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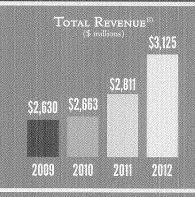


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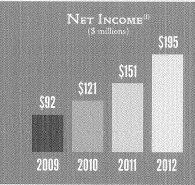
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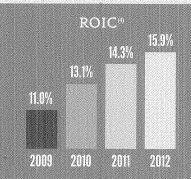
Cabela's° is a leading specialty retailer, and the world's largest direct marke<u>ter, of</u> hunting, fishing, camping and related outdoor merchandise. Since our founding in 1961, Cabela's has grown to become one of the most well-known outdoor recreation brands in the world, and has long been recognized as the World's Foremost Outfitter. Through our growing number of retail stores and our well-established direct business, we offer a wide and distinctive selection of high-quality outdoor products at competitive prices while providing superior customer service. We also issue the Cabela's CLUB° Visa credit card, which serves as our primary customer loyalty rewards program.











FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

2010 ⁽ⁱ⁾	2011 ⁽ⁱ⁾	2012 ⁽ⁱ⁾
\$2,663,242	\$2,811,166	\$3,125,182
\$1.087,793	\$1,197,917	\$1,355,384
40.8%	42.6%	43.4%
\$200,388	\$243,792	\$308,523
7.5%	8.7%	9.9%
\$121,328	\$150,762	\$195,275
\$1.76	\$2.12	\$2.72
69.086,533	71,274,242	71,709,873
\$136,419	\$304,679	\$288,750
\$509,097	\$494,828	\$552,575
\$345,152	\$344,922	\$336,535
\$1,024,548	\$1,181,316	\$1,375,979
28.1%	26.7%	23.9%
13.1%	14.3%	15.9%
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(1) Fiscal year 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 results exclude the impact of impairment and restructuring charges, other special charges, and valuations of interest-only strips associated with securitized loans. Fiscal year 2012 results also exclude the reduction in revenue related to the proposed settlement of the Visa antitrust litigation. A reconciliation to GAAP is provided after the Letter to Shareholders. Excludes all borrowings of financial services subsidiary (3) Both the numerator and the denominator are adjusted to include operating lease obligations capitalized at eight times next years annual minimum lease payments and deferred compensation.
 (4) A calculation of ROIC is provided after the Letter to Shareholders.

DEAR CABELA'S SHAREHOLDERS:

2012 was another year of solid progress for Cabela's, thanks to the efforts of our dedicated and hard-working Outfitters, who now number more than 15,000. Our founders, Jim, Dick, and Mary Cabela, have always credited employees with the Company's incredible record of success. This year is no different.

Revenue increased 11.2% to \$3.1 billion, and earnings per diluted share increased 28.3% to a record \$2.72, each excluding impairment and certain other items. Comparable store sales increased for the fourth consecutive year, and Direct revenue increased 1.7% in the fourth quarter, the first quarterly Direct revenue increase in 11 quarters. Additionally, we realized a 70 basis point increase in merchandise gross margin, and consolidated operating margin increased 120 basis points to a Company record 9.9% for the full year. These strong results led to further increases in one of our most important metrics, return on invested capital, which increased 160 basis points to 15.9%. Return on invested capital is a key metric as we believe increasing return on invested capital will ultimately be rewarded with increasing shareholder value.

None of this would have been possible without the efforts of our Outfitters, the essence of our success. As we look toward a bright future, these Outfitters and the thousands more we hire will remain the cornerstone of our success by providing legendary customer service, cherishing and delighting each customer during each interaction every day.

Three years ago we put in place a strategic plan we named Vision 2012 to become the best multi-channel outdoor company in the world. To achieve our vision we focused on several goals designed to improve profitability, enhance shareholder return, and position ourselves for accelerated growth. These goals were:

- Improve Merchandise Performance
- Improve Retail Profitability
- Direct Channel Growth
- Focus on Core Customers
- Increase Return on Invested Capital

As 2012 marks the last year of this strategic plan, it is important to summarize our results against these five goals.

Improve Merchandise Performance

In order to reaccelerate Retail growth, it was essential we increase merchandise margin. A lofty goal was established to increase merchandise margin 200-300 basis points between 2009 and 2012. This initiative was a critical component of improving Retail profitability to generate the appropriate returns on invested capital in our Retail segment. Ultimately, we grew consolidated merchandise margin 170 basis points. However, what is more important is that our Retail segment merchandise gross margin increased 300 basis points from 2009 levels. The improvement in Retail merchandise margin was a significant contributor to increases in Retail profitability and is one of the reasons we have been able to accelerate retail store expansion and generate improving returns on invested capital.

Our ability to increase merchandise margins was an enterprise-wide initiative. Progress was made improving merchandise adjacencies in our retail stores, developing skills in merchandising around pre-season planning and in-season management, improving vendor collaboration, and through a Company-wide effort to elevate the quality and performance of Cabela's branded products. These improvements have not only laid a powerful foundation for continuous improvement in the future, but created a margin profile which now makes retail square footage expansion a reality. Of all our efforts, improvement of Cabela's branded products clearly stands above all others. Throughout our 52-year history, hunters, anglers, and campers have trusted Cabela's products to provide performance, quality, and solid value. Over the last three years, we have continued a decades-long strategy to bring innovation to the Cabela's brand. Improvements have included breakthrough products such as Made in the Shade sun protection apparel, Guidewear® rainwear, Cabela's by Meindel hunting and hiking footwear, Cabela's Euro optics, Platinum ZX rods, and Alaskan Guide tents. Cabela's branded products offer protection from competitive intrusion as well as significantly higher margins.

Improve Retail Profitability

Led by improvements in merchandise margin, we were equally focused on improving Retail profitability. Starting with a focused effort on seven stores in 2009, we quickly learned many lessons in our journey to improve profitability. Most notably, we used advanced technology to maximize staffing during peak periods, increased Outfitter product training, developed adjacency strategies to place high-margin products, like sunglasses, on drive aisles, and focused on improving the positioning of Cabela's branded products within our stores. The effect of these strategies was dramatic, particularly after we expanded them to all stores. From 2009 through 2012, Retail segment operating contribution increased 700 basis points from 11.7% to 18.7%.

Concurrent with our legacy store improvement efforts, we began to benefit from the improved performance of our next-generation stores. Ranging from 80,000 to 100,000 square feet, these stores have generated sales and profit per square foot at least 40 to 50% higher than our legacy stores. Customers flocked to these new stores and our Voice of the Customer satisfaction scores have continued to improve.

The combination of our merchandise margin improvement and our success increasing Retail profitability allowed us to resume retail square footage growth with great confidence. Specifically, we opened 10 new stores from the end of 2009 through 2012 for a 17.5% total increase in retail square footage.

DIRECT CHANNEL GROWTH

Frankly, we have been disappointed in our progress with reaching this goal as we have relied too heavily on our leadership position in this area and focused significant resources on improving our Retail business.

Our history is steeped in knowledge of catalog execution, so it is understandable that we missed a number of rapid changes affecting digital commerce. We are improving our customer experience in the Direct channel. Recently, we opened an office in Westminster, Colorado, which will allow us to attract additional digital marketing talent and capabilities. In the near future, you will see improvements in user experience, mobility, site navigation, content, and our continued shift from print to digital media.

While still in the early stages of turning the Direct business consistently positive, we are encouraged about our prospects for the first time in a number of years as we realized Direct revenue growth in the fourth quarter of 2012, the first quarter of revenue growth in 11 quarters.

Focus on Core Customers

Cabela's has one of the most powerful brands in the outdoor industry and is growing toward one of the most powerful brands in all of retail. This loyalty is driven by our legacy of intense customer focus in service and products, delivered by Outfitters who are passionate about our customers and the outdoor lifestyle.

The Cabela's CLUB Visa program is the primary vehicle through which we reward our customers' loyalty. Over the last three years, we have rewarded customers with more than \$480 million in free merchandise. Since 2009, we have added Signature Outdoor Adventures, which have opened the door to one-of-a kind hunting and fishing trips. We have also introduced CLUB Family Outdoor Days, which focus on rewarding our CLUB members and their families with a fun-filled day focused on shooting, fishing, and outdoor education. These events have been a huge success, and customers appreciate the opportunity to participate in these unique experiences. Efforts like these create loyalty and have helped grow average active accounts at a compound rate of 7.3%. In 2012, we were pleased with CLUB average active account growth of 8.5% and expect to accelerate this growth as we continue to accelerate our retail store expansion.

INCREASE RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL

As mentioned earlier, improving return on invested capital is a key metric for measuring our performance. Over the past three years, we have increased return on invested capital 490 basis points, from 11.0% to 15.9%. Increases in return on invested capital were a result of significant improvement in our legacy store base, as we increased merchandise margin, improved marketing efficiency, and leveraged store labor costs, as well as the very strong performance of our new next-generation stores, which are significantly more productive than our legacy store base. Additionally, we determined our future real estate strategy for new stores would be to strategically locate new stores with significantly better co-tenancy, in either new or established retail centers, rather than stand-alone destination locations. Accordingly, we reconsidered several sites which did not meet these criteria and took a more aggressive approach to the sale of out-parcels on legacy stores.

We look back on the last three years with great satisfaction in building a solid foundation from which to grow. This foundation could not have been possible without all the efforts of thousands of Outfitters who aided in all of our many improvements. Our Outfitters and the timeless values they live every day remain our deepest and greatest strength. To all of them, I extend my heartfelt thanks.

From this foundation we will continue our accelerated growth and execute our new vision. This new vision is to be the best omni-channel retail company in the world by creating intense customer loyalty for our outdoor brand. This loyalty will be created through two pillars of excellence: highly engaged Outfitters and shareholders who support our short- and longterm goals.

As we look forward, it is from this very strong foundation that we have positioned ourselves at the top of our industry from which we will continue to

accelerate growth, increase earnings, and generate higher returns on invested capital. As I mentioned earlier, our new stores are producing outstanding results and very attractive returns on invested capital. This will be our No. 1 growth strategy in the coming years as we further accelerate retail store expansion to grow profitably and sustainably. Customers are embracing our new stores wholeheartedly with thousands of people in line at every grand opening. We could not be more pleased with the performance of our nextgeneration stores and will strive to continually find innovative ways to further enhance the performance of these stores. Our Outpost stores provide a smaller format to serve less populated markets. While smaller, these markets have higher per capita outdoor participation rates and the Cabela's brand resonates very well in these markets. With more than 70% of new Cabela's CLUB members signing up at our retail stores, the Cabela's CLUB program will see increases in account growth with the acceleration of retail store openings. The foundational element of accelerating retail square footage growth is to maintain the integral aspects of our corporate culture that make us Cabela's while also identifying the necessary adaptations in order to succeed on the path to our new vision.

Our focus on continuous improvement across the enterprise will be deeply rooted in the implementation of new and innovative processes allowing us to serve our customers better than we ever have before. These innovations will be a combination of improvements to our current processes with the integration of new technological tools enabling significant enhancements to the functionality of our business.

We recognize that while our omni-channel model is the right one, it brings with it many complexities. Those complexities and how we execute them can draw attention and resources otherwise applied to developing new products, building new stores, operating more effectively, or enhancing the customer experience. Accordingly, we will focus on eliminating unnecessary complexities from our business and become more process focused across functions within our business. Additionally, with recent investments and improvements within IT over the past two years, we have been able to spend more time improving project efficiency, shifting resources from maintaining existing systems to implementing new technologies. As a result, we will better prioritize value-add and strategic IT projects to improve operations across the enterprise. The first phase of our store-to-door project is expected to be implemented before the end of 2013 and will provide our Outfitters with visibility to our entire inventory assortment regardless of whether it is in a distribution center or one of our retail stores. Outfitters in our retail locations will apply the use of mobile tablet devices to further enhance the customer experience. These enhancements, along with our unrelenting drive to improve every aspect of our business, will allow us to further build on our strong foundation.

And finally, we will focus on further improving our marketing effectiveness across our omni-channel model. Our work here will center on optimizing the alignment of our Cabela's brand message, merchandising strategy, and marketing approach to our customers. With dramatic changes in technology and mobile devices, marketing channels do not always align with our customers' preferred shopping channel. Our customers routinely interact with one or more of our marketing channels, such as our catalogs, Cabelas.com, our mobile site, or retail fliers, then make purchases through a sales channel that suits their lifestyle, such as through our retail stores, Cabelas.com, our mobile site, or a call center.

This initiative will be built on the emotional connection with our customers established through our new Cabela's brand platform "It's In Your Nature[™]". As the first building block, we are taking an omni-channel focus in our marketing to drive consistent messages, imagery, voice, and cadence in our marketing activities. Simultaneously, we're transforming our legacy catalog marketing approach to dramatically increase our prowess in digital marketing. This increased prowess will come through traditional .com platforms, as well as increased mobile and social interaction capabilities. Through this journey, we are optimizing our strategy, internal processes, and marketing spend across print and digital media to match the way our customers want to interact and shop with us. Through the implementation of our omni-channel strategy, we will utilize multiple media channels to connect with our customers, providing a stimulating interactive experience with many of our new products. We will utilize new and existing digital marketing platforms to

support our Retail business. Using social, mobile, and email media to engage our customers for new store openings, holiday events, and events specific to their geographic location will enable us to customize each and every customer's experience with Cabela's.

Now it's on to a future of boundless opportunity.

All my best,

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TOMMY MILLNER President and Chief Executive Officer

CABELA'S INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

To supplement the Company's consolidated statements of income presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), management of the Company has disclosed non-GAAP measures of operating results that exclude certain items. Total revenue; selling, distribution, and administrative expenses; impairment and restructuring charges; operating income; provision for income taxes; net income; and earnings per basic and diluted share are presented below both as reported (on a GAAP basis) and excluding certain financial measures (reported on a non-GAAP basis). In light of their nature and magnitude, we believe these financial measures should be presented separately to enhance a reader's overall understanding of the Company's ongoing operations. These non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in conjunction with the GAAP financial measures presented in this Annual Report.

Management believes these non-GAAP financial results provide useful supplemental information to investors regarding the underlying business trends and performance of the Company's ongoing operations and are useful for period-over-period comparisons of such operations. In addition, management evaluates results using non-GAAP adjusted total revenue, adjusted operating income, adjusted net income, and adjusted earnings per diluted share. These non-GAAP measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for total revenue, operating income, net income, earnings per diluted share, or any other measure calculated in accordance with GAAP. The following tables reconcile these financial measures to the related GAAP financial measures for the fiscal years presented.

		cal Year En cember 29, 2		Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011			
	GAAP Basis as Reported	Excluded Amounts	Non-GAAP as Adjusted	GAAP Basis as Reported	Excluded Amounts	Non-GAAP as Adjusted	
		(Dollars i	n Thousands E	xcept Earnings	Per Share)		
Total revenue (1)	\$ 3,112,682	\$ 12,500	\$ 3,125,182	\$ 2,811,166	\$-	\$ 2,811,166	
Total cost of revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	1,769,798	-	1,769,798	1,613,249	-	1,613,249	
Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses	1,046,861	-	1,046,861	954,125	-	954,125	
Impairment and restructuring charges (2)	20,324	(20,324)		12,244	(12,244)	-	
Operating income	275,699	32,824	308,523	231,548	12,244	243,792	
Interest expense, net	(20,123)	-	(20,123)	(24,427)	-	(24,427)	
Other non-operating income, net	6,138	-	6,138	7,346		7,346	
Income before provision for income taxes	261,714	32,824	294,538	214,467	12,244	226,711	
Provision for income taxes	88,201	11,062	99,263	71,847	4,102	75,949	
Net income	<u>\$ 173,513</u>	<u>\$ 21,762</u>	<u>\$ 195,275</u>	<u>\$ 142,620</u>	<u>\$ 8,142</u>	<u>\$ 150,762</u>	
Earnings per basic share	<u>\$ 2.48</u>	<u>\$ 0.31</u>	<u>\$ 2.79</u>	\$ 2.06	<u>\$ 0.12</u>	<u>\$ 2.18</u>	
Earnings per diluted share	<u>\$ 2.42</u>	<u>\$ 0.30</u>	<u>\$ 2.72</u>	<u>\$ 2.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.12</u>	<u>\$ 2.12</u>	

(1) Reflects an accrual for a reduction in interchange income related to the proposed settlement of the Visa antitrust litigation.

(2) Reflects impairment losses on certain assets where projected cash flows were less than the fair value of the respective assets and, for fiscal 2011, restructuring charges for severance and related benefits. See Note 15 in the 2012 Form 10-K for additional information.

CABELA'S INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

		cal Year En anuary 1, 20		Fiscal Year Ended January 2, 2010			
	GAAP Basis as Reported	Excluded Amounts	Non-GAAP as Adjusted	GAAP Basis as Reported	Excluded Amounts	Non-GAAP as Adjusted	
		(Dollars i	n Thousands E	xcept Earnings	Per Share)		
Total revenue (1)	\$2,663,242	\$ -	\$2,663,242	\$2,632,240	\$ (2,557)	\$2,629,683	
Total cost of revenue (exclusive of depreciation and							
amortization)	1,575,449	-	1,575,449	1,602,621	· -	1,602,621	
Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses (2)	895,405	(8,000)	887,405	870,147	-	870,147	
Impairment and restructuring charges (3)	5,626	(5,626)	-	66,794	(66,794)	-	
Operating income	186,762	13,626	200,388	92,678	64,237	156,915	
Interest expense, net	(27,442)	-	(27,442)	(23,109)	-	(23,109)	
Other non-operating income, net (4)	7,360	-	7,360	6,955	574	7,529	
Income before provision for income taxes	166,680	13,626	180,306	76,524	64,811	141,335	
Provision for income taxes	54,521	4,457	58,978	26,907	22,813	49,720	
Net income	<u>\$ 112,159</u>	<u>\$ 9,169</u>	<u>\$ 121,328</u>	\$ 49,617	<u>\$ 41,998</u>	<u>\$ 91,615</u>	
Earnings per basic share	<u>\$ 1.65</u>	<u>\$ 0.14</u>	\$ 1.79	<u>\$ 0.74</u>	\$ 0.63	<u>\$ 1.37</u>	
Earnings per diluted share	<u>\$ 1.62</u>	<u>\$ 0.14</u>	<u>\$ 1.76</u>	<u>\$ 0.74</u>	\$ 0.62	<u>\$ 1.36</u>	

(1) Valuation of the interest-only strip associated with securitized loans of the Company's Financial Services business segment.

(2) Reflects an accrual recognized in fiscal 2010 as a result of an agreement in principle to settle all matters with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation arising out of its compliance examination conducted in 2009 of World's Foremost Bank.

(3) Reflects impairment losses on certain assets where projected cash flows were less than the fair value of the respective assets and, for fiscal 2009, restructuring charges for severance and related benefits pursuant to certain reductions in workforce and voluntary retirement plans. See Note 15 in the 2010 Form 10-K for additional information.

(4) Loss incurred in fiscal 2009 to terminate forward exchange rate contracts for Canadian operations.

CABELA'S INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL

Return on invested capital ("ROIC") is not a measure of financial performance under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and may not be defined and calculated by other companies in the same manner. ROIC should be considered supplemental to and not a substitute for financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. The Company uses ROIC as a measure of efficiency and effectiveness of its use of capital.

The Company measures ROIC by dividing adjusted net income by average total capital. Adjusted net income is calculated by adding interest expense, rent expense, and Retail segment depreciation and amortization (all after tax) to reported net income excluding: (1) any losses on sales of assets, (2) any impairment charges or fixed asset writedowns, and (3) any acceleration of depreciation charges caused by impairment of economic development bonds (all after tax). Total capital is calculated by adding current maturities of long-term debt, deferred compensation, operating leases capitalized at eight times next year's annual minimum lease payments, and total stockholders' equivalents (excluding cash and cash equivalents of WFB). Average total capital is calculated as the sum of current and prior year ending total capital divided by two. The following table reconciles the components of ROIC to the most comparable GAAP financial measures.

	Fiscal Year Ended						
	December 29, 2012	December 31, 2011	January 1, 2011	January 2, 2010			
		(Dollars in Th	iousands)				
Net income	\$ 173,513	\$ 142,620	\$ 112,159	\$ 49,617			
Add back:							
Interest expense	20,171	24,454	27,482	23,223			
Rent expense	13,605	9,541	7,506	8,624			
Depreciation and amortization - Retail segment	46,997	41,506	40,011	41,822			
Exclude:							
Losses on sales of assets	-	-	-	-			
Impairment charges or fixed asset writedowns	19,015	4,771	5,626	60,227			
Acceleration of depreciation charges from							
impairment of economic development bonds	1,309	6,538		2,099			
	101,097	86,810	80,625	135,995			
After tax effect	67,027	57,729	54,253	88,179			
Effective tax rate	33.70%	33.50%	32.71%	35.16%			
Adjusted net income	<u>\$ 240,540</u>	<u>\$ 200,349</u>	<u>\$ 166,412</u>	<u>\$ 137,796</u>			
Total capital:							
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 8,402	\$ 8,387	\$ 230	\$ 3,101			
Deferred compensation	-	-	291	349			
Operating leases capitalized at 8x next year's	95,168	85,968	55,864	53,608			
annual minimum lease payments	1,375,979	1,181,316	1,024,548	984,421			
Total stockholders' equity	328,133	336,535	344,922	345,178			
Long-term debt (excluding WFB debt)	1,807,682	1,612,206	1,425,855	1,386,657			
Less:	1,007,002	1,012,200	1,425,655	1,500,057			
Cash and cash equivalents	(288,750)	(304,679)	(136,419)	(582,185)			
Add back cash and cash equivalents at WFB	91,365	117,035	81,904	371,408			
Add back cash and cash equivalents at wild	(197,385)	(187,644)	(54,515)	(210,777)			
			(0,000)				
Adjusted total capital	\$ 1,610,297	\$1,424,562	\$1,371,340	<u>\$ 1,175,880</u>			
Average total capital	<u>\$1,517,430</u>	<u>\$1,397,951</u>	\$1,273,610	<u>\$1,255,845</u>			
Return on Invested Capital	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>11.0</u> %			

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

Form 10-K

(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 X For the fiscal year ended December 29, 2012

OR

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

Commission File Number: 1-32227

CABELA'S INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 20-0486586

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

69160

(Zip Code)

One Cabela Drive, Sidney, Nebraska (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (308) 254-5505

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12 (b) of the Act:

Title of each class

New York Stock Exchange

Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12 (g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes 🗆 No 🗵 Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act. Yes 🗆 No 🗵

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to the filing requirements for at least the past 90 days. Yes 🖾 No 🗖

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§229.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes 🗵 No 🗖

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company \Box

Non-accelerated filer \Box (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes 🗖 No 🗵

The aggregate market value of the voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the registrant was approximately \$1,540,238,195 as of June 29, 2012 (the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter), based upon the closing price of the registrant's Class A Common Stock on that date as reported on the New York Stock Exchange.

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common stock, \$0.01 par value: 70,056,514 shares as of February 11, 2013.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant's definitive Proxy Statement for the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K to the extent stated herein.

Name of each exchange on which registered

Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This report contains "forward-looking statements" that are based on our beliefs, assumptions, and expectations of future events, taking into account the information currently available to us. All statements other than statements of current or historical fact contained in this report are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. The words "believe," "may," "should," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "objective," "seek," "plan," and similar statements are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results, performance, or financial condition to differ materially from the expectations of future results, performance, or financial condition we express or imply in any forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to:

- the state of the economy and the level of discretionary consumer spending, including changes in consumer preferences and demographic trends;
- adverse changes in the capital and credit markets or the availability of capital and credit;
- our ability to successfully execute our omni-channel strategy;
- increasing competition in the outdoor sporting goods industry and for credit card products and reward programs;
- the cost of our products, including increases in fuel prices;
- the availability of our products due to political or financial instability in countries where the goods we sell are manufactured;
- supply and delivery shortages or interruptions, and other interruptions or disruptions to our systems, processes, or controls, caused by system changes or other factors;
- increased or adverse government regulations, including regulations relating to firearms and ammunition;
- our ability to protect our brand, intellectual property, and reputation;
- the outcome of litigation, administrative, and/or regulatory matters (including a Commissioner's charge we received from the Chair of the U. S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") in January 2011);
- our ability to manage credit, liquidity, interest rate, operational, legal, regulatory capital, and compliance risks;
- our ability to increase credit card receivables while managing credit quality;
- our ability to securitize our credit card receivables at acceptable rates or access the deposits market at acceptable rates;
- the impact of legislation, regulation, and supervisory regulatory actions in the financial services industry, including the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Reform Act"); and
- other risks, relevant factors, and uncertainties identified in the "Risk Factors" section of this report.

Given the risks and uncertainties surrounding forward-looking statements, you should not place undue reliance on these statements. Our forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report. Other than as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

CABELA'S INCORPORATED

FORM 10-K FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 29, 2012

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ITEM 1. BUSINESS

Overview

We are a leading specialty retailer, and the world's largest direct marketer, of hunting, fishing, camping, and related outdoor merchandise. Since our founding in 1961, Cabela's® has grown to become one of the most well-known outdoor recreation brands in the world. We have long been recognized as the "World's Foremost Outfitter®." Through our growing number of retail stores, and our well-established direct business, we believe we offer the widest and most distinctive selection of high-quality outdoor products at competitive prices, while providing superior customer service. We also issue the Cabela's CLUB® Visa credit card, which serves as our primary customer loyalty rewards program. Refer to Note 24 entitled "Segment Reporting" to our consolidated financial statements and our "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" for additional financial information regarding our Retail and Direct businesses, as well as our Financial Services business.

We were initially incorporated as a Nebraska corporation in 1965 and were reincorporated as a Delaware corporation in January 2004. In June 2004, we completed our initial public offering of common stock. Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "CAB".

Retail Business

At the end of 2012, we operated 40 retail stores, 37 stores in 24 states and three stores in Canada. During 2012, we opened six retail stores - Wichita, Kansas; Tulalip, Washington; Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada; Charleston, West Virginia; Rogers, Arkansas; and, on October 4, 2012, our first Outpost store in Union Gap, Washington. The opening of these retail stores increased our total retail square footage to 5.1 million square feet at the end of 2012, up 9.8% over 2011. Our Retail segment generated revenue of \$1.8 billion in 2012, representing 66.5% of total revenue combined from our Retail and Direct businesses.

Customer Relations. In order to better serve our customers, we continue to advance our efforts to offer customers integrated opportunities to access and use our retail store, Internet channels, and catalog. Customer service venues include in-store pick-up for Internet website orders, in-store Internet kiosks, and catalog order desks. Our in-store kiosks provide our customers access to our entire inventory assortment, allowing customers to place orders for items that may be out of stock in our retail stores or to purchase items only available on our Internet site. Our in-store pick-up program allows customers to order products through our catalogs and Internet site and have them delivered to the retail store of their choice without incurring shipping costs, increasing foot traffic in our stores. Conversely, our retail stores introduce customers to our Internet and catalog channels. Our omni-channel model employs the same merchandising team, distribution centers, customer database, and infrastructure, which we intend to further leverage by building on the strengths of each channel.

Retail Store Formats. Our retail store concept is designed to appeal to customers from a broad geographic and demographic range. Our retail stores range in size from 40,000 to 246,000 square feet. Our large-format retail stores ("legacy" stores) are 150,000 square feet or larger and provide a tourist-type setting, often attracting the construction and development of hotels, restaurants, and other retail establishments in areas adjacent to these stores.

Our next-generation store format, with more standardized store sizes, expedites store development time and allows us to pursue the best retail locations, is adaptable to more markets, improves time to market, and allows us to be more efficient in our operations by reducing our capital investment requirements and increasing sales per square foot. Our next-generation stores range in size from approximately 70,000 to 100,000 square feet. Our next-generation store format improves our return on invested capital and better serves our customers by providing shopper-friendly layouts with regionalized product mixes, concept shops, and new product displays and fixtures with enhanced features. The exterior of our next-generation stores reflects our traditional store model.

We have also developed a new "Outpost" store format due to the success of our next-generation stores. Our new Outpost store format will be approximately 40,000 square feet in size and have a "core-flex" merchandise strategy (selected core assortment of products and flexible seasonal merchandise). Our Outpost store format will allow us to effectively serve smaller markets with a large concentration of Cabela's customers and is in addition to our next-generation format. We opened our first Outpost store on October 4, 2012, in Union Gap, Washington, with results exceeding our expectations.

Retail Store Expansion Strategy. Enhancing our retail store efficiencies and taking the necessary steps to improve our financial performance are high priorities in our strategic planning. We focus new-store growth where we are strongest with new stores strategically sized to match their markets. We continually review our previously announced stores to reconfirm our expectations based on what we have learned over the past year. The next-generation stores generate more profit per square foot compared to the legacy store base and allow us to enter additional markets. We opened six retail stores during 2012, compared to three in 2011, bringing our total retail store square footage to 5.1 million square feet, an increase of 9.8% compared to the end of 2011.

We have also announced plans to open additional retail stores as follows:

- in 2013, seven next-generation stores located in Columbus, Ohio; Grandville, Michigan; Louisville, Kentucky; Green Bay, Wisconsin; Thornton, Colorado; Lone Tree, Colorado; and Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada; as well as two Outpost stores located in Saginaw, Michigan; and Waco, Texas; and
- in 2014, five next-generation stores located in Christiana, Delaware; Greenville, South Carolina; Anchorage, Alaska; Woodbury, Minnesota; and Bristol, Virginia.

We will be relocating our existing 44,000 square foot Winnipeg, Manitoba, store in the second quarter of 2013 to a more desirable location and increasing the size to 70,000 square feet. We have also announced plans to open an Outpost store in Kalispell, Montana, at a date yet to be determined. Looking to 2013, we expect to increase retail square footage up to 13% over 2012, as well as generate an increase in profit per square foot compared to the legacy store base, with the planned openings of these next-generation and Outpost stores.

Store Locations and Ownership. Of our 40 retail stores, we own 31, with two stores subject to ground leases. However, in connection with some of the economic development packages received from state or local governments where our stores are located, we have entered into agreements granting ownership of the taxidermy, diorama, or other portions of our stores to these state and local governments. Refer to Item 2 - "Properties" for additional information on our stores.

Direct Business

The Direct segment sells products through our e-commerce websites (Cabelas.com and Cabelas.ca) and direct mail catalogs. Our Direct segment generated revenue of \$931 million in 2012, representing 33.5% of total revenue combined from our Retail and Direct businesses.

Direct Business Marketing. We market our products through our website and print catalog distributions. We recognize that the catalog business is mature and that mobile marketing and social networking are having an increasingly important focus for us. With new technologies, we believe mobile marketing and social networking will build our brand, build our customer databases, and enhance the management of contacts with our customers. Our website is a cost-effective medium designed to offer a convenient, highly visual, user-friendly, and secure online shopping option for new and existing customers. In addition to the ability to order the same products available in our catalogs, our website gives customers the ability to review product information, purchase gift certificates, research general information on the outdoor lifestyle and outdoor activities, purchase rare and highly specialized merchandise, and choose from other services we provide.

Our digital transformation continues with efforts around enhancing our Internet website to support the Direct business. Cabelas.com continues to be the most visited website in the sporting goods industry according to Hitwise, Inc., an online measurement company. The amount of traffic now coming through mobile devices is

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growing significantly. As a result, we continue to utilize best-in-class technology to improve our customers' digital shopping experience and build on the advances we have made to capitalize on the variety of ways customers are shopping at Cabela's today. We have seen early successes in our social marketing initiatives and now have over 2.2 million fans on Facebook. Our omni-channel marketing efforts are resulting in increased customer engagement across multiple channels and a more consistent experience across all channels. Our goal is to create a digital presence that mirrors our customers' in-store shopping experience. Also in January 2013, we opened an office in Westminster, Colorado, to attract high quality talent to improve our website, social media, and mobile applications.

We use our customer database to ensure that customers receive catalogs matching their merchandise preferences, to identify new customers, and to cross-sell merchandise to existing customers. Many of our customers read and browse our catalogs, but purchase merchandise and services through our website and retail stores. We use the catalogs to prompt customers to go to retail stores and the Internet or to our call centers to place orders directly. We also utilize our marketing knowledge base to determine optimal circulation strategies to control our catalog costs while continuing to grow our merchandising business.

Catalog Distributions. We have been marketing our products through our print catalog distributions to our customers and potential customers for over 50 years. We believe that our catalog distributions have been one of the primary drivers of the growth of our brand over the years and serve as an important marketing tool for our Retail business. In 2012, we mailed more than 132 million catalogs to all 50 states and to more than 175 countries and territories. Our master catalogs offer a broad range of products while our specialty and micro-season catalogs offer products focused on one outdoor activity, such as fly fishing, archery, or waterfowl, or one product category, such as women's clothing.

Our direct marketing processes have been heavily driven via the catalog production cycle and most of our current marketing efforts are event based and heavily focused towards print media. Changing to a more customer centric focus will allow us to better exploit on-line engagement opportunities, embrace new marketing strategies, and bring synergies to the Internet channel which inherently has quick-to-market attributes that we have not fully capitalized on. Our goal is to continue to fine tune our catalogs, as well as the number of pages and product mix in each, in order to improve the profitability of each title. We want to create steady, profitable growth in our direct channels, while reducing marketing expenses and significantly increasing the percentage of market share we capture through the Internet.

Financial Services Business

Through our wholly-owned bank subsidiary, World's Foremost Bank ("WFB," "Financial Services segment," or "Cabela's CLUB"), we issue and manage the Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card, a rewards based credit card program. We believe the Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card loyalty rewards program is an effective vehicle for strengthening our relationships with our customers, enhancing our brand name, and increasing our merchandise revenue. Our rewards program is a simple loyalty program that allows customers to earn points whenever and wherever they use their Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card and then redeem earned points for products and services at our retail stores or through our Direct business. Our rewards program is integrated into our store point-of-sale system. Our customers are informed of their number of accumulated points when making purchases at our stores or ordering through our Direct business. The percentage of our merchandise sold to customers using the Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card, including the redemption of points, approximated 29% for 2012. The primary purpose of our Financial Services segment is to provide customers with a rewards program that will enhance revenue, profitability, and customer loyalty in our Retail and Direct businesses.

Our bank subsidiary is a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insured, special purpose, Nebraska state-chartered bank. Our bank's charter limits us to issuing consumer credit cards and certificates of deposit of one hundred thousand dollars or more. Our bank does not accept demand deposits or make non-credit card loans. During 2012, we had an average of 1,537,209 active credit card accounts with an average balance of \$2,014 compared to an average of 1,416,887 active credit card accounts with an average balance of \$1,937 during 2011.

Cabela's CLUB Marketing. We have a low cost, efficient, and tailored credit card marketing program that leverages the Cabela's brand name. We market the Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card through a number of channels, including retail stores, inbound telemarketing, catalogs, and the Internet. Our customers can apply for the Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card at our retail stores and website through our instant credit process and, if approved, receive reward points available for use on merchandise purchases the same day. When a customer's application is approved through the retail store instant credit process, the customer's new credit card is produced and given to the customer immediately thereafter. Maintaining the growth of our credit card program, while continuing to underwrite high-quality customers, actively manage our credit card delinquencies and charge-offs, and provide exclusive experiences is key to the successful performance of our Financial Services segment. The growth of Cabela's CLUB program is dependent, in part, on the success of our Retail and Direct businesses to generate additional sales and to attract additional Financial Services customers.

Underwriting and Credit Criteria. We underwrite high-quality credit customers and have historically maintained attractive credit statistics compared to industry averages. The scores of Fair Isaac Corporation ("FICO") are a widely-used tool for assessing a person's credit rating. During the second quarter of 2012, the Financial Services segment incorporated a newer version of FICO that utilizes the same factors as the previous scoring model, but is more sensitive to utilization of available credit, delinquencies considered serious and frequent, and maintenance of various types of credit. Management of the Financial Services segment believes the newer version will enable us to improve our risk management decisions. The newer version FICO score resulted in a slightly higher median score of our credit cardholders, which was 793 at the end of 2012 compared to 788 at the end of 2011. We believe the median FICO scores of our cardholders are well above the industry average. Our charge-offs as a percentage of total outstanding balances were 1.87% in 2012, which we believe is well below the 2012 industry average.

The table below presents data on the performance of our credit card portfolio comparing the last three years and illustrates the high credit quality of our credit card portfolio. The following table shows delinquencies, including any delinquent non-accrual and restructured credit card loans, and charge-offs, including any accrued interest and fees, as a percentage of our average credit card loans:

	2012	2011	2010
Delinquencies greater than 30 days	0.72%	0.87%	1.13%
Gross charge-offs	2.46	3.03	4.88
Charge-offs, net of recoveries	1.87	2.35	4.23

Products and Merchandising

We offer our customers a comprehensive selection of high-quality, competitively priced, national and regional brand products, including our own Cabela's brand. Our product assortment includes merchandise and equipment for hunting, fishing, marine use, and camping, along with casual and outdoor apparel and footwear, optics, vehicle accessories, and gifts and home furnishings with an outdoor theme.

The following table sets forth the percentage of our merchandise revenue contributed by major product categories for our Retail and Direct segments and in total for the last three years.

		Retail		Direct				Total			
Product Category:	2012	2011	2010	2012	2011	2010	2012	2011	2010		
Hunting Equipment	49.5%	45.7%	44.5%	37.1%	33.4%	33.7%	45.3%	41.1%	40.2%		
General Outdoors	28.7	30.7	31.5	32.0	32.7	32.9	29.8	31.5	32.1		
Clothing and Footwear	21.8	23.6	24.0	30.9	33.9	33.4	24.9	27.4	27.7		
Total	<u>100.0</u> %										

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Hunting Equipment. The hunting equipment merchandise category includes a wide variety of firearms, ammunition, optics, archery products, and related accessories and supplies. We provide equipment, accessories, and consumable supplies for almost every type of hunting and sport shooting. Our hunting equipment products are supported by in-house services such as gun bore sighting, scope mounting, and bow tuning to serve the complete needs of our customers.

General Outdoors. The general outdoors merchandise category includes a full range of equipment and accessories supporting all outdoor activities, including all types of fishing and tackle products, boats and marine equipment, camping gear and equipment, food preparation and outdoor cooking products, all-terrain vehicles and accessories for automobiles and all-terrain vehicles, and gifts and home furnishings. We provide products for fresh water fishing, fly-fishing, salt water fishing, and ice-fishing. In addition, we feature a wide selection of electronics, boats and accessories, canoes, kayaks, and other flotation accessories. We provide a diverse selection of camping gear and equipment for various experience levels of outdoor enthusiasts and offer a full range of equipment and accessories supporting other outdoor activities, including food preparation, outdoor cooking, travel, and outdoor living. Our gifts merchandise includes games, food assortments, books, jewelry, and art with outdoor themes. Home furnishings merchandise includes furnishings and accents with outdoor themes for the home and cabin.

Clothing and Footwear. The clothing and footwear merchandise category includes fieldwear apparel and footwear, sportswear apparel and footwear including technical gear for the active outdoor enthusiast, apparel and footwear for the casual customer, and workwear products.

Cabela's Branded Products. In addition to national brands, we offer our exclusive Cabela's branded merchandise. We have a significant penetration of Cabela's branded merchandise in casual apparel and footwear as well as in selected hard goods categories such as camping, fishing, and optics. Where possible, we seek to protect our Cabela's branded products by applying for trademark or patent protection for these products. Our Cabela's branded products typically generate higher gross profit margins compared to our other branded products. In 2012, our Cabela's branded merchandise accounted for approximately 30% of our merchandise revenue. By having an appropriate mix of Cabela's branded and other branded merchandise, we strive to meet the expectations and needs of our customers and expand the recognition of the Cabela's brand.

Marketing

We seek to increase the amount each customer spends on our merchandise through enhanced customer targeting, expanded use of digital marketing channels in mobile marketing and social networking and other technology-based approaches, continued introduction of new catalog titles, and the development and marketing of new products. We have taken advantage of web-based technologies such as targeted promotional e-mails, on-line shopping engines, and Internet affiliate programs to renew efforts in local markets and to increase sales. We also have improved our customer relationship management system, which we expect will allow us to better manage our customer relationships and more effectively tailor our marketing programs. We will continue to use our expanding Retail business to capture additional customer purchase history and information.

