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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 10-K**

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

# For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2014 OR

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

# For the transition period from to Commission file number: 001-35992

**Oracle Corporation**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

# Delaware 54-2185193

**(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)**

# 500 Oracle Parkway

**(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)**

# Redwood City, California 94065

**(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)**

# (650) 506-7000

**(Registrant’s telephone number, including area code)**

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

**Title of each class Name of each exchange on which registered**

Common Stock, par value $0.01 per share 2.25% senior notes due January 2021

3.125% senior notes due July 2025

New York Stock Exchange New York Stock Exchange New York Stock Exchange

# 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 Section 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 such filing requirements for the past 90 days. YES  NO 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 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 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 

Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company 

(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 Exchange Act). YES  NO 

The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was $118,156,172,000 based on the number of shares held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of May 31, 2014, and based on the closing sale price of common stock as reported by the New York Stock Exchange on November 30, 2013, which is the last business day of the registrant’s most recently completed second fiscal quarter. This calculation does not reflect a determination that persons are affiliates for any other purposes.

Number of shares of common stock outstanding as of June 19, 2014: 4,454,889,000.

# Documents Incorporated by Reference:

Portions of the registrant’s definitive proxy statement relating to its 2014 annual stockholders’ meeting are incorporated by reference into Part III

of this Annual Report on Form 10-K where indicated.

**ORACLE CORPORATION**

**FISCAL YEAR 2014 FORM 10-K ANNUAL REPORT**

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**Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements**

For purposes of this Annual Report, the terms “Oracle,” “we,” “us” and “our” refer to Oracle Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries. This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains statements that are not historical in nature, are predictive in nature, or that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions or otherwise contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These include, among other things, statements regarding:

* our expectation to continue to acquire companies, products, services and technologies;
* our intention that our direct sales force will sell proportionately more of our hardware systems products in the future;
* continued realization of gains or losses with respect to our foreign currency exposures;
* our expectation that our software and cloud business’ total revenues generally will continue to increase;
* our belief that software license updates and product support revenues and margins will grow;
* our expectation that our hardware business will have lower operating margins as a percentage of revenues than our software and cloud business;
* our international operations providing a significant portion of our total revenues and expenses;
* our expectation to continue to make significant investments in research and development and related product opportunities, including those related to hardware products and services;
* our expectation that future devaluations of the Venezuelan currency will not have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements;
* the sufficiency of our sources of funding for acquisitions or other matters;
* our expectation to continue paying comparable cash dividends on a quarterly basis;
* our belief that we have adequately provided for any reasonably foreseeable outcomes related to our tax audits and that any tax settlement will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations;
* our belief that the outcome of certain legal proceedings and claims to which we are a party will not, individually or in the aggregate, result in losses that are materially in excess of amounts already recognized, if any;
* our expectation to incur the majority of the remaining expenses pursuant to the Fiscal 2013 Oracle Restructuring Plan through the end of fiscal 2015 and our expectation to improve efficiencies in our operations that will impact our Fiscal 2013 Oracle Restructuring Plan;
* our expectation that seasonal trends will continue in fiscal 2015;
* our expectation to continue to depend on third party manufacturers to build certain hardware systems products and third party logistics providers to deliver our products;
* our expectation that to the extent customers renew support contracts or cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service contracts, we will recognize revenues for the full contracts’ values over the respective renewal periods;
* our ability to predict quarterly hardware systems revenues;
* the timing of customer orders and delays in our ability to manufacture or deliver a few large transactions substantially affecting the amount of hardware systems products revenues, expenses and operating margins that we will report;

as well as other statements regarding our future operations, financial condition and prospects, and business strategies. Forward-looking statements may be preceded by, followed by or include the words “expects,” “anticipates,” “intends,” “plans,” “believes,” “seeks,” “estimates,” “will,” “is designed to” and similar

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expressions. We claim the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 for all forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and projections about future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions about our business that could affect our future results and could cause those results or other outcomes to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, those discussed in “Risk Factors” included elsewhere in this Annual Report and as may be updated in filings we make from time to time with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), including the Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q to be filed by us in our fiscal year 2015, which runs from June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2015.

We have no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or risks, except to the extent required by applicable securities laws. If we do update one or more forward-looking statements, no inference should be drawn that we will make additional updates with respect to those or other forward-looking statements. New information, future events or risks could cause the forward-looking events we discuss in this Annual Report not to occur. You should not place undue reliance on these forward- looking statements, which reflect our expectations only as of the date of this Annual Report.

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# PART I

**Item 1. Business General**

We are the world’s largest provider of enterprise software and a leading provider of computer hardware products and services that are engineered to work together in the cloud and in the data center. Our offerings include Oracle database and middleware software, application software, cloud infrastructure, hardware systems—including computer server, storage and networking products—and related services. We develop and maintain our products and services to be enterprise-grade, reliable, secure and interoperable while offering customers a choice in deployment models that best meet their information technology (IT) needs. Our customers can subscribe to use many Oracle software and hardware products through our Oracle Cloud offerings, or purchase our software and hardware products and related services to build their own internal clouds or on-premise IT environments.

Cloud computing IT environments, including those offered through our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service (SaaS), Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS) and Infrastructure-as-a-Service (IaaS) offerings, are designed to be attractive and cost-effective options for our customers as we integrate the software and hardware on the customers’ behalf in IT environments that we deploy, support and manage. We are a leader in the core technologies of cloud computing, including database and middleware software as well as web-based applications, virtualization, clustering, large-scale systems management and related infrastructure. Our products and services are the building blocks of our own cloud services, our partners’ cloud services and our customers’ cloud IT environments. An important element of our corporate strategy is to deliver reliable, secure and scalable products and services that are built upon industry standards and are engineered to work both together or independently, regardless of the deployment model selected.

We believe that our investments in, and continued innovation with respect to, our software and cloud, hardware, and services businesses are the foundation of our long-term strategic plans. In fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012 we invested $5.2 billion, $4.9 billion and $4.5 billion, respectively, in research and development to enhance our existing portfolio of products and services and to develop new products and services. We have expanded our enterprise-grade cloud computing offerings through our continued investments in research and development and through targeted acquisitions in order to broaden our Oracle Cloud offerings. For example, our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service offerings, including our sales, marketing, customer service, financials, project management, human capital and talent management cloud solutions, among others, enable us to provide IT functionality that customers can use to manage critical business functions in a rapidly deployable delivery model with lower upfront customer investment. Certain of our enterprise-grade cloud computing offerings include infrastructure based upon our Oracle Engineered Systems, including our Oracle Exadata Database Machine, Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud and Oracle SuperCluster products, among others. We designed our Oracle Engineered Systems to combine certain of our hardware and software offerings to increase computing performance relative to our competitors’ products, creating cost efficiencies, time savings and operational cost advantages for our customers. Our Oracle Engineered Systems provide the core infrastructure for our own on-premise IT data centers and those of our customers, and for cloud IT environments, including our own Oracle Cloud services, our partners’ cloud services and our customers’ cloud environments. We also continue to demonstrate our commitment to customer choice through ongoing enhancements to our Oracle E-Business Suite, Siebel, PeopleSoft and JD Edwards application software products and services, amongst others.

We believe that an active acquisition program is another important element of our corporate strategy as it enhances the products and services that we can offer to customers, expands our customer base, provides greater scale to accelerate innovation, grows our revenues and earnings and increases stockholder value. In recent years, we have invested billions of dollars to acquire a number of companies, products, services and technologies that add to, are complementary to, or have otherwise enhanced our existing offerings. We expect to continue to acquire companies, products, services and technologies to further our corporate strategy.

Our software and cloud, hardware systems, and services businesses are divided into certain operating segments. Our software and cloud business is comprised of three operating segments: (1) new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions, which includes our SaaS and PaaS offerings, (2) cloud infrastructure-as-a-service and (3) software license updates and product support. Our hardware systems business is comprised of two operating

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segments: (1) hardware systems products and (2) hardware systems support. Our services business is comprised of the remainder of our operating segments and offers consulting services, enhanced support services and education services. Our software and cloud, hardware systems and services businesses represented 76%, 14% and 10% of our total revenues, respectively, in fiscal 2014; 75%, 14% and 11% of our total revenues, respectively, in fiscal 2013; and 72%, 17% and 11% of our total revenues, respectively, in fiscal 2012. Our cloud infrastructure-as-a- service segment was established during our fiscal quarter ended May 31, 2014. Our fiscal 2014 results, and historical results for fiscal 2013 and 2012, reflect this new segment structure and will continue prospectively in our future filings. See Note 16 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Annual Report, for additional information related to our operating segments.

Oracle Corporation was incorporated in 2005 as a Delaware corporation and is the successor to operations originally begun in June 1977.

# Recent Trends and Focus Areas Oracle and Cloud Computing

Oracle’s cloud solutions include a broad suite of subscription-based, enterprise-grade cloud services and a portfolio of products and services to build and manage various cloud deployment models. Our comprehensive cloud strategy enables customers to choose the right approach for them, whether it is a cloud environment through the use of Oracle Cloud or through customers selecting Oracle products and services for their cloud infrastructures, including the use of Oracle Engineered Systems.

## *Oracle Cloud*

Oracle Cloud is a comprehensive set of cloud offerings that is designed to provide customers and partners with access to application services, platform services and infrastructure services on a subscription basis that we host, manage and support. Oracle Cloud is built upon open industry standards such as SQL, Java and HTML5 for easier application portability, integration and development.

Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service includes a broad portfolio of enterprise SaaS applications that are designed to deliver mission-critical business functions including: sales; marketing; social engagement, monitoring, marketing, and data and insight; service and supply chain management; human capital; talent management; enterprise resource planning; performance management; and financial reporting, among others.

We believe the comprehensiveness of our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service offerings provides greater benefit to our customers and differentiates us from many of our competitors that offer more limited or specialized cloud-based applications. Our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a- Service offerings are designed to be interoperable with one another, thereby limiting the integration and tuning of multiple cloud applications from multiple vendors. Oracle Cloud is designed to deliver data isolation and flexible upgrades, self-service control for users, a Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA) for integration with on-premise systems, built-in social, mobile and business insight capabilities; and a high performance, high availability infrastructure based on Oracle Engineered Systems. These capabilities are designed to simplify IT environments and enable customers to focus resources on business growth opportunities.

Oracle Cloud Platform-as-a-Service is designed to deliver Oracle Database and Java services in the cloud so that developers can extend Oracle Cloud Applications or build new applications. Customers and partners can use our open, standards-based Java platform based on Oracle WebLogic Server and our Oracle Database as a cloud service, including tools for rapid application development; flexible cloud-based file sharing and collaboration; intuitive business tools for analysis and reporting; and mobile device connectivity.

Oracle Cloud Infrastructure-as-a-Service includes virtual machine instances that are designed for computing and reliable and secure object storage; Oracle Engineered Systems hardware and related support that are deployed in our customers’ data centers for a monthly fee; and comprehensive software and hardware management and maintenance services for customer IT infrastructure that is hosted at our data center facilities, select partner data centers or physically on-premise at customer facilities.

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We also offer Oracle Cloud Marketplace, which is a global marketplace that is designed to allow partners to publish applications and for customers to browse through and discover new solutions to address their business needs.

## *Oracle and Customer Cloud Environments*

Oracle database and middleware software, application software, cloud infrastructure, hardware systems and related services are the building blocks of our own cloud services, our partners’ cloud services and our customers’ cloud IT environments. Our software and hardware products and services—including Oracle Database, Oracle Fusion Middleware, Java, and Oracle Engineered Systems—are used for cloud platforms and are designed to be interoperable and provide a shared and elastically scalable platform for consolidating existing applications and developing and deploying new applications. Our software and hardware products are also used for cloud infrastructures and are designed to support diverse application requirements, dynamic resource pooling, elastic scalability and rapid application deployment through application-aware virtualization and management capabilities. Oracle Enterprise Manager is one of our offerings used to manage cloud environments.

Oracle Engineered Systems

Oracle Engineered Systems are core building blocks for Oracle’s data center and cloud computing offerings. These pre-integrated products are designed to be upgraded effectively and efficiently and to simplify routine maintenance by providing a single solution for software patching. They are tested before they are shipped to customers and delivered ready-to-run, enabling customers to shorten the time to production. Oracle’s Engineered Systems include:

* *Oracle Exadata Database Machine,* a family of integrated software and hardware products that combines our database, storage and operating system software with our server, storage and networking hardware and is designed to provide a high performance database system for online transaction processing and data warehousing applications;
* *Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud,* an engineered system that combines Oracle Fusion Middleware software with our server, storage and networking hardware to run Java and non-Java applications and provide customers with an applications platform for cloud computing;
* *Oracle Exalytics In-Memory Machine,* a single server that is designed to be configured for in-memory analytics for business intelligence workloads;
* *Oracle SuperCluster,* a general purpose engineered system that combines the optimized database performance of Oracle Exadata storage and the accelerated middleware and application processing of the Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud on a SPARC/Solaris platform;
* *Oracle Virtual Compute Appliance* , an engineered system delivering converged infrastructure for virtualized environments that is designed to be simple to use, rapidly deployable and capable of running almost any application built upon Linux, Microsoft Windows or Oracle Solaris operating systems;
* *Oracle Database Appliance,* an integrated, fault resilient system of database, operating system and virtualization software, servers, storage and networking hardware in a single box that is designed to deliver high-availability database services for a wide range of homegrown and packaged online transaction processing (OLTP) and data warehousing applications;
* *Oracle Big Data Appliance,* a scalable, engineered system designed for acquiring, organizing and loading unstructured data into an Oracle database and integrating the key components of a big data platform such as Hadoop and Oracle NoSQL Database in order to reduce data risks in comparison to custom-built solutions; and
* *Oracle ZFS Storage ZS3-BA* , a purpose-built backup appliance, specifically tuned for engineered systems, that is designed to ensure the highest levels of backup and recovery performance while removing the need for third-party software and data reduction systems.

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# Oracle and Big Data

Big data generally refers to a massive amount of unstructured, streaming and structured data that is so large that it is difficult to process using traditional IT techniques. As businesses drive more of their critical operations and information management through IT solutions, the volume of data generated by businesses is increasing at unprecedented levels. We believe most businesses view big data as a high-value opportunity because effective technologies can leverage big data to allow those businesses to gain new insights into their customers’ behavior, anticipate future demand more accurately, align workforce deployment with business-activity forecasts, and accelerate the pace of operations. Oracle offers a comprehensive portfolio of products and services to help enterprises capture, manage, and analyze big data alongside an enterprise’s existing enterprise and streaming data.

Our big data solutions for capturing unstructured, streaming and structured data complement existing Oracle Database environments and include Oracle NoSQL Database, embedded Java and MySQL products. Oracle Big Data Appliance, a pre-integrated Hadoop appliance that is designed to cost less and be easier to implement than custom Hadoop solutions, manages big data alongside enterprise data. Oracle Data Integration and Oracle Big Data Connectors are designed to easily and non-invasively integrate data from the Oracle Big Data Appliance and Oracle Database or Oracle Exadata Database Machine to enable a data warehouse to further organize, analyze, interpret, report on and act on information from these high volume data sources.

Oracle also offers Analytics software that is designed to leverage big data and enterprise data to enable organizations to analyze the data and discover new ways to strategize, plan, optimize business operations, and capture new market opportunities. Oracle Business Analytics products include data discovery software, enterprise performance management and analytic applications software, business intelligence software, and predictive analytics and self-learning decision optimization software. Oracle Exalytics In-Memory Machine is designed to run analytic environments at optimal performance and scale ideal for use with big data environments.

# Oracle and Mobile Computing

Oracle provides a wide range of software for mobile computing. For example, Oracle Mobile Platform enables developers to build and extend enterprise applications for popular mobile devices from a single code base. Oracle Mobile Platform supports access to native device services, enables offline applications and is designed to protect enterprise investments from future technology shifts. Oracle Mobile Security offers comprehensive mobile identity and application management for provisioning of trusted access. Oracle Business Intelligence Mobile provides business intelligence functionality, from interactive dashboards to location intelligence, while enabling users to initiate business processes from a mobile device.

# Software and Cloud, Hardware Systems, and Services Businesses Software and Cloud Business

Our software and cloud business consists of our new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions segment, which includes our SaaS and PaaS offerings, our cloud infrastructure-as-a-service segment and our software license updates and product support segment.

## *New Software Licenses and Cloud Software Subscriptions*

The new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions operating segment includes database, middleware and application software licenses, as well as our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service and Platform-as-a-Service offerings.

Our software solutions are built on a standards-based architecture that is designed to help customers reduce the cost and complexity of their IT infrastructure. Our commitment to industry standards results in software that works in customer environments with Oracle or non-Oracle hardware or software components and that can be adapted to meet specific industry or business needs. This approach is designed to support customer choice and reduce customer risk. Our software products are designed to operate on both single server and clustered server configurations for cloud or on-premise IT environments and to support a choice of operating systems including Oracle Solaris, Oracle Linux, Microsoft Windows and third party UNIX products, among others.

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New software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues represented 28% of total revenues in each of fiscal 2014 and 2013 and 27% in fiscal 2012.

Database and Middleware Software

Our database and middleware software consist of a range of license and subscription based offerings that are designed to provide a cost- effective, high-performance platform for running and managing business applications for midsize businesses, as well as large, global enterprises. Our customers are increasingly focused on reducing the total cost of their IT infrastructure and we believe that our software offerings help them achieve this goal. Our software is designed to accommodate demanding, non-stop business environments using clustered middleware and database servers and storage. These clusters are designed to scale incrementally as required to address our customers’ IT capacity, satisfy their planning and procurement needs, support their business applications with a standardized platform architecture, reduce their risk of data loss and IT infrastructure downtime and efficiently utilize available IT resources to meet quality of service expectations.

*Database Software*

Oracle Database software is the world’s most popular enterprise database software. It is designed to enable reliable and secure storage, retrieval and manipulation of all forms of data, including: transactional data, business information and analytics; semi-structured and unstructured data in the form of weblogs, text, social media feeds, XML files, office documents, images, video and spatial images; and other specialized forms of data, such as graph data. Oracle Database software is used for a variety of purposes, including packaged applications and custom application development for transaction processing, data warehousing and business intelligence and as a document repository or specialized data store.

A number of optional add-on products are available with Oracle Database Enterprise Edition software to address specific customer requirements. In the areas of cloud computing and consolidation, we offer a new Oracle Multitenant software option. In the areas of performance and scalability, we offer Oracle Real Application Clusters, Oracle In-Memory Database Cache, Oracle Advanced Compression and Oracle Partitioning software options. In the area of data security, we offer Oracle Advanced Security, Oracle Database Vault, Oracle Audit Vault and Database Firewall software options.

In addition to Oracle Database, we also offer a portfolio of specialized database software products to address particular customer requirements, including:

* MySQL, the world’s most popular open source database, designed for high performance and scalability of web applications and embedded applications, available in Enterprise, Standard, Classic, Cluster and Community editions;
* Oracle TimesTen In-Memory Database, designed to deliver real-time data management and transaction processing speeds for performance-critical applications. Oracle TimesTen In-Memory Database can serve as a cache to accelerate Oracle Database and can work as a standalone database at the application tier;
* Oracle Berkeley DB, a family of open source, embeddable, relational, XML and key-value (NoSQL) databases designed for developers to embed within their applications and devices; and
* Oracle NoSQL Database, a distributed key-value database designed for high availability and massive scalability of high volume transaction processing with predictable low-latency.

*Middleware Software*

Oracle Fusion Middleware software is a broad family of integrated application infrastructure software products that we offer via license and subscription based arrangements. These products are designed to form a reliable and scalable foundation on which customers can build, deploy, secure, access and integrate business applications and automate their business processes. Built with Oracle’s Java technology platform, Oracle Fusion Middleware products can be used as a foundation for custom, packaged and composite applications—or applications that can be deployed in cloud environments.

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Oracle Fusion Middleware software is designed to protect customers’ IT investments and work with both Oracle and non-Oracle database, middleware and application software through its open architecture and adherence to industry standards. Specifically, Oracle Fusion Middleware software is designed to enable customers to integrate Oracle and non-Oracle business applications, automate business processes, scale applications to meet customer demand, simplify security and compliance, manage lifecycles of documents and get actionable, targeted business intelligence; all while continuing to utilize their existing IT systems. In addition, Oracle Fusion Middleware software supports multiple development languages and tools, which enables developers to build and deploy web services, websites, portals and web-based applications.

Oracle Fusion Middleware software is available in various software products and suites, including the following:

* Oracle WebLogic Server and Oracle Cloud Application Foundation, designed to be the most complete, best-of-breed platform for developing cloud applications;
* Oracle SOA Suite of software products used to create, deploy and manage applications on a Service-Oriented Architecture;
* Oracle Data Integration software products, which are designed to enable pervasive and continuous access to timely and trusted data across heterogeneous systems, including real-time and bulk data movement, transformation, bi-directional replication, data services and data quality for customer and product domains;
* Oracle Business Process Management Suite software products that are designed to enable businesses and IT professionals to design, implement, automate and evolve business processes and workflows within and across organizations;
* Oracle WebCenter software products, a complete set of Web Experience Management, Portals, Content Management and Social Networks software, helping people work together more efficiently through contextual collaboration tools that optimize connections between people, information and applications and to ensure users have access to the right information in the context of the business process in which they are engaged;
* Oracle Business Intelligence Suite, a comprehensive set of analytic software products designed to provide customers with the information they need to make better business decisions;
* Oracle Identity Management software, which is designed to enable customers to manage internal and external users, to secure corporate information from potential software threats and to streamline compliance initiatives while lowering the total cost of their security and compliance initiatives; and
* Development Tools for application development, database development and business intelligence, including Oracle JDeveloper, an integrated software environment designed to facilitate rapid development of applications using Oracle Fusion Middleware and popular open source technologies.

Java

Java is the computer industry’s most widely-used software development language and is viewed as a global standard. The Java programming language and platform together represent one of the most popular and powerful development environments in the world, one that is used by millions of developers globally to develop business applications. Oracle Fusion Middleware software products and Oracle Fusion Applications are built using our Java technology platform, which we believe is a key advantage for our business.

Java is designed to enable developers to write software on a single platform and run it on many other different platforms, independent of operating system and hardware architecture. Java has been adopted by both independent software vendors (ISV) that have built their products on Java and by enterprise organizations building custom applications or consuming Java-based ISV products.

Management Software

Oracle Enterprise Manager is Oracle’s integrated enterprise IT management and cloud management family of products. Oracle Enterprise Manager is designed to combine the self-management capabilities built into Oracle

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products with its business-driven IT management capabilities to deliver a holistic approach to IT management across the entire Oracle technology portfolio, including Oracle Database and Oracle Exadata, Oracle Fusion Middleware and Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud, Oracle Applications, Oracle Solaris, Oracle Linux, Oracle VM and our complete hardware portfolio. Oracle Enterprise Manager is designed to manage Oracle’s software and hardware portfolio whether deployed using traditional IT architectures or in cloud computing architectures. In both cases, Oracle Enterprise Manager is designed to provide a complete IT lifecycle management approach, including configuring elements of an IT environment, monitoring service levels, diagnosing and troubleshooting problems, patching and provisioning IT environments, managing compliance reporting and providing change management in a unified way across physical and virtualized IT environments.

Application Software

Oracle Applications are designed using an industry standards-based, integrated architecture to manage and automate core business functions across the enterprise, as well as to help customers differentiate and innovate in those processes unique to their industries or organizations. In addition to applications that are deployable to meet a number of business automation requirements across a broad range of industries, we also offer a number of industry-specific applications through a focused strategy of investments in internal research and development and strategic acquisitions. We provide industry-specific solutions for customers in a number of different industries including communications, engineering and construction, financial services, healthcare, manufacturing, public sector, retail and utilities, among others. Oracle Applications are offered via license and subscription based arrangements and are designed to reduce the risk, cost and complexity of our customers’ IT infrastructures, while supporting customer choice with flexible deployment models and upgrade paths.

Our applications strategy is designed to provide customers with complete choice and a secure path to benefit from the latest technology advances. Our Oracle Applications Unlimited program demonstrates our commitment to customer choice through ongoing investment and innovation in current applications offerings including our Oracle E-Business Suite, Siebel, PeopleSoft and JD Edwards applications software products, among others. Since announcing our Applications Unlimited program in 2005, we have delivered major releases of all applications product lines by combining business functionality with innovative technologies, providing customers with more adaptive industry processes, business intelligence and optimal end-user productivity.

We continue to expand our enterprise-grade cloud software subscription offerings such as those offered through our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a- Service in order to provide customers a broad choice of software applications within a cloud-based IT environment. These include a comprehensive suite of modular, next-generation cloud software applications that span core business functions including sales, marketing, social, service, supply chain management, human capital, talent management, enterprise resource planning, enterprise planning, and financial reporting, among others.

Oracle Applications address specific business and industry requirements including:

* Human Capital and Talent Management;
* Customer Experience and Customer Relationship Management;
* Financial Management and Governance, Risk and Compliance;
* Procurement;
* Project Portfolio Management;
* Supply Chain Management;
* Business Analytics and Enterprise Performance Management; and
* Industry-Specific Applications.

*Human Capital and Talent Management*

Our complete and integrated suite of human capital management application software is designed to help organizations manage their human resource operations and attract, develop, motivate and retain human capital.

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Oracle Human Capital Management delivers core human resource transactions, workforce service delivery and complete enterprise talent management via our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service offerings and on-premise solutions.

*Customer Experience and Customer Relationship Management*

Our complete customer experience software solutions—including customer relationship management—are designed to help organizations deliver simple, consistent, and relevant experiences across all channels, touch points and interactions. We provide customer experience solutions for marketing, sales, commerce, service, social, and industry requirements. We recently broadened our Oracle Cloud’s marketing offerings via the acquisitions of Responsys, Inc., a leading provider of enterprise-scale cloud-based business-to-consumer marketing software, and BlueKai, Inc., a leading data management platform provider used to personalize marketing programs and customer experience.

*Financial Management and Governance, Risk and Compliance*

Our complete and integrated financial management software solutions are designed to help organizations meet fiduciary and statutory requirements, manage risk across the global enterprise and achieve business performance and social responsibilities. We offer solutions for finance operations, risk management and advanced financial controls.

*Procurement*

We offer integrated procurement software suites that are designed to provide packaged integration to back-office applications in order to support the complete source-to-settle process. Our procurement applications also provide industry-specific capabilities.

