

Ross Stores, Inc.

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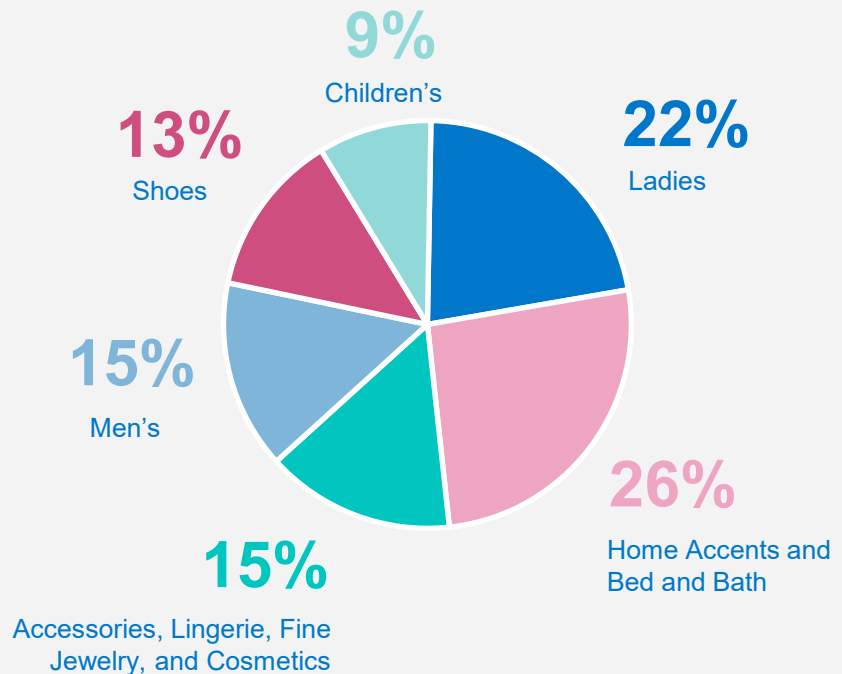
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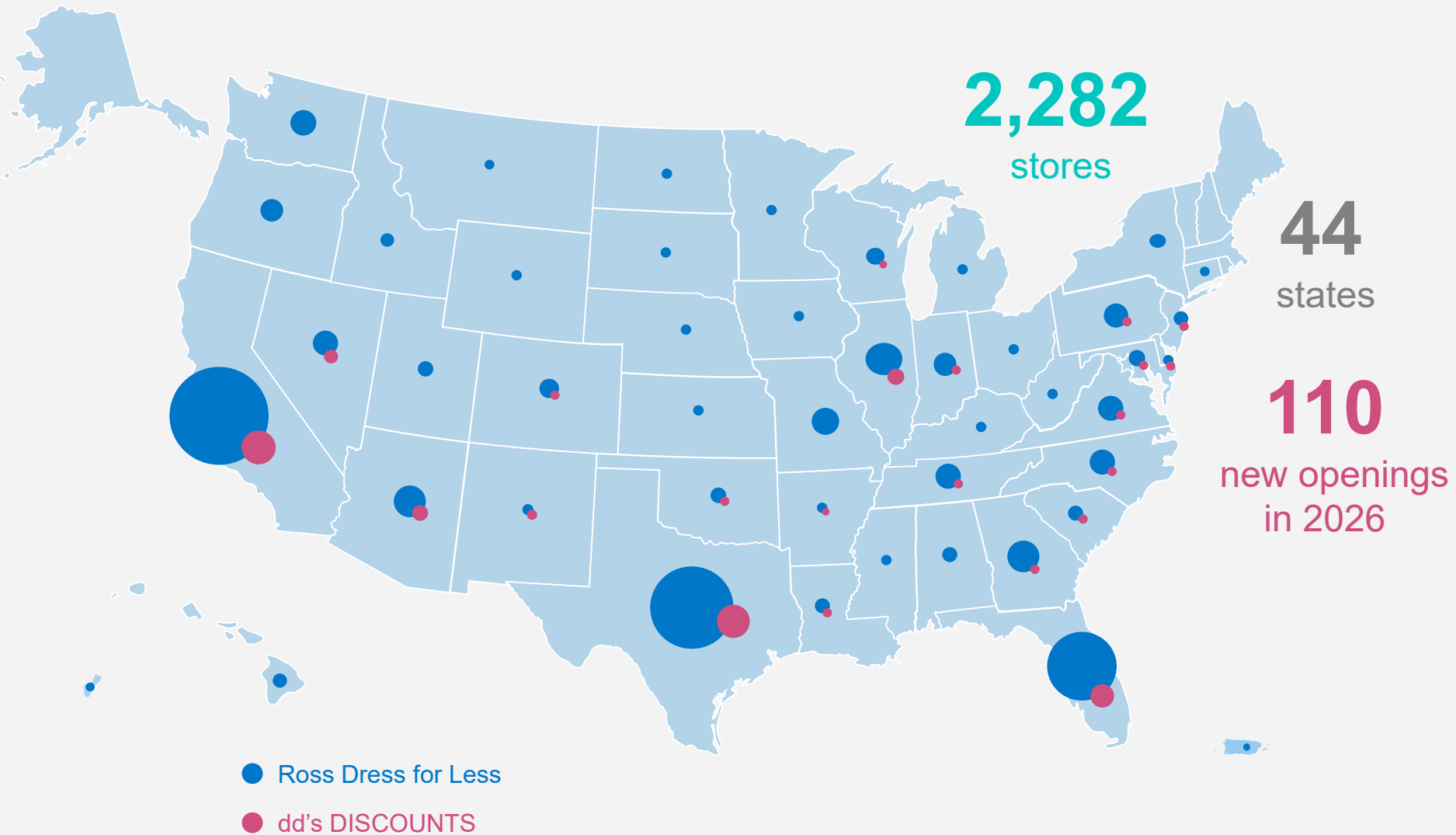
Ross Stores, Inc. Snapshot

