

| Cash Assets | 4538 | 3757 | 3525 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Receivables | 3138 | 3280 | 3188 |
| Inventory (LIFO) | 2715 | 3350 | 3318 |
| Other | 906 | 1144 | 1404 |
| Current Assets | 11297 | 11531 | 11435 |
| Accts Payable | 1469 | 1588 | 1519 |
| Debt Due | 387 | 157 | 158 |
| Other | 2102 | 2120 | 2122 |
| Current Liab. | 3958 | 3865 | 3799 |


| ANNUAL RATES | Past | Past | Est'd '10''12 |
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| of change (per sh) | 10 Yrs. | 5Yrs. | to 15.17 |
| Sales | $10.0 \%$ | $9.0 \%$ | $11.0 \%$ |
| "Cash Flow" | $12.5 \%$ | $11.0 \%$ | $13.0 \%$ |
| Earnings | $14.5 \%$ | $11.0 \%$ | $13.0 \%$ |
| Dividends | $17.5 \%$ | $15.5 \%$ | $14.5 \%$ |
| Book Value | $12.5 \%$ | $11.5 \%$ | $8.5 \%$ |


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| Fisca Year Ends | QUARTERLY SALES (\$ mill.) A Aug. 31 Nov. 30 Feb. 28 May 31 |  |  |  | Full <br> Fiscal <br> Year |
| 2009 | 5432 | 4590 | 4440 | 4713 | 19176 |
| 2010 | 4798 | 4405 | 4733 | 5076 | 19014 |
| 2011 | 5175 | 4842 | 5079 | 5766 | 20862 |
| 2012 | 6081 | 5731 | 5846 | 6470 | 24128 |
| 2013 | 6474 | 5955 | 6221 | 6600 | 25250 |
| Fiscal Year Ends | EARNINGS PER SHARE AB |  |  |  | Full <br> Fiscal <br> Year |
| 2009 | . 52 | . 40 | . 50 | . 35 | 1.76 |
| 2010 | . 52 | . 38 | . 51 | . 53 | 1.93 |
| 2011 | . 57 | . 47 | . 54 | . 62 | 2.20 |
| 2012 | . 68 | . 50 | . 60 | . 59 | 2.37 |
| 2013 | . 63 | . 57 | . 67 | . 78 | 2.65 |
| C | QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID C. |  |  |  | Il |
| endar | Mar. 31 | Jun. 30 | Sep. 30 | Dec. 31 | Year |
| 2009 | . 125 | . 125 | . 125 | . 125 | . 50 |
| 2010 | . 135 | . 135 | . 135 | . 29 D | . 70 |
| 2011 | -. | . 155 | . 155 | . 155 | . 47 |
| 2012 | . 18 | . 18 | . 18 | . 39 E | . 93 |
| 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |

BUSINESS: NIKE designs, develops, and markets footwear, apparel, equipment, accessories, and services. It sells products to retail accounts, through NIKE-owned retail stores and the internet, and through a mix of independent distributors and licensees in approximately 190 countries. Has 384 domestic and 442 international locations (including factory stores) as of $5 / 31 / 12$. Has about 44,000
NIKE shares split two for one. The split was in the form of a $100 \%$ stock dividend that was paid on December 24th.
The board also raised the cash dividend. The quarterly payout was increased by three pennies, or $17 \%$, to $\$ 0.21$, on a post-split basis. This marks the 11th year in a row the company has increased its annual dividend, over which time the dividend has increased by a factor of almost seven. (I nvestors should note the quarterly dividend was paid on December 26th, and the next payout will likely be made in early April.)
The shoe maker reported solid results in the second quarter (years end May 31st). Revenues from continuing operations rose $7 \%$, to $\$ 6.0$ billion, thanks to strong demand for NIKE's brands. Excluding currency changes, the top line would have grown by $10 \%$. Adjusted earnings were up $11 \%$, to $\$ 0.57$ a share, owing to better SG\&A leverage and a lower share count, which more than offset a slightly higher tax rate and a modestly lower gross margin. (The company recently sold its Umbro brand and is in the process of divesting its Cole Haan line, which led to a
employees (including retail and part-time employees). Officers \& directors own $74.8 \%$ of Class A and $16.6 \%$ of Class B shares; FMR, $5.1 \%$ of Class B; BlackRock, $5.0 \%$ of Class B ( $9 / 12$ proxy). Chairman: Philip H. Knight. President \& CEO: Mark G. Parker. Incorported: OR. Address: One Bowerman Drive, Beaverton, OR 97005. Telephone: 503-671-6453. Internet: www.nikeinc.com.
nonrecurring loss of $\$ 0.08$ a share in the November period. In addition, year-overyear comparisons will be done on an adjusted basis, but we will not restate prioryear results to reflects the sales.)
We have added a nickel to our fiscal 2013 share-earnings estimate. Top-line growth should remain good in almost every geography and product category, thanks to robust demand and better pricing. However, foreign exchange headwinds will likely continue mitigating revenue gains to a degree. We expect SG\&A costs to keep improving relative to sales, and we look for materials expenses to continue easing. This should put more upward pressure on the EBITDA margin than we previously called for and ultimately lead to higher profits this fiscal year.

## Top-quality, timely NKE shares are up

 roughly 15\% since our last Issue. Investors have been snapping up this stock in droves following the better-thanexpected November-quarter performance. Moreover, we still think the stock has a decent amount of room to run, but note the dividend yield leaves a lot to be desired.Erik A. Antonson due to rounding. Next earnings report due lat March. (C) Dividends historically paid in early January, April, July, and October. I Reinvestment plan available. (D) Includes $15.5 ¢$ divi-
(E) Includes 21¢

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability Price Growth Persistence
Earnings Predictability
(A) Fiscal years end May 31st. (B) Diluted earnings. Excludes nonrecurring: '98, (14c)
'99, (5c); '03, (50c); '07, 4c; '08, 15c; '09, '99, (5¢); '03, (50¢); '07, 4¢; '08, 15¢; '09,
(25¢); '13, (16¢). Quarterly EPS may not sum