*Project Portfolio Management*

Our broad range of offerings for project portfolio management application software is designed to help companies propose, prioritize and select project investments as well as plan, manage and control the most complex projects and project portfolios. Additionally, we provide industry- specific solutions for project-intensive industries such as oil and gas, utilities, engineering and construction, aerospace and defense and public sector.

*Supply Chain Management*

Our supply chain management software application offerings are designed to help organizations achieve value chain transformation. Oracle offers a broad portfolio of supply chain management applications that customers can adopt as an entire suite or individual applications, including value chain planning, value chain execution, product lifecycle management, asset lifecycle management, order orchestration and fulfillment and manufacturing solutions.

*Business Analytics and Enterprise Performance Management*

Our business analytics software solutions include enterprise performance management and analytic applications that are designed to help organizations discover new ways to strategize, plan and optimize business operations and capture new market opportunities. Our integrated suite of enterprise performance management applications works with both Oracle and non-Oracle transactional systems and supports strategic planning and goal setting, financial and operational planning, financial close and reporting and profitability management. We also deliver packaged business intelligence applications that support business functions and industry-specific processes.

*Industry-Specific Applications*

Oracle Applications can be tailored to offer customers a variety of industry-specific solutions. As a part of our strategy, we strive to ensure that our application software portfolio addresses the major industry-influenced technology challenges of customers in key industries that we view as strategic to our future growth, including

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communications, consumer goods, education, energy, engineering and construction, financial services, healthcare, life sciences, manufacturing, professional services, public sector, retail, travel, transportation and utilities. Our ability to offer applications to address industry-specific complex processes provides us an opportunity to expand our customers’ knowledge of our broader product offerings and address customer specific technology challenges.

## *Cloud Infrastructure-as-a-Service*

Our cloud infrastructure-as-a-service segment, which represented 1% of our total revenues in each of fiscal 2014 and 2013 and 2% in fiscal 2012 provides deployment and management offerings for our software and hardware and related IT infrastructure, including:

* our virtual machine instance services in which we deploy, secure, provision, manage and maintain certain of our hardware products for our customers to provide them with a set of cloud-based core infrastructure capabilities like elastic compute and storage services to run workloads in the cloud;
* our hardware and related support services offerings for certain of our hardware products that are deployed at our customers’ data centers for a monthly fee that includes the option of elastic compute capacity on demand and Oracle Platinum and PlatinumPlus Services for a higher level of support and advisory services designed to ensure these hardware products remain configured and tuned correctly with quarterly automated assessments for performance, availability and security; and
* our comprehensive software and hardware management and maintenance services for customers hosted at our Oracle data center facilities, select partner data centers or physically on-premise at customer facilities.

## *Software License Updates and Product Support*

We seek to protect and enhance our customers’ current investments in Oracle software by offering proactive and personalized support services, including Oracle Lifetime Support and product enhancements and upgrades. Software license updates provide customers with rights to software product upgrades and maintenance releases and patches released during the term of the support period. Product support includes internet and telephone access to technical support personnel located in our global support centers, as well as internet access to technical content through “My Oracle Support”. Software license updates and product support contracts are generally priced as a percentage of the net new software license fees. Substantially all of our customers purchase software license updates and product support contracts when they acquire new software licenses and renew their software license updates and product support contracts annually. Our software license updates and product support revenues represented 47%, 46% and 43% of our total revenues in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

# Hardware Systems Business

Our hardware systems business consists of our hardware systems products segment and hardware systems support segment.

## *Hardware Systems Products*

We provide a broad selection of hardware systems and related services including servers, storage, networking, virtualization software, operating systems and management software to support diverse IT environments, including cloud computing environments. We engineer our hardware systems with virtualization and management capabilities to enable the rapid deployment and efficient management of cloud and on-premise IT infrastructures. Our hardware products support many of the world’s largest cloud infrastructures, including the Oracle Cloud.

Our hardware products and services are designed to work in customer environments that may include other Oracle or non-Oracle hardware or software components. This flexible and open approach provides Oracle’s customers with a broad range of choices in deploying hardware systems, which we believe is a priority for our customers. Our hardware products and services also help to meet customers’ demands to manage growing amounts of data and business requirements to meet increasing compliance and regulatory demands and to reduce

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energy, space and operational costs. We have also engineered our hardware systems products to create performance and operational cost advantages for customers when our hardware and software products are combined as Oracle Engineered Systems (refer to discussion above).

Our hardware systems products revenues represented 8% of our total revenues in each of fiscal 2014 and 2013 and 10% in fiscal 2012.

Servers

We offer a wide range of server systems using our SPARC microprocessor, which are designed to be differentiated by their reliability, security and scalability. Our SPARC-based T5 mid-range server and M6 high-end servers, for example, are designed to offer greater performance and lower total cost of ownership than mainframe systems for business critical applications and for customers having more computationally intensive needs. Measurably increasing computing performance and reliability, these servers are ideal platforms for building cloud computing IT environments. We also offer servers using microprocessor platforms from Intel Corporation (Intel). By offering customers choices across a range of microprocessors, we intend to offer our customers maximum flexibility in choosing the types of hardware systems that they believe will be most appropriate and valuable for their particular IT environments.

Our SPARC servers run the Oracle Solaris operating system and are designed for mission critical enterprise environments. SPARC servers are also a core component of the Oracle SuperCluster, one of our Oracle Engineered Systems.

Our Intel-based enterprise x86 servers are compatible with Oracle Solaris, Oracle Linux, Microsoft Windows and other operating systems. Our x86 servers are also a core component of many of our Oracle Engineered Systems including Oracle Exadata Database Machine, Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud, Oracle Exalytics In-Memory Machine and the Oracle Big Data Appliance.

Storage

Our storage products are designed to securely manage, protect, archive and restore customers’ mission critical data assets and consist of tape, disk, flash and hardware-related software including file systems software, back-up and archive software and storage management software and networking for mainframe and open systems environments. Our storage products are designed to improve data availability by providing fast data access and dynamic data protection for back-up and restoration and secure archiving for compliance. Our storage products are co-engineered with Oracle software and designed to provide performance benefits for our customers in Oracle Database and Oracle Applications environments, as well as to work with multi-vendor application and systems environments to maximize performance and efficiency while minimizing management overhead and lowering the total cost of ownership.

Our Oracle ZFS Storage Appliance is designed to improve Network Attached Storage (NAS) performance and manageability and lower total cost of ownership by combining our advanced storage operating system with high-performance controllers, DRAM and flash-based caches and disks. The foundation of our Oracle Pillar Axiom system offering, targeted at Storage Area Network (SAN) environments, is a patented quality- of-service architecture designed to meet business critical service level agreements for dynamic, multi-application workloads and enable customers to consolidate storage applications into a single data center storage solution.

Our tape storage product line includes Oracle StorageTek libraries, drives, virtualization systems, media and associated software packages that provide data lifecycle management, deep analytics, and file access through the familiar “drag-and-drop” paradigm. In addition to serving in tape’s traditional role as enterprise data backup, these products are intended to provide robust, scalable solutions at a lower total cost of ownership for long-term data archiving and preservation in vertical industries such as communications, energy, healthcare and internet, among others.

Networking and Data Center Fabric Products

Our networking and data center fabric products, including Oracle Virtual Networking, and Oracle InfiniBand and Ethernet technologies, are used with our server and storage products and are integrated into our management

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tools to help enterprise customers improve infrastructure performance, reduce cost and complexity and simplify storage and server connectivity.

We also offer hardware and software networking products for the communications industry. Our communications networks solutions for service providers include signaling, policy, and subscriber data management solutions.

Oracle Solaris and Oracle Linux Operating Systems, Virtualization and Other Hardware-Related Software

The Oracle Solaris operating system is designed to provide a reliable, secure and scalable operating system environment through significant kernel feature development, networking, security, and file system technologies as well as close integration with hardware features. This design provides us with an ability to combine Oracle Solaris with our own hardware components to achieve certain performance and efficiency advantages in comparison with our competitors. The Oracle Solaris operating system is based on the UNIX operating system, but is unique among UNIX systems in that it is available on our SPARC servers and x86 servers. We also support Oracle Solaris deployed on other companies’ hardware products.

The Oracle Linux operating system with Oracle’s Unbreakable Enterprise Kernel is a Linux operating system for enterprise workloads including databases, middleware and applications. Oracle’s Unbreakable Enterprise Kernel is designed to work well with Oracle products and enables users to patch core operating systems without downtime.

Oracle provides a broad portfolio of virtualization solutions from the desktop to the data center. Oracle VM is server virtualization software for both Oracle SPARC and x86 servers and supports both Oracle and non-Oracle applications. Oracle VM software is designed to enable different applications to share a single physical system for higher utilization and efficiency and simplify software deployment by enabling pre-configured software images to be created and rapidly deployed without installation or configuration errors. In addition, Oracle Solaris 11 provides comprehensive, built-in virtualization capabilities for both SPARC and x86 servers, networking and storage resources.

In addition to Oracle Solaris and Oracle Linux operating systems and Oracle’s virtualization software, we also develop a range of other hardware-related software, including development tools, compilers, management tools for servers and storage, diagnostic tools and file systems.

## *Hardware Systems Support*

Our hardware systems support offerings provide customers with software updates for software components that are essential to the functionality of our server and storage products, such as Oracle Solaris and certain other software products, and can include product repairs, maintenance services and technical support services. We continue to evolve hardware systems support processes that are intended to proactively identify and solve quality issues and to increase the amount of hardware systems support contracts sold and renewed in connection with the sales of our hardware systems products. Hardware systems support contracts are generally priced as a percentage of the net hardware systems products fees. Our hardware systems support revenues represented 6% of our total revenues in each of fiscal 2014 and 2013 and 7% in fiscal 2012.

# Services Business

We offer services solutions to help customers and partners maximize the performance of their investments in Oracle technology. Our services are differentiated based on our focus on Oracle technology, extensive experience and broad set of intellectual property and best practices. Our services business represented 10% of our total revenues in fiscal 2014 and 11% in each of fiscal 2013 and 2012. Our services business, which is comprised of the remainder of our operating segments, offers:

* consulting services that are designed to help our customers and global system integrator partners more successfully architect and deploy our products including IT strategy alignment, enterprise architecture planning and design, initial product implementation and integration, and ongoing product enhancements and upgrades. We utilize a global, blended delivery model to optimize value for our customers and partners, consisting of on-premise consultants from local geographies, industry specialists and consultants from our global delivery and solution centers;

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* advanced customer support services, which are provided on-premise and remotely to our customers to enable increased performance and higher availability of their Oracle products and services; and
* education services for Oracle products and services, including training and certification programs that are offered to customers, partners and employees through a variety of formats, including instructor-led classes at our education centers, live virtual training, self-paced online training, private events and custom training.

# Marketing and Sales

We directly market and sell our products and services to businesses of many sizes and in many industries, government agencies and educational institutions. We also market and sell our products through indirect channels. No single customer accounted for 10% or more of our total revenues in fiscal 2014, 2013 or 2012.

In the United States, our sales and services employees are based in our headquarters and in field offices throughout the country. Outside the United States, our international subsidiaries sell, support and service our products in their local countries as well as within other foreign countries where we do not operate through a direct sales subsidiary. Our geographic coverage allows us to draw on business and technical expertise from a global workforce, provides stability to our operations and revenue streams to offset geography-specific economic trends and offers us an opportunity to take advantage of new markets for our products. Our international operations subject us to certain risks, which are more fully described in “Risk Factors” included in Item 1A of this Annual Report. A summary of our domestic and international revenues and long-lived assets is set forth in Note 16 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

We also market our products worldwide through indirect channels. The companies that comprise our indirect channel network are members of the Oracle Partner Network. The Oracle Partner Network is a global program that manages our business relationships with a large, broad-based network of companies, including independent software and hardware vendors, system integrators and resellers that deliver innovative solutions and services based upon our product offerings. By offering our partners access to our product offerings, educational information, technical services, marketing and sales support, the Oracle Partner Network program extends our market reach by providing our partners with the resources they need to be successful in delivering solutions to customers globally. The majority of our hardware systems products are sold through indirect channels including independent distributors and value added resellers.

# Seasonality and Cyclicality

Our quarterly revenues have historically been affected by a variety of seasonal factors, including the structure of our sales force incentive compensation plans, which are common in the technology industry. Our total revenues and operating margins are typically highest in our fourth fiscal quarter and lowest in our first fiscal quarter. The operating margins of our businesses are generally affected by seasonal factors in a similar manner as our revenues (in particular, our new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions segment) as certain expenses within our cost structure are relatively fixed in the short term. See “Selected Quarterly Financial Data” in Item 7 of this Annual Report for a more complete description of the seasonality and cyclicality of our revenues, expenses and margins.

# Competition

We face intense competition in all aspects of our business. The nature of the IT industry creates a competitive landscape that is constantly evolving as firms emerge, expand or are acquired, as technology evolves and as customer demands and competitive pressures otherwise change.

Our customers are demanding less complexity and lower total cost in the implementation, sourcing, integration and ongoing maintenance of their enterprise software and hardware systems. Our enterprise software and cloud and hardware offerings compete directly with some offerings from some of the largest and most competitive companies in the world, including Microsoft Corporation (Microsoft), International Business Machines Corporation (IBM), Intel, Hewlett-Packard Company (HP) and SAP AG and smaller companies like salesforce.com, inc. and Workday, Inc., as well as many others. In addition, due to the low barriers to entry in

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many of our market segments, new technologies and new and growing competitors frequently emerge to challenge our offerings. Our competitors range from companies offering broad IT solutions across many of our lines of business to vendors providing point solutions, or offerings focused on a specific functionality, product area or industry. In addition, as we expand into new market segments, we will face increased competition as we will compete with existing competitors, as well as firms that may be partners in other areas of our business and other firms with whom we have not previously competed like Amazon.com, Inc. Moreover, we or our competitors may take certain strategic actions—including acquisitions, partnerships and joint ventures, or repositioning of product lines—which invite even greater competition in one or more product categories.

Key competitive factors in each of the segments in which we currently compete and may compete in the future include: total cost of ownership, performance, scalability, reliability, security, functionality, efficiency, ease of management and quality of technical support. Our product and service sales (and the relative strength of our products and services versus those of our competitors) are also directly and indirectly affected by the following, among other things:

* the adoption of cloud based IT offerings including software-as-a-service, platform-as-a-service and infrastructure-as-a-service offerings;
* the adoption of commodity servers and microprocessors;
* the broader “platform” competition between our industry standard Java technology platform and the .NET programming environment of Microsoft;
* operating system competition among our Oracle Solaris and Linux operating systems, with alternatives including Microsoft’s Windows Server, and other UNIX and Linux operating systems;
* the adoption of open source alternatives to commercial software by enterprise software customers;
* products, features and functionality developed internally by customers and their IT staff;
* products, features or functionality customized and implemented for customers by consultants, systems integrators or other third parties; and
* attractiveness of offerings from business processing outsourcers.

For more information about the competitive risks we face, refer to Item 1A. “Risk Factors” included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

# Manufacturing

To produce our hardware products, we rely on both our internal manufacturing operations as well as third party manufacturing partners. Our internal manufacturing operations consist primarily of materials procurement, assembly, testing and quality control of our Oracle Engineered Systems and certain of our enterprise and data center servers, storage systems and networking products. For all other manufacturing, we generally rely on third party manufacturing partners to produce our hardware related components and hardware products and we may involve our internal manufacturing operations in the final assembly, testing and quality control processes for these components and products. We distribute most of our hardware products either from our facilities or partner facilities. Our manufacturing processes are based on standardization of components across product types, centralization of assembly and distribution centers and a “build-to-order” methodology in which products generally are built only after customers have placed firm orders. Production of our hardware products requires that we purchase materials, supplies, product subassemblies and full assemblies from a number of vendors. For most of our hardware products, we have existing alternate sources of supply or such sources are readily available. However, we do rely on sole sources for certain of our hardware products. As a result, we continue to evaluate potential risks of disruption to our supply chain operations. Refer to “Risk Factors” included in Item 1A within this Annual Report for additional discussion of the challenges we encounter with respect to the sources and availability of supplies for our products and the related risks to our business.

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# Research and Development

We develop the substantial majority of our products internally. In addition, we have extended our product offerings and intellectual property through acquisitions of businesses and technologies. We also purchase or license intellectual property rights in certain circumstances. Internal development allows us to maintain technical control over the design and development of our products. We have a number of United States and foreign patents and pending applications that relate to various aspects of our products and technology. While we believe that our patents have value, no single patent is essential to us or to any of our principal business segments. Research and development expenditures were $5.2 billion,

$4.9 billion and $4.5 billion in each of fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively, or 13% of total revenues in each of fiscal 2014, 2013 and 12% in fiscal 2012. Rapid technological advances in hardware and software development, evolving standards in computer hardware and software technology, changing customer needs and frequent new product introductions and enhancements characterize the software and cloud and hardware markets in which we compete. We plan to continue to dedicate a significant amount of resources to research and development efforts to maintain and improve our current product and services offerings.

# Employees

As of May 31, 2014, we employed approximately 122,000 full-time employees, including approximately 32,000 in sales and marketing, approximately 9,000 in software license updates and product support, approximately 5,000 in our cloud SaaS, PaaS, and IaaS operations, approximately 1,000 in the manufacturing of our hardware systems products, approximately 6,000 in hardware systems support, approximately 22,000 in services, approximately 36,000 in research and development and approximately 11,000 in general and administrative positions. Of these employees, approximately 45,000 were employed in the United States and approximately 77,000 were employed internationally. None of our employees in the United States is represented by a labor union; however, in certain foreign subsidiaries labor unions or workers’ councils represent some of our employees.

# Available Information

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and amendments to reports filed pursuant to Sections 13(a) and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are available, free of charge, on our Investor Relations web site at [www.oracle.com/investor](http://www.oracle.com/investor) as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC. The information posted on or accessible through our web site is not incorporated into this Annual Report.

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# Executive Officers of the Registrant

Our executive officers are listed below.

**Name Office(s)**

Lawrence J. Ellison Chief Executive Officer and Director

Jeffrey O. Henley Chairman of the Board of Directors

Safra A. Catz President, Chief Financial Officer and Director

Mark V. Hurd President and Director

John Fowler Executive Vice President, Systems

Thomas Kurian Executive Vice President, Product Development

Dorian E. Daley Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

William Corey West Senior Vice President, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer

Mr. Ellison, 69, has been Chief Executive Officer and a Director since he founded Oracle in June 1977. He served as Chairman of the Board from May 1995 to January 2004.

Mr. Henley, 69, has served as Chairman of the Board since January 2004 and as a Director since June 1995. He served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer from March 1991 to July 2004.

Ms. Catz, 52, has been a President since January 2004, Chief Financial Officer most recently since April 2011 and has served as a Director since October 2001. She was previously Chief Financial Officer from November 2005 until September 2008 and Interim Chief Financial Officer from April 2005 until July 2005. Prior to being named President, she held various other positions with us since joining Oracle in 1999. She also currently serves as a director of HSBC Holdings plc.

Mr. Hurd, 57, has been a President and served as a Director since September 2010. Prior to joining us, he served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of HP from September 2006 to August 2010 and as Chief Executive Officer, President and a member of the Board of Directors of HP from April 2005 to August 2010.

Mr. Fowler, 53, has been Executive Vice President, Systems since February 2010. Prior to joining us, Mr. Fowler served as Sun Microsystems, Inc.’s Executive Vice President, Systems Group from May 2006 to February 2010, as Executive Vice President, Network Systems Group from May 2004 to May 2006 and as Chief Technology Officer, Software Group from July 2002 to May 2004.

Mr. Kurian, 47, has been Executive Vice President, Product Development since July 2009. He served as Senior Vice President of Development from February 2001 until July 2009. Mr. Kurian worked in Oracle Server Technologies as Vice President of Development from March 1999 until February 2001. He also held various other positions with us since joining Oracle in 1996.

Ms. Daley, 55, has been Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary since October 2007. She served as Vice President, Legal, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary from June 2004 to October 2007, as Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary from October 2001 to June 2004 and as Associate General Counsel from February 2001 to October 2001. She held various other positions with us since joining Oracle’s Legal Department in 1992.

Mr. West, 52, has been Senior Vice President, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer since February 2008 and was Vice President, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer from April 2007 to February 2008. His previous experience includes 14 years with Arthur Andersen LLP, most recently as a partner.

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# Item 1A. Risk Factors

We operate in rapidly changing economic and technological environments that present numerous risks, many of which are driven by factors that we cannot control or predict. The following discussion, as well as our “Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates” discussion in Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (Item 7), highlights some of these risks. The risks described below are not exhaustive and you should carefully consider these risks and uncertainties before investing in our securities.

***Economic, political and market conditions can adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition, including our revenue growth and profitability, which in turn could adversely affect our stock price.*** Our business is influenced by a range of factors that are beyond our control and that we have no comparative advantage in forecasting. These include:

* general economic and business conditions;
* overall demand for enterprise software, cloud offerings, hardware systems and services;
* governmental budgetary constraints or shifts in government spending priorities;
* general political developments; and
* currency exchange rate fluctuations.

Macroeconomic developments like the continued slow pace of economic recovery in the United States and Europe and in parts of Asia and South America could negatively affect our business, operating results, financial condition and outlook, which, in turn, could adversely affect our stock price. Any general weakening of, and related declining corporate confidence in, the global economy or the curtailment in government or corporate spending could cause current or potential customers to reduce or eliminate their information technology (IT) budgets and spending, which could cause customers to delay, decrease or cancel purchases of our products and services or cause customers not to pay us or to delay paying us for previously purchased products and services.

In addition, political unrest in places like Ukraine and its potential impact on global stability, terrorist attacks and the potential for other hostilities in various parts of the world, potential public health crises and natural disasters continue to contribute to a climate of economic and political uncertainty that could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition, including our revenue growth and profitability. These factors generally have the strongest effect on our sales of new software licenses, hardware systems products, hardware systems support and related services and, to a lesser extent, also may affect our renewal rates for software license updates and product support and our subscription-based cloud offerings.

***We may fail to achieve our financial forecasts due to inaccurate sales forecasts or other factors.*** Our revenues, particularly our new software licenses revenues and hardware systems revenues, are difficult to forecast. As a result, our quarterly operating results can fluctuate substantially.

We use a “pipeline” system, a common industry practice, to forecast sales and trends in our business. Our sales personnel monitor the status of all proposals and estimate when a customer will make a purchase decision and the dollar amount of the sale. These estimates are aggregated periodically to generate a sales pipeline. Our pipeline estimates can prove to be unreliable both in a particular quarter and over a longer period of time, in part because the “conversion rate” or “closure rate” of the pipeline into contracts can be very difficult to estimate. A reduction in the conversion rate, or in the pipeline itself, could cause us to plan or budget incorrectly and adversely affect our business or results of operations. In particular, a slowdown in IT spending or economic conditions generally can unexpectedly reduce the conversion rate in particular periods as purchasing decisions are delayed, reduced in amount or cancelled. The conversion rate can also be affected by the tendency of some of our customers to wait until the end of a fiscal period in the hope of obtaining more favorable terms, which can also impede our ability to negotiate, execute and deliver upon these contracts in a timely manner. In addition, for newly acquired companies, we have limited ability to predict how their pipelines will convert into sales or revenues for a number of quarters following the acquisition. Conversion rates post-acquisition may be quite different from the acquired companies’ historical conversion rates. Differences in conversion rates can also be affected by changes in our business practices that we implement with our newly acquired companies that may affect customer behavior.

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A substantial portion of our new software licenses revenue contracts and hardware systems contracts is completed in the latter part of a quarter and a significant percentage of these are larger orders. Because a significant portion of our cost structure is largely fixed in the short-term, sales and revenue shortfalls tend to have a disproportionately negative impact on our profitability. The number of large new software licenses transactions and, to a lesser extent, hardware systems products transactions increases the risk of fluctuations in our quarterly results because a delay in even a small number of these transactions could cause our quarterly sales, revenues and profitability to fall significantly short of our predictions.

***Our cloud computing strategy, including our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service, Platform-as-a-Service and Infrastructure-as-a-Service offerings, may not be successful.*** We offer customers a broad portfolio of software, cloud and hardware offerings and related services to enable customers to adopt a cloud computing strategy that is right for them. These business models continue to evolve, and we may not be able to compete effectively, generate significant revenues or maintain the profitability of our cloud offerings. Additionally, the increasing prevalence of cloud and SaaS delivery models offered by us and our competitors may unfavorably impact pricing in both our on-premise enterprise software business and our cloud business, as well as overall demand for our on-premise software product and service offerings, which could reduce our revenues and profitability. If we do not successfully execute our cloud computing strategy or anticipate the cloud computing needs of our customers, our reputation as a cloud services provider could be harmed and our revenues and profitability could decline.

Our cloud offerings are generally purchased by customers on a subscription basis and revenues from these offerings are generally recognized ratably over the term of the subscriptions. The deferred revenue that results from sales of our cloud offerings may prevent any deterioration in sales activity associated with our cloud offerings from becoming immediately observable in our consolidated statement of operations. This is in contrast to revenues associated with our new software licenses arrangements whereby new software licenses revenues are generally recognized in full at the time of delivery of the related software licenses. We incur expenses associated with the infrastructures and marketing of our cloud offerings in advance of our ability to recognize the revenues associated with these offerings. To the extent customer demand for our cloud offerings increases, we could experience volatility in our reported revenues and operating results due to the differences in timing of revenue recognition between our new software licenses arrangements and cloud offering arrangements.

We have also acquired a number of cloud computing companies, and the integration of these companies into our Oracle Cloud strategy may not be as efficient or scalable as anticipated, which could adversely affect our ability to fully realize the benefits anticipated from these acquisitions.

***Our success depends upon our ability to develop new products and services, integrate acquired products and services and enhance our existing products and services.*** Rapid technological advances and evolving standards in computer hardware and software development and communications infrastructure, changing and increasingly sophisticated customer needs and frequent new product introductions and enhancements characterize the industries in which we compete. If we are unable to develop new or sufficiently differentiated products and services, enhance and improve our products and support services in a timely manner or position and price our products and services to meet demand, customers may not purchase or subscribe for our software, hardware or cloud offerings or renew software or hardware support contracts. Renewals of these contracts are important to the growth of our business. In addition, IT standards from both consortia and formal standards-setting forums as well as de facto marketplace standards are rapidly evolving. We cannot provide any assurance that the standards on which we choose to develop new products will allow us to compete effectively for business opportunities in emerging areas.