- S&P 500, Fortune 500 and NASDAQ 100 company with fiscal 2025 revenues of \$22.8 billion
- Ross Dress for Less® is the largest off-price apparel and home fashion chain in the U.S. with 1,917 stores in 44 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, and Puerto Rico
- Also operates 365 dd's DISCOUNTS® in 23 states



Store count is as of Q1 fiscal 2026.
Sales mix for Fiscal 2025.

Store Locations



Ross Dress for Less

- Started in California in 1982
- Efficient, low-cost format
- Opening stores with average size of 23,000 gross square feet
- Convenient self-service format
- Strong co-tenancy
- Visible and accessible retail locations at high traffic intersections
- Located in markets with a large proportion of broad income levels



Ross Customer

- About 70% female, shopping for herself and other family members
- Wide range of household incomes – “want a bargain” versus “need a bargain”
- Price and value matter most – great deals on brands she loves is a key way of showing her that value
- Embraces the “treasure hunt” format and spends time shopping for bargains
- Core customer averages about two-to-three store visits a month
- Marketing reflects our business strategy of delivering compelling values on a wide assortment of brands and styles
- Engaging customers through a variety of channels including a mix of traditional and streaming television, digital (including social media), and radio



dd's DISCOUNTS

- Concept launched in California in 2004
- Opening stores with average approximate size of 21,000 gross square feet
- Established shopping centers
- Easy-to-shop store environment
- Located in densely populated urban or suburban neighborhoods



dd's Customer



- Customer is typically young and ethnically diverse with low-to-moderate income households
- Price and value matter most – “need a bargain”
- Assortments feature moderate and discount fashions for the family and home
- Marketing reflects a strong focus on value
- Engaging customers through radio, social media, and new store grand openings

Q1 2026 Results

Total sales increased 21% to \$6.0 billion, up from \$5.0 billion last year, with a comparable store sales gain of 17% versus flat comps last year

- Trends were broad-based by business and regions
- By merchandise area, Ladies and Cosmetics were the strongest businesses
- Geographically, the Midwest was the top-performing region

EPS was \$2.02 compared with \$1.47 last year, growth of +37%

- Earnings significantly surpassed the high end of our guidance as business momentum remained strong throughout the Spring selling season
- Operating margin of 13.4% was up 120 bps from 12.2% last year

