



3rd Quarter 2018 Webcast  
M.D.C. Holdings, Inc.  
November 1, 2018

# Forward Looking Statements

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It should also be noted that SEC Regulation G requires that certain information accompany the use of non-GAAP financial measures. Any information required by Regulation G will be posted on our web site, [www.mdcholdings.com](http://www.mdcholdings.com).



# Overview – Q3 2018 vs. Q3 2017

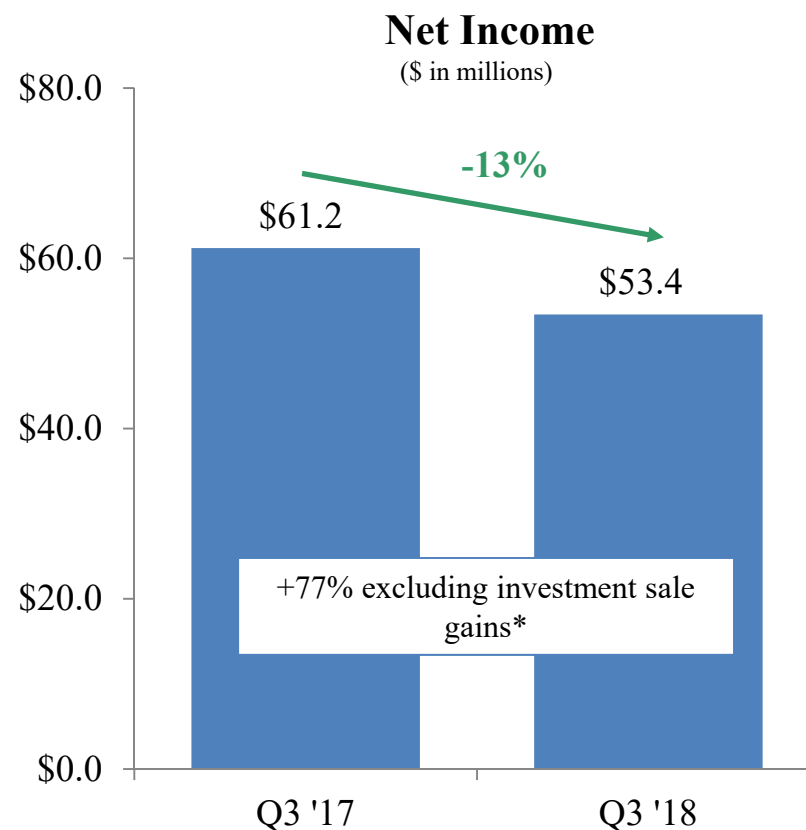
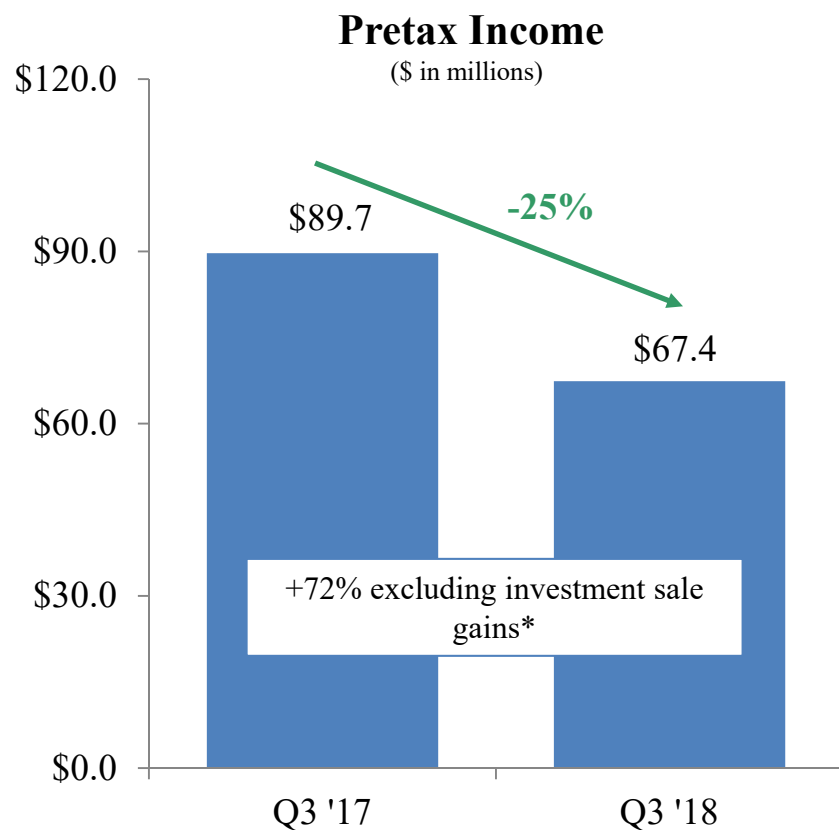
- Home sale revenues increased 31% to \$766.0 million
- Pretax income of \$67.4 million vs. \$89.7 million in Q3 2017
  - \$3.0 million gain on investments in Q3 2018 vs. \$52.2 million gain in Q3 2017
  - Excluding gain on investments, pretax income increased 72% to \$64.4 million from \$37.5 million\*\*
- Net income of \$53.4 million, or \$0.93 per diluted share vs. \$61.2 million, or \$1.07 per diluted share\*
- Gross margin from home sales up 140 basis points to 17.7%
  - \$11.1 million impairment charge in 2018 third quarter vs \$4.5 million in 2017 third quarter
  - Excluding impairments, gross margin up 210 basis points to 19.2%\*\*
- Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of home sale revenues ("SG&A rate") improved by 90 basis points to 10.9% from 11.8%
- Dollar value of net new orders of \$581.2 million vs. \$596.7 million in Q3 2017
  - Unit net orders increased 2% to 1,290
  - Monthly sales absorption pace of 2.67
- 2,878 lots approved for purchase, up 16%
- Quarterly dividend of \$0.30 (\$1.20 annualized) declared in October 2018, up 30% year-over-year\*