Our digital transformation continues with efforts around enhancing our Internet website to support the Direct business. Cabelas.com continues to be the most visited website in the sporting goods industry according to Hitwise, Inc., an online measurement company. The amount of traffic now coming through mobile devices is growing significantly. As a result, we continue to utilize best-in-class technology to improve our customers' digital shopping experience and build on the advances we have made to capitalize on the variety of ways customers are shopping Cabela's today. We have seen early successes in our social marketing initiatives and now have over 2.2 million fans on Facebook. Our omni-channel marketing efforts are resulting in increased customer engagement across multiple channels and a more consistent experience across all channels.

In addition to the use of our catalogs and our website, we use a combination of promotional events, traditional advertising, and media programs as marketing tools. We engage in certain promotional activities by sponsoring sportsmen and women advocacy groups and wildlife conservation organizations, including U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance, National Rifle Association, National Wild Turkey Federation, Women in the Outdoors, Rocky Mountain

Elk Foundation, Whitetails Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, Quail Forever, Ducks Unlimited, Delta Waterfowl, Trout Unlimited, and Safari Club International, as well as regional and local events and organizations. We also provide sponsorship of fishing tournaments and other related habitat and wildlife conservation activities.

We have historically received extensive local publicity from the unique Cabela's shopping experience when we open a store. As we enter into metropolitan markets, where the opening of a Cabela's store may not be major news, we will supplement any publicity with additional advertising to increase consumer awareness of new store openings.

Competition

We compete in a number of large and highly competitive markets, including the outdoor recreation, and casual apparel and footwear markets. The outdoor recreation market is comprised of several categories, including hunting, fishing, camping, and wildlife watching, and we believe it crosses over a wide range of geographic and demographic segments. We compete directly or indirectly with other broad-line merchants, large-format sporting goods stores and chains, mass merchandisers, warehouse clubs, discount and department stores, small specialty retailers, and catalog and Internet-based retailers.

We believe that we compete effectively with our competitors on the basis of our wide and distinctive merchandise selection, our strong credit card loyalty rewards program for our customers, the superior customer service we offer our customers, and the quality associated with the Cabela's brand, as well as our commitment to understanding and providing merchandise that is relevant to our targeted customer base. We cater to the outdoor enthusiast and the casual customer, and believe we have an appealing and inspiring store environment. We also believe that our omni-channel model enhances our ability to compete by allowing our customers to choose the most convenient medium to interact and transact with us. This model also allows us to reach a broader audience in existing and new markets and to continue to build on our internationally recognized Cabela's brand.

Customer Service

Since our founding in 1961, we have been deeply committed to serving our customers by selling high-quality products through sales associates and outfitters who deliver excellent customer service and in-depth product knowledge. We strive to provide superior customer service at the time of sale and after the sale with our Legendary Guarantee and Cabela's Xtreme Protection plans. We continue to advance our efforts for offering customers a seamless, integrated experience whether they shop with us in our retail stores, on the Internet, or on the telephone. Our customers can always access well-trained, friendly, and knowledgeable associates and outfitters to answer product use and merchandise selection questions. We believe our ability to establish and maintain long-term relationships with our customers and encourage repeat visits and purchases is due, in part, to the strength of our customer support, product information, and service operations.

Distribution and Fulfillment

We operate distribution centers located in Sidney, Nebraska; Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin; Wheeling, West Virginia; and Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. These distribution centers comprise over 3 million square feet of warehouse space for our retail store replenishment and Direct business activities. We ship merchandise to our Direct business customers via United Parcel Service, Canada Post, and the United States Postal Service. We use common carriers and typically deliver inventory two to three times per week for replenishment of our retail stores. We also operate a small merchandise return center in Oshkosh, Nebraska.

Information Technology Systems

Our information technology and operational systems manage our Retail, Direct, and Financial Services businesses. These systems are designed to process customer orders, track customer data and demographics, order, monitor, and maintain sufficient amounts of inventory, facilitate vendor transactions, and provide financial reporting. We continually evaluate, modify, and update our information technology systems supporting the supply chain, including our design, sourcing, merchandise planning, forecasting and purchase order, inventory, distribution, transportation, and price management systems. We continue to make modifications to our technology that will involve updating or replacing certain systems with successor systems, including improvements to our systems for omni-channel merchandise and financial planning, e-commerce, and customer relationship management.

Employees

At the end of 2012, we employed 15,200 employees - 6,900 of whom were employed full-time. We use parttime and temporary workers to supplement our labor force at peak times during our third and fourth quarters. None of our employees are represented by a labor union or are party to a collective bargaining agreement. We have not experienced any work stoppages and consider our relationship with our employees to be good.

Seasonality

We experience seasonal fluctuations in our revenue and operating results. Due to buying patterns around the holidays and the opening of hunting seasons, our merchandise revenue is traditionally higher in the third and fourth quarters than in the first and second quarters, and we typically earn a disproportionate share of our operating income in the fourth quarter. Because of our retail store expansion, and fixed costs associated with retail stores, our quarterly operating income may be further impacted by these seasonal fluctuations. We anticipate our sales will continue to be seasonal in nature. Refer to Note 26 to our consolidated financial statements for financial information by quarter for 2012 and 2011.

Government Regulation

Regulation of World's Foremost Bank. WFB, our wholly-owned bank subsidiary, is a Nebraska statechartered bank with deposits insured by the Bank Insurance Fund of the FDIC. WFB is subject to comprehensive regulation and periodic examination by the Nebraska Department of Banking and Finance and the FDIC. WFB does not qualify as a "bank" under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, ("BHCA"), because it is in compliance with a credit card bank exception from the BHCA. On July 21, 2010, the Reform Act was signed into law. The Reform Act has made extensive changes to the laws regulating financial services firms and credit rating agencies and requires significant rule-making. In addition, the legislation mandates multiple studies which could result in additional legislative or regulatory action. The Reform Act does not eliminate the exception from the definition of "bank" under the BHCA for credit card banks, such as WFB. However, as directed by the Reform Act, the United States Government Accountability Office released a report on January 20, 2012, that examines the potential implications of eliminating certain exceptions under the BHCA, including the exception for credit card banks. It is unclear whether this report will lead to any additional legislative or regulatory action. If the credit card bank exception were eliminated or modified, we may be required to divest our ownership of WFB unless we were willing and able to become a bank holding company under the BHCA. Any such forced divestiture may materially adversely affect our business and results of operations. In addition, the Reform Act established a new independent Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the "Bureau") which has broad rulemaking, supervisory, and enforcement authority over consumer products, including credit cards. The Reform Act will also affect a number of significant changes relating to asset-backed securities, including additional oversight and regulation of credit rating agencies and additional reporting and disclosure requirements. See "Risk Factors - The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act may impact the practices of our Financial Services segment and could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Developments in Legislation and Regulation."

There are various federal and Nebraska laws and regulations relating to minimum regulatory capital requirements and requirements concerning the payment of dividends from net profits or surplus, restrictions governing transactions between an insured depository institution and its affiliates, and general federal and Nebraska regulatory oversight to prevent unsafe or unsound practices. At the end of 2012, WFB met the requirements for a "well-capitalized" institution, the highest of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act's five capital ratio levels. A "well-capitalized" classification should not necessarily be viewed

as describing the condition or future prospects of a depository institution, including WFB. In addition, at the end of 2012, the most recent notification from the FDIC categorized WFB as "well-capitalized" under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. We may be required to invest additional capital in WFB for WFB to remain "well-capitalized." See "Risk Factors - We may have to reallocate capital from our Retail and Direct businesses to meet the capital needs of our Financial Services segment, which could alter our retail store expansion program."

The consumer lending activities of WFB are subject to regulation under various federal and state laws. We spend significant amounts of time ensuring we are in compliance with these laws and work with our service providers to ensure that actions they take in connection with services they perform for us are also in compliance with these laws. Depending on the underlying issue and applicable law, regulators are authorized to impose penalties for violations of these statutes and, in some cases, to order WFB to compensate borrowers. In 2012, the Bureau, acting in conjunction with the FDIC and other agencies, announced its first high-profile enforcement actions against credit card issuers for deceptive marketing and other illegal practices related to the advertising of ancillary products, collection practices and other matters. By these recent public enforcement actions, the Bureau and the FDIC have signaled a heightened scrutiny of credit card issuers. We anticipate increased activity by regulators in pursuing consumer protection claims going forward. Borrowers may also have a private right of action to bring actions for some violations. Federal bankruptcy and state debtor relief and collection laws also affect the ability of our bank subsidiary to collect outstanding balances owed by borrowers.

Several rules and regulations have recently been proposed or adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") that may substantially affect issuers of asset-backed securities. It remains to be seen whether and to what extent any final rules adopted by the SEC will impact our bank subsidiary and its ability and willingness to continue to rely on the securitization market for funding. See "Risks Factors - We may experience limited availability of financing or variation in funding costs for our Financial Services segment, which could limit growth of the business and decrease our profitability," "Risks Factors - The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act may impact the practices of our Financial Services segment and could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Developments in Legislation and Regulation."

Taxation Applicable to Us. We pay applicable corporate income, franchise, sales, and other taxes to states in which our retail stores are physically located. As we open more retail stores, we will be subject to tax in an increasing number of state and local taxing jurisdictions.

Other Regulations Applicable to Us. We must comply with federal, state, and local regulations, including the federal Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act, which require us, as a federal firearms licensee, to perform a pre-sale background check of purchasers of hunting rifles and other firearms.

We also are subject to a variety of state laws and regulations relating to, among other things, advertising, pricing, product safety, and product restrictions. Some of these laws prohibit or limit the sale, in certain states and locations, of certain items we offer, such as firearms, black powder firearms, ammunition, bows, knives, and similar products. State and local government regulation of hunting can also affect our business.

We are subject to certain federal, state, and local laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment and human health and safety. We believe that we are in substantial compliance with the terms of environmental laws and that we have no liabilities under such laws that we expect to have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, or financial condition.

Our Direct business is subject to the Mail or Telephone Order Merchandise Rule and related regulations promulgated by the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") which affect our catalog mail order operations. FTC regulations, in general, govern the solicitation of orders, the information provided to prospective customers, and the timeliness of shipments and refunds. In addition, the FTC has established guidelines for advertising and labeling many of the products we sell.

Intellectual Property

Cabela's®, Cabela's CLUB®, Cabelas.com®, World's Foremost Outfitter®, World's Foremost Bank®, and Bargain Cave® are among our registered service marks or trademarks with the United States Patent and Trademark Office. We have numerous pending applications for trademarks. In addition, we own several other registered and unregistered trademarks and service marks involving advertising slogans and other names and phrases used in our business. We own certain patents associated with various products. We also own trade secrets, domain names, and copyrights, which have been registered for each of our catalogs.

We believe that our trademarks are valid and valuable and intend to maintain our trademarks and any related registrations. We do not know of any material pending claims of infringement or other challenges to our right to use our marks in the United States or elsewhere. We have no franchises or other concessions which are material to our operations.

Available Information

Our website address is www.cabelas.com. We make available on our website our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to those reports, proxy statements and annual reports to shareholders, and, from time to time, other documents, free of charge, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with or furnish it to the SEC. Our SEC reports can be accessed through the investor relations section of our website. The information on our website, whether currently posted or in the future, is not part of this or any other report we file with or furnish to the SEC. Additionally, the public may read and copy any of the materials we file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. The public may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers, such as Cabela's, that file electronically with the SEC. The address of the SEC's website is www.sec.gov.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Risk Factors

Risks Related to Our Merchandising Business

A decline in discretionary consumer spending could reduce our revenue.

Our revenue depends on discretionary consumer spending, which may decrease due to a variety of factors beyond our control, including:

- unfavorable general business conditions;
- increases in interest rates;
- increases in inflation;
- wars, fears of war, and terrorist attacks and organizing activities;
- increases in consumer debt levels and decreases in the availability of consumer credit;
- adverse or unseasonal weather conditions or events;
- increases in gasoline prices reducing the willingness to travel to our retail stores;
- adverse changes in applicable laws and regulations;
- adverse legislation relating to sales of firearms and ammunition;
- increases in taxation;
- adverse fluctuations of foreign currencies;
- adverse unemployment trends;
- adverse conditions in the mortgage and housing markets; and
- other factors that adversely influence consumer confidence and spending.

Our customers' purchases of discretionary items, including our products, could decline during periods when disposable income is lower or periods of actual or perceived unfavorable economic conditions. If this occurs, our revenue would decline.

Difficult conditions in the economy generally may materially adversely affect our business and results of operations.

Our results of operations are materially affected by conditions in the economy generally. Factors such as consumer spending, oil prices, unemployment rates, the availability of credit, and the volatility and strength of the capital markets all affect the business and macroeconomic environment and, ultimately, the revenue and profitability of our business. In an economic environment characterized by higher unemployment, lower family income, and lower consumer spending, the demand for our products could be adversely affected. This may materially affect our business and results of operations.

Competition in the outdoor recreation and casual apparel and footwear markets could reduce our revenue and profitability.

The outdoor recreation and casual apparel and footwear markets are highly fragmented and competitive. We compete directly or indirectly with the following types of companies:

- other specialty retailers that compete with us across a significant portion of our merchandising categories through retail store or direct businesses, such as Bass Pro Shops, Gander Mountain, Orvis, The Sportsman's Guide, and Sportsman's Warehouse;
- large-format sporting goods stores and chains, such as The Sports Authority, Dick's Sporting Goods, and Big 5 Sporting Goods;
- retailers that currently compete with us through retail businesses that may enter the direct business;
- mass merchandisers, warehouse clubs, discount stores, and department stores, such as Wal-Mart, Target, and Amazon; and
- casual outdoor apparel and footwear retailers, such as L.L. Bean, Lands' End, and REI.

Many of our competitors have a larger number of stores, and some of them have substantially greater market presence, name recognition, and financial, distribution, marketing, and other resources than we have. In addition, if our competitors reduce their prices, we may have to reduce our prices in order to compete. Furthermore, some of our competitors have aggressively built new stores in locations with high concentrations of our Direct business customers. As a result of this competition, we may need to spend more on advertising and promotion. Some of our mass merchandising competitors, such as Wal-Mart, do not currently compete in many of the product lines we offer. If these competitors were to begin offering a broader array of competing products, or if any of the other factors listed above occurred, our revenue could be reduced or our costs could be increased, resulting in reduced profitability.

We may not be able to raise additional capital or obtain additional financing if needed.

We regularly review and evaluate our liquidity and capital needs. We currently believe that our available cash, cash equivalents, and cash flow from operations will be sufficient to finance our operations and expected capital requirements for at least the next 12 months. However, we might experience periods during which we encounter additional cash needs and we might need additional external funding to support our operations. Although we were able to enter into a \$415 million revolving credit facility during fiscal 2011 on acceptable terms, in the event we require additional liquidity, we cannot be certain that additional funds will be available if needed and to the extent required or, if available, on acceptable terms. If we cannot raise necessary additional funds on acceptable terms, there could be a material adverse impact on our business and results of operations. We also may not be able to fund expansion, take advantage of future opportunities, meet our existing debt obligations, or respond to competitive pressures or unanticipated requirements.

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Our comparable store sales will fluctuate and may not be a meaningful indicator of future performance.

Changes in our comparable store sales results could affect the price of our common stock. A number of factors have historically affected, and will continue to affect, our comparable store sales results, including:

- competition;
- new store openings;
- general regional and national economic conditions;
- actions taken by our competitors;
- consumer trends and preferences;
- new product introductions and changes in our product mix;
- timing and effectiveness of promotional events; and
- weather conditions.

Our comparable store sales may vary from quarter to quarter, and an unanticipated decline in revenues or comparable store sales may cause the price of our common stock to fluctuate significantly.

If we fail to maintain the strength and value of our brand, our revenue is likely to decline.

Our success depends on the value and strength of the Cabela's brand. The Cabela's name is integral to our business as well as to the implementation of our strategies for expanding our business. Maintaining, promoting, and positioning our brand will depend largely on the success of our marketing and merchandising efforts and our ability to provide high quality merchandise and a consistent, high quality customer experience. Our brand could be adversely affected if we fail to achieve these objectives or if our public image or reputation were to be tarnished by negative publicity. Any of these events could result in decreases in revenue.

Disruptions in our information technology systems could have a material adverse impact on our operating results.

Our Retail, Direct, and Financial Services businesses are dependent upon the integrity, security, and consistent operations of our information technology systems. We rely heavily on our information technology systems to manage and replenish inventory, to take customer orders, to deliver products to our customers in an efficient manner, to collect payments from our customers, and to provide accurate financial data and reporting for our business. Any disruption to or failure of our information technology systems may have a material adverse effect on our business or results of operations. We also expect to continue to make significant technology investments in the coming years, which are key to our business. There are inherent risks associated with these system changes, and we may be unable to successfully implement these system changes. Our failure to successfully implement these system changes or results of operations. Additionally, there is no assurance that successful implementation of these system changes will deliver value to us.

We are subject to security breaches and cybersecurity risks which could damage our reputation and increase our costs in an effort to protect against such breaches and cybersecurity risks.

Our business necessarily depends upon the operation and security of our website. Additionally, the nature of our business requires that we collect and maintain personal information about our customers. We use third-party systems, software, and tools in order to protect the customer data we obtain through the course of our business, which data includes financial and credit card information about our customers. Although we maintain security measures to protect such customer information, security breaches, computer viruses, cyber attacks, acts of vandalism, human error, or other similar events may result in the unauthorized disclosure of confidential customer information. Such a security breach could damage our reputation with our customers, expose us to the risk of litigation, and increase costs in order to combat and prevent such breaches.

If we cannot successfully implement our retail store expansion strategy, our growth and profitability would be adversely impacted.

We continue to seek additional locations to open new retail stores. Our ability to open new retail stores in a timely manner and operate them profitably depends on a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control, including:

- our ability to manage the financial and operational aspects of our retail growth strategy;
- our ability to identify suitable locations, including our ability to gather and assess demographic and marketing data to determine consumer demand for our products in the locations we select;
- our ability to negotiate favorable lease agreements;
- our ability to properly assess the profitability of potential new retail store locations;
- the availability of financing on favorable terms;
- our ability to secure required governmental permits and approvals;
- our ability to hire and train skilled store operating personnel, especially management personnel;
- the availability of construction materials and labor and the absence of significant construction delays or cost overruns;
- our ability to provide a satisfactory mix of merchandise that is responsive to the needs of our customers living in the areas where new retail stores are built;
- our ability to supply new retail stores with inventory in a timely manner;
- our ability to properly assess operational and regulatory challenges involved in opening and successfully operating retail stores in Canada;
- our competitors building or leasing stores near our retail stores or in locations we have identified as targets for a new retail store; and
- general economic and business conditions affecting consumer confidence and spending and the overall strength of our business.

We may not be able to sustain the growth in the number of our retail stores, the revenue growth historically achieved by our retail stores, or to maintain consistent levels of profitability in our Retail business, particularly as we expand into markets now served by other large-format sporting goods retailers and mass merchandisers. In particular, new retail stores typically generate lower operating margins because pre-opening costs are fully expensed in the year of opening and because fixed costs, as a percentage of revenue, are higher. In addition, the substantial management time and resources which our retail store expansion strategy requires may result in disruption to our existing business operations which may decrease our profitability.

Retail store expansion could adversely affect the operating results of our Retail business and reduce the revenue of our Direct business.

As the number of our retail stores increases, our stores will become more highly concentrated in the geographic regions we serve. As a result, the number of customers and related revenue at individual stores may decline and the average amount of sales per square foot at our stores may be reduced. In addition, as we open more retail stores and as our competitors open stores with similar formats, our retail store format may become less unique and may be less attractive to customers as tourist and entertainment shopping locations. If either of these events occurs, the operating results of our Retail business could be materially adversely affected. The growth in the number of our retail stores may also draw customers away from our Direct business, which could materially adversely affect our Direct business revenue.

Our failure to successfully manage our Direct business could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and cash flows.

During 2012, our Direct business accounted for 33.5% of the total revenue in our Retail and Direct businesses. Our Direct business is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, some of which are beyond our control, including:

- our inability to properly adjust the fixed costs of a catalog mailing to reflect subsequent sales of the products marketed in the catalog;
- lower and less predictable response rates for catalogs sent to prospective customers;
- increases in United States Postal Service rates, paper costs, and printing costs resulting in higher catalog production costs and lower profits for our Direct business;
- failures to properly design, print, and mail our catalogs in a timely manner;
- failures to introduce new catalog titles;
- failures to timely fill customer orders;
- changes in consumer preferences, willingness to purchase goods through catalogs or the Internet, weak economic conditions and economic uncertainty, and unseasonal weather in key geographic markets;
- increases in software filters that may inhibit our ability to market our products through e-mail messages to our customers and increases in consumer privacy concerns relating to the Internet;
- supply and delivery shortages or interruptions, including reduced service levels from the United States Postal Service;
- changes in applicable federal and state regulation;
- breaches of Internet security; and
- failures in our Internet infrastructure or the failure of systems of third parties, such as telephone or electric power service, resulting in website downtime, customer care center closures, or other problems.

Any one or more of these factors could result in lower-than-expected revenue for our Direct business. These factors could also result in increased costs, increased merchandise returns, slower turning inventories, inventory write-downs, and working capital constraints. Because our Direct business accounts for a significant portion of our total revenue, any performance shortcomings experienced by our Direct business could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and cash flows.

Any disruption of the supply of products and services from our vendors could have an adverse impact on our revenue and profitability.

Our vendors and the products and services they provide include the following:

- vendors to supply our merchandise in sufficient quantities at competitive prices in a timely manner;
- outside printers and catalog production vendors to print and mail our catalogs and to convert our catalogs to digital format for website posting;
- shipping companies, such as United Parcel Service, the United States Postal Service, and common carriers, for timely delivery of our catalogs, shipment of merchandise to our customers, and delivery of merchandise from our vendors to us and from our distribution centers to our retail stores;
- telephone companies to provide telephone service to our in-house customer care centers;
- communications providers to provide our Internet users with access to our website and a website hosting service provider to host and manage our website;
- software providers to provide software and related services to run our operating systems for our Retail and Direct businesses; and
- third-party card processors, such as First Data Resources, to provide processing for Cabela's CLUB Visa transactions.

We cannot predict when, or the extent to which, we will experience any disruption in the supply of products and services from our vendors. Any such disruption could have an adverse impact on our revenue and profitability.

Any disruption in these services could have a negative impact on our ability to market and sell our products, and serve our customers. Our ten largest trade vendors collectively represented approximately 17% of our total merchandise purchases in 2012. If we are unable to acquire suitable merchandise or lose one or more key vendors, we may not be able to offer products that are important to our merchandise assortment. We also are subject to risks, such as the price and availability of raw materials and fabrics, labor disputes, union organizing activity, strikes, inclement weather, natural disasters, war and terrorism, and adverse general economic and political conditions that might limit our vendors' ability to provide us with quality merchandise on a timely basis. We have no contractual arrangements providing for continued supply from our key vendors and our vendors may discontinue selling to us at any time. We may not be able to develop relationships with new vendors, and products from alternative sources, if any, may be of a lesser quality and more expensive than those we currently purchase. Any delay or failure in offering products to our customers could have a material adverse impact on our revenue and profitability. We also rely on our vendors to comply with our social responsibility program, and the failure of a vendor to comply with our social responsibility program could harm our brand or cause us to terminate a vendor prior to securing an alternative source for the terminated vendor's products or services. In addition, if the cost of fuel rises, the cost to deliver merchandise to the customers of our Direct business and from our distribution centers to our retail stores may rise which could have a material adverse impact on our profitability.

Political and economic uncertainty and unrest in foreign countries where our merchandise vendors are located and trade restrictions upon imports from these foreign countries could adversely affect our ability to source merchandise and operating results.

In 2012, over 60% of our private label merchandise was imported directly from vendors located in foreign countries, with a substantial portion of the imported merchandise being obtained directly from vendors located in China, Mexico, and various Far East, Asian, and European countries. In addition, we believe that a significant portion of our other vendors obtain their products from foreign countries that may also be subject to political and economic uncertainty. We are subject to risks and uncertainties associated with changing economic and political conditions in foreign countries where our vendors are located, such as:

- increased import duties, tariffs, trade restrictions, and quotas;
- work stoppages;
- economic uncertainties;
- adverse foreign government regulations;
- wars, fears of war, and terrorist attacks and organizing activities;
- adverse fluctuations of foreign currencies; and
- political unrest.

We cannot predict when, or the extent to which, the countries in which our products are manufactured will experience any of the above events. Any event causing a disruption or delay of imports from foreign locations would likely increase the cost or reduce the supply of merchandise available to us and would adversely affect our operating results, particularly if imports of our Cabela's branded merchandise were adversely affected as our margins are higher on our Cabela's branded merchandise.

In addition, trade restrictions, including increased tariffs or quotas, embargoes, safeguards, and customs restrictions against apparel items, as well as United States or foreign labor strikes, work stoppages, or boycotts could increase the cost or reduce the supply of merchandise available to us or may require us to modify our current business practices, any of which could hurt our profitability.

Due to the seasonality of our business, our annual operating results would be adversely affected if our revenue during the fourth quarter was substantially below expectations.

We experience seasonal fluctuations in our revenue and operating results. Historically, we have realized a significant portion of our revenue and earnings for the year in the fourth quarter. In 2012 and 2011, respectively, we generated 36.0% and 35.0% of our revenue, and 39.2% and 49.0% of our net income, in the fourth quarter. We incur significant additional expenses in the fourth quarter due to higher customer purchase volumes and increased

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staffing. If we miscalculate the demand for our products generally or for our product mix during the fourth quarter, our revenue could decline, which would harm our financial performance. In addition, abnormally warm weather conditions during the fourth quarter can reduce sales of many of the products normally sold during this time period and inclement weather can reduce store traffic or cause us to temporarily close stores causing a reduction in revenue. Because a substantial portion of our operating income is derived from our fourth quarter revenue, a shortfall in expected fourth quarter revenue would cause our annual operating results to suffer significantly.

If we lose key management or are unable to attract and retain the talent required for our business, our operating results could suffer.

Our future success depends to a significant degree on the skills, experience, and efforts of our senior executive management and merchandising teams. With the exception of our Chairman, Richard N. Cabela, and our Vice Chairmen, James W. Cabela and Dennis Highby, none of our senior management has employment agreements other than our Management Change of Control Severance Agreements. We do not carry key-man life insurance on any of our executives or key management personnel. In addition, our corporate headquarters is located in a sparsely populated rural area which may make it difficult to attract and retain qualified individuals for key management positions. The loss of the services of any of these individuals or the inability to attract and retain qualified individuals for our key management positions could cause our operating results to suffer.

Our business depends on our ability to meet our labor needs, and if we are unable to do so, our retail store expansion strategy may be delayed and our revenue growth may suffer.

Our success depends on hiring, training, managing, and retaining quality managers, sales associates, and employees in our retail stores and customer care centers. Our corporate headquarters, distribution centers, return center, and some of our retail stores are located in sparsely populated rural areas. It may be difficult to attract and retain qualified personnel, especially management and technical personnel, in these areas. Competition for qualified management and technical employees could require us to pay higher wages or grant above market levels of stock compensation to attract a sufficient number of employees. If we are unable to attract and retain qualified personnel as needed, the implementation of our retail store expansion strategy may be delayed and our revenue growth may suffer.

A natural disaster or other disruption at our distribution centers or return facility could cause us to lose merchandise and be unable to effectively deliver to our direct customers and retail stores.

We currently rely on distribution centers in Sidney, Nebraska; Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin; Wheeling, West Virginia; and Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, to handle our distribution needs. We operate a return center in Oshkosh, Nebraska; and our Wheeling, West Virginia, distribution center also processes returns. Any natural disaster or other serious disruption to these centers due to fire, tornado, or any other calamity could damage a significant portion of our inventory and materially impair our ability to adequately stock our retail stores, deliver merchandise to customers, and process returns to vendors and could result in lost revenue, increased costs, and reduced profits.

We do not collect sales taxes in some jurisdictions, which could result in substantial tax liabilities and cause our future Direct business sales to decrease.

An increasing number of states have considered or adopted laws that attempt to impose tax collection obligations on out-of-state retailers. We believe that these initiatives are inconsistent with the United States Supreme Court's holding that states, absent congressional legislation, may not impose tax collection obligations on out-of-state direct marketers unless the out-of-state direct marketer has nexus with the state. A successful assertion by one or more states requiring us to collect taxes where we do not do so could result in substantial tax liabilities, including for past sales, as well as penalties and interest. The imposition by state governments of sales tax collection obligations on out-of-state direct marketers who participate in Internet commerce could also create additional administrative burdens for us, put us at a competitive disadvantage if they do not impose similar obligations on our competitors, and decrease our future Direct sales, which could have a material adverse impact on our business and results of operations.

We must successfully order and manage our inventory to reflect customer demand and anticipate changing consumer preferences and buying trends or our revenue and profitability will be adversely affected.

Our success depends upon our ability to successfully manage our inventory and to anticipate and respond to merchandise trends and customer demands in a timely manner. We cannot predict consumer preferences with certainty and they may change over time. We usually must order merchandise well in advance of the applicable selling season. The extended lead times for many of our purchases may make it difficult for us to respond rapidly to new or changing product trends or changes in prices. If we misjudge either the market for our merchandise or our customers' purchasing habits, our revenue may decline significantly and we may not have sufficient quantities of merchandise to satisfy customer demand or we may be required to mark down excess inventory, either of which would result in lower profit margins. In addition, as we implement our retail store expansion strategy, we will need to construct additional distribution centers or expand the size of our existing distribution centers to support our growing number of retail stores. If we are unable to find suitable locations for new distribution centers or to timely integrate new or expanded distribution centers into our inventory control process, we may not be able to deliver inventory to our retail stores in a timely manner, which could have a material adverse effect on the revenue and cash flows of our Retail business.

We may incur costs from litigation relating to products that we sell, particularly tree stands, firearms, and ammunition, which could adversely affect our revenue and profitability.

We may incur damages due to lawsuits relating to products we sell, including lawsuits relating to tree stands, firearms, and ammunition. We may incur losses due to lawsuits, including potential class actions, relating to our performance of background checks on firearms purchases and compliance with other sales laws as mandated by state and federal law. We may also incur losses from lawsuits relating to the improper use of firearms or ammunition sold by us, including lawsuits by municipalities or other organizations attempting to recover costs from manufacturers and retailers of firearms and ammunition. Our insurance coverage and the insurance provided by our vendors for certain products they sell to us may be inadequate to cover claims and liabilities related to products that we sell. In addition, claims or lawsuits related to products that we sell, or the unavailability of insurance for product liability claims, could result in the elimination of these products from our product line, thereby reducing revenue. If one or more successful claims against us are not covered by or exceed our insurance coverage, or if insurance coverage is no longer available, our available working capital may be impaired and our operating results could be materially adversely affected. Even unsuccessful claims could result in the expenditure of funds and management time and could have a negative impact on our profitability and on future premiums we would be required to pay on our insurance policies.

Legal proceedings may increase our costs and have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We are involved, from time to time, in legal proceedings that are incidental to our business. For example, on January 6, 2011, we received a Commissioner's charge from the Chair of the EEOC alleging that we have discriminated against non-Whites on the basis of their race and national origin in recruitment and hiring. We are disputing these allegations, and the EEOC currently is in the early stages of its investigation. At the present time, we are unable to form a judgment regarding a favorable or unfavorable outcome regarding this matter or the potential range of loss in the event of an unfavorable outcome. The defense and resolution of lawsuits and other proceedings may involve significant expense, divert management's attention and resources from other matters, and have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Current and future government regulation may negatively impact the demand for our products and our ability to conduct our business.

Federal, state, and local laws and regulations can affect our business and the demand for products. These laws and regulations include:

- FTC regulations governing the manner in which orders may be solicited and prescribing other obligations in fulfilling orders and consummating sales;
- state or federal laws and regulations or executive orders that prohibit or limit the sale of certain items we offer such as firearms, black powder firearms, ammunition, bows, knives, and similar products;
- the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives governing the manner in which we sell firearms and ammunition;
- laws and regulations governing hunting and fishing;
- laws and regulations relating to the collecting and sharing of non-public customer information; and
- United States customs laws and regulations pertaining to proper item classification, quotas, payment of duties and tariffs, and maintenance of documentation and internal control programs which relate to importing taxidermy which we display in our retail stores.

Changes in these laws and regulations or additional regulation, particularly new laws or increased regulations regarding sales and ownership of firearms and ammunition, could cause the demand for and sales of our products to decrease and could materially adversely impact our revenue and profitability. Moreover, complying with increased or changed regulations could cause our operating expenses to increase.

Our inability or failure to protect our intellectual property could have a negative impact on our operating results.

Our trademarks, service marks, copyrights, patents, trade secrets, domain names, and other intellectual property are valuable assets that are critical to our success. Effective trademark and other intellectual property protection may not be available in every country in which our products are made available. The unauthorized reproduction or other misappropriation of our intellectual property could diminish the value of our brands or goodwill and cause a decline in our revenue. Any infringement or other intellectual property claim made against us, whether or not it has merit, could be time-consuming, result in costly litigation, cause product delays, or require us to enter into royalty or licensing agreements. As a result, any such claim could have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

Risks Related to Our Financial Services Business

We may experience limited availability of financing or variation in funding costs for our Financial Services segment, which could limit growth of the business and decrease our profitability.

Our Financial Services segment requires a significant amount of cash to operate. These cash requirements will increase if our credit card originations increase or if our cardholders' balances or spending increase. Historically, we have relied upon external financing sources to fund these operations, and we intend to continue to access external sources to fund our growth. A number of factors such as our financial results, changes within our organization, disruptions in the capital markets, increased competition in the deposit markets, our corporate and regulatory structure, interest rate fluctuations, general economic conditions, possible negative credit ratings affecting our asset-backed securities, and accounting and regulatory changes and relations could make such financing more difficult or impossible to obtain or more expensive. In addition, several rules and regulations have recently been proposed by the SEC that may substantially affect issuers of asset-backed securities. We have been and will continue to be particularly reliant on funding from securitization transactions for our Financial Services segment. Securitization funding sources include both variable funding facilities and fixed and floating rate term securitizations. A failure to renew these facilities, to resecuritize the term securitizations as they mature, or to add additional term securitizations and variable funding facilities on favorable terms as it becomes necessary could increase our financing costs and potentially limit our ability to grow our Financial Services segment. In addition,

the ability of our Financial Services segment to engage in securitization transactions on favorable terms or at all could be adversely affected by disruptions in the capital markets or other events, which could adversely affect our business and cause our Financial Services segment to lose an important source of capital.

Furthermore, even if we are able to securitize our credit card loans consistent with past practice, poor performance of our securitized loans, including increased delinquencies and credit losses, lower payment rates, or a decrease in excess spreads below certain thresholds, could result in a downgrade or withdrawal of the ratings on the outstanding securities issued in our securitization transactions, cause "early amortization" or "early redemption" of these securities, or result in higher required credit enhancement levels. This could jeopardize our ability to complete other securitization transactions on acceptable terms, decrease our liquidity, and force us to rely on other potentially more expensive funding sources, to the extent available, which would decrease our profitability.

Our current funding strategy also includes a continued reliance on certificates of deposit to help fund growth and maturing securitizations. If there is an increase in other financial institutions relying on the certificates of deposit market for liquidity and funding, competition in the deposits market may increase. In addition, FDIC deposit insurance coverage may be reduced. Either of these events could result in less funds available or funds at unattractive rates. In addition to the non-brokered certificates of deposit market to fund growth and maturing securitizations, we have access to the brokered certificates of deposit market through multiple financial institutions for liquidity and funding purposes. Our ability to issue certificates of deposit is reliant on our current regulatory capital levels. If WFB were to be classified as an "adequately-capitalized" bank, we would be required to obtain a waiver from the FDIC in order to continue to issue certificates of deposit and would be limited to what interest rate we can pay on deposits. At the end of 2012, WFB met the requirements for a "well-capitalized" institution, the highest of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act's five capital ratio levels.

We may have to reallocate capital from our Retail and Direct businesses to meet the capital needs of our Financial Services segment, which could alter our retail store expansion program.

WFB must satisfy the capital maintenance requirements of government regulators and its agreement with Visa U.S.A., Inc. ("Visa"). Although WFB satisfied the requirements for the "well-capitalized" classification under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action at the end of 2012, no assurances can be given that WFB will continue to satisfy such requirements. A variety of factors could cause the capital requirements of WFB to exceed our ability to generate capital internally or from third party sources. For example, government regulators or Visa could unilaterally increase their minimum capital requirements. On June 7, 2012, the FDIC and the other federal banking agencies announced they are seeking comment on proposed rules that would revise and replace the agencies' current capital rules. Among other things, the proposed rules would revise the agencies' prompt corrective action framework by introducing a common equity tier 1 capital requirement and a higher minimum tier 1 capital requirement. In addition, the proposed rules include a supplementary leverage ratio for depository institutions subject to the advanced approaches capital rules. Also, we have significant potential obligations in the form of the unused credit lines of our cardholders. At the end of 2012, these unfunded amounts totaled approximately \$21 billion. Draws on these lines of credit could materially exceed predicted line usage. If WFB ceases to qualify as well-capitalized or if a new common equity tier 1 capital requirement and a higher minimum tier 1 capital requirement are adopted, WFB would become subject to regulatory restrictions that could materially adversely affect its liquidity, cost of funds, and ability to conduct normal operations. If WFB's capital requirements were to increase, we may have to contribute capital to WFB, which may require us to raise additional debt or equity capital and/or divert capital from our Retail and Direct businesses, which in turn could significantly alter our retail store expansion strategy.

It may be difficult to sustain the historical growth and profitability of our Financial Services segment, and we will be subject to various risks as we attempt to grow the business.

We may not be able to retain existing cardholders, grow account balances, or attract new cardholders and the profits from our Financial Services segment could decline, for a variety of reasons, many of which are beyond our control, including:

- credit risk related to the loans we make to cardholders and the charge-off levels of our credit card accounts;
- inability of cardholders to make payments to us due to economic conditions and limited access to other credit sources;
- inability to manage credit risk and keep credit models up to date with current consumer credit trends;
- lack of growth of potential new customers generated by our Retail and Direct businesses;
- liquidity and funding risk relating to our ability to create the liquidity necessary to extend credit to our cardholders and provide the capital necessary to meet the requirements of government regulators and Visa;
- operational risk related to our ability to acquire the necessary operational and organizational infrastructure, manage expenses as we expand, and recruit management and operations personnel with the experience to run an increasingly complex and highly-regulated business; and
- the credit card industry is highly competitive with increased use of advertising, target marketing, reward programs, mobile payment solutions, and pricing competition in interest rates and cardholder fees as both traditional and new credit card issuers seek to expand or to enter the market and compete for customers.

Economic downturns and social and other factors could cause our credit card charge-offs and delinquencies to increase, or credit card balances to decrease, which would decrease our profitability.

The general economic environment may worsen, unemployment may continue to remain high, the housing market may continue to be depressed, and consumer credit availability may decrease. The ability and willingness of cardholders to pay could be adversely affected, which would increase delinquencies and charge-offs. In addition, if economic conditions deteriorate, the number of transactions and average purchase amount of transactions on the credit card accounts may be reduced, which would reduce the revenue of our Financial Services segment. A variety of social and other factors also may cause changes in credit card use, payment patterns, and the rate of defaults by cardholders. These social factors include changes in consumer confidence levels, the public's perception of the use of credit cards, changing attitudes about incurring debt, and the stigma of personal bankruptcy. Our underwriting criteria and portfolio management, product design, and collection operations may be insufficient to protect the growth and profitability of our Financial Services segment during a sustained period of economic downturn or recession or a material shift in social attitudes, and may be insufficient to protect against these additional negative factors.

The performance of our Financial Services segment may be negatively affected by the performance of our merchandising businesses.

Negative developments in our Retail and Direct businesses could affect our ability to grow or maintain our Financial Services segment. We believe our ability to maintain cardholders and attract new cardholders is highly correlated with customer loyalty to our merchandising businesses and to the strength of the Cabela's brand. In addition, transactions on cardholder accounts produce loyalty points which the cardholder may apply to future purchases from us. Adverse changes in the desirability of products we sell, negative trends in retail customer service and satisfaction, or the termination or modification of the loyalty program could have a negative impact on the ability of Cabela's CLUB to grow its account base.