Shareholder Returns

- During the quarter, we repurchased 1.5 million of common shares for \$319 million under the Company's two-year \$2.55 billion authorization approved by our Board of Directors in March of 2026
- We also paid \$144 million in dividends for the quarter

Store Growth

- We opened up stores in new and existing markets
- We ended the first quarter with 2,282 stores, comprised of 1,917 Ross and 365 dd's locations

Investment Highlights





Differentiated Business Model

Opportunistic Buying & Flexible Off-Price Model

- Hundreds of merchants sourcing product from a wide network of vendors
- Take advantage of imbalances between retailers' demand and manufacturers' supplies by purchasing later in the buying cycle, which allows merchants to adjust the assortment to customer preferences
- Broad market coverage and strong vendor relationships, enhanced by strategic locations of buying offices in New York, Los Angeles, and Boston
- Flexible supply chain to support off-price buying strategies

Treasure-Hunt Shopping Experience

- Broad assortment on a wide range of brand name apparel and home fashions at 20% to 60% below department and specialty store regular prices
- Convenient, easy-to-shop, self-service format to support the treasure-hunt experience
- New merchandise is typically received in stores from three to six times per week

Disciplined Expense & Inventory Management

- Tightly manage expenses across the entire organization
- Efficient operating structure to pass savings back to the customer
- Disciplined in-store inventory management:
 - Increases the level of fresh product in front of the customer
 - Drives fast inventory turns to maximize gross margin
 - Reduces working capital needs



Unwavering Focus on Value

Our top priority is ensuring access to quality brands at great savings every day

- Reflected in ongoing investments in people and processes in our merchant organization
- Our highly-skilled merchants purchase product from thousands of vendors and manufacturers, enabling consistent access to quality name brand bargains that our customers value
- Buyers have on average over seven years of experience, including merchandising positions with other retailers

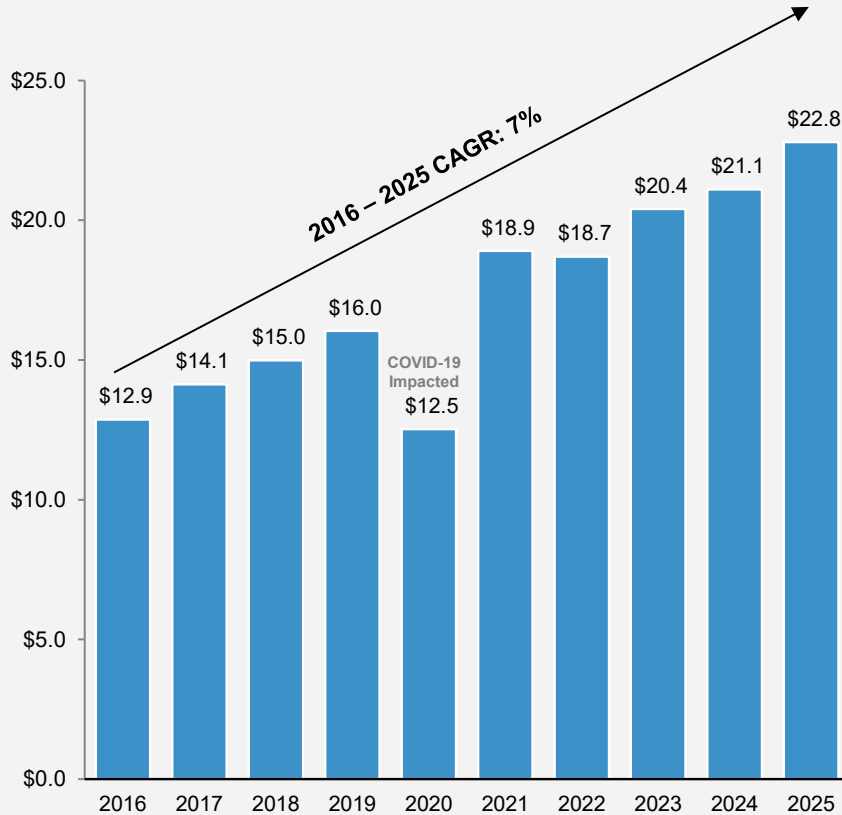
Consumers remain value-driven when deciding where they shop