*\*All per share amounts have been adjusted as necessary for the 8% stock dividend declared and paid in the 2017 fourth quarter.*

*\*\* See Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures slide at end of presentation.*



# Pretax and Net Income



**Diluted Earnings Per Share**

\$1.07

\$0.93

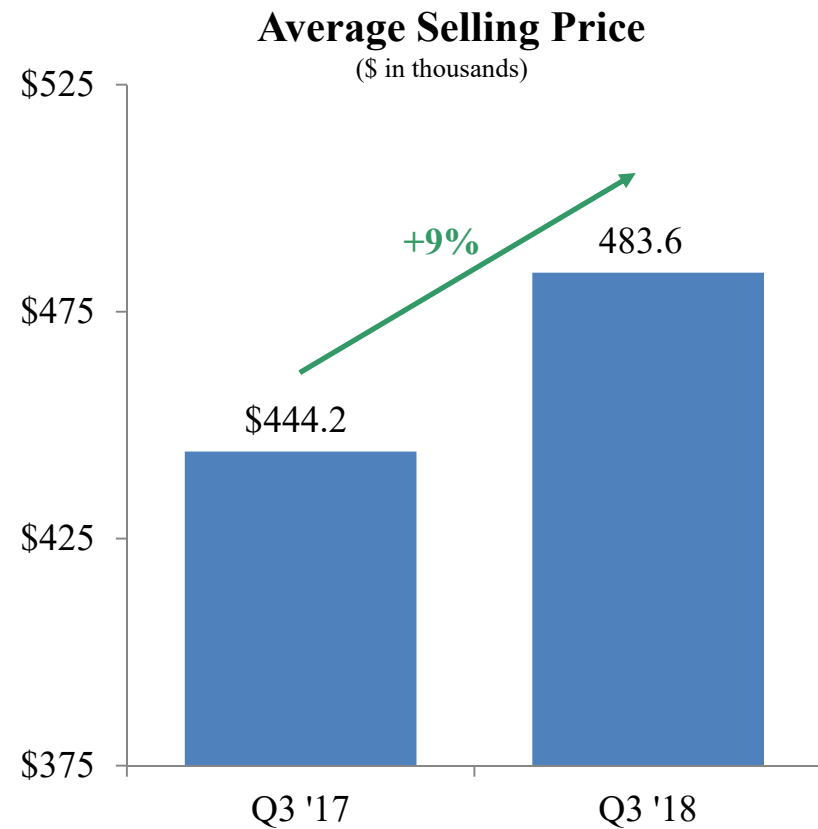
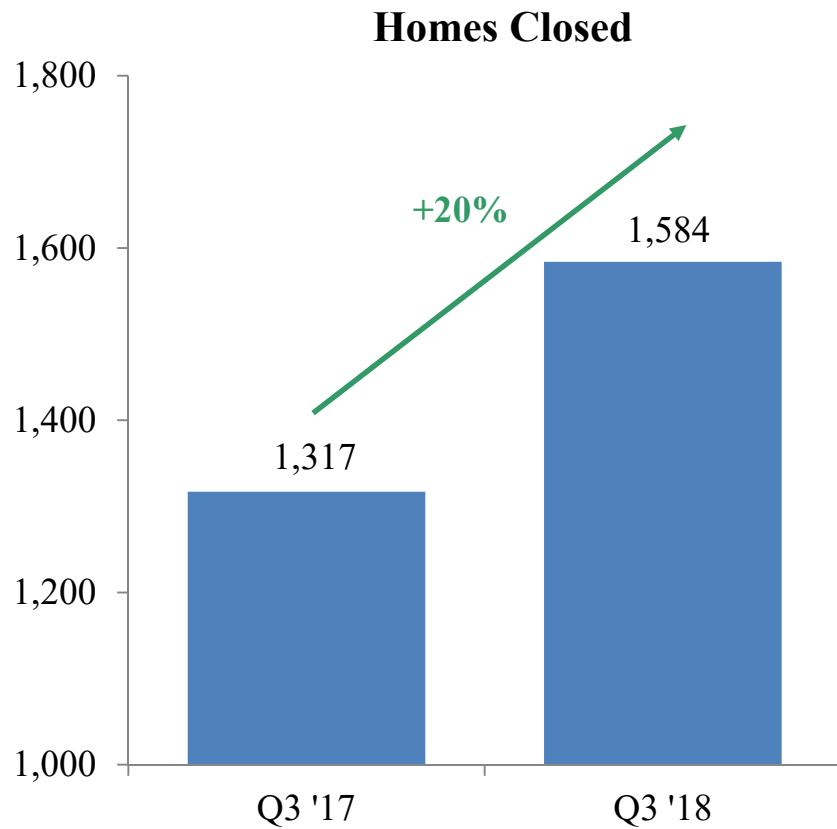
**Effective Tax Rate**