Our Financial Services segment faces the risk of a complex and changing regulatory and legal environment.

Our Financial Services segment operates in a heavily regulated industry and is therefore subject to a wide array of banking and consumer lending laws and regulations. Failure to comply with banking and consumer lending laws and regulations could result in financial, structural, and operational penalties being imposed. In addition, as a Visa member bank, WFB must comply with rules and regulations imposed by Visa. For example, WFB and Cabela's could be fined by Visa for failing to comply with Visa's data security standards.

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act may impact the practices of our Financial Services segment and could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

In July 2010, the Reform Act was signed into law. The Reform Act, as well as other legislative and regulatory changes, could have a significant impact on us by, for example, requiring the Financial Services segment to change its business practices, imposing additional costs on the Financial Services segment, limiting fees the Financial Services segment can charge for services, impacting the value of the Financial Services segment and its assets, or otherwise adversely affecting the Financial Services segment's business. A description of the Reform Act and other legislative and regulatory developments is contained in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Developments in Legislation and Regulation."

As directed by the Reform Act, the United States Government Accountability Office released a report on January 20, 2012, that examines the potential implications of eliminating certain exceptions under the BHCA, including the exception for credit card banks. It is unclear whether this report will lead to any additional legislative or regulatory action. If the credit card bank exception were eliminated or modified, we may be required to divest our ownership of WFB unless we were willing and able to become a bank holding company under the BHCA. Any such forced divestiture may materially adversely affect our business and results of operations.

The Reform Act will also affect a number of significant changes relating to asset-backed securities, including additional oversight and regulation of credit rating agencies and additional reporting and disclosure requirements. In addition, the Reform Act will prohibit issuers and payment card networks from placing restrictions on vendors relating to credit card transactions, which could affect consumer behavior and the use of credit cards as a form of payment.

The Reform Act will also likely result in increased scrutiny and oversight of consumer financial services and products, including credit cards, primarily through the establishment of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the "Bureau") within the Federal Reserve. The Bureau has broad rulemaking and enforcement authority over providers of credit, savings, and payment services and products. The Bureau also has rulemaking and interpretive authority under existing and future consumer financial services laws and supervisory, examination, and enforcement authority over institutions subject to its jurisdiction. In 2012, the Bureau, acting in conjunction with the FDIC and other agencies, announced its first high-profile enforcement actions against credit card issuers for deceptive marketing and other illegal practices related to the advertising of ancillary products, collection practices and other matters. By these recent public enforcement actions, the Bureau and the FDIC have signaled a heightened scrutiny of credit card issuers. We anticipate increased activity by regulators in pursuing consumer protection claims going forward. State officials are authorized to enforce consumer protection rules issued by the Bureau.

Many provisions of the Reform Act require the adoption of rules to implement. In addition, the Reform Act mandates multiple studies, which could result in additional legislative or regulatory action. The effect of the Reform Act and its implementing regulations on the Financial Services segment's business and operations could be significant. In addition, we may be required to invest significant management time and resources to address the various provisions of the Reform Act and the numerous regulations that are required to be issued under it. The Reform Act, any related legislation, and any implementing regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition.

Changes in interest rates could have a negative impact on our earnings.

In connection with our Financial Services segment, we borrow money from institutions and accept funds by issuing brokered and non-brokered certificates of deposit and secured borrowings, which we then lend to cardholders. We earn interest on the cardholders' account balances, and pay interest on the certificates of deposit and borrowings we use to fund those loans. Changes in these two interest rates affect the value of the assets and liabilities of our Financial Services segment. If the rate of interest we pay on borrowings increases more (or more rapidly) than the rate of interest we earn on loans, our net interest income, and therefore our earnings, could fall. Our earnings could also be materially adversely affected if the rates on our credit card account balances fall more quickly than those on our borrowings. In the event interest rates rise, the spread between the interest rate we pay on our borrowings and the fees we earn from these accounts may change and our profitability may be materially adversely affected. In addition, approximately 33% of our cardholders did not have a balance on their credit card accounts at the end of 2012. No interest is earned if the account is paid in full within 25 days of the billing cycle, but we do earn other fees from these accounts such as Visa interchange fees.

Credit card industry litigation and regulation could adversely impact the amount of revenue our Financial Services segment generates from interchange fees.

Our Financial Services segment faces possible risk from the outcomes of certain credit card industry litigation and potential regulation of interchange fees. For example, a number of entities, each purporting to represent a class of retail merchants, have sued Visa and several member banks, and other credit card associations, alleging, among other things, that Visa and its member banks have violated United States antitrust laws by conspiring to fix the level of interchange fees. On July 13, 2012, the parties to this litigation announced that they had entered into a memorandum of understanding, which subject to certain conditions, including court approval, obligates the parties to enter into a settlement agreement to resolve the claims brought by the class members. On November 9, 2012, the settlement received preliminary court approval. The settlement agreement requires, among other things, (i) the distribution to class merchants of an amount equal to 10 basis points of default interchange across all credit rate categories for a period of eight consecutive months, which otherwise would have been paid to issuers like WFB, (ii) Visa to change its rules to allow merchants to charge a surcharge on credit card transactions subject to a cap, and (iii) Visa to meet with merchant buying groups that seek to negotiate interchange rates collectively. We have recorded a liability of \$12.5 million as of December 29, 2012, related to the proposed settlement as a reduction of interchange income in the Financial Services segment. To date, we have not been named as a defendant in any credit card industry lawsuits. Moreover, the amount of interchange fees that are charged to merchants could be capped or limited by credit card industry regulation. If the interchange fees that are charged to merchants are reduced as a result of the interchange lawsuits or regulation, the financial condition and results of operations of our Financial Services segment may be negatively impacted.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

At the end of 2012, in addition to our retail stores, we also operated our corporate headquarters, administrative offices, four distribution centers, a merchandise return center, and five customer care centers. All of these properties are owned except as noted in the following table, which also provides information regarding the general location, use, and approximate size of our principal non-retail properties:

Property	Location	Total Square Footage	Segment That Uses Property
Distribution Center	Sidney, Nebraska	761,000	Other
Distribution Center	Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin	1,055,000	Other
Distribution Center (1)	Wheeling, West Virginia	1,165,000	Other
Distribution Center (1)	Winnipeg, Manitoba	150,000	Other
Total for Distribution Centers		3,131,000	
Corporate Headquarters Customer Care Center and	Sidney, Nebraska	294,000	Retail, Direct and Other
Administrative Offices	Sidney, Nebraska	94,000	Retail, Direct and Other
Customer Care Center and			
Administrative Offices	Kearney, Nebraska	151,000	Retail and Direct
Customer Care Center and			
Administrative Offices	Winnipeg, Manitoba	96,000	Retail and Direct
Customer Care Center (1)	Grand Island, Nebraska	12,000	Direct
Customer Care Center	North Platte, Nebraska	12,000	Direct
Merchandise Return Center	Oshkosh, Nebraska	52,000	Other
Retail Store Concept Center (1)	Sidney, Nebraska	37,000	Retail
Customer Care Center, Bank Operations,			Direct, Financial Services
and Administrative Offices	Lincoln, Nebraska	116,000	and Other
			Retail, Direct, Financial
Data Information Center (1)	Papillion, Nebraska	16,000	Services and Other
Marketing and Information			
Technology Center (2)	Westminster, Colorado	12,000	Retail, Direct and Other

(1) Leased property.

(2) Leased property. We occupied this facility in the first quarter of 2013.

All of our retail stores are owned except as noted in the following table, which shows our stores located in the United States and Canada, and the approximate retail total square footage of each retail store by type of format used in our Retail segment:

		Number of Stores and Total Square Footage by Store Format (1)						ormat (1)
			Legacy		Next-Generation		utpost	
Location	Total No. of <u>Stores</u>	<u>No.</u>	Sq. Footage	<u>No.</u>	Sq. Footage	<u>No.</u>	Sq. Footage	Total Sq. Footage
United States (24 states) (2)	37	27	4,155,000	9	783,000	1	40,000	4,978,000
Canada (3 provinces) (3) Totals	$\frac{3}{40}$	$\frac{1}{28}$	<u>44,000</u> <u>4,199,000</u>	$\frac{2}{11}$	120,000 903,000	<u>_</u>	40,000	<u>164,000</u> <u>5,142,000</u>

(1) Legacy stores refer to our older stores opened in May 2008 or earlier or our large-format traditional retail stores that typically are 150,000 square feet or larger. Our next-generation store format ranges in size from approximately 70,000 to 100,000 square feet. The exterior of our next-generation stores reflects our traditional store model. Our Outpost store format is approximately 40,000 square feet and has a "core-flex" merchandise strategy (selected core assortment of products and flexible seasonal merchandise).

(2) Leased stores are located in Boise, Idaho; Grand Junction, Colorado; Hazelwood, Missouri; Scarborough, Maine; Springfield, Oregon; and Tulalip, Washington; and we have ground leases for our stores in East Hartford, Connecticut, and Union Gap, Washington.

(3) Leased stores are located in Edmonton, Alberta, Winnipeg, Manitoba, and Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Also, in connection with some of the economic development packages received from state or local governments where our stores are located, we have entered into agreements granting ownership of the taxidermy, diorama, or other portions of our stores to these state and local governments. At December 29, 2012, the total net book value of our property and equipment was \$1.0 billion and we believe that our properties and equipment were suitable for their intended use.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are party to various legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. These actions include commercial, intellectual property, employment (including the Commissioner's charge referenced in "Risk Factors - Legal proceedings may increase our costs and have a material adverse effect on our results of operations"), regulatory, and product liability claims. Some of these actions involve complex factual and legal issues and are subject to uncertainties. The activities of WFB are subject to complex federal and state laws and regulations. WFB's regulators are authorized to impose penalties for violations of these laws and regulations and, in some cases, to order WFB to pay restitution. We cannot predict with assurance the outcome of the actions brought against us. Accordingly, adverse developments, settlements, or resolutions may occur and have a material effect on our results of operations for the period in which such development, settlement, or resolution occurs. However, we do not believe that the outcome of any current legal proceeding would have a material effect on our results of operations, cash flows, or financial position taken as a whole.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

PART II

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Price Range of Common Stock

Our common stock began trading on June 25, 2004, on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "CAB". Prior to that date, there was no public market for our common stock. As of February 11, 2013, there were 862 holders of record of our common stock. This does not include persons who hold our common stock in nominee or "street name" accounts through brokers or banks.

The following table sets forth, for the fiscal quarters indicated, the high and low sales prices per share of our common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange:

		2012	2011		
	High	Low	High	Low	
First Quarter	\$ 39.8	\$0 \$ 23.65	\$ 31.19	\$ 21.59	
Second Quarter	41.6	33.10	28.91	22.26	
Third Quarter	55.6	37.06	28.70	19.95	
Fourth Quarter	56.7	8 38.44	26.73	19.66	

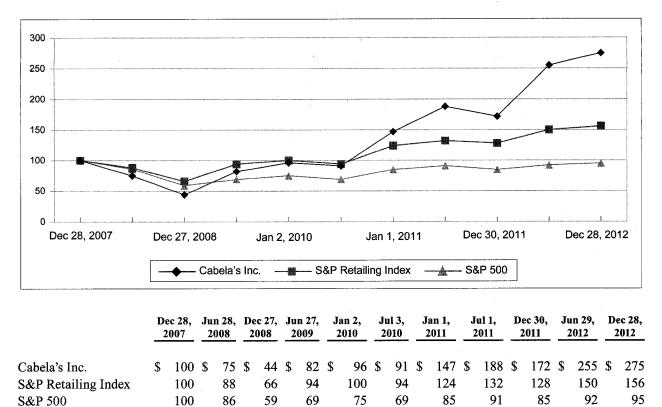
Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

On August 23, 2011, our Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program that provides for share repurchases on an ongoing basis to offset dilution resulting from equity awards under our current or future equity compensation plans. These shares are to be repurchased from time to time in open market transactions or privately negotiated transactions at our discretion, subject to market conditions, customary blackout periods, and other factors. As a result, we announced on February 16, 2012, that we would repurchase up to 800,000 shares of our common stock in open market transactions through February 2013. This repurchase plan for 800,000 shares was completed in the second quarter of 2012. We did not engage in any stock repurchase activity in any of the three fiscal months in the fourth fiscal quarter ended December 29, 2012.

We announced on February 14, 2013, that we intend to repurchase up to 750,000 shares of our outstanding common stock in open market transactions through February 2014 pursuant to this share repurchase program. The share repurchase program does not obligate us to repurchase any outstanding shares of our common stock, and the program may be limited or terminated at any time.

Stock Performance Graph

The following stock performance graph and table show Cabela's cumulative total shareholder return on a semi-annual basis for the five fiscal years ended December 29, 2012. The graph and table also show the cumulative total returns of the Standard and Poor's ("S&P") 500 Retailing Index and the S&P 500 Index. The graph and table assume that \$100 was invested on December 28, 2007.



Dividend Policy

We have never declared or paid any cash dividends on our common stock and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. In addition, our revolving credit facility and our senior notes limit our ability to pay dividends to our stockholders.

Equity Compensation Plans

For information on securities authorized for issuance under our equity compensation plans, see "Item 12 -Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters."

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

		2012	2011		2010		2009		2008
Operations Data:			(In Thousan	ds E	xcept Earning	gs pe	er Share)		
Revenue:									
Merchandise sales	\$	2,778,903	\$ 2,505,733	\$	2,412,486	\$	2,447,635	\$	2,380,655
Financial Services revenue		319,399	291,746		227,675		171,414		158,971
Other revenue		14,380	13,687		23,081		13,191		13,095
Total revenue		3,112,682	 2,811,166		2,663,242		2,632,240		2,552,721
Total cost of revenue		1,769,798	1,613,249		1,575,449		1,602,621		1,540,214
Selling, distribution, and									
administrative expenses		1,046,861	954,125		895,405		870,147		865,684
Impairment and restructuring charges		20,324	 12,244		5,626		66,794		5,784
Operating income		275,699	 231,548		186,762		92,678		141,039
Interest expense, net		(20,123)	(24,427)		(27,442)		(23,109)		(29,658)
Other non-operating income, net		6,138	7,346		7,360		6,955		6,854
Income before provision for income taxes	_	261,714	214,467	_	166,680		76,524	_	118,235
Provision for income taxes		88,201	71,847		54,521		26,907		41,831
Net income	\$	173,513	\$ 142,620	\$	112,159	\$	49,617	\$	76,404
Earnings per basic share	\$	2.48	\$ 2.06	\$	1.65	\$	0.74	\$	1.15
Earnings per diluted share	\$	2.42	\$ 2.00	\$	1.62	\$	0.74	\$	1.14
Selected Balance Sheet Data:									
Cash and cash equivalents (2)	\$	288,750	\$ 304,679	\$	136,419	\$	582,185	\$	410,104
Working capital (2) (3)		3,159,678	2,491,591		1,747,124		619,354		573,410
Total assets (3)		5,748,163	5,133,771		4,531,179		2,491,885		2,396,066
Total debt excluding			, ,		, ,		, ,		
Financial Services segment		336,535	344,922		345,152		348,279		380,031
Total debt of Financial							-		
Services segment (3) (4)		3,200,518	2,844,813		2,496,651		476,664		486,199
Total stockholders' equity		1,375,979	1,181,316		1,024,548		984,421		913,705
Other Data:									
Depreciation and amortization	\$	79,269	\$ 71,343	\$	69,872	\$	70,566	\$	64,673
Property and equipment additions	\$	230,009	\$ 120,739	\$	79,720	\$	49,817	\$	54,934
Retail square footage		5,142	4,682		4,409		4,333		4,253

(1) Fiscal years are based on the 52-53 week period ending on the Saturday closest to December 31. Fiscal 2012, 2011, 2010, and 2008 each consisted of 52 weeks and fiscal 2009 consisted of 53 weeks.

(2) Includes amounts for the Financial Services segment totaling \$91 million, \$117 million, \$82 million, \$371 million, and \$402 million at years ended 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, and 2008, respectively. Our ability to use this cash for non-banking operations, including its use as working capital for our Retail or Direct businesses, or for retail store expansion, is limited by regulatory restrictions.

- (3) Amounts for 2012, 2011, and 2010 include assets and liabilities resulting from the consolidation of the Cabela's Master Credit Card Trust and related entities (collectively referred to as the "Trust") related to a change in accounting principle. Accordingly, effective January 3, 2010, total assets and liabilities increased \$2.15 billion and \$2.25 billion, respectively, and retained earnings and other comprehensive income decreased \$93 million, after tax. Prior to this change in accounting principle, the securitizations issued by the Trust qualified for sales treatment under generally accepted accounting principles and, therefore, the Trust was excluded from the Company's consolidated financial statements.
- (4) Amounts include time deposits and short-term borrowings of the Financial Services segment, and for 2012, 2011, and 2010, amounts also include the secured variable funding obligations and secured longterm obligations of the Trust.

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

The following discussion and analysis of financial condition, results of operations, liquidity, and capital resources should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this report.

Forward Looking Statements – Our discussion contains forward-looking statements with respect to our plans and strategies for our businesses and the business environment that are impacted by risks and uncertainties. Refer to "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" preceding PART I, ITEM 1, and to ITEM 1A "Risk Factors" for information regarding certain of the risks and uncertainties that affect our business and the industries in which we operate. Please note that our actual results may differ materially from those we may estimate or project in any of these forward-looking statements.

Cabela's®

We are a leading specialty retailer, and the world's largest direct marketer, of hunting, fishing, camping, and related outdoor merchandise. We provide a quality service to our customers who enjoy an outdoor lifestyle by supplying outdoor products through our omni-channel retail business consisting of our Retail and Direct segments. As of the end of 2012, our Retail business segment consisted of 40 stores, including the six stores that we opened during 2012 in:

- Wichita, Kansas, on March 14, 2012,
- Tulalip, Washington, on April 19, 2012,
- Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, on May 10, 2012,
- Charleston, West Virginia, on August 9, 2012,
- Rogers, Arkansas, on August 30, 2012, and
- our first Outpost store in Union Gap, Washington, on October 4, 2012.

We have 37 stores located in the United States and three in Canada with total retail square footage of 5.1 million square feet at the end of 2012. Our Direct business segment is comprised of our highly acclaimed Internet website and supplemented by our catalog distributions as a selling and marketing tool.

World's Foremost Bank ("WFB", "Financial Services segment", or "Cabela's CLUB") also plays an integral role in supporting our merchandising business. The Financial Services segment is comprised of our credit card services which reinforces our strong brand and strengthens our customer loyalty through our credit card loyalty programs.

Fiscal 2012 Executive Overview

			Increase					
	-	2012		2011	(Decrease)	% Change	
	(Dollars in Thousands Except Earnings Per Diluter						d Share)	
Revenue:								
Retail	\$	1,849,582	\$	1,550,442	\$	299,140	19.3%	
Direct		930,943		956,834		(25,891)	(2.7)	
Total		2,780,525		2,507,276		273,249	10:9	
Financial Services		319,399		291,746		27,653	9.5	
Other revenue	· .	12,758		12,144		614	5.1	
Total revenue	<u>\$</u>	3,112,682	\$	2,811,166	\$	301,516	10.7	
Operating income	<u>\$</u>	275,699	<u>\$</u>	231,548	<u>\$</u>	44,151	19.1	
Net income	<u>\$</u>	173,513	<u>\$</u>	142,620	<u>\$</u>	30,893	21.7	
Earnings per diluted share	<u>\$</u>	2.42	\$	2.00	\$	0.42	21.0	

Revenues for 2012 totaled \$3.1 billion, an increase of \$302 million, or 10.7%, over 2011. Total merchandise sales increased \$273 million, or 10.9%, in 2012 compared to 2011. The net increase in total merchandise sales comparing 2012 to 2011 was primarily due to:

- a net increase of \$195 million in revenue from new retail stores, and
- an increase of \$102 million, or 6.9%, in comparable store sales, led by an increase in sales in the hunting equipment product category.

These increases were partially offset by a decrease of \$26 million in Direct revenue, primarily due to a decrease in the clothing and footwear product category.

Financial Services revenue increased \$28 million, or 9.5%, in 2012 compared to 2011 due to lower interest expense and increases in interest income and interchange income, partially offset by higher customer reward costs due to an increase in credit card purchases. Interchange income in 2012 was reduced by \$12.5 million pursuant to the proposed settlement regarding the Visa litigation.

Operating income for 2012 increased \$44 million, or 19.1%, compared to 2011, and operating income as a percentage of revenue increased 70 basis points to 8.9% in 2012 compared to 8.2% in 2011. These increases in total operating income and total operating income as a percentage of total revenue were primarily due to increases in revenue from our Retail and Financial Services segments as well as an increase in our merchandise gross profit. These increases were partially offset by lower revenue from our Direct business segment, higher consolidated operating expenses, and higher impairment losses primarily related to land held for sale. Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses were higher due to increases in comparable and new store costs and related support areas.

Cabela's 2012 Vision

During 2012, we assessed our progress on our 2012 Vision. Looking at our current strategic initiatives, we evaluated what was successful, what we could have done better, and what lessons we have learned in the past three years. Throughout 2012, management confirmed that these strategic initiatives are the key areas to maintain our focus for improvement, and we have therefore continued to emphasize these key financial metrics: merchandise gross margin, Retail segment operating margin, total revenue growth, retail expansion, and growth of our Cabela's CLUB Visa loyalty program. Improvements in these metrics have led to an increase in our return on invested capital, an important measure of how effectively we have deployed capital in our operations in generating cash flows. Increases in our return on invested capital, on an after-tax basis, indicate improvements in our use of capital, thereby creating value in our Company.

Achievements on our 2012 Vision follow:

• <u>Focus on Core Customers:</u> Improve customer experiences – every customer, every interaction, every day. Use the product expertise we have developed over the years, along with a focused understanding of our core customers, to improve customer loyalty, enhance brand awareness, and offer the best possible assortment of products in every merchandise category.

As we focus on our core customers, we are targeting marketing efforts that are directed to different customer interests by improving our modeling methodologies. We are also using historic sales information to select and size markets while focusing on areas with large concentrations of core customers.

We offer our customers integrated opportunities to access and use our retail store, Internet, and catalog channels. Our in-store pick-up program allows customers to order products through our catalogs, Internet site, and store kiosks and have them delivered to the retail store of their choice without incurring shipping costs, thereby helping to increase foot traffic in our stores. Conversely, our expanding retail stores introduce customers to our Internet and catalog channels. We are capitalizing on our omni-channel model by building on the strengths of each channel, primarily through improvements in our merchandise planning system. This system, along with our replenishment system, allows us to identify the correct product mix in each of our retail stores, and also helps maintain the proper inventory levels to satisfy customer demand in both our Retail and Direct business channels, and to improve our distribution efficiencies. In addition, free shipping offered to our Cabela's CLUB Visa customers, which started in the last half of June 2012 and continued through the last six months of 2012, resulted in increased merchandise sales, greater order frequency, and increases in the number of new Visa cardholder accounts. We intend to concentrate more resources behind these efforts to help drive improvements to the customer shopping experience even more quickly.

• <u>Improve Merchandise Performance</u>: Improve margins and minimize unproductive inventory by focusing on vendor performance, assortment planning, and inventory management. Optimizing merchandise performance allows us to maximize margins, which requires detailed preseason planning, as well as in-season monitoring of sales and management of inventory.

Our efforts continue in detailed pre-season planning, in-season monitoring of sales, and management of inventory to focus product assortment on our core customer base. We also continue to work with vendors to negotiate the best prices on products and to manage inventory levels, as well as to ensure vendors deliver all products and services as expected. As a result, our merchandise gross margin as a percentage of merchandise revenue increased 70 basis points to 36.3% in 2012 compared to 35.6% in 2011. This increase was primarily attributable to improved in-season and pre-season merchandise inventory planning, improvements in vendor collaboration, an ongoing focus of private label products, and improvements in price optimization to ensure we are pricing correctly in the marketplace. The increase in our merchandise gross profit as a percentage of merchandise sales was partially offset by an adverse product mix shift due to increased sales of firearms and ammunition, which carry a lower margin.

• <u>Retail Profitability:</u> Improve retail profitability by concentrating on sales, advertising, and costs while providing excellent customer experiences. Identify the best practices that produce the best results and apply those findings to all of our retail stores. We have to execute on the balance that allows us to deliver the best possible selection of products and expected level of customer service in each store while managing labor, advertising, and other store costs.

We have improved our retail store merchandising processes, information technology systems, and distribution and logistics capabilities. We have also improved our visual merchandising within the stores and coordinated merchandise at our stores by adding more regional product assortments. To enhance customer service at our retail stores, we have increased our staff of outfitters and have continued our management training and mentoring programs for our retail store managers.

Comparing Retail segment results for 2012 to 2011:

- operating income increased \$82 million, or 31.2%,
- operating income as a percentage of Retail segment revenue increased 170 basis points to 18.7%, and
- comparable store sales increased 6.9%.
- <u>Retail Expansion</u>: Capitalize on our brand strength by developing a profitable retail expansion strategy focused on site locations and appropriate sized stores in our top markets. Increase our retail presence across the United States and Canada by developing a profitable retail expansion strategy that considers site location and the strategic size for each store in its given market.

We opened five retail stores during 2012 in the next-generation store format. We also opened our first Outpost store in Union Gap, Washington, on October 4, 2012, with store results exceeding our expectations. Our total retail store square footage at the end of 2012 was 5.1 million square feet, an increase of 9.8% compared to the end of 2011. Our next-generation store format improves our return on invested capital and better serves our customers by providing shopper-friendly layouts with regionalized product mixes, concept shops, and new product displays and fixtures with enhanced features. Our new Outpost store format will be approximately 40,000 square feet in size and have a "core-flex" merchandise strategy (selected core assortment of products and flexible seasonal merchandise) that will allow us to effectively serve smaller markets with a large concentration of Cabela's customers and is in addition to our next-generation format. The new store formats are more productive and generate higher returns which will help to increase our return on invested capital.

We have also announced plans to open additional retail stores as follows:

- in 2013, seven next-generation stores located in Columbus, Ohio; Grandville, Michigan; Louisville, Kentucky; Green Bay, Wisconsin; Thornton, Colorado; Lone Tree, Colorado; and Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada; as well as two Outpost stores located in Saginaw, Michigan; and Waco, Texas; and
- in 2014, five next-generation stores located in Christiana, Delaware; Greenville, South Carolina; Anchorage, Alaska; Woodbury, Minnesota; and Bristol, Virginia.

We will be relocating our existing 44,000 square foot Winnipeg, Manitoba, store in the second quarter of 2013 to a more desirable location and increasing the size to 70,000 square feet. We have also announced plans to open an Outpost store in Kalispell, Montana, at a date yet to be determined. Looking to 2013, we expect to increase retail square footage up to 13% over 2012, as well as generate an increased profit per square foot compared to the legacy store base, with the planned openings of these next-generation and Outpost stores.

Direct Business Initiatives: Grow our Direct business by capitalizing on quick-to-market Internet and electronic marketing opportunities and expanding international business. Continue to fine tune our catalogs, as well as the number of pages and product mix in each, in order to improve the profitability of each title. Create steady, profitable growth in our Direct channels, while reducing marketing expenses and significantly increasing the percentage of market share we capture through the Internet.

We are adapting our marketing activities to capitalize on the changes in the way our customers want to shop. As such, we are focusing on improving our customers' digital shopping experiences on Cabelas.com and via mobile devices. Our marketing focus will continue to be on developing a seamless omni-channel experience for our customers regardless of their transaction channel. Our digital transformation continues with efforts around enhancing our Internet website to support the Direct business. Cabelas.com continues to be the most visited website in the sporting goods industry according to Hitwise, Inc., an online measurement company. The amount of traffic now coming through mobile devices is growing significantly. As a result, we continue to utilize best-in-class technology to improve our customers' digital shopping experience and build on the advances we have made to capitalize on the variety of ways customers are shopping at Cabela's today. We have seen early successes in our social marketing initiatives and now have over 2.2 million fans on Facebook. Our omni-channel marketing efforts are resulting in increases in new customers, as well as customer engagement across multiple channels with a consistent experience across all channels.

In 2012, we realized improvements in Internet traffic, growth in multi-channel customers, and very early progress in our print to digital transformation. We have developed a multi-year approach to reverse the down trend in our Direct segment and transform our 51 year old legacy catalog business into an omnichannel enterprise supporting transformation to digital, e-commerce, and mobile while optimizing the customer experience with our growing retail footprint. We are in the very early stages of this effort. Near term efforts have been focusing on our print-to-digital transformation and testing targeted shipping offers.

Comparing Direct segment results for 2012 to 2011:

- revenue decreased \$26 million, or 2.7%,
- operating income decreased \$17 million to \$155 million, and
- operating income as a percentage of Direct segment revenue decreased 130 basis points to 16.7%.

The free shipping offer to our Cabela's CLUB Visa customers, which started in the last half of June 2012 and continued through the last six months of 2012, resulted in increased merchandise sales. However, the decrease in sales in clothing and footwear, and a decrease in revenue from our catalog and call centers, offset the sales increase from our Cabela's CLUB Visa free shipping promotion.

• <u>Growth of Cabela's CLUB:</u> Our goal is to continue to attract new cardholders through our Retail and Direct businesses. We want to increase the amount of merchandise or services customers purchase with their CLUB Visa cards while maintaining the profitability of Cabela's CLUB and preserving customer loyalty by providing exclusive experiences, and offering vendor promotions and partnership programs to best serve our customers' needs and give us brand exposure.

Cabela's CLUB continues to manage credit card delinquencies and charge-offs below industry average by adhering to our conservative underwriting criteria and active account management. Our number of average active accounts increased 8.5% to 1.5 million compared to 2011. Financial Services revenue increased \$28 million, or 9.5%, in 2012 compared to 2011. In 2012, the Financial Services segment issued \$156 million in certificates of deposit, renewed its \$225 million variable funding facility for an additional year, and completed two \$500 million term securitizations that will mature in February and June of 2017.

Our New Vision

Over our history, we have established name recognition and a quality brand that is renowned and respected in the outdoor industry. Two vital components of our corporate strategy are our core purpose and our core values. Our core purpose states, "We passionately serve people who enjoy the outdoor lifestyle by delivering innovation, quality, and value in our products and services." Our core values - "superior customer service," "quality products and services," "integrity and honesty," "respect for individuals," and "excellence in performance" - are our foundation for how we operate our business on a daily basis. Our core purpose and core values have served us well and these core statements will not change.

After evaluating the progress on our 2012 Vision, management put into place Cabela's future strategic plan. We decided that our new vision will not be time bound. We wanted a vision statement that can relate to our outfitters today and something that we can continue to strive towards. Our new vision is below.

"Our Vision is to be the best omni-channel retail company in the world by creating intense customer loyalty for our outdoor brand. This loyalty will be created through two pillars of excellence: highly engaged outfitters and shareholders who support our short and long term goals." We will focus on these areas to achieve our new vision:

- Intensify Customer Loyalty. We will deepen our customer relationships, aggressively serve current and developing market segments, and increase our innovation in Cabela's products and services.
- *Grow Profitably and Sustainably.* Through sustaining and adapting our culture, we will continuously seek ways to improve profitability and increase revenue in all business segments.
- **Enhance Technology Capability.** We will implement a strategic technology road map, streamline our systems, and accelerate customer-facing technologies.
- Simplify Our Business. As we focus on our priorities, we will align our goals to foster collaboration and streamline cross-functional processes.
- *Improve Marketing Effectiveness.* We will optimize all marketing channels and expand our digital and e-commerce capabilities while continuing to strengthen the Cabela's brand.

Current Business Environment

Worldwide Credit Markets and Macroeconomic Environment – We believe that general improvements in the United States economy helped lead to a lower level of delinquencies and a decrease in charge-offs comparing 2012 to 2011. We expect our charge-off and delinquency levels to remain below industry standards. The Financial Services segment continues to monitor developments in the securitization and certificates of deposit markets to ensure adequate access to liquidity. On November 2, 2011, we entered into a new five-year credit agreement providing for a \$415 million revolving credit facility that replaced our \$350 million credit facility set to expire June 30, 2012. Advances under the credit facility will be used for the Company's general business purposes, including working capital support.

Developments in Legislation and Regulation – In late 2012 and into 2013, there has been significant discussion regarding potential gun control legislation, primarily aimed at modern sporting rifles, certain semiautomatic pistols, and high capacity magazines. For example, in January 2013, the State of New York enacted legislation that expanded the state's existing prohibition on the sale of certain firearms and prohibited the sale of magazines that hold more than seven rounds. In January 2013, legislation was introduced in the United States Senate that would, if enacted, prohibit the sale of certain modern sporting rifles, certain semiautomatic pistols, and magazines that hold more than 10 rounds. We do not expect the recently enacted New York legislation to have a significant impact on our business. Any new federal legislation that prohibits the sale of certain modern sporting rifles, semiautomatic pistols, or ammunition could negatively impact our hunting equipment sales. Our mix of modern sporting rifles, semiautomatic pistols, and ammunition, most likely to be impacted by any legislative changes, is a small percentage of our total hunting equipment sales. We expect demand for firearms, ammunition, and accessories to remain strong as gun control continues to be a legislative focus.

On June 7, 2012, the FDIC and the other federal banking agencies announced they are seeking comment on proposed rules that would revise and replace the agencies' current capital rules. Among other things, the proposed rules would revise the agencies' prompt corrective action framework by introducing a common equity tier 1 capital requirement and a higher minimum tier 1 capital requirement. In addition, the proposed rules include a supplementary leverage ratio for depository institutions subject to the advanced approaches capital rules. It is not clear how the final rules will differ from the proposed rules, if at all, or the impact of the final rules on WFB and its ability to comply with a new common equity tier 1 capital requirement and a higher minimum tier 1 capital requirement.

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Reform Act") was signed into law in July 2010 and has made extensive changes to the laws regulating financial services firms and credit rating agencies and requires significant rule-making. In addition, the Reform Act along with the Credit Card Accountability Responsibility and Disclosure Act of 2009 (the "CARD Act") mandated multiple studies which could result in additional legislative or regulatory action.

The Reform Act imposes a moratorium on the approval of applications for Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance for an industrial bank, credit card bank, or trust bank that is owned by a commercial firm. Furthermore, the FDIC must, under most circumstances, disapprove any change in control that would result in direct or indirect control by a commercial firm of a credit card bank, such as WFB. For purposes of this provision, a company is a "commercial firm" if its consolidated annual gross revenues from activities that are financial in nature and, if applicable, from the ownership or control of one or more insured depository institutions, in the aggregate, represent less than 15% of its consolidated annual gross revenues. The Reform Act does not, however, eliminate the exception from the definition of "bank" under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the "BHCA") for credit card banks, such as WFB. As directed by the Reform Act, the United States Government Accountability Office released a report on January 20, 2012, that examines the potential implications of eliminating certain exceptions under the BHCA, including the exception for credit card banks. It is unclear whether this report will lead to any additional legislative or regulatory action. If the credit card bank exception were eliminated or modified, we may be required to divest our ownership of WFB unless we were willing and able to become a bank holding company under the BHCA. Any such required divestiture may materially adversely affect our business and results of operations.

The Reform Act established the new independent Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the "Bureau") which has broad rulemaking, supervisory, and enforcement authority over consumer products, including credit cards. The Bureau has extensive rulemaking authority and enforcement authority, and WFB is subject to the Bureau's regulation. While the Bureau will not examine WFB, it will receive information from WFB's primary federal regulator. The Bureau is specifically authorized to issue rules identifying as unlawful acts or practices it defines as "unfair, deceptive or abusive acts" in connection with any transaction with a consumer or in connection with a consumer financial product or service. It is uncertain what rules will be adopted by the Bureau, how such rules will be enforced and whether or not such rules will require WFB to modify existing practices or procedures.

In 2012, the Bureau, acting in conjunction with the FDIC and other agencies, announced its first high-profile enforcement actions against credit card issuers for deceptive marketing and other illegal practices related to the advertising of ancillary products, collection practices and other matters. By these recent public enforcement actions, the Bureau and the FDIC have signaled a heightened scrutiny of credit card issuers. We anticipate increased activity by regulators in pursuing consumer protection claims going forward.

The Reform Act will also affect a number of significant changes relating to asset-backed securities, including additional oversight and regulation of credit rating agencies and additional reporting and disclosure requirements. The changes resulting from the Reform Act or any rules or regulations adopted by the Bureau may impact our profitability, require changes to certain of the Financial Services segment's business practices, impose upon the Financial Services segment more stringent capital, liquidity, and leverage ratio requirements, increase FDIC deposit insurance premiums, or otherwise adversely affect the Financial Services segment is business. These changes may also require the Financial Services segment to invest significant management attention and resources to evaluate and make necessary changes.

Several rules and regulations have recently been proposed or adopted that may substantially affect issuers of asset-backed securities.

The Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act (the "JOBS Act") was signed into law on April 5, 2012, and will implement extensive changes to the laws regulating private offerings of securities, including Rule 144A private offerings such as the private offerings of asset-backed securities of the Cabela's Master Credit Card Trust and related entities (collectively referred to as the "Trust") that WFB sponsors. On August 29, 2012, the SEC issued proposed regulations to amend Rule 144A to provide that securities may be offered pursuant to Rule 144A by means of general solicitation or general advertising, including to persons other than qualified institutional buyers, so long as the issuer reasonably believes that each ultimate purchaser is a qualified institutional buyer. The impact that the JOBS Act will have on the securitization market and the Financial Services segment is unclear at this time.

On October 11, 2011, the Federal Reserve, the Office of the Comptroller of Currency, the FDIC, and the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") issued proposed regulations implementing certain provisions under the Reform Act limiting proprietary trading and sponsorship or investment in hedge funds and private equity funds (the "Volcker Rule"). The proposed regulations are complex and have been the subject of extensive comment. As proposed, these regulations may apply to us and could limit our ability to engage in the types of transactions covered by the Volcker Rule and may impose potentially burdensome compliance, monitoring, and reporting obligations. There remains considerable uncertainty regarding whether the final regulations implementing the Volcker Rule will differ from the proposed regulations, and the effect of any final regulations on our Retail and Direct businesses and the business of the Financial Services segment, and its ability and willingness to sponsor securitization transactions in the future.

The Trust is structured to qualify for the exemption from the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act") provided by Investment Company Act Rule 3a-7. On August 31, 2011, the SEC issued an advance notice of proposed rulemaking regarding possible amendments to Investment Company Act Rule 3a-7. At this time, it is uncertain what form the related proposed and final rules will take, whether the Trust would continue to be eligible to rely on the exemption provided by Investment Company Act Rule 3a-7, and whether the Trust would qualify for any other Investment Company Act exemption.

On July 26, 2011, the SEC re-proposed certain rules for asset-backed securities offerings ("SEC Regulation AB II") which were originally proposed by the SEC on April 7, 2010. If adopted, SEC Regulation AB II would substantially change the disclosure, reporting, and offering process for private offerings of asset-backed securities that rely on the Rule 144A safe harbor, including the Trust's private offerings of asset-backed securities. As currently proposed, SEC Regulation AB II would, among other things, alter the safe harbor standards for private placements of asset-backed securities imposing informational requirements similar to those applicable to registered public offerings. The final form that SEC Regulation AB II may take is uncertain at this time, but it may impact the Financial Services segment's ability and/or desire to sponsor securitization transactions in the future.

On March 29, 2011, pursuant to the provisions of the Reform Act, the SEC, the Federal Reserve, the FDIC, and certain other federal agencies issued proposed regulations requiring securitization sponsors to retain an economic interest in assets that they securitize. Subject to certain exceptions, the proposed regulations would generally require the sponsor of a securitization transaction to retain at least 5% of the credit risk of the securitized assets and would provide securitization sponsors with a number of options for satisfying this requirement. Each of these options would require the sponsor to provide certain disclosures to investors a reasonable time prior to sale and upon request to the SEC and the sponsor's applicable federal banking regulator. In addition, the sponsor would be subject to certain prohibitions on hedging, transferring, or financing the retained credit risk. If adopted, the proposed regulations will likely affect most types of private securitization transactions, including those sponsored by the Financial Services segment. It is not clear how the final regulations will differ from the proposed regulations, if at all, or the impact of the final regulations on the Financial Services segment and its ability and willingness to continue to rely on the securitization market for funding.