- More value-focused shopping behavior is enabling Ross and dd's DISCOUNTS to attract customers
- Offering the best branded bargains available retains these customers
- Also capturing market share from retailers who have closed stores and/or gone out of business

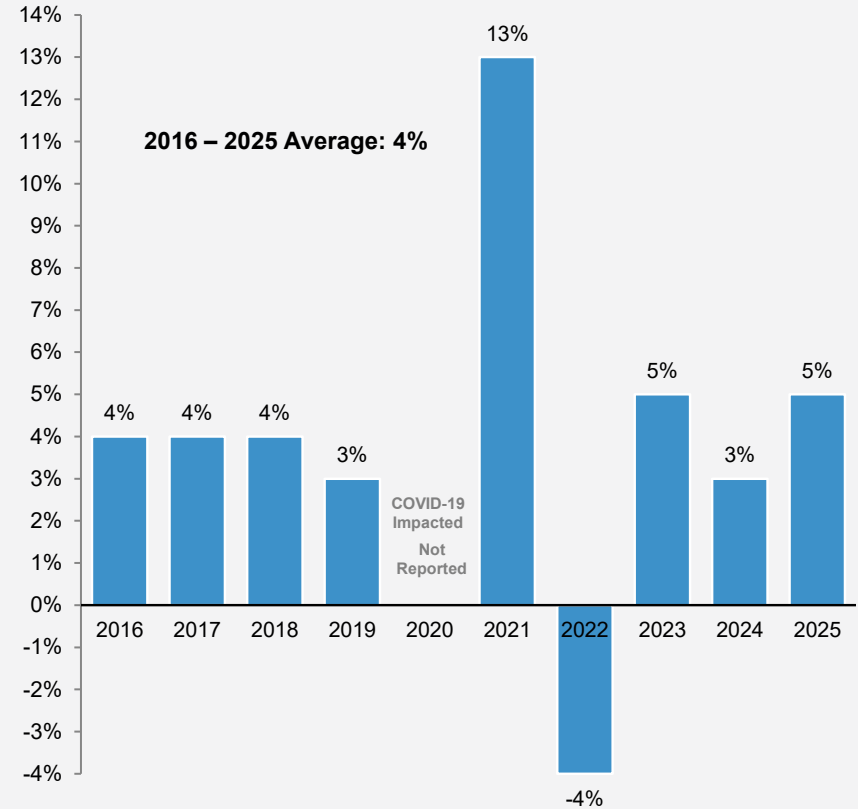


Proven Track Record

Sales (\$ in Billions)