31.8%

20.8%

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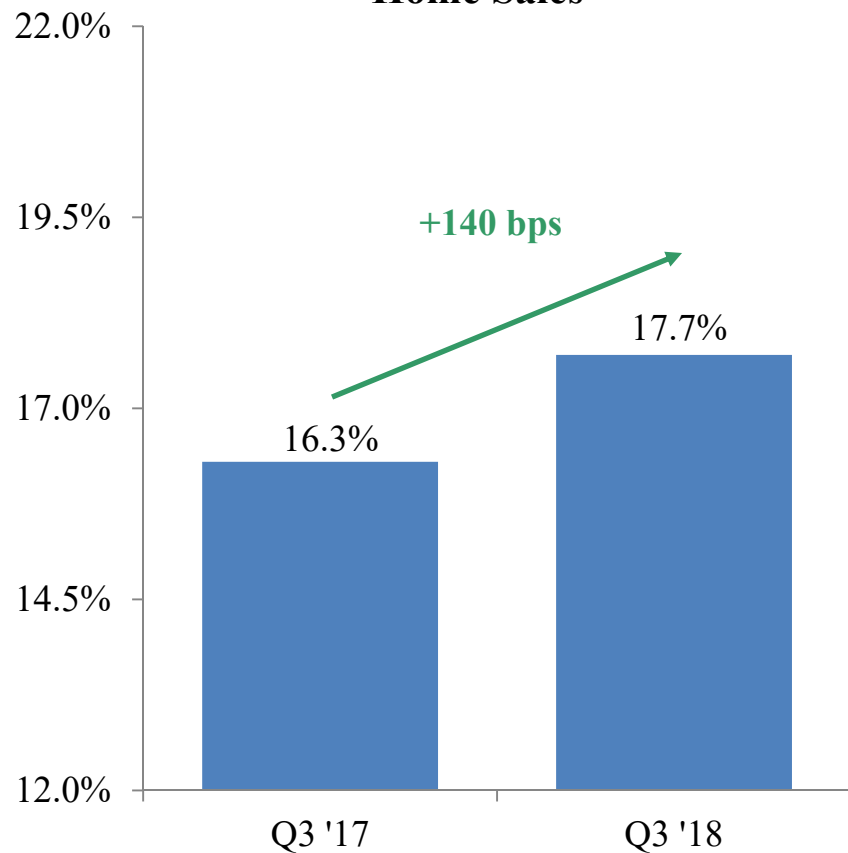
# Homes Closed and Average Selling Price



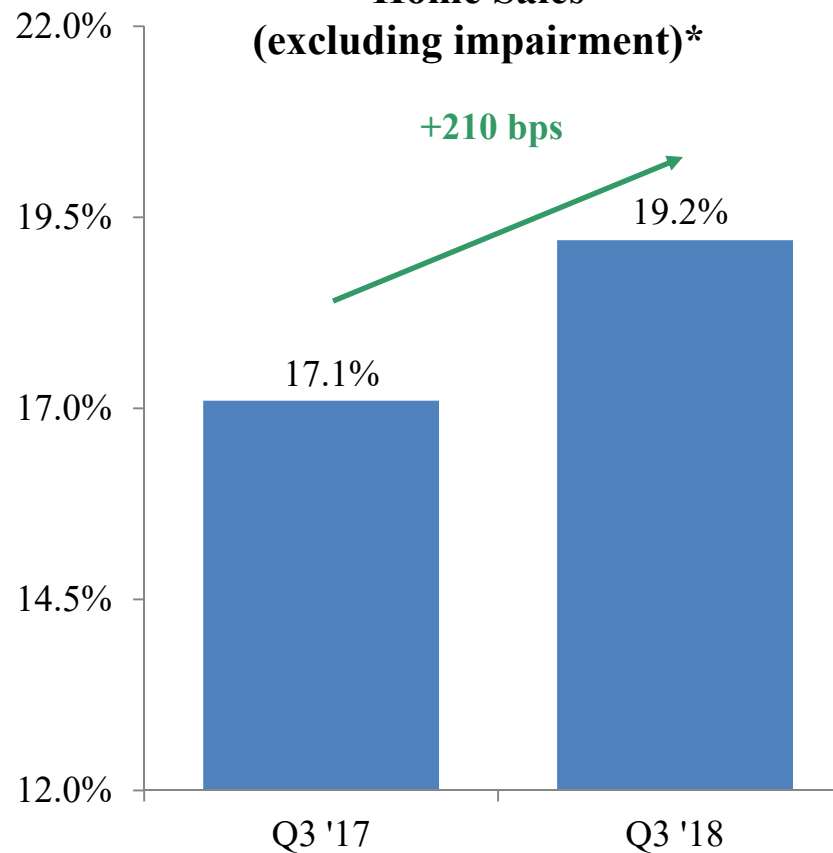
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| 3,510 | 3,998 | ← <b>Beginning Backlog</b>  |
| 38%   | 40%   | ← <b>Backlog Conversion Rate<br/>(Closings as a % of Beginning Backlog)</b> |
| 73%   | 75%   | ← <b>% of Beginning Backlog Under Construction</b>                          |