On January 20, 2011, under provisions of the Reform Act, the SEC adopted rules that require issuers of assetbacked securities to disclose demand, repurchase, and replacement information through the periodic filing of a new form with the SEC. One of these rules, Rule 17g-7 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, requires rating agencies to disclose in any report accompanying a credit rating for an asset-backed security the representations, warranties, and enforcement mechanisms available to investors and how they differ from those in similar securities. Also pursuant to the provisions of the Reform Act, on January 20, 2011, the SEC issued rules that require issuers of asset-backed securities to make publicly available the findings and conclusions of any third-party due diligence report obtained by the issuer.

On September 19, 2011, the SEC proposed a new rule under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, to implement certain provisions of the Reform Act. Under the proposed rule, an underwriter, placement agent, initial purchaser, or sponsor of an asset-backed security, or any affiliate of any such person, shall not at any time within one year after the first closing of the sale of the asset-backed security, engage in any transaction that would involve or result in any material conflict of interest with respect to any investor in a transaction arising out of such activity.

The proposed rule would exempt certain risk mitigating hedging activities, liquidity commitments, and bona fide market-making activity. It is not clear how the final rule will differ from the proposed rule, if at all. The final rule's impact on the securitization market and the Financial Services segment is also unclear at this time.

Proposed Settlement of Visa Litigation - In June 2005, a number of entities, each purporting to represent a class of retail merchants, sued Visa and several member banks, and other credit card associations, alleging, among other things, that Visa and its member banks have violated United States antitrust laws by conspiring to fix the level of interchange fees. On July 13, 2012, the parties to this litigation announced that they had entered into a memorandum of understanding, which subject to certain conditions, including court approval, obligates the parties to enter into a settlement agreement to resolve the claims brought by the class members. On November 9, 2012, the settlement received preliminary court approval. The settlement agreement requires, among other things, (i) the distribution to class merchants of an amount equal to 10 basis points of default interchange across all credit rate categories for a period of eight consecutive months, which otherwise would have been paid to issuers like WFB, (ii) Visa to change its rules to allow merchants to charge a surcharge on credit card transactions subject to a cap, and (iii) Visa to meet with merchant buying groups that seek to negotiate interchange rates collectively. To date, WFB has not been named as a defendant in any credit card industry lawsuits. Management believes that the 10 basis point reduction of default interchange across all credit rate categories for a period of eight consecutive months would result in a reduction of interchange income of approximately \$12.5 million in the Financial Services segment. Accordingly, the Company has recorded a liability of \$12.5 million as of December 29, 2012, to accrue for such proposed settlement as a reduction of interchange income in the Financial Services segment.

Impact of Change in Accounting Principles in 2010 – The accounting guidance on consolidations and accounting for transfers of financial assets and the criteria for determining whether to consolidate a variable interest entity resulted in the consolidation of the Trust effective January 3, 2010, which resulted in an increase in total assets and liabilities of \$2.15 billion and \$2.25 billion, respectively, and a decrease in retained earnings and other comprehensive income of \$93 million, after tax. In 2010, we began reporting the results of operations of our Financial Services segment in a manner similar to our historical managed presentation for financial performance of the total managed portfolio of credit card loans, excluding income derived from the changes in the valuation of our interest-only strip, cash reserve accounts, and cash accounts associated with the securitized loans.

Operations Review

Our operating results expressed as a percentage of revenue were as follows for the years ended:

	2012	2011	2010
Revenue	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Cost of revenue	56.86	57.39	59.16
Gross profit (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	43.14	42.61	40.84
Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses	33.63	33.94	33.62
Impairment and restructuring charges	0.65	0.43	0.21
Operating income	8.86	8.24	7.01
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense, net	(0.65)	(0.87)	(1.03)
Other income, net	0.20	0.26	0.28
Total other income (expense), net	(0.45)	(0.61)	(0.75)
Income before provision for income taxes	8.41	7.63	6.26
Provision for income taxes	2.83	2.56	2.05
Net income	5.58%	5.07%	4.21%

Results of Operations - 2012 Compared to 2011

Revenues

Retail revenue includes sales realized and customer services performed at our retail stores, sales from orders placed through our retail store Internet kiosks, and sales from customers utilizing our in-store pick-up program. Direct revenue includes Internet and call center (catalog) sales from orders placed through our website, over the phone, and by mail where the merchandise is shipped to non-retail store locations. Financial Services revenue is comprised of interest and fee income, interchange income, other non-interest income, interest expense, provision for loan losses, and customer rewards costs from our credit card operations. Other revenue sources include fees for our hunting and fishing outfitter services, fees for our full-service travel agency business, real estate rental income and land sales, and other complementary business services.

Comparisons and analysis of our revenues are presented below for the years ended:

								Increase	
		201	2	%	2011	%	(Decrease)	% Change
					 (Dollars in T	Thousands)			
Retail		\$ 1,84	9,582	59.4%	\$ 1,550,442	55.2%	\$	299,140	19.3%
Direct		93	0,943	29.9	956,834	34.0		(25,891)	(2.7)
Financial Services		31	9,399	10.3	291,746	10.4		27,653	9.5
Other	-4	1	2,758	0.4	 12,144	0.4		614	5.1
	1	<u>\$ 3,11</u>	2,682	100.0%	\$ 2,811,166	<u>100.0</u> %	\$	301,516	10.7

Product Sales Mix – The following table sets forth the percentage of our merchandise revenue contributed by major product categories for our Retail and Direct segments and in total for the years ended:

	Re	Retail Direct			Total			
Product Category:	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011		
Hunting Equipment	49.5%	45.7%	37.1%	33.4%	45.3%	41.1%		
General Outdoors	28.7	30.7	32.0	32.7	29.8	31.5		
Clothing and Footwear	21.8	23.6	30.9	33.9	24.9	27.4		
Total	<u>100.0</u> %	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	<u>100.0</u> %	100.0%		

The hunting equipment merchandise category includes a wide variety of firearms, ammunition, optics, archery products, and related accessories and supplies. The general outdoors merchandise category includes a full range of equipment and accessories supporting all outdoor activities, including all types of fishing and tackle products, boats and marine equipment, camping gear and equipment, food preparation and outdoor cooking products, all-terrain vehicles and accessories for automobiles and all-terrain vehicles, and gifts and home furnishings. The clothing and footwear merchandise category includes fieldwear apparel and footwear, sportswear, casual clothing and footwear, and workwear products.

Retail Revenue – Retail revenue increased \$299 million, or 19.3%, in 2012 primarily due to an increase of \$195 million in revenue from new retail stores comparing year over year and an increase in comparable store sales of \$102 million. Retail revenue growth, including the increase in comparable store sales, was led by increases in the hunting equipment product category in large part due to increased sales of firearms and ammunition.

We recognize revenue as gift certificates, gift cards, and e-certificates ("gift instruments") are redeemed for merchandise or services. We record gift instrument breakage as Retail revenue when the probability of redemption is remote. Gift instrument breakage recognized was \$8 million, \$7 million, and \$5 million for 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. Our gift instrument liability at the end of 2012 and 2011 was \$135 million and \$118 million, respectively. Comparable store sales and analysis are presented below for the years ended:

	2012	Increase (Decrease)			
	(1	Dollar	s in Thousands)		
Comparable stores sales Comparable stores sales growth percentage	\$ 1,573,824 6.9%	\$	1,472,032 2.8%	\$	101,792

Comparable store sales increased \$102 million, or 6.9%, in 2012 principally because of the strength in our hunting equipment category. A store is included in our comparable store sales base on the first day of the month following the fifteen month anniversary of 1) its opening or acquisition, or 2) any changes to retail store space greater than 25% of total square footage of the store.

Average sales per square foot for stores that were open during the entire year were \$362 for 2012 compared to \$328 for 2011. The increase in average sales per square foot resulted from the increase in comparable store sales. In addition, our next-generation stores are performing better on a sales per square foot basis than our legacy stores.

Direct Revenue – Direct revenue decreased \$26 million, or 2.7%, in 2012 compared to 2011. The decrease in Direct revenue compared to 2011 was primarily due to a decrease in the clothing and footwear product category and a decrease in revenue from our catalog and call centers. These decreases in Direct revenue were partially offset by increased sales attributable to the CLUB Visa free shipping offer and advertising promotions in digital marketing. The free shipping offer to our Cabela's CLUB Visa customers resulted in increased merchandise sales, greater order frequency, and increases in the number of new Visa cardholder accounts.

Internet sales increased in 2012 compared to 2011. The number of web site visitors increased 18.3% during 2012 as we continued to focus our efforts on utilizing Direct marketing programs to increase traffic to our website and social media networks. Our hunting equipment and clothing and footwear categories were the largest dollar volume contributor to our Direct revenue for 2012. The number of active Direct customers, which we define as those customers who have purchased merchandise from us in the last twelve months, remained even compared to 2011.

We continue to focus on smaller, more specialized catalogs, and we have reduced the number of pages mailed and decreased total circulation, leading to continued reductions in catalog related costs. Mostly offsetting the reductions in catalog related costs were increases in Internet related expenses due to our expanded use of digital marketing channels and enhancements to our website.

	Increase						
	2012	2011	(Decrease)	% Change			
Percentage increase year over year in Internet website visitors	18.3%	4.5%					
Pages of paper circulation (in millions)	17,433	22,218	(4,785)	(21.5)%			
Number of separate titles circulated	108	102	6				

Increase 2012 2011 (Decrease) % Change (Dollars in Thousands) Interest and fee income \$ 301,699 \$ 277,242 \$ 24,457 8.8% (54,092)Interest expense (70, 303)(16, 211)(23.1)Provision for loan losses (42,760)(39, 287)3,473 8.8 Net interest income, net of provision for loan losses 204,847 167,652 37,195 22.2 Non-interest income: Interchange income 292,151 267,106 25,045 9.4 Other non-interest income 12,364 13,620 (1,256)(9.2)Total non-interest income 304,515 280,726 23,789 8.5 Less: Customer rewards costs (189,963)(156, 632)33,331 21.3 **Financial Services revenue** 319,399 291,746 27,653 9.5

Financial Services Revenue – The following table sets forth the components of our Financial Services revenue for the years ended:

Financial Services revenue increased \$28 million, or 9.5%, in 2012 compared to 2011. The increase in interest and fee income of \$24 million was due to an increase in credit card loans, partially offset by changes in the mix of credit card loan balances at each interest rate. Interest expense decreased \$16 million due to decreases in interest rates. The provision for loan losses increased \$3 million in 2012 compared to 2011 due to growth in our credit card loan balances, even though our net charge-off rates and allowance for loan losses have decreased. The increase in interchange income of \$25 million was due to an increase in credit card purchases, partially offset by \$12.5 million pursuant to the proposed settlement regarding the Visa litigation. Customer rewards costs increased \$33 million due to an increase in credit card purchases.

The following table sets forth the components of our Financial Services revenue as a percentage of average credit card loans, including any accrued interest and fees, for the years ended:

	2012	2011
Interest and fee income	9.7%	10.1%
Interest expense	(1.7)	(2.6)
Provision for loan losses	(1.4)	(1.4)
Interchange income	9.4	9.7
Other non-interest income	0.4	0.5
Customer rewards costs	(6.1)	(5.7)
Financial Services revenue	10.3%	10.6%

Excluding the affect of the \$12.5 million adjustment reducing interchange income from the proposed Visa settlement, interchange income and Financial Services revenue as a percentage of average credit card loans, including any accrued interest and fees, would have been 9.8% and 10.7%, respectively.

Our Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card loyalty program allows customers to earn points whenever and wherever they use their credit card, and then redeem earned points for products and services at our retail stores or through our Direct business. The percentage of our merchandise sold to customers using the Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card approximated 29% for 2012. The dollar amounts related to points are accrued as earned by the cardholder and recorded as a reduction in Financial Services revenue. The dollar amount of unredeemed credit card points and loyalty points was \$128 million at the end of 2012 compared to \$109 million at the end of 2011.

		2012 (Dollars in Th		2011 Thousands Except Av		Increase (Decrease) re Balance per A	% Change	
Average balance of credit card loans (1)	\$	3,095,781	\$	2,745,118	\$	350,663	12.8%	
Average number of active credit card accounts	Ψ.	1,537,209	Ŧ	1,416,887	Ŷ	120,322	8.5	
Average balance per active credit card account (1)	\$	2,014	\$	1,937	\$	77	4.0	
Net charge-offs on credit card loans (1)	\$	57,803	\$	64,520	\$	(6,717)	(10.4)	
Net charge-offs as a percentage of average credit card loans (1)		1.87%	ó	2.35%)	(0.48)%		

Key statistics reflecting the performance of Cabela's CLUB are shown in the following chart for the years ended:

(1) Includes accrued interest and fees.

The average balance of credit card loans increased to \$3.1 billion, or 12.8%, for 2012 compared to 2011 due to an increase in the number of active accounts and the average balance per account. The average number of active accounts increased to 1.5 million, or 8.5%, compared to 2011 due to our successful marketing efforts in new account acquisitions. Net charge-offs as a percentage of average credit card loans decreased to 1.87% for 2012, down 48 basis points compared to 2011, due to improvements in delinquencies and delinquency roll-rates. See "Asset Quality of Cabela's CLUB" in this report for additional information on trends in delinquencies and non-accrual loans and analysis of our allowance for loan losses.

Other Revenue

Other revenue increased \$1 million in 2012 to \$13 million compared to 2011 primarily due to an increase of \$1 million in real estate sales revenue in 2012 compared to 2011.

Merchandise Gross Profit

Merchandise gross profit is defined as merchandise sales less the costs of related merchandise sold and shipping costs. Comparisons of gross profit and gross profit as a percentage of revenue for our operations, year over year, and to the retail industry in general, are impacted by:

- shifts in customer preferences;
- retail store, distribution, and warehousing costs (including depreciation and amortization), which we exclude from our cost of revenue;
- royalty fees we include in merchandise sales for which there are no costs of revenue;
- Financial Services revenue we include in revenue for which there are no costs of revenue;
- real estate land sales we include in revenue for which costs vary by transaction;
- customer service related revenue we include in revenue for which there are no costs of revenue; and
- customer shipping charges in revenue.

Comparisons and analysis of our gross profit on merchandising revenue are presented below for the years ended:

						Increase			
	2012		2011		(Decrease)		% Change		
	(Dollars in Thousands)								
Merchandise sales	\$	2,778,903	\$	2,505,733	\$	273,170	10.9%		
Merchandise gross profit		1,009,742		892,492		117,250	13.1		
Merchandise gross profit as a percentage of									
merchandise sales		36.3%		35.6%		0.7%			

Merchandise Gross Profit – Our merchandise gross profit increased \$117 million, or 13.1% to \$1 billion in 2012 compared to 2011. The increase in our merchandise gross profit was primarily due to better inventory management, which reduced the need to mark down product, continued improvements in vendor collaboration, an ongoing focus on private label products, and further improvements in price optimization.

Our merchandise gross profit as a percentage of merchandise sales increased to 36.3% in 2012 from 35.6% in 2011. The increase in the merchandise gross profit in 2012 compared to 2011 was primarily due to continued improvements in pre-season and in-season inventory management and vendor collaboration, which allowed us to avoid significant end of season markdowns as we transitioned from fall to spring merchandise. The increase in our merchandise gross profit as a percentage of merchandise sales was partially offset by an adverse product mix shift due to increased sales of firearms, ammunition, and power sports products, which carry a lower margin.

Selling, Distribution, and Administrative Expenses

Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses include all operating expenses related to our retail stores, Internet website, distribution centers, product procurement, Cabela's CLUB credit card operations, and overhead costs, including: advertising and marketing, catalog costs, employee compensation and benefits, occupancy costs, information systems processing, and depreciation and amortization.

Comparisons and analysis of our selling, distribution, and administrative expenses are presented below for the years ended:

	 2012	2011 (Dollars in '	_(Increase Decrease) Isands)	<u>% Change</u>
Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses SD&A expenses as a percentage of total revenue	\$ 1,046,861 33.6%	\$ 954,125 33.9%	\$	92,736 (0.3)%	9.7%
Retail store pre-opening costs	\$ 12,523	\$ 9,700	\$	2,823	29.1

Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses increased \$93 million, or 9.7%, in 2012 compared to 2011. However, expressed as a percentage of total revenue, selling, distribution, and administrative expenses decreased 30 basis points to 33.6% in 2012 compared to 33.9% in 2011. The most significant factors contributing to the changes in selling, distribution, and administrative expenses in 2012 compared to 2011 included:

- an increase of \$59 million in employee compensation, benefits, and contract labor primarily due to the opening of new retail stores and increases in staff for other retail stores, merchandising support areas, distribution centers, credit card growth support, and general corporate overhead support;
- an increase of \$15 million in building costs and depreciation primarily related to the operations and maintenance of our new and existing retail stores as well as corporate offices;

- an increase of \$11 million in advertising and direct marketing costs, in advertising and promotional costs to support customer relationships, for new store openings, and from an increase in account origination costs in our Financial Services segment; and
- an increase of \$3 million in equipment and software expense primarily to support operational growth.

Significant changes in our selling, distribution, and administrative expenses related to specific business segments included the following:

Retail Segment:

- An increase of \$29 million in employee compensation, benefits, and contract labor primarily due to the opening of new retail stores and increases in staff for other retail stores and merchandising teams.
- An increase of \$12 million in building costs primarily related to the operations and maintenance of our new and existing retail stores.
- An increase of \$15 million in advertising and promotional costs related to new and existing retail stores.

Direct Segment:

- A net increase of \$3 million in advertising and direct marketing costs primarily due to increases in Internet related expenses due to our expanded use of digital marketing channels and enhancements to our website, partially offset by reduced catalog related costs.
- An increase of \$1 million in building costs and depreciation primarily related to improvements to our distribution centers.
- A decrease of \$2 million in employee compensation, benefits, and contract labor.

Financial Services Segment:

- An increase of \$8 million in employee compensation, benefits, and contract labor principally for positions added to support the growth of credit card operations.
- A decrease of \$7 million in advertising and promotional costs primarily due to the classification of new account origination costs.
- An increase of \$2 million in losses from fraudulent transactions on Cabela's CLUB Visa cards.

Corporate Overhead, Distribution Centers, and Other:

- An increase of \$24 million in employee compensation, benefits, and contract labor in general corporate and the distribution centers to support operational growth.
- An increase of \$4 million in equipment and software expense primarily related to new equipment and updates to support operational growth.
- An increase of \$2 million in building costs primarily related to the maintenance and expansion of our administrative buildings.

Impairment and Restructuring Charges

Impairment and restructuring charges consisted of the following for the years ended:

		2012		2011
Impairment losses relating to:				
Land held for sale	\$	17,694	\$	4,617
Property, equipment, and other assets		1,321		154
Accumulated amortization of deferred grant income		1,309		6,538
		20,324		11,309
Restructuring charges for severance and related benefits		-	_	<u>935</u>
Total	<u>\$</u>	20,324	<u>\$</u>	12,244

Long-lived assets of the Company are evaluated for possible impairment (i) whenever changes in circumstances may indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable and (ii) at least annually for recurring fair value measurements and for those assets not subject to amortization. In 2012, 2011, and 2010, we evaluated the recoverability of land held for sale, economic development bonds, property (including existing store locations and future retail store sites), equipment, goodwill, and other intangible assets.

In December 2012, we received an appraisal report that updated the value from a previous appraisal on one property held for sale. Results from the 2012 appraisal report concluded that the carrying value was higher than the estimated fair value, resulting in an impairment loss. This 2012 appraisal was based on the sales comparison approach to estimate the "as-is" fee simple market value of the subject property. This approach involved a process in which a market value estimate was derived from analyzing the market for similar properties that have sold or that are available for sale (Level 2 inputs). In the fourth quarter of 2012, we also impaired a second property held for sale based on an arms-length sales contract of adjoining land anticipated to close in mid-2013 (Level 2 inputs). In 2011, we wrote down the carrying value of certain land held for sale properties based on signed agreements for their sale. We recognized impairment losses on land held for sale of \$18 million and \$5 million in 2012 and 2011, respectively.

In the fourth quarter of 2012, we received information on one project that the development will be delayed thus reducing the amount expected to be received and delaying the timing of projected cash flows. Therefore, the fair value of this economic development bond was determined to be below carrying value, with the decline in fair value deemed to be other than temporary. In the fourth quarter of 2011, we received information on three projects that development was either delayed or that actual tax revenues were lower than estimated, thus reducing the amount expected to be received and delaying the timing of projected cash flows. Therefore, the discounted cash flows indicated that the fair value of these three economic development bonds was below carrying value, with the decline in fair value deemed to be other than temporary. These fair value adjustments totaling \$5 million and \$24 million in 2012 and 2011, respectively, reduced the carrying value of the economic development bond portfolio at the end of 2012 and 2011 and resulted in corresponding reductions in deferred grant income. These reductions in deferred grant income resulted in increases in depreciation expense of \$1 million and \$7 million in 2012 and 2011, respectively, which have been included in impairment and restructuring charges in the consolidated statements of income. The discounted cash flow models for our other bonds did not result in other-than-temporary impairments. In 2010, none of the bonds with a fair value below carrying value were deemed to have other than a temporary impairment. At the end of 2012 and 2011, the total amount of impairment adjustments that were made to deferred grant income, which has been recorded as a reduction of property and equipment, was \$39 million and \$34 million, respectively. These impairment adjustments made to deferred grant income resulted from events or changes in circumstances that indicated the amount of deferred grant income may not be recovered or realized in cash through collection, sales, or other proceeds from the economic development bonds.

In 2011, we incurred charges totaling \$1 million for severance and related benefits primarily from outplacement costs and a voluntary retirement plan. All impairment and restructuring charges were recorded to the Corporate Overhead and Other segment.

Operating Income

Operating income is revenue less cost of revenue, selling, distribution, and administrative expenses, and impairment and restructuring charges. Operating income for our merchandise business segments excludes costs associated with operating expenses of distribution centers, procurement activities, and other corporate overhead costs.

Comparisons and analysis of operating income are presented below for the years ended:

	2012	 2011		Increase Decrease)	% Change
		(Dollars in 7	Fhou	sands)	
Total operating income Total operating income as a percentage of total revenue	\$ 275,699 8.9%	\$ 231,548	\$	44,151 0.7%	19.1%
Total operating medine as a percentage of total revenue	0.970	0.270		0.,,,0	
Operating income by business segment:					
Retail	\$ 345,040	\$ 263,010	\$	82,030	31.2
Direct	155,237	172,163		(16,926)	(9.8)
Financial Services	74,182	59,032		15,150	25.7
Operating income as a percentage of segment revenue:					
Retail	18.7%	17.0%	•	1.7%	
Direct	16.7	18.0		(1.3)	
Financial Services	23.2	20.2		3.0	

Operating income increased \$44 million, or 19.1%, in 2012 compared to 2011, and operating income as a percentage of revenue increased 70 basis points to 8.9% for 2012. The increases in total operating income and total operating income as a percentage of total revenue were primarily due to increases in revenue from our Retail and Financial Services segments as well as an increase in our merchandise gross profit. These increases were partially offset by lower revenue from our Direct business, higher consolidated operating expenses, and higher impairment losses primarily related to land held for sale. In addition, interchange income in 2012 in our Financial Services segment was reduced by \$12.5 million pursuant to the proposed settlement regarding the Visa litigation. Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses increased in 2012 compared to 2011 primarily due to increases in comparable and new store costs and related support areas.

Prior to January 1, 2012, under an Intercompany Agreement, the Financial Services segment had incurred a marketing fee that was paid to the Retail and Direct segments. Effective January 1, 2012, this Intercompany Agreement was amended with the marketing fee component eliminated and replaced with a fixed license fee equal to 70 basis points on all originated charge volume of the Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card portfolio. In addition, among other changes, the agreement requires the Financial Services segment to reimburse the Retail and Direct segments for certain operating and promotional costs. Reported operating income by segment, and the components of operating income for each segment, were not materially impacted for 2012 compared to prior years by the amendments to the Intercompany Agreement. Fees paid under the Intercompany Agreement by the Financial Services segment to these two segments increased \$14 million in 2012 compared to 2011; an \$16 million increase to the Retail segment and a \$2 million decrease to the Direct segment.

Interest (Expense) Income, Net

Interest expense, net of interest income, decreased \$4 million to \$20 million in 2012 compared to \$24 million in 2011. Interest expense is accrued on our revolving credit facilities and long-term debt as well as on unrecognized tax benefits. The decrease in interest expense was primarily due to an increase in capitalized interest in 2012 compared to 2011.

Other Non-Operating Income, Net

Other non-operating income was \$6 million in 2012 compared to \$7 million in 2011. This income is primarily from interest earned on our economic development bonds.

Provision for Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate was 33.7% in 2012 compared to 33.5% in 2011. The effective tax rates for both years differed from our statutory rate primarily due to the mix of taxable income between the United States and foreign tax jurisdictions. The balance of unrecognized tax benefits, which is classified with long-term liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet, totaled \$39 million at December 29, 2012, compared to \$38 million at December 31, 2011.

Results of Operations - 2011 Compared to 2010

Revenues

	-	2011	0/0	 2010 (Dollars in T	% Thousands)	Increase Decrease)	% Change
Retail	\$	1,550,442	55.2%	\$ 1,412,715	53.0%	\$ 137,727	9.7%
Direct		956,834	34.0	999,771	37.5	(42,937)	(4.3)
Financial Services		291,746	10.4	227,675	8.6	64,071	28.1
Other		12,144	0.4	 23,081	0.9	(10,937)	(47.4)
	\$	2,811,166	<u>100.0</u> %	\$ 2,663,242	<u>100.0</u> %	\$ 147,924	5.6

Product Sales Mix – The following table sets forth the percentage of our merchandise revenue contributed by major product categories for our Retail and Direct segments and in total for the years ended:

	Ret	ail	Dir	ect	Total		
	2011	2011 2010		2011 2010		2010	
Product Category:							
Hunting Equipment	45.7%	44.5%	33.4%	33.7%	41.1%	40.2%	
General Outdoors	30.7	31.5	32.7	32.9	31.5	32.1	
Clothing and Footwear	23.6	24.0	33.9	33.4	27.4	27.7	
Total	<u>100.0</u> %	<u>100.0</u> %	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

Retail Revenue – Retail revenue increased \$138 million, or 9.7%, in 2011 primarily due to an increase of \$93 million in revenue from the addition of new retail stores comparing year over year and an increase in revenue from comparable store sales of \$39 million. Retail revenue growth was led by increases in all major product categories. Gift instrument breakage recognized was \$7 million, \$5 million, and \$5 million for 2011, 2010, and 2009, respectively.

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Comparable stores sales Comparable stores sales growth percentage	\$	1,416,133 2.8%		1,377,527 1.6%	\$ 38,606

Comparable store sales increased \$39 million, or 2.8%, in 2011 principally because of the strength in our hunting equipment and clothing and footwear categories and the success of our Retail operations focus. Average sales per square foot for stores that were open during the entire year were \$328 for 2011 compared to \$314 for 2010. The increase in average sales per square foot resulted from the increase in comparable store sales.

Direct Revenue – Our Direct revenue decreased \$43 million, or 4.3%, in 2011 compared to 2010 primarily due to a decrease in revenue originated from our call centers, partially offset by an increase in Internet sales. We divested our non-core home restoration products business in October 2010. For comparative purposes, Direct revenue in 2011 compared to 2010, adjusted for the effect of this divestiture, decreased \$29 million, or 3.0%. The decrease in Direct revenue comparing 2011 to 2010 was due to expected declines in ammunition and shooting products, and to decreases in the clothing and footwear, fishing and marine, and camping categories.

Internet sales increased in 2011 compared to 2010. Visitors to our websites increased 4.5% during 2011 as we continued to focus our efforts on utilizing Direct marketing programs to increase traffic to our website and social media networks. Our hunting equipment and clothing and footwear categories were the largest dollar volume contributor to our Direct revenue for 2011. In October 2010, we launched our new website featuring significant enhancements, including guided navigation to improve customers' movement throughout the site, managed content to aid in customizing the individual shopping experience, better promotional capability, and international commerce capabilities. We continued to focus on smaller, more specialized catalogs, and we reduced the number of catalog pages mailed and decreased total circulation, leading to reductions in catalog related costs. Mostly offsetting the reductions in catalog related costs were increases in Internet related expenses due to our expanded use of digital marketing channels and enhancements to our website.

	Increase						
	2011	2010	(Decrease)	% Change			
Percentage increase year over year in Internet website visitors	4.5%	5.8%					
Catalog circulation in pages (in millions) (1)	22,218	24,028	(1,810)	(7.5)%			
Number of separate catalog titles circulated (1)	102	98	4				

(1) 2010 amounts were adjusted to reflect the activity related to the divestiture of our non-core home restoration products business.

Financial Services Revenue – The following table sets forth the components of our Financial Services revenue for the years ended:

		2011		2010 (Dollars in Tho	<u>(</u>	Increase Decrease) ds)	% Change
Interest and fee income	\$	277,242	\$	271.651	\$	5,591	2.1%
Interest and ree income	Φ	(70,303)	Ψ	(86,494)	Ψ	(16,191)	(18.7)
Provision for loan losses		(39,287)		(66,814)		(27,527)	(41.2)
Net interest income, net of provision for loan losses		167,652		118,343		49,309	41.7
Non-interest income:							
Interchange income		267,106		231,347		35,759	15.5
Other non-interest income		13,620		12,247		1,373	11.2
Total non-interest income		280,726		243,594		37,132	15.2
Less: Customer rewards costs		(156,632)		(134,262)		22,370	16.7
Financial Services revenue	\$.	291,746	\$	227,675	\$	64,071	28.1

Financial Services revenue increased \$64 million, or 28.1%, in 2011 compared to 2010. The increase in interest and fee income of \$6 million was due to an increase in credit card loans and a reduction in charge-offs of cardholder fees and interest, partially offset with a decrease in interest and fees charged as a result of the CARD Act. Interest expense decreased \$16 million due to decreases in interest rates. The provision for loan losses decreased \$28 million due to favorable charge-off trends and an improved outlook on the quality of our credit card

portfolio as of the end of 2011 compared to 2010, evidenced by lower delinquencies and delinquency roll-rates comparing the respective periods. The increase in interchange income of \$36 million and customer rewards costs of \$22 million was due to an increase in credit card purchases.

The following table sets forth the components of our Financial Services revenue as a percentage of average managed credit card loans, including any accrued interest and fees, for the years ended:

		<u>11 2010</u>
Interest and fee income	10	0.1% 11.0%
Interest expense	(2	2.6) (3.5)
Provision for loan losses		1.4) (2.7)
Interchange income		9.7 9.4
Other non-interest income	. (0.5 0.5
Customer rewards costs		5.7) (5.5)
Financial Services revenue		<u>0.6</u> % <u>9.2</u> %

Key statistics reflecting the performance of our Financial Services business are shown in the following chart for the years ended:

	2011 (Dollars in	Thou	2010 Isands Except A	 Increase (Decrease) e Balance per A	<u>% Change</u> ccount)
Average balance of managed credit card loans (1)	\$ 2,745,118	\$	2,470,493	\$ 274,625	11.1%
Average number of active credit card accounts	1,416,887		1,317,890	98,997	7.5
Average balance per active credit card account (1)	\$ 1,937	\$	1,875	\$ 62	3.3
Net charge-offs on managed loans (1) Net charge-offs as a percentage of average	\$ 64,520	\$	104,416	\$ (39,896)	(38.2)
managed credit card loans (1)	2.35%		4.23%	(1.88)%	

(1) Includes accrued interest and fees.

The average balance of credit card loans increased to \$2.7 billion, or 11.1%, for 2011 compared to 2010, due to an increase in the number of active accounts and the average balance per account. The average number of active accounts increased to 1.4 million, or 7.5%, compared to 2010 due to our marketing efforts. Net charge-offs as a percentage of average credit card loans decreased to 2.35% for 2011, down 188 basis points compared to 2010, due to improvements in delinquencies and delinquency roll-rates.

Other Revenue

Other revenue decreased \$11 million in 2011 to \$12 million compared to \$23 million in 2010 primarily due to a decrease of \$10 million in real estate sales revenue. After adjusting for the cost of real estate, pre-tax gains on the sale of real estate totaled \$2 million in 2010 with no sales in 2011. Pre-tax gains on the sale of real estate are reflected in operating income.

Merchandise Gross Profit

Comparisons and analysis of our gross profit on merchandising revenue are presented below for the years ended:

	2011	 2010 (Dollars In Tho	(Increase Decrease) ^{Ids)}	<u>% Change</u>
Merchandise sales Merchandise gross profit Merchandise gross profit as a percentage of	\$ 2,505,733 892,492	\$ 2,412,486 846,321	\$	93,247 46,171	3.9% 5.5
merchandise gross profit as a percentage of	35.6%	35.1%		0.5%	

Merchandise Gross Profit – Our merchandise gross profit increased \$46 million, or 5.5% in 2011 compared to 2010. The increase in our merchandise gross profit was due to better inventory management, which reduced the need to mark down product, continued improvements in vendor collaboration, and advancements in price optimization.

Our merchandise gross profit as a percentage of merchandise sales increased to 35.6% in 2011 from 35.1% in 2010. The increase in the merchandise gross profit in 2011 compared to 2010 was primarily due to ongoing improvements in pre-season and in-season inventory management, vendor collaboration, and advancements in price optimization. In addition, we also reduced promotional discounts in 2011 compared to 2010 by eliminating unprofitable retail store promotions.

Selling, Distribution, and Administrative Expenses

Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses were as follows for the years ended:

	2011	 2010 (Dollars in Tl	(1	Increase Decrease) ands)	<u>% Change</u>
Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses	\$ 954,125	\$ 895,405	\$	58,720	6.6%
SD&A expenses as a percentage of total revenue Retail store pre-opening costs	\$ 33.9% 9,700	\$ 33.6% 4,760	\$	0.3% 4,940	103.8

Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses increased \$59 million, or 6.6%, in 2011 compared to 2010. Expressed as a percentage of total revenue, selling, distribution, and administrative expenses increased 30 basis points to 33.9% in 2011 compared to 33.6% in 2010. The most significant factors contributing to the changes in selling, distribution, and administrative expenses in 2011 compared to 2010 included:

- an increase of \$36 million in employee compensation and benefits primarily due the opening of new retail stores and increases in staff for other retail stores, merchandising and distribution centers, and general corporate overhead support;
- an increase of \$12 million in building costs primarily related to the operations and maintenance of our new and existing retail stores;
- an increase of \$10 million in advertising and promotional costs to support customer relationships, for new store openings, and from an increase in account origination costs in our Financial Services segment; and
- a decrease of \$8 million related to matters arising out of the 2009 FDIC compliance examination.

Significant selling, distribution, and administrative expense increases and decreases related to specific business segments included the following:

Retail Segment:

- An increase of \$20 million in employee compensation and benefits primarily due to the opening of new retail stores and increases in staff for other retail stores and merchandising teams.
- An increase of \$7 million in building costs primarily related to the operations and maintenance of our new and existing retail stores.
- An increase of \$5 million in advertising and promotional costs relating to new store openings.

Direct Segment:

• A decrease of \$3 million in employee compensation and benefits.

Financial Services Segment:

- A decrease of \$8 million in operating expenses relating to the matters arising out of the 2009 FDIC compliance examination.
- An increase of \$5 million in advertising and promotions expense due to an increase in account origination costs.
- An increase of \$3 million in employee compensation and benefits principally for positions added to support the growth of credit card operations.

Corporate Overhead, Distribution Centers, and Other:

- An increase of \$16 million in employee compensation and benefits in general corporate and the distribution centers to support operational growth.
- An increase of \$5 million in costs primarily related to the operations and maintenance of our corporate offices.
- An increase of \$3 million in contract labor and equipment and software expenses primarily due to costs relating to information technology system changes in support of our customer relationship management system.

Impairment and Restructuring Charges

Impairment and restructuring charges consisted of the following for the years ended:

	2011	2010	
Impairment losses relating to:			
Land held for sale	\$ 4,617	\$ 1,834	
Property, equipment, and other assets	154	3,792	
Accumulated amortization of deferred grant income (1)	6,538	-	
	11,309	5,626	
Restructuring charges for severance and related benefits	935	-	
Total	<u>\$ 12,244</u>	\$ 5,626	

⁽¹⁾ In 2011, deferred grant income was reduced by \$24 million due to other-than-temporary impairment losses of the same amount that were recognized on our economic development bonds. This reduction in deferred grant income resulted in an increase in depreciation expense of \$7 million in 2011, which has been included in impairment and restructuring charges in the consolidated statements of income.

In accordance with accounting guidance on asset valuations, we recognized impairment losses totaling \$11 million and \$6 million in 2011 and 2010, respectively. In 2011, we incurred charges approximating \$1 million for severance and related benefits. All impairment and restructuring charges were recorded to the Corporate Overhead and Other segment for 2011 and 2010.

In 2011 and 2010, we evaluated the recovery of certain economic development bonds. In 2011, we determined that the fair value of the bonds was below carrying value, with the decline in fair value deemed to be other than temporary, which resulted in a fair value adjustment totaling \$24 million at the end of 2011. The fair value adjustment of \$24 million reduced the carrying value of the economic development bond portfolio at the end of 2011, and resulted in a corresponding reduction in deferred grant income. This reduction in deferred grant income resulted in an increase in depreciation expense of \$7 million in 2011, which was included in impairment and restructuring charges in the consolidated statements of income. At the end of 2010, none of the bonds with a fair value below carrying value were deemed to have other than a temporary impairment.

Operating Income

Operating income comparisons were as follows for the years ended:

	 2011 2010 (Dollars in 7		<u>(</u>	ncrease Decrease) sands)	% Change	
Total operating income	\$ 231,548	\$	186,762	\$	44,786	24.0%
Total operating income as a percentage of total revenue	8.2%		7.0%		1.2%	
Operating income by business segment:						
Retail	\$ 263,010	\$	205,768	\$	57,242	27.8
Direct	172,163		156,255		15,908	10.2
Financial Services	59,032		52,401		6,631	12.7
Operating income as a percentage of segment revenue:						
Retail	17.0%		14.6%		2.4%	
Direct	18.0		15.6		2.4	
Financial Services	20.2		23.0		(2.8)	

Operating income increased \$45 million, or 24.0%, in 2011 compared to 2010, and operating income as a percentage of revenue increased to 8.2% for 2011. The increases in total operating income and total operating income as a percentage of total revenue were primarily due to increases in revenue from our Retail and Financial Services segments as well as an increase in our merchandise gross profit. These improvements were partially offset by lower revenue from our Direct business segment and higher consolidated operating expenses. Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses increased in 2011 compared to 2010 due to increases in comparable and new store costs and related support areas, pre-opening costs, and costs related to our customer relationship management system, but were partially offset by the decrease of \$8 million related to the 2009 FDIC compliance examination.

During 2011 and 2010, under a contractual arrangement, the Financial Services segment incurred a marketing fee paid to the Retail and Direct business segments. The marketing fee was calculated based on the terms of a contractual arrangement consistently applied to both years presented. The marketing fee is included in selling, distribution, and administrative expenses as an expense for the Financial Services segment and as a credit to expense for the Retail and Direct business segments. The marketing fee paid by the Financial Services segment to these two business segments increased \$55 million in 2011 compared to 2010 - a \$33 million increase to the Retail segment and a \$22 million increase to the Direct business segment.

Interest (Expense) Income, Net

Interest expense, net of interest income, decreased \$3 million to \$24 million in 2011 compared to 2010. The net decrease in interest expense was primarily due to interest expense accrued on increases in certain unrecognized tax benefits reflected in 2010, partially offset by a decrease in interest expense due to a lower average balance of debt outstanding from managed debt reduction and lower weighted average interest rates in 2011 compared to 2010.

Other Non-Operating Income, Net

Other non-operating income was \$7 million for both 2011 and 2010. This income is primarily from interest earned on our economic development bonds.

Provision for Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate was 33.5% in 2011 compared to 32.7% in 2010. The effective tax rate for 2011 compared to 2010 was impacted primarily by the mix of taxable income between the United States and foreign tax jurisdictions. The balance of unrecognized tax benefits, which is classified with long-term liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet, totaled \$38 million at December 31, 2011, compared to \$43 million at January 1, 2011.