We have continued to refresh and release new offerings of our software and hardware products and services, including our Database In-Memory, Oracle Cloud and Oracle Engineered Systems offerings. Our business may be adversely affected if:

* we do not continue to develop and release these or other new or enhanced products and services within the anticipated time frames;
* there is a delay in market acceptance of a new, enhanced or acquired product line or service;

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* there are changes in information technology trends that we do not adequately anticipate or address with our product development efforts;
* we do not timely optimize complementary product lines and services; or
* we fail to adequately integrate, support or enhance acquired product lines or services.

***If our security measures for our software, hardware, services or Oracle Cloud offerings are compromised and as a result, our data, our customers’ data or our IT systems are accessed improperly, made unavailable, or improperly modified, our products and services may be perceived as vulnerable, our brand and reputation could be damaged, the IT services we provide to our customers could be disrupted, and customers may stop using our products and services, all of which could reduce our revenue and earnings, increase our expenses and expose us to legal claims and regulatory actions.*** We are in the information technology business, and our products and services, including our Oracle Cloud offerings, store, retrieve, manipulate and manage our customers’ information and data as well as our own. We have a reputation for secure and reliable product offerings and related services and we have invested a great deal of time and resources in protecting the integrity and security of our products, services and the internal and external data that we manage.

Nevertheless, we encounter attempts by third parties to identify and exploit product and service vulnerabilities, penetrate or bypass our security measures, and gain unauthorized access to our software, hardware and cloud offerings, networks and systems, any of which could lead to the compromise of the confidential information or data of Oracle or our customers. Computer hackers and others may be able to develop and deploy IT related viruses, worms, and other malicious software programs that could attack our products and services, exploit potential security vulnerabilities of our products and services, create system disruptions and cause shutdowns or denials of service. This is also true for third party products or services incorporated into our own. Data may also be accessed or modified improperly as a result of employee or supplier error or malfeasance and third parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees or customers into disclosing sensitive information such as user names, passwords or other information in order to gain access to our data, our customers’ data or our IT systems.

Although this is an industry-wide problem that affects other software and hardware companies, it affects Oracle in particular because computer hackers tend to focus their efforts on the most prominent IT companies, and they may focus on Oracle because of our reputation for, and marketing efforts associated with, having secure products and services. These risks will increase as we continue to grow our cloud offerings and store and process increasingly large amounts of our customers’ confidential information and data and host or manage parts of our customers’ businesses in cloud-based IT environments, especially in customer sectors involving particularly sensitive data such as health sciences, financial services and the government. We also have an active acquisition program and have acquired a number of companies, products, services and technologies over the years. While we make significant efforts to address any IT security issues with respect to our acquisitions, we may still inherit such risks when we integrate these acquisitions within Oracle.

If a cyber attack or other security incident described above were to allow unauthorized access to or modification of our customers’ data or our own data or our IT systems or if the services we provide to our customers were disrupted, or if our products or services are perceived as having security vulnerabilities, we could suffer significant damage to our brand and reputation. Customers could lose confidence in the security and reliability of our products and services, including our cloud offerings, and perceive them to be not secure. This in turn could lead to fewer customers using our products and services and result in reduced revenue and earnings. The costs we would incur to address and fix these security incidents would increase our expenses. These types of security incidents could also lead to lawsuits, regulatory investigations and claims and increased legal liability, including in some cases contractual costs related to customer notification and fraud monitoring.

Further, as regulatory focus on privacy issues continues to increase and worldwide laws and regulations concerning the protection of personal information expand and become more complex, these potential risks to our business will intensify. Changes in laws or regulations associated with the enhanced protection of certain types of sensitive data, such as healthcare data or other personally identifiable information, could greatly increase our cost of providing our products and services.

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***We might experience significant coding, manufacturing or configuration errors in our software, hardware and cloud offerings.*** Despite testing prior to their release and throughout the lifecycle of a product or service, software, hardware and cloud offerings sometimes contain coding or manufacturing errors that can impact their function, performance and security, and result in other negative consequences. The detection and correction of any errors in released software, hardware or cloud offerings can be time consuming and costly. Errors in our software, hardware or cloud offerings could affect their ability to properly function or operate with other software, hardware or cloud offerings, could delay the development or release of new products or services or new versions of products or services, could result in creating security vulnerabilities in our products or services, and could adversely affect market acceptance of our products or services. This includes third party software products or services incorporated into our own. If we experience errors or delays in releasing our software, hardware or cloud offerings or new versions thereof, our sales could be affected and revenues could decline. In addition, we run Oracle’s business operations as well as cloud and other services that we offer to our customers on our products and networks. Therefore, any flaws could affect our ability to conduct our business operations and the operations of our customers. Enterprise customers rely on our software and hardware products and services to run their businesses and errors in our software, hardware or cloud offerings could expose us to product liability, performance and warranty claims as well as significant harm to our brand and reputation, which could impact our future sales.

***If we are unable to compete effectively, the results of operations and prospects for our business could be harmed.*** Many vendors develop and market databases, middleware products, application development tools, business applications, collaboration products and business intelligence products, among others, that compete with our software and cloud offerings. These vendors include on-premise software companies and companies that offer SaaS or cloud computing and business process outsourcing (BPO) as competitive alternatives to buying software and hardware. Our competitors that offer business applications and middleware products may influence a customer’s purchasing decision for the underlying database in an effort to persuade potential customers not to acquire our products. We could lose customers if our competitors introduce new competitive products, add new functionality, acquire competitive products, reduce prices or form strategic alliances with other companies. We may also face increasing competition from open source software initiatives in which competitors may provide software and intellectual property for free. Existing or new competitors could gain sales opportunities or customers at our expense.

Our hardware systems business competes with, among others, (i) systems manufacturers and resellers of systems based on our own microprocessors and operating systems and those of our competitors, (ii) microprocessor/chip manufacturers and (iii) providers of storage products. Our hardware systems business causes us to compete with companies who historically have been partners. Some of these competitors may have more experience than we do in managing a hardware business. A large portion of our hardware products are based on our SPARC microprocessor and Oracle Solaris operating system platform, which has a smaller installed base than certain of our competitors’ platforms and which may make it difficult for us to win new customers that have already made significant investments in our competitors’ platforms. Certain of these competitors also compete very aggressively on price. A loss in our competitive position could result in lower revenues or profitability, which could adversely impact our ability to realize the revenue and profitability forecasts for our hardware systems business.

***Our international sales and operations subject us to additional risks that can adversely affect our operating results.*** We derive a substantial portion of our revenues from, and have significant operations, outside of the United States. Our international operations include software and hardware systems development, manufacturing, assembly, sales, customer support, consulting and other services and shared administrative service centers.

Compliance with international and U.S. laws and regulations that apply to our international operations increases our cost of doing business in foreign jurisdictions. These laws and regulations include U.S. laws and local laws which include data privacy requirements, labor relations laws, tax laws, anti-competition regulations, prohibitions on payments to governmental officials, import and trade restrictions and export requirements. Violations of these laws and regulations could result in fines, criminal sanctions against us, our officers or our employees, and prohibitions on the conduct of our business. Any such violations could result in prohibitions on our ability to offer our products and services in one or more countries, could delay or prevent potential

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acquisitions and could also materially damage our reputation, our brand, our international expansion efforts, our ability to attract and retain employees, our business and our operating results. Compliance with these laws requires a significant amount of management attention and effort, which may divert management’s attention from running our business operations and could harm our ability to grow our business, or may increase our expenses as we engage specialized or other additional resources to assist us with our compliance efforts. Our success depends, in part, on our ability to anticipate these risks and manage these difficulties. We monitor our operations and investigate allegations of improprieties relating to transactions and the way in which such transactions are recorded. Where circumstances warrant, we provide information and report our findings to government authorities, but no assurance can be given that action will not be taken by such authorities.

We are also subject to a variety of other risks and challenges in managing an organization operating in various countries, including those related to:

* general economic conditions in each country or region;
* fluctuations in currency exchange rates and related impacts to our operating results;
* difficulties in transferring funds from or converting currencies in certain countries such as Venezuela that have led to a devaluation of our net assets, in particular our cash assets, in that country’s currency;
* regulatory changes, including government austerity measures in certain countries that we may not be able to sufficiently plan for or avoid that may unexpectedly impair bank deposits or other cash assets that we hold in these countries or that impose additional taxes that we may be required to pay in these countries;
* political unrest, terrorism and the potential for other hostilities, including those in Ukraine;
* natural disasters;
* longer payment cycles and difficulties in collecting accounts receivable;
* overlapping tax regimes;
* our ability to repatriate funds held by our foreign subsidiaries to the United States at favorable tax rates;
* public health risks, particularly in areas in which we have significant operations; and
* reduced protection for intellectual property rights in some countries.

The variety of risks and challenges listed above could also disrupt or otherwise negatively impact the supply chain operations for our hardware systems products segment and the sales of our products and services in affected countries or regions.

As the majority shareholder of Oracle Financial Services Software Limited (OFSS), a publicly traded Indian software company focused on the banking industry, we are faced with several additional risks, including being subject to local securities regulations and being unable to exert full control that we would otherwise have if OFSS were a wholly owned subsidiary.

## *Acquisitions present many risks and we may not realize the financial and strategic goals that were contemplated at the time of a transaction.*

In recent years, we have invested billions of dollars to acquire a number of companies, products, services and technologies. An active acquisition program is an important element of our overall corporate strategy and we expect to continue to make acquisitions in the future. Risks we may face in connection with our acquisition program include:

* our ongoing business may be disrupted and our management’s attention may be diverted by acquisition, transition or integration activities;
* an acquisition may not further our business strategy as we expected, we may not integrate an acquired company or technology as successfully as we expected or we may overpay for, or otherwise not realize the expected return on, our investments, which could adversely affect our business or operating results and potentially cause impairment to assets that we recorded as a part of an acquisition including intangible assets and goodwill;

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* we may have difficulties (i) managing an acquired company’s technologies or lines of business; (ii) entering new markets where we have no or limited direct prior experience or where competitors may have stronger market positions; or (iii) retaining key personnel from the acquired companies;
* our operating results or financial condition may be adversely impacted by claims or liabilities that we assume from an acquired company or technology or that are otherwise related to an acquisition, including claims from government agencies, terminated employees, current or former customers, former stockholders or other third parties; pre-existing contractual relationships of an acquired company that we would not have otherwise entered into, the termination or modification of which may be costly or disruptive to our business; unfavorable revenue recognition or other accounting treatment as a result of an acquired company’s practices; and intellectual property claims or disputes;
* we may fail to identify or assess the magnitude of certain liabilities, shortcomings or other circumstances prior to acquiring a company or technology, which could result in unexpected litigation or regulatory exposure, unfavorable accounting treatment, unexpected increases in taxes due, a loss of anticipated tax benefits or other adverse effects on our business, operating results or financial condition;
* we may not realize the anticipated increase in our revenues from an acquisition for a number of reasons, including if a larger than predicted number of customers decline to renew software or hardware support contracts or cloud-based subscription contracts, if we are unable to sell the acquired products or service offerings to our customer base or if contract models of an acquired company do not allow us to recognize revenues on a timely basis;
* we may have difficulty incorporating acquired technologies, products, services and their related supply chain operations with our existing lines of business and supply chain infrastructure and maintaining uniform standards, architecture, controls, procedures and policies;
* we may have multiple product lines or services offerings as a result of our acquisitions that are offered, priced and supported differently, which could cause customer confusion and delays;
* we may have higher than anticipated costs in continuing support and development of acquired products or services, in general and administrative functions that support new business models, or in compliance with associated regulations that are more complicated than we had anticipated;
* we may be unable to obtain timely approvals from, or may otherwise have certain limitations, restrictions, penalties or other sanctions imposed on us by, worker councils or similar bodies under applicable employment laws as a result of an acquisition, which could adversely affect our integration plans in certain jurisdictions and potentially increase our integration and restructuring expenses;
* we may be unable to obtain required approvals from governmental authorities under competition and antitrust laws on a timely basis, if at all, which could, among other things, delay or prevent us from completing a transaction, otherwise restrict our ability to realize the expected financial or strategic goals of an acquisition or have other adverse effects on our current business and operations;
* our use of cash to pay for acquisitions may limit other potential uses of our cash, including stock repurchases, dividend payments and retirement of outstanding indebtedness;
* we may significantly increase our interest expense, leverage and debt service requirements if we incur additional debt to pay for an acquisition and we may have to delay or not proceed with a substantial acquisition if we cannot obtain the necessary funding to complete the acquisition in a timely manner or on favorable terms;
* to the extent that we issue a significant amount of equity securities in connection with future acquisitions, existing stockholders may be diluted and earnings per share may decrease; and
* we may experience additional or unexpected changes in how we are required to account for our acquisitions pursuant to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, including arrangements that we assume from an acquisition.

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The occurrence of any of these risks could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition or cash flows, particularly in the case of a larger acquisition or several concurrent acquisitions.

***We may experience foreign currency gains and losses.*** We conduct a significant number of transactions and hold cash in currencies other than the U.S. Dollar. Changes in the value of major foreign currencies, particularly the Euro, Japanese Yen and British Pound relative to the

* 1. Dollar can significantly affect our assets, revenues and operating results. Generally, our revenues and operating results are adversely affected when the dollar strengthens relative to other currencies and are positively affected when the dollar weakens. Generally, our assets that we report are adversely affected when the dollar strengthens relative to other currencies as a significant portion of our consolidated cash and bank deposits, among other assets, are held in foreign currencies.

During fiscal 2014 and 2013, we incurred foreign currency losses associated with our Venezuelan subsidiary due to it being designated as operating in a highly inflationary economy and due to the subsequent devaluation of the Venezuelan Bolivar relative to the U.S. Dollar. We may incur similar foreign currency losses for countries that are dealing with similar risks of high inflation, such as in certain Latin American and other emerging market countries where we do business.

In addition, we incur foreign currency transaction gains and losses, primarily related to sublicense fees and other intercompany agreements among us and our subsidiaries that we expect to cash settle in the near term, which are charged against earnings in the period incurred. We have a program which primarily utilizes foreign currency forward contracts to offset the risks associated with these foreign currency exposures that we may suspend from time to time. As a part of this program, we enter into foreign currency forward contracts so that increases or decreases in our foreign currency exposures are offset by gains or losses on the foreign currency forward contracts in order to mitigate the risks and volatility associated with our foreign currency transaction gains or losses. A large portion of our consolidated operations are international, and we expect that we will continue to realize gains or losses with respect to our foreign currency exposures, net of gains or losses from our foreign currency forward contracts. For example, we will experience foreign currency gains and losses in certain instances if it is not possible or cost effective to hedge our foreign currency exposures or should we suspend our foreign currency forward contract program. Our ultimate realized loss or gain with respect to currency fluctuations will generally depend on the size and type of cross-currency exposures that we enter into, the currency exchange rates associated with these exposures and changes in those rates, whether we have entered into foreign currency forward contracts to offset these exposures and other factors. All of these factors could materially impact our results of operations, financial position and cash flows.

***Our periodic workforce restructurings, including reorganizations of our sales force, can be disruptive.*** We have in the past restructured or made other adjustments to our workforce, including our direct sales force on which we rely heavily, in response to management changes, product changes, performance issues, acquisitions and other internal and external considerations. In the past, these types of sales force restructurings have resulted in increased restructuring costs, increased sales and marketing costs and temporary reduced productivity while the sales teams adjusted to their new roles and responsibilities. In addition, we may not achieve or sustain the expected growth or cost savings benefits of these restructurings, or do so within the expected timeframe. These effects could recur in connection with future acquisitions and other restructurings and our revenues and other results of operations could be negatively affected.

## *Our hardware systems revenues and profitability could decline if we do not manage the risks associated with our hardware systems business.*

Our hardware systems business may adversely affect our overall profitability if we do not effectively manage the associated risks. We may not achieve our estimated revenue, profit or other financial projections with respect to our hardware systems business in a timely manner or at all due to a number of factors, including:

* + - as we develop and introduce new versions or next generations of our hardware systems products, customers may defer or delay purchases of existing hardware systems products and wait for these new releases, all of which could adversely affect our hardware systems revenues in the short term;

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* + - our hardware systems business has higher expenses as a percentage of revenues, and thus has been less profitable, than our software and cloud business;
    - our focus on our more profitable Oracle Engineered Systems, such as our Oracle Exadata Database Machine, Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud and Oracle SuperCluster products, which are in the relatively early stages of adoption by our customers, and our de-emphasis of our lower profit margin commodity hardware systems products that historically constituted a larger portion of our hardware systems revenues;
    - we face a greater risk of potential write-downs and impairments of inventory, higher warranty expenses than in our software and cloud and services businesses, higher amortization from intangible assets, and potential impairment of intangible assets and goodwill associated with our hardware systems business. Any of these items could result in material charges and adversely affect our operating results;
    - we may not be able to increase sales of hardware systems support contracts or such increase may take longer than we anticipate, which could result in lower revenues and profitability, or slower than expected growth of such revenues and profitability; and
    - we may acquire hardware companies that are strategically important to us but operate in hardware businesses with historically lower operating margins than our own; that leverage different platforms or competing technologies that we may encounter difficulties in integrating; or that utilize unique manufacturing processes that affect our ability to scale these acquired products within our own manufacturing operations.

***Our hardware systems offerings are complex products, and if we cannot successfully manage this complexity, the results of our hardware systems business will suffer.*** Designing, developing, manufacturing and introducing new hardware systems products are complicated processes. The development process for our hardware systems products is uncertain and requires a high level of innovation. After the development phase, we must be able to forecast customer demand and manufacture new hardware systems products in sufficient volumes to meet this demand and do so in a cost effective manner. Our “build-to-order” manufacturing model, in which our hardware systems products generally are not built until after customers place orders, may from time to time experience delays in delivering our hardware systems products to customers in a timely manner. These delays could cause our customers to purchase hardware products and services from our competitors. We must also manage new hardware product introductions and transitions to minimize the impact of customer delayed purchases of existing hardware systems products in anticipation of new hardware systems product releases. It is also possible that we could experience design or manufacturing flaws which could delay or prevent the production of the components for which we have previously committed to pay or need to fulfill orders from customers and could also prevent the production of our hardware products or cause our hardware products to be returned, recalled or rejected resulting in lost revenues, increases in warranty costs or costs related to remediation efforts, damage to our reputation, penalties and litigation.

We depend on suppliers to design, develop, manufacture and deliver on a timely basis the necessary components for our hardware products, and there are some components that can only be purchased from a single vendor due to price, quality, technology, availability or other business constraints. As a result, our supply chain operations could be disrupted or negatively impacted by natural disasters, political unrest or other factors affecting the countries or regions where these single source component vendors are located. We may be unable to purchase these items from the respective single vendors on acceptable terms or may experience significant delays or quality issues in the delivery of necessary parts or components from a particular vendor. If we had to find a new supplier for these parts and components, hardware systems product shipments could be delayed, which would adversely affect our hardware systems revenues. We could also experience fluctuations in component prices which, if unanticipated, could negatively impact our hardware systems business cost structure. These factors may make it difficult for us to plan and procure appropriate component inventory levels in a timely fashion to meet customer demand for our hardware products. Therefore we may experience component inventory shortages which may result in production delays or customers choosing to purchase fewer hardware products from us or systems products from our competitors. We negotiate supply commitments with vendors early in the manufacturing process to ensure we have sufficient components for our hardware products to meet anticipated

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customer demand. We must also manage our levels of older component inventories used in our hardware products to minimize inventory write- offs or write-downs. If we have excess inventory, it may be necessary to write-down the inventory, which would adversely affect our operating results. If one or more of the risks described above occurs, our hardware systems business and related operating results could be materially and adversely affected.

***We are susceptible to third party manufacturing and logistics delays, which could result in the loss of sales and customers.*** We outsource the manufacturing, assembly and delivery of certain of our hardware products to a variety of companies, many of which are located outside the United States. Our reliance on these third parties reduces our control over the manufacturing and delivery process, exposing us to risks, including reduced control over quality assurance, product costs, product supply and delivery delays as well as the political and economic uncertainties and natural disasters of the international locations where certain of these third party manufacturers have facilities and operations. Any manufacturing disruption or logistics delays by these third parties could impair our ability to fulfill orders for these hardware systems products for extended periods of time. If we are unable to manage our relationships with these third parties effectively, or if these third parties experience delays, disruptions, capacity constraints, regulatory issues or quality control problems in their operations, or fail to meet our future requirements for timely delivery, our ability to ship and deliver certain of our hardware systems products to our customers could be impaired and our hardware systems business could be harmed.

We have simplified our supply chain processes by reducing the number of third party manufacturing partners and the number of locations where these third party manufacturers build our hardware systems products. We therefore have become more dependent on a fewer number of these manufacturing partners and locations. If these partners experience production problems or delays or cannot meet our demand for products, we may not be able to find alternate manufacturing sources in a timely or cost effective manner, if at all. If we are required to change third party manufacturers, our ability to meet our scheduled hardware systems products deliveries to our customers could be adversely affected, which could cause the loss of sales and existing or potential customers, delayed revenue recognition or an increase in our hardware systems products expenses, all of which could adversely affect the margins of our hardware business.

These challenges and risks also exist when we acquire companies with hardware products and related supply chain operations. In some cases, we may be dependent, at least initially, on these acquired companies’ supply chain operations that we are less familiar with and thus we may be slower to adjust or react to these challenges and risks.

***Our mixed direct and indirect sales model for our hardware systems products may not succeed and could result in lower hardware revenues or profits. Disruptions to our software indirect sales channel could affect our future operating results.*** Although we sell our hardware systems products through indirect channels, including independent distributors and value added resellers, we have enhanced our direct sales coverage for our hardware products and intend that our direct sales force will sell a larger portion of our hardware products in the future than they do now. These direct sales efforts, however, may not be successful. Our relationships with some of our channel partners may deteriorate because we have reduced our reliance on some of these partners for sales of our hardware products and have modified our approach and timing to the manufacturing of our products, which could result in reduced demand from the channel partners or certain customer segments serviced by these channel partners. Some hardware revenues from channel partners may not be replaced by revenues generated from our own sales personnel or may not be replaced as quickly as we expect. In addition, our sales personnel may not be able to achieve our sales forecasts for our hardware business. If we experience any of these risks, our hardware revenues and profits may decline.

Our software indirect channel network is comprised primarily of resellers, system integrators/implementers, consultants, education providers, internet service providers, network integrators and independent software vendors. Our relationships with these channel participants are important elements of our software marketing and sales efforts. Our financial results could be adversely affected if our contracts with channel participants were terminated, if our relationships with channel participants were to deteriorate, if any of our competitors enter into strategic relationships with or acquire a significant channel participant, if the financial condition or operations of our channel participants were to weaken or if the level of demand for our channel participants’ products and

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services were to decrease. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in maintaining, expanding or developing our relationships with channel participants. If we are not successful, we may lose sales opportunities, customers and revenues.

***We may not be able to protect our intellectual property rights.*** We rely on copyright, trademark, patent and trade secret laws, confidentiality procedures, controls and contractual commitments to protect our intellectual property rights. Despite our efforts, these protections may be limited. Unauthorized third parties may try to copy or reverse engineer portions of our products or otherwise obtain and use our intellectual property. Any patents owned by us may be invalidated, circumvented or challenged. Any of our pending or future patent applications, whether or not being currently challenged, may not be issued with the scope of the claims we seek, if at all. In addition, the laws of some countries do not provide the same level of protection of our intellectual property rights as do the laws and courts of the United States. If we cannot protect our intellectual property rights against unauthorized copying or use, or other misappropriation, we may not remain competitive.

***Third parties have claimed and, in the future, may claim infringement or misuse of intellectual property rights and/or breach of license agreement provisions.*** We periodically receive notices from, or have lawsuits filed against us by, others claiming infringement or other misuse of their intellectual property rights and/or breach of our agreements with them. These third parties include entities that do not have the capabilities to design, manufacture, or distribute products or services or that acquire intellectual property like patents for the sole purpose of monetizing their acquired intellectual property through asserting claims of infringement and misuse. We expect the number of such claims will increase as:

* + - we continue to acquire companies and expand into new businesses;
    - the number of products and competitors in our industry segments grows;
    - the use and support of third party code (including open source code) becomes more prevalent in the industry;
    - the volume of issued patents continues to increase; and
    - the proliferation of non-practicing entities asserting intellectual property infringement claims increases. Responding to any such claim, regardless of its validity, could:
    - be time consuming, costly and result in litigation;
    - divert management’s time and attention from developing our business;
    - require us to pay monetary damages or enter into royalty and licensing agreements that we would not normally find acceptable;
    - require us to stop selling or to redesign certain of our products;
    - require us to release source code to third parties, possibly under open source license terms;
    - require us to satisfy indemnification obligations to our customers; or;
    - otherwise adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

***We may lose key employees or may be unable to hire enough qualified employees.*** We rely on the continued service of our senior management, including our Chief Executive Officer and founder, members of our executive team and other key employees and the hiring of new qualified employees. In the technology industry, there is substantial and continuous competition for highly skilled business, product development, technical and other personnel. In addition, acquisitions could cause us to lose key personnel of the acquired companies or at Oracle. We may also experience increased compensation costs that are not offset by either improved productivity or higher sales. We may not be successful in recruiting new personnel and in retaining and motivating existing personnel. With rare exceptions, we do not have long-term employment or non-competition agreements with our employees. Members of our senior management team have left Oracle over the years for a variety of reasons, and we cannot assure you that there will not be additional departures, which may be disruptive to our operations.

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We continually focus on improving our cost structure by hiring personnel in countries where advanced technical expertise and other expertise are available at lower costs. When we make adjustments to our workforce, we may incur expenses associated with workforce reductions that delay the benefit of a more efficient workforce structure. We may also experience increased competition for employees in these countries as the trend toward globalization continues, which may affect our employee retention efforts and increase our expenses in an effort to offer a competitive compensation program. Our compensation program includes stock options, which are an important tool in attracting and retaining employees in our industry. If our stock price performs poorly, it may adversely affect our ability to retain or attract employees. In addition, because we expense all stock-based compensation, we may in the future change our stock-based and other compensation practices. Some of the changes we consider from time to time include a reduction in the number of employees granted stock options, a reduction in the number of stock options granted per employee and a change to alternative forms of stock-based compensation, all of which may have an impact on our ability to retain employees and also impact the amount of stock-based compensation expense that we record. Any changes in our compensation practices or changes made by competitors could affect our ability to retain and motivate existing personnel and recruit new personnel.

