

Q1 2023 Earnings



Forward-looking statements and non-GAAP financial measures

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In addition, we use several non-GAAP financial measures when presenting our financial results in this document. Please refer to the reconciliations between our GAAP and non-GAAP financial measures in the appendix to this presentation and on our website at www.trueblue.com under the Investor Relations section for additional information on both current and historical periods. The presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures is used to enhance the understanding of certain aspects of our financial performance. It is not meant to be considered in isolation, superior to, or as a substitute for the directly comparable financial measures prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Any comparisons made herein to other periods are based on a comparison to the same period in the prior year unless otherwise stated.

Q1 2023 Overview

Total revenue -16% – in line with company outlook

- PeopleReady sequential revenue trends remained consistent with historical patterns
- PeopleScout and PeopleManagement demand slowed

Net loss was \$4 million v. net income of \$11 million in Q1 2022

- Revenue decline drove the drop in net income
 - As Q1 is seasonally our lowest revenue quarter, net results are the most volatile
- Gross margin +110 bps
 - +100 bps from lower workers' compensation costs
 - +20 bps from continued pricing strength in the PeopleReady business
- Cost reduction actions taken \$11 million of cost savings over the remainder of 2023

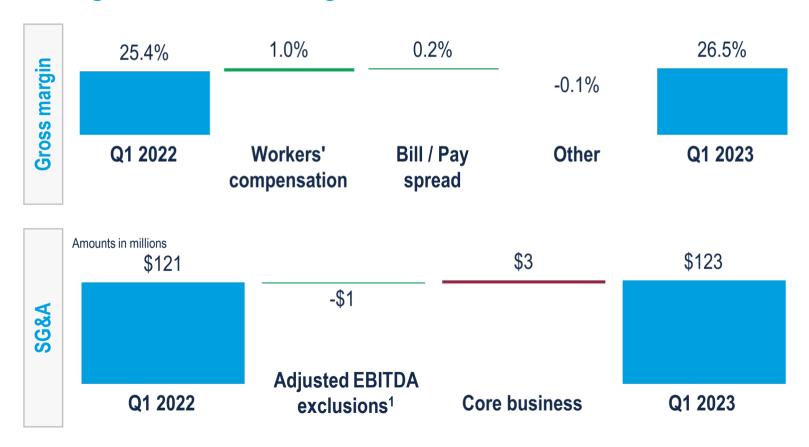
\$25 million of stock repurchased

Financial summary

Amounts in millions, except per share data	Q1 2023	Q1 2022	Change	
Revenue	\$465	\$552	-16%	
Net income (loss)	-\$4.3	\$10.5	NM	
Net income (loss) per diluted share	-\$0.13	\$0.30	NM	
Net income (loss) margin	-0.9%	1.9%	-280 bps	
Adjusted net income (loss) ²	-\$1.9	\$15.1	NM	
Adj. net income (loss) per diluted share	-\$0.06	\$0.44	NM	
Adj. net income (loss) margin	-0.4%	2.7%	-310 bps	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$2.9	\$22.9	-87%	
Adjusted EBITDA margin	0.6%	4.1%	-350 bps	
Notes:	 The changes in adjusted net income margin and adjusted EBITDA margin were less favorable than that of GAAP net income margin primarily due to higher PeopleReady technology costs in the prior year, which were excluded from adjusted results. 			

NM - Not meaningful

Gross margin and SG&A bridges



Q1 2023 Results by segment

Amounts in millions	PeopleReady	PeopleScout	PeopleManagement
Revenue	\$253	\$69	\$143
% Change	-17%	-15%	-13%
Segment profit ¹	\$1	\$9	\$0
% Change	-95%	-19%	NM
% Margin Change	0.3% -500 bps	12.8% -60 bps	-0.1% -190 bps
Notes:	 Revenue: -16% from prior year projects and surge² Trends for the quarter followed historical sequential patterns Segment profit margin: Contraction due to operational deleveraging associated with revenue decline, partially offset by lower workers' compensation costs and favorable bill / pay spreads 	 Revenue: Clients slowed hiring due to economic uncertainty Segment profit margin: Contraction due to the revenue decline as well as the associated operational deleveraging 	 Revenue: Lower volume at on-site retail clients and commercial drivers Segment profit margin: Contraction due to the revenue decline as well as the associated operational deleveraging

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¹We evaluate performance based on segment revenue and segment profit. Segment profit includes revenue, related cost of services, and ongoing operating expenses directly attributable to the reportable segment.