Asset Quality of Cabela's CLUB

Delinquencies and Non-Accrual

We consider the entire balance of an account, including any accrued interest and fees, delinquent if the minimum payment is not received by the payment due date. Our aging method is based on the number of completed billing cycles during which a customer has failed to make a required payment. As part of collection efforts, a credit card loan may be closed and placed on non-accrual or restructured in a fixed payment plan prior to charge off. Our fixed payment plans consist of a lower interest rate, reduced minimum payment, and elimination of fees. Loans on fixed payment plans include loans in which the customer has engaged a consumer credit counseling agency to assist them in managing their debt. Non-accrual loans with two consecutive missed payments will resume accruing interest at the rate they had accrued at before they were placed on non-accrual. Payments received on non-accrual loans will be applied to principal and reduce the amount of the loan.

The quality of our credit card loan portfolio at any time reflects, among other factors: 1) the creditworthiness of cardholders, 2) general economic conditions, 3) the success of our account management and collection activities, and 4) the life-cycle stage of the portfolio. During periods of economic weakness, delinquencies and net charge-offs are more likely to increase. We have mitigated periods of economic weakness by selecting a customer base that is very creditworthy. We use the scores of Fair Isaac Corporation ("FICO"), a widely-used tool for assessing an individual's credit rating, as the primary credit quality indicator. During the second quarter of 2012, the Financial Services segment incorporated a newer version of FICO that utilizes the same factors as the previous scoring model, but is more sensitive to utilization of available credit, delinquencies considered serious and frequent, and maintenance of various types of credit. Management of the Financial Services segment believes the newer version will enable us to improve our risk management decisions. The newer version FICO score resulted in a slightly higher median score of our credit cardholders, which was 793 at the end of 2012 compared to 788 at the end of 2011.

The following table reports delinquencies, including any delinquent non-accrual and restructured credit card loans, as a percentage of our credit card loans, including any accrued interest and fees, in a manner consistent with our monthly external reporting for the years ended:

	2012	2011	2010
Number of days delinquent:			
Greater than 30 days	0.72%	0.87%	1.13%
Greater than 60 days	0.46	0.53	0.72
Greater than 90 days	0.24	0.27	0.37

Delinquencies declined as a result of improvements in the economic environment and our conservative underwriting criteria and active account management.

The table below shows delinquent, non-accrual, and restructured loans as a percentage of our credit card loans, including any accrued interest and fees, at the years ended:

	2012	2011	2010
Number of days delinquent and still accruing (1):			
Greater than 30 days	0.57%	0.64%	0.74%
Greater than 60 days	0.36	0.38	0.47
Greater than 90 days	0.19	0.20	0.25

(1) Excludes non-accrual and restructured loans which are presented below.

Non-accrual	0.1	0.20	0.24
Restructured	1.3	35 1.91	2.90

Allowance for Loan Losses and Charge-offs

The allowance for loan losses represents management's estimate of probable losses inherent in the credit card loan portfolio. The allowance for loan losses is established through a charge to the provision for loan losses and is regularly evaluated by management for adequacy. Loans on a payment plan or non-accrual are segmented from the rest of the credit card loan portfolio into a restructured credit card loan segment before establishing an allowance for loan losses as these loans have a higher probability of loss. Management estimates losses inherent in the credit card loans segment and restructured credit card loans segment based on a model which tracks historical loss experience on delinquent accounts, bankruptcies, death, and charge-offs, net of estimated recoveries. The Financial Services segment uses a migration analysis and historical bankruptcy and death rates to estimate the likelihood that a credit card loan will progress through the various stages of delinquency and to charge-off. This analysis estimates the gross amount of principal that will be charged off over the next twelve months, net of recoveries. This estimate is used to derive an estimated allowance for loan losses. In addition to these methods of measurement, management also considers other factors such as general economic and business conditions affecting key lending areas, credit concentration, changes in origination and portfolio management, and credit quality trends. Since the evaluation of the inherent loss with respect to these factors is subject to a high degree of uncertainty, the measurement of the overall allowance is subject to estimation risk, and the amount of actual losses can vary significantly from the estimated amounts.

Charge-offs consist of the uncollectible principal, interest, and fees on a customer's account. Recoveries are the amounts collected on previously charged-off accounts. Most bankcard issuers charge off accounts at 180 days. We charge off credit card loans on a daily basis after an account becomes at a minimum 130 days contractually delinquent to allow us to manage the collection process more efficiently. Accounts relating to cardholder bankruptcies, cardholder deaths, and fraudulent transactions are charged off earlier. The Financial Services segment records charged-off cardholder fees and accrued interest receivable directly against interest and fee income included in Financial Services revenue.

The following table shows the activity in our allowance for loan losses and charge off activity for the years ended:

	2012	2011	2010
	(1	nds)	
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 73,350	\$ 90,900	\$ 1,374
Change in allowance for loan losses upon consolidation of the Trust		<u> </u>	114,573
	73,350	90,900	115,947
Provision for loan losses	42,760	39,287	66,814
Charge-offs	(68,834)	(75,599)	(108,111)
Recoveries	18,324	18,762	16,250
Net charge-offs	(50,510)	(56,837)	(91,861)
Balance, end of year	\$ 65,600	<u> </u>	\$ 90,900
Net charge-offs on credit card loans	\$ (50,510)	\$ (56,837)	\$ (91,861)
Charge-offs of accrued interest and fees (recorded as a			
reduction in interest and fee income)	(7,293)	(7,683)	(12,555)
Total net charge-offs including accrued interest and fees	<u>\$ (57,803</u>)	<u>\$ (64,520</u>)	<u>\$ (104,416</u>)
Net charge-offs including accrued interest and fees as a			
percentage of average credit card loans	<u> </u>	2.35%	4.23%

For 2012, net charge-offs as a percentage of average credit card loans decreased to 1.87%, down 48 basis points compared to 2.35% for 2011. We believe our charge-off levels remain well below industry averages. Our net charge-off rates and allowance for loan losses have decreased due to improved outlooks in the quality of our credit card portfolio evidenced by lower delinquencies and delinquency roll-rates and favorable charge-off trends.

Aging of Credit Cards Loans Outstanding

The following table shows our credit card loans outstanding at the end of 2012 and 2011 segregated by the number of months passed since the accounts were opened.

		20	12	2011				
Months Since Account Opened					Loans utstanding	Percentage of Total		
			(Dollars in	Thous	sands)			
6 months or less	\$	153,709	4,3%	\$	130,097	4.1%		
7-12 months		126,586	3.6		132,111	4.2		
13 – 24 months		318,397	9.0		247,858	7.8		
25 – 36 months		265,345	7.4		269,071	8.5		
37 – 48 months		281,501	7.9		294,398	9.3		
49 – 60 months		292,506	8.2		323,327	10.2		
61 – 72 months		323,986	9.1		264,117	8.3		
73 – 84 months		266,641	7.4		235,413	7.4		
More than 84 months		1,528,818	43.1		1,271,121	40.2		
Total	\$	3,557,489	100.0%	\$	3,167,513	100.0%		

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Overview

Our Retail and Direct segments and our Financial Services segment have significantly differing liquidity and capital needs. We believe that we will have sufficient capital available from cash on hand, our revolving credit facility, and other borrowing sources to fund our cash requirements and near-term growth plans for at least the next 12 months. At the end of 2012 and 2011, cash on a consolidated basis totaled \$289 million and \$305 million, of which \$91 million and \$117 million, respectively, was cash at the Financial Services segment which will be utilized to meet this segment's liquidity requirements. In 2012, our Financial Services business issued \$156 million in certificates of deposit, renewed its \$225 million variable funding facility for an additional year, and completed two securitization transactions totaling \$500 million in term securitizations. We evaluate the credit markets for certificates of deposit and securitizations to determine the most cost effective source of funds for the Financial Services segment.

As of December 29, 2012, cash and cash equivalents held by our foreign subsidiaries totaled \$28 million. Our intent is to permanently reinvest a portion of these funds outside the United States for capital expansion and to repatriate a portion of these funds. The Company has not provided United States income taxes and foreign withholding taxes on the portion of undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries that the Company considers to be indefinitely reinvested outside of the United States as of the end of year 2012. If these foreign earnings were to be repatriated in the future, the related United States tax liability may be reduced by any foreign income taxes previously paid on these earnings. As of the year ended 2012, the cumulative amount of earnings upon which United States income taxes have not been provided is approximately \$122 million. If those earnings were not considered indefinitely invested, the Company estimates that an additional income tax expense of approximately \$26 million would be recorded. Based on our current projected capital needs and the current amount of cash and cash equivalents held by our foreign subsidiaries, we do not anticipate incurring any material tax costs beyond our accrued tax position in connection with any repatriation, but we may be required to accrue for unanticipated additional tax costs in the future if our expectations or the amount of cash held by our foreign subsidiaries change.

On October 11, 2011, the Federal Reserve, the Office of the Comptroller of Currency, the FDIC, and the SEC issued proposed regulations implementing certain provisions under the Reform Act limiting proprietary trading and sponsorship or investment in hedge funds and private equity funds (the "Volcker Rule"). The proposed regulations are complex and have been the subject of extensive comment. As proposed, these regulations may apply to us and could limit our ability to engage in the types of transactions covered by the Volcker Rule and may impose potentially burdensome compliance, monitoring, and reporting obligations. There remains considerable uncertainty regarding whether the final regulations implementing the Volcker Rule will differ from the proposed regulations, and the effect of any final regulations on our Retail and Direct businesses and the business of the Financial Services segment, and its ability and willingness to sponsor securitization transactions in the future.

Retail and Direct Segments – The primary cash requirements of our merchandising business relate to capital for new retail stores, purchases of inventory, investments in our management information systems and infrastructure, and general working capital needs. We historically have met these requirements with cash generated from our merchandising business operations, borrowing under revolving credit facilities, issuing debt and equity securities, collecting principal and interest payments on our economic development bonds, and from the retirement of economic development bonds.

The cash flow we generate from our merchandising business is seasonal, with our peak cash requirements for inventory occurring from April through November. While we have consistently generated overall positive annual cash flow from our operating activities, other sources of liquidity are required by our merchandising business during these peak cash use periods. These sources historically have included short-term borrowings under our revolving credit facility and access to debt markets. While we generally have been able to manage our cash needs during peak periods, if any disruption occurred to our funding sources, or if we underestimated our cash needs, we would be unable to purchase inventory and otherwise conduct our merchandising business to its maximum effectiveness, which could result in reduced revenue and profits.

On November 2, 2011, we entered into a new credit agreement providing for a \$415 million revolving credit facility that expires on November 2, 2016. The unsecured \$415 million revolving credit facility permits the issuance of letters of credit up to \$100 million and swing line loans up to \$20 million. This credit facility may be increased to \$500 million subject to certain terms and conditions. Advances under the credit facility will be used for the Company's general business purposes, including working capital support.

Our unsecured \$415 million revolving credit facility and unsecured senior notes contain certain financial covenants, including the maintenance of minimum debt coverage, a fixed charge coverage ratio, a leverage ratio, and a minimum consolidated net worth standard. In the event that we failed to comply with these covenants, a default would trigger and all principal and outstanding interest would immediately be due and payable. At December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, we were in compliance with all financial covenants under our credit agreements and unsecured notes. We anticipate that we will continue to be in compliance with all financial covenants under our credit agreements under our credit agreements and unsecured notes through at least the next 12 months.

Our \$15 million Canadian dollars ("CAD") unsecured revolving credit facility for our operations in Canada was terminated January 31, 2013.

We announced in February 2012 our intent to repurchase up to 800,000 shares of our common stock in open market transactions through February 2013 to offset future equity grants. During 2012, we repurchased 816,057 shares of our common stock, which included 800,000 shares purchased for \$29 million in cash from operations pursuant to our stock repurchase program, as well as 16,057 shares withheld (under the terms of grants pursuant to a stock compensation plan) to offset tax withholding obligations upon the vesting and release of certain restricted shares. We announced on February 14, 2013, that we intend to repurchase up to 750,000 shares of our outstanding common stock in open market transactions through February 2014 pursuant to this share repurchase program. The share repurchase program does not obligate us to repurchase any outstanding shares of our common stock, and the program may be limited or terminated at any time.

Financial Services Segment – The primary cash requirements of the Financial Services segment relate to the financing of credit card loans. These cash requirements will increase if our credit card originations increase or if our cardholders' balances or spending increase. The Financial Services segment sources operating funds in the ordinary course of business through various financing activities, which include funding obtained from securitization transactions, obtaining brokered and non-brokered certificates of deposit, borrowing under its federal funds purchase agreements, and generating cash from operations. During 2012, the Financial Services segment issued \$156 million in certificates of deposit, renewed its \$225 million variable funding facility for an additional year, and completed two \$500 million term securitizations that will mature in February and June of 2017. In 2013, the Financial Services segment intends to issue additional certificates of deposit and additional term securitizations. We believe that these liquidity sources are sufficient to fund the Financial Services segment's foreseeable cash requirements and near-term growth plans.

WFB is prohibited by regulations from lending money to Cabela's or other affiliates. WFB is subject to capital requirements imposed by Nebraska banking law and the Visa U.S.A., Inc. membership rules, and its ability to pay dividends is also limited by Nebraska and Federal banking law. If there are any disruptions in the credit markets, the Financial Services segment, like many other financial institutions, may increase its funding from certificates of deposit which may result in increased competition in the deposits market with fewer funds available or at unattractive rates. Our ability to issue certificates of deposit is reliant on our current regulatory capital levels. WFB is classified as a "well capitalized" bank, the highest category under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. If WFB were to be classified as an "adequately capitalized" bank, which is the next level category down from "well capitalized," we would be required to obtain a waiver from the FDIC in order to continue to issue certificates of deposit. We will invest additional capital in the Financial Services segment, if necessary, in order for WFB to continue to meet the minimum requirements for the "well capitalized" classification under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. In addition to the non-brokered certificates of deposit market to fund growth and maturing securitizations, we have access to the brokered certificates of deposit market through multiple financial institutions for liquidity and funding purposes.

On June 7, 2012, the FDIC and the other federal banking agencies announced they are seeking comment on proposed rules that would revise and replace the agencies' current capital rules. Among other things, the proposed rules would revise the agencies' prompt corrective action framework by introducing a common equity tier 1 capital requirement and a higher minimum tier 1 capital requirement. In addition, the proposed rules include a supplementary leverage ratio for depository institutions subject to the advanced approaches capital rules. It is not clear how the final rules will differ from the proposed rules, if at all, or the impact of the final rules on WFB and its ability to comply with a new common equity tier 1 capital requirement and a higher minimum tier 1 capital requirement.

The ability of the Financial Services segment to engage in securitization transactions on favorable terms or at all could be adversely affected by disruptions in the capital markets or other events, which could materially affect our business and cause the Financial Services segment to lose an important source of capital. The Reform Act, which was signed into law in July 2010, will also affect a number of significant changes relating to asset-backed securities, including additional oversight and regulation of credit rating agencies and additional reporting and disclosure requirements. In December 2012, the Staff of the Division of Markets and Trading of the SEC issued its Report to Congress on Assigned Credit Ratings (the "Report") pursuant to the provisions of the Reform Act. In the Report, the Staff analyzed the manner in which credit rating agencies are currently compensated in connection with the issuance of credit ratings of asset-backed securities and various alternative compensation structures. It is unclear if or when Congress or the SEC will take any further legislative or regulatory action in response to the issues considered in the Report. If any further legislative or regulatory action is taken in response to these issues, the ability and willingness of WFB to continue to rely on the securitization market for funding could be adversely affected. The changes resulting from the Reform Act may impact our profitability, require changes to certain Financial Services segment business practices, impose upon the Financial Services segment more stringent capital, liquidity, and leverage ratio requirements, increase FDIC deposit insurance premiums, or otherwise adversely affect the Financial Services segment's business. These changes may also require the Financial Services segment to invest significant management attention and resources to evaluate and make necessary changes. On September 27, 2010, the FDIC approved a final rule that, subject to certain conditions, preserved the safe-harbor treatment for legal isolation of transferred assets applicable to certain grandfathered revolving trusts and master trusts that had issued at least one series of asset-backed securities as of such date, which we believe included the Trust. The final rule imposes significant new conditions on the availability of the safe-harbor with respect to securitizations that are not grandfathered.

In addition, several rules and regulations have recently been proposed or adopted that may substantially affect issuers of asset-backed securities. On September 19, 2011, the SEC proposed a new rule under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, to implement certain provisions of the Reform Act. Under the proposed rule, an underwriter, placement agent, initial purchaser, or sponsor of an asset-backed security, or any affiliate of any such person, shall not at any time within one year after the first closing of the sale of the asset-backed security, engage in any transaction that would involve or result in any material conflict of interest with respect to any investor in a transaction arising out of such activity. The proposed rule would exempt certain risk-mitigating hedging activities, liquidity commitments, and bona fide market-making activity. It is not clear how the final rule will differ from the proposed rule, if at all. The final rule's impact on the securitization market and the Financial Services segment is also unclear at this time.

The JOBS Act was signed into law on April 5, 2012, and will implement extensive changes to the laws regulating private offerings of securities, including Rule 144A private offerings such as the private offerings of asset-backed securities of the Trust that WFB sponsors. On August 29, 2012, the SEC issued proposed regulations to amend Rule 144A to provide that securities may be offered pursuant to Rule 144A by means of general solicitation or general advertising, including to persons other than qualified institutional buyers, so long as the issuer reasonably believes that each ultimate purchaser is a qualified institutional buyer. The impact that the JOBS Act will have on the securitization market and the Financial Services segment is unclear at this time.

The Trust is structured to qualify for the exemption from the Investment Company Act provided by Investment Company Act Rule 3a-7. On August 31, 2011, the SEC issued an advance notice of proposed rulemaking regarding possible amendments to Investment Company Act Rule 3a-7. At this time, it is uncertain what form the related proposed and final rules will take, whether the Trust would continue to be eligible to rely on the exemption provided by Investment Company Act Rule 3a-7, and whether the Trust would qualify for any other Investment Company Act exemption.

On July 26, 2011, the SEC re-proposed certain rules for asset-backed securities offerings ("SEC Regulation AB II") which were originally proposed by the SEC on April 7, 2010. If adopted, SEC Regulation AB II would substantially change the disclosure, reporting, and offering process for private offerings of asset-backed securities that rely on the Rule 144A safe harbor, including the Trust's private offerings of asset-backed securities. As currently proposed, SEC Regulation AB II would, among other things, alter the safe harbor standards for private placements of asset-backed securities imposing informational requirements similar to those applicable to registered public offerings. The final form that SEC Regulation AB II may take is uncertain at this time, but it may impact the Financial Services segment's ability and/or desire to sponsor securitization transactions in the future.

On March 29, 2011, pursuant to the provisions of the Reform Act, the SEC, the Federal Reserve, the FDIC, and certain other federal agencies issued proposed regulations requiring securitization sponsors to retain an economic interest in assets that they securitize. Subject to certain exceptions, the proposed regulations would generally require the sponsor of a securitization transaction to retain at least 5% of the credit risk of the securitized assets and would provide securitization sponsors with a number of options for satisfying this requirement. Each of these options would require the sponsor to provide certain disclosures to investors a reasonable time prior to sale and upon request to the SEC and the sponsor's applicable federal banking regulator. In addition, the sponsor would be subject to certain prohibitions on hedging, transferring, or financing the retained credit risk. If adopted, the proposed regulations will likely affect most types of private securitization transactions, including those sponsored by the Financial Services segment. It is not clear how the final regulations will differ from the proposed regulations, if at all, or the impact of the final regulations on the Financial Services segment and its ability and willingness to continue to rely on the securitization market for funding.

On January 20, 2011, under provisions of the Reform Act, the SEC adopted rules that require issuers of asset-backed securities to disclose demand, repurchase, and replacement information through the periodic filing of a new form with the SEC. One of these rules requires rating agencies to disclose in any report accompanying a credit rating for an asset-backed security the representations, warranties, and enforcement mechanisms available to investors and how they differ from those in similar securities. Also pursuant to the provisions of the Reform Act, on January 20, 2011, the SEC issued rules that require issuers of registered asset-backed securities to perform a review of the assets underlying the securities and to publicly disclose information relating to the review. These rules also require issuers of asset-backed securities to make publicly available the findings and conclusions of any third-party due diligence report obtained by the issuer. It remains to be seen whether and to what extent the January 20, 2011, rules or any other final rules adopted by the SEC will impact the Financial Services segment and its ability and willingness to continue to rely on the securitization market for funding.

Operating, Investing and Financing Activities

The following table presents changes in our cash and cash equivalents for the years ended:

	 2012	(I)	2011 n Thousands)	 2010
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 234,629	\$	366,468	\$ 167,427
Net cash used in investing activities	(612,367)		(532,040)	(347,570)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	361,809		333,832	(265,623)

2012 versus 2011

Operating Activities – Cash from operating activities decreased \$132 million in 2012 compared to 2011. Inventories increased \$58 million at December 29, 2012, to \$553 million, compared to 2011, while inventories decreased \$14 million at December 31, 2011, compared to 2010, a net change of \$72 million. The increase in inventories in 2012 is primarily due to the addition of new retail stores. Comparing the respective periods, there were increases of \$96 million in income taxes and \$22 million in net credit card loans originated at Cabela's through our Retail and Direct businesses. In 2012, we paid \$137 million in income taxes compared to \$45 million in 2011. Offsetting these decreases in cash from operations comparing the respective periods were increases of \$30 million in accounts payable and accrued expenses, \$31 million in cash generated from operations, and \$35 million in accounts receivable and prepaid expenses.

Investing Activities – Cash used in investing activities increased \$80 million in 2012 compared to 2011. Cash paid for property and equipment additions totaled \$214 million in 2012 compared to \$127 million in 2011. At December 29, 2012, we estimated total capital expenditures for the development, construction, and completion of retail stores to approximate \$202 million through the next 12 months. We expect to fund these estimated capital expenditures with funds from operations.

The following table presents the growth of our retail stores, and the activity of economic development bonds related to the construction of these stores and related projects, for the years ended:

	2012			2011	
	(Dollars in Thousa			sands)	
Property and equipment additions Proceeds from retirements and maturities of economic development bonds	\$	214,267 3,151	\$	126,740 3,057	
Number of new retail stores opened during the year Number of retail stores at the end of the year Retail square footage at the end of the year		6 40 5,142,000		3 34 4,682,000	

Financing Activities – Cash provided by financing activities increased \$28 million in 2012 compared to 2011. This net change was primarily due to an increase in net borrowings on secured obligations of the Trust by the Financial Services segment of \$411 million. This increase was primarily offset by a decrease in time deposits, which the Financial Services segment utilizes to fund its credit card operations, of \$66 million in 2012, compared to \$470 million in 2011. At the end of 2012 and 2011, there were no amounts outstanding on our unsecured revolving credit facilities. During 2012, we repurchased shares of our common stock for \$29 million compared to \$20 million in 2011. We expect to repurchase our common stock in the future to offset future equity grants and to fund any repurchases with cash from operations.

The following table presents the borrowing activities of our merchandising business and the Financial Services segment for the years ended:

	2012		2011	
		(In Th	ousan	nds)
Borrowings (repayments) on revolving credit facilities and inventory				
financing, net	\$	(391)	\$	(57)
Secured borrowings (repayments) of the Trust, net		290,000		(121,400)
Issuances (repayments) of long-term debt, net of repayments		(8,387)		(230)
Total	\$	281,222	\$	(121,687)

The following table summarizes our availability under the Company's debt and credit facilities, excluding the facilities of the Financial Services segment, at the years ended:

		2012		2011
		(In The	ousan	ds)
Amounts available for borrowing under credit facilities (1)	\$	430,000	\$	430,000
Principal amounts outstanding		-		-
Outstanding letters of credit and standby letters of credit		(22,143)		(14,692)
Remaining borrowing capacity, excluding the				
Financial Services segment facilities	<u>\$</u>	407,857	\$	415,308

(1) Consists of our revolving credit facility of \$415 million and \$15 million CAD from the credit facility for our operations in Canada.

The Financial Services segment also has total borrowing availability of \$85 million under its agreements to borrow federal funds. At December 29, 2012, the entire \$85 million of borrowing capacity was available.

Our \$415 million unsecured credit agreement requires us to comply with certain financial and other customary covenants, including:

- a fixed charge coverage ratio (as defined) of no less than 2.00 to 1 as of the last day of any fiscal quarter for the most recently ended four fiscal quarters (as defined);
- a leverage ratio (as defined) of no more than 3.00 to 1 as of the last day of any fiscal quarter; and
- a minimum consolidated net worth standard (as defined).

In addition, our unsecured senior notes contain various covenants and restrictions that are usual and customary for transactions of this type. Also, the debt agreements contain cross default provisions to other outstanding credit facilities. In the event that we failed to comply with these covenants, a default would trigger and all principal and outstanding interest would immediately be due and payable. At December 29, 2012, we were in compliance with all financial covenants under our credit agreements and unsecured notes. We anticipate that we will continue to be in compliance with all financial covenants under our credit agreements and unsecured notes through the next 12 months.

Our \$15 million CAD unsecured revolving credit facility, set to expire June 30, 2013, was terminated January 31, 2013.

2011 versus 2010

Operating Activities – Cash derived from operating activities increased \$199 million in 2011 compared to 2010. Inventory decreased \$14 million in 2011, to a balance of \$495 million, compared to an increase of \$69 million in 2010, or to a balance of \$509 million. WFB paid cash out on a net basis of \$17 million for credit card loans originated at Cabela's through our Retail and Direct businesses. Accounts payable and accrued expenses increased \$71 million in 2011 compared to a decrease of \$2 million in 2010. These net increases were partially offset by a decrease of \$39 million in the provision for loan losses and an increase in prepaid expenses and other assets of \$23 million.

Investing Activities – Cash used in investing activities increased \$184 million in 2011 compared to 2010. WFB disbursed cash on a net basis for credit card loans originated externally at third parties totaling \$407 million in 2011 compared to \$281 million in 2010. Cash paid for property and equipment additions totaled \$127 million in 2011 compared to \$75 million in 2010. At December 31, 2011, we estimated total capital expenditures for the development, construction, and completion of retail stores to approximate \$80 million through the next 12 months. We expect to fund these estimated capital expenditures with funds from operations.

Financing Activities – Cash provided by financing activities improved \$599 million in 2011 compared to 2010. This net change was primarily due to an increase in time deposits, which WFB utilizes to fund its credit card operations, of \$470 million in 2011, compared to \$36 million in 2010. Also, net borrowings on secured obligations of the Trust by WFB increased \$168 million. At the end of 2011 and 2010, there were no amounts outstanding on our unsecured revolving credit facilities. In the fourth quarter of 2011, we repurchased 800,000 shares of our outstanding common stock in open market transactions at a cost of \$20 million.

Economic Development Bonds and Grants

In the past, we have negotiated economic development arrangements relating to the construction of a number of our new retail stores, including free land, monetary grants, and the recapture of incremental sales, property, or other taxes through economic development bonds, with many local and state governments. Where appropriate, we intend to continue to utilize economic development arrangements with state and local governments to offset some of the construction costs and improve the return on investment of our new retail stores.

Economic Development Bonds – Economic development bonds are related to the Company's government economic assistance arrangements relating to the construction of new retail stores or retail development. State or local governments may sell economic development bonds primarily to provide funding for the construction and equipping of our retail stores. In the past, we have primarily been the sole purchaser of these bonds. While purchasing these bonds involves an initial cash outlay by us in connection with a new store or property, some or all of these costs can be recaptured through the repayments of the bonds. The payments of principal and interest on the bonds are typically tied to sales, property, or lodging taxes generated from the store and, in some cases, from businesses in the surrounding area, over periods which range between 15 and 30 years. Some of our bonds may be repurchased for par value by the governmental entity prior to the maturity date of the bonds. The governmental entity from which we purchase the bonds is not otherwise liable for repayment of principal and interest on the bonds to the extent that the associated taxes are insufficient to pay the bonds. If sufficient tax revenue is not generated by the subject properties, we will not receive scheduled payments and will be unable to realize the full value of the bonds carried on our consolidated balance sheet. At December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, economic development bonds totaled \$85 million and \$87 million, respectively.

Grants – We generally have received grant funding in exchange for commitments made by us to the state or local government providing the funding. The commitments, such as assurance of agreed employment and wage levels at our retail stores or that the retail store will remain open, typically phase out over approximately five to ten years. If we fail to maintain the commitments during the applicable period, the funds we received may have to be repaid or other adverse consequences may arise, which could affect our cash flows and profitability. At December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, the total amount of grant funding subject to specific contractual remedies was \$7 million and \$10 million, respectively.

Securitization of Credit Card Loans

The Financial Services segment historically has funded most of its growth in credit card loans through an asset securitization program. The Financial Services segment utilizes the Trust for the purpose of routinely selling and securitizing credit card loans and issuing beneficial interest to investors. The Trust issues variable funding facilities and long-term notes each of which has an undivided interest in the assets of the Trust. The Financial Services segment must retain a minimum 20 day average of 5% of the loans in the securitization trust which ranks *pari passu* with the investors' interests in the securitization trusts. In addition, the Financial Services segment owns notes issued by the Trust from some of the securitizations, which in some cases may be subordinated to other notes issued. The Financial Services segment's retained interests are eliminated upon consolidation of the Trust. The consolidated assets of the Trust are subject to credit, payment, and interest rate risks on the transferred credit card loans. The credit card loans of the Trust are restricted for the repayment of the secured borrowings of the Trust.

To protect investors, the securitization structures include certain features that could result in earlier-thanexpected repayment of the securities, which could cause the Financial Services segment to sustain a loss of one or more of its retained interests and could prompt the need to seek alternative sources of funding. The primary investor protection feature relates to the availability and adequacy of cash flows in the securitized pool of loans to meet contractual requirements, the insufficiency of which triggers early repayment of the securities. The Financial Services segment refers to this as the "early amortization" feature. Investors are allocated cash flows derived from activities related to the accounts comprising the securitized pool of loans, the amounts of which reflect finance charges collected, certain fee assessments collected, allocations of interchange, and recoveries on charged off accounts. These cash flows are considered to be restricted under the governing documents to pay interest to investors, servicing fees, and to absorb the investor's share of charge-offs occurring within the securitized pool of loans. Any cash flows remaining in excess of these requirements are reported to investors as excess spread. An excess spread of less than zero percent for a contractually specified period, generally a three-month average, would trigger an early amortization event. Such an event could result in the Financial Services segment incurring losses related to its retained interests. In addition, if the retained interest in the loans of the Financial Services segment falls below the 5% minimum 20 day average and the Financial Services segment fails to add new accounts to the securitized pool of loans, an early amortization event would be triggered. The investors have no recourse to WFB's other assets for failure of debtors to pay other than for breaches of certain customary representations, warranties, and covenants. These representations, warranties, covenants, and the related indemnities do not protect the Trust or third party investors against credit-related losses on the loans.

Another feature, which is applicable to the notes issued from the Trust, is one in which excess cash flows generated by the transferred loans are held at the Trust for the benefit of the investors. This cash reserve account funding is triggered when the three-month average excess spread rate of the Trust decreases to below 4.50% or 5.50% (depending on the series) with increasing funding requirements as excess spread levels decline below preset levels or as contractually required by the governing documents. Similar to early amortization, this feature also is designed to protect the investors' interests from loss thus making the cash restricted. Upon scheduled maturity or early amortization of a securitization, the Financial Services segment is required to remit principal payments received on the securitized pool of loans to the Trust which are restricted for the repayment of the investors' principal note.

Series	Туре	Total vailable apacity (Dollars	 	ird Party Investor vailable Capacity housands)	J	ird Party nvestor itstanding	Interest Rate	Expected Maturity
Series 2010-I	Term	\$ 45,000	\$	-	\$	-	Fixed	January 2015
Series 2010-I	Term	255,000		255,000		255,000	Floating	January 2015
Series 2010-II	Term	165,000		127,500		127,500	Fixed	September 2015
Series 2010-II	Term	85,000		85,000		85,000	Floating	September 2015
Series 2011-II	Term	200,000		155,000		155,000	Fixed	June 2016
Series 2011-II	Term	100,000		100,000		100,000	Floating	June 2016
Series 2011-IV	Term	210,000		165,000		165,000	Fixed	October 2016
Series 2011-IV	Term	90,000		90,000		90,000	Floating	October 2016
Series 2012-I	Term	350,000		275,000		275,000	Fixed	February 2017
Series 2012-I	Term	150,000		150,000		150,000	Floating	February 2017
Series 2012-II	Term	375,000		300,000		300,000	Fixed	June 2017
Series 2012-II	Term	125,000		125,000		125,000	Floating	June 2017
Total term		2,150,000		1,827,500		1,827,500		
Series 2008-III	Variable Funding	260,115		225,000		-	Floating	March 2015
Series 2011-I	Variable Funding	352,941		300,000		-	Floating	March 2014
Series 2011-III	Variable Funding	 411,765		350,000		325,000	Floating	September 2014
Total variable		 1,024,821		875,000		325,000		
Total available		\$ 3,174,821	\$	2,702,500	\$	2,152,500		

The total amounts and maturities for our credit card securitizations as of December 29, 2012, were as follows:

We have been, and will continue to be, particularly reliant on funding from securitization transactions for the Financial Services segment. A failure to renew existing facilities or to add additional capacity on favorable terms as it becomes necessary could increase our financing costs and potentially limit our ability to grow the business of the Financial Services segment. Unfavorable conditions in the asset-backed securities markets generally, including the unavailability of commercial bank liquidity support or credit enhancements, could have a similar effect. During 2012, the Financial Services segment issued \$156 million in certificates of deposit, renewed its \$225 million variable funding facility for an additional year, and completed two \$500 million term securitizations that will mature in February and June of 2017. In 2013, the Financial Services segment intends to issue additional certificates of deposit and additional term securitizations. We believe that these liquidity sources are sufficient to fund the Financial Services segment's foreseeable cash requirements, including certificate of deposit maturities, and near-term growth plans.

Furthermore, the securitized credit card loans of the Financial Services segment could experience poor performance, including increased delinquencies and credit losses, lower payment rates, or a decrease in excess spreads below certain thresholds. This could result in a downgrade or withdrawal of the ratings on the outstanding securities issued in the Financial Services segment's securitization transactions, cause "early amortization" of these securities, or result in higher required credit enhancement levels. Credit card loans performed within established guidelines and no events which could trigger an "early amortization" occurred during the years ended December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011.

Certificates of Deposit

The Financial Services segment utilizes brokered and non-brokered certificates of deposit to partially finance its operating activities. The Financial Services segment issues certificates of deposit in a minimum amount of one hundred thousand dollars in various maturities. At December 29, 2012, the Financial Services segment had \$1.0 billion of certificates of deposit outstanding with maturities ranging from January 2013 to December 2018 and with a weighted average effective annual fixed rate of 2.22%. This outstanding balance compares to \$982 million at December 31, 2011, with a weighted average effective annual fixed rate of 2.53%.

Impact of Inflation

We do not believe that our operating results have been materially affected by inflation during the preceding three years. We cannot assure, however, that our operating results will not be adversely affected by inflation in the future.

Contractual Obligations and Other Commercial Commitments

The following tables provide summary information concerning our future contractual obligations at December 29, 2012.

	 2013	_	2014	_	2015	_	2016		2017	Т	hereafter	Total
				_		(In	Thousands)				
Long-term debt (1)	\$ 8,143	\$	8,143	\$	8,143	\$	223,143	\$	68,143	\$	8,142	\$ 323,857
Interest payments on									i.			
long-term debt (2)	19,809		19,182		18,579		11,553		2,997		293	72,413
Capital lease obligations	1,000		1,000		1,000		1,000		1,000		18,500	23,500
Operating leases	11,896		12,392		11,924		11,191		11,038		150,961	209,402
Time deposits by												,
maturity	367,350		297,628		199,314		152,078		26,164	, і	5,484	1,048,018
Interest payments on					÷						-	
time deposits	20,109		11,601		7,142		27,703		5,990		162	72,707
Secured long-term												
obligations of the												
Trust	-				467,500		510,000		850,000		-	1,827,500
Interest payments on												
secured obligations												
of the Trust (2)	27,057		27,057		22,256		16,241		3,537		-	96,148
Obligations under retail												
store arrangements (3)	143,012		60,463		266		276		282		4,758	209,057
Purchase obligations (4)	678,440		11,763		5,733		4,271		1,237		306	701,750
Unrecognized tax												
benefits (5)	 				-		-		-		39,252	39,252
Total	\$ 1,276,816	\$	449,229	\$	741,857	\$	957,456	\$	970,388	\$	227,858	\$ 4,623,604
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(1) Excludes amounts owed under capital lease obligations.

(2) These amounts do not include estimated interest payments due under our revolving credit facilities or our secured variable funding obligations because the amount that will be borrowed under these facilities in future years is uncertain.

(3) Includes approximately \$202 million of estimated contractual obligations and commitments associated with projected new retail store-related expansion. The table does not include any amounts for contractual obligations associated with retail store locations where we are in the process of certain negotiations.

(4) Our purchase obligations relate primarily to purchases of inventory, shipping, and other goods and services in the ordinary course of business under binding purchase orders or contracts. The amount of purchase obligations shown is based on assumptions regarding the legal enforceability against us of purchase orders or contracts we had outstanding at the end of 2012. Under different assumptions regarding our rights to cancel our purchase orders or contracts, or different assumptions regarding the enforceability of the purchase orders or contracts under applicable laws, the amount of purchase obligations shown in the preceding table would be less.

(5) Amounts for unrecognized tax benefits are not reflected in years 2013 through 2017 since the ultimate amount and timing of any future cash settlements cannot be predicted with reasonable certainty.

The following table provides summary information concerning other commercial commitments at December 29, 2012:

	<u>(In Thousands)</u>
Letters of credit (1)	\$ 15,712
Standby letters of credit (1)	6,431
Revolving line of credit for boat and ATV inventory (2)	133
Cabela's issued letters of credit	55,455
Bank – federal funds (3)	-
Secured variable funding obligations of the Trust (4)	325,000
Total	<u>\$ 402,731</u>

⁽¹⁾ Our credit agreement allows for maximum borrowings of \$415 million including lender letters of credit and standby letters of credit. At December 29, 2012, the total amount of borrowings under this revolving line of credit was \$15 million, which consisted of lender letters of credit and standby letters of credit. Our credit agreement for operations in Canada is for \$15 million CAD, of which all was available for borrowing at December 29, 2012.

- (2) The line of credit for boat and all-terrain vehicles financing is limited by the aforementioned \$415 million revolving line of credit to \$100 million of secured collateral.
- (3) The maximum amount that can be borrowed on the federal funds agreements is \$85 million.
- (4) The maximum amount that can be borrowed from third party investors on the variable funding facilities is \$875 million.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

Operating Leases – We lease various items of office equipment and buildings. Rent expense for these operating leases is recorded in selling, distribution, and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of income. Future obligations are shown in the preceding contractual obligations table.

Credit Card Limits – The Financial Services segment bears off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of its business. One form of this risk is through the Financial Services segment's commitment to extend credit to cardholders up to the maximum amount of their credit limits. The aggregate of such potential funding requirements totaled \$21 billion above existing balances at the end of 2012. These funding obligations are not included in our consolidated balance sheet. While the Financial Services segment has not experienced, and does not anticipate that it will experience, a significant draw down of unfunded credit lines by its cardholders, such an event would create a cash need at the Financial Services segment which likely could not be met by our available cash and funding sources. The Financial Services segment has the right to reduce or cancel these available lines of credit at any time.

Critical Accounting Policies and Use of Estimates

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America which requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Management has discussed the development, selection, and disclosure of critical accounting policies and estimates with the Audit Committee of Cabela's Board of Directors. While our estimates and assumptions are based on our knowledge of current events and actions we may undertake in the future, actual results may ultimately differ from our estimates and assumptions. Our estimation processes contain uncertainties because they require management to make assumptions and apply judgment to make these estimates. Should actual results be different than our estimates, we could be exposed to gains or losses from differences that may be material.

For a summary of our significant accounting policies, please refer to Note 1 of our consolidated financial statements. We believe the accounting policies discussed below represent accounting policies we apply that are the most critical to understanding our consolidated financial statements.