Comparable Store Sales

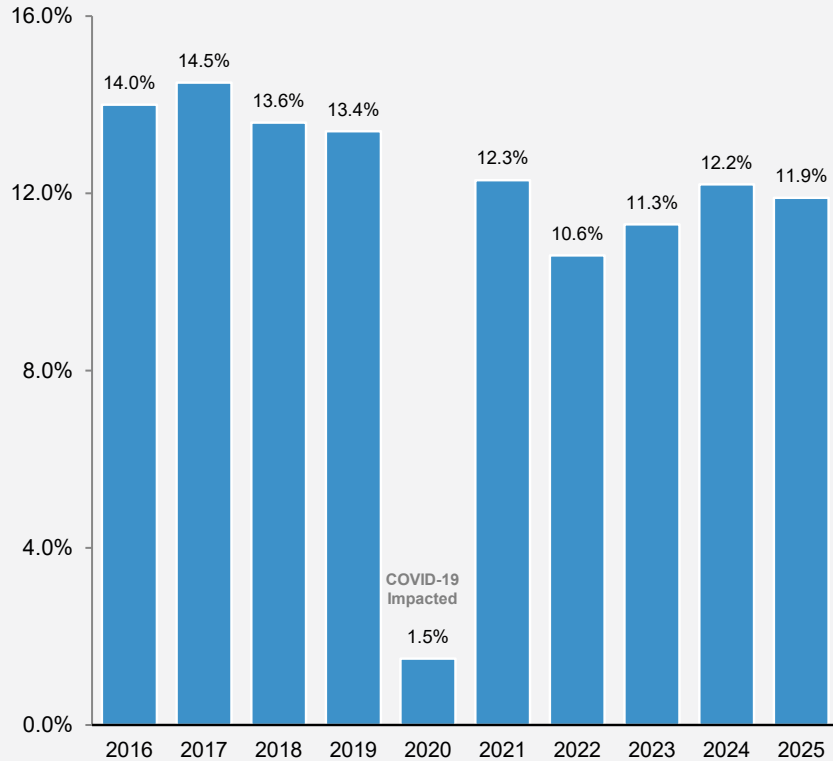


2017 and 2023 reflects 53-week years; all other fiscal years presented are 52 weeks.
 2021 comparable sales were reported vs. 2019 as comparable sales were not reported for 2020 given the closure of all stores for a portion of the year.

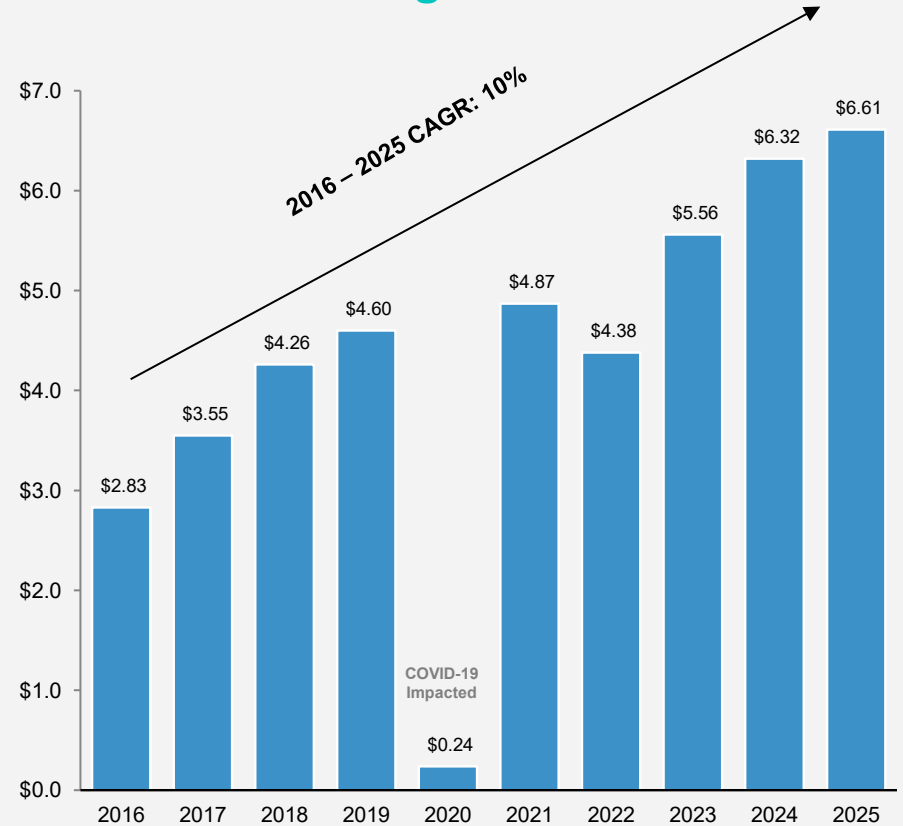


Proven Track Record

EBIT Margin



Earnings Per Share



2017 and 2023 reflects 53-week years; all other fiscal years presented are 52 weeks.
2020 includes a one-time, pre-tax charge of \$240 million or \$0.54 per share from the refinancing of \$775 million in senior notes.
2024 includes a one-time benefit of \$0.14 related to a packaway facility sale.



