to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of intangible assets are less than their carrying amount. For other intangible assets not subject to amortization not assessed qualitatively, a quantitative approach is utilized. We compare the carrying value of the applicable asset to its fair value, which we estimate using a discounted cash flow analysis or by comparison with the market values of similar assets. If the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its estimated fair value, we determine the impairment loss, if any, as the excess of the carrying value of the intangible asset over its fair value. Changes in the assumptions for the discounted cash flow analysis could result in an adjustment to our results of operations.

Other Intangible Assets with Finite Lives

Intangible assets subject to amortization (primarily franchise agreements, reacquired franchise rights, favorable lease intangible assets and acquired customer relationships) are tested for recoverability whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying amounts may not be recoverable. Actual results may differ from our estimates and could cause an adjustment to results of operations.

Gift Card Breakage

We sell our gift cards to our customers in our retail stores, through our website at www.jambajuice.com and through our resellers. We have sold gift cards since November of 2002. The gift card works as a reloadable card. At the time of the initial load, in an amount between \$5 and \$500, we record an obligation that is reflected as gift card liability on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. We relieve the liability and record the related revenue at the time a customer redeems any part of the amount on the card. The card does not have any expiration provisions and is not refundable, except as otherwise required by law.

We recognize income from gift cards when (i) the gift card is redeemed by the customer or (ii) the likelihood of the gift card being redeemed by the customer is remote (also referred to as "breakage"), and we determine that we do not

have a legal obligation to remit the value of unredeemed gift cards to the relevant jurisdictions. We determine the gift card breakage amount based upon historical redemption patterns. We review the activity and then conclude that after a certain amount of inactivity the likelihood of redemption becomes remote, and we recognize breakage at that time. Gift card breakage income is included in other operating, net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. If the historical redemption pattern changes, our financial statements could be materially affected.

Income Taxes

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted income tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. Any effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities due to a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. In establishing deferred income tax assets and liabilities, judgments and interpretations are made based on enacted tax laws and published tax guidance applicable to the Company's operations. The Company records deferred tax assets and liabilities and evaluates the need for valuation allowances to reduce deferred tax assets to amounts more likely than not of being realized. Changes in the valuation of the deferred tax assets or changes in the income tax provision may affect the Company's annual effective income tax rate.

Uncertain tax positions are recognized as the greatest amount more than 50% likely of being sustained upon audit based on the technical merits of the position. On a quarterly basis, the Company reviews and updates its inventory of tax positions as necessary to add any new uncertain tax positions taken, or to remove previously identified uncertain positions that have been effectively settled. Additionally, uncertain positions may be re-measured as warranted by changes in facts or law. Accounting for uncertain tax positions requires significant judgments, including estimating the amount, timing and likelihood of ultimate settlement. Although the Company believes that these estimates are reasonable, actual results could differ from these estimates. The Company classifies interest and penalties related to income taxes as a component of income taxes in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

A liability related to an unrecognized tax benefit is offset against a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss or a tax credit carryforward if such settlement is required or expected in the event the uncertain tax position is disallowed. In situations in which a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss or a tax credit carryforward is not available at the reporting date under the tax law of a jurisdiction or the tax law of a jurisdiction does not require it, and the Company does not intend to use the deferred tax asset for such purpose, the unrecognized tax benefit is presented in the financial statement as a liability and is not combined with deferred tax assets.

Share-based Compensation

The Company's share-based compensation relates to stock options and restricted stock units. We account for share-based compensation at fair value. Compensation expense is recognized for any unvested stock option awards and time-based restricted stock awards on a straight-line basis or ratably over the requisite service period, generally three or four years. The fair value of stock options granted is estimated at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model. Option valuation models, including Black-Scholes, require the input of subjective assumptions, including expected volatility, risk-free rate, expected term, and estimated dividend yield, and changes in the assumptions used can materially affect the grant date fair value of an award. Judgment is applied in determining the assumptions for computing the fair value of share-based compensation. Prior to fiscal 2017, for all award types, the Company made assumptions for the number of awards that would ultimately not vest ("forfeitures") in determining the share-based compensation expense for these awards. The Company used historical data to estimate expected employee behaviors related to option exercised and forfeit. Compensation expense was trued up for actual forfeitures if different than the estimate. Beginning in fiscal 2017, the Company recognizes forfeitures as they occur.