# Gross Margin

### Gross Margin from Home Sales



### Gross Margin from Home Sales (excluding impairment)\*



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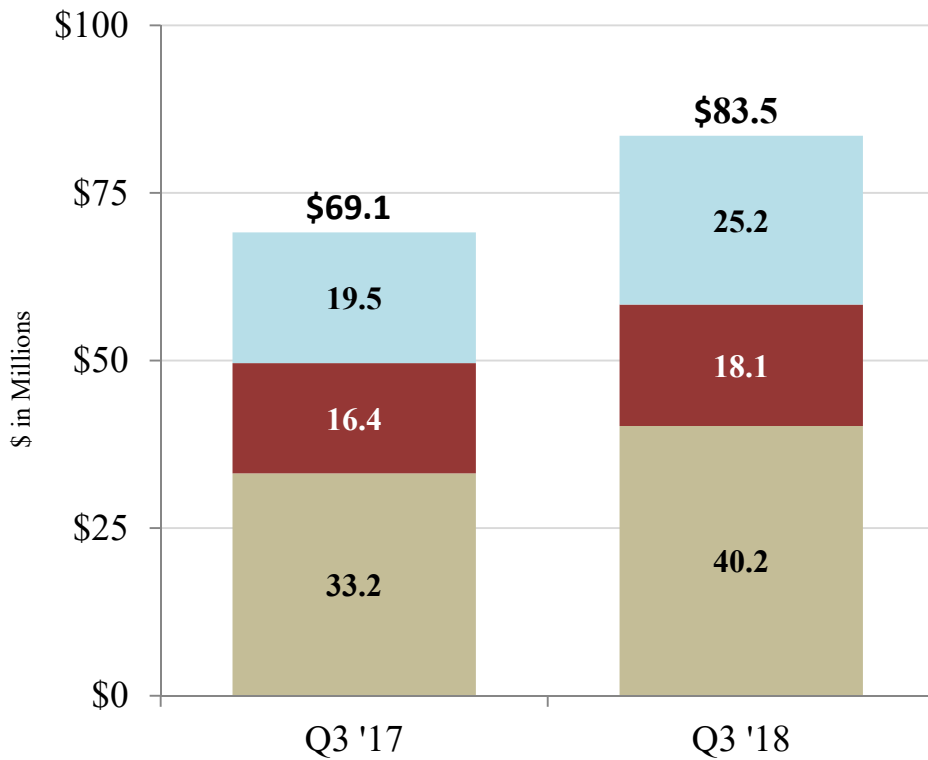
# Homebuilding SG&A Expenses (incl. Corporate)

|         |         |
|---------|---------|
| 1,317   | 1,584   |
| \$585.4 | \$766.0 |
| 11.8%   | 10.9%   |

← Home Closings

← Home Sale Revenues (in millions)

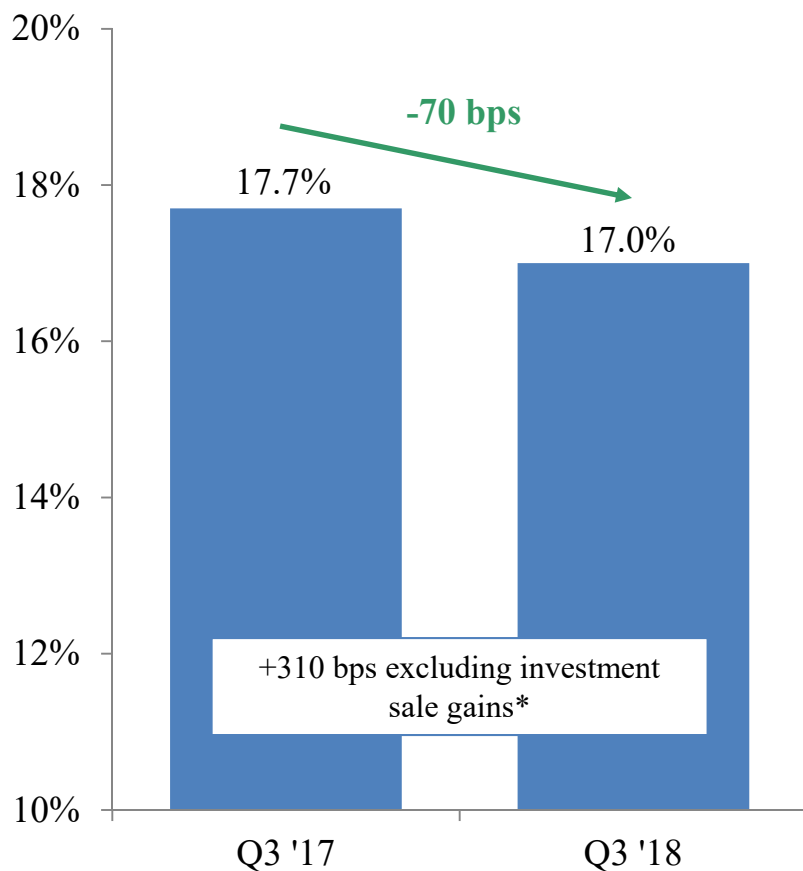
← SG&A % of Home Sale Revenues



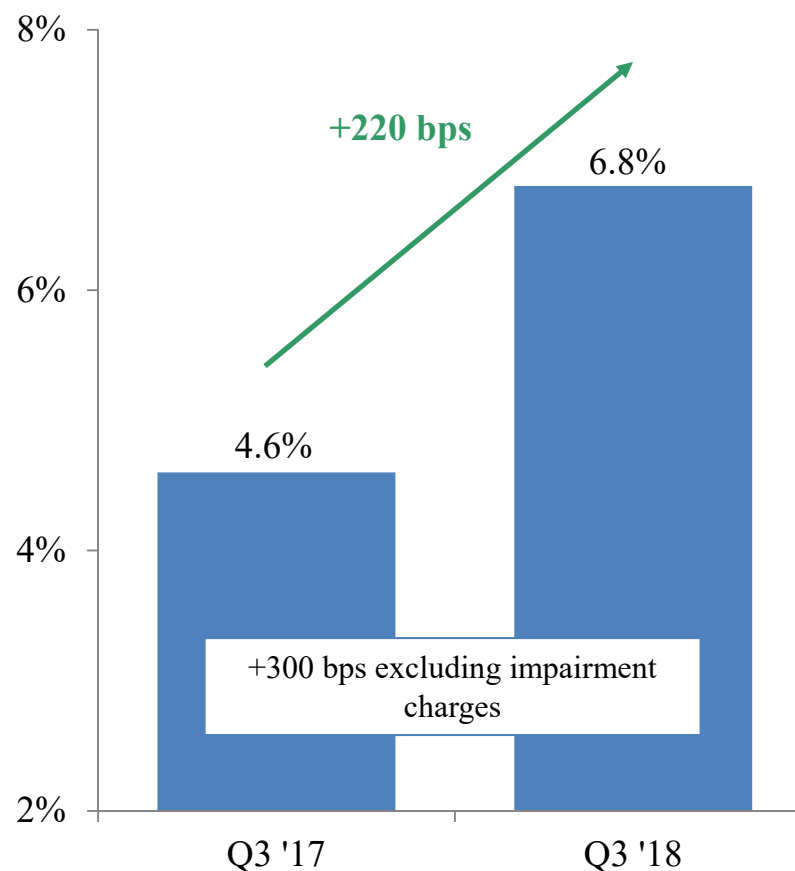
■ General and Administrative ■ Marketing ■ Commissions