Merchandise Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized on our Direct sales when merchandise is delivered to the customer at the point of delivery, with the point of delivery based on our estimate of shipping time from our distribution centers to the customer. We recognize reserves for estimated product returns based upon our historical return experience and expectations. Had our estimate of merchandise in-transit to customers and our estimate of product returns been different by 10% at the end of 2012, our operating income would have been higher or lower by approximately \$0.7 million. Sales of gift instruments are recorded in merchandise revenue when the gift instruments are redeemed in exchange for merchandise or services and as a liability prior to redemption. We recognize breakage on gift instruments as revenue when the probability of redemption is remote. Had our estimate of breakage on our recorded liability for gift instruments been different by 10% of the recorded liability at the end of 2012, our merchandise revenue would have been higher or lower by approximately \$0.7 million.

Inventories

We estimate provisions for inventory shrinkage, damaged goods returned values, and obsolete and slowmoving items based on historical loss and product performance statistics and future merchandising objectives. Had our estimated inventory reserves been different by 10% at the end of 2012, our cost of sales would have been higher or lower by approximately \$1.2 million.

Allowance for Loan Losses on Credit Cards

The allowance for loan losses represents management's estimate of probable losses inherent in the credit card loan portfolio. The allowance for loan losses is established through a charge to the provision for loan losses and is regularly evaluated by management for adequacy. Loans on a payment plan or non-accrual are segmented from the rest of the credit card loan portfolio into a restructured credit card loan segment before establishing an allowance for loan losses as these loans have a higher probability of loss. Management estimates losses inherent in the credit card loans segment and restructured credit card loans segment before establishing an allowance for loan losses as these loans have a higher probability of loss. Management estimates losses inherent in the credit card loans segment and restructured credit card loans segment based on a model which tracks historical loss experience on delinquent accounts, bankruptcies, death, and charge-offs, net of estimated recoveries. The Financial Services segment uses a migration analysis and historical bankruptcy and death rates to estimate the likelihood that a credit card loan will progress through the various stages of delinquency and to charge-off. This analysis estimates the gross amount of principal that will be charged off over the next 12 months, net of recoveries. This estimate is used to derive an estimated allowance for loan losses. In addition to these methods of measurement, management also considers other factors such as general economic and business conditions affecting key lending areas, credit concentration, changes in origination and portfolio management, and credit quality trends. Since the evaluation of the inherent loss with respect to these factors is subject to a high degree of uncertainty, the measurement of the overall allowance is subject to estimation risk, and the amount of actual losses can vary significantly from the

estimated amounts. For example, had management's estimate of net losses over the next 12 months been different by 10% at the end of 2012, the Financial Services segment's allowance for loan losses and provision for loan losses would have changed by approximately \$7 million.

Credit card loans that have been modified through a fixed payment plan or placed on non-accrual are considered impaired and are collectively evaluated for impairment. The Financial Services segment charges off credit card loans and restructured credit card loans on a daily basis after an account becomes at a minimum 130 days contractually delinquent. Accounts relating to cardholder bankruptcies, cardholder deaths, and fraudulent transactions are charged off earlier. The Financial Services segment recognizes charged-off cardholder fees and accrued interest receivable in interest and fee income that is included in Financial Services revenue.

Long-Lived Assets

Long-lived assets other than goodwill and other intangible assets, which generally are tested separately for impairment on an annual basis, are evaluated for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. The calculation for an impairment loss compares the carrying value of the asset to that asset's estimated fair value, which may be based on estimated future discounted cash flows, observable market prices, or unobservable market prices. We recognize an impairment loss if the asset's carrying value exceeds its estimated fair value. Frequently our impairment loss calculations contain multiple uncertainties because they require management to make assumptions and to apply judgment to estimate future cash flows and asset fair values, including forecasting cash flows under different scenarios. We have consistently applied our accounting methodologies that we use to assess impairment loss. However, if actual results are not consistent with our estimates and assumptions used in estimating future cash flows and asset fair values, we may be exposed to losses that could be material.

Economic Development Bonds

Economic development bonds are generally repaid through incremental sales and/or property tax revenues generated from our retail store locations or additional developments in the local development or tax increment financing district. Each quarter we revalue each economic development bond using discounted cash flow models based on available market interest rates and management estimates, including the estimated amounts and timing of expected future tax payments to be received by the municipalities under development zones. Each quarter, we also evaluate the projected underlying cash flows of our economic development bonds to determine if the carrying amount of any such bonds, including interest accrued under the bonds, can be recovered. To the extent the expected cash flows are not sufficient to recover the carrying amount, the bonds are assessed for impairment. Deficiencies in projected discounted cash flows below the recorded carrying amount of the economic development bonds evidences that we do not expect to recover the cost basis. Consequently, the valuation results in an other-thantemporary impairment. We also reassess the amount of grant income that will ultimately be received. Accordingly, the cumulative amount of depreciation expense that would be recognized to date as an expense in the absence of the grant income is recognized immediately as an expense. Had our fair value estimates been lower by 10% as of the end of 2012, the value of economic development bonds reflected in our consolidated financial statements would have been approximately \$9 million less with the unrealized loss reflected in comprehensive income if the loss was deemed to be temporary. Any declines in the fair value of available-for-sale economic development bonds below cost that are deemed to be other than temporary are reflected in earnings as realized losses.

Recent Accounting Standards and Pronouncements

Effective June 16, 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU No. 2011-05, *Comprehensive Income*, requiring entities to report components of other comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement or in two separate but consecutive statements of net income and other comprehensive income. This ASU does not change the items that must be reported in comprehensive income, how these items are measured, or when these items must be classified to net income. Effective with the first quarter of 2012, we have provided herein the required financial reporting presentation pursuant to ASU 2011-05.

On February 5, 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-02, *Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*, which adds additional disclosure requirements relating to the reclassification of items out of accumulated other comprehensive income. This ASU is effective for the first quarter of 2013.

Effective September 15, 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-08, *Testing Goodwill for Impairment*, which gives companies testing goodwill for impairment the option of performing a qualitative assessment before calculating the fair value of a reporting unit in step one of the goodwill impairment test. If companies determine, based on qualitative factors, that the fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not less than the carrying amount, the two-step impairment test would be required. Otherwise, further testing would not be needed. ASU 2011-08 was effective for the first quarter of 2012 for the Company. The value of our goodwill was not affected by the adoption of the provisions of this ASU.

The FASB issued ASU No. 2011-04, Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs, to improve comparability of fair value measurements between statements presented in U.S. GAAP and IFRS. This ASU, which was effective for the first quarter of 2012 for the Company, provided additional explanation on how to measure fair value but did not require additional fair value measurements. Certain amendments in this ASU require the assessment of additional disclosures regarding the measurement of fair value. The adoption of this ASU did not have a significant impact on our fair value measurements.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are exposed to interest rate risk through the operations of the Financial Services segment, and, to a lesser extent, through our merchandising operations. We also are exposed to foreign currency risk through our merchandising operations.

Financial Services Segment Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk refers to changes in earnings due to interest rate changes. To the extent that interest income collected on credit card loans and interest expense on certificates of deposit and secured borrowings do not respond equally to changes in interest rates, or that rates do not change uniformly, earnings could be affected. The variable rate credit card loans are indexed to the one month London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") and the credit card portfolio is segmented into risk-based pricing tiers each with a different interest margin. Variable rate secured borrowings are indexed to LIBOR-based rates of interest and are periodically repriced. Certificates of deposit and fixed rate secured borrowings are priced at the current prevailing market rate at the time of issuance. We manage and mitigate our interest rate sensitivity through several techniques, but primarily by indexing the customer rates to the same index as our cost of funds. Additional techniques we use include managing the maturity, repricing, and mix of fixed and variable assets and liabilities by issuing fixed rate secured borrowings or certificates of deposit and entering into interest rate swaps.

The table below shows the mix of our credit card account balances as a percentage of total balances outstanding at the years ended:

	2012	2011	2010
Balances carrying an interest rate based upon various			
interest rate indices	62.3%	61.7%	61.9%
Balances carrying an interest rate of 9.99%	4.2	4.1	3.9
Balances carrying a promotional interest rate of 0.00%	0.2	0.2	0.2
Balances not carrying interest because the previous			
month balance was paid in full	33.3	34.0	34.0
	100.0%	<u>100.0</u> %	100.0%

Charges on the credit cards issued by the Financial Services segment were priced at a margin over various defined lending rates. No interest is charged if the account is paid in full within 25 days of the billing cycle, which represented 33.3% of total balances outstanding at the end of 2012. Some of the zero percentage promotion expenses are passed through to the merchandise vendors for each specific promotion offered.

Management has performed several interest rate risk analyses to measure the effects of the timing of the repricing of our interest sensitive assets and liabilities. Based on these analyses, we believe that an immediate decrease of 50 basis points, or 0.5%, in LIBOR interest charged to customers and on our cost of funds would cause a pre-tax decrease to earnings of \$3 million for the Financial Services segment over the next twelve months.

Merchandising Business Interest Rate Risk

The interest payable on our line of credit is based on variable interest rates and therefore affected by changes in market interest rates. If interest rates on existing variable rate debt increased 1.0%, our interest expense and results from operations and cash flows would not be materially affected.

Foreign Currency Risk

We purchase a significant amount of inventory from vendors outside of the United States in transactions that are primarily U. S. dollar transactions. A small percentage of our international purchase transactions are in currencies other than the U. S. dollar. Any currency risks related to these transactions are immaterial to us. A decline in the relative value of the U. S. dollar to other foreign currencies could, however, lead to increased merchandise costs. For our retail operations in Canada, we intend to fund all transactions in Canadian dollars and utilize our unsecured revolving credit agreement of \$15 million CAD to fund such operations as well as the utilization of cash held by our foreign subsidiary.

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ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Cabela's Incorporated and Subsidiaries Sidney, Nebraska

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Cabela's Incorporated and Subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 29, 2012 and December 31, 2011, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 29, 2012. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15. These financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements and financial statement schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Cabela's Incorporated and Subsidiaries as of December 29, 2012 and December 31, 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 29, 2012, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

As discussed in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, on January 3, 2010, the Company prospectively adopted the accounting standards Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 810, *Consolidations*, and ASC Topic 860, *Transfers and Servicing*, which resulted in the consolidation of the Cabela's Master Credit Card Trust and related entities.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 29, 2012, based on criteria established in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 19, 2013, expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Omaha, Nebraska February 19, 2013

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

			F	iscal Years		
		2012		2011		2010
Revenue:						
Merchandise sales	\$	2,778,903	\$	2,505,733	\$	2,412,486
Financial Services revenue		319,399		291,746		227,675
Other revenue		14,380		13,687		23,081
Total revenue		3,112,682		2,811,166		2,663,242
Cost of revenue:						
Merchandise costs		1,769,161		1,613,241		1,566,165
Cost of other revenue		637		8		9,284
Total cost of revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)		1,769,798		1,613,249		1,575,449
Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses		1,046,861		954,125		895,405
Impairment and restructuring charges		20,324		12,244		5,626
Operating income		275,699		231,548		186,762
Interest expense, net		(20,123)		(24,427)		(27,442)
Other non-operating income, net		6,138		7,346		7,360
Income before provision for income taxes		261,714		214,467		166,680
Provision for income taxes		88,201		71,847		54,521
Net income	\$	173,513	<u>\$</u>	142,620	<u>\$</u>	112,159
Earnings per basic share	<u>\$</u>	2.48	<u>\$</u>	2.06	\$	1.65
Earnings per diluted share	\$	2.42	\$	2.00	\$	1.62
Basic weighted average shares outstanding		69,856,258		69,194,663		67,791,782
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		71,709,873		71,274,242		69,086,533

Refer to notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (In Thousands)

			Fi	scal Years	
	_	2012		2011	 2010
Net income	\$	173,513	\$	142,620	\$ 112,159
Other comprehensive income (loss):					
Effect of adopting ASC Topics 810 and 860, net of tax		-		-	(3,650)
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(1,105)		(388)	793
Unrealized gain (loss) on economic development bonds, net of taxes					
of \$2,035, \$3,225, and \$(390)		3,779		5,865	(694)
Cash flow hedges, net of taxes of \$70, \$(89), and \$2		137		(170)	 10
Total other comprehensive income		2,811		5,307	(3,541)
Comprehensive income	<u>\$</u>	176,324	\$	147,927	\$ 108,618

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Dollars in Thousands Except Par Values)

	December 29, 2012	December 31 2011
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 288,750	\$ 304,679
Restricted cash of the Trust	17,292	18,296
Accounts receivable, net	46,081	47,127
Credit card loans (includes restricted credit card loans of the Trust of \$3,523,133 and \$3,142,151), net of allowance for loan losses of \$65,600 and \$73,350	3,497,472	3,094,163
Inventories	552,575	494,828
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	132,694	146,479
Income taxes receivable and deferred income taxes	54,164	5,709
Total current assets	4,589,028	
		4,111,281
Property and equipment, net	1,021,656	866,899
Land held for sale	23,448	38,393
Economic development bonds	85,041	86,563
Other assets	28,990	30,635
Total assets	<u>\$ 5,748,163</u>	<u>\$ </u>
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Accounts payable, including unpresented checks of \$28,928 and \$19,124	\$ 285,039	\$ 266,793
Gift instruments, credit card rewards and loyalty rewards programs	262,653	227,414
Accrued expenses	180,906	143,69:
Time deposits	367,350	88,40
Current maturities of secured variable funding obligations of the Trust	325,000	460,000
Current maturities of secured long-term obligations of the Trust	-	425,000
Current maturities of long-term debt	8,402	8,383
Total current liabilities	1,429,350	1,619,690
Long-term time deposits	680,668	893,912
Secured long-term obligations of the Trust, less current maturities	1,827,500	977,500
Long-term debt, less current maturities	328,133	336,535
Deferred income taxes	10,571	26,367
Other long-term liabilities	95,962	98,451
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; Authorized - 10,000,000 shares; Issued - none	-	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value:		
Class A Voting, Authorized – 245,000,000 shares;		
Issued - 70,545,558 and 69,641,818 shares		
Dutstanding - 70,053,144 and 68,840,883 shares	705	696
Additional paid-in capital	351,161	334,925
Retained earnings	1,036,427	862,914
Accumulated other comprehensive income	5,542	2,731
Freasury stock, at cost - 492,414 and 800,935 shares	(17,856)	(19,95)
Total stockholders' equity	1,375,979	1,181,316
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 5,748,163	\$ 5,133,771

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

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(In Thousands)

		Fiscal Years	
	2012	2011	2010
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income	\$ 173,513	\$ 142,620	\$ 112,159
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	79,269	71,343	69,872
Impairment and restructuring charges	20,324	11,309	5,626
Stock-based compensation	13,733	12,911	11,198
Deferred income taxes	(15,472)	35,073	19,407
Provision for loan losses	42,760	39,287	66,814
Other, net	(2,352)	(3,722)	(2,081)
Change in operating assets and liabilities, net:			
Accounts receivable	4,485	(1,265)	(17,623)
Credit card loans originated from internal operations, net	(39,261)	(17,276)	(49,415)
Inventories	(57,747)	14,270	(73,217)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	6,403	(22,759)	24,121
Land held for sale	(3,870)	(227)	8,032
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	29,830	70,952	(1,629)
Gift certificates, credit card rewards, and loyalty rewards programs	35,239	24,873	18,626
Other long-term liabilities	(1,335)	(5,412)	9,738
Income taxes receivable	(50,890)	(5,509)	(34,201)
Net cash provided by operating activities	234,629	366,468	167,427
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Property and equipment additions	(214,267)	(126,740)	(75,349)
Proceeds from dispositions of property and equipment	1,089	47	3,025
Change in credit card loans originated externally, net	(406,808)	(406,863)	(280,924)
Change in restricted cash of the Trust, net	1,004	242	846
Proceeds from retirement and maturity of economic development bonds	3,151	3,057	7,214
Purchases of held-to-maturity investment securities	-	(197,999)	(349,738)
Maturities of held-to-maturity investment securities	-	197,999	350,000
Other investing changes, net	3,464	(1,783)	(2,644)
Net cash used in investing activities	(612,367)	(532,040)	(347,570)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Change in unpresented checks net of bank balance	9,804	(8,103)	(17,167)
Change in time deposits, net	65,705	469,562	36,088
Borrowings on secured obligations of the Trust	2,730,000	2,238,000	1,110,500
Repayments on secured obligations of the Trust	(2,440,000)	(2,359,400)	(1,399,500)
Borrowings on revolving credit facilities and inventory financing	453,355	646,132	477,514
-	(453,746)	(646,189)	(483,335)
Repayments on revolving credit facilities and inventory financing	(8,387)	(230)	(405,555) (225)
Payments on long-term debt	20,706	12,869	8,168
Exercise of employee stock options and employee stock purchase plan issuances, net			0,100
Purchase of treasury stock	(28,977)	(20,287)	. 1.620
Excess tax benefits from exercise of employee stock options	13,349	3,438	1,620
Other financing changes, net	-	(1,960)	714
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	361,809	333,832	(265,623)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(15,929)	168,260	(445,766)
Cash and cash equivalents, at beginning of year	304,679	136,419	582,185
Cash and cash equivalents, at end of year	<u>\$ 288,750</u>	<u>\$ 304,679</u>	<u>\$ 136,419</u>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (Dollars in Thousands)

	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Treasury Stock	Total
BALANCE, beginning of 2010	67,287,575	\$ 673	\$ 285,490	\$ 697,293	\$ 965	\$ -	\$ 984,421
Effect of adopting ASC Topics 810 and 860, net of tax				(89,158)	(3,650)		(92,808)
Net income	-	-	-	112,159	-	-	112,159
Other comprehensive income					109		109
Stock-based compensation	-	-	10,879	-	-		10,879
Employee stock purchase plan issuances	130,034	1	2,220	-		-	2,221
Exercise of employee stock options	738,545	7	5,940	. - .	-	-	5,947
Excess tax benefit on employee stock option exercises	_		1,620	-	-	с	1,620
BALANCE, end of 2010	68,156,154	681	306,149	720,294	(2,576)		1,024,548
Net income	-	-	-	142,620		-	142,620
Other comprehensive income					5,307		5,307
Common stock repurchased					- ,	(20,287)	(20,287)
Stock-based compensation	-	-	12,484	-	-		12,484
Exercise of employee stock options and tax withholdings on share-based	1 495 664	16	10.054			-	
payment awards	1,485,664	15	12,854	-	-	337	13,206
Excess tax benefit on employee stock option exercises	-		3,438	-	-	-	3,438
BALANCE, end of 2011	69,641,818	696	334,925	862,914	2,731	(19,950)	1,181,316
Net income	-	-	-	173,513	-	-	173,513
Other comprehensive income					2,811	-	2,811
Common stock repurchased						(28,977)	(28,977)
Stock-based compensation	-	-	13,261	-	-	-	13,261
Exercise of employee stock options and tax withholdings on share-based	1, 			· .		· · · · · ·	
payment awards	903,740	9	(10,374)	-	-	31,071	20,706
Excess tax benefit on employee stock option exercises	· · · -		13,349	-	-	-	13,349
BALANCE, end of 2012	70,545,558	\$ 705	\$ 351,161	\$ 1,036,427	\$ 5,542	<u>\$ (17,856</u>)	\$ 1,375,979

1. NATURE OF BUSINESS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Business – Cabela's Incorporated is a retailer of hunting, fishing, and outdoor gear, offering products through its retail stores, the Internet, and regular and special catalog mailings. Cabela's operates 40 retail stores, 37 located in 24 states and three located in Canada. World's Foremost Bank ("WFB," "Financial Services segment," or "Cabela's CLUB"), a wholly-owned bank subsidiary of Cabela's, is a limited purpose bank formed under the Competitive Equality Banking Act of 1987. The lending activities of WFB are limited to credit card lending and its deposit issuance is limited to time deposits of at least one hundred thousand dollars.

Principles of Consolidation – The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Cabela's Incorporated and its wholly-owned subsidiaries ("Cabela's," "Company," "we," "our," or "us"). All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. We evaluated the guidance of Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topics 810, *Consolidations*, and 860, *Transfers and Servicing*, and concluded that WFB is the primary beneficiary of the Cabela's Master Credit Card Trust and related entities (collectively referred to as the "Trust"). Accordingly, we consolidated the Trust effective January 3, 2010, and for all subsequent years through December 29, 2012. As the servicer and the holder of retained interests in the Trust, WFB has the powers to direct the activities that most significantly impact the Trust's economic performance and the right to receive significant benefits or obligations to absorb significant losses of the Trust. The consolidation of the Trust eliminated retained interests in securitized loans and required the establishment of an allowance for loan losses on the securitized credit card loans. The credit card loans of the Trust are recorded as restricted credit card loans and the liabilities of the Trust are recorded as secured borrowings.

Evaluation of Subsequent Events – Management of the Company evaluated subsequent events through the filing date of this Form 10-K and determined that there were no subsequent events to recognize or disclose in the consolidated financial statements presented herein.

Reporting Year – The Company's fiscal year ends on the Saturday nearest to December 31. Unless otherwise stated, the fiscal years referred to in the notes to these consolidated financial statements are the 52 weeks ended December 29, 2012 ("2012" or "year ended 2012"), the 52 weeks ended December 31, 2011 ("2011" or "year ended 2011"), and the 52 weeks ended January 1, 2011 ("2010" or "year ended 2010"). WFB follows a calendar fiscal period so fiscal years end on December 31 with years 2010 through 2012 each consisting of 52 weeks.

Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Revenue Recognition –Revenue is recognized for retail store sales at the time of the sale in the store and for Direct sales when the merchandise is delivered to the customer. The Company recognizes a reserve for estimated product returns based on our historical returns experience. Shipping fees charged to customers are included in merchandise sales and shipping costs are included in merchandise costs.

Revenue from the sale of gift certificates, gift cards, and e-certificates ("gift instruments") is recognized in revenue when the gift instruments are redeemed for merchandise or services. The Company records gift instrument breakage as revenue when the probability of redemption is remote. The Company recognizes breakage on gift instruments four years after issuance based on historical redemption rates. Total gift instrument breakage was \$7,576, \$6,985, and \$4,839 for 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. Cabela's gift instrument liability at the end of 2012 and 2011 was \$134,566 and \$118,361, respectively.

Financial Services revenue includes credit card interest and fees relating to late payments, payments made with a customer service representative, payment assurance, foreign currency transactions, and cash advance transactions. Interest and fees are accrued in accordance with the terms of the applicable cardholder agreements on credit card loans until the date of charge-off unless placed on non-accrual and fixed payment plans. Interchange income is earned when a charge is made to a customer's account.

Cost of Revenue and Selling, Distribution, and Administrative Expenses – The Company's cost of revenue primarily consists of merchandise acquisition costs, including freight-in costs, as well as shipping costs. The Company's selling, distribution, and administrative expenses consist of the costs associated with selling, marketing, warehousing, retail store replenishment, and other operating expense activities. All depreciation and amortization expense is associated with selling, distribution, and administrative administrative activities, and accordingly, is included in this same category on the consolidated statements of operations.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – Cash equivalents include credit card and debit card receivables from other banks, which settle within one to four business days. Receivables from other banks totaled \$19,735 and \$10,677 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. Unpresented checks, net of available cash bank balances, are classified as current liabilities. Cash and cash equivalents of the Financial Services segment were \$91,365 and \$117,035 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. Due to regulatory restrictions on WFB, the Company cannot use WFB's cash for non-banking operations.

Credit Card Loans – Credit card loans are reported at their principal amounts outstanding less the allowance for loan losses. As part of collection efforts, a credit card loan may be closed and placed on non-accrual or restructured in a fixed payment plan prior to charge-off. The fixed payment plans consist of a lower interest rate, reduced minimum payment, and elimination of fees. Loans on fixed payment plans include loans in which the customer has engaged a consumer credit counseling agency to assist them in managing their debt. Customers who miss two consecutive payments once placed on a payment plan or non-accrual will resume accruing interest at the rate they had accrued at before they were placed on a plan. Interest and fees are accrued in accordance with the terms of the applicable cardholder agreements on credit card loans until the date of charge-off unless placed on non-accrual. Payments received on non-accrual loans are applied to principal. The Financial Services segment does not record any liabilities for off-balance sheet risk of unfunded commitments through the origination of unsecured credit card loans.

The direct credit card account origination costs associated with costs of successful credit card originations incurred in transactions with independent third parties, and certain other costs incurred in connection with credit card approvals, are deferred credit card origination costs included in credit card loans and are amortized on a straight-line basis over 12 months. Other account solicitation costs, including printing, list processing, and postage are expensed as solicitation occurs.

Allowance for Loan Losses – The allowance for loan losses represents management's estimate of probable losses inherent in the credit card loan portfolio. The allowance for loan losses is established through a charge to the provision for loan losses and is regularly evaluated by management for adequacy. Loans on a payment plan or non-accrual are segmented from the rest of the credit card loan portfolio into a restructured credit card loan segment before establishing an allowance for loan losses as these loans have a higher probability of loss. Management estimates losses inherent in the credit card loans segment and restructured credit card loans segment based on a model which tracks historical loss experience on delinquent accounts, bankruptcies, death, and charge-offs, net of estimate the likelihood that a credit card loan will progress through the various stages of delinquency and to charge-off. This analysis estimates the gross amount of principal that will be charged off over the next 12 months, net of recoveries. This estimate is used to derive an estimated allowance for loan losses. In addition to these methods of measurement, management also considers other factors such as general economic and business

conditions affecting key lending areas, credit concentration, changes in origination and portfolio management, and credit quality trends. Since the evaluation of the inherent loss with respect to these factors is subject to a high degree of uncertainty, the measurement of the overall allowance is subject to estimation risk, and the amount of actual losses can vary significantly from the estimated amounts.

Credit card loans that have been modified through a fixed payment plan or placed on non-accrual are considered impaired and are collectively evaluated for impairment. The Financial Services segment charges off credit card loans and restructured credit card loans on a daily basis after an account becomes at a minimum 130 days contractually delinquent. Accounts relating to cardholder bankruptcies, cardholder deaths, and fraudulent transactions are charged off earlier. The Financial Services segment recognizes charged-off cardholder fees and accrued interest receivable in interest and fee income that is included in Financial Services revenue.

Inventories – Inventories are stated at the lower of average cost or market. All inventories are finished goods. The reserve for inventory shrinkage, estimated based on cycle counts and physical inventories, was \$6,029 and \$5,412 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. The reserves for returns of damaged goods, obsolescence, and slow-moving items, estimated based upon historical experience, inventory aging, and specific identification, were \$5,602 and \$6,735 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Vendor Allowances – Vendor allowances include price allowances, volume rebates, store opening costs reimbursements, marketing participation, and advertising reimbursements received from vendors under vendor contracts. Vendor merchandise allowances are recognized as a reduction of the costs of merchandise as sold. Vendor reimbursements of costs are recorded as a reduction to expense in the period the related cost is incurred based on actual costs incurred. Any cost reimbursements exceeding expenses incurred are recognized as a reduction of the cost of merchandise sold. Volume allowances may be estimated based on historical purchases and estimates of projected purchases.

Deferred Catalog Costs and Advertising – Advertising production costs are expensed as the advertising occurs except for catalog costs which are amortized over the expected period of benefit estimated at three to 12 months after mailing. Unamortized catalog costs totaled \$7,713 and \$13,235 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. Advertising expense, including direct marketing costs (amortization of catalog costs and website marketing paid search fees), was \$201,456, \$186,142, and \$179,008 for 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. Advertising vendor reimbursements netted in advertising expense above totaled \$3,049, \$919, and \$1,501 for 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively.

Store Pre-opening Expenses – Non-capital costs associated with the opening of new stores are expensed as incurred.

Leases – The Company leases certain retail locations, distribution centers, office space, equipment and land. Assets held under capital lease are included in property and equipment. Operating lease rentals are expensed on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease. At the inception of a lease, the Company determines the lease term by assuming the exercise of those renewal options that are reasonably assured because of the significant economic penalty that exists for not exercising those options. The exercise of lease renewal options is at the Company's sole discretion. The expected lease term is used to determine whether a lease is capital or operating and is used to calculate straight-line rent expense. Additionally, the depreciable life of buildings and leasehold improvements is limited by the expected lease term.

Property and Equipment – Property and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation and amortization are provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets, including assets held under capital leases, on a straight-line basis. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the lease term or, if shorter, the useful lives of the improvements. Assets held under capital lease agreements are amortized using the straight-line method over the

shorter of the estimated useful lives of the assets or the lease term. When property is fully depreciated, retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any resulting gain or loss is reflected in the consolidated statement of income. The costs of major improvements that extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Capitalized interest on projects during the construction period totaled \$2,798, \$126, and \$124 for 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. Costs related to internally developed software are capitalized and amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives.

Intangible Assets – Intangible assets are recorded in other assets and include non-compete agreements and goodwill. At the end of 2012 and 2011, intangible assets totaled \$4,093 and \$4,401, net of accumulated amortization of \$2,178 and \$1,740, respectively. For the fourth quarter of 2012 and 2011, in connection with the preparation of our consolidated financial statements, the Company completed its annual impairment analyses of goodwill and other intangible assets. The Company did not recognize any impairment in 2012 or 2011. The Company records impairment and restructuring charges where projected discounted cash flows are less than the fair value of the reporting unit.

Intangible assets, excluding goodwill, are amortized over three to five years. Amortization expense for these intangible assets for the next five years is estimated to approximate \$170 (2013), \$170 (2014), \$145 (2015), \$73 (2016), and \$0 (2017). The Company has goodwill of \$3,535 and \$3,450 in its consolidated balance sheet at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively, relating to an acquisition of a Canadian outdoors specialty retailer in 2007. The change in the carrying value of goodwill from 2011 is due to foreign currency translation adjustments.

Land Held for Sale – Land held for sale is recorded at the lower of cost or estimated fair value less estimated selling costs. Proceeds from the sale of land from development activities are recognized in other revenue and the corresponding costs of land sold are recognized in costs of other revenue.

Government Economic Assistance – When Cabela's constructs a new retail store or retail development, the Company may receive economic assistance from local governments to fund a portion or all of the Company's associated capital costs. This assistance typically comes in the form of cash grants, land grants, and/or proceeds from the sale of economic development bonds funded by the local government. The Company has historically purchased the majority of the bonds associated with its developments. Cash grants are made available to fund land, retail store construction, and/or development infrastructure costs. Economic development bonds are typically repaid through sales and/or property taxes generated by the retail store and/or within a designated development area. Cash and land grants are recognized as deferred grant income as a reduction to the costs, or recognized fair value in the case of land grants, of the associated property and equipment. Property and equipment was reduced by deferred grant income of \$290,734 and \$299,428 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. Deferred grant income is amortized to earnings, as a reduction of depreciation expense, over the average estimated useful life of the associated assets.

Deferred grant income estimates, and their associated present value, are updated whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their recorded amounts may not be recovered. These estimates are determined when estimation of the fair value of associated economic development bonds are performed if there are related bond investments. If it is determined that the Company will not receive the full amount remaining from the bonds, the Company will adjust the deferred grant income to appropriately reflect the change in estimate and will immediately record a cumulative additional depreciation charge that would be recognized to date as expense in the absence of the grant income. In 2012 and 2011, deferred grant income was reduced by \$5,030 and \$24,314, respectively, due to other than temporary impairment losses of the same amounts that were recognized on the Company's economic development bonds. These reductions in deferred grant income resulted in increases in depreciation expense of \$1,309 and \$6,538 in 2012 and 2011, respectively, which have been included in impairment

and restructuring charges in the consolidated statements of income. There were no impairment losses in 2010. At the end of 2012 and 2011, the cumulative amount of impairment adjustments that were made to deferred grant income, which has been recorded as a reduction of property and equipment, was \$38,656 and \$33,626, respectively. These impairment adjustments made to deferred grant income resulted from events or changes in circumstances that indicated the amount of deferred grant income may not be recovered or realized in cash through collection, sales, or other proceeds from the economic development bonds. The Company may agree to guarantee deficiencies in tax collections which fund the repayment of economic development bonds. The Company did not guarantee any economic development bonds that it owned at the end of 2012, 2011 or 2010.

Land grants typically include land associated with the retail store and may include other land for sale and further development. Land grants are recognized at the fair value of the land on date of grant. Deferred grant income on land grants is recognized as a reduction to depreciation expense over the estimated life of the related assets of the developments. In 2012, the Company received land grants with a fair value of \$2,287. In 2011, the Company did not receive any land under these grants.

Certain grants contain covenants the Company is required to comply with regarding minimum employment levels, maintaining retail stores in certain locations, and maintaining office facilities in certain locations. For these grants the Company recognizes grant revenue as the milestones associated with the grant are met. For 2012 and 2011, the Company was in compliance with the requirements under these grants.

Economic Development Bonds – Economic development bonds are related to the Company's government economic assistance arrangements relating to the construction of new retail stores or retail development. Economic development bonds issued by state and local municipalities are classified as available-for-sale and recorded at their fair value. Fair values of bonds are estimated using discounted cash flow projections based on available market interest rates and management estimates including the estimated amounts and timing of expected future tax payments to be received by the municipalities under development zones. These fair values do not reflect any premium or discount that could result from offering these bonds for sale or through early redemption, or any related income tax impact. Declines in the fair value of available-for-sale economic development bonds below cost that are deemed to be other than temporary are reflected in earnings.

On a quarterly basis, the Company performs various procedures to analyze the amounts and timing of projected cash flows to be received from its economic development bonds. The Company revalues each economic development bond using discounted cash flow models based on available market interest rates (Level 2 inputs) and management estimates, including the estimated amounts and timing of expected future tax payments (Level 3 inputs) to be received by the municipalities under tax increment financing districts. Projected cash flows are derived from sales and property taxes. Due to the seasonal nature of the Company's business, fourth quarter sales are significant to projecting future cash flows under the economic development bonds. The Company evaluates the impact of bond payments that have been received since the most recent quarterly evaluation, including those subsequent to the end of the quarter. Typically, bond payments are received twice annually. The payments received around the end of the fourth quarter provide the Company with additional facts for its fourth quarter projections. The Company makes inquiries of local governments and/or economic development authorities for information on any anticipated third-party development, specifically on land owned by the Company, but also on land not owned by the Company in the tax increment financing development district, and to assess any current and potential development where cash flows under the bonds may be impacted by additional development and the anticipated development is material to the estimated and recorded carrying value based on projected cash flows. The Company makes revisions to the cash flow estimates of each bond based on the information obtained. In those instances where the expected cash flows are insufficient to recover the current carrying value of the bond, the Company adjusts the carrying value of the individual bonds to their revised estimated fair value. The governmental entity from which the Company purchases the bonds is not liable for repayment of principal and interest on the bonds to the extent that the associated taxes are insufficient to fund principal and interest amounts under the bonds. Should

sufficient tax revenue not be generated by the subject properties, the Company may not receive all anticipated payments and thus will be unable to realize the full carrying values of the economic development bonds, which result in a corresponding decrease to deferred grant income.

Credit Card and Loyalty Rewards Programs – Cabela's CLUB Visa cardholders receive Cabela's points based on the dollar amounts of transactions through credit cards issued by Cabela's CLUB which may be redeemed for Cabela's products and services. Points may also be awarded for special promotions for the acquisition and retention of accounts. The dollar amount of related points are accrued as earned by the cardholder and recorded as a reduction in Financial Services revenue. In addition to the Cabela's CLUB issued credit cards, customers receive points for purchases at Cabela's from various loyalty programs. The dollar amount of unredeemed credit card points and loyalty points was \$128,087 and \$109,053 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. The total cost incurred for all credit card rewards and loyalty programs was \$176,882, \$158,630, and \$136,375 for 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively.

Income Taxes – The Company files consolidated federal and state income tax returns with its wholly-owned subsidiaries. The consolidated group follows a policy of requiring each entity to provide for income taxes in an amount equal to the income taxes that would have been incurred if each were filing separately. The Company recognizes deferred income tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of our assets and liabilities. The Company establishes valuation allowances if we believe it is more likely than not that some or all of the Company's deferred tax assets will not be realized.

Stock-Based Compensation – Compensation expense is estimated based on grant date fair value on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period. Costs associated with awards are included in compensation expense as a component of selling, distribution, and administrative expenses.

Financial Instruments and Credit Risk Concentrations – Financial instruments which may subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk are primarily cash, cash equivalents, and accounts receivable. The Company invests primarily in money market accounts or tax-free municipal bonds, with short-term maturities, limiting the amount of credit exposure to any one entity. At December 29, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the Company did not have any cash invested in overnight funds. Concentrations of credit risk on accounts receivable are limited due to the nature of the Company's receivables.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments – The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, restricted cash, accounts payable, gift instruments (including credit card rewards and loyalty rewards programs), accrued expenses, short-term borrowings, and income taxes included in the consolidated balance sheets approximate fair value given the short-term nature of these financial instruments. Credit card loans are originated with variable rates of interest that adjust with changing market interest rates so the carrying value of the credit card loans, including the carrying value of deferred credit card origination costs, less the allowance for loan losses, approximates fair value. Time deposits are pooled in homogeneous groups, and the future cash flows of those groups are discounted using current market rates offered for similar products for purposes of estimating fair value. The fair value of the secured variable funding obligations of the Trust approximates the carrying value since these obligations can fluctuate daily based on the short-term operational needs with advances and pay downs at par value. The estimated fair value of secured long-term obligations of the Trust is based on future cash flows associated with each type of debt discounted using current borrowing rates for similar types of debt of comparable maturity. The estimated fair value of long-term debt is based on future cash flows associated with each type of debt discounted using current borrowing rates for similar types of debt of comparable maturity.

Comprehensive Income – Comprehensive income consists of net income, foreign currency translation adjustments, cash flow hedges, and unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale economic development bonds, net of related income taxes.

Foreign Currency Translation – Assets and liabilities of Cabela's Canadian operations are translated into United States dollars at currency exchange rates in effect at the end of a reporting period. Gains and losses from translation into United States dollars are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in our consolidated balance sheets. Revenues and expenses are translated at average monthly currency exchange rates.

Earnings Per Share – Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is computed by dividing net income by the sum of the weighted average number of shares outstanding plus all additional common shares that would have been outstanding if potentially dilutive common share equivalents had been issued.

2. ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Effective June 16, 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU No. 2011-05, *Comprehensive Income*, requiring entities to report components of other comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement or in two separate but consecutive statements of net income and other comprehensive income. This ASU does not change the items that must be reported in comprehensive income, how these items are measured, or when these items must be classified to net income. Effective with the first quarter of 2012, we have provided herein the required financial reporting presentation pursuant to ASU 2011-05.

On February 5, 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-02, *Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*, which adds additional disclosure requirements relating to the reclassification of items out of accumulated other comprehensive income. This ASU is effective for the first quarter of 2013.

Effective September 15, 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-08, *Testing Goodwill for Impairment*, which gives companies testing goodwill for impairment the option of performing a qualitative assessment before calculating the fair value of a reporting unit in step one of the goodwill impairment test. If companies determine, based on qualitative factors, that the fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not less than the carrying amount, the two-step impairment test would be required. Otherwise, further testing would not be needed. ASU 2011-08 was effective for the first quarter of 2012 for the Company. The value of our goodwill was not affected by the adoption of the provisions of this ASU.

The FASB issued ASU No. 2011-04, Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs, to improve comparability of fair value measurements between statements presented in U.S. GAAP and IFRS. This ASU, which was effective for the first quarter of 2012 for the Company, provided additional explanation on how to measure fair value but did not require additional fair value measurements. Certain amendments in this ASU require the assessment of additional disclosures regarding the measurement of fair value. The adoption of this ASU did not have a significant impact on our fair value measurements.

3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES - CONSOLIDATION OF CABELA'S MASTER CREDIT CARD TRUST

The Company's wholly-owned bank subsidiary, WFB, utilizes the Trust for the purpose of routinely selling and securitizing credit card loans and issuing beneficial interest to investors. The accounting guidance on consolidations in ASC Topic 810, and accounting for transfers of financial assets and the criteria for determining whether to consolidate a variable interest entity in ASC Topic 860, resulted in the consolidation of the Trust effective January 3, 2010. Prior to ASC Topics 810 and 860, the securitizations issued by the Trust qualified for sales treatment under generally accepted accounting principles and, therefore, the Trust was excluded from the Company's consolidated financial statements.