The fair value of time-based restricted stock units is determined based on our closing stock price on the date of the grant. The restricted stock units granted to employees typically vest and become unrestricted generally over a three or four year period following the date of grant. The restricted stock units granted to non-employee directors typically vest and become unrestricted one year after the date of grant. Performance-based restricted stock units ("PSUs")

typically vest upon the Company satisfying certain performance targets and are granted to employees and non-employees. The Company records compensation expense for PSUs when it is probable that the performance condition(s) included in the grant will be achieved. The compensation expense ultimately recognized, if any, related to these awards will equal the grant date fair value for the number of shares for which the performance condition has been satisfied.

In addition, we grant market-based restricted stock units to certain employees. The fair value was determined using a Monte Carlo simulation that incorporated option-pricing inputs covering the period from the grant date through the end of the performance period as of the date of grant. These restricted stock units typically vest and become unrestricted upon achievement of compound annual stock price growth rate targets of 15%, 22.5% and 30% over a three-year period. Share-based compensation expense is recognized ratably over the vesting periods for market-based restricted stock units.

Self-Insurance Reserves

We are self-insured for healthcare benefits. The estimated accruals for these liabilities are based on statistical analyses of historical industry data as well as actual historical trends. For our workers' compensation benefits, the Company has a guaranteed cost policy. Before October 1, 2015, we were self-insured and currently have prior years with exposures from September 30, 2012 through September 30, 2015. For these prior policies, liabilities associated with the risks that we retain for workers' compensation benefits are estimated in part, by considering historical claims experience, demographic factors, severity factors, and other actuarial assumptions. Our estimates use this actuarial data in conjunction with known industry trends and Company experience. If actual claims experience differs from our assumptions, historical trends, and estimates, changes in our insurance reserves would impact the expense recorded in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash Flows Summary

The following table summarizes our cash flows for each of the past three fiscal years ended (in thousands):

	January 2, 2018	January 3, 2017	December 29, 2015
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 4,072	\$(7,044)	\$(14,610)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(1,875)	(6,637)	42,344
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	700	1,084	(25,754)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,897	\$(12,597)	\$ 1,980

Liquidity

January 2, 2018, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$10.0 million compared to \$7.1 million in cash and cash equivalents as of January 3, 2017. As of January 2, 2018 and January 3, 2017, we had no short term or long term debt. For fiscal year 2017, cash provided by operating activities was \$4.1 million.

In fiscal 2016, we incurred approximately \$7.4 million in expense and \$2.1 million of capital expenditures related to the relocation of our corporate headquarters. Costs incurred in fiscal year 2016 include personnel relocation, employee attrition, retention, severance and replacement, office relocation and other costs related to our relocation of our corporate headquarters.

We expect that our cash on hand and future cash flows provided by operating activities will be sufficient to fund our working capital and general corporate needs and any non-discretionary capital expenditures for at least the next twelve months and the foreseeable future. The use of cash to fund discretionary capital expenditures will be based on the need to conserve our capital.

On February 14, 2012, the Company entered into a Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (the “Lender”), and as amended on November 1, 2012, July 22, 2013, November 4, 2013 and December 29, 2015 (as amended, the “Credit Agreement”), made available to the Company a revolving line of credit in the amount of \$10.0 million. On July 22, 2016, the Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo expired. On November 3, 2016,

we entered into a credit agreement with Cadence Bank, NA (“New Credit Agreement”). The New Credit Agreement provides an aggregate principal amount of up to \$10.0 million. The New Credit Agreement also allows us to request an additional \$5.0 million for an aggregate principal amount of up to \$15.0 million.

The New Credit Agreement makes available to the Company a revolving line of credit in the amount of up to \$15.0 million which accrues interest at a per annum rate equal to the LIBOR rate plus 2.50%. Under the terms of the New Credit Agreement, we are required to maintain certain leverage and coverage ratios and are subject to limits on annual capital expenditures. The New Credit Agreement terminates November 3, 2021. The credit facility is subject to customary affirmative and negative covenants for credit facilities of this type, including limitations on the Company with respect to liens, indebtedness, investments, fundamental changes (merge, dissolve, liquidate, etc.), dispositions, restricted payments and guarantees. The credit facility is evidenced by a revolving loan, is guaranteed by the Company and is secured by substantially all of our assets including the asset of our subsidiary.