# Return Ratios

### Pretax Return on Equity (Last Twelve Months)



### Homebuilding Operating Margin\*\*

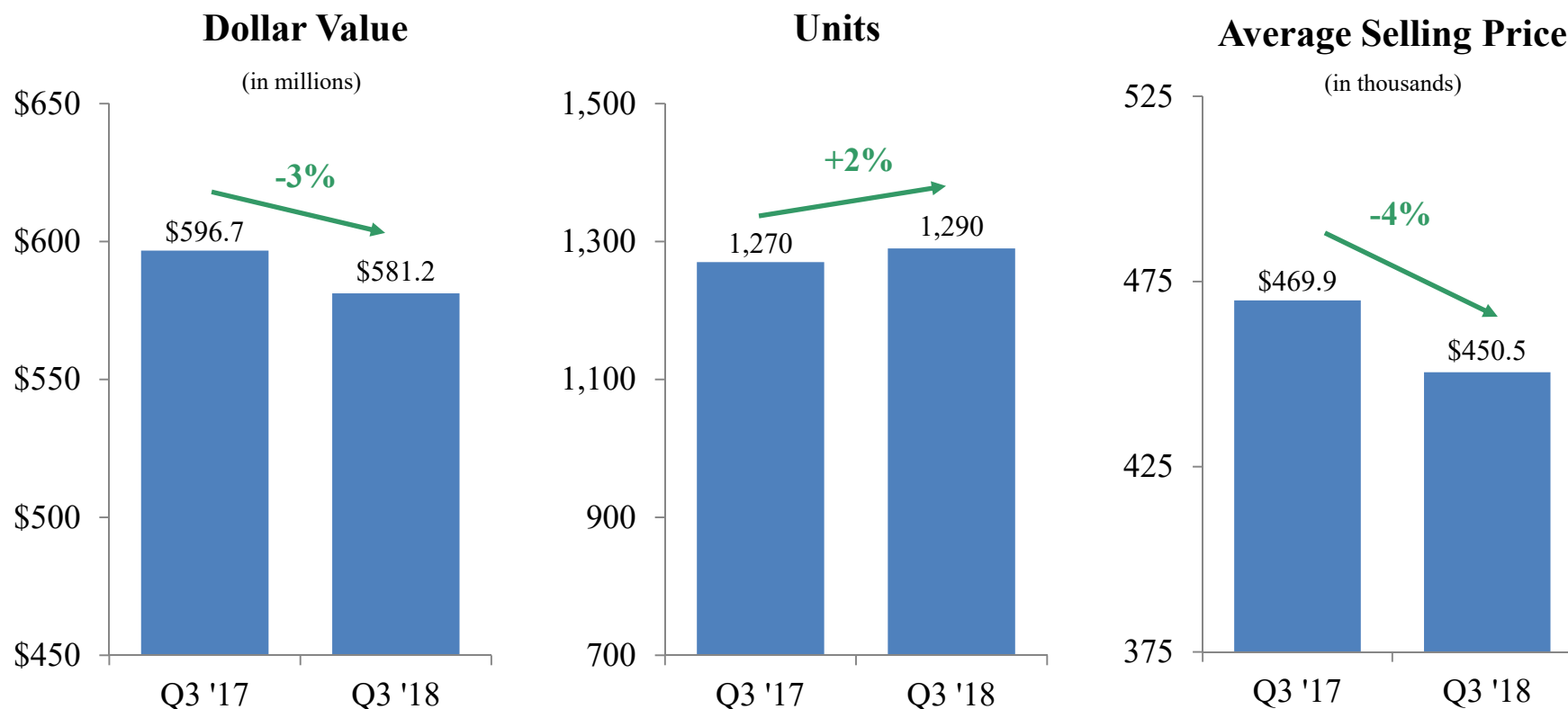


\*\$52.2 million of investment sale gains were recorded in Q3 2017, significantly higher than a typical quarter. See Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures slide at end of presentation.

\*\*Gross margin from home sales less homebuilding SG&A as a percentage of home sale revenues.