As a result of the consolidation of the Trust, the Company's retained earnings were adjusted for the additional allowance for loan losses, the recording of the fair value of an interest rate swap relating to a variable rate obligation of the Trust, and the derecognition of the interest-only strip (previously a component of retained interests), net of tax effects. The Trust was consolidated on January 3, 2010, resulting in increases in total assets of \$2,154,540 and liabilities of \$2,247,348, and a decrease in retained earnings and other comprehensive income of \$92,808, after tax. In 2010, we began reporting the results of operations of our Financial Services business in a manner similar to our historical managed presentation for financial performance of the total managed portfolio of credit card loans, excluding income derived from the changes in the valuation of our interest-only strip, cash reserve accounts, and cash accounts associated with the securitized loans.

Prior to the consolidation of the Trust, WFB sold the majority of its credit card loans to a securitization trust and recognized related gains or losses as a component of securitization income in Financial Services revenue. WFB retains a minimum 20 day average of 5% of the interests in the securitization trust, known as a "transferor interest" in the securitized loans, and ranks equal with the investor notes. Credit card loans classified as held for sale, which included WFB's transferor's interest in securitized credit card loans, were carried at the lower of cost or market. Net unrealized losses, if any, were recognized in income through a valuation allowance. Although WFB continued to service the underlying credit card accounts and maintained the customer relationships, these securitization transactions were treated as sales and the securitized loans were not included in the Company's consolidated balance sheet. Gains or losses were recognized at the time of sale, and depended in part on the carrying amount assigned to the credit card loans sold, which was allocated between the assets sold and retained interest based on their relative fair values at the date of transfer.

WFB retained certain interests in securitized loans, including a transferor's interest, servicing rights, interestonly strips, cash reserve accounts, and in some cases cash accounts. WFB classified the interest-only strips and cash reserve accounts as retained interests in securitized loans. A servicing asset or liability was not recognized as WFB received adequate compensation relative to current market servicing rates.

In addition, WFB owned asset-backed securities from its securitizations, which in some cases were subordinated to other notes issued as retained interests in securitized loans. The asset-backed securities were classified as trading securities or available-for-sale securities. Asset-backed trading securities fluctuated daily based on the short-term operational needs of WFB. Advances and pay downs on the trading securities were at par value. Therefore, the par value of the asset-backed trading securities approximated fair value. Asset-backed available-for-sale securities were carried at fair value with changes reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income. For asset-backed available-for-sale securities, WFB estimated fair value using discounted cash flow projection estimates based upon management's evaluation of contractual principal and interest cash flows.

WFB retained rights to future cash flows from (i) finance charge collections, certain fee collections, allocated interchange, and recoveries on charged-off accounts net of collection costs arising after investors had received the return for which they were entitled; (ii) reimbursement for charged-off accounts; and (iii) after certain administrative costs, such as servicing fees. This portion of the retained interests was known as interest-only strips and was subordinate to investor's interests. For interest-only strips and cash reserve accounts, WFB estimated related fair values based on the present value of future expected cash flows using assumptions for credit losses, finance charge yields, payment rates, and discount rates commensurate with the risks involved but did not include interchange income since interchange income was earned only when a charge was made to a customer's account. The value of the interest-only strips and cash reserve accounts were subject to credit, payment rate, and interest rate risks on the loans sold. For cash accounts, WFB estimated related fair values based on the present value of future expected fair values based on the present value of future expected cash flows using discount rates commensurate with the risks involved. Fair value of future expected cash flows using discount rates commensurate with the risks involved. Fair value changes in the interest-only strips and cash reserve accounts were recorded in securitization income included in Financial Services revenue.

4. CABELA'S MASTER CREDIT CARD TRUST

The Financial Services segment utilizes the Trust for the purpose of routinely selling and securitizing credit card loans and issuing beneficial interest to investors. The Trust issues variable funding facilities and long-term notes each of which has an undivided interest in the assets of the Trust. The Financial Services segment must retain a minimum 20 day average of 5% of the loans in the securitization trust which ranks *pari passu* with the investors' interests in the securitized trusts. In addition, the Financial Services segment owns notes issued by the Trust from some of the securitizations, which in some cases may be subordinated to other notes issued. The consolidated assets of the Trust are subject to credit, payment, and interest rate risks on the transferred credit card loans. The securitization investors as well as protect Cabela's and WFB from any liability from default on the notes.

To protect investors, the securitization structures include certain features that could result in earlier-thanexpected repayment of the securities, which could cause the Financial Services segment to sustain a loss of one or more of its retained interests and could prompt the need to seek alternative sources of funding. The primary investor protection feature relates to the availability and adequacy of cash flows in the securitized pool of loans to meet contractual requirements, the insufficiency of which triggers early repayment of the securities. The Financial Services segment refers to this as the early amortization feature. Investors are allocated cash flows derived from activities related to the accounts comprising the securitized pool of loans, the amounts of which reflect finance charges collected, certain fee assessments collected, allocations of interchange, and recoveries on charged-off accounts. These cash flows are considered to be restricted under the governing documents to pay interest to investors, servicing fees, and to absorb the investor's share of charge-offs occurring within the securitized pool of loans. Any cash flows remaining in excess of these requirements are reported to investors as excess spread. An excess spread of less than zero percent for a contractually specified period, generally a three-month average, would trigger an early amortization event. Such an event could result in the Financial Services segment incurring losses related to its retained interests. In addition, if the retained interest in the loans of the Financial Services segment falls below the 5% minimum 20 day average and the Financial Services segment fails to add new accounts to the securitized pool of loans, an early amortization event would be triggered. The investors have no recourse to the other assets of WFB for failure of debtors to pay other than for breaches of certain customary representations, warranties, and covenants. These representations, warranties, covenants, and the related indemnities do not protect the Trust or third party investors against credit-related losses on the loans.

Another feature, which is applicable to the notes issued from the Trust, is one in which excess cash flows generated by the transferred loans are held at the Trust for the benefit of the investors. This cash reserve account funding is triggered when the three-month average excess spread rate of the Trust decreases to below 4.50% or 5.50% (depending on the series) with increasing funding requirements as excess spread levels decline below preset levels or as contractually required by the governing documents. Similar to early amortization, this feature also is designed to protect the investors' interests from loss thus making the cash restricted. Upon scheduled maturity or early amortization of a securitization, the Financial Services segment is required to remit principal payments received on the securitized pool of loans to the Trust which are restricted for the repayment of the investors' principal note. Credit card loans performed within established guidelines and no events which could trigger an early amortization occurred during the years ended 2012, 2011, and 2010.

The following table presents the components of the consolidated assets and liabilities of the Trust at the years ended:

	 2012	 2011
Consolidated assets:		
Restricted credit card loans, net of allowance of \$65,090 and \$72,870	\$ 3,458,043	\$ 3,069,281
Restricted cash	17,292	18,296
Total	\$ 3,475,335	\$ 3,087,577
Consolidated liabilities:		
Secured variable funding obligations	\$ 325,000	\$ 460,000
Secured long-term obligations	1,827,500	1,402,500
Interest due to third party investors	1,424	1,563
Total	\$ 2,153,924	\$ 1,864,063

5. CREDIT CARD LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

The Financial Services segment grants individual credit card loans to its customers and is diversified in its lending with borrowers throughout the United States.

The following table reflects the composition of the credit card loans at the years ended:

	2012	2011
Restricted credit card loans of the Trust (restricted for repayment of secured		
borrowings of the Trust)	\$ 3,523,133	\$ 3,142,151
Unrestricted credit card loans	34,356	25,362
Total credit card loans	3,557,489	3,167,513
Allowance for loan losses and deferred credit card origination costs	(60,017)	(73,350)
Credit card loans, net	\$ 3,497,472	\$ 3,094,163

Allowance for Loan Losses:

The following table reflects the activity in the allowance for loan losses by credit card segment for the years ended:

	2012						2011					
	C	redit Card Loans	-	structured redit Card Loans	C	Total redit Card Loans	C	redit Card Loans		estructured redit Card Loans	C	Total redit Card Loans
Balance, beginning of year	\$	44,350	\$	29,000	\$	73,350	\$	52,000	\$	38,900	\$	90,900
Provision for loan losses		40,963		1,797		42,760		35,777		3,510	-	39,287
Charge-offs		(56,122)		(12,712)		(68,834)		(56,616)		(18,983)		(75,599)
Recoveries		13,409		4,915		18,324		13,189		5,573		18,762
Net charge-offs		(42,713)		(7,797)		(50,510)	_	(43,427)		(13,410)		(56,837)
Balance, end of year	\$	42,600	\$	23,000	\$	65,600	\$	44,350	\$	29,000	\$	73,350

Credit Quality Indicators, Delinquent, and Non-Accrual Loans:

The Financial Services segment segregates the loan portfolio into loans that have been restructured and other credit card loans in order to facilitate the estimation of the losses inherent in the portfolio as of the reporting date. The Financial Services segment uses the scores of Fair Isaac Corporation ("FICO"), a widely-used tool for assessing an individual's credit rating, as the primary credit quality indicator. The FICO score is an indicator of quality, with the risk of loss increasing as an individual's FICO score decreases. During the second quarter of 2012, the Financial Services segment incorporated a newer version of FICO that utilizes the same factors as the previous scoring model, but is more sensitive to utilization of available credit, delinquencies considered serious and frequent, and maintenance of various types of credit. Management of the Financial Services segment was disaggregated into the following classes as reflected in the tables below based upon the loan's current FICO score. The Financial Services segment performed an analysis of the new FICO scores and the previous FICO scores to determine the proper FICO score cuts for each loan class in order to maintain comparability of credit risk to 2011. As a result of this analysis, as of June 30, 2012, the classes were changed from:

- 679 and below to 691 and below,
- 680 749 to 692 758, and
- 750 and above to 759 and above.

The Financial Services segment considers a loan to be delinquent if the minimum payment is not received by the payment due date. The aging method is based on the number of completed billing cycles during which a customer has failed to make a required payment.

The table below provides information on non-accrual, past due, and restructured credit card loans by class using the respective fourth quarter FICO score at the years ended:

	FICO Score of Credit Card Loans Segment							tructured Credit rd Loans	
December 29, 2012:	691 and Below		692-758		759 and Above		Segment (1)		 Total
Credit card loan status:									
Current	\$	453,894	\$	1,134,840	\$	1,856,587	\$	44,193	\$ 3,489,514
1 to 29 days past due		17,901		11,558		10,094		4,304	43,857
30-59 days past due		6,060		1,004		203		1,811	9,078
60 or more days past due		11,416		189		43		3,392	15,040
Total past due		35,377		12,751		10,340		9,507	 67,975
Total credit card loans	\$	489,271	\$	1,147,591	\$	1,866,927	\$	53,700	\$ 3,557,489
90 days or more past due and									
still accruing	\$	6,118	\$	38	\$	4	\$	1,481	\$ 7,641
Non-accrual		-		-		-		5,985	5,985

	FI	CO Score (of C	redit Card I	Loans	s Segment		tructured Credit rd Loans		
December 31, 2011:	679 and Below		680-749		750 and Above		Segment (1)			Total
Credit card loan status:										
Current	\$	379,156	\$	1,017,710	\$	1,649,558	\$	54,621	\$	3,101,045
1 to 29 days past due		15,509		10,856		9,045		5,175		40,585
30-59 days past due		6,091		1,310		307		2,601		10,309
60 or more days past due		10,645		297		94		4,538		15,574
Total past due		32,245		12,463		9,446		12,314		66,468
Total credit card loans	<u>\$</u>	411,401	\$	1,030,173	\$	1,659,004	\$	66,935	\$	3,167,513
90 days or more past due and										
still accruing	\$	10,645	\$	297	\$. 94	\$	4,284	\$	15,320
Non-accrual		-		-		-		6,441		6,441

(1) Specific allowance for loan losses of \$23,000 and \$29,027 at December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively, are included in allowance for loan losses.

6. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consisted of the following at the years ended:

	Depreciable Life in Years	 2012	 2011
Land and improvements	Up to 20	\$ 185,916	\$ 169,839
Buildings and improvements	7 to 40	640,666	549,793
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3 to 15	551,904	516,323
Assets held under capital lease	Up to 30	 13,255	 14,363
Property and equipment		1,391,741	1,250,318
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization		(473,847)	 (413,993)
1		 917,894	836,325
Construction in progress		103,762	30,574
Construction in progress		\$ 1,021,656	\$ 866,899

7. SECURITIES

Economic development bonds, which are all classified as available-for-sale, consisted of the following at the years ended:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
December 29, 2012	<u>\$ 74,545</u>	<u>\$ 10,496</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 85,041</u>
December 31, 2011	<u>\$ 81,881</u>	<u>\$ 4,682</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 86,563</u>

The carrying value and fair value of these securities classified by estimated maturity based on expected future cash flows at the end of 2012 were as follows:

	Amortized Cost			Fair Value	
For the fiscal years ending:			<i></i>		
2013	\$	1,976	\$	2,252	
2014		2,779		3,210	
2015		2,582		3,039	
2016		2,647		3,127	
2017		2,127		2,581	
2018 - 2022		21,069		24,269	
2023 and thereafter		41,365		46,563	
	\$	74,545	\$	85,041	

Interest earned on the securities totaled \$4,931, \$6,143, and \$6,256, for 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. There were no realized gains or losses on these securities in 2012, 2011, or 2010.

8. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER ASSETS

Prepaid expenses and other assets (current and long-term) consisted of the following at the years ended:

	2012		2011	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets:				<u></u>
Deferred catalog costs	\$	7,713	\$	13,235
Interest and notes receivable		9,133		14,825
Financial Services segment - Visa interchange funding		50,929		59,392
Financial Services segment - accrued interest and other receivables		39,842		34,822
Other		25,077		24,205
	\$	132,694	\$	146,479
Other assets:				
Long-term notes and other receivables	\$	10,723	\$	8,082
Financial Services segment - deferred financing costs		6,950		9,962
Goodwill		3,535		3,450
Held to maturity investments		1,940		2,680
Intangible assets, net		558		952
Other		5,284		5,509
	\$	28,990	\$	30,635

9. ACCRUED EXPENSES

Accrued expenses consisted of the following at the years ended:

	2012		2011
Accrued employee compensation and benefits	\$ 67,6	512	\$ 57,850
Accrued property, sales, and other taxes	29,5	505	25,383
Deferred revenue and accrued sales returns	29,2	275	25,951
Accrued interest	8,5	516	9,007
Accrued credit card fees	6,2	.37	5,675
Other	39,7	61	19,829
	\$ 180,9	06	\$ 143,695

10. OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Other long-term liabilities consisted of the following at the years ended:

	_	2012	·	2011
Unrecognized tax benefits and accrued interest	\$	44,948	\$	43,897
Deferred rent expense and tenant allowances		34,290		34,703
Deferred grant income		14,324		17,108
Other long term liabilities		2,400		2,743
	\$	95,962	\$	98,451

11. TIME DEPOSITS

At December 29, 2012:

The Financial Services segment accepts time deposits only in amounts of at least one hundred thousand dollars. All time deposits are interest bearing. The aggregate amount of time deposits, net of brokered fees, by maturity at the end of 2012 was as follows:

2013			\$	367,350
2014				297,628
2015				199,314
2016		•		152,078
2017				26,164
Thereafter				5,484
				1,048,018
Less current maturities				(367,350)
Deposits classified as non-currer	nt liabilities		<u>\$</u>	680,668

Time deposits include brokered institutional certificates of deposit totaling \$1,032,817 and \$963,909 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively.

12. BORROWINGS OF FINANCIAL SERVICES SEGMENT

The obligations of the Trust are secured borrowings backed by restricted credit card loans. The following table presents, as of December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, a summary of the secured fixed and variable rate long-term obligations of the Trust, the expected maturity dates, and the respective weighted average interest rates.

Series	Expected Maturity Date	Fixed Rate Obligations	Interest <u>Rate</u>	iable Rate	Interest Rate	_0	Total bligations	Interest Rate
Series 2010-I	January 2015	\$ -	-%	\$ 255,000	1.66%	\$	255,000	1.66%
Series 2010-II	September 2015	127,500	2.29	85,000	0.91		212,500	1.74
Series 2011-II	June 2016	155,000	2.39	100,000	0.81		255,000	1.77
Series 2011-IV	October 2016	165,000	1.90	90,000	0.76		255,000	1.50
Series 2012-I	February 2017	275,000	1.63	150,000	0.74		425,000	1.32
Series 2012-II	June 2017	300,000	1.45	125,000	0.69		425,000	1.23
Total secured of	oligations	1,022,500		 805,000			1,827,500	
Less: current m	aturities	-		-			-	
Secured long-te	rm	· · · · ·		 			· · · ·	
obligations of less current		<u>\$ 1,022,500</u>		\$ 805,000		<u>\$</u>	1,827,500	

At December 3	1, 2011:								
Series	Expected Maturity Date	ixed Rate	Interest Rate		iable Rate	Interest Rate	_0	Total bligations	Interest Rate
Series 2009-I	March 2012	\$ -	-%	\$	425,000	2.28%	\$	425,000	2.28%
Series 2010-I	January 2015	-	-		255,000	1.73		255,000	1.73
Series 2010-II	September 2015	127,500	2.29		85,000	0.98		212,500	1.77
Series 2011-II	June 2016	155,000	2.39		100,000	0.88		255,000	1.80
Series 2011-IV	October 2016	 165,000	1.90		90,000	0.83		255,000	1.52
Total secured of	oligations	 447,500			955,000			1,402,500	
Less: current ma	aturities	 -			(425,000)			(425,000)	
Secured long-te of the Trust,	Ų							······································	
maturities		\$ 447,500		<u>\$</u>	530,000		<u>\$</u>	977,500	

The Trust also issues variable funding facilities which are considered secured borrowings backed by restricted credit card loans. The Trust renewed one variable funding facility in the amount of \$225,000 on March 23, 2012. At December 29, 2012, the Trust had three variable funding facilities with \$875,000 in available capacity and \$325,000 outstanding. The variable funding facilities are scheduled to mature in March 2014, September 2014, and March 2015. Each of these variable funding facilities includes an option to renew. Variable rate note interest is priced at a benchmark rate, London Interbank Offered Rate, or commercial paper rate, plus a spread, which ranges from 0.50% to 0.85%. The variable rate notes provide for a fee ranging from 0.25% to 0.40% on the unused portion of the facilities. During the year ended December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, the daily average balance outstanding on these notes was \$142,077 and \$91,789, with a weighted average interest rate of 0.78% and 0.80%, respectively.

The Trust sold asset-backed notes of \$500,000 (Series 2012-I) and \$500,000 (Series 2012-II) on March 7, 2012, and June 27, 2012, respectively. Each securitization transaction included the issuance of \$425,000 of Class A notes and three subordinated classes of notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$75,000. The Financial Services segment retained each of the subordinated classes of notes which were eliminated in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements. Each class of notes issued in these securitization transactions has an expected life of approximately five years and a contractual maturity of approximately eight years. These securitization transactions were used to refinance asset-backed notes issued by the Trust that matured during 2012 and to fund the growth in restricted credit card loans.

The Financial Services segment has unsecured federal funds purchase agreements with two financial institutions. The maximum amount that can be borrowed is \$85,000. There were no amounts outstanding at December 29, 2012 or December 31, 2011. During 2012 and 2011, the daily average balance outstanding was \$462 and \$90, respectively, with a weighted average rate of 0.75% for both years.

13. REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITIES

The Company has a credit agreement providing for a \$415,000 revolving credit facility that expires on November 2, 2016. The unsecured \$415,000 revolving credit facility permits the issuance of letters of credit up to \$100,000 and swing line loans up to \$20,000. This credit facility may be increased to \$500,000 subject to certain terms and conditions.

No amounts were outstanding under our credit agreement at December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011. During 2012 and 2011, the daily average principal balance outstanding on the lines of credit was \$43,141 and \$82,495, respectively, and the weighted average interest rate was 1.61% and 1.21%, respectively. Letters of credit

and standby letters of credit totaling \$22,143 and \$14,692, respectively, were outstanding at the end of 2012 and 2011. The daily average outstanding amount of total letters of credit during 2012 and 2011 was \$15,418 and \$11,578, respectively.

During the term of the facility, the Company is required to pay a quarterly commitment fee, which ranges from 0.15% to 0.30% of the average daily unused principal balance on the line of credit. Interest on advances on this credit facility is equal to the alternate base rate, as defined, plus the applicable margin, as defined. The applicable margin is the percentage rate that is applicable at such time with respect to advances as set forth in the pricing schedule, a stratified interest rate schedule based on the Company's leverage ratio, as defined. The alternate base rate is equal to the highest of:

- the lead lender's prime rate,
- the sum of the federal funds rate in effect for the day plus one-half of one percent, and
- the Eurocurrency rate, as defined, plus 1.50%.

The credit agreement requires that Cabela's comply with certain financial and other customary covenants, including:

- a fixed charge coverage ratio (as defined) of no less than 2.00 to 1 as of the last day of any fiscal quarter for the most recently ended four fiscal quarters (as defined);
- a leverage ratio (as defined) of no more than 3.00 to 1 as of the last day of any fiscal quarter; and
- a minimum consolidated net worth standard (as defined).

In addition, our unsecured senior notes contain various covenants and restrictions that are usual and customary for transactions of this type. Also, the debt agreements contain cross default provisions to other outstanding credit facilities. In the event that we failed to comply with these covenants, a default would trigger and all principal and outstanding interest would immediately be due and payable. At December 29, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we were in compliance with all financial covenants under our credit agreements and unsecured notes. We anticipate that we will continue to be in compliance with all financial covenants under our credit agreements and unsecured notes through at least the next 12 months.

At December 29, 2012, the Company was in compliance with the financial covenant requirements of its \$415,000 credit agreement with a fixed charge coverage ratio of 9.67 to 1, a leverage ratio of 0.92 to 1, and a consolidated net worth that was \$332,843 in excess of the minimum.

The credit agreement includes a dividend provision limiting the amount that Cabela's could pay to stockholders, which at December 29, 2012, was not in excess of \$180,529. The agreement also has a provision permitting acceleration by the lenders in the event there is a change in control, as defined. In addition, the credit agreement contains cross default provisions to other outstanding debt. In the event that the Company fails to comply with these covenants, a default is triggered. In the event of default, all outstanding letters of credit and all principal and outstanding interest would immediately become due and payable. The Company was in compliance with all financial debt covenants at December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011.

The Company also had a credit agreement for its operations in Canada providing for a \$15,000 Canadian ("CAD") unsecured revolving credit facility through June 30, 2013. This credit agreement was terminated January 31, 2013. There were no amounts outstanding at December 29, 2012, or December 31, 2011.

Advances made pursuant to the \$415,000 credit agreement are classified as long-term debt. This agreement does not contain limitations regarding the pay downs of revolving loans advanced; therefore, advances made prior to November 2, 2015, pursuant to this agreement are considered long-term in nature.

14. LONG-TERM DEBT AND CAPITAL LEASES

Long-term debt and capital leases consisted of the following at the years ended:

	2012	2011
Unsecured notes due 2016 with interest at 5.99%	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000
Unsecured senior notes due 2017 with interest at 6.08%	60,000	60,000
Unsecured senior notes due 2012-2018 with interest at 7.20%	48,857	57,000
Capital lease obligations payable through 2036	12,678	12,922
Total debt	336,535	344,922
Less current portion of debt	(8,402)	(8,387)
Long-term debt, less current maturities	\$ 328,133	\$ 336,535

Certain of the long-term debt agreements contain various covenants and restrictions such as the maintenance of minimum debt coverage, net worth, and financial ratios. The significant financial ratios and net worth requirements in the long-term debt agreements are 1) a limitation of funded debt to be less than 60% of consolidated total capitalization; 2) cash flow fixed charge coverage ratio, as defined, of no less than 2.0 to 1 as of the last day of any quarter; and 3) a minimum consolidated adjusted net worth (as defined).

In addition, the debt contains cross default provisions to other outstanding credit facilities. In the event that the Company failed to comply with these covenants, a default would trigger and all principal and outstanding interest would immediately be due and payable. At December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, the Company was in compliance with all financial covenants under the credit agreements and unsecured notes. We anticipate that we will continue to be in compliance with all financial covenants under our credit agreements and unsecured notes through at least the next 12 months.

The Company has a lease agreement for our distribution facility in Wheeling, West Virginia. The lease term is through June 2036. The monthly installments are \$83 and the lease contains a bargain purchase option at the end of the lease term. The Company accounted for this lease as a capital lease and recorded the additional leased asset at the present value of the future minimum lease payments using a 5.9% implicit rate. The additional leased asset was recorded at \$5,649 and is being amortized on a straight-line basis over 30 years.

Aggregate expected maturities of long-term debt and scheduled capital lease payments for the years shown are as follows:

	Scheduled Capital Lease Payments		0	-Term Debt aturities
2013	\$	1,000	\$	8,143
2014		1,000		8,143
2015		1,000		8,143
2016		1,000		223,143
2017	* 	1,000		68,143
Thereafter		18,500		8,142
		23,500		323,857
Capital lease amount representing interest		(10,822)		
Present value of net scheduled lease payments	\$	12,678		12,678
Total long-term debt and capital leases			\$	336,535

15. IMPAIRMENT AND RESTRUCTURING CHARGES

Impairment and restructuring charges consisted of the following for the years ended:

	 2012	 2011	 2010
Impairment losses relating to:			
Land held for sale	\$ 17,694	\$ 4,617	\$ 1,834
Property, equipment, and other assets	1,321	154	3,792
Accumulated amortization of deferred grant income	1,309	6,538	-
	20,324	11,309	 5,626
Restructuring charges for severance and related benefits	-	935	-
Total	\$ 20,324	\$ 12,244	\$ 5,626

Long-lived assets of the Company are evaluated for possible impairment (i) whenever changes in circumstances may indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable and (ii) at least annually for recurring fair value measurements and for those assets not subject to amortization. In 2012, 2011, and 2010, the Company evaluated the recoverability of land held for sale, economic development bonds, property (including existing store locations and future retail store sites), equipment, goodwill, and other intangible assets.

Land Held for Sale:

In December 2012, the Company received an appraisal report that updated the value from a previous appraisal on one property held for sale. Results from the 2012 appraisal report concluded that the carrying value was higher than the estimated fair value, resulting in an impairment loss. This 2012 appraisal was based on the sales comparison approach to estimate the "as-is" fee simple market value of the subject property. This approach involved a process in which a market value estimate was derived from analyzing the market for similar properties that have sold or that are available for sale (Level 2 inputs). In the fourth quarter of 2012, the Company also impaired a second property held for sale based on an arms-length sales contract of adjoining land anticipated to close in mid-2013 (Level 2 inputs). In 2011, the Company wrote down the carrying value of certain land held for sale properties based on signed agreements for their sale. The Company recognized impairment losses totaling \$17,694, \$4,617, and \$1,834 in 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. Local economic trends, government regulations, and other restrictions where we own properties may impact management projections that could change undiscounted cash flows in future periods which could trigger possible future write downs.

Economic Development Bonds:

In the fourth quarter of 2012, the Company received information on one project that the development will be delayed thus reducing the amount expected to be received and delaying the timing of projected cash flows. Therefore, the fair value of this economic development bond was determined to be below carrying value, with the decline in fair value deemed to be other than temporary. In the fourth quarter of 2011, the Company received information on three projects that development was either delayed or that actual tax revenues were lower than estimated, thus reducing the amount expected to be received and delaying the timing of projected cash flows. Therefore, the discounted cash flows indicated that the fair values of these three economic development bonds were below carrying value, with the decline in fair value deemed to be other than temporary. These fair value adjustments totaling \$5,030 and \$24,314 in 2012 and 2011, respectively, reduced the carrying value of the economic development bond portfolio at the end of 2012 and 2011 and resulted in corresponding reductions in deferred grant income. These reductions in deferred grant income resulted in impairment and restructuring charges in the consolidated statements of income. The discounted cash flow models for the Company's other bonds did not

result in other-than-temporary impairments. In 2010, none of the bonds with a fair value below carrying value were deemed to have other than a temporary impairment. At the end of 2012 and 2011, the cumulative amount of impairment adjustments that were made to deferred grant income, which has been recorded as a reduction of property and equipment, was \$38,656 and \$33,626, respectively. These impairment adjustments made to deferred grant income resulted from events or changes in circumstances that indicated the amount of deferred grant income may not be recovered or realized in cash through collection, sales, or other proceeds from the economic development bonds.

In 2011, the Company incurred charges totaling \$935 for severance and related benefits primarily from outplacement costs and a voluntary retirement plan. All impairment and restructuring charges were recorded to the Corporate Overhead and Other segment.

16. INTEREST (EXPENSE) INCOME, NET

Interest expense, net of interest income, consisted of the following for years ended:

	2012	2011	2010
Interest expense	\$ (22,969)	\$ (24,580)	\$ (27,606)
Capitalized interest	2,798	126	124
Interest income	48	27	40
	<u>\$ (20,123</u>)	<u>\$ (24,427</u>)	<u>\$ (27,442</u>)

17. INCOME TAXES

For financial reporting purposes, income before taxes includes the following components:

	2012	 2011	:	2010
Federal	\$ 164,433	\$ 127,662	\$	89,815
Foreign	97,281	 86,805		76,865
	<u>\$ 261,714</u>	\$ 214,467	\$	166,680

The provision for income taxes consisted of the following for the years ended:

		2012		2011	2010
Current:					
Federal		\$ 79,9	97 \$	19,969	\$ 22,338
State		7,3	97	2,650	769
Foreign		16,2	79	14,155	12,007
		103,6	73	36,774	35,114
Deferred:					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Federal		(16,14	45)	32,932	18,614
State		1:	21	2,365	1,196
Foreign		5:	52	(224)	(403)
		(15,4)	72) -	35,073	19,407
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A reconciliation of the statutory federal income tax rate to the effective income tax rate was as follows for the years ended:

	2012	2011	2010
Statutory federal rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
State income taxes, net of federal tax benefit	1.9	1.6	2.7
Other nondeductible items	0.7	0.2	0.5
Tax exempt interest income	(0.5)	(0.7)	(0.3)
Rate differential on foreign income	(3.8)	(4.5)	(3.1)
Change in unrecognized tax benefits	0.4	1.1	0.2
Deferred income tax rate change	0.4	0.8	-
Other, net	(0.4)	-	(2.3)
	33.7%	33.5%	32.7%

Deferred tax assets and liabilities consisted of the following for the years ended:

	2012	2011
Deferred tax assets:		
Deferred compensation	\$ 11,367	\$ 11,259
Deferred revenue	5,429	3,726
Reserve for returns	5,777	4,782
Accrued expenses	21,928	13,783
Gift certificates liability	7,331	6,803
Allowance for loans losses and doubtful accounts	24,962	28,465
Loyalty rewards programs	31,881	27,962
Other	3,277	4,409
	111,952	101,189
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses	10,610	12,687
Property and equipment	61,138	73,478
Inventories	2,080	2,497
Credit card loan fee deferral	32,390	30,644
U.S. income tax on foreign earnings	8,973	3,050
Economic development bonds	3,674	1,565
Other	3,012	555
	121,877	124,476
Net deferred tax (asset) liability	9,925	23,287
Less current deferred income taxes	(646)	(3,080)
Long-term deferred income taxes	\$ 10,571	\$ 26,367

The Company has not provided United States income taxes and foreign withholding taxes on the portion of undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries that the Company considers to be indefinitely reinvested outside of the United States as of the end of year 2012. If these foreign earnings were to be repatriated in the future, the related United States tax liability may be reduced by any foreign income taxes previously paid on these earnings. As of the year ended 2012, the cumulative amount of earnings upon which United States income taxes have not been provided is approximately \$122,000. If those earnings were not considered indefinitely invested the Company estimates that an additional income tax expense of approximately \$26,000 would be recorded.

As of December 29, 2012, cash and cash equivalents held by our foreign subsidiaries totaled \$28,360. Our intent is to permanently reinvest a portion of these funds outside the United States for capital expansion and to repatriate a portion of these funds. Based on our current projected capital needs and the current amount of cash and cash equivalents held by our foreign subsidiaries, we do not anticipate incurring any material tax costs beyond our accrued tax position in connection with any repatriation, but we may be required to accrue for unanticipated additional tax costs in the future if our expectations or the amount of cash held by our foreign subsidiaries change.

The Company paid \$15,000 and \$38,418 as a deposit for federal taxes related to prior period uncertain tax positions in 2012 and 2011, respectively. The deposit is classified as a current asset netted within income taxes receivable and deferred income taxes in the consolidated balance sheet.

The reconciliation of unrecognized tax benefits, the balance of which is classified as other long-term liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet, was as follows for the years ended:

	2012	2011	2010
Unrecognized tax benefits, beginning of year	\$ 37,608	\$ 43,198	\$ 2,989
Gross decreases related to prior period tax positions	(2,369)	(12,705)	(1,660)
Gross increases related to prior period tax positions	49	855	33,669
Gross increases related to current period tax positions	4,964	6,260	8,200
Gross decreases related to current period tax positions	(1,000)	-	-
Unrecognized tax benefits, end of year	\$ 39,252	\$ 37,608	\$ 43,198

The Company's policy is to accrue interest expense, and penalties as appropriate, on estimated unrecognized tax benefits as a charge to interest expense in the consolidated statements of income. The Company recorded a net credit to interest expense of \$592 and \$3,684 in 2012 and 2010, respectively. The Company recorded net interest expense of \$798 in 2011. The net credits in 2012 and 2010 were due to the gross decrease of certain unrecognized tax benefits. No penalties were accrued. The liability for estimated interest on unrecognized tax benefits totaling \$5,696 and \$6,290 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively, is included in other long-term liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet. The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate is \$5,727.

The Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") commenced its examination of the Company's 2007 and 2008 tax years in early 2010. The IRS also commenced examination of the Company's 2009 and 2010 tax years in early 2012. Later in 2012, the IRS issued a revenue agent report summarizing its determination of the adjustments required to the 2007 and 2008 income tax returns. The Company disagrees with the adjustments made by the IRS in their revenue agent report and has filed an appeal. The Company does not expect the appeals process for the 2007 and 2008 tax years or the examination and related appeal for the 2009 and 2010 tax years to be completed within the next 12 months. The Company has reserved for potential adjustments to the provision for income taxes that may result from examinations by the tax authorities and the Company believes that the final outcome of these examinations or agreements will not have a material effect on results of operations.

Because existing tax positions will continue to generate increased liabilities for the Company for unrecognized tax benefits over the next 12 months, and since the Company is routinely under audit by various taxing authorities, it is reasonably possible that the amount of unrecognized tax benefits will change during the next 12 months. However, the Company does not expect the change, if any, to have a material effect on the consolidated financial condition or results of operations within the next 12 months.

The Company files income tax returns in the United States, Canada, Hong Kong, and various states. The tax years 2007 through 2011 remain open to examination by major taxing jurisdictions to which Cabela's is subject.

18. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Company leases various buildings, computer and other equipment, and storage space under operating leases which expire on various dates through January 2037. Rent expense on these leases as well as other month to month rentals was \$13,605, \$9,541, and \$7,506, for 2012, the 2011, and 2010, respectively.

The following is a schedule of future minimum rental payments under operating leases at December 29, 2012:

For the fiscal years ending:	
2013	\$ 11,896
2014	12,392
2015	11,924
2016	11,191
2017	11,038
Thereafter	150,961
	\$ 209,402

The Company leases certain retail store locations. Certain of these leases include tenant allowances that are amortized over the life of the lease. In 2012 and 2011, no tenant allowances were received. The Company expects to receive \$4,200 in tenant allowances under leases during 2013. Certain leases require the Company to pay contingent rental amounts based on a percentage of sales, in addition to real estates taxes, insurance, maintenance, and other operating expenses associated with the leased premises. These leases have terms which include renewal options ranging from 10 to 70 years.

The Company has entered into real estate purchase, construction, and/or economic development agreements for various new retail store site locations. At December 29, 2012, the Company had total estimated cash commitments of approximately \$201,800 outstanding for projected expenditures connected with the development, construction, and completion of new retail stores. This does not include any amounts for contractual obligations associated with retail store locations where the Company is in the process of certain negotiations.

Under various grant programs, state or local governments provide funding for certain costs associated with developing and opening a new retail store. The Company generally receives grant funding in exchange for commitments, such as assurance of agreed employment and wage levels at the retail store or that the retail store will remain open, made by the Company to the state or local government providing the funding. The commitments typically phase out over approximately five to 10 years. If the Company failed to maintain the commitments during the applicable period, the funds received may have to be repaid or other adverse consequences may arise, which could affect the Company's cash flows and profitability. At December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, the total amount of grant funding subject to a specific contractual remedy was \$7,257 and \$9,930, respectively.

The Company operates an open account document instructions program, which provides for Cabela'sissued letters of credit. The Company had obligations to pay participating vendors \$55,455 and \$40,074, at December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively.

The Financial Services segment enters into financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of business through the origination of unsecured credit card loans. Unsecured credit card accounts are commitments to extend credit and totaled \$20,976,000 and \$20,235,000 at December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively. These commitments are in addition to any current outstanding balances of a cardholder. Unsecured credit card loans involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheets. The principal amounts of these instruments reflect the Financial

Services segment's maximum related exposure. The Financial Services segment has not experienced and does not anticipate that all customers will exercise the entire available line of credit at any given point in time. The Financial Services segment has the right to reduce or cancel the available lines of credit at any time.

Proposed Settlement of Visa Litigation - In June 2005, a number of entities, each purporting to represent a class of retail merchants, sued Visa and several member banks, and other credit card associations, alleging, among other things, that Visa and its member banks have violated United States antitrust laws by conspiring to fix the level of interchange fees. On July 13, 2012, the parties to this litigation announced that they had entered into a memorandum of understanding, which subject to certain conditions, including court approval, obligates the parties to enter into a settlement agreement to resolve the claims brought by the class members. On November 9, 2012, the settlement received preliminary court approval. The settlement agreement requires, among other things, (i) the distribution to class merchants of an amount equal to 10 basis points of default interchange across all credit rate categories for a period of eight consecutive months, which otherwise would have been paid to issuers like WFB. (ii) Visa to change its rules to allow merchants to charge a surcharge on credit card transactions subject to a cap, and (iii) Visa to meet with merchant buying groups that seek to negotiate interchange rates collectively. To date, WFB has not been named as a defendant in any credit card industry lawsuits. Management believes that the 10 basis point reduction of default interchange across all credit rate categories for a period of eight consecutive months would result in a reduction of interchange income of approximately \$12,500 in the Financial Services segment. Accordingly, the Company has recorded a liability of \$12,500 as of December 29, 2012, to accrue for such proposed settlement, as a reduction of interchange income in the Financial Services segment.

Litigation and Claims – The Company is party to various legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. These actions include commercial, intellectual property, employment, regulatory, and product liability claims. Some of these actions involve complex factual and legal issues and are subject to uncertainties. The activities of WFB are subject to complex federal and state laws and regulations. WFB's regulators are authorized to impose penalties for violations of these laws and regulations and, in some cases, to order WFB to pay restitution. The Company cannot predict with assurance the outcome of the actions brought against it. Accordingly, adverse developments, settlements, or resolutions may occur and have a material effect on the Company's results of operations for the period in which such development, settlement, or resolution occurs. However, the Company does not believe that the outcome of any current legal proceeding would have a material effect on its results of operations, cash flows, or financial position taken as a whole.

On January 6, 2011, the Company received a Commissioner's charge from the Chair of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") alleging that the Company has discriminated against non-Whites on the basis of their race and national origin in recruitment and hiring. The Company is disputing these allegations, and the EEOC currently is in the early stages of its investigation. At the present time, the Company is unable to form a judgment regarding a favorable or unfavorable outcome regarding this matter or the potential range of loss in the event of an unfavorable outcome.

Self-Insurance – The Company is self-insured for health claims and workers' compensation claims up to a certain stop loss amount per individual. The Company has a liability for health claims submitted and for those claims incurred prior to year end but not yet reported totaling \$3,856 and \$3,529 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. The Company also has a liability for workers' compensation claims submitted and for those claims incurred prior to year end but not yet reported totaling \$4,064 and \$4,674 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. These liabilities are included in accrued expenses in the consolidated balance sheet.

