

# First Quarter 2025 Earnings

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Portions of the financial and statistical information discussed during this call are addressed in more detail in today's press release, which is posted on the company's investor relations website at www.investors.deluxe.com. This information was also furnished to the SEC on the Form 8-K filed by the company this evening. Any references to non-GAAP financial measures are reconciled to the comparable GAAP financial measures in the press release and as part of this presentation.

# **Barry McCarthy**

President and Chief Executive Officer



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### dlx Q1'25 Financial Highlights

(in millions)



### dlx Q1'25 Highlights

#### Strong execution within increasingly volatile macroeconomic conditions

HIGHLIGHTS



Comparable Adjusted EBITDA: \$100.2 million // +3.4% vs Q1'24; 18.7% Margin // +40bps YoY

### dlx Q1'25 Financial Overview

**Revenue mix shifting towards Payments and Data** 



### dl× Long-term Value Creation Algorithm

OUR FOCUS	BY 2026
Drive profitable organic growth in Payments and Data Keep efficiency focus on Print & Corporate	~2-4% y/y revenue growth, ~4-6% y/y EBITDA growth
Increase our free cash flow by improving leverage ratio & reducing restructuring charges post-2024	3x leverage 30%+ FCF conversion
Drive focused execution through North Star plan	+\$80MM EBITDA & +\$100MM FCF
Maintain our dividend: continue to return capital to shareholders	\$0.30 per share per quarter
Sustain performance: Changing culture, talent, & processes throug	h '26 & beyond
15%+ annual total shareholder return thro	ough 2026

# Chip Zint

**Chief Financial Officer** 



### dlx Q1'25 Financial Summary

			Comparable Metrics	
TOTAL REVENUE	NET INCOME	Adjusted EBITDA	Adj. EBITDA margin	Adj. Diluted EPS
<b>\$536.5M</b> Up 0.3% versus Q1'24; Comparable adjusted revenue increased 1.4%	<b>\$14.0M</b> Or \$0.31 per share on a diluted basis; Up from \$10.8M in Q1'24, on improved cost management and lower restructuring	<b>\$100.2M</b> Increased 3.4% versus Q1'24	<b>18.7%</b> Increased 40 basis points versus Q1'24	<b>\$0.75</b> Up 4.2% compared to Q1'24
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### dlx Merchant Services



Payment Processing & Reporting



Omnichannel Payments



Terminals & Devices





Adjusted FBITDA margin was 21.9% down 30 basis points year

Adjusted EBITDA margin was 21.9%, down 30 basis points year-overyear on overall channel mix



### dlx B2B Payments

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Fraud & Security Protection

#### (in millions)



Adjusted EBITDA margin was 18.9%, down 30 basis points year-overyear

### dlx Data Solutions



Data Driven Marketing

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Data Analytics and SMB SaaS Solutions

#### (in millions)



Adjusted EBITDA margin was 25.5%, up 50 basis points year-over-year driven by operating expense management and overall strong revenues





Business Essentials



Extensive range of Promotional offerings



Web Storefront Platform for Branded Products



(in millions)



Adjusted EBITDA



 Adjusted EBITDA margin was 31.2%, expanding 120 basis points year-over-year on segment mix and continuing strong operating efficiency

### dlx Balance Sheet and Cash Flow

#### Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDA

(in millions)

#### **Free Cash Flow**

(in millions)

	For the 12 Months Ended				For the Quarter Ended			
	3/31/2025	12/31/2024	Variance		3/31/2025	03/31/2024	Variance	
Net Debt	\$1,462.3	\$1,468.7	(\$6.4)	Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$50.3	\$26.6	\$23.7	
LTM Adjusted EBITDA	\$411.8	\$412.1	(\$0.3)	Less Capital Expenditures	(26.0)	(20.4)	(5.6)	
Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDA	3.6x	3.6x		Free Cash Flow	\$24.3	\$6.2	\$18.1	

### dlx Capital Structure - Debt maturity ladder

Material debt maturities shifted to 2029...

... strong liquidity via revolving credit capacity



### dlx 2025 Guidance

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	2025F Guidance	Comp. Adj. % ∆ vs. 2024F
Revenue	\$2.090 – 2.155 billion	(1%) to +2%
Adj. EBITDA	\$415 – 435 million	+2 to +7%
Adj. EPS	\$3.25 – \$3.55	flat to +9%
Free cash flow	\$120 – 140 million	+20% to +40%

#### Additional modeling assumptions:

- Interest expense of approximately \$120 million
- Adjusted tax rate of 26%
- Depreciation and amortization of \$140 million, of which acquisition amortization is approximately \$45 million
- Average outstanding share count of 45.5 million shares
- Capital expenditures between \$90 and \$100 million

All figures are approximate, and remain subject to, among other things, prevailing macroeconomic conditions including potential tariff impacts, labor supply challenges, inflation, and the impact of other potential changes to the company's portfolio.