***Our sales to government clients subject us to business volatility and risks, including government budgeting cycles and appropriations, early termination, audits, investigations, sanctions and penalties.*** We derive revenues from contracts with the U.S. government, state and local governments, and foreign governments and their respective agencies, which may terminate most of these contracts at any time, without cause. There is increased pressure for governments and their agencies, both domestically and internationally, to reduce spending. Further, our U.S. federal government contracts are subject to the approval of appropriations being made by the U.S. Congress to fund the expenditures under these contracts. Similarly, our contracts at the state and local levels in the U.S. and our contracts with foreign governments and their agencies are generally subject to government funding authorizations. Additionally, government contracts are generally subject to audits and investigations which could result in various civil and criminal penalties and administrative sanctions, including termination of contracts, refund of a portion of fees received, forfeiture of profits, suspension of payments, fines and suspensions or debarment from future government business.

***We may need to change our pricing models to compete successfully.*** The intense competition we face in the sales of our products and services and general economic and business conditions can put pressure on us to change our prices. If our competitors offer deep discounts on certain products or services or develop products that the marketplace considers more valuable, we may need to lower prices or offer other favorable terms in order to compete successfully. Any such changes may reduce margins and could adversely affect operating results.

Additionally, the increasing prevalence of cloud and SaaS delivery models offered by us and our competitors may unfavorably impact pricing in both our on-premise enterprise software business and our cloud business, as well as overall demand for our on-premise software product and service offerings, which could reduce our revenues and profitability. Our software license updates and product support fees and hardware systems support fees are generally priced as a percentage of our net new software licenses fees and net new hardware systems products fees, respectively. Our competitors may offer lower pricing on their support offerings, which could put pressure on us to further discount our product or support pricing.

Any broad-based change to our prices and pricing policies could cause our revenues to decline or be delayed as our sales force implements and our customers adjust to the new pricing policies. Some of our competitors may bundle products for promotional purposes or as a long-term pricing strategy or provide guarantees of prices and product implementations. These practices could, over time, significantly constrain the prices that we can charge for certain of our products. If we do not adapt our pricing models to reflect changes in customer use of our products or changes in customer demand, our revenues could decrease. The increase in open source software distribution may also cause us to change our pricing models.

***We may not receive significant revenues from our current research and development efforts for several years, if at all.*** Developing software, cloud and hardware offerings is expensive and the investment in the development of these offerings often involves a long return on investment cycle. We have made and expect to continue to make significant investments in research and development and related product and service opportunities both through internal investments and the acquisition of intellectual property from companies that we have acquired.

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require high levels of expenditures for research and development that could adversely affect our operating results if not offset by revenue increases. We believe that we must continue to dedicate a significant amount of resources to our research and development efforts to maintain our competitive position. However, we do not expect to receive significant revenues from these investments for several years, if at all.

***Business disruptions could adversely affect our operating results.*** A significant portion of our research and development activities and certain other critical business operations are concentrated in a few geographic areas. We are a highly automated business and a disruption or failure of our systems could cause delays in completing sales and providing services, including some of our cloud offerings. A major earthquake, fire or other catastrophic event that results in the destruction or disruption of any of our critical business or IT systems could severely affect our ability to conduct normal business operations and, as a result, our future operating results could be materially and adversely affected.

***Adverse litigation results could affect our business.*** We are subject to various legal proceedings. Litigation can be lengthy, expensive and disruptive to our operations, and can divert our management’s attention away from the running of our business. The results of our litigation also cannot be predicted with certainty. An adverse decision could result in monetary damages or injunctive relief that could affect our business, operating results or financial condition. Additional information regarding certain of the lawsuits we are involved in is discussed under Note 18 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

***We may have exposure to additional tax liabilities.*** As a multinational corporation, we are subject to income taxes as well as non-income based taxes, in both the United States and various foreign jurisdictions. Significant judgment is required in determining our worldwide provision for income taxes and other tax liabilities. We are regularly under audit by tax authorities and those authorities often do not agree with positions taken by us on our tax returns.

Changes in tax laws or tax rulings may have a significantly adverse impact on our effective tax rate. For example, the United States, many countries in the European Union, and other countries where we do business, are actively considering changes in relevant tax, accounting and other laws, regulations and interpretations, including changes to tax laws applicable to corporate multinationals, which, if enacted, could have a significant adverse impact on our effective tax rate. Further, in the ordinary course of a global business, there are many intercompany transactions and calculations where the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. Our intercompany transfer pricing has been and is currently being reviewed by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and by foreign tax jurisdictions and will likely be subject to additional audits in the future. We have negotiated certain unilateral Advance Pricing Agreements with the IRS and certain selected bilateral Advance Pricing Agreements that cover many of our intercompany transfer pricing issues and preclude the relevant tax authorities from making a transfer pricing adjustment within the scope of these agreements. However, these agreements do not cover substantial elements of our transfer pricing. In addition, our provision for income taxes could be adversely affected by earnings being lower than anticipated in jurisdictions which we consider to be indefinitely reinvested outside the United States that have lower statutory tax rates and earnings being higher than anticipated in jurisdictions that have higher statutory tax rates.

We are also subject to non-income based taxes, such as payroll, sales, use, value-added, net worth, property and goods and services taxes, in both the United States and various foreign jurisdictions. We are regularly under audit by tax authorities with respect to these non-income based taxes and may have exposure to additional non-income based tax liabilities. Our acquisition activities have increased our non-income based tax exposures, particularly with our entry into the hardware systems business, which increased the volume and complexity of laws and regulations that we are subject to and with which we must comply.

Although we believe that our income and non-income based tax estimates are reasonable, there is no assurance that the final determination of tax audits or tax disputes will not be different from what is reflected in our historical income tax provisions and accruals.

***Charges to earnings resulting from acquisitions may adversely affect our operating results.*** Under business combination accounting standards pursuant to ASC 805, *Business Combinations* , we recognize the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any non- controlling interests in acquired companies generally at their

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acquisition date fair values and, in each case, separately from goodwill. Goodwill as of the acquisition date is measured as the excess amount of consideration transferred, which is also generally measured at fair value, and the net of the acquisition date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. Our estimates of fair value are based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable but which are inherently uncertain. After we complete an acquisition, the following factors could result in material charges and adversely affect our operating results and may adversely affect our cash flows:

* + - costs incurred to combine the operations of companies we acquire, such as transitional employee expenses and employee retention, redeployment or relocation expenses;
    - impairment of goodwill or intangible assets, in particular within our hardware systems products or consulting reporting units, for which the amounts of goodwill and intangible assets that we have recorded increased in recent years and may continue to increase in the future, and for which we have experienced revenues and/or margin declines as compared to prior years;
    - amortization of intangible assets acquired;
    - a reduction in the useful lives of intangible assets acquired;
    - identification of or changes to assumed contingent liabilities, both income tax and non-income tax related, after our final determination of the amounts for these contingencies or the conclusion of the measurement period (generally up to one year from the acquisition date), whichever comes first;
    - charges to our operating results to maintain certain duplicative pre-merger activities for an extended period of time or to maintain these activities for a period of time that is longer than we had anticipated, charges to eliminate certain duplicative pre-merger activities, and charges to restructure our operations or to reduce our cost structure;
    - charges to our operating results due to expenses incurred to effect the acquisition; and
    - charges to our operating results due to the expensing of certain stock awards assumed in an acquisition.

Substantially all of these costs will be accounted for as expenses that will decrease our net income and earnings per share for the periods in which those costs are incurred. Charges to our operating results in any given period could differ substantially from other periods based on the timing and size of our future acquisitions and the extent of integration activities. A more detailed discussion of our accounting for business combinations and other items is presented in the “Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates” section of Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (Item 7).

***There are risks associated with our outstanding and future indebtedness.*** As of May 31, 2014, we had an aggregate of $24.2 billion of outstanding indebtedness that will mature between the remainder of calendar 2014 and calendar 2040 and we may incur additional indebtedness in the future. Our ability to pay interest and repay the principal for our indebtedness is dependent upon our ability to manage our business operations, generate sufficient cash flows to service such debt and the other factors discussed in this section. There can be no assurance that we will be able to manage any of these risks successfully.

We may also need to refinance a portion of our outstanding debt as it matures. There is a risk that we may not be able to refinance existing debt or that the terms of any refinancing may not be as favorable as the terms of our existing debt. Furthermore, if prevailing interest rates or other factors at the time of refinancing result in higher interest rates upon refinancing, then the interest expense relating to that refinanced indebtedness would increase. Should we incur future increases in interest expense, our ability to utilize certain of our foreign tax credits to reduce our U.S. federal income tax could be limited, which could unfavorably affect our provision for income taxes and effective tax rate. In addition, changes by any rating agency to our outlook or credit rating could negatively affect the value of both our debt and equity securities and increase the interest amounts we pay on outstanding or future debt. These risks could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

***Environmental and other related laws and regulations subject us to a number of risks and could result in significant liabilities and costs.*** Some of our cloud and hardware systems operations are subject to state, federal and international laws governing protection of the environment, proper handling and disposal of materials

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used for these offerings, human health and safety, and regulating the use of certain chemical substances. We endeavor to comply with these environmental and other laws, yet compliance with such laws could increase our product design, development, procurement, manufacturing, delivery and administration costs, limit our ability to manage excess and obsolete non-compliant inventory, change our sales activities, or otherwise impact future financial results of our cloud and hardware systems businesses. Any violation of these laws can subject us to significant liability, including fines, penalties and possible prohibition of sales of our products and services into one or more states or countries and result in a material adverse effect on the financial condition or results of operations of our cloud and hardware systems businesses. The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission has adopted disclosure requirements for companies that use certain “conflict minerals” (commonly referred to as tantalum, tin, tungsten and gold) in their products. Our supply chain is multi-tiered, global and highly complex. As a provider of hardware systems end products, we are several steps removed from the mining and smelting or refining of any “conflict minerals” in our supply chain.

Accordingly, our ability to determine with certainty the origin and chain of custody of “conflict minerals” is limited. Our relationships with customers and suppliers could suffer if we are unable to describe our products as “conflict-free.” We may also face increased costs in complying with conflict mineral disclosure requirements. A significant portion of our hardware systems revenues come from international sales.

Environmental legislation within the European Union (EU), including the EU Directive on Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) and Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive (WEEE Directive), as well as China’s regulation on Management Methods for Controlling Pollution Caused by Electronic Information Products may increase our cost of doing business internationally and impact our hardware systems revenues from EU countries and China as we endeavor to comply with and implement these requirements. In addition, similar environmental legislation has been or may be enacted in other jurisdictions, the cumulative impact of which could be significant.

***Our stock price could become more volatile and your investment could lose value.*** All of the factors discussed in this section could affect our stock price. The timing of announcements in the public market regarding new products, product enhancements or technological advances by our competitors or us and any announcements by us of acquisitions, major transactions, or management changes could also affect our stock price.

Changes in the amounts and frequency of share repurchases or dividends could adversely affect our stock price. Our stock price is subject to speculation in the press and the analyst community, changes in recommendations or earnings estimates by financial analysts, changes in investors’ or analysts’ valuation measures for our stock, our credit ratings and market trends unrelated to our performance. A significant drop in our stock price could also expose us to the risk of securities class actions lawsuits, which could result in substantial costs and divert management’s attention and resources, which could adversely affect our business.

# Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

# Item 2. Properties

Our properties consist of owned and leased office facilities for sales, support, research and development, consulting, manufacturing and administrative personnel. Our headquarters facility consists of approximately 2.0 million square feet in Redwood City, California, substantially all of which we own. We lease our principal internal manufacturing facility for our hardware systems products in Hillsboro, Oregon. We also own or lease other office facilities for current use consisting of approximately 24.1 million square feet in various other locations in the United States and abroad. We believe our facilities are in good condition and suitable for the conduct of our business. Approximately 2.9 million square feet, or 11%, of total owned and leased space is sublet or is being actively marketed for sublease or disposition.

# Item 3. Legal Proceedings

The material set forth in Note 18 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

None.

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# PART II

**Item 5. Market for Registrant’s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

Our common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol “ORCL”. Prior to July 15, 2013, our common stock traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol “ORCL”. According to the records of our transfer agent, we had 12,111 stockholders of record as of May 31, 2014. The following table sets forth the low and high sale prices per share of our common stock, based on the last daily sale, in each of our last eight fiscal quarters.

**Fiscal 2014 Fiscal 2013**

**Low Sale**

**High Sale**

**Low Sale**

**High Sale**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Price** | **Price** | **Price** | **Price** |
| Fourth Quarter | $ 37.50 | $ 42.20 | $ 31.25 | $ 36.34 |
| Third Quarter | $ 33.23 | $ 39.11 | $ 31.61 | $ 36.21 |
| Second Quarter | $ 32.02 | $ 35.29 | $ 29.58 | $ 33.10 |
| First Quarter | $ 29.96 | $ 34.40 | $ 26.00 | $ 32.20 |

We declared and paid cash dividends totaling $0.48 and $0.30 per outstanding common share over the course of fiscal 2014 and 2013, respectively.

In June 2014, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.12 per share of our outstanding common stock payable on July 30, 2014 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on July 9, 2014. We currently expect to continue paying comparable cash dividends on a quarterly basis; however, future declarations of dividends and the establishment of future record and payment dates are subject to the final determination of our Board of Directors.

For equity compensation plan information, please refer to Item 12 in Part III of this Annual Report.

## *Stock Repurchase Programs*

Our Board of Directors has approved a program for us to repurchase shares of our common stock. On June 20, 2013, we announced that our Board of Directors approved an expansion of our stock repurchase program by an additional $12.0 billion. Approximately $4.3 billion remained available for stock repurchases as of May 31, 2014 pursuant to our stock repurchase program.

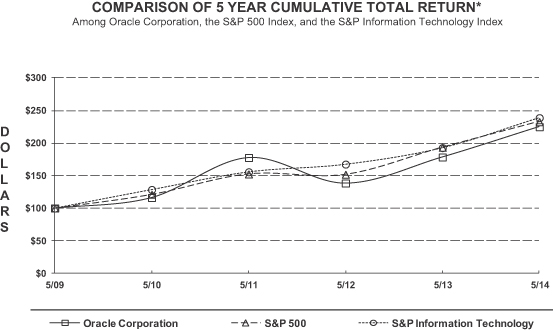
Our stock repurchase authorization does not have an expiration date and the pace of our repurchase activity will depend on factors such as our working capital needs, our cash requirements for acquisitions and dividend payments, our debt repayment obligations or repurchases of our debt, our stock price and economic and market conditions. Our stock repurchases may be effected from time to time through open market purchases or pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan. Our stock repurchase program may be accelerated, suspended, delayed or discontinued at any time.

The following table summarizes the stock repurchase activity for the three months ended May 31, 2014 and the approximate dollar value of shares that may yet be purchased pursuant to our stock repurchase program:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Total Number of** |  | **Average Price** | **Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly** | **Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be** |
| **Shares** |  | **Paid per** | **Announced** | **Purchased** |
| **(in millions, except per share amounts)** | **Purchased** |  | **Share** | **Program** | **Under the Program** |
| March 1, 2014—March 31, 2014 | 16.9 |  | $ 38.76 | 16.9 | $ 5,640.6 |
| April 1, 2014—April 30, 2014 | 16.3 |  | $ 40.14 | 16.3 | $ 4,984.3 |
| May 1, 2014—May 31, 2014 | 15.8 |  | $ 41.57 | 15.8 | $ 4,328.1 |
| Total | 49.0 |  | $ 40.12 | 49.0 |  |
|  |  | 32 |  |  |  |

## *Stock Performance Graph and Cumulative Total Return*

The graph below compares the cumulative total stockholder return on our common stock with the cumulative total return of the S&P 500 Index and the S&P Information Technology Index for each of the last five fiscal years ended May 31, 2014, assuming an investment of $100 at the beginning of such period and the reinvestment of any dividends. The comparisons in the graphs below are based upon historical data and are not indicative of, nor intended to forecast, future performance of our common stock.



\*$100 INVESTED ON MAY 31, 2009 IN STOCK OR INDEX-INCLUDING REINVESTMENT OF DIVIDENDS

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **5/09** | **5/10** | **5/11** | **5/12** | **5/13** | **5/14** |
| Oracle Corporation | 100.00 | 116.22 | 177.51 | 138.42 | 178.36 | 224.91 |
| S&P 500 Index | 100.00 | 120.99 | 152.39 | 151.76 | 193.15 | 232.64 |
| S&P Information Technology Index | 100.00 | 128.47 | 155.62 | 167.40 | 192.71 | 238.76 |

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# Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following table sets forth selected financial data as of and for the last five fiscal years. This selected financial data should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Item 15 of this Annual Report. Over the last five fiscal years, we have acquired a number of companies including Sun Microsystems, Inc. in fiscal 2010, among others. The results of our acquired companies have been included in our consolidated financial statements since their respective dates of acquisition and have contributed to our growth in revenues, income, earnings per share and total assets.

**As of and for the Year Ended May 31,**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions, except per share amounts)** | **2014** | **2013** | **2012** | **2011** | **2010** |
| **Consolidated Statements of Operations Data:** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total revenues | $ 38,275 | $ 37,180 | $ 37,121 | $ 35,622 | $ 26,820 |
| Operating income | $ 14,759 | $ 14,684 | $ 13,706 | $ 12,033 | $ 9,062 |
| Net income | $ 10,955 | $ 10,925 | $ 9,981 | $ 8,547 | $ 6,135 |
| Earnings per share—diluted | $ 2.38 | $ 2.26 | $ 1.96 | $ 1.67 | $ 1.21 |
| Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding | 4,604 | 4,844 | 5,095 | 5,128 | 5,073 |
| Cash dividends declared per common share | $ 0.48 | $ 0.30 | $ 0.24 | $ 0.21 | $ 0.20 |
| **Consolidated Balance Sheets Data:** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Working capital (1) | $ 33,749 | $ 28,820 | $ 24,635 | $ 24,982 | $ 12,313 |
| Total assets | $ 90,344 | $ 81,812 | $ 78,327 | $ 73,535 | $ 61,578 |
| Notes payable and other borrowings (2) | $ 24,175 | $ 18,494 | $ 16,474 | $ 15,922 | $ 14,655 |

(1)

(2)

Total working capital sequentially increased in most periods primarily due to the favorable impact to our net current assets resulting from our net income generated during these periods and the issuances of long-term senior notes of €2.0 billion and $3.0 billion in fiscal 2014, $5.0 billion in fiscal 2013 and $3.25 billion in fiscal 2011. These increases were partially offset by cash used for acquisitions, repurchases of common stock and dividend payments made in all periods presented and repayments of certain of our senior notes in fiscal 2013, 2011 and 2010.

Our notes payable and other borrowings, which represented the summation of our notes payable, current and other current borrowings, and notes payable and other non-current borrowings as reported per our consolidated balance sheets as of the dates listed in the table above, increased between fiscal 2010 and 2014 due to the issuances of long-term senior notes of €2.0 billion and $3.0 billion in fiscal 2014 and $5.0 billion in fiscal 2013, $1.7 billion and $1.15 billion of short-term borrowings made pursuant to our revolving credit agreements in fiscal 2012 and 2011, respectively, and $3.25 billion of long-term senior notes in fiscal 2011. See Note 8 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Annual Report, for additional information regarding our notes payable and other borrowings.

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# Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

We begin Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations with an overview of our key operating business segments and significant trends. This overview is followed by a summary of our critical accounting policies and estimates that we believe are important to understanding the assumptions and judgments incorporated in our reported financial results. We then provide a more detailed analysis of our results of operations and financial condition.

# Business Overview

We are the world’s largest provider of enterprise software and a leading provider of computer hardware products and services that are engineered to work together in the cloud and in the data center. Our offerings include Oracle database and middleware software, application software, cloud infrastructure, hardware systems—including computer server, storage and networking products—and related services. We develop and maintain our products and services to be enterprise-grade, reliable, secure and interoperable while offering customers a choice in deployment models that best meet their information technology (IT) needs. Our customers can subscribe to use many Oracle software and hardware products through our Oracle Cloud offerings, or purchase our software and hardware products and related services to build their own internal clouds or on-premise IT environments.

Cloud computing IT environments, including those offered through our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service (SaaS), Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS) and Infrastructure-as-a-Service offerings, are designed to be attractive and cost-effective options for our customers as we integrate the software and hardware on the customers’ behalf in IT environments that we deploy, support and manage on the customers’ behalf. We are a leader in the core technologies of cloud computing, including database and middleware software as well as web-based applications, virtualization, clustering, large-scale systems management and related infrastructure. Our products and services are the building blocks of our own cloud services, our partners’ cloud services and our customers’ cloud IT environments. An important element of our corporate strategy is to deliver reliable, secure and scalable products and services that are built upon industry standards and are engineered to work both together or independently, regardless of the deployment model selected.

We believe that our investments in, and continued innovation with respect to, our software and cloud, hardware, and services businesses are the foundation of our long-term strategic plans. In fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012 we invested $5.2 billion, $4.9 billion and $4.5 billion, respectively, in research and development to enhance our existing portfolio of products and services and to develop new products and services. We have expanded our enterprise-grade cloud computing offerings through our continued investments in research and development and through targeted acquisitions in order to broaden our Oracle Cloud offerings. For example, our Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service offerings, including our sales, marketing, customer service, financials, project management, human capital and talent management cloud solutions, among others, enable us to provide IT functionality that customers can use to manage critical business functions in a rapidly deployable delivery model with lower upfront customer investment. Certain of our enterprise-grade cloud computing offerings include infrastructure based upon our Oracle Engineered Systems, including our Oracle Exadata Database Machine, Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud and Oracle SuperCluster products, among others. We designed our Oracle Engineered Systems to combine certain of our hardware and software offerings to increase computing performance relative to our competitors’ products, creating cost efficiencies, time savings and operational cost advantages for our customers. Our Oracle Engineered Systems provide the core infrastructure for our own on-premise IT data centers and those of our customers, and for cloud IT environments, including our own Oracle Cloud services, our partners’ cloud services and our customers’ cloud environments. We also continue to demonstrate our commitment to customer choice through ongoing enhancements to our Oracle E-Business Suite, Siebel, PeopleSoft and JD Edwards application software products and services, amongst others.

We believe that an active acquisition program is another important element of our corporate strategy as it enhances the products and services that we can offer to customers, expands our customer base, provides greater scale to accelerate innovation, grows our revenues and earnings and increases stockholder value. In recent years, we have invested billions of dollars to acquire a number of companies, products, services and technologies that add to, are complementary to, or have otherwise enhanced our existing offerings. We expect to continue to acquire companies, products, services and technologies to further our corporate strategy.

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We are organized into three businesses—software and cloud, hardware systems and services—which are further divided into certain operating segments. Each of our businesses and operating segments has unique characteristics and faces different opportunities and challenges. Although we report our actual results in U.S. Dollars, we conduct a significant number of transactions in currencies other than U.S. Dollars. Therefore, we present constant currency information to provide a framework for assessing how our underlying businesses performed excluding the effects of foreign currency rate fluctuations. Our cloud infrastructure-as-a-service segment was established during our fiscal quarter ended May 31, 2014. Our fiscal 2014 results, and historical results for fiscal 2013 and 2012, reflect this new segment structure and will continue prospectively in our future filings. See Note 16 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Annual Report, for additional information related to our operating segments. An overview of our three businesses and related operating segments follows.

## *Software and Cloud Business*

Our software and cloud business, which represented 76%, 75% and 72% of our total revenues in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively, is comprised of three operating segments: (1) new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions, (2) cloud infrastructure-as-a-service and

1. software license updates and product support. On a constant currency basis, we expect that our software and cloud business’ total revenues generally will continue to increase due to continued demand for our software products and subscription offerings, our software license updates and product support offerings, including the high percentage of customers that renew their software license updates and product support contracts, and our acquisitions, which should allow us to grow our profits and continue to make investments in research and development.

***New Software Licenses and Cloud Software Subscriptions:*** We license our database and middleware, as well as our application software, and provide access to a broad range of our software through Oracle Cloud Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) and Oracle Cloud Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS) offerings (SaaS and PaaS collectively are referred to as cloud software subscriptions). Our software offerings are substantially built on a standards-based, integrated architecture that is designed to help customers reduce the cost and complexity of their IT infrastructure. Our software offerings are substantially designed to operate on both single server and clustered server configurations for cloud or on-premise IT environments, and to support a choice of operating systems including Oracle Solaris, Oracle Linux, Microsoft Windows and third party UNIX products, among others. Our customers include businesses of many sizes, government agencies, educational institutions and resellers. We market and sell our software products and services to these customers with a sales force positioned to offer the combinations that best fit their needs. We enable customers to evolve and transform to substantially any IT environment at whatever pace is most appropriate for them.

The growth in our new software licenses and our SaaS and PaaS revenues that we report is affected by the strength of general economic and business conditions, governmental budgetary constraints, the competitive position of our software offerings, our acquisitions and foreign currency fluctuations. The substantial majority of our new software licenses transactions are characterized by long sales cycles and the timing of a few large software license transactions can substantially affect our quarterly new software licenses revenues. New software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues represented 28% of our total revenues in each of fiscal 2014 and 2013 and 27% in fiscal 2012. Our cloud software subscriptions contracts, which consist of SaaS and PaaS arrangements, are generally one to three years in duration and we strive to renew these contracts when they are eligible for renewal. Our new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions segment’s margin has historically trended upward over the course of the four quarters within a particular fiscal year due to the historical upward trend of our new software licenses revenues over those quarterly periods and because the majority of our costs for this segment are predominantly fixed in the short-term. However, our new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions segment’s margin has been and will continue to be affected by the fair value adjustments relating to the cloud software subscriptions obligations that we assumed in our business combinations (described further below) and by the amortization of intangible assets associated with companies and technologies that we have acquired.

For certain of our acquired businesses, we recorded adjustments to reduce the cloud SaaS and PaaS obligations to their estimated fair values at the acquisition dates. As a result, as required by business combination accounting rules, we did not recognize cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues related to acquired contracts that would have been otherwise recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of $17 million, $45 million

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and $22 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. To the extent underlying cloud SaaS and PaaS contracts are renewed with us following an acquisition, we will recognize the revenues for the full values of these contracts over their respective contractual periods.