To acquire the New Credit Agreement, the Company incurred upfront fees, which are being amortized over the term of the Credit Agreement. As of January 2, 2018, the unamortized commitment fee for the New Credit Agreement was not material and is recorded in prepaid expenses and other current assets on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

As of January 2, 2018, the Company was in compliance with the financial covenants to the New Credit Agreement. Since the inception of the Wells Fargo line of credit and the New Credit Agreement, we did not borrow on the facilities and utilized them primarily for collateral against letters of credit, which reduce the amount available to draw. As of January 2, 2018, there were \$0.3 million letters of credit outstanding. In the future, we may enter equipment leasing arrangements and incur additional indebtedness as necessary and as permitted under our New Credit Agreement. We cannot assure, however, that such financing will be available on favorable terms or at all. The adequacy of our available funds will depend on many factors, including the macroeconomic environment, the operating performance of our Company Stores, the successful expansion of our franchise and licensing programs and the successful rollout and consumer acceptance of our new beverage and food initiatives. Given these factors, our foremost priorities for the near term continue to be preserving and generating cash sufficient to fund our liquidity needs.

Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$4.1 million in fiscal 2017, compared to net cash used of \$7.0 million in fiscal 2016, reflecting an increase in cash flows provided by operating activities of \$11.1 million. The change in cash provided by operating activities was primarily due to the net loss of \$2.7 million in fiscal 2017, versus net loss of \$22.4 million in fiscal 2016, adjusted for a decrease in non-cash items (approximately \$11.4 million) and an increase of cash used in operating assets and liabilities (approximately \$3.6 million). Cash flows relating to operating assets and liabilities increased compared to prior year primarily due to our asset-light model initiative and also an increase in the accrued gift card liability. The Company expects that operating cash flow will be generated through a combination of Company Store profitability and franchise royalty fees and a reduced cost structure.

Net cash used in operating activities was \$7.0 million in fiscal 2016, compared to \$14.6 million in fiscal 2015, reflecting a decrease in cash flows used in operating activities of \$7.6 million. The change in cash used in operating activities was primarily due to the net loss of \$22.4 million in fiscal 2016, versus net income of \$9.5 million in fiscal 2015, adjusted for an increase in non-cash items (approximately \$33.1 million) and an increase of cash used in operating assets and liabilities (approximately \$6.4 million). Cash flows relating to operating assets and liabilities increased compared to prior year primarily due to our asset-light model initiative.

The amount of cash provided by our operating activities during any particular fiscal year is highly subject to variations in the seasons. The first and fourth quarters of the fiscal year encompasses the winter and holiday season when we

traditionally generate our lowest revenue, and our second and third quarters of the fiscal year encompasses the warmer seasons where a significant portion of our revenue and cash flows are realized. For more information on seasonality, refer to the section below entitled “Seasonality and Quarterly Results.” We also expect to have increased expenditures during the first part of the fiscal year as we invest in product development and domestic expansion with the goal to have new products released and new stores open by mid-year to take advantage of the busier summer months.

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Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities was \$1.9 million in fiscal 2017, compared to \$6.6 million in fiscal 2016. The \$4.7 million change in net cash used in investing activities during fiscal 2017 was due to a decrease in capital expenditures. Fiscal 2016 included capital expenditures related to the headquarter move to Frisco, TX.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$6.6 million in fiscal 2016, compared to net cash provided by investing activities of \$42.3 million in fiscal 2015. The \$48.9 million change in net cash used in investing activities during fiscal 2016 was primarily due to a decrease in proceeds from disposal of fixed assets (approximately \$49.9 million) due to our transition to an asset-light model that occurred in fiscal year 2015.

Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$0.7 million in fiscal 2017, compared to \$1.1 million in fiscal year 2016. The \$0.4 million change in net cash provided by financing activities was primarily due to the exercise of stock options.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$1.1 million in fiscal 2016, compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$25.8 million in fiscal year 2015. The \$26.9 million change in net cash provided by financing activities was primarily due to the repurchase of the shares of our common stock (approximately \$28.0 million) under the stock repurchase plan approved by our Board of Directors in 2014 that occurred during fiscal 2015, partially offset by a decrease in receipts from our stock issuance plans, including from the exercise of stock options (approximately \$0.7 million).

Contractual Obligations

The following table summarizes contractual obligations and borrowings as of January 2, 2018, and the timing and effect that such commitments are expected to have on our liquidity and capital requirements in future periods. We expect to fund these commitments primarily with operating cash flows generated in the normal course of business (in thousands):

Payments Due by Period	
Total	Less Than 1 Year