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# **Q & A**



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# **Brian Anderson**

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### dlx Upcoming Conferences/Events

Date	Event
May 13, 2025	Needham Technology, Media & Consumer Conference, Intercontinental New York Times Square Hotel
May 29, 2025	TD Cowen Technology, Media & Telecom Conference, Intercontinental New York Barclay Hotel
June 3, 2025	Wolfe Research (virtual) Small and Mid Cap Conference



# Appendix



### dlx Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income

in millions, except per share amounts (Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended	March 31,
	2025	2024
Revenue	\$536.5	\$535.0
Cost of revenue	(255.5)	(251.5)
Gross profit		283.5
Selling, general and administrative expense	(225.2)	(234.1)
Restructuring and integration expense	(7.7)	(13.8)
Gain on sale of businesses and long-lived assets		8.6
Operating income	48.1	44.2
Interest expense	(31.3)	(30.8)
Other income	2.5	3.0
Income before income taxes	19.3	16.4
Income tax provision	(5.3)	(5.6)
Net income attributable to Deluxe	\$14.0	\$10.8
Weighted-average dilutive shares outstanding	45.3	44.5
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.31	\$0.24
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	0.75	0.76
Comparable adjusted diluted earnings per share	0.75	0.72
Depreciation and amortization expense	35.3	41.7
EBITDA	85.9	88.9
Adjusted EBITDA	100.2	100.5
Comparable adjusted EBITDA	100.2	96.9

### dl× Segment Information

in millions (Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended	March 31,
	2025	2024
Revenue:		
Merchant Services	\$97.8	\$96.5
B2B Payments	70.2	69.4
Data Solutions	77.2	59.7
Print	291.3	303.4
Business exits <sup>(1)</sup>	—	6.0
Total	\$536.5	\$535.0
Comparable adjusted revenue	\$536.5	\$529.0
Adjusted EBITDA:		
Merchant Services	\$21.4	\$21.4
B2B Payments	13.3	13.3
Data Solutions	19.7	14.9
Print	90.8	91.0
Business Exits <sup>(1)</sup> / Corporate	(45.0)	(40.1)
Total	<u>\$100.2</u>	\$100.5
Comparable adjusted EBITDA	\$100.2	\$96.9
Adjusted EBITDA Margin:		
Merchant Services	21.9%	22.2%
B2B Payments	18.9%	19.2%
Data Solutions	25.5%	25.0%
Print	31.2%	30.0%
Total	18.7%	18.8%
Comparable adjusted EBITDA	18.7%	18.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the payroll and human resources services business, which the company substantially exited during 2024.

EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, and Adjusted EBITDA margin *in millions (Unaudited)* 

	Quarter Endeu	March 31,
	2025	2024
Net income	\$14.0	\$10.8
Interest expense	31.3	30.8
Income tax provision	5.3	5.6
Depreciation and amortization expense	35.3	41.7
EBITDA	85.9	88.9
Restructuring and integration expense	8.4	14.8
Share-based compensation expense	5.4	5.1
Certain legal and environmental expense	0.5	0.3
Gain on sale of businesses and long-lived assets		(8.6)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$100.2	\$100.5
Adjusted EBITDA margin	18.7%	18.8%

Quarter Ended March 31

#### Adjusted Diluted EPS - Q1 2025

dollars and shares in millions, except per share amounts (Unaudited)

	Q1 2025 GAAP	Acquisition amortization	Restructuring and integration expense	Share-based compensation expense	Certain legal /environmenta I expense	Income tax impact of adjustments	Q1 2025 Adjusted
Revenue	\$536.5	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$536.5
Cost of revenue	(255.5)	2.2	0.7	0.2			(252.4)
Gross profit	281.0	2.2	0.7	0.2	_	—	284.1
Selling, general and administrative expense	(225.2)	9.6		5.2	0.5	_	(209.9)
Restructuring and integration expense	(7.7)		7.7				
Operating income	48.1	11.8	8.4	5.4	0.5	_	74.2
Interest expense	(31.3)	—	—	—	—	—	(31.3)
Other income	2.5					<u> </u>	2.5
Income before income taxes	19.3	\$11.8	\$8.4	\$5.4	\$0.5	—	45.4
Income tax provision	(5.3)					(\$6.2)	(11.5)
Net income	\$14.0					_	\$33.9
Income attributable to Deluxe available to common shareholders	\$13.9					-	\$33.9
Business exits						_	
Comparable adjusted income available to common shareholders						=	\$33.9
Weighted-average dilutive shares	45.3						45.3
Diluted EPS Comparable Adjusted Diluted EPS	\$0.31						\$0.75 \$0.75

#### Adjusted Diluted EPS - Q1 2024

dollars and shares in millions, except per share amounts (Unaudited)