***Cloud Infrastructure-as-a-Service:*** Our cloud infrastructure-as-a-service offerings (IaaS), which represented 1% of our total revenues in each of fiscal 2014 and 2013 and 2% in fiscal 2012, provide deployment and management offerings for our software and hardware and related IT infrastructure including virtual machine instances that are subscription-based and designed for computing and reliable and secure object storage; Oracle Engineered Systems hardware and related support that are deployed in our customers’ data centers for a monthly fee; and comprehensive software and hardware management and maintenance services arrangements for customer IT infrastructure for a stated term that is hosted at our data center facilities, select partner data centers or physically on-premise at customer facilities.

***Software License Updates and Product Support:*** Customers that purchase software license updates and product support are granted rights to unspecified product upgrades and maintenance releases and patches released during the term of the support period, as well as technical support assistance. Our software license updates and product support contracts are generally one year in duration and substantially all of our customers renew their software license updates and product support contracts annually. The growth of software license updates and product support revenues is primarily influenced by three factors: (1) the percentage of our software support contract customer base that renews its software support contracts, (2) the amount of new software support contracts sold in connection with the sale of new software licenses and (3) the amount of software support contracts assumed from companies we have acquired.

Software license updates and product support revenues, which represented 47%, 46% and 43% of our total revenues in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively, is our highest margin business unit. Our software support margins during fiscal 2014 were 89% and accounted for 77% of our total margins over the same period. Our software license updates and product support margins have been affected by fair value adjustments relating to software support obligations assumed in business combinations (described further below) and by amortization of intangible assets. However, over the longer term, we believe that software license updates and product support revenues and margins will grow for the following reasons:

* + substantially all of our customers, including customers from acquired companies, renew their software support contracts when eligible for renewal;
  + substantially all of our customers purchase software license updates and product support contracts when they buy new software licenses, resulting in a further increase in our software support contract base. Even if new software licenses revenues growth was flat, software license updates and product support revenues would continue to grow in comparison to the corresponding prior year periods assuming contract renewal and cancellation rates and foreign currency rates remained relatively constant since substantially all new software licenses transactions result in the sale of software license updates and product support contracts, which add to our software support contract base; and
  + our acquisitions have increased our software support contract base, as well as the portfolio of products available to be licensed and supported.

We recorded adjustments to reduce software support obligations assumed in business combinations to their estimated fair values at the acquisition dates. As a result, as required by business combination accounting rules, we did not recognize software license updates and product support revenues related to software support contracts that would have been otherwise recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of $3 million, $14 million and $48 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. To the extent underlying software support contracts are renewed with us following an acquisition, we will recognize the revenues for the full values of the software support contracts over the respective support periods, the majority of which are one year.

## *Hardware Systems Business*

Our hardware systems business is comprised of two operating segments: (1) hardware systems products and (2) hardware systems support. Our hardware business represented 14% of our total revenues in each of fiscal 2014 and 2013 and 17% in fiscal 2012. We expect our hardware business to have lower operating margins as a

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percentage of revenues than our software and cloud business due to the incremental costs we incur to produce and distribute these products and to provide support services, including direct materials and labor costs. We expect to make investments in research and development to improve existing hardware products and services and to develop new hardware products and services.

***Hardware Systems Products:*** We provide a broad selection of hardware systems and related services including servers, storage, networking, virtualization software, operating systems, and management software to support diverse IT environments, including cloud computing environments. We engineer our hardware systems with virtualization and management capabilities to enable the rapid deployment and efficient management of cloud and on-premise IT infrastructures. Our hardware products support many of the world’s largest cloud infrastructures, including the Oracle Cloud.

Our hardware products and services are designed to work in customer environments that may include other Oracle or non-Oracle hardware or software components. This flexible and open approach provides Oracle’s customers with a broad range of choices in deploying hardware systems, which we believe is a priority for our customers. Our hardware products and services also help to meet customers’ demands to manage growing amounts of data and business requirements to meet increasing compliance and regulatory demands and to reduce energy, space and operational costs. We have also engineered our hardware systems products to create performance and operational cost advantages for customers when our hardware and software products are combined as Oracle Engineered Systems.

We offer a wide range of server systems using our SPARC microprocessor. Our SPARC servers run the Oracle Solaris operating system and are designed to be differentiated by their reliability, security, and scalability. Our mid-size and large servers are designed to offer greater performance and lower total cost of ownership than mainframe systems for business critical applications, for customers having more computationally intensive needs, and as platforms for building cloud computing IT environments. Our SPARC servers are also a core component of the Oracle SuperCluster, one of our Oracle Engineered Systems.

We also offer enterprise x86 servers. These x86 servers are based on microprocessor platforms from Intel Corporation and are compatible with Oracle Solaris, Oracle Linux, Microsoft Windows and other operating systems. Our x86 servers are also a core component of many of our Oracle Engineered Systems including Oracle Exadata Database Machine, Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud, Oracle Exalytics In-Memory Machine and the Oracle Big Data Appliance.

Our storage products are designed to securely manage, protect, archive and restore customers’ mission critical data assets and consist of tape, disk, flash and hardware-related software including file systems software, back-up and archive software and storage management software and networking for mainframe and open systems environments.

Our networking and data center fabric products, including Oracle Virtual Networking, and Oracle InfiniBand and Ethernet technologies, are used with our server and storage products and are integrated into our management tools to help enterprise customers improve infrastructure performance, reduce cost and complexity and simplify storage and server connectivity. We also offer hardware and software products and services for communications networks including network signaling, policy control and subscriber data management solutions, and session border control technology, amongst others.

The majority of our hardware systems products are sold through indirect channels, including independent distributors and value added resellers.

To produce our hardware products, we rely on both our internal manufacturing operations as well as third party manufacturing partners. Our internal manufacturing operations consist primarily of materials procurement, assembly, testing and quality control of our Oracle Engineered Systems and certain of our enterprise and data center servers and storage systems. For all other manufacturing, we generally rely on third party manufacturing partners to produce our hardware related components and hardware products and we may involve our internal manufacturing operations in the final assembly, testing and quality control processes for these components and products. We distribute most of our hardware products either from our facilities or partner facilities. We strive to reduce costs by simplifying our manufacturing processes through increased standardization of components across product types and a “build-to-order” manufacturing process in which products generally are built only after customers have placed firm orders.

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Our hardware systems products revenues, cost of hardware systems products and hardware systems operating margins that we report are affected by our strategy for and the competitive position of our hardware systems products, the strength of general economic and business conditions, governmental budgetary constraints, certain of our acquisitions and foreign currency rate fluctuations. In addition, our operating margins for our hardware systems products segment have been and will be affected by the amortization of intangible assets.

Our quarterly hardware systems products revenues are difficult to predict. The timing of customer orders and delays in our ability to timely manufacture or deliver a few large hardware transactions could substantially affect the amount of hardware systems products revenues, expenses and operating margins that we report.

***Hardware Systems Support:*** Our hardware systems support offerings provide customers with software updates for software components that are essential to the functionality of our server, storage and networking products, such as Oracle Solaris and certain other software products, and can include product repairs, maintenance services and technical support services. Typically, our hardware systems support contract arrangements are invoiced to the customer at the beginning of the support period and are one year in duration. We continue to evolve hardware systems support processes that are intended to proactively identify and solve quality issues and to increase the amount of new and renewed hardware systems support contracts sold in connection with the sales of our hardware systems products. Our hardware systems support revenues that we report are influenced by a number of factors, including the volume of purchases of hardware products, the mix of hardware products purchased, whether customers decide to purchase hardware systems support contracts at or in close proximity to the time of hardware product sale, the percentage of our hardware systems support contract customer base that renews its support contracts and our acquisitions. Substantially all of these factors are heavily influenced by our customers’ decisions to either maintain or upgrade their existing hardware systems’ infrastructure to newly developed technologies that are available.

Our hardware systems support margins have been and will be affected by certain of our acquisitions and related accounting, including fair value adjustments relating to hardware systems support obligations assumed, and by the amortization of intangible assets. As required by business combination accounting rules, we recorded adjustments to reduce our hardware systems support revenues for contracts assumed from our acquisitions to their estimated fair values. These amounts would have been recorded as hardware systems support revenues by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of $11 million, $14 million and $30 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. To the extent underlying hardware systems support contracts are renewed with us following an acquisition, we will recognize the revenues for the full values of the hardware systems support contracts over the respective support periods.

## *Services Business*

Our services business, which represented 10% of our total revenues in fiscal 2014 and 11% in each of fiscal 2013 and 2012, is comprised of the remainder of our operating segments. Our services business has lower margins than our software and cloud and hardware businesses. Our services revenues are impacted by certain of our acquisitions, general economic conditions, governmental budgetary constraints, personnel reductions in our customers’ IT departments, tighter controls over discretionary spending and the growth in our software and hardware systems products revenues. Our services business’ offerings include:

* + consulting services that are designed to help our customers and global system integrator partners more successfully architect and deploy our products including IT strategy alignment, enterprise architecture planning and design, initial product implementation and integration, and ongoing product enhancements and upgrades. We utilize a global, blended delivery model to optimize value for our customers and partners, consisting of on-premise consultants from local geographies, industry specialists and consultants from our global delivery and solution centers;
  + advanced customer support services, which are provided on-premise and remotely to our customers to enable increased performance and higher availability of their Oracle products and services; and
  + education services for Oracle products and services, including training and certification programs that are offered to customers, partners and employees through a variety of formats, including instructor-led classes at our education centers, live virtual training, self-paced online training, private events and custom training.

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## *Acquisitions*

An active acquisition program is another important element of our corporate strategy. In recent years, we have invested billions of dollars to acquire a number of complementary companies, products, services and technologies including Responsys, Inc. (Responsys) and Tekelec Global, Inc. (Tekelec) in fiscal 2014, and Acme Packet, Inc. (Acme Packet) in fiscal 2013, amongst others.

On June 22, 2014, we entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (Merger Agreement) with MICROS Systems, Inc. (MICROS), a provider of integrated software, hardware and services solutions to the hospitality and retail industries. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, we will commence a tender offer for the outstanding shares and shares generally representing vested equity incentive awards of MICROS (collectively, MICROS Shares). MICROS shareholders will have the right to tender their MICROS Shares to Oracle in exchange for $68.00 per share in cash upon consummation of the tender offer. The tender offer will commence no later than ten business days from June 22, 2014. After completion of the tender offer and subject to certain limited conditions, MICROS will merge with and into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Oracle. In addition, unvested equity awards to acquire MICROS common stock that are outstanding immediately prior to the conclusion of the merger will generally be converted into equity awards denominated in shares of our common stock based on formulas contained in the Merger Agreement. The estimated total purchase price for MICROS is approximately $5.3 billion. This transaction is conditioned upon (i) at least a majority of the MICROS Shares being validly tendered to Oracle, (ii) regulatory clearance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976,

1. the applicable merger control laws of the European Commission and other jurisdictions, and (iv) certain other customary closing conditions.

We believe our acquisition program strengthens our competitive position, enhances the products and services that we can offer to customers, expands our customer base, provides greater scale to accelerate innovation, grows our revenues and earnings and increases stockholder value. We expect to continue to acquire companies, products, services and technologies in furtherance of our corporate strategy. Note 2 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report provides additional information related to our pending and recent acquisitions.

We believe we can fund our pending and future acquisitions with our internally available cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, cash generated from operations, additional borrowings or from the issuance of additional securities. We estimate the financial impact of any potential acquisition with regard to earnings, operating margin, cash flow and return on invested capital targets before deciding to move forward with an acquisition.

# Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as set forth in the Financial Accounting Standards Board’s (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) and consider the various staff accounting bulletins and other applicable guidance issued by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). GAAP, as set forth within the ASC, requires us to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions. We believe that the estimates, judgments and assumptions upon which we rely are reasonable based upon information available to us at the time that these estimates, judgments and assumptions are made. These estimates, judgments and assumptions can affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements as well as the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the periods presented. To the extent there are differences between these estimates, judgments or assumptions and actual results, our financial statements will be affected. The accounting policies that reflect our more significant estimates, judgments and assumptions and which we believe are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results include the following:

* + Revenue Recognition
  + Business Combinations
  + Goodwill and Intangible Assets—Impairment Assessments
  + Accounting for Income Taxes
  + Legal and Other Contingencies
  + Stock-Based Compensation

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In many cases, the accounting treatment of a particular transaction is specifically dictated by GAAP and does not require management’s judgment in its application. There are also areas in which management’s judgment in selecting among available alternatives would not produce a materially different result. Our senior management has reviewed our critical accounting policies and related disclosures with the Finance and Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

## *Revenue Recognition*

Our sources of revenues include: (1) software and cloud revenues, including new software licenses revenues earned from granting licenses to use our software products; cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues generated from fees for granting customers access to a broad range of our software and related support offerings on a subscription basis in a secure, standards-based cloud computing environment; cloud IaaS revenues generated from fees for deployment and management offerings for our software and hardware and related IT infrastructure generally on a subscription basis; and software license updates and product support revenues; (2) hardware systems revenues, which include the sale of hardware systems products including computer servers, storage products, networking and data center fabric products, and hardware systems support revenues; and

(3) services, which includes software and hardware related services including consulting, advanced customer support and education revenues. Revenues generally are recognized net of any taxes collected from customers and subsequently remitted to governmental authorities.

Revenue Recognition for Software Products and Software Related Services (Software Elements)

New software licenses revenues primarily represent fees earned from granting customers licenses to use our database, middleware and application software and exclude cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues and revenues derived from software license updates, which are included in software license updates and product support revenues. The basis for our new software licenses revenue recognition is substantially governed by the accounting guidance contained in ASC 985-605, *Software-Revenue Recognition.* We exercise judgment and use estimates in connection with the determination of the amount of software and software related services revenues to be recognized in each accounting period.

For software license arrangements that do not require significant modification or customization of the underlying software, we recognize new software licenses revenues when: (1) we enter into a legally binding arrangement with a customer for the license of software; (2) we deliver the products; (3) the sale price is fixed or determinable and free of contingencies or significant uncertainties; and (4) collection is probable.

Revenues that are not recognized at the time of sale because the foregoing conditions are not met, are recognized when those conditions are subsequently met.

Substantially all of our software license arrangements do not include acceptance provisions. However, if acceptance provisions exist as part of public policy, for example, in agreements with government entities where acceptance periods are required by law, or within previously executed terms and conditions that are referenced in the current agreement and are short-term in nature, we generally recognize revenues upon delivery provided the acceptance terms are perfunctory and all other revenue recognition criteria have been met. If acceptance provisions are not perfunctory (for example, acceptance provisions that are long-term in nature or are not included as standard terms of an arrangement), revenues are recognized upon the earlier of receipt of written customer acceptance or expiration of the acceptance period.

The vast majority of our software license arrangements include software license updates and product support contracts, which are entered into at the customer’s option and are recognized ratably over the term of the arrangement, typically one year. Software license updates provide customers with rights to unspecified software product upgrades, maintenance releases and patches released during the term of the support period. Product support includes internet access to technical content, as well as internet and telephone access to technical support personnel. Software license updates and product support contracts are generally priced as a percentage of the net new software licenses fees. Substantially all of our customers renew their software license updates and product support contracts annually.

*Revenue Recognition for Multiple-Element Arrangements* — *Software Products and Software Related Services (Software Arrangements)*

We often enter into arrangements with customers that purchase both software related products and software related services from us at the same time, or within close proximity of one another (referred to as software related multiple-element arrangements). Such software related multiple- element arrangements include the sale of our software products, software license updates and product support contracts and other software related services whereby software license delivery is followed by the subsequent or contemporaneous delivery of the other elements. For those software related multiple-element arrangements, we have applied the residual method to

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determine the amount of new software license revenues to be recognized pursuant to ASC 985-605. Under the residual method, if fair value exists for undelivered elements in a multiple-element arrangement, such fair value of the undelivered elements is deferred with the remaining portion of the arrangement consideration generally recognized upon delivery of the software license. We allocate the fair value of each element of a software related multiple-element arrangement based upon its fair value as determined by our vendor specific objective evidence (VSOE— described further below), with any remaining amount allocated to the software license.

Revenue Recognition for Cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS Offerings, Hardware Systems Products, Hardware Systems Support and Related Services (Nonsoftware Elements)

Our revenue recognition policy for nonsoftware deliverables including cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS offerings, hardware systems products and hardware systems related services is based upon the accounting guidance contained in ASC 605-25, *Revenue Recognition* , *Multiple-Element Arrangements,* and we exercise judgment and use estimates in connection with the determination of the amount of cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS revenues, hardware systems products revenues and hardware related services revenues to be recognized in each accounting period.

Revenues from the sales of our nonsoftware elements are recognized when: (1) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists; (2) we deliver the products and passage of the title to the buyer occurs; (3) the sale price is fixed or determinable; and (4) collection is reasonably assured.

Revenues that are not recognized at the time of sale because the foregoing conditions are not met are recognized when those conditions are subsequently met. When applicable, we reduce revenues for estimated returns or certain other incentive programs where we have the ability to sufficiently estimate the effects of these items. Where an arrangement is subject to acceptance criteria and the acceptance provisions are not perfunctory (for example, acceptance provisions that are long-term in nature or are not included as standard terms of an arrangement), revenues are recognized upon the earlier of receipt of written customer acceptance or expiration of the acceptance period.

Our cloud SaaS and PaaS offerings generally provide customers access to certain of our software within a cloud-based IT environment that we manage and offer to customers on a subscription basis. Revenues for our cloud SaaS and PaaS offerings are generally recognized ratably over the contract term commencing with the date our service is made available to customers and all other revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Our cloud IaaS offerings provide deployment and management offerings for our software and hardware and related IT infrastructure including comprehensive software and hardware management and maintenance services arrangements for customer IT infrastructure for a stated term that is hosted at our data center facilities, select partner data centers or physically on-premise at customer facilities generally for a term-based fee; and virtual machine instances that are subscription-based and designed for computing and reliable and secure object storage. Revenues for these cloud IaaS offerings are generally recognized ratably over the contract term commencing with the date the service is made available to customers and all other revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Our cloud IaaS offerings also include our Oracle Engineered Systems hardware and related support that are deployed on-premise in our customers’ data centers for a monthly fee and provide for the purchase of additional capacity on demand. Our revenue recognition policy for these on-premise offerings is in accordance with ASC 605 and ASC 840, *Leases* , and substantially all of these offerings are accounted for as operating leases as our contracts are structured so that the term of the arrangement is less than 75% of the economic life of the equipment and the present value of the minimum fixed payments are less than 90% of the fair market value of the equipment at the inception of the arrangement. Our evaluation of useful life is based on our historical product development cycles and our historical customer hardware upgrade cycles. Capacity on demand is a contingent payment and is therefore excluded from our assessment of the net present value of fixed payments. Revenue for capacity on demand is recognized in the period our customers access additional capacity provided all other revenue recognition criteria have been met.

Revenues from the sale of hardware systems products represent amounts earned primarily from the sale of computer servers, storage, and networking products, including the sales of our Oracle Engineered Systems.

Our hardware systems support offerings generally provide customers with software updates for the software components that are essential to the functionality of our server and storage products and can also include product repairs, maintenance services and technical support services.

Hardware systems support contracts are generally priced as a percentage of the net hardware systems products fees. Hardware systems support contracts are entered

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into at the customer’s option and are recognized ratably over the contractual term of the arrangements, which are typically one year.

*Revenue Recognition for Multiple-Element Arrangements—Cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS Offerings, Hardware Systems Products, Hardware Systems Support and Related Services (Nonsoftware Arrangements)*

We enter into arrangements with customers that purchase both nonsoftware related products and services from us at the same time, or within close proximity of one another (referred to as nonsoftware multiple-element arrangements). Each element within a nonsoftware multiple-element arrangement is accounted for as a separate unit of accounting provided the following criteria are met: the delivered products or services have value to the customer on a standalone basis; and for an arrangement that includes a general right of return relative to the delivered products or services, delivery or performance of the undelivered product or service is considered probable and is substantially controlled by us. We consider a deliverable to have standalone value if the product or service is sold separately by us or another vendor or could be resold by the customer.

Further, our revenue arrangements generally do not include a general right of return relative to the delivered products. Where the aforementioned criteria for a separate unit of accounting are not met, the deliverable is combined with the undelivered element(s) and treated as a single unit of accounting for the purposes of allocation of the arrangement consideration and revenue recognition. For those units of accounting that include more than one deliverable but are treated as a single unit of accounting, we generally recognize revenues over the delivery period or in the case of our cloud offerings, generally over the estimated customer relationship period. For the purposes of revenue classification of the elements that are accounted for as a single unit of accounting, we allocate revenue to the respective revenue line items within our consolidated statements of operations based on a rational and consistent methodology utilizing our best estimate of relative selling prices of such elements.

For our nonsoftware multiple-element arrangements, we allocate revenue to each element based on a selling price hierarchy at the arrangement’s inception. The selling price for each element is based upon the following selling price hierarchy: VSOE if available, third party evidence (TPE) if VSOE is not available, or estimated selling price (ESP) if neither VSOE nor TPE are available (a description as to how we determine VSOE, TPE and ESP is provided below). If a tangible hardware systems product includes software, we determine whether the tangible hardware systems product and the software work together to deliver the product’s essential functionality and, if so, the entire product is treated as a nonsoftware deliverable. The total arrangement consideration is allocated to each separate unit of accounting for each of the nonsoftware deliverables using the relative selling prices of each unit based on the aforementioned selling price hierarchy. We limit the amount of revenue recognized for delivered elements to an amount that is not contingent upon future delivery of additional products or services or meeting of any specified performance conditions.

When possible, we establish VSOE of selling price for deliverables in software and nonsoftware multiple-element arrangements using the price charged for a deliverable when sold separately and for software license updates and product support and hardware systems support, based on the renewal rates offered to customers. TPE is established by evaluating similar and interchangeable competitor products or services in standalone arrangements with similarly situated customers. If we are unable to determine the selling price because VSOE or TPE does not exist, we determine ESP for the purposes of allocating the arrangement by reviewing historical transactions, including transactions whereby the deliverable was sold on a standalone basis and considering several other external and internal factors including, but not limited to, pricing practices including discounting, margin objectives, competition, contractually stated prices, the geographies in which we offer our products and services, the type of customer (i.e., distributor, value added reseller, government agency and direct end user, among others) and the stage of the product lifecycle. The determination of ESP is made through consultation with and approval by our management, taking into consideration our pricing model and go-to-market strategy. As our, or our competitors’, pricing and go-to-market strategies evolve, we may modify our pricing practices in the future, which could result in changes to our determination of VSOE, TPE and ESP. As a result, our future revenue recognition for multiple-element arrangements could differ materially from our results in the current period. Selling prices are analyzed on an annual basis or more frequently if we experience significant changes in our selling prices.

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Revenue Recognition Policies Applicable to both Software and Nonsoftware Elements

*Revenue Recognition for Multiple-Element Arrangements* — *Arrangements with Software and Nonsoftware Elements*

We also enter into multiple-element arrangements that may include a combination of our various software related and nonsoftware related products and services offerings including new software licenses, software license updates and product support, cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS offerings, hardware systems products, hardware systems support, consulting, advanced customer support services and education. In such arrangements, we first allocate the total arrangement consideration based on the relative selling prices of the software group of elements as a whole and to the nonsoftware elements. We then further allocate consideration within the software group to the respective elements within that group following the guidance in ASC 985-605 and our policies as described above. After the arrangement consideration has been allocated to the elements, we account for each respective element in the arrangement as described above.

*Other Revenue Recognition Policies Applicable to Software and Nonsoftware Elements*

Many of our software arrangements include consulting implementation services sold separately under consulting engagement contracts and are included as a part of our services business. Consulting revenues from these arrangements are generally accounted for separately from new software licenses revenues because the arrangements qualify as services transactions as defined in ASC 985-605. The more significant factors considered in determining whether the revenues should be accounted for separately include the nature of services (i.e., consideration of whether the services are essential to the functionality of the licensed product), degree of risk, availability of services from other vendors, timing of payments and impact of milestones or acceptance criteria on the realizability of the software license fee. Revenues for consulting services are generally recognized as the services are performed. If there is a significant uncertainty about the project completion or receipt of payment for the consulting services, revenues are deferred until the uncertainty is sufficiently resolved. We estimate the proportional performance on contracts with fixed or “not to exceed” fees on a monthly basis utilizing hours incurred to date as a percentage of total estimated hours to complete the project. If we do not have a sufficient basis to measure progress towards completion, revenues are recognized when we receive final acceptance from the customer that the services have been completed. When total cost estimates exceed revenues, we accrue for the estimated losses immediately using cost estimates that are based upon an average fully burdened daily rate applicable to the consulting organization delivering the services. The complexity of the estimation process and factors relating to the assumptions, risks and uncertainties inherent with the application of the proportional performance method of accounting affects the amounts of revenues and related expenses reported in our consolidated financial statements. A number of internal and external factors can affect our estimates, including labor rates, utilization and efficiency variances and specification and testing requirement changes.

Our advanced customer support services are offered as standalone arrangements or as a part of arrangements to customers buying other software and non-software products and services. We offer these advanced support services, both on-premise and remote, to Oracle customers to enable increased performance and higher availability of their products and services. Depending upon the nature of the arrangement, revenues from these services are recognized as the services are performed or ratably over the term of the service period, which is generally one year or less.

Education revenues are also a part of our services business and include instructor-led, media-based and internet-based training in the use of our software and hardware products. Education revenues are recognized as the classes or other education offerings are delivered.

If an arrangement contains multiple elements and does not qualify for separate accounting for the product and service transactions, then new software licenses revenues and/or hardware systems products revenues, including the costs of hardware systems products, are generally recognized together with the services based on contract accounting using either the percentage-of-completion or completed-contract method. Contract accounting is applied to any bundled software and cloud, hardware systems and services arrangements: (1) that include milestones or customer specific acceptance criteria that may affect collection of the software license or hardware systems product fees; (2) where consulting services include significant modification or customization of the software or hardware systems product or are of a specialized nature and generally performed only by Oracle;

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1. where significant consulting services are provided for in the software license contract or hardware systems product contract without additional charge or are substantially discounted; or (4) where the software license or hardware systems product payment is tied to the performance of consulting services. For the purposes of revenue classification of the elements that are accounted for as a single unit of accounting, we allocate revenues to software and nonsoftware elements based on a rational and consistent methodology utilizing our best estimate of the relative selling price of such elements.