# Net New Home Orders



*Monthly Net Orders Per Active Subdivision*

|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Q3 '17 – 2.78 | Q3 '18 – 2.67 |
|---------------|---------------|

*Cancellations -- % of Beginning Backlog*

|              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| Q3 '17 – 12% | Q3 '18 – 12% |
|--------------|--------------|

*Average Subdivisions*

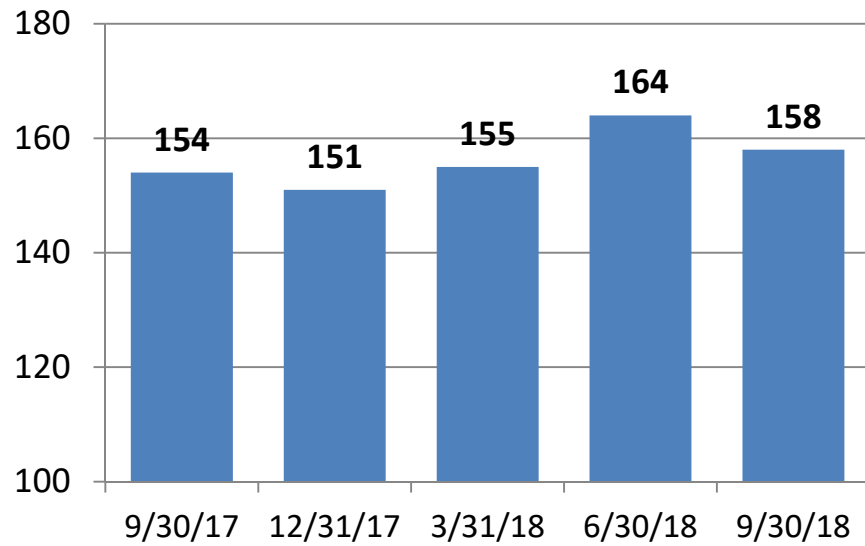
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| Q3 '17 – 152 | Q3 '18 – 161 |
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*Ending Subdivisions*

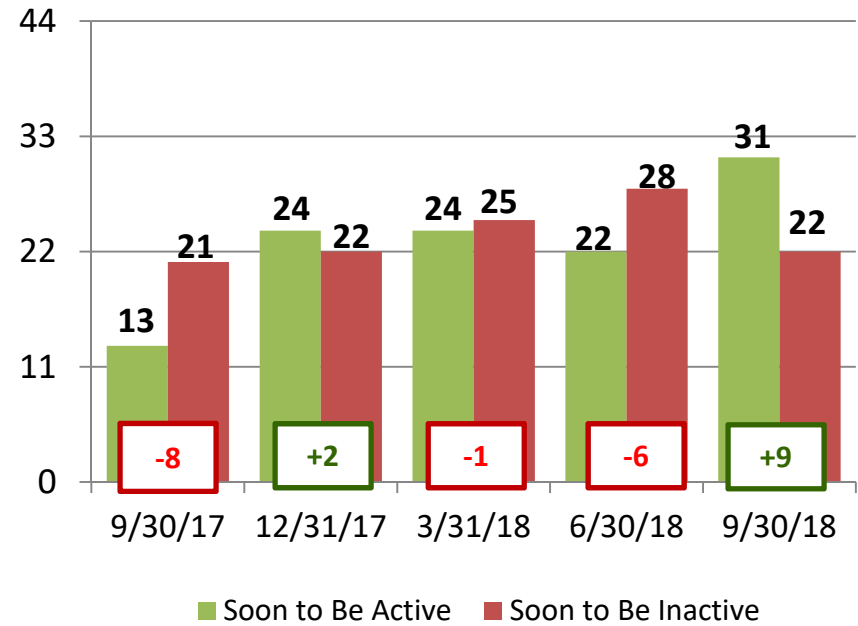
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# Active Subdivisions (Ending)