The liabilities for health and workers' compensation claims incurred but not reported are based upon internally developed calculations. These estimates are regularly evaluated for adequacy based on the most current information available, including historical claim payments, expected trends, and industry factors.

19. REGULATORY CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

WFB is subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Nebraska State Department of Banking and Finance. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, WFB must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of WFB's assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. WFB's capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgment by the regulators with respect to components, risk weightings, and other factors.

The quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require that WFB maintain minimum amounts and ratios (defined in the regulations) as set forth in the following table. WFB exceeded the minimum requirements for the "well-capitalized" category under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action for both periods presented.

As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the most recent notification from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation categorized WFB as "well-capitalized" under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as "well-capitalized" WFB must maintain certain amounts and ratios as set forth in the following table. There are no conditions or events since that notification that management believes have changed the institution's category.

	Actual			apital Require to be Cla lequately-C	ssified	Capital Requirement to be Classified Well-Capitalized			
	Amount	Ratio	4	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio		
2012: Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets Tier I Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets Tier I Capital to Average Assets	\$ 440,927 394,580 394,580	12.0% 10.7 11.2	\$	295,081 147,541 140,664	8.0% 4.0 4.0	\$ 368,852 221,311 175,830	10.0% 6.0 5.0		
2011: Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets Tier I Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets Tier I Capital to Average Assets	\$ 388,370 346,914 346,914	11.8% 10.6 10.8	\$	262,770 131,385 128,186	8.0% 4.0 4.0	\$ 328,462 197,077 160,233	10.0% 6.0 5.0		

20. STOCK BASED COMPENSATION PLANS AND EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

Stock-Based Compensation – The Company recognized total stock-based compensation expense of \$13,733, \$12,911, and \$11,198 in 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. Compensation expense related to the Company's stockbased payment awards is recognized in selling, distribution, and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of income. Compensation cost for awards is recognized using a straight-line amortization method over the vesting period. At December 29, 2012, the total unrecognized deferred stock-based compensation balance for all equity awards issued, net of expected forfeitures, was \$13,660, net of tax, which is expected to be amortized over a weighted average period of 2.1 years.

The fair value of options granted is estimated on the date of the grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The expected volatility for 2012, 2011, and 2010 was based on the historical volatility of the Company's common stock. The fair value of options in the years presented was estimated using the Black-Scholes model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	2012	 2011	 2010
Risk-free interest rate based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve	0.84%	1.52 to 2.16%	2.26 to 2.35%
Dividend yield	-	· _ ·	-
Expected volatility	48%	46%	45 to 46%
Weighted average expected life (in years)	4.7	5.0	5.0
Weighted average grant date fair value of options granted	5 15.72	\$ 11.30	\$ 7.02

Employee Stock Plans – The Cabela's Incorporated 2004 Stock Plan ("the 2004 Plan") provides for the granting of non-qualified stock options, incentive stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, and other stock-based awards to employees, directors, and consultants. Options granted under the 2004 Plan have a term of no greater than ten years from the grant date and are exercisable in accordance with the vesting schedule determined at the time the awards are granted. As of December 29, 2012, excluding restricted stock of 37,108, there were 3,719,474 awards outstanding and 1,940,486 additional shares authorized and available for grant under the 2004 Plan. To the extent available, the Company will issue its treasury shares for the exercise of stock options before issuing new shares. The Company has no options outstanding under its 1997 Stock Option Plan and no shares available for grant.

Option Awards. During 2012, there were 229,540 non-qualified stock options granted to employees under the 2004 Plan at an exercise price of \$35.17 per share and 18,000 non-qualified stock options granted to non-employee directors at an exercise price of \$34.44 per share. These options have an eight-year term and vest over four years for employees and one year for non-employee directors. In addition, the Company issued 64,000 premium-priced non-qualified stock options to its President and Chief Executive Officer under the 2004 Plan at an exercise price of \$40.45 (which is equal to 115% of the closing price of the Company's common stock on March 2, 2012). The premium-priced non-qualified stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 2, 2017, and expire on March 2, 2020.

Nonvested Stock and Stock Unit Awards. During 2012, the Company issued 424,990 units of nonvested stock under the 2004 Plan to employees at a weighted average fair value of \$35.90 per unit. These nonvested stock units vest evenly over four years on the grant date anniversary based on the passage of time. On March 2, 2012, the Company also issued 64,000 units of performance-based restricted stock units under the 2004 Plan to certain executives at a fair value of \$35.17 per unit. These performance-based restricted stock units will begin vesting in four equal installments on March 2, 2013, since the performance criteria was achieved.

Restricted Stock Awards. In 2008, 111,324 shares of restricted stock were issued to two executives under the 2004 Plan. The stock price on the date of grant was \$10.48 per share resulting in a fair value of \$1,167 of deferred compensation which is being amortized to compensation expense over a five-year period. Compensation expense related to these restricted stock awards, which is included in total stock-based compensation expense, was \$233 in each year 2012, 2011, and 2010. The remaining 37,108 shares of restricted stock will vest on July 7, 2013.

The following table summarizes award activity during 2012 for the Company's two stock plans:

		All Aw	vards	Non-Veste	d Awards		
	Awards Available for Grant	Number of Awards (1)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of Awards (1)	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value		
Outstanding, beginning of year	2,682,550	5,191,128	\$ 13.92	1,776,198	\$ 13.50		
Granted	(800,530)	800,530	14.09	800,530	27.94		
Vested	· · · · ·	(579,015)		(993,639)	10.79		
Exercised	-	(1,634,703)	17.85				
Forfeited (2)	58,466	(58,466)	4.34	(58,146)	23.80		
Outstanding, end of year (3)	1,940,486	3,719,474	14.55	1,524,943	21.67		

(1) Excludes restricted stock awards issued in July 2008.

(2) Options forfeited under the 2004 Plan are immediately available for grant.

(3) Total awards outstanding under the 2004 Plan at the end of 2012 were comprised of 2,752,963 of nonqualified stock options, 826,185 of nonvested stock awards, and 140,326 of performance based stock awards.

The following table provides information relating to the Company's equity share-based payment awards at December 29, 2012:

	Number of Awards	Weighted Average Exercise Price		Weighted Average Fair Value		I	ggregate atrinsic Value	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (in Years)	
Vested and exercisable	2,194,531	\$	17.00	\$	23.74	\$	52,094	3.32	
Non-vested	1,524,943		11.02		21.67		45,315	6.47	
Total outstanding	3,719,474		14.55		13.21	<u>\$</u>	97,409	4.61	
Expected to vest after December 29, 2012	3,580,099		14.55			<u>\$</u>	93,772	4.52	

The aggregate intrinsic value of awards exercised was \$53,198, \$26,775, and \$8,493 during 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. The total fair value of shares vested was \$10,721, \$11,759, and \$7,286 in 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. Based on the Company's closing stock price of \$40.74 as of December 29, 2012, the total number of in-the-money awards exercisable as of December 29, 2012, was 2,194,531.

The equity share-based payment awards outstanding and exercisable as of December 29, 2012, were in the following exercise price ranges:

	Awards Exercisable				
Exercise Price			Average Remaining Contractual Life (in Years)	Number	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$ 0.00 to \$ 6.74	966,511	\$ -	6.46		\$ -
\$ 6.75 to \$13.48	494,388	9.66	3.41	494,388	9.66
\$13.49 to \$20.23	1,321,366	17.48	3.48	1,221,304	17.58
\$20.24 to \$26.97	624,804	23.96	3.89	474,839	23.08
\$26.98 to \$33.71	4,000	27.26	1.58	4,000	27.26
\$33.72 to \$40.45	308,405	36.22	7.06	-	-
	3,719,474	14.55	4.61	2,194,531	17.00

Employee Stock Purchase Plan – The maximum number of shares of common stock available for issuance under the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan is 1,835,000. During 2012, there were 81,254 shares issued. At December 29, 2012, there were 663,582 shares authorized and available for issuance.

401(k) Savings Plan – All employees are eligible to defer up to 80% of their wages in Cabela's 401(k) savings plan, subject to certain limitations. The Company matches 100% of eligible employee deferrals up to 4% of eligible wages. For eligible employees hired prior to January 1, 2009, the Company may also contribute a 2% discretionary matching contribution. Total expense for employer contributions was \$9,709, \$9,187, and \$8,478 in 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively.

21. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND DIVIDEND RESTRICTIONS

Preferred Stock – The Company is authorized to issue 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock having a par value of \$0.01 per share. None of the shares of the authorized preferred stock have been issued. The board of directors is authorized to issue these shares of preferred stock without stockholder approval in different classes and series and, with respect to each class or series, to determine the dividend rate, the redemption provisions, conversion provisions, liquidation preference, and other rights, privileges, and restrictions. The issuance of any preferred stock could have the effect of diluting the voting power of the holders of common stock, restricting dividends on the common stock, impairing the liquidation rights of the common stock, or delaying or preventing a change in control without further action by the stockholders.

Class A Voting Common Stock – The holders of Cabela's Class A common stock are entitled to receive ratably dividends, if any, the board of directors may declare from time to time from funds legally available therefore, subject to the preferential rights of the holders of any shares of preferred stock that the Company may issue in the future. The holders of Cabela's Class A common stock are entitled to one vote per share on any matter to be voted upon by stockholders.

Upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of company affairs, the holders of Cabela's Class A common stock are entitled to all assets remaining after payment to creditors and subject to prior distribution rights of any shares of preferred stock that the Company may issue in the future. All of the outstanding shares of Class A common stock are fully paid and non-assessable.

Retained Earnings – The most significant restrictions on the payment of dividends are contained within the covenants under the Company's revolving credit and unsecured senior notes purchase agreements. Also, Nebraska banking laws govern the amount of dividends that WFB can pay to Cabela's. At December 29, 2012, the Company had unrestricted retained earnings of \$180,529 available for dividends. However, the Company has never declared or paid any cash dividends on its common stock, and does not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income – The components of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of related taxes, are as follows for the years ended:

•	 2012	 2011
Accumulated net unrealized holding gains on economic development bonds	\$ 6,823	\$ 3,044
Accumulated net unrealized holding loss on derivatives	(1)	(138)
Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments	 (1,280)	 (175)
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	\$ 5,542	\$ 2,731

Treasury Stock - On August 23, 2011, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program that provides for share repurchases on an ongoing basis to offset dilution resulting from equity awards under the Company's current or future equity compensation plans. These shares can be repurchased from time to time in open market transactions or privately negotiated transactions at the Company's discretion, subject to market conditions, customary blackout periods, and other factors. The share repurchase program does not obligate the Company to repurchase any outstanding shares of its common stock, and the program may be limited or terminated at any time. On February 16, 2012, the Company announced that it would repurchase up to 800,000 shares of its common stock in open market transactions through February 2013. These shares were repurchased in the second quarter of 2012.

The following table reconciles the share activity relating to the Company's treasury stock for the years ended:

	2012	2011
Number of treasury shares:		
Balance, beginning of period	800,935	_
Purchase of treasury stock at a cost of \$28,977 and \$20,287 (1)	816,057	814,495
Treasury shares issued on exercise of stock options and share-based payment awards	<u>(1,124,578</u>)	(13,560)
Balance, end of period	492,414	800,935

(1) Reflects common stock withheld (under the terms of grants pursuant to a stock compensation plan) totaling 16,057 shares and 14,495 shares, respectively, to offset tax withholding obligations upon the vesting and release of restricted shares on July 7, 2012 and 2011.

22. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table reconciles the number of shares utilized in the earnings per share calculations for the years ended:

Weighted average number of shares:	2012	2011	2010
Common shares – basic	69,856,258	69,194,663	67,791,782
Effect of incremental dilutive securities:			
Stock options, nonvested stock units, and employee stock			
purchase plans	1,853,615	2,079,579	1,294,751
Common shares – diluted	71,709,873	71,274,242	69,086,533
Stock options outstanding and nonvested stock units issued			-
considered anti-dilutive excluded from calculation	-	228,545	2,571,955

23. SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

The following table sets forth non-cash financing and investing activities and other cash flow information for the years ended:

	2012			2011		2010
Non-cash financing and investing activities:			•			
Accrued property and equipment additions (1)	\$	23,225	\$	7,483	\$	13,484
Contribution of land received		2,287		-		6,847
Other than temporary impairment of economic						
development bonds		5,030		24,314		-
Impairment of deferred grant income		(5,030)		(24,314)		-
Other cash flow information:						
Interest paid (2)	\$	78,841	\$	94,440	\$	135,049
Capitalized interest		(2,798)		(126)		(124)
Interest paid, net of capitalized interest	\$	76,043	\$	94,314	\$	134,925
Income taxes, net of refunds	\$	136,959	<u>\$</u>	44,778	<u>\$</u>	44,127

(1) Accrued property and equipment additions are recognized in the consolidated statements of cash flows in the year they are paid.

(2) Includes interest from the Financial Services segment totaling \$54,301, \$70,867, and \$93,908 for 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively.

24. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Company has three reportable segments: Retail, Direct, and Financial Services. The Retail segment sells products and services through the Company's retail stores. The Direct segment sells products through our e-commerce websites (Cabelas.com and Cabelas.ca) and direct mail catalogs. The Financial Services segment issues co-branded credit cards. For the Retail segment, operating costs consist primarily of labor, advertising, depreciation, and occupancy costs of retail stores. For the Direct segment, operating costs consist primarily of

direct marketing costs (catalog and e-commerce advertising costs) and order processing costs. For the Financial Services segment, operating costs consist primarily of advertising and promotion, license fees, third party services for processing credit card transactions, salaries, and other general and administrative costs.

Revenues included in Corporate Overhead and Other are primarily made up of amounts received from outfitter services, real estate rental income, land sales, and fees earned through the Company's travel business and other complementary business services. Corporate Overhead and Other expenses include unallocated shared-service costs, operations of various ancillary subsidiaries such as real estate development and travel, and segment eliminations. Unallocated shared-service costs include receiving, distribution, and storage costs of inventory, merchandising, and quality assurance costs, as well as corporate headquarters occupancy costs.

Segment assets are those directly used in or clearly allocable to an operating segment's operations. For the Retail segment, assets include inventory in the retail stores, land, buildings, fixtures, and leasehold improvements. For the Direct segment, assets primarily include deferred catalog costs and fixed assets. Goodwill totaling \$3,535 and \$3,450, at December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively, was included in the Retail segment. The change in the carrying value of goodwill between years is due to foreign currency adjustments. Assets for the Financial Services segment include cash, credit card loans, restricted cash, receivables, fixtures, and other assets. Cash and cash equivalents of the Financial Services segment were \$91,365 and \$117,035 at December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively, shared technology infrastructure and related information technology systems, corporate cash and cash equivalents, economic development bonds, prepaid expenses, deferred income taxes, and other corporate long-lived assets. Depreciation, amortization, and property and equipment expenditures are recognized in each respective segment. Intercompany revenue between segments was eliminated in consolidation.

Prior to January 1, 2012, under an Intercompany Agreement, the Financial Services segment had incurred a marketing fee that was paid to the Retail and Direct business segments. Effective January 1, 2012, this Intercompany Agreement was amended with the marketing fee component eliminated and replaced with a fixed license fee equal to 70 basis points on all originated charge volume of the Cabela's CLUB Visa credit card portfolio. In addition, among other changes, the agreement requires the Financial Services segment to reimburse the Retail and Direct segments for certain operating and promotional costs. Reported operating income by segment, and the components of operating income for each segment, were not materially impacted for 2012 compared to prior years by this new agreement.

Financial information by segment is presented below for the following years:

Fiscal Year 2012		Retail		Direct		Financial Services	(Corporate Overhead and Other		Total
Merchandise sales	\$	1,847,960	\$	930,943	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,778,903
Non-merchandise revenue:						010 000				
Financial Services		-		-		319,399		10 5 5		319,399
Other	<u>_</u>	1,622	-	-	<u>_</u>	-	<u></u>	12,758	_	14,380
Total revenue	<u>\$</u>	1,849,582	<u>\$</u>	930,943	<u>\$</u>	319,399	<u>\$</u>	12,758	<u>\$</u>	3,112,682
Operating income (loss)	\$	345,040	\$	155,237	\$,	\$	(298,760)	\$	275,699
As a percentage of revenue		18.7%		16.7%		23.2%		N/A		8.9%
Depreciation and amortization	\$	46,997	\$	7,361	\$	1,277	\$	23,634	\$	79,269
Assets		1,048,747		171,461		3,730,438		797,517		5,748,163
Property and equipment additions										
including accrued amounts		181,676		1,172		3,757		43,404		230,009
Fiscal Year 2011										
Merchandise sales	\$	1,548,899	\$	956,834	\$	-	\$	· -	\$	2,505,733
Non-merchandise revenue:				,			•		-	_,_ ,_ ,
Financial Services		-		_		291,746		-		291,746
Other		1,543		-				12,144		13,687
Total revenue	\$	1,550,442	\$	956,834	\$	291,746	\$	12,144	\$	2,811,166
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Operating income (loss)	\$	263,010	\$	172,163	\$	59,032	\$	(262,657)	\$	231,548
As a percentage of revenue		17.0%		18.0%		20.2%		· N/A		8.2%
Depreciation and amortization	\$	41,506	\$	6,677	\$	987	\$	22,173	\$	71,343
Assets		878,557		153,758		3,353,263		748,193		5,133,771
Property and equipment additions										
including accrued amounts		87,670		6,335		5,640		21,094		120,739
Fiscal Year 2010										
Revenue from external customers	\$	1,412,715	\$	996,451	\$	228,121	\$	25,955	\$	2,663,242
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internal customers		_		3,320		(446)		(2,874)		. –
Total revenue	\$	1,412,715	\$	999,771	\$	227,675	\$	23,081	\$	2,663,242
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Operating income (loss)	\$	205,768	\$	156,255	\$	52,401	\$	(227,662)	\$	186,762
As a percentage of revenue		14.6%		15.6%		23.0%		N/A		7.0%
Depreciation and amortization	\$	40,011	\$	4,972	\$	1,141	\$	23,748	\$	69,872
Assets		854,179		110,815		2,911,609		654,576		4,531,179
Property and equipment additions										
including accrued amounts		36,206		11,022		1,566		30,926		79,720

The components and amounts of total revenue for the Financial Services segment were as follows for the years ended:

	 2012		2011	 2010
Interest and fee income	\$ 301,699	\$	277,242	\$ 271,651
Interest expense	(54,092)		(70,303)	(86,494)
Provision for loan losses	 (42,760)		(39,287)	 (66,814)
Net interest income, net of provision for loan losses	204,847		167,652	 118,343
Non-interest income:				
Interchange income	292,151		267,106	231,347
Other non-interest income	12,364	_	13,620	 12,247
Total non-interest income	304,515		280,726	243,594
Less: Customer rewards costs	 (189,963)		(156,632)	 (134,262)
Financial Services revenue	\$ 319,399	\$	291,746	\$ 227,675

The Company's products are principally marketed to individuals within the United States. Net sales generated in other geographic markets, primarily Canada, have collectively been less than 3% of consolidated net merchandise sales in each year. No single customer accounted for 10% or more of consolidated net sales. No single product or service accounted for a significant percentage of the Company's consolidated revenue.

The following table sets forth the percentage of our merchandise revenue contributed by major product categories for our Retail and Direct segments and in total for the last three years.

		Retail			Direct			Total	
	2012	2011	2010	2012	2011	2010	2012	2011	2010
Product Category:									
Hunting Equipment	49.5%	45.7%	44.5%	37.1%	33.4%	33.7%	45.3%	41.1%	40.2%
General Outdoors	28.7	30.7	31.5	32.0	32.7	32.9	29.8	31.5	32.1
Clothing and Footwear	21.8	23.6	24.0	30.9	33.9	33.4	_24.9	_27.4	_27.7
Total	<u>100.0</u> %								

25. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value represents the estimated price to sell an asset or transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions. In determining fair value of financial instruments, the Company uses various methods, including discounted cash flow projections based on available market interest rates and data, and management estimates of future cash payments. Judgment is required in interpreting certain market data to develop the estimates of fair value and, accordingly, any changes in assumptions or methods may affect the fair value estimates. Financial instrument assets and liabilities measured and reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories:

- Level 1 Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Observable inputs other than quoted market prices.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs corroborated by little, if any, market data.

Level 3 is comprised of financial instruments whose fair value is estimated based on internally developed models or methodologies utilizing significant inputs that are primarily unobservable from objective sources. At December 29, 2012, the Company's financial instruments carried on our consolidated balance sheets subject to fair value measurements consisted of economic development bonds and were classified as Level 3 for valuation purposes. For 2012, 2011, and 2010, there were no transfers in or out of Levels 1, 2, or 3.

The Company's recurring financial instruments classified as Level 3 for valuation purposes consists of economic development bonds. The table below presents changes in fair value of the economic development bonds measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the years ended:

	 2012	 2011	 2010
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 86,563	\$ 104,231	\$ 108,491
Total gains or losses:			
Included in earnings - realized	-	13	-
Included in accumulated other comprehensive			
income (loss) - unrealized	5,814	9,078	(1,084)
Valuation adjustments	(5,030)	(24,314)	-
Purchases, issuances, and settlements:			
Purchases	-	601	. –
Issuances	-		· _
Settlements	(2,306)	(3,046)	(3,176)
Total	 (2,306)	(2,445)	(3,176)
Balance, end of year	\$ 85,041	\$ 86,563	\$ 104,231

Fair values of the Company's economic development bonds were estimated using discounted cash flow projection estimates. These estimates are based on available market interest rates and the estimated amounts and timing of expected future payments to be received from municipalities under tax development zones, which the Company considers to be unobservable inputs (Level 3). These fair values do not reflect any premium or discount that could result from offering these bonds for sale or through early redemption, or any related income tax impact. Declines in the fair value of available-for-sale economic development bonds below cost that are deemed to be other than temporary are reflected in earnings. In 2012 and 2011, the Company determined that the fair value of the bonds was below carrying value, with the decline in fair value deemed to be other than temporary, which resulted in fair value adjustments totaling \$5,030 and \$24,314 at the end of 2012 and 2011, respectively. Accordingly, deferred grant income was reduced by \$5,030 and \$24,314 for the respective years due to other than temporary impairment losses of the same amounts that were recognized on the economic development bonds. These reductions in deferred grant income resulted in increases in depreciation expense of \$1,309 and \$6,538 in 2012 and 2011, respectively, which have been included in impairment and restructuring charges in the consolidated statements of income. At the end of 2010, none of the bonds with a fair value below carrying value were deemed to have other than a temporary impairment.

Long-lived assets other than goodwill and other intangible assets, which generally are tested separately for impairment on an annual basis, are evaluated for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. The calculation for an impairment loss compares the carrying value of the asset to that asset's estimated fair value, which may be based on estimated future discounted cash flows or unobservable market prices. We recognize an impairment loss if the asset's carrying value exceeds its estimated fair value. Frequently our impairment loss calculations contain multiple uncertainties because they require management to make assumptions and to apply judgment to estimate future cash flows and asset fair values, including forecasting cash flows under different scenarios. We have consistently applied our accounting methodologies that we use to assess impairment loss. However, if actual results are not consistent with our estimates and assumptions used in estimating future cash flows and asset fair values, we may be exposed to losses that could be material.

The Company evaluates the recoverability of property and equipment, land held for sale, goodwill and intangibles whenever indicators of impairment exist using significant unobservable inputs. This evaluation included existing store locations and future retail store sites. Impairment losses consisted of the following for the years ended:

	 2012	 2011	 2010
Carrying value of land held for sale and other assets	\$ 30,669	\$ 36,954	\$ 9,054
Fair value of related assets	 11,654	 32,183	 3,428
Impairment losses	\$ 19,015	\$ 4,771	\$ 5,626

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, restricted cash, accounts payable, gift instruments (including credit card and loyalty rewards programs), accrued expenses, and income taxes payable included in the consolidated balance sheets approximate fair value given the short-term nature of these financial instruments. The secured variable funding obligations of the Trust, which include variable rates of interest that adjust daily, can fluctuate daily based on the short-term operational needs of the Financial Services segment with advances and pay downs at par value. Therefore, the carrying value of the secured variable funding obligations of the Trust approximates fair value.

The table below presents the estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments that are not carried at fair value on our consolidated balance sheets for the years indicated. The fair values of all financial instruments listed below were estimated based on internally developed models or methodologies utilizing observable inputs (Level 2).

	20	12		2	011	
	 Carrying Value		Estimated Fair Value	 Carrying Value		Estimated Fair Value
Financial Assets:						
Credit card loans, net	\$ 3,497,472	\$	3,497,472	\$ 3,094,163	\$	3,094,163
Financial Liabilities:						
Time deposits	1,048,018		1,086,411	982,313		1,023,766
Secured long-term obligations of the Trust	1,827,500		1,807,083	1,402,500		1,374,507
Long-term debt	336,535		373,120	344,922		343,757

Credit Card Loans. Credit card loans are originated with variable rates of interest that adjust with changing market interest rates. Thus, the carrying value of the credit card loans, including the carrying value of deferred credit card origination costs, less the allowance for loan losses, approximates fair value. This valuation does not include the value that relates to estimated cash flows generated from new loans over the life of the cardholder relationship. Accordingly, the aggregate fair value of the credit card loans does not represent the underlying value of the established cardholder relationship.

Time Deposits. Time deposits are pooled in homogeneous groups, and the future cash flows of those groups are discounted using current market rates offered for similar products for purposes of estimating fair value. For all periods presented, we have consistently applied our discounting methodologies to estimated future cash flows in determining estimated fair value for time deposits.

Secured Long-Term Obligations of the Trust. The estimated fair value of secured long-term obligations of the Trust is based on future cash flows associated with each type of debt discounted using current borrowing rates for similar types of debt of comparable maturity. For all periods presented, we have consistently applied our discounting methodologies to estimated future cash flows in determining estimated fair value for secured long-term obligations of the Trust.

Long-Term Debt. The estimated fair value of long-term debt is based on future cash flows associated with each type of debt discounted using current borrowing rates for similar types of debt of comparable maturity. For all periods presented, we have consistently applied our discounting methodologies to estimated future cash flows in determining estimated fair value for long-term debt.

26. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

		2012 by	Quarter			2011 by	Quarter	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	First	Second	Third	Fourth
Total revenue	\$ 623,504	\$ 627,254	\$ 741,178	\$ 1,120,746	\$ 586,711	\$ 562,100	\$ 678,610	\$ 983,745
Operating income (1)	46,576	57,828	67,113	104,182	30,887	37,309	53,489	109,863
Net income	28,826	33,870	42,785	68,032	17,785	21,700	33,307	69,828
Earnings per share:					-		,	,
Basic (2)	0.42	0.48	0.61	0.97	0.26	0.31	0.48	1.03
Diluted (2)	0.40	0.47	0.60	0.95	0.25	0.31	0.47	1.00
(1) Includes impairment and restructuring charges recorded by quarter for	1							
each respective year as follows:	\$-	\$ -	\$-	\$ 20,324	\$-	\$ 955	\$ 3,488	\$ 7,801

The following table sets forth unaudited financial and operating data in each quarter for years 2012 and 2011:

(2) Basic and diluted earnings per share are computed independently for each of the quarters presented and, therefore, may not sum to the totals for the year.

Revenue is typically higher in the Company's third and fourth quarters than in the first and second quarters due to holiday buying patterns and hunting season openings across the United States. The Company's quarterly operating results may fluctuate significantly as a result of these events and a variety of other factors, and operating results for any quarter are not necessarily indicative of results for a full year.

CABELA'S INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES

SCHEDULE II VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS (In Thousands)

	0	ginning f Year alance	C	harged to Costs and Expenses	ť	Charged to Other Accounts	 Net Charge- Offs	End of Year alance
Year Ended December 29, 2012: Allowance for doubtful accounts Allowance for credit card loan losses	\$	4,772 73,350	\$	(3,594) 42,760	\$	(50,510)	\$ (3,594) (7,750)	\$ 1,178 65,600
Year Ended December 31, 2011: Allowance for doubtful accounts Allowance for credit card loan losses	\$	3,416 90,900	\$	1,356 39,287	\$	- (56,837)	\$ 1,356 (17,550)	\$ 4,772 73,350
Year Ended January 1, 2011: Allowance for doubtful accounts Allowance for credit card loan losses (1)	\$	1,364 1,374	\$	2,052 181,387	\$	(91,861)	\$ 2,052 89,526	\$ 3,416 90,900

(1) Includes \$114,573 in "Charged to Costs and Expenses" due to the change in allowance for loan losses upon consolidation of the Trust.

ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")), designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports filed under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within specified time periods. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

In connection with this annual report on Form 10-K, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer evaluated, with the participation of our management, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on management's evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer each concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of December 29, 2012.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting for the Company. Internal control over financial reporting is a process to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of our financial reporting for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

With the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, management evaluated the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 29, 2012, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this evaluation, management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 29, 2012.

The independent registered public accounting firm of Deloitte & Touche LLP, as auditors of our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report on Form 10-K, has issued an attestation report on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based on the criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Their report is included in this Item 9A.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended December 29, 2012, that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Cabela's Incorporated and Subsidiaries Sidney, Nebraska

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of Cabela's Incorporated and Subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 29, 2012, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying *Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 29, 2012, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule as of and for the year ended December 29, 2012, of the Company and our report dated February 15, 2013, expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule and included an explanatory paragraph regarding the Company's adoption of guidance resulting in consolidation of the Cabela's Master Credit Card Trust and related entities.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Omaha, Nebraska February 19, 2013

ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information under the headings "Proposal One – Election of Directors," "Executive Officers of the Company," "Corporate Governance – Committees of the Board of Directors – Audit Committee," and "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance," in our Proxy Statement relating to our 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (our "Proxy Statement") is incorporated herein by reference. With the exception of the foregoing information and other information specifically incorporated by reference into this Report on Form 10-K, our Proxy Statement is not being filed as a part hereof.

The policies comprising our code of ethics are set forth in our Business Code of Conduct and Ethics. These policies satisfy the SEC's requirements for a "code of ethics," and apply to all of our directors, officers, and employees. Our Business Code of Conduct and Ethics is posted on our website at www.cabelas.com. We intend to satisfy the disclosure requirements under Item 5.05 of Form 8-K regarding certain amendments to, or waivers from, the provisions of our Business Code of Conduct and Ethics by posting such information on our website at the address specified above. Information contained on our website, whether currently posted or posted in the future, is not part of this document or the documents incorporated by reference in this document.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information under the headings "Executive Compensation" and "Director Compensation" in our Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information under the headings "Executive Compensation – Equity Compensation Plan Information as of Fiscal Year-End" and "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management" in our Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information under the headings "Transactions with Related Persons" and "Corporate Governance – Board of Directors" in our Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information under the heading "Proposal Two – Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" in our Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:

1. Financial Statements:

- Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
- Consolidated Statements of Income Years ended December 29, 2012, December 31, 2011, and January 1, 2011
- Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income Years ended December 29, 2012, December 31, 2011, and January 1, 2011
- Consolidated Balance Sheets December 29, 2012, and December 31, 2011
- Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Years ended December 29, 2012, December 31, 2011, and January 1, 2011
- Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity Years ended December 29, 2012, December 31, 2011, and January 1, 2011
- Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

2. Financial Statement Schedules:

• Schedule II - Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

All other schedules for which provision is made in the applicable accounting regulations of the SEC are not required under the related instructions or are inapplicable and, therefore, have been omitted.

3. Exhibits: See Item 15(b) below.

(b) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Exhibit Description

- 3.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Cabela's Incorporated (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 14, 2011, File No. 001-32227)
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Cabela's Incorporated (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 14, 2011, File No. 001-32227)
- 4.1 Specimen Stock Certificate (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.1 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)
- 4.2 Registration Rights Agreement dated as of September 23, 2003, among Cabela's Incorporated and the security holders named therein (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.2 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)
- 4.3 Form of 7.2% Senior Note, Series 2008-A, due January 16, 2018 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on January 22, 2008, File No. 001-32227)
- 4.4 Form of 6.08% Senior Note, Series 2007-A, due June 15, 2017 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 20, 2007, File No. 001-32227)
- 4.5 Form of 5.99% Senior Note, Series 2006-A, due February 27, 2016 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.7 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 20, 2007, File No. 001-32227)

- 4.6 Note Purchase Agreements dated as of February 27, 2006, among Cabela's Incorporated and various purchasers party thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.6 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on March 1, 2010, File No. 001-32227)
- 4.7 First Supplement to Note Purchase Agreements dated as of February 27, 2006, among Cabela's Incorporated and various purchasers party thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on March 1, 2010, File No. 001-32227)

4.8 Second Supplement to Note Purchase Agreements dated as February 27, 2006, among Cabela's Incorporated and various purchasers party thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.8 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on March 1, 2010, File No. 001-32227)

4.9 Amendment No. 1 to Note Purchase Agreements dated as of February 27, 2006, among Cabela's Incorporated and various purchasers party thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.9 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on March 1, 2010, File No. 001-32227)

10.1 Executive Employment Agreement dated as of January 4, 2004, between Cabela's Incorporated and Richard N. Cabela (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*

10.2 Addendum to Executive Employment Agreement dated as of January 4, 2004, between Cabela's Incorporated and Richard N. Cabela (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on May 12, 2005, File No. 001-32227)*

- 10.3 Executive Employment Agreement dated as of January 4, 2004, between Cabela's Incorporated and James W. Cabela (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.4 Addendum to Executive Employment Agreement dated as of January 4, 2004, between Cabela's Incorporated and James W. Cabela (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on May 12, 2005, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.5 1997 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.6 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.6 First Amendment to 1997 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.7 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.7 Second Amendment to 1997 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.8 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.8 Third Amendment to 1997 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.9 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.9 Fourth Amendment to 1997 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.9.1 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.10 Fifth Amendment to 1997 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on August 6, 2007, File No. 001-32227)*

10.11 Sixth Amendment to 1997 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.11 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on March 1, 2010, File No. 001-32227)*

- 10.12 Form of 1997 Employee Stock Option Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.10 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.13 Cabela's Incorporated 2004 Stock Plan (as amended and restated effective December 11, 2012)*
- 10.14 Form of 2004 Stock Plan Employee Stock Option Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.13 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.15 Form of 2004 Stock Plan Employee Stock Option Agreement (2006) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on May 15, 2006, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.16 Form of 2004 Stock Plan Employee Stock Option Agreement (2008) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 4, 2008, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.17 Form of 2004 Stock Plan Employee Stock Option Agreement (2009) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 6, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.18 Form of 2004 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 6, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.19 Form of 2004 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (Performance-Based) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 5, 2010, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.20 Form of 2004 Stock Plan Non-Employee Director Stock Option Agreement (2006) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on May 15, 2006, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.21 Form of 2004 Stock Plan Non-Employee Director Stock Option Agreement (2010) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on July 30, 2010, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.22 Form of Indemnification Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.18 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on March 23, 2004, Registration No. 333-113835)*
- 10.23 Summary of Non-Employee Director Compensation (incorporated by reference from the section titled "Director Compensation" in our Proxy Statement for the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders)*
- 10.24 Summary of Named Executive Officer Compensation (incorporated by reference from the section titled "Executive Compensation" in our Proxy Statement for the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders)*
- 10.25 Amended and Restated Lease Agreement with Option to Purchase dated April 26, 2005, between Ohio County Development Authority and Cabela's Wholesale, Inc. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.29 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on March 1, 2006, File No. 001-32227)
- 10.26 Cabela's Incorporated Performance Bonus Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on February 19, 2008, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.27 Form of Proprietary Matters Agreement (executed by Thomas L. Millner, Dennis Highby, Patrick A. Snyder, Brian J. Linneman, Charles Baldwin, Michael Copeland, Douglas R. Means, and Scott K. Williams) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 6, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*

- 10.28 Form of Proprietary Matters Agreement World's Foremost Bank (executed by Ralph W. Castner, Sean Baker, and Joseph M. Friebe) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.4 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 6, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*
- 10.29 Form of Restricted Stock Agreement (executed by Patrick A. Snyder and Brian J. Linneman)
 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on July 10, 2008, File No. 001-32227)*

10.30 Executive Employment Agreement dated March 13, 2009, between Cabela's Incorporated and Thomas L. Millner (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 19, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*

- 10.31 Restricted Stock Unit Agreement dated March 13, 2009, between Cabela's Incorporated and Thomas L. Millner (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 19, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*
- Stock Option Agreement dated March 13, 2009, between Cabela's Incorporated and Thomas L. Millner (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 19, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*

 Proprietary Matters Agreement dated March 13, 2009, between Cabela's Incorporated and Thomas L. Millner (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.4 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 19, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*

10.34 Executive Employment Agreement dated March 18, 2009, between Cabela's Incorporated and Dennis Highby (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.7 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 19, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*

10.35 Form of 2009 Amended and Restated Management Change of Control Severance Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on December 17, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*

10.36 Form of 2009 Amended and Restated Management Change of Control Severance Agreement (World's Foremost Bank) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on December 17, 2009, File No. 001-32227)*

10.37 Executive Employment Agreement dated June 9, 2011, between Cabela's Incorporated and
 Patrick A. Snyder (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10 of our Current Report on Form 8-K,
 filed on June 14, 2011, File No. 001-32227)*

10.38 Credit Agreement dated as of November 2, 2011, among Cabela's Incorporated, various lenders party thereto, and U. S. Bank National Association, as Administrative Agent (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on November 8, 2011, File No. 001-32227)

10.39 Guaranty dated as of November 2, 2011, among certain subsidiaries of Cabela's Incorporated and U.S. Bank National Association, as Administrative Agent (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on November 8, 2011, File No. 001-32227)

10.40 Executive Employment Agreement dated June 6, 2012, between Cabela's Incorporated and Joseph M. Friebe (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 12, 2012, File No. 001-32227)*

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- 21.1 Subsidiaries of Cabela's Incorporated
- 23.1 Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
- 24.1 Powers of Attorney
- 31.1 Certification of CEO Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Exchange Act
- 31.2 Certification of CFO Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Exchange Act
- 32.1 Certifications Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350
- 101.INS XBRL Instance Document +
- 101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document +
- 101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Calculation Linkbase Document +
- 101.LAB XBRL Taxonomy Label Linkbase Document +
- 101.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document +
- 101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document +
- * Indicates management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as exhibits pursuant to Item 15(b) of this report.
- + As provided in Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, these interactive data files are furnished and not filed for purposes of Sections 11 and 12 of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (c) Financial Statement Schedules. See Item 15(a) above.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CABELA'S INCORPORATED

Dated: February 19, 2013

By: /s/ Thomas L. Millner Thomas L. Millner President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Thomas L. Millner Thomas L. Millner	President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	February 19, 2013
/s/ Ralph W. Castner Ralph W. Castner	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	February 19, 2013
* Richard N. Cabela	Chairman of the Board and Director	February 19, 2013
* James W. Cabela	Vice Chairman of the Board and Director	February 19, 2013
*	Vice Chairman of the Board and Director	February 19, 2013
Dennis Highby *	Director	February 19, 2013
Theodore M. Armstrong	Director	February 19, 2013
John H. Edmondson	Director	February 19, 2013
John Gottschalk	Director	February 19, 2013
Reuben Mark		February 19, 2013
Michael R. McCarthy	Director	•
* Beth M. Pritchard	Director	February 19, 2013
* By: <u>/s/ Thomas L. Millner</u> Thomas L. Millner	Attorney-in-fact	February 19, 2013

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Richard N. Cabela	James W. Cabela	Dennis Highby	Thomas L. Millner
Chairman	Vice Chairman	Vice Chairman	President and Chief Executive Officer
Cabela's Incorporated	Cabela's Incorporated	Cabela's Incorporated	Cabela's Incorporated
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Retired Chairman and Chief		Chairman	North American Advisor
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Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at 10 a.m. MT on Wednesday, June 5, 2013, at Sidney High School, 1122 19th Avenue, Sidney, Nebraska 69162.

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Questions and requests for information should be directed to Christopher Gay, Director of Treasury and Investor Relations, at (308) 255-2905 or via e-mail at Investor.Relations@cabelas.com or by visiting the Company's website at cabelas.com.

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