We also evaluate arrangements with governmental entities containing “fiscal funding” or “termination for convenience” provisions, when such provisions are required by law, to determine the probability of possible cancellation. We consider multiple factors, including the history with the customer in similar transactions, the “essential use” of the software or hardware systems products and the planning, budgeting and approval processes undertaken by the governmental entity. If we determine upon execution of these arrangements that the likelihood of cancellation is remote, we then recognize revenues once all of the criteria described above have been met. If such a determination cannot be made, revenues are recognized upon the earlier of cash receipt or approval of the applicable funding provision by the governmental entity.

We assess whether fees are fixed or determinable at the time of sale and recognize revenues if all other revenue recognition requirements are met. Our standard payment terms are net 30 days. However, payment terms may vary based on the country in which the agreement is executed. Payments that are due within six months are generally deemed to be fixed or determinable based on our successful collection history on such arrangements, and thereby satisfy the required criteria for revenue recognition.

While most of our arrangements for sales within our businesses include short-term payment terms, we have a standard practice of providing long-term financing to creditworthy customers primarily through our financing division. Since fiscal 1989, when our financing division was formed, we have established a history of collection, without concessions, on these receivables with payment terms that generally extend up to five years from the contract date. Provided all other revenue recognition criteria have been met, we recognize new software licenses revenues and hardware systems products revenues for these arrangements upon delivery, net of any payment discounts from financing transactions. We have generally sold receivables financed through our financing division on a non-recourse basis to third party financing institutions within 90

days of the contracts’ dates of execution and we classify the proceeds from these sales as cash flows from operating activities in our consolidated statements of cash flows. We account for the sales of these receivables as “true sales” as defined in ASC 860, *Transfers and Servicing* , as we are considered to have surrendered control of these financing receivables.

In addition, we enter into arrangements with leasing companies for the sale of our hardware systems products. These leasing companies, in turn, lease our products to end-users. The leasing companies generally have no recourse to us in the event of default by the end-user and we recognize revenue upon delivery, if all other revenue recognition criteria have been met.

Our customers include several of our suppliers and occasionally, we have purchased goods or services for our operations from these vendors at or about the same time that we have sold our products to these same companies (Concurrent Transactions). Software license agreements or sales of hardware systems that occur within a three-month time period from the date we have purchased goods or services from that same customer are reviewed for appropriate accounting treatment and disclosure. When we acquire goods or services from a customer, we negotiate the purchase separately from any sales transaction, at terms we consider to be at arm’s length and settle the purchase in cash. We recognize revenues from Concurrent Transactions if all of our revenue recognition criteria are met and the goods and services acquired are necessary for our current operations.

## *Business Combinations*

We apply the provisions of ASC 805, *Business Combinations* , in the accounting for our acquisitions. It requires us to recognize separately from goodwill the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed at their acquisition date fair values. Goodwill as of the acquisition date is measured as the excess of consideration transferred over the net of the acquisition date fair values of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. While we use our best estimates and assumptions to accurately value assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date as well as contingent consideration, where applicable, our estimates are inherently uncertain and subject to refinement. As a result, during the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, we record adjustments to the assets

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acquired and liabilities assumed with the corresponding offset to goodwill. Upon the conclusion of the measurement period or final determination of the values of assets acquired or liabilities assumed, whichever comes first, any subsequent adjustments are recorded to our consolidated statements of operations.

Accounting for business combinations requires our management to make significant estimates and assumptions, especially at the acquisition date including our estimates for intangible assets, contractual obligations assumed, restructuring liabilities, pre-acquisition contingencies and contingent consideration, where applicable. Although we believe the assumptions and estimates we have made in the past have been reasonable and appropriate, they are based in part on historical experience and information obtained from the management of the acquired companies and are inherently uncertain.

Examples of critical estimates in valuing certain of the intangible assets we have acquired include but are not limited to:

* + future expected cash flows from software license sales, cloud SaaS and PaaS contracts, hardware systems product sales, support agreements, consulting contracts, other customer contracts, acquired developed technologies and patents;
  + expected costs to develop the in-process research and development into commercially viable products and estimated cash flows from the projects when completed;
  + the acquired company’s brand and competitive position, as well as assumptions about the period of time the acquired brand will continue to be used in the combined company’s product portfolio; and
  + discount rates.

Unanticipated events and circumstances may occur that may affect the accuracy or validity of such assumptions, estimates or actual results.

We estimate the fair values of our cloud SaaS and PaaS (collectively, cloud software subscriptions), software license updates and product support, and hardware systems support obligations assumed. The estimated fair values of these performance obligations are determined utilizing a cost build-up approach. The cost build-up approach determines fair value by estimating the costs related to fulfilling the obligations plus a normal profit margin. The estimated costs to fulfill the obligations are based on the historical direct costs related to providing the services including the correction of any errors in the products acquired. The sum of these costs and operating profit approximates, in theory, the amount that we would be required to pay a third party to assume the performance obligations. We do not include any costs associated with selling efforts or research and development or the related fulfillment margins on these costs. Profit associated with any selling efforts is excluded because the acquired entities would have concluded those selling efforts on the performance obligations prior to the acquisition date. We also do not include the estimated research and development costs in our fair value determinations, as these costs are not deemed to represent a legal obligation at the time of acquisition. As a result, we did not recognize cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues related to cloud SaaS and PaaS contracts in the amounts of

$17 million, $45 million and $22 million that would have been otherwise recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. We did not recognize software license updates and product support revenues related to support contracts in the amounts of $3 million, $14 million and $48 million that would have been otherwise recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. In addition, we did not recognize hardware systems support revenues related to hardware systems support contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of $11 million, $14 million and $30 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Historically, substantially all of our customers, including customers from acquired companies, renew their software license updates and product support contracts when the contracts are eligible for renewal and we strive to renew cloud SaaS and PaaS and hardware systems support contracts. To the extent cloud SaaS and PaaS, software support or hardware systems support contracts are renewed, we will recognize the revenues for the full values of the contracts over the contracts’ periods, which are generally one year in duration.

In connection with a business combination or other strategic initiative, we may estimate costs associated with restructuring plans committed to by our management. Restructuring costs are typically comprised of employee severance costs, costs of consolidating duplicate facilities and contract termination costs. Restructuring expenses are based upon plans that have been committed to by our management, but may be refined in subsequent periods.

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We account for costs to exit or restructure certain activities of an acquired company separately from the business combination pursuant to ASC 420, *Exit or Disposal Cost Obligations.* A liability for costs associated with an exit or disposal activity is recognized and measured at its fair value in our consolidated statement of operations in the period in which the liability is incurred. When estimating the fair value of facility restructuring activities, assumptions are applied regarding estimated sub-lease payments to be received, which can differ materially from actual results. This may require us to revise our initial estimates which may materially affect our results of operations and financial position in the period the revision is made.

For a given acquisition, we may identify certain pre-acquisition contingencies as of the acquisition date and may extend our review and evaluation of these pre-acquisition contingencies throughout the measurement period in order to obtain sufficient information to assess whether we include these contingencies as a part of the fair value estimates of assets acquired and liabilities assumed and, if so, to determine their estimated amounts.

If we cannot reasonably determine the fair value of a pre-acquisition contingency (non-income tax related) by the end of the measurement period, which is generally the case given the nature of such matters, we will recognize an asset or a liability for such pre-acquisition contingency if: (i) it is probable that an asset existed or a liability had been incurred at the acquisition date and (ii) the amount of the asset or liability can be reasonably estimated. Subsequent to the measurement period, changes in our estimates of such contingencies will affect earnings and could have a material effect on our results of operations and financial position.

In addition, uncertain tax positions and tax related valuation allowances assumed in connection with a business combination are initially estimated as of the acquisition date. We reevaluate these items quarterly based upon facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date with any adjustments to our preliminary estimates being recorded to goodwill if identified within the measurement period. Subsequent to the measurement period or our final determination of the tax allowance’s or contingency’s estimated value, whichever comes first, changes to these uncertain tax positions and tax related valuation allowances will affect our provision for income taxes in our consolidated statement of operations and could have a material impact on our results of operations and financial position.

## *Goodwill and Intangible Assets* — *Impairment Assessments*

We review goodwill for impairment annually and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate its carrying value may not be recoverable in accordance with ASC 350, *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other* . According to ASC 350, we can opt to perform a qualitative assessment to test a reporting unit’s goodwill for impairment or we can directly perform the two step impairment test. Based on our qualitative assessment, if we determine that the fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not (i.e., a likelihood of more than 50 percent) to be less than its carrying amount, the two step impairment test will be performed. In the first step, we compare the fair value of each reporting unit to its carrying value. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds the carrying value of the net assets assigned to that unit, goodwill is not considered impaired and we are not required to perform further testing. If the carrying value of the net assets assigned to the reporting unit exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit, then we must perform the second step of the impairment test in order to determine the implied fair value of the reporting unit’s goodwill. If the carrying value of a reporting unit’s goodwill exceeds its implied fair value, then we would record an impairment loss equal to the difference.

Determining the fair value of a reporting unit involves the use of significant estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions include revenue growth rates and operating margins used to calculate projected future cash flows, risk-adjusted discount rates, future economic and market conditions and determination of appropriate market comparables. We base our fair value estimates on assumptions we believe to be reasonable but that are unpredictable and inherently uncertain. Actual future results may differ from those estimates. In addition, we make certain judgments and assumptions in allocating shared assets and liabilities to determine the carrying values for each of our reporting units. Our most recent annual goodwill impairment analysis, which was performed on March 1, 2014, did not result in a goodwill impairment charge, nor did we record any goodwill impairment in fiscal 2013 or 2012. Our consulting and hardware systems products reporting units have experienced revenues and operating margin declines in fiscal 2014 as compared to prior years. As a result, our consulting and hardware systems products reporting units may be at greater risk for goodwill impairment than our other reporting units if our actual results for these reporting units differ from our projections.

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We make judgments about the recoverability of purchased finite lived intangible assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that an impairment may exist. Each period we evaluate the estimated remaining useful lives of purchased intangible assets and whether events or changes in circumstances warrant a revision to the remaining periods of amortization. Recoverability of finite lived intangible assets is measured by comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to the future undiscounted cash flows the asset is expected to generate. We review indefinite lived intangible assets for impairment annually and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. Recoverability of indefinite lived intangible assets is measured by comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to its fair value. If the asset is considered to be impaired, the amount of any impairment is measured as the difference between the carrying value and the fair value of the impaired asset.

Assumptions and estimates about future values and remaining useful lives of our intangible and other long-lived assets are complex and subjective. They can be affected by a variety of factors, including external factors such as industry and economic trends and internal factors such as changes in our business strategy and our internal forecasts. Although we believe the historical assumptions and estimates we have made are reasonable and appropriate, different assumptions and estimates could materially impact our reported financial results. We did not recognize any intangible asset impairment charges in fiscal 2014, 2013 or 2012.

## *Accounting for Income Taxes*

Significant judgment is required in determining our worldwide income tax provision. In the ordinary course of a global business, there are many transactions and calculations where the ultimate tax outcome is uncertain. Some of these uncertainties arise as a consequence of revenue sharing and cost reimbursement arrangements among related entities, the process of identifying items of revenues and expenses that qualify for preferential tax treatment and segregation of foreign and domestic earnings and expenses to avoid double taxation. Although we believe that our estimates are reasonable, the final tax outcome of these matters could be different from that which is reflected in our historical income tax provisions and accruals. Such differences could have a material effect on our income tax provision and net income in the period in which such determination is made.

Our effective tax rate includes the impact of certain undistributed foreign earnings for which no U.S. taxes have been provided because such earnings are planned to be indefinitely reinvested outside the United States. Remittances of foreign earnings to the United States are planned based on projected cash flow, working capital and investment needs of our foreign and domestic operations. Based on these assumptions, we estimate the amount that will be distributed to the United States and provide U.S. federal taxes on these amounts. Material changes in our estimates as to how much of our foreign earnings will be distributed to the United States or tax legislation that limits or restricts the amount of undistributed foreign earnings that we consider indefinitely reinvested outside the United States could materially impact our income tax provision and effective tax rate.

We record a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. In order for us to realize our deferred tax assets, we must be able to generate sufficient taxable income in those jurisdictions where the deferred tax assets are located. We consider future growth, forecasted earnings, future taxable income, the mix of earnings in the jurisdictions in which we operate, historical earnings, taxable income in prior years, if carryback is permitted under the law and prudent and feasible tax planning strategies in determining the need for a valuation allowance. In the event we were to determine that we would not be able to realize all or part of our net deferred tax assets in the future, an adjustment to the deferred tax assets valuation allowance would be charged to earnings in the period in which we make such a determination, or goodwill would be adjusted at our final determination of the valuation allowance related to an acquisition within the measurement period. If we later determine that it is more likely than not that the net deferred tax assets would be realized, we would reverse the applicable portion of the previously provided valuation allowance as an adjustment to earnings at such time.

We calculate our current and deferred tax provision based on estimates and assumptions that could differ from the actual results reflected in income tax returns filed during the subsequent year. Adjustments based on filed returns are generally recorded in the period when the tax returns are filed and the global tax implications are known, which can materially impact our effective tax rate.

The amount of income tax we pay is subject to ongoing audits by federal, state and foreign tax authorities, which often result in proposed assessments. Our estimate of the potential outcome for any uncertain tax issue is highly

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judgmental. A description of our accounting policies associated with tax related contingencies assumed as a part of a business combination is provided under “Business Combinations” above. For those tax related contingencies that are not a part of a business combination, we account for these uncertain tax issues pursuant to ASC 740, *Income Taxes* , which contains a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The first step is to determine if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained in an audit, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement. Although we believe we have adequately reserved for our uncertain tax positions, no assurance can be given with respect to the final outcome of these matters. We adjust reserves for our uncertain tax positions due to changing facts and circumstances, such as the closing of a tax audit, judicial rulings, and refinement of estimates or realization of earnings or deductions that differ from our estimates. To the extent that the final outcome of these matters is different than the amounts recorded, such differences generally will impact our provision for income taxes in the period in which such a determination is made. Our provisions for income taxes include the impact of reserve provisions and changes to reserves that are considered appropriate and also include the related interest and penalties.

In addition, as a part of our accounting for business combinations, intangible assets are recognized at fair values and goodwill is measured as the excess of consideration transferred over the net estimated fair values of assets acquired. Impairment charges associated with goodwill are generally not tax deductible and will result in an increased effective income tax rate in the period that any impairment is recorded. Amortization expenses associated with acquired intangible assets are generally not tax deductible pursuant to our existing tax structure; however, deferred taxes have been recorded for non-deductible amortization expenses as a part of the accounting for business combinations. We have taken into account the allocation of these identified intangibles among different taxing jurisdictions, including those with nominal or zero percent tax rates, in establishing the related deferred tax liabilities.

## *Legal and Other Contingencies*

We are currently involved in various claims and legal proceedings. Quarterly, we review the status of each significant matter and assess our potential financial exposure. A description of our accounting policies associated with contingencies assumed as a part of a business combination is provided under “Business Combinations” above. For legal and other contingencies that are not a part of a business combination, we accrue a liability for an estimated loss if the potential loss from any claim or legal proceeding is considered probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated. Significant judgment is required in both the determination of probability and the determination as to whether the amount of an exposure is reasonably estimable. Because of uncertainties related to these matters, accruals are based only on the best information available at the time the accruals are made. As additional information becomes available, we reassess the potential liability related to our pending claims and litigation and may revise our estimates. Such revisions in the estimates of the potential liabilities could have a material impact on our results of operations and financial position.

## *Stock-Based Compensation*

We account for share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, restricted stock-based awards and purchases under employee stock purchase plans, in accordance with ASC 718, *Compensation—Stock Compensation,* which requires that share-based payments (to the extent they are compensatory) be recognized in our consolidated statements of operations based on their fair values. We recognize stock-based compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the service period of the award, which is generally four years.

We are required to estimate the stock awards that we ultimately expect to vest and to reduce stock-based compensation expense for the effects of estimated forfeitures of awards over the expense recognition period. Although we estimate the rate of future forfeitures based upon historical experience, actual forfeitures in the future may differ. To the extent our actual forfeitures are different than our estimates, we record a true-up for the difference in the period that the awards vest and such true-ups could materially affect our operating results. Additionally, we also consider on a quarterly basis whether there have been any significant changes in facts and circumstances that would affect our expected forfeiture rate.

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We estimate the fair values of employee stock options using a Black-Scholes-Merton valuation model. The fair value of an award is affected by our stock price on the date of grant as well as other assumptions including the estimated volatility of our stock price over the term of the awards and the estimated period of time that we expect employees to hold their stock options. The risk-free interest rate assumption we use is based upon U.S. treasury interest rates appropriate for the expected life of the awards. We use the implied volatility of publicly traded options in our stock in order to estimate future stock price trends as we believe that implied volatility is more representative of future stock price trends than historical volatility. In order to determine the estimated period of time that we expect employees to hold their stock options, we have used historical rates of employee groups by seniority of job classification. Our expected dividend rate is based upon an annualized dividend yield based on the per share dividend declared by our Board of Directors. The aforementioned inputs entered into the option valuation model we use to fair value our stock awards are subjective estimates and changes to these estimates will cause the fair values of our stock awards and related stock-based compensation expense that we record to vary.

We record deferred tax assets for stock-based compensation awards that result in deductions on our income tax returns, based on the amount of stock-based compensation recognized and the fair values attributable to the vested portion of stock awards assumed in connection with a business combination, at the statutory tax rate in the jurisdiction in which we will receive a tax deduction. Because the deferred tax assets we record are based upon the stock-based compensation expenses in a particular jurisdiction, the aforementioned inputs that affect the fair values of our stock awards may also indirectly affect our income tax expense. In addition, differences between the deferred tax assets recognized for financial reporting purposes and the actual tax deduction reported on our income tax returns are recorded in additional paid-in capital. If the tax deduction is less than the deferred tax asset, the calculated shortfall reduces our pool of excess tax benefits. If the pool of excess tax benefits is reduced to zero, then subsequent shortfalls would increase our income tax expense.

To the extent we change the terms of our employee stock-based compensation programs, experience market volatility in the pricing of our common stock that increases the implied volatility calculation of publicly traded options in our stock, refine different assumptions in future periods such as forfeiture rates that differ from our current estimates, or assume stock awards from acquired companies that are different in nature than our stock award arrangements, among other potential impacts, the stock-based compensation expense that we record in future periods and the tax benefits that we realize may differ significantly from what we have recorded in previous reporting periods.

# Results of Operations

## *Impact of Acquisitions*

The comparability of our operating results in fiscal 2014 compared to fiscal 2013 is impacted by our acquisitions, primarily our acquisitions of Responsys in the third quarter of fiscal 2014, Tekelec in the first quarter of fiscal 2014 and Acme Packet in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013.

The comparability of our operating results in fiscal 2013 compared to fiscal 2012 is impacted by our acquisitions, primarily our acquisitions of Acme Packet in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, Taleo Corporation (Taleo) in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012 and RightNow Technologies, Inc. (RightNow) during the third quarter of fiscal 2012.

In our discussion of changes in our results of operations from fiscal 2014 compared to fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2013 compared to fiscal 2012, we may qualitatively disclose the impacts of our acquired products (for the one year period subsequent to the acquisition date) to the growth in our new software licenses revenues, cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues, software license updates and product support revenues, hardware systems products revenues and hardware systems support revenues where such qualitative discussions would be meaningful for an understanding of the factors that influenced the changes in our results of operations. When material, we may also provide quantitative disclosures related to such acquired products. The contributions of our acquisitions to our other businesses and operating segments’ revenues and to the expense contributions for substantially all of our businesses and operating segments in each of the respective period comparisons are not provided as they either were not separately identifiable due to the integration of these businesses and operating segments into our existing operations and/or were insignificant to our results of operations during the periods presented.

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We caution readers that, while pre- and post-acquisition comparisons, as well as any quantified amounts themselves, may provide indications of general trends, the acquisition information that we provide has inherent limitations for the following reasons:

* + any qualitative and quantitative disclosures cannot specifically address or quantify the substantial effects attributable to changes in business strategies, including our sales force integration efforts. We believe that if our acquired companies had operated independently and sales forces had not been integrated, the relative mix of products sold would have been different; and
  + although substantially all of our customers, including customers from acquired companies, renew their software license updates and product support contracts when the contracts are eligible for renewal and we strive to renew cloud SaaS and PaaS contracts and hardware systems support contracts, the amounts shown as cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service deferred revenues, software license updates and product support deferred revenues, and hardware systems support deferred revenues in our supplemental disclosure related to certain charges (presented below) are not necessarily indicative of revenue improvements we will achieve upon contract renewals to the extent customers do not renew.

## *Constant Currency Presentation*

Our international operations have provided and will continue to provide a significant portion of our total revenues and expenses. As a result, total revenues and expenses will continue to be affected by changes in the U.S. Dollar against major international currencies. In order to provide a framework for assessing how our underlying businesses performed excluding the effect of foreign currency fluctuations, we compare the percent change in the results from one period to another period in this Annual Report using constant currency disclosure. To present this information, current and comparative prior period results for entities reporting in currencies other than U.S. Dollars are converted into U.S. Dollars at constant exchange rates (i.e., the rates in effect on May 31, 2013, which was the last day of our prior fiscal year) rather than the actual exchange rates in effect during the respective periods. For example, if an entity reporting in Euros had revenues of 1.0 million Euros from products sold on

May 31, 2014 and 2013, our financial statements would reflect reported revenues of $1.36 million in fiscal 2014 (using 1.36 as the month-end average exchange rate for the period) and $1.29 million in fiscal 2013 (using 1.29 as the month-end average exchange rate for the period). The constant currency presentation would translate the fiscal 2014 results using the fiscal 2013 exchange rate and indicate, in this example, no change in revenues during the period. In each of the tables below, we present the percent change based on actual, unrounded results in reported currency and in constant currency.

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## *Total Revenues and Operating Expenses*

**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

**(Dollars in millions) 2014 Actual Constant 2013 Actual Constant 2012**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ***Total Revenues by Geography:*** |  | | | | | | |
| Americas | $ 20,323 | 3% | 4% | $ 19,719 | 3% | 3% | $ 19,236 |
| EMEA (1) | 11,946 | 7% | 4% | 11,158 | -3% | 0% | 11,561 |
| Asia Pacific (2) | 6,006 | -5% | 2% | 6,303 | 0% | 3% | 6,324 |
| Total revenues | 38,275 | 3% | 4% | 37,180 | 0% | 2% | 37,121 |
| ***Total Operating Expenses*** | 23,516 | 5% | 6% | 22,496 | -4% | -2% | 23,415 |
| ***Total Operating Margin*** | $ 14,759 | 1% | 1% | $ 14,684 | 7% | 10% | $ 13,706 |
| ***Total Operating Margin %*** | 39% |  |  | 39% |  |  | 37% |
| ***% Revenues by Geography:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | 53% |  |  | 53% |  |  | 52% |
| EMEA | 31% |  |  | 30% |  |  | 31% |
| Asia Pacific | 16% |  |  | 17% |  |  | 17% |
| ***Total Revenues by Business:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Software and Cloud | $ 29,199 | 5% | 5% | $ 27,920 | 5% | 7% | $ 26,560 |
| Hardware Systems | 5,372 | 0% | 2% | 5,346 | -15% | -13% | 6,302 |
| Services | 3,704 | -5% | -4% | 3,914 | -8% | -6% | 4,259 |
| Total revenues $ 38,275  ***% Revenues by Business:*** | | 3% | 4% | $ 37,180 | 0% | 2% | $ 37,121 |
| Software and Cloud 76% | |  |  | 75% |  |  | 72% |
| Hardware Systems 14% | |  |  | 14% |  |  | 17% |
| Services 10% | |  |  | 11% |  |  | 11% |

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Comprised of Europe, the Middle East and Africa Asia Pacific includes Japan

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** On a constant currency basis, our total revenues increased in fiscal 2014 by 4 percentage points due to increases in our software and cloud business revenues and our hardware business revenues, partially offset by a decrease in our services business revenues. The constant currency growth in our software and cloud business was substantially attributable to growth in our software license updates and product support revenues and, to a lesser extent, our cloud software-as-a-service (SaaS) and platform-as-a-service (PaaS) revenues due to incremental revenues from our acquisitions. The constant currency revenues growth in our hardware business was due to an increase in our hardware systems support revenues due substantially to incremental revenues from our acquisitions and due to increases in our hardware revenues attributable to our Oracle Engineered Systems, partially offset by revenue decreases attributable to reductions in the sales volumes of certain of our legacy hardware product lines, including lower margin products. On a constant currency basis, the Americas contributed 61%, EMEA contributed 30% and Asia Pacific contributed 9% to our total revenues growth during fiscal 2014.

Total constant currency operating expenses increased during fiscal 2014 primarily due to an increase in sales and marketing and research and development expenses resulting from increased headcount, higher sales-based variable compensation expenses due to revenues growth, and an increase in cloud SaaS and PaaS costs resulting from additional expenses incurred to support the increases in our cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues. These expense increases in fiscal 2014 were partially offset by lower constant currency expenses from our hardware systems support and services segments due to decreased headcount, lower restructuring expenses, and lower intangible assets amortization. In fiscal 2013, we recognized a $387 million acquisition related benefit (see Note 2 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report for additional information) and a $306 million benefit relating to certain litigation (see Note 18 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report for additional information), both of which decreased our acquisition related and other expenses during this period.

Excluding the effect of foreign currency rate fluctuations, our operating margin increased during fiscal 2014 due to our revenues growth, while our operating margin as a percentage of revenues was flat.

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***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** Excluding the effect of foreign currency rate fluctuations, our total revenues increased in fiscal 2013 due to an increase in our software and cloud business revenues. This constant currency increase was partially offset by reductions in our hardware systems and services business’ revenues. On a constant currency basis, the Americas region contributed 77% and the Asia Pacific region contributed 23% to our growth in total revenues during fiscal 2013.

Excluding the effect of foreign currency rate fluctuations, total operating expenses decreased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to a $387 million acquisition related benefit and a $306 million benefit related to certain litigation (both as noted above), lower hardware systems products costs associated with lower hardware systems products revenues, and certain other operating expense decreases in most of our other lines of business primarily due to lower variable compensation expenses, lower external contractor expenses and lower amortization of intangible assets. In constant currency, these total expense decreases during fiscal 2013 were partially offset by higher salary and benefit expenses due primarily to additional sales and marketing and research and development headcount added during fiscal 2013.