	Q1 2024 GAAP	Acquisition and accelerated amortization	Restructuring and integration expense	Share-based compensation expense	Certain legal / environmental expense	Gain on sale of businesses/ assets	Income tax impact of adjustments	Q1 2024 Adjusted
Revenue	\$535.0	\$—	\$	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$535.0
Cost of revenue	(251.5)	5.4	1.0	0.2			<u> </u>	(244.9)
Gross profit	283.5	5.4	1.0	0.2	_	—	_	290.1
Selling, general and administrative expense	(234.1)	12.5	—	4.9	0.3			(216.4)
Restructuring and integration expense	(13.8)	_	13.8	_	_	—	_	_
Gain on sale of businesses and long-lived assets	8.6	_				(8.6)	—	_
Operating income	44.2	17.9	14.8	5.1	0.3	(8.6)		73.7
Interest expense	(30.8)	_	—		—			(30.8)
Other income	3.0						<u> </u>	3.0
Income before income taxes	16.4	\$17.9	\$14.8	\$5.1	\$0.3	(\$8.6)	—	45.9
Income tax provision	(5.6)						(\$6.5)	(12.1)
Net income	\$10.8						_	\$33.8
Income attributable to Deluxe available to common shareholders	\$10.8						_	\$33.8
Business exits							_	(1.6)
Comparable adjusted income available to common shareholders							_	\$32.2
Weighted-average dilutive shares	44.5							44.5
Diluted EPS Comparable Adjusted Diluted EPS	\$0.24							\$0.76 \$0.72

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Comparable Adjusted Revenue / Comparable Adjusted EBITDA / Comparable Adjusted EBITDA Margin *in millions (Unaudited)* 

	Quarter Ended March 31,		
	2025	2024	
Revenue	\$536.5	\$535.0	
Business exits		(6.0)	
Comparable adjusted revenue	\$536.5	\$529.0	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$100.2	\$100.5	
Business exits		(3.6)	
Comparable adjusted EBITDA	\$100.2	\$96.9	
Comparable adjusted EBITDA margin	18.7%	18.3%	

Comparable Adjusted Revenue / Comparable Adjusted EBITDA / Comparable Adjusted EPS Outlook (Unaudited)

	Total Year	
	2025 Outlook	2024 Actual
(in billions)		
Revenue	\$2.090 - \$2.155	\$2.122
Less: Business exits		(0.011)
Comparable adjusted revenue	\$2.090 - \$2.155	\$2.111
Comparable adjusted revenue (decline) growth %	(1%) - 2%	
(in millions)		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$415 - \$435	\$412
Less: Business exits		(6)
Comparable adjusted EBITDA	\$415 - \$435	\$406
Comparable adjusted EBITDA growth %	2% - 7%	
Adjusted diluted EPS	\$3.25 - \$3.55	\$3.29
Less: Business exits		(0.03)
Comparable adjusted diluted EPS	\$3.25 - \$3.55	\$3.26
Comparable adjusted diluted EPS growth	0% - 9%	

The company has not reconciled the adjusted EBITDA, adjusted diluted EPS, adjusted income tax rate, or free cash flow outlook for 2025 to the directly comparable GAAP financial measures because the company does not provide outlook guidance for the reconciling items between net income, adjusted net income, and adjusted EBITDA, and certain of these reconciling items impact cash flows from operating activities. Due to the substantial uncertainty and variability surrounding certain of these forward-looking reconciling items, including asset impairment charges, restructuring and integration expenses, gains and losses on sales of businesses and long-lived assets, and certain legal and environmental expenses, a reconciliation of the outlook for these non-GAAP financial measures to the corresponding GAAP measures is not available without unreasonable effort. The probable significance of certain of these reconciling items is high and, based on historical experience, could be material.

#### Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDA

dollars in millions (Unaudited)

	March 31, 2025	December 31, 2024
Total debt	\$1,492.6	\$1,503.1
Cash and cash equivalents	(30.3)	(34.4)
Net debt	\$1,462.3	\$1,468.7
TRAILING 12 MONTHS ADJUSTED EBITDA:		
	12 Months Ended March 31, 2025	12 Months Ended December 31, 2024
Net income	\$56.1	\$52.9
Non-controlling interest	(0.1)	(0.1)
Interest expense	123.8	123.3
Income tax provision	23.3	23.6
Depreciation and amortization expense	159.1	165.5
Asset impairment charges	7.7	7.7
Restructuring and integration expense	44.1	50.5
Share-based compensation	20.2	19.9
Certain legal-related expense	0.2	_
Gain on sale of businesses and long-lived assets	(22.6)	(31.2)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$411.8	\$412.1
NET DEBT TO ADJUSTED EBITDA	3.6	3.6

Free Cash Flow in millions (Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended March 31,	
	2025	2024
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$50.3	\$26.6
Purchases of capital assets	(26.0)	(20.4)
Free cash flow	\$24.3	\$6.2

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