## Active Subdivisions



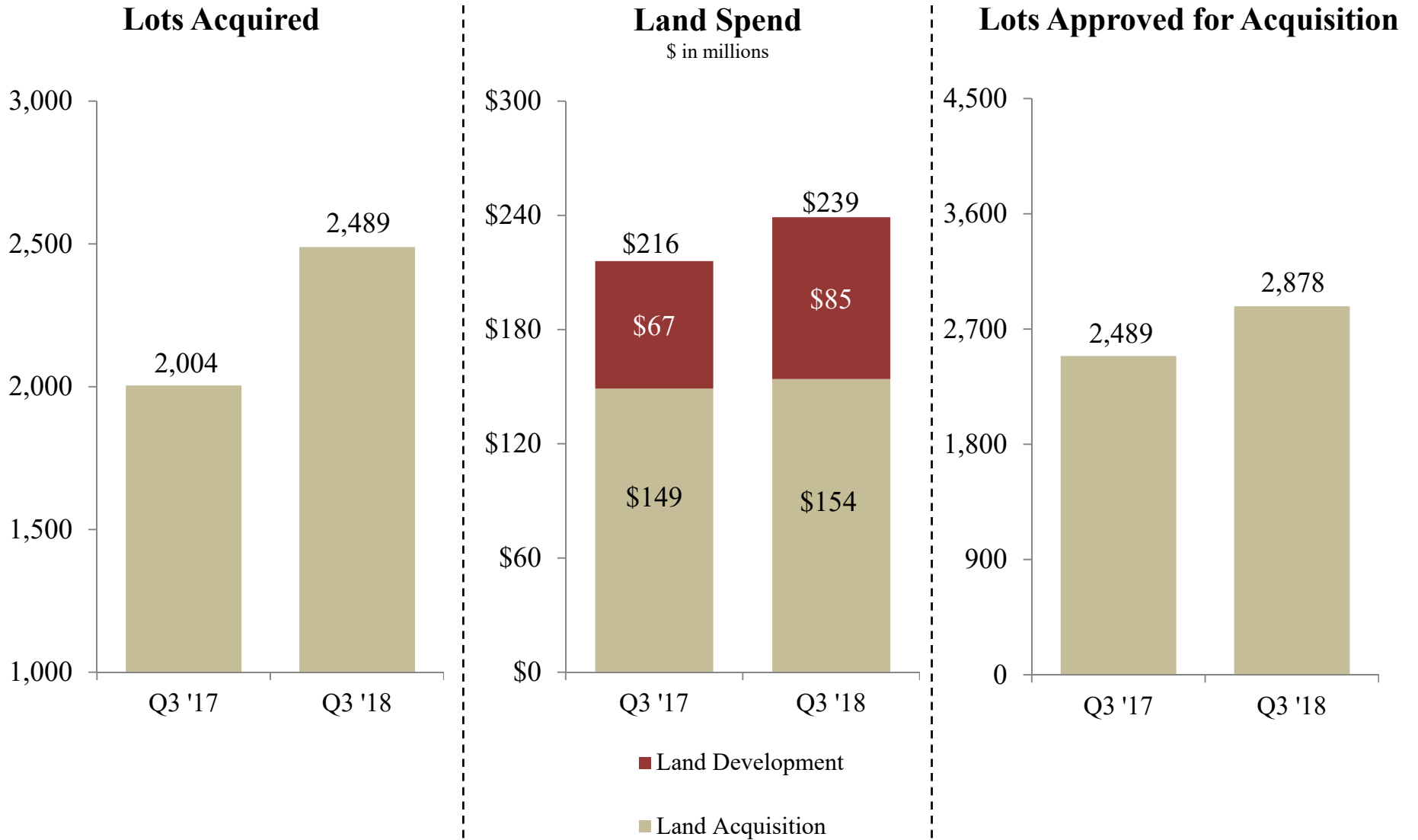
## Soon to Be Active / Inactive



“Soon to be active” = construction activities have commenced, but 5 homes not yet sold.

“Soon to be inactive” = between 5 and 10 homes left to sell.

# Lot Approval and Acquisition Activity





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The Skylar, CO

Questions?

# Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

“Net debt” and “net capital” are non-GAAP financial measures, and should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to performance measures prescribed by GAAP. The table below reconciles “net debt” and “net capital” to debt and capital as calculated based on GAAP. We believe the ratio of net debt to net capital, also known as “net debt-to-capital” is meaningful to investors as management uses the ratio in understanding the leverage employed in our operations and as an indicator of our ability to obtain external financing. Furthermore, we utilize this information for comparative purposes within our industry.

|  | September 30,<br>2018  | December 31,<br>2017 | September 30,<br>2017 |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |                      |                       |
| Senior notes, net                            | \$ 987,617             | \$ 986,597           | \$ 842,232            |
| Revolving credit facility                    | 15,000                 | 15,000               | 15,000                |
| GAAP debt                                    | <u>1,002,617</u>       | <u>1,001,597</u>     | <u>857,232</u>        |
| Stockholders' equity                         | <u>1,532,742</u>       | <u>1,407,287</u>     | <u>1,363,653</u>      |
| Total GAAP capital                           | <u>2,535,359</u>       | <u>2,408,884</u>     | <u>2,220,885</u>      |
| GAAP debt to capital ratio                   | <u>39.5%</u>           | <u>41.6%</u>         | <u>38.6%</u>          |
| GAAP debt less:                              |                        |                      |                       |
| Homebuilding cash and cash equivalents       | (360,947)              | (472,957)            | (314,814)             |
| Homebuilding marketable securities           | -                      | (49,634)             | (65,268)              |
| Financial services cash and cash equivalents | (49,979)               | (32,471)             | (23,162)              |
| Financial services marketable securities     | <u>(49,006)</u>        | <u>(42,004)</u>      | <u>(38,666)</u>       |
| Net debt                                     | <u>542,685</u>         | <u>404,531</u>       | <u>415,322</u>        |
| Stockholders' equity                         | <u>1,532,742</u>       | <u>1,407,287</u>     | <u>1,363,653</u>      |
| Total net capital                            | <u>\$ 2,075,427</u>    | <u>\$ 1,811,818</u>  | <u>\$ 1,778,975</u>   |
| Net debt to capital ratio                    | <u>26.1%</u>           | <u>22.3%</u>         | <u>23.3%</u>          |

# Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

“Gross Margin from Home Sales Excluding Inventory Impairments,” “Gross Margin from Home Sales Excluding Inventory Impairments and Warranty Adjustments” and “Gross Margin from Home Sales Excluding Inventory Impairments, Warranty Adjustments, and Interest in Cost of Sales” are non-GAAP financial measures, and should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to performance measures prescribed by GAAP. The table below reconciles each of these non-GAAP financial measures to gross margin as calculated based on GAAP. We believe this information is relevant and meaningful as it provides our investors and analysts with the impact that interest, warranty and impairments have on our Gross Margin from Home Sales and permits investors to make better comparisons with our competitors, who also break out and adjust gross margins in a similar fashion.