Excluding the effect of foreign currency rate fluctuations, our total operating margin and our total operating margin as a percentage of total revenues increased during fiscal 2013 due to the increase in our total revenues and the decrease in our total operating expenses.

# Supplemental Disclosure Related to Certain Charges

To supplement our consolidated financial information, we believe the following information is helpful to an overall understanding of our past financial performance and prospects for the future. You should review the introduction under “Impact of Acquisitions” (above) for a discussion of the inherent limitations in comparing pre- and post-acquisition information.

Our operating results included the following business combination accounting adjustments and expenses related to acquisitions, as well as certain other significant expense and income items:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions)** |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service deferred revenues (1) | $ 17 | $ 45 | $ 22 |
| Software license updates and product support deferred revenues (1) | 3 | 14 | 48 |
| Hardware systems support deferred revenues (1) | 11 | 14 | 30 |
| Amortization of intangible assets (2) | 2,300 | 2,385 | 2,430 |
| Acquisition related and other (3)(5) | 41 | (604) | 56 |
| Restructuring (4) | 183 | 352 | 295 |
| Stock-based compensation (5) | 795 | 722 | 626 |
| Income tax effects (6) | (1,091) | (896) | (967) |
|  | $ 2,259 | $ 2,032 | $ 2,540 |

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In connection with our acquisitions, we have estimated the fair values of the cloud SaaS and PaaS, software support and hardware systems support obligations assumed. Due to our application of business combination accounting rules, we did not recognize cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues related to contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of $17 million, $45 million and $22 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. We also did not recognize software license updates and product support revenues related to software support contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of

$3 million, $14 million and $48 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. In addition, we did not recognize hardware systems support revenues related to hardware systems support contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of $11 million, $14 million and $30 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Approximately $3 million of estimated cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues related to contracts assumed will not be recognized during fiscal 2015 that would have otherwise been recognized as revenues by the acquired businesses as independent entities due to the application of the aforementioned business combination accounting rules. Approximately $2 million of estimated hardware systems support revenues related to hardware systems support contracts assumed will not be recognized during fiscal 2015 that would have otherwise been recognized by certain acquired companies as independent entities due to the application of the aforementioned business combination accounting rules. To the extent customers renew these contracts with us, we expect to recognize revenues for the full contracts’ values over the respective contracts’ renewal periods.

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Represents the amortization of intangible assets substantially all of which were acquired in connection with our acquisitions. As of May 31, 2014, estimated future amortization expenses related to intangible assets were as follows (in millions):

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Fiscal 2015 | $ 1,934 |
| Fiscal 2016 | 1,337 |
| Fiscal 2017 | 741 |
| Fiscal 2018 | 607 |
| Fiscal 2019 | 508 |
| Thereafter | 980 |
| Total intangible assets subject to amortization | 6,107 |
| In-process research and development | 30 |
| Total intangible assets, net | $ 6,137 |

Acquisition related and other expenses primarily consist of personnel related costs for transitional and certain other employees, stock-based compensation expenses, integration related professional services, certain business combination adjustments including certain adjustments after the measurement period has ended and certain other operating items, net. In fiscal 2013, acquisition related and other expenses included a benefit of $306 million related to certain litigation (see Note 18 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report for additional information), and a net benefit of $387 million due to a change in the fair value of contingent consideration payable in connection with an acquisition (see Note 2 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report for additional information).

The significant majority of restructuring expenses during fiscal 2014 and 2013 related to employee severance and facility exit costs in connection with our Fiscal 2013 Oracle Restructuring Plan (the 2013 Restructuring Plan). Restructuring expenses during fiscal 2012 primarily related to costs incurred pursuant to our Sun Restructuring Plan. Additional information regarding certain of our restructuring plans is provided in Note 9 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

Stock-based compensation was included in the following operating expense line items of our consolidated statements of operations (in millions):

**Year Ended May 31,**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2014** |  | **2013** |  | **2012** |
| Sales and marketing | $ 165 |  | $ 137 |  | $ 115 |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service | 8 |  | 10 |  | 7 |
| Cloud infrastructure-as-a-service | 4 |  | 8 |  | 6 |
| Software license updates and product support | 22 |  | 20 |  | 18 |
| Hardware systems products | 5 |  | 3 |  | 1 |
| Hardware systems support | 6 |  | 5 |  | 5 |
| Services | 29 |  | 23 |  | 17 |
| Research and development | 385 |  | 352 |  | 295 |
| General and administrative | 171 |  | 164 |  | 162 |
| Subtotal | 795 |  | 722 |  | 626 |
| Acquisition related and other | 10 |  | 33 |  | 33 |
| Total stock-based compensation | $ 805 |  | $ 755 |  | $ 659 |

Stock-based compensation included in acquisition related and other expenses resulted from unvested stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed from acquisitions whose vesting was accelerated upon termination of the employees pursuant to the terms of those stock options and restricted stock-based awards.

The income tax effects presented were calculated as if the above described charges were not included in our results of operations for each of the respective periods presented. Income tax effects for fiscal 2014 and 2013 were calculated based on the applicable jurisdictional tax rates applied to the items within the table above and resulted in effective tax rates of 22.5% and 23.0%, respectively, instead of 20.1% and 21.4%, respectively, which represented our effective tax rates as derived per our consolidated statement of operations, primarily due to the net tax effects of acquisition related items, including the tax effects of amortization of intangible assets. Income tax effects for fiscal 2012 were calculated reflecting an effective tax rate of 24.0%, instead of 23.0% which represented our effective tax rate as derived per our consolidated statement of operations, due to the disproportionate rate impact of certain discrete items, income tax effects related to our acquired tax exposures, and differences in jurisdictional tax rates and related tax benefits attributable to our restructuring expenses in the period.

# Software and Cloud Business

Our software and cloud business consists of our new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions segment, our cloud infrastructure-as-a- service segment and our software license updates and product support segment.

***New Software Licenses and Cloud Software Subscriptions:*** New software licenses revenues represent fees earned from granting customers licenses to use our database and middleware and our application software

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products. Cloud software subscriptions include revenues from our cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service offerings, which grant customers access to a broad range of our software offerings on a subscription basis in a secure, standards-based, cloud computing environment that includes access, hosting, infrastructure management, the use of software updates, and support. We continue to place significant emphasis, both domestically and internationally, on direct sales through our own sales force. We also continue to market our products through indirect channels. Costs associated with our new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions segment are included in sales and marketing expenses, cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service expenses and amortization of intangible assets. These costs are largely personnel related and include commissions earned by our sales force for the sale of our software offerings, marketing program costs, the cost of providing our cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service offerings and amortization of intangible assets.

**Year Ended May 31,**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **Percent** | **Change** |  | **Percent** | **Change** |  |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2013** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2012** |
| ***New Software Licenses and Cloud Software Subscriptions Revenues:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | $ 5,544 | 1% | 3% | $ 5,465 | 7% | 8% | $ 5,107 |
| EMEA | 3,249 | 10% | 6% | 2,959 | 3% | 5% | 2,884 |
| Asia Pacific | 1,744 | -8% | -2% | 1,897 | -1% | 3% | 1,915 |
| Total revenues | 10,537 | 2% | 3% | 10,321 | 4% | 6% | 9,906 |
| ***Expenses:***  Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service (1) | 447 | 41% | 42% | 317 | 58% | 58% | 202 |
| Sales and marketing (1) | 6,350 | 7% | 8% | 5,935 | 4% | 6% | 5,697 |
| Stock-based compensation | 166 | 17% | 17% | 142 | 19% | 19% | 120 |
| Amortization of intangible assets (2) | 977 | -1% | -1% | 986 | 20% | 20% | 822 |
| Total expenses | 7,940 | 8% | 8% | 7,380 | 8% | 10% | 6,841 |
| ***Total Margin*** | $ 2,597 | -12% | -11% | $ 2,941 | -4% | -3% | $ 3,065 |
| ***Total Margin %*** | 25% |  |  | 28% |  |  | 31% |
| ***% Revenues by Geography:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | 53% |  |  | 53% |  |  | 52% |
| EMEA | 31% |  |  | 29% |  |  | 29% |
| Asia Pacific | 16% |  |  | 18% |  |  | 19% |
| ***Revenues by Software Offerings:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New software licenses | $ 9,416 | 0% | 1% | $ 9,411 | 0% | 1% | $ 9,451 |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service | 1,121 | 23% | 24% | 910 | 100% | 100% | 455 |
| Total new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues  ***% Revenues by Software Offerings:*** | $ 10,537 | 2% | 3% | $ 10,321 | 4% | 6% | $ 9,906 |
| New software licenses | 89% |  |  | 91% |  |  | 95% |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service | 11% |  |  | 9% |  |  | 5% |

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Excluding stock-based compensation

Included as a component of ‘Amortization of Intangible Assets’ in our consolidated statements of operations

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** Excluding the effect of unfavorable currency rate fluctuations, total new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues increased by 3% during fiscal 2014 primarily due to incremental revenues from our cloud SaaS and PaaS offerings resulting from our recent acquisitions. In constant currency, total new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues growth in the Americas and EMEA region was partially offset by a decline in revenues in the Asia Pacific region.

In constant currency, our new software license revenues increased by 1% in fiscal 2014 and our SaaS and PaaS revenues increased by 24% in fiscal 2014, both primarily due to incremental revenues from our recent acquisitions.

As a result of our acquisitions, we recorded adjustments to reduce assumed cloud SaaS and PaaS obligations to their estimated fair values at the acquisition dates. Due to our application of business combination accounting rules, cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues in the amounts of $17 million,

$45 million and $22 million that would have been otherwise recorded by our acquired businesses as independent entities were not recognized in fiscal 2014,

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2013 and 2012, respectively. To the extent underlying cloud SaaS and PaaS contracts are renewed with us following an acquisition, we will recognize the revenues for the full values of the cloud SaaS and PaaS contracts over the respective contractual periods.

In reported currency, new software licenses revenues earned from transactions of $3 million or greater increased by 3% in fiscal 2014 and represented 33% of our new software licenses revenues in fiscal 2014 in comparison to 32% in fiscal 2013.

Excluding the effect of favorable currency rate fluctuations, total new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions expenses increased in fiscal 2014 primarily due to higher employee related expenses from increased headcount, higher variable compensation expenses due to revenues growth, and higher cloud SaaS and PaaS expenses resulting from costs incurred to support the related revenue increases.

Excluding the effect of unfavorable currency rate fluctuations, total new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions margin and margin as a percentage of revenues decreased in fiscal 2014 as our total expenses increased at a faster rate than our total revenues for this operating segment.

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** Excluding the effect of foreign currency rate fluctuations, total new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues increased during fiscal 2013 due to growth across all regions and incremental revenues from our acquisitions. On a constant currency basis, the Americas contributed 69%, EMEA contributed 23% and Asia Pacific contributed 8% to the increase in new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues during fiscal 2013.

In constant currency, our new software licenses revenues increased by 1% and our cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues increased by 100% in fiscal 2013 primarily due to incremental revenues from our acquisitions. As described above, the amount of new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues that we recognized in fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2012 were affected by business combination accounting rules.

In reported currency, new software licenses revenues earned from transactions of $3 million or greater increased by 11% in fiscal 2013 and represented 32% of our total new software licenses revenues in fiscal 2013 in comparison to 29% in fiscal 2012.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions expenses increased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to higher employee related expenses and stock-based compensation from increased headcount, and higher intangible asset amortization, partially offset by a decrease in certain legal costs.

Excluding the effect of unfavorable currency rate fluctuations, total new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions margin and margin as a percentage of revenues decreased in fiscal 2013 as our total expenses increased at a faster rate than our total revenues for this operating segment.

***Cloud Infrastructure-as-a-Service:*** Our cloud infrastructure-as-a-service segment provides deployment and management offerings for our software and hardware and related IT infrastructure including virtual machine instances that are subscription-based and designed for computing and reliable and secure object storage; Oracle Engineered Systems hardware and related support that are deployed in our customers’ data centers for a monthly fee; and comprehensive software and hardware management and maintenance services for customer IT infrastructure for a fee for a stated term that is hosted at our data center facilities, select partner data centers or physically on-premise at customer facilities. Cloud infrastructure-as-a-service expenses consist primarily of personnel related expenditures, technology infrastructure expenditures and facilities costs. For all periods presented, our cloud-infrastructure-as-a-service segment’s revenues and expenses were substantially attributable to our IT infrastructure management, maintenance and hosting services offerings.

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**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

**(Dollars in millions) 2014 Actual Constant 2013 Actual Constant 2012**

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| ***Cloud Infastructure-as-a-Service:*** |  | | | | | | |
| Americas | $ 335 | -6% | -5% | $ 355 | 5% | 6% | $ 337 |
| EMEA | 94 | 32% | 27% | 72 | -6% | -1% | 76 |
| Asia Pacific | 27 | -12% | 3% | 30 | -1% | 4% | 31 |
| Total revenues | 456 | 0% | 1% | 457 | 3% | 5% | 444 |
| ***Expenses:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cloud infastructure-as-a-service (1) | 304 | 3% | 5% | 296 | 5% | 8% | 283 |
| Sales and marketing (1) | 61 | 0% | 1% | 61 | -15% | -14% | 72 |
| Stock-based compensation | 4 | -52% | -52% | 8 | 28% | 28% | 6 |
| Total expenses | 369 | 1% | 3% | 365 | 1% | 4% | 361 |
| ***Total Margin*** | $ 87 | -6% | -9% | $ 92 | 10% | 8% | $ 83 |
| ***Total Margin %*** | 19% |  |  | 20% |  |  | 19% |
| ***% Revenues by Geography:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | 73% |  |  | 77% |  |  | 76% |
| EMEA | 21% |  |  | 16% |  |  | 17% |
| Asia Pacific | 6% |  |  | 7% |  |  | 7% |

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Excluding stock-based compensation

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** On a constant currency basis, total cloud IaaS revenues increased slightly in fiscal 2014 primarily due to incremental revenues from the recent introduction of our on-premise Oracle Engineered Systems subscription offerings. In constant currency, total cloud IaaS revenues growth in the EMEA and Asia Pacific regions were partially offset by a decline in revenues in the Americas region.

On a constant currency basis, total cloud IaaS expenses increased during fiscal 2014 primarily due to increased employee related expenses associated with increased headcount, which reduced the total margin and margin as a percentage of revenues for this segment.

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** On a constant currency basis, total cloud IaaS revenues increased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to growth in our infrastructure management, maintenance and hosting services offerings. In constant currency, total cloud IaaS revenues growth in the Americas and Asia Pacific regions were partially offset by a decline in revenues in the EMEA region.

On a constant currency basis, total cloud IaaS expenses increased during fiscal 2013 primarily due to increased employee related expenses associated with increased headcount. Total margin and margin as a percentage of revenues increased during fiscal 2013 as our total revenues increased at a faster rate than our total expenses for this segment.

***Software License Updates and Product Support:*** Software license updates grant customers rights to unspecified software product upgrades and maintenance releases and patches released during the support period. Product support includes internet access to technical content as well as internet and telephone access to technical support personnel in our global support centers. Expenses associated with our software license updates and product support line of business include the cost of providing the support services, largely personnel related expenses, and the amortization of our intangible assets associated with software support contracts and customer relationships obtained from acquisitions.

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**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2013** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2012** |
| ***Software License Updates and Product Support Revenues:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | $ 9,858 | 6% | 7% | $ 9,322 | 7% | 8% | $ 8,672 |
| EMEA | 5,906 | 10% | 7% | 5,363 | 3% | 7% | 5,194 |
| Asia Pacific | 2,442 | -1% | 8% | 2,457 | 5% | 9% | 2,344 |
| Total revenues | 18,206 | 6% | 7% | 17,142 | 6% | 8% | 16,210 |
| ***Expenses:***  Software license updates and product support (1) | 1,140 | -1% | 0% | 1,155 | -4% | -2% | 1,208 |
| Stock-based compensation | 22 | 10% | 10% | 20 | 12% | 12% | 18 |
| Amortization of intangible assets (2) | 801 | -4% | -4% | 836 | -3% | -3% | 863 |
| Total expenses | 1,963 | -2% | -1% | 2,011 | -4% | -2% | 2,089 |
| ***Total Margin*** | $ 16,243 | 7% | 8% | $ 15,131 | 7% | 10% | $ 14,121 |
| ***Total Margin %*** | 89% |  |  | 88% |  |  | 87% |
| ***% Revenues by Geography:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | 54% |  |  | 55% |  |  | 54% |
| EMEA | 33% |  |  | 31% |  |  | 32% |
| Asia Pacific | 13% |  |  | 14% |  |  | 14% |

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Excluding stock-based compensation

Included as a component of ‘Amortization of Intangible Assets’ in our consolidated statements of operations

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** Excluding the effect of unfavorable currency rate fluctuations, software license updates and product support revenues increased by 7% in fiscal 2014 as a result of new software licenses sold with substantially all of these customers electing to purchase software support contracts during the trailing 4-quarter period, and the renewal of substantially all of the software support customer base eligible for renewal during the trailing 4-quarter period. Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, the Americas contributed 55%, EMEA contributed 30% and Asia Pacific contributed 15% to the increase in software license updates and product support revenues.

As a result of our acquisitions, we recorded adjustments to reduce assumed software support obligations to their estimated fair values at the acquisition dates. Due to our application of business combination accounting rules, software license updates and product support revenues related to software support contracts in the amounts of $3 million, $14 million and $48 million that would have been otherwise recorded by our acquired businesses as independent entities were not recognized in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Historically, substantially all of our customers, including customers from acquired companies, renew their software support contracts when such contracts are eligible for renewal. To the extent these underlying support contracts are renewed, we will recognize the revenues for the full values of these contracts over the support periods, the substantial majority of which are one year in duration.

Excluding the effect of favorable foreign currency rate fluctuations, total software license updates and product support expenses during fiscal 2014 decreased slightly due to a modest decrease in headcount and a decrease in amortization of intangible assets. Margin and margin as a percentage of revenues increased during fiscal 2014 as our total revenues for this segment increased while our total expenses slightly decreased.

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, software license updates and product support revenues increased in fiscal 2013 for similar reasons as those noted above for our fiscal 2014 revenues increase and due to incremental revenues from recent acquisitions. Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, the Americas contributed 56%, EMEA contributed 29% and Asia Pacific contributed 15% to the increase in software license updates and product support revenues.

As described above, the amounts of software license updates and product support revenues that we recognized in fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2012 were affected by business combination accounting rules.

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Excluding the effect of favorable foreign currency rate fluctuations, total software license updates and product support expenses decreased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to lower amortization of intangible assets, a reduction in certain non-income based taxes, lower bad debt expenses, and lower variable compensation expenses.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total software license updates and product support margin and margin as a percentage of revenues increased in fiscal 2013 as our total revenues for this segment increased while our total expenses decreased.

# Hardware Systems Business

Our hardware systems business consists of our hardware systems products segment and hardware systems support segment.

***Hardware Systems Products:*** Hardware systems products revenues are primarily generated from the sales of our computer server, storage and networking products, including sales of our Oracle Engineered Systems. We market and sell our hardware systems products through our direct sales force and indirect channels such as independent distributors and value added resellers. Operating expenses associated with our hardware systems products include the cost of hardware systems products, which consists of expenses for materials and labor used to produce these products by our internal manufacturing operations or by third party manufacturers, warranty expenses and the impact of periodic changes in inventory valuation, including the impact of inventory determined to be excess and obsolete. Operating expenses associated with our hardware systems products also include sales and marketing expenses, which are largely personnel related and include variable compensation earned by our sales force for the sales of our hardware products, and amortization of intangible assets.

**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

**(Dollars in millions) 2014 Actual Constant 2013 Actual Constant 2012**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ***Hardware Systems Products Revenues:*** |  | | | | | | |
| Americas | $ 1,507 | 1% | 2% | $ 1,495 | -20% | -20% | $ 1,880 |
| EMEA | 834 | -1% | -3% | 842 | -26% | -23% | 1,140 |
| Asia Pacific | 635 | -9% | -5% | 696 | -14% | -12% | 807 |
| Total revenues | 2,976 | -2% | -1% | 3,033 | -21% | -19% | 3,827 |
| ***Expenses:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hardware systems products (1) | 1,516 | 1% | 3% | 1,498 | -19% | -17% | 1,842 |
| Sales and marketing (1) | 991 | 7% | 7% | 929 | -16% | -14% | 1,106 |
| Stock-based compensation | 12 | 49% | 49% | 8 | 211% | 211% | 3 |
| Amortization of intangible assets (2) | 274 | -16% | -16% | 327 | -17% | -17% | 393 |
| Total expenses | 2,793 | 1% | 2% | 2,762 | -17% | -16% | 3,344 |
| ***Total Margin*** | $ 183 | -33% | -30% | $ 271 | -44% | -42% | $ 483 |
| ***Total Margin %*** | 6% |  |  | 9% |  |  | 13% |
| ***% Revenues by Geography:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | 51% |  |  | 49% |  |  | 49% |
| EMEA | 28% |  |  | 28% |  |  | 30% |
| Asia Pacific | 21% |  |  | 23% |  |  | 21% |

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Excluding stock-based compensation

Included as a component of ‘Amortization of Intangible Assets’ in our consolidated statements of operations

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total hardware systems products revenues modestly decreased in fiscal 2014. The decrease in revenues during fiscal 2014, which was attributable to reductions in the sales volumes of certain of our legacy product lines, including lower margin

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products, was partially offset by incremental revenues from our recently acquired companies and increases in hardware revenues attributable to our sales of Oracle Engineered Systems.

In constant currency, total hardware systems products operating expenses increased in fiscal 2014 primarily due to an increase in employee related expenses due primarily to an increase in sales and marketing headcount, partially offset by a decrease in amortization of intangible assets.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total margin and margin as a percentage of revenues decreased in fiscal 2014 due to a decrease in our total revenues and increase in our total expenses for this segment.

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** On a constant currency basis, hardware systems products revenues decreased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to reductions in the sales volumes of certain of our legacy product lines, including lower margin products. These revenue decreases were partially offset by increases in hardware revenues attributable to our Oracle Engineered Systems.

On a constant currency basis, total hardware systems products operating expenses declined in fiscal 2013 primarily due to a reduction in hardware systems products costs associated with lower hardware revenues, a decrease in employee related expenses due to decreased hardware systems sales headcount, and lower intangible asset amortization.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total hardware systems products margin and margin as a percentage of revenues decreased in fiscal 2013 as our total revenues for this segment decreased at a faster rate than our total expenses.

***Hardware Systems Support:*** Our hardware systems support offerings provide customers with software updates for software components that are essential to the functionality of our server, storage and networking products, such as Oracle Solaris and certain other software products, and can include product repairs, maintenance services and technical support services. Expenses associated with our hardware systems support operating segment include the cost of materials used to repair customer products, the cost of providing support services, largely personnel related expenses, and the amortization of our intangible assets associated with hardware systems support contracts and customer relationships obtained from our acquisitions.

**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

**(Dollars in millions) 2014 Actual Constant 2013 Actual Constant 2012**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ***Hardware Systems Support Revenues:*** |  | | | | | | |
| Americas | $ 1,229 | 11% | 12% | $ 1,109 | -4% | -4% | $ 1,157 |
| EMEA | 738 | -2% | -4% | 752 | -14% | -10% | 870 |
| Asia Pacific | 429 | -5% | 2% | 452 | 1% | 4% | 448 |
| Total revenues | 2,396 | 4% | 5% | 2,313 | -7% | -4% | 2,475 |
| ***Expenses:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hardware systems support (1) | 830 | -6% | -5% | 885 | -15% | -13% | 1,041 |
| Stock-based compensation | 6 | 26% | 26% | 5 | -3% | -3% | 5 |
| Amortization of intangible assets (2) | 231 | 8% | 8% | 213 | -30% | -30% | 305 |
| Total expenses | 1,067 | -3% | -3% | 1,103 | -18% | -17% | 1,351 |
| ***Total Margin*** | $ 1,329 | 10% | 12% | $ 1,210 | 8% | 11% | $ 1,124 |
| ***Total Margin %*** | 55% |  |  | 52% |  |  | 45% |
| ***% Revenues by Geography:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | 51% |  |  | 48% |  |  | 47% |
| EMEA | 31% |  |  | 32% |  |  | 35% |
| Asia Pacific | 18% |  |  | 20% |  |  | 18% |

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Excluding stock-based compensation

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***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** Excluding the impact of unfavorable currency rate fluctuations, hardware systems support revenues increased in fiscal 2014 primarily due to incremental revenues from our

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recent acquisitions. These hardware support revenues increases were partially offset by certain hardware support revenues decreases that were generally caused by the reductions in sales volumes of certain of our legacy hardware systems product lines for which we offer hardware systems support. In constant currency, hardware systems support revenues growth in the Americas and Asia Pacific region was partially offset by a decline in revenues in the EMEA region.

As a result of our acquisitions, we recorded adjustments to reduce assumed hardware systems support obligations to their estimated fair values at the acquisition dates. Due to our application of business combination accounting rules, hardware systems support revenues related to hardware systems support contracts in the amounts of $11 million, $14 million and $30 million that would have been otherwise reported by our acquired businesses as independent entities were not recognized in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. To the extent these underlying hardware systems support contracts are renewed, we will recognize the revenues for the full values of these contracts over the future support periods.

Total hardware systems support expenses decreased in fiscal 2014 primarily due to a reduction in employee related expenses attributable to decreased headcount and reduced service delivery costs due to operational initiatives, partially offset by an increase in amortization of intangible assets.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total hardware systems support margin and margin as a percentage of total revenues increased in fiscal 2014 as our total revenues for this segment increased while our total expenses for this segment decreased.

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** Excluding the impact of currency rate fluctuations, hardware systems support revenues decreased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to reductions in sales volumes of certain of our legacy hardware systems product lines for which we offer hardware systems support. As described above, the amounts of hardware systems support revenues that we recognized in fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2012 were affected by business combination accounting rules.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total hardware systems support expenses decreased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to a reduction in employee related expenses attributable to decreased headcount, reduced service delivery costs due to operational initiatives, lower bad debt expenses, and lower amortization of intangible assets.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total hardware systems support margin and margin as a percentage of total revenues increased in fiscal 2013 due to the reduction in our total hardware systems support expenses.