² PeopleReady benefited from a high volume of retail projects and above average base business results last year. As expected, the surge did not repeat this year. The impact to total TBI revenue was -9%.

Strategy highlights and priorities



- Digitalize our business model to gain market share from smaller, less capitalized competitors and reduce expenses
- Advance JobStackTM
 capabilities to better
 accommodate our associates
 and increase worker supply
- Enhance training and expand geographic and vertical coverage to drive sales and improve the client and associate experience



- Augment sales team to enable specialization and gain market share in high growth sectors
- Seek opportunities to grow domestically and globally through acquisition and / or new product offerings
- Advance technology platform with a focus on improving client delivery and recruiting efficiency

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- Leverage sales resource investments to expand into under-penetrated geographic markets
- Increase adoption of on-site workflow product offering to expand margin profile
- Invest in client and associate care in addition to retention programs

Advance technology and enhance the experience for those we serve to grow market share

Balance sheet remains strong



2020

2021

2022

Note: Figures may not sum to consolidated totals due to rounding. Balances as of fiscal period end.

2021

2020

2022

Q1 2023

YTD 2023

¹ Total Debt to Capital calculated as total debt divided by the sum of total debt plus shareholders' equity.

Outlook

Select outlook information for Q2 2023

Item	Q2 2023	Commentary
Revenue	\$487M to \$512M -14% to -10% v. prior year	PeopleReady benefited from a high volume of retail projects and above average base business results during the first half of 2022, which are not expected to fully repeat. The impact to total TBI growth is roughly -4% in Q2 2023.
Gross margin	-60 to -20 bps v. prior year	Gross margin decline due to less contribution from PeopleScout.
SG&A	\$120M to \$124M	Refer to EBITDA adjustments for additional information on expected expense.
EBITDA adjustments ¹	~\$2M	 ~\$1M in PeopleReady technology upgrade costs ~\$1M in SaaS amortization
Pre-tax net income adjustments	~\$2M	 ~\$1M in PeopleReady technology upgrade costs ~\$1M in intangibles amortization
CapEx ²	~\$9M	Q2 depreciation is expected to be ~\$5M.
Shares	~31.4M	Reflects diluted weighted average shares outstanding.

¹Refer to the appendix to this presentation for a definition of non-GAAP financial measures.

² Includes planned investments in software as a service (SaaS) assets capitalized in other long-term assets with the related amortization recorded in SG&A.

Select outlook information for FY 2023

Item	FY 2023	Commentary
Gross margin	-20 to +40 bps v. prior year	Gross margin expected to hold relatively steady.
SG&A	\$495M to \$501M	Refer to EBITDA adjustments for additional information on expected expense.
EBITDA adjustments ¹	\$6M to \$10M	 ~\$3M in PeopleReady technology upgrade costs ~\$4M in SaaS amortization
Pre-tax net income adjustments	\$7M to \$11M	 ~\$3M in PeopleReady technology upgrade costs ~\$5M in intangibles amortization ~\$1M in other adjustments
CapEx ²	\$36M to \$40M	FY 2023 depreciation is expected to be \$19M to \$23M.
Income Tax Rate	9% to 13%	Reflects effective income tax rate.
Other	Note: Fiscal 2023 includ	es a 53rd week, which will add \$22M to \$27M of revenue with minimal profit due to low seasonal volume.

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Appendix

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES AND NON-GAAP RECONCILIATIONS

In addition to financial measures presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP, we monitor certain non-GAAP key financial measures. The presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures is used to enhance the understanding of certain aspects of our financial performance. It is not meant to be considered in isolation, superior to, or as a substitute for the directly comparable financial measures prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