|  | Three Months Ended     |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                      |                   |                       |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
|  | September 30,<br>2018  | Gross<br>Margin % | June 30,<br>2018 | Gross<br>Margin % | March 31,<br>2018 | Gross<br>Margin % | December 31,<br>2017 | Gross<br>Margin % | September 30,<br>2017 | Gross<br>Margin % |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                      |                   |                       |                   |
| Gross Margin   | \$ 135,681             | 17.7%             | \$ 143,005       | 19.1%             | \$ 110,506        | 18.2%             | \$ 121,203           | 17.2%             | \$ 95,341             | 16.3%             |
| Less: Land Sales Revenue   | -                      |                   | -                |                   | -                 |                   | (1,609)              |                   | (1,340)               |                   |
| Add: Land Cost of Sales  | -                      |                   | -                |                   | -                 |                   | 1,768                |                   | 1,259                 |                   |
| Gross Margin from Home Sales   | 135,681                | 17.7%             | 143,005          | 19.1%             | 110,506           | 18.2%             | 121,362              | 17.3%             | 95,260                | 16.3%             |
| Add: Inventory Impairments   | 11,098                 |                   | 200              |                   | 550               |                   | 620                  |                   | 4,540                 |                   |
| Gross Margin from Home Sales<br>Excluding Inventory Impairments  | 146,779                | 19.2%             | 143,205          | 19.1%             | 111,056           | 18.3%             | 121,982              | 17.4%             | 99,800                | 17.1%             |
| Add: Warranty Adjustments  | -                      |                   | -                |                   | 3,106             |                   | 1,716                |                   | (425)                 |                   |
| Gross Margin from Home Sales<br>Excluding Inventory Impairments<br>and Warranty Adjustments                                | 146,779                | 19.2%             | 143,205          | 19.1%             | 114,162           | 18.8%             | 123,698              | 17.6%             | 99,375                | 17.0%             |
| Add: Interest in Cost of Sales   | 16,636                 |                   | 16,150           |                   | 14,428            |                   | 17,938               |                   | 15,087                |                   |
| Gross Margin from Home Sales<br>Excluding Inventory Impairments,<br>Warranty Adjustments, and<br>Interest in Cost of Sales | \$ 163,415             | 21.3%             | \$ 159,355       | 21.3%             | \$ 128,590        | 21.2%             | \$ 141,636           | 20.2%             | \$ 114,462            | 19.6%             |

# Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

“Core pretax return on equity” is a non-GAAP financial measure, and should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to performance measures prescribed by GAAP. The table below reconciles “adjusted pretax return on equity” to pretax return on equity as calculated based on GAAP. We believe this information is relevant and meaningful as it provides our investors and analysts with pretax returns that exclude the impact of significant one-time or infrequent items and permits investors to make better comparisons across periods as well as with our competitors.

|  | September 30,<br>2018  | September 30,<br>2017 |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |                       |
| Last 12 months income before income taxes                            | \$ 246,366             | \$ 236,931            |
| Last 12 months average stockholders equity                           | <u>1,450,657</u>       | <u>1,340,175</u>      |
| Last 12 months GAAP pretax return on equity                          | <u>17.0%</u>           | <u>17.7%</u>          |
| Last 12 months income before income taxes less:                      |                        |                       |
| Realized gain from the sale of metropolitan district bond securities | -                      | (35,847)              |
| Net realized gain from sales of marketable securities                | -                      | (17,207)              |
| Net gain on marketable equity securities                             | (3,129)                | -                     |
| Last 12 months core pretax income                                    | <u>243,237</u>         | <u>183,877</u>        |
| Last 12 months average stockholders' equity                          | <u>1,450,657</u>       | <u>1,340,175</u>      |
| Last 12 months core pretax return on equity                          | <u>16.8%</u>           | <u>13.7%</u>          |

# Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

“Adjusted income before income taxes” and “Adjusted net income” are non-GAAP financial measures, and should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to performance measures prescribed by GAAP. The table below reconciles “adjusted income before income taxes” to income before income taxes and “Adjusted net income” to net income as calculated based on GAAP. We believe this information is relevant and meaningful as it provides our investors and analysts with the impact that one-time gains recognized upon the sale of investments have on our income before income taxes and net income and permits investors to make better comparisons with our competitors, who also adjust for certain infrequent and non-recurring gains recognized on the sale of investments in a similar fashion.

|  | Three Months Ended |                  | Change                 |       | Nine Months Ended |                   | Change    |     |
|--|--------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----|
|  | September 30,      |                  | Amount                 | %     | September 30,     |                   | Amount    | %   |
|  | 2018               | 2017             |                        |       | 2018              | 2017              |           |     |
|  |                    |                  | (Dollars in thousands) |       |                   |                   |           |     |
| Income before income taxes   | \$ 67,420          | \$ 89,680        | \$ (22,260)            | (25)% | \$ 194,568        | \$ 177,934        | \$ 16,634 | 9%  |
| GAAP pre-tax income less:  |                    |                  |                        |       |                   |                   |           |     |
| Realized gain from the sale of metropolitan district bond securities | -                  | (35,847)         |                        |       |                   | (35,847)          |           |     |
| Net realized gain from sales of marketable securities                | -                  | (16,364)         |                        |       |                   | (18,122)          |           |     |
| Net gain on marketable equity securities                             | (3,004)            | -                |                        |       | (3,129)           |                   |           |     |
| Adjusted income before income taxes                                  | <u>\$ 64,416</u>   | <u>\$ 37,469</u> | \$ 26,947              | 72%   | <u>\$ 191,439</u> | <u>\$ 123,965</u> | \$ 67,474 | 54% |
| Net income   | \$ 53,392          | \$ 61,163        | \$ (7,771)             | (13)% | \$ 156,055        | \$ 117,283        | \$ 38,772 | 33% |
| GAAP net income less:  |                    |                  |                        |       |                   |                   |           |     |
| Realized gain from the sale of metropolitan district bond securities |                    | (22,225)         |                        |       |                   | (22,225)          |           |     |
| Net realized gain from sales of marketable securities                |                    | (10,128)         |                        |       |                   | (11,105)          |           |     |
| Net gain on marketable equity securities                             | (2,379)            |                  |                        |       | (2,509)           |                   |           |     |
| Adjusted net income  | <u>\$ 51,013</u>   | <u>\$ 28,810</u> | \$ 22,203              | 77%   | <u>\$ 153,546</u> | <u>\$ 83,953</u>  | \$ 69,593 | 83% |