Significant Store Growth Opportunities

Long-Term Store Growth Potential





Strong Financial Foundation

Ended Q1 2026 with \$5.4 billion in total liquidity, including unrestricted cash of \$4.1 billion and \$1.3 billion in fully available revolver capacity

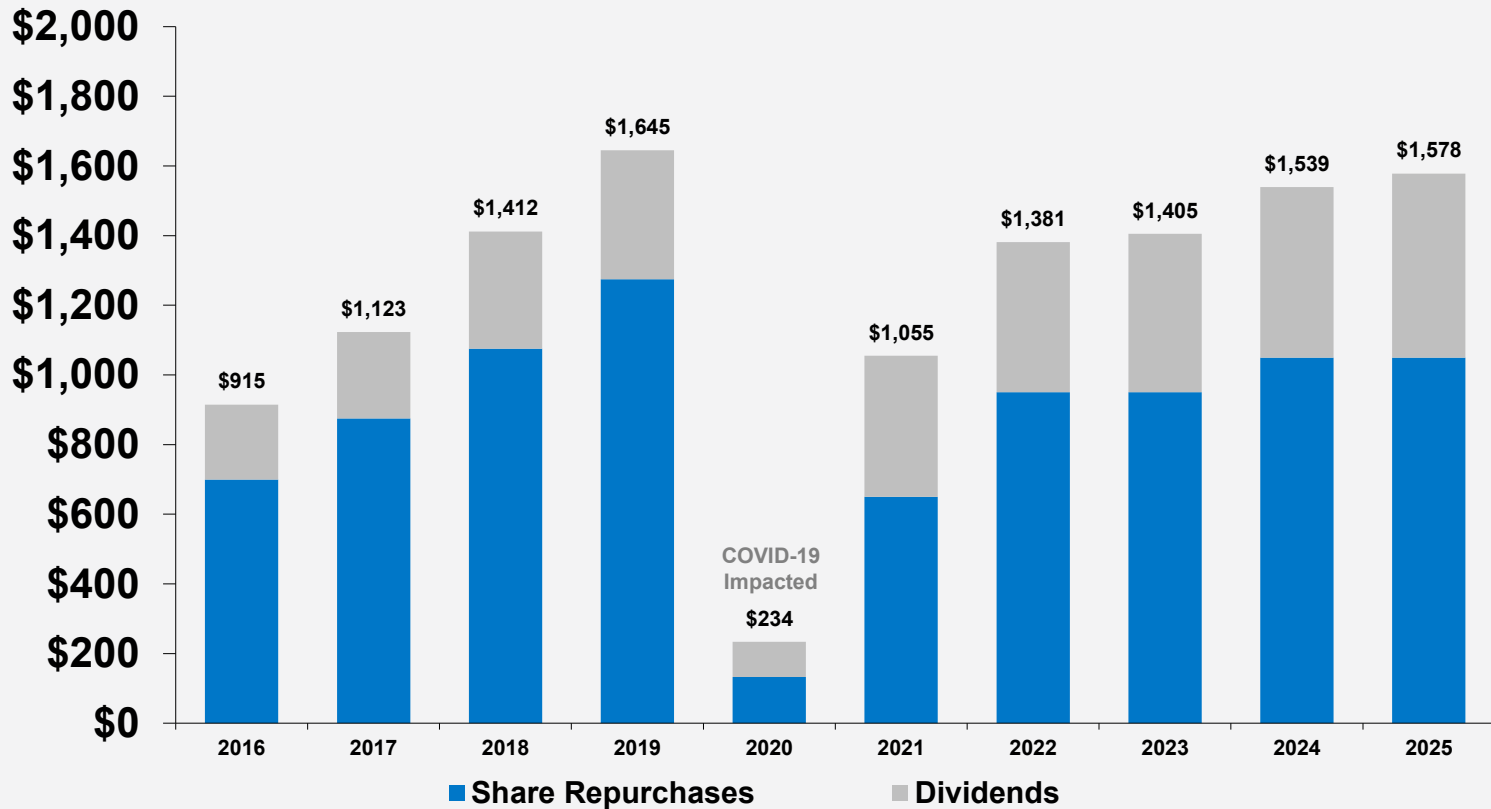
Senior Notes (\$ Millions)	Maturity Date
\$242	2027
\$134	2030
\$649	Thereafter

- Total unsecured debt of about \$1.0 billion
- Investment grade rating of A2 for Moody's and A- for S&P



Commitment to Enhancing Shareholder Returns

Share Repurchases and Dividend Payments (\$ Millions)



The Company returned \$1.6 billion to shareholders in 2025