Non-GAAP measure	Definition	Purpose of adjusted measures
Adjusted net income (loss) and Adjusted net income (loss) per diluted share	Net income (loss) and net income (loss) per diluted share, excluding: – amortization of intangibles,	 Enhances comparability on a consistent basis and provides investors with useful insight into the underlying trends of the business.
	 amortization of software as a service assets, accelerated depreciation, PeopleReady technology upgrade costs, 	 Used by management to assess performance and effectiveness of our business strategies.
	other adjustments, net, andtax effect of each adjustment to U.S. GAAP.	 Provides a measure, among others, used in the determination of incentive compensation for management.
EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA	EBITDA excludes from net income (loss): income tax expense (benefit),	 Enhances comparability on a consistent basis and provides investors with useful insight into the underlying trends of the business.
	 interest expense and other income, net, and depreciation and amortization. 	 Used by management to assess performance and effectiveness of our business strategies.
	Adjusted EBITDA, further excludes: third-party processing fees for hiring tax credits, amortization of software as a service assets, PeopleReady technology upgrade costs, other adjustments, net.	 Provides a measure, among others, used in the determination of incentive compensation for management.
Adjusted SG&A expense	Selling, general and administrative expense excluding: - third-party processing fees for hiring tax credits, - amortization of software as a service assets, - PeopleReady technology upgrade costs, - other adjustments, net.	Enhances comparability on a consistent basis and provides investors with useful insight into the underlying trends of the business.

¹ Refer to the appendix to this presentation for a definition and full reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures to GAAP financial results.

1. RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP NET INCOME (LOSS) TO ADJUSTED NET INCOME (LOSS) AND ADJUSTED NET INCOME (LOSS) PER DILUTED SHARE (Unaudited)

	13 weeks ended			
(in thousands, except for per share data)	Ma	r 26, 2023	Mar 27, 2022	
Net income (loss)	\$	(4,289)	5	10,519
Amortization of intangible assets		1,270		1,502
Amortization of software as a service assets (1)		_		747
Accelerated depreciation (2)		_		516
PeopleReady technology upgrade costs (3)		32		2,550
Other adjustments, net (4)		1,397		136
Tax effect of adjustments to net income (loss) (5)		(351)		(862)
Adjusted net income (loss)	\$	(1,941)	6	15,108
Adjusted net income (loss) per diluted share	\$	(0.06)	5	0.44
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		32,292		34,544
Margin / % of revenue:				
Net income (loss)		(0.9)%		1.9%
Adjusted net income (loss)		(0.4)%		2.7%

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2. RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP NET INCOME (LOSS) TO EBITDA AND ADJUSTED EBITDA (Unaudited)

	13 weeks ended			
(in thousands)	Mar	26, 2023	Mar 27, 2022	
Net income (loss)	\$	(4,289)	\$	10,519
Income tax expense (benefit)		(640)		1,976
Interest expense and other (income), net		(1,014)		(505)
Depreciation and amortization		6,411		7,287
EBITDA		468		19,277
Third-party processing fees for hiring tax credits (6)		120		162
Amortization of software as a service assets (1)		868		747
PeopleReady technology upgrade costs (3)		32		2,550
Other adjustments, net (4)		1,397		136
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	2,885	\$	22,872
Margin / % of revenue:				
Net income (loss)		(0.9)%		1.9%
Adjusted EBITDA		0.6%		4.1%

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3. RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE TO ADJUSTED SG&A EXPENSE (Unaudited)

	13 weeks ended			
(in thousands)	Mar 26, 2023		Mar 27, 2022	
Selling, general and administrative expense	\$ 122,645	\$	120,568	
Third-party processing fees for hiring tax credits (6)	(120)	(162)	
Amortization of software as a service assets (1)	(868)	(747)	
PeopleReady technology upgrade costs (3)	(32)	(2,550)	
Other adjustments, net (4)	(1,189)	(136)	
Adjusted SG&A expense	\$ 120,436	\$	116,973	
% of revenue:				
Selling, general and administrative expense	26.4%		21.9%	
Adjusted SG&A expense	25.9%		21.2%	

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Footnotes:

- 1. Amortization of software as a service assets is reported in selling, general and administrative expense. Note, amortization of software as a service assets was included as an adjustment to net income during transitory periods ending with fiscal 2022 and is only considered an adjustment to EBITDA going forward to be consistent with the treatment of depreciation and amortization.
- 2. Accelerated depreciation for the existing systems being replaced by the upgraded PeopleReady technology platform.
- 3. Costs associated with upgrading legacy PeopleReady technology.
- 4. Other adjustments for the 13 weeks ended March 26, 2023 primarily include workforce reduction costs of \$1.2 million (\$0.2 million in cost of services and \$1.0 million in selling, general and administrative expense). Other adjustments for the 13 weeks ended March 27, 2022 primarily include costs of \$0.1 million incurred while transitioning to a new third party administrator for workers' compensation.
- 5. Total tax effect of each of the adjustments to U.S. GAAP net income using the effective income tax rate for the respective periods.
- 6. These third-party processing fees are associated with generating hiring tax credits.