# Services Business

Our services business consists of consulting, advanced customer support services and education services. Consulting revenues are earned by providing services to customers in business and IT strategy alignment, enterprise architecture planning and design, initial product implementation and integration, and ongoing product enhancements and upgrades. Advanced customer support services are provided on-premise and remotely to our customers to enable increased performance and higher availability of their Oracle products and services. Education revenues are earned by providing instructor-led, media-based, internet-based and custom training in the use of our software and hardware offerings. The cost of providing our services consists primarily of personnel related expenses, technology infrastructure expenditures, facilities expenses and external contractor expenses.

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**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2013** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2012** |
| ***Services Revenues:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | $ 1,850 | -6% | -5% | $ 1,973 | -5% | -4% | $ 2,083 |
| EMEA | 1,125 | -4% | -7% | 1,170 | -16% | -13% | 1,397 |
| Asia Pacific | 729 | -5% | 2% | 771 | -1% | 4% | 779 |
| Total revenues | 3,704 | -5% | -4% | 3,914 | -8% | -6% | 4,259 |
| ***Expenses:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Services (1) | 2,925 | -7% | -6% | 3,159 | -6% | -4% | 3,365 |
| Stock-based compensation | 29 | 25% | 25% | 23 | 39% | 39% | 17 |
| Amortization of intangible assets (2) | 17 | -26% | -26% | 23 | -52% | -52% | 47 |
| Total expenses | 2,971 | -7% | -6% | 3,205 | -7% | -4% | 3,429 |
| ***Total Margin*** | $ 733 | 3% | 5% | $ 709 | -15% | -12% | $ 830 |
| ***Total Margin %*** | 20% |  |  | 18% |  |  | 19% |
| ***% Revenues by Geography:*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americas | 50% |  |  | 50% |  |  | 49% |
| EMEA | 30% |  |  | 30% |  |  | 33% |
| Asia Pacific | 20% |  |  | 20% |  |  | 18% |

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Excluding stock-based compensation

Included as a component of ‘Amortization of Intangible Assets’ in our consolidated statements of operations

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, our total services revenues decreased in fiscal 2014 due to revenue decreases in each of our services segments. The largest services revenues decrease was to our consulting segment’s revenues.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, our total services expenses decreased during fiscal 2014 primarily due to expense decreases in our consulting services segment due to decreased headcount, lower external contractor costs, lower intangible asset amortization, and a decrease in certain other operating expenses, net.

In constant currency, total services margin and total margin as a percentage of total services revenues increased during fiscal 2014 due to our expense reductions for this business.

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, our total services revenues decreased in fiscal 2013 due to revenue decreases in each of our services segments. The largest services revenues decrease in fiscal 2013 was to our consulting segment’s revenues.

Excluding the effect of currency rate fluctuations, total services expenses decreased during fiscal 2013 primarily due to expense decreases across all of our services segments, which consisted primarily of decreases in external contractor costs, lower variable compensation expenses, and lower intangible asset amortization.

In constant currency, total services margin and total margin as a percentage of total services revenues decreased during fiscal 2013 as our total services revenues declined at a faster rate than our total services expenses.

***Research and Development Expenses:*** Research and development expenses consist primarily of personnel related expenditures. We intend to continue to invest significantly in our research and development efforts because, in our judgment, they are essential to maintaining our competitive position.

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**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2013** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2012** |
| Research and development (1) | $ 4,766 | 6% | 7% | $ 4,498 | 6% | 8% | $ 4,228 |
| Stock-based compensation | 385 | 9% | 9% | 352 | 19% | 19% | 295 |
| Total expenses | $ 5,151 | 6% | 7% | $ 4,850 | 7% | 8% | $ 4,523 |
| ***% of Total Revenues*** | 13% |  |  | 13% |  |  | 12% |

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Excluding stock-based compensation

On a constant currency basis, total research and development expenses increased during fiscal 2014 and 2013, each relative to the respective prior year period, primarily due to increases in employee related expenses from increased headcount, partially offset by lower variable compensation expenses.

***General and Administrative Expenses:*** General and administrative expenses primarily consist of personnel related expenditures for

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| information technology, finance, legal and human resources support functions. |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |  |
|  | **Percent Change** |  | **Percent Change** |
| **(Dollars in millions) 2014** | **Actual Constant** | **2013** | **Actual Constant** | **2012** |
| General and administrative (1) $ 867 | -4% -3% | $ 908 | -6% -4% | $ 964 |
| Stock-based compensation 171 | 4% 4% | 164 | 2% 2% | 162 |
| Total expenses $ 1,038 | -3% -2% | $ 1,072 | -5% -3% | $ 1,126 |
| ***% of Total Revenues*** 3% |  | 3% |  | 3% |

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Excluding stock-based compensation

On a constant currency basis, total general and administrative expenses decreased during fiscal 2014 and 2013, each relative to the respective prior year period, primarily due to lower professional fees, variable compensation expenses and certain other operating expenses, net, partially offset by slightly higher salaries and benefits expenses due to an increase in headcount.

## *Amortization of Intangible Assets:*

**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** |  | **Actual** | **Constant** |  | **2013** |  | **Actual** | **Constant** |  | **2012** |
| Software support agreements and related relationships | $ 571 |  | -2% | -2% |  | $ 582 |  | -1% | -1% |  | $ 585 |
| Hardware systems support agreements and related relationships | 143 |  | 18% | 18% |  | 121 |  | 2% | 2% |  | 119 |
| Developed technology | 706 |  | -15% | -15% |  | 826 |  | -11% | -11% |  | 923 |
| Core technology | 318 |  | -3% | -3% |  | 329 |  | -2% | -2% |  | 337 |
| Customer relationships and contract backlog | 334 |  | -5% | -5% |  | 350 |  | -5% | -5% |  | 370 |
| SaaS and PaaS agreements and related relationships and other | 150 |  | 33% | 33% |  | 113 |  | 242% | 242% |  | 33 |
| Trademarks | 78 |  | 22% | 22% |  | 64 |  | 2% | 2% |  | 63 |
| Total amortization of intangible assets | $ 2,300 |  | -4% | -4% |  | $ 2,385 |  | -2% | -2% |  | $ 2,430 |

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** Amortization of intangible assets decreased during fiscal 2014 as certain of our intangible assets pertaining to our legacy acquisitions became fully amortized. These decreases were partially offset by additional amortization from intangible assets that we acquired in connection with our recent acquisitions, including our acquisitions of Responsys and Tekelec in fiscal 2014 and Acme Packet in fiscal 2013, among others. Note 7 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report has additional information regarding our intangible assets and related amortization.

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***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** Amortization of intangible assets decreased during fiscal 2013 as certain of our intangible assets pertaining to our legacy acquisitions became fully amortized. These decreases were partially offset by additional amortization from intangible assets that we acquired in connection with our recent acquisitions, including our acquisitions of Acme Packet in fiscal 2013, and RightNow and Taleo in fiscal 2012, among others.

***Acquisition Related and Other Expenses:*** Acquisition related and other expenses consist of personnel related costs for transitional and certain other employees, stock-based compensation expenses, integration related professional services, certain business combination adjustments including certain adjustments after the measurement period has ended and certain other operating items, net. Stock-based compensation expenses included in acquisition related and other expenses resulted from unvested stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed from acquisitions whereby vesting was accelerated upon termination of the employees pursuant to the original terms of those stock options and restricted stock-based awards.

**Year Ended May 31,**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **Percent Change** | |  | **Percent Change** | |  |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual Constant** | | **2013** | **Actual Constant** | | **2012** |
| Transitional and other employee related costs | $ 27 | 1% | 2% | $ 27 | 6% | 9% | $ 25 |
| Stock-based compensation | 10 | -69% | -69% | 33 | 1% | 1% | 33 |
| Professional fees and other, net | 20 | 107% | 107% | (276) | -2,314% | -2,216% | 13 |
| Business combination adjustments, net | (16) | 96% | 96% | (388) | -2,543% | -2,426% | (15) |
| Total acquisition related and other expenses | $ 41 | 107% | 107% | $ (604) | -1,183% | -1,200% | $ 56 |

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** On a constant currency basis, the increase in our acquisition related and other expenses in fiscal 2014 was primarily due to certain benefits that we recorded during fiscal 2013, which reduced our expenses during this period. We recorded a net benefit of $387 million during fiscal 2013 related to the change in fair value of contingent consideration payable in connection with an acquisition (see Note 2 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report). We also recorded a $306 million benefit in fiscal 2013 to professional fees and other, net related to certain litigation (see Note 18 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report).

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** On a constant currency basis, the decrease in our acquisition related and other expenses in fiscal 2013 was primarily due to the aforementioned benefits described above.

***Restructuring expenses:*** Restructuring expenses result from the execution of management approved restructuring plans that were generally developed to improve our cost structure and/or operations, often in conjunction with our acquisition integration strategies. Restructuring expenses consist of employee severance costs and may also include charges for duplicate facilities and other contract termination costs to improve our cost structure prospectively. For additional information regarding our restructuring plans, see Note 9 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2013** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2012** |
| Restructuring expenses | $ 183 | - 48% | -49% | $ 352 | 19% | 23% | $ 295 |

Restructuring expenses in fiscal 2014 and 2013 primarily related to our 2013 Restructuring Plan, which our management approved, committed to and initiated in order to restructure and further improve efficiencies in our operations. We amended the 2013 Restructuring Plan in the third quarter of fiscal 2013 and in the first quarter of fiscal 2014 to reflect additional actions that we expect to take to improve efficiencies in our operations. The total estimated restructuring costs associated with the 2013 Restructuring Plan are $705 million and will be recorded to the restructuring expense line item within our consolidated statements of operations as they are incurred. The total estimated remaining restructuring costs associated with the 2013 Restructuring Plan were approximately

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$206 million as of May 31, 2014. The majority of the remaining costs are expected to be incurred through the end of fiscal 2015. Our estimated costs may be subject to change in future periods.

Restructuring expenses in fiscal 2012 primarily related to our Sun Restructuring Plan, which our management approved, committed to and initiated in order to better align our cost structure as a result of our acquisition of Sun.

## *Interest Expense:*

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|  | | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |  |
| **Percent Change** | **Percent Change** |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual Constant 2013** | **Actual Constant** | **2012** |
| Interest expense | $ 914 | 15% 15% $ 797 | 4% 4% | $ 766 |

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** Interest expense increased in fiscal 2014 primarily due to higher average borrowings resulting from our issuance of $3.0 billion and €2.0 billion of senior notes in July 2013 and our issuance of $5.0 billion of senior notes in October 2012, partially offset by a reduction in interest expense resulting from the maturity and repayment of $1.25 billion of senior notes in April 2013 (see Recent Financing Activities below and Note 8 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report for additional information).

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** Interest expense increased in fiscal 2013 due to higher average borrowings resulting from our issuance of $5.0 billion of senior notes in October 2012, partially offset by the maturity and repayment of $1.25 billion of senior notes in April 2013.

***Non-Operating (Expense) Income, net:*** Non-operating (expense) income, net consists primarily of interest income, net foreign currency exchange gains (losses), the noncontrolling interests in the net profits of our majority-owned subsidiaries (Oracle Financial Services Software Limited and Oracle Japan) and net other income (losses) including net realized gains and losses related to all of our investments and net unrealized gains and losses related to the small portion of our investment portfolio that we classify as trading.

**Year Ended May 31,**

**Percent Change Percent Change**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2013** | **Actual** | **Constant** | **2012** |
| Interest income | $ 263 | 10% | 17% | $ 237 | 3% | 7% | $ 231 |
| Foreign currency losses, net | (375) | 131% | 127% | (162) | 54% | 51% | (105) |
| Noncontrolling interests in income | (98) | -12% | -12% | (112) | -6% | -4% | (119) |
| Other income, net | 69 | 44% | 44% | 48 | 220% | 225% | 15 |
| Total non-operating (expense) income, net | $ (141) | 1,343% | 1,749% | $ 11 | -49% | 4% | $ 22 |

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** We recorded non-operating expense, net in fiscal 2014 in comparison to non-operating income, net in fiscal 2013 primarily due to an increase in foreign currency losses, net that were incurred in fiscal 2014 including foreign currency remeasurement losses of $213 million that related to the remeasurement of certain assets and liabilities of our Venezuelan subsidiary. The Venezuelan economy has been determined to be “highly inflationary” in accordance with ASC 830, *Foreign Currency Matters* . As a result, we report all net monetary assets related to our Venezuelan subsidiary in U.S. Dollars with the associated impacts of periodic changes of Bolivar Fuerte (“VEF”) to U.S. Dollar exchange rates in our statements of operations for each respective reporting period. During fiscal 2014, the Venezuelan government issued new exchange agreements that allowed for certain foreign currency transactions, which previously were subject to Venezuela’s official Bolivar Fuerte (“VEF”) to U.S. Dollar exchange rate (the “Official Rate”), to be subject to conversion at rates established at the Venezuelan government’s auction-based exchange rate programs, the Complementary System for Foreign Currency Administration (“SICAD”) rates. These SICAD rates were lower than the Official Rate that we had used historically to report the VEF based transactions and net monetary assets of our

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Venezuelan subsidiary. To determine which of the various VEF rates to use during fiscal 2014, we evaluated our individual facts and circumstances taking into consideration our legal ability to convert VEF at or to settle VEF based transactions using the SICAD rates, amongst other factors. We concluded that using the SICAD rates was the most appropriate for our reporting of our Venezuelan subsidiary’s VEF based transactions and net monetary assets in U.S. Dollars, which resulted in the $213 million of fiscal 2014 remeasurement losses referenced above. Future devaluations of the Venezuelan currency are not expected to have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements. As a large portion of our consolidated operations are international, we could experience additional foreign currency volatility and incur additional remeasurement losses in the future, the amounts and timing of which are unknown.

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** On a constant currency basis, our non-operating income, net decreased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to an increase in foreign currency transaction losses, net, that included a foreign currency loss relating to our Venezuelan subsidiary’s operations. During our third quarter of fiscal 2013, the Venezuelan government devalued its currency and we recognized a $64 million foreign currency loss as a result of the remeasurement of certain assets and liabilities of our Venezuelan subsidiary. This decrease in non-operating income, net was partially offset by an increase in other income, net during fiscal 2013, which was primarily due to gains from our marketable securities that we designated as trading that were held to support our deferred compensation plan obligations.

***Provision for Income Taxes:*** Our effective tax rate in all periods is the result of the mix of income earned in various tax jurisdictions that apply a broad range of income tax rates. The provision for income taxes differs from the tax computed at the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate due primarily to earnings considered as indefinitely reinvested in foreign operations, state taxes, the U.S. research and development tax credit and the U.S. domestic production activity deduction. Future effective tax rates could be adversely affected if earnings are lower than anticipated in countries where we have lower statutory tax rates, by unfavorable changes in tax laws and regulations or by adverse rulings in tax related litigation.

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|  | |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |  |
| **Percent Change** |  | **Percent Change** |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Actual Constant** | **2013** | **Actual Constant** | **2012** |
| Provision for income taxes | $ 2,749 | -7% -6% | $ 2,973 | 0% 3% | $ 2,981 |
| ***Effective tax rate*** | 20.1% |  | 21.4% |  | 23.0% |

***Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:*** Provision for income taxes in fiscal 2014 decreased, relative to the provision for income taxes in fiscal 2013, due to a tax favorable change in the jurisdictional mix of our earnings and the effects of acquisition related settlements with tax authorities during fiscal 2014.

***Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:*** Provision for income taxes in fiscal 2013 decreased slightly due to acquisition related items, the retroactive extension of the U.S. research and development credit, offset by higher income before provision for income taxes.

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| **Liquidity and Capital Resources** |  | | | | |
|  |  |  | **As of May 31,** |  |  |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Change** | **2013** | **Change** | **2012** |
| Working capital | $ 33,749 | 17% | $ 28,820 | 17% | $ 24,635 |
| Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities | $ 38,819 | 20% | $ 32,216 | 5% | $ 30,676 |

***Working capital:*** The increase in working capital as of May 31, 2014 in comparison to May 31, 2013 was primarily due to our issuance of

€2.0 billion and $3.0 billion of long-term senior notes in July 2013, the favorable impact to our net current assets resulting from our net income during fiscal 2014, and, to a lesser extent, cash proceeds from stock option exercises. These working capital increases were partially offset by the reclassification of $1.5 billion of senior notes due July 2014 from long-term to current, cash used for repurchases of our common stock (we used

$9.8 billion of cash for common stock repurchases during fiscal 2014), cash used to pay dividends to our stockholders, and cash used for acquisitions, all of which occurred during fiscal 2014. Our working capital

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may be impacted by some of the aforementioned factors in future periods, the amounts and timing of which are variable.

The increase in working capital as of May 31, 2013 in comparison to May 31, 2012 was primarily due to our issuance of $5.0 billion of senior notes in October 2012, the favorable impact to our net current assets resulting from our net income during fiscal 2013, and, to a lesser extent, cash proceeds from stock option exercises. This increase was partially offset by cash used for repurchases of our common stock (we used $11.0 billion of cash for common stock repurchases during fiscal 2013), cash used to pay dividends to our stockholders, and cash used for acquisitions.

***Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities:*** Cash and cash equivalents primarily consist of deposits held at major banks, Tier-1 commercial paper and other securities with original maturities of 90 days or less. Marketable securities primarily consist of time deposits held at major banks, Tier-1 commercial paper, corporate notes, and certain other securities. The increase in cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities at May 31, 2014 in comparison to May 31, 2013 was due to an increase in cash generated from our operating activities, our issuance of

€2.0 billion and $3.0 billion of senior notes in July 2013, and to a lesser extent, cash proceeds from stock option exercises. These increases were partially offset by $9.8 billion of repurchases of our common stock, $3.5 billion of net cash paid for acquisitions and $2.2 billion used for the payment of cash dividends to our stockholders. Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities included $35.2 billion held by our foreign subsidiaries as of May 31, 2014. We consider $32.4 billion of our undistributed earnings as indefinitely reinvested in our foreign operations outside the United States. These undistributed earnings would be subject to U.S. income tax if repatriated to the United States. Assuming a full utilization of the foreign tax credits, the potential deferred tax liability associated with these undistributed earnings would be approximately

$10.0 billion as of May 31, 2014 should the amounts be repatriated to the United States. The amount of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities that we report in U.S. Dollars for a significant portion of the cash held by our foreign subsidiaries is subject to translation adjustments caused by changes in foreign currency exchange rates as of the end of each respective reporting period (the offset to which is substantially recorded to accumulated other comprehensive loss in our consolidated balance sheets and is also presented as a line item in our consolidated statements of comprehensive income included elsewhere in this Annual Report). As the U.S. Dollar modestly strengthened against certain major international currencies during fiscal 2014, the amount of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities that we reported in U.S. Dollars for these subsidiaries decreased on a net basis as of May 31, 2014 relative to what we would have reported using constant currency rates from our May 31, 2013 balance sheet date.

The increase in cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities at May 31, 2013 in comparison to May 31, 2012 was due to an increase in cash generated from our operating activities, our issuance of $5.0 billion of senior notes in October 2012, and to a lesser extent, cash proceeds from fiscal 2013 stock option exercises. This increase was partially offset by $11.0 billion of repurchases of our common stock, $3.3 billion of net cash paid for acquisitions, the repayments of $1.7 billion of short-term borrowings pursuant to our expired revolving credit facilities, the repayment of $1.25 billion of senior notes which matured in April 2013, and the payment of cash dividends to our stockholders. Additionally, our reported cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities balances as of May 31, 2013 decreased in comparison to May 31, 2012 due to the general strengthening of the U.S. Dollar in comparison to certain major international currencies during fiscal 2013.

Days sales outstanding, which was calculated by dividing period end accounts receivable by average daily sales for the quarter, was 48 days at May 31, 2014 compared with 50 days at May 31, 2013. The days sales outstanding calculation excluded the impact of revenue adjustments resulting from business combinations that reduced our acquired cloud SaaS and PaaS obligations, software license updates and product support obligations and hardware systems support obligations to fair value.

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| **(Dollars in millions)** | |  |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  | |
| **2014** | **Change** | **2013** | **Change** | **2012** |
| Net cash provided by operating activities |  | $ 14,921 | 5% | $ 14,224 | 3% | $ 13,743 |
| Net cash used for investing activities |  | $ (7,539) | 27% | $ (5,956) | -29% | $ (8,381) |
| Net cash used for financing activities |  | $ (4,068) | -52% | $ (8,500) | 39% | $ (6,099) |
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***Cash flows from operating activities:*** Our largest source of operating cash flows is cash collections from our customers following the purchase and renewal of their software license updates and product support agreements. Payments from customers for these support agreements are generally received near the beginning of the contracts’ terms, which are generally one year in length. We also generate significant cash from new software licenses sales and sales of hardware systems support arrangements, and to a lesser extent, sales of services, hardware systems products, and cloud SaaS and PaaS offerings. Our primary uses of cash from operating activities are for employee related expenditures, material and manufacturing costs related to the production of our hardware systems products, taxes and leased facilities.

*Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:* Net cash provided by operating activities increased in fiscal 2014 in comparison to fiscal 2013 primarily due to the following: the fiscal 2013 non-recurring impacts of a reduction of contingent consideration payable in connection with an acquisition of $387 million (see Note 2 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report for additional information) and the impact of a $306 million non-current receivable related to certain litigation (see Note 14 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report for additional information), both of which increased our net income in fiscal 2013 without the corresponding cash flow benefits. These items did not recur during fiscal 2014.

*Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:* Net cash provided by operating activities increased in fiscal 2013 in comparison to fiscal 2012 primarily due to cash favorable impacts of increased net income adjusted for amortization of intangible assets, stock-based compensation and depreciation during fiscal 2013 in comparison to fiscal 2012.

***Cash flows from investing activities:*** The changes in cash flows from investing activities primarily relate to acquisitions and the timing of purchases, maturities and sales of our investments in marketable debt securities. We also use cash to invest in capital and other assets, including certain intangible assets, to support our growth.

*Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:* Net cash used for investing activities increased in fiscal 2014 due to an increase in net cash used to purchase marketable securities (net of proceeds received from sales and maturities) and an increase in cash used for acquisitions, net of cash acquired, in each case during fiscal 2014 in comparison to fiscal 2013.

*Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:* Net cash used for investing activities decreased in fiscal 2013 primarily due to a decrease in net cash used to purchase marketable securities (net of proceeds received from sales and maturities) and a decrease in cash used for acquisitions, net of cash acquired, in each case during fiscal 2013 in comparison to fiscal 2012.

***Cash flows from financing activities:*** The changes in cash flows from financing activities primarily relate to borrowings and repayments related to our debt instruments as well as stock repurchases, dividend payments and proceeds from stock option exercises.

*Fiscal 2014 Compared to Fiscal 2013:* Net cash used for financing activities in fiscal 2014 decreased in comparison to fiscal 2013 primarily due to the repayment of $3.0 billion of borrowings pursuant to senior notes maturities and certain expired revolving credit facilities in fiscal 2013 (no repayments during fiscal 2014), a net increase in borrowings during fiscal 2014 (we issued €2.0 billion and $3.0 billion of senior notes during fiscal 2014 in comparison to $5.0 billion of senior notes issued during fiscal 2013), lower stock repurchase activity during fiscal 2014 and higher proceeds from stock option exercises during fiscal 2014. These fiscal 2014 cash favorable variances were partially offset by an increase in payments of cash dividends to stockholders in fiscal 2014 in comparison to fiscal 2013.

*Fiscal 2013 Compared to Fiscal 2012:* Net cash used for financing activities in fiscal 2013 increased in comparison to fiscal 2012 primarily due to an increase in our common stock repurchases (we used $11.0 billion of cash for common stock repurchases during fiscal 2013 in comparison to $5.9 billion in fiscal 2012) and an increase in repayments of borrowings (we repaid $3.0 billion of borrowings pursuant to senior notes maturities and certain expired revolving credit facilities in fiscal 2013 in comparison to the repayments of $1.4 billion of short-term borrowings from expired revolving credit facilities, and legacy convertible notes assumed from RightNow in fiscal 2012), partially offset by our issuance of $5.0 billion of senior notes in October 2012, an increase in proceeds from stock option exercises and certain other financing activity cash flow increases, net.

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***Free cash flow:*** To supplement our statements of cash flows presented on a GAAP basis, we use non-GAAP measures of cash flows on a trailing 4-quarter basis to analyze cash flows generated from our operations. We believe free cash flow is also useful as one of the bases for comparing our performance with our competitors. The presentation of non-GAAP free cash flow is not meant to be considered in isolation or as an alternative to net income as an indicator of our performance, or as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities as a measure of liquidity. We calculate free cash flows as follows:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | | **Year Ended May 31,** |  | |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **Change** | **2013** | **Change** | **2012** |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | $ 14,921 | 5% | $ 14,224 | 3% | $ 13,743 |
| Capital expenditures (1) | (580) | -11% | (650) | 0% | (648) |
| Free cash flow | $ 14,341 | 6% | $ 13,574 | 4% | $ 13,095 |
| Net income | $ 10,955 |  | $ 10,925 |  | $ 9,981 |
| Free cash flow as percent of net income | 131% |  | 124% |  | 131% |

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Derived from capital expenditures as reported in cash flows from investing activities as per our consolidated statements of cash flows presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

***Long-Term Customer Financing:*** We offer certain of our customers the option to acquire our software products, hardware systems products and services offerings through separate long-term payment contracts. We generally sell these contracts that we have financed for our customers on a non-recourse basis to financial institutions within 90 days of the contracts’ dates of execution. We record the transfers of amounts due from customers to financial institutions as sales of financial assets because we are considered to have surrendered control of these financial assets. We financed $1.6 billion, $1.8 billion and $1.6 billion, respectively, or approximately 17%, 19% and 17%, respectively, of our new software licenses revenues in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, and $168 million, $161 million and $134 million, respectively, or approximately 6%, 5%, and 3%, respectively, of our hardware systems products revenues in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012.

## *Recent Financing Activities:*

Senior Notes : As of May 31, 2014, we had $24.2 billion of senior notes outstanding ($18.5 billion outstanding as of May 31, 2013). In July 2013, we issued €2.0 billion ($2.7 billion as of May 31, 2014) of fixed rate senior notes comprised of €1.25 billion of 2.25% notes due January 2021 (2021 Notes) and €750 million of 3.125% notes due July 2025 (2025 Notes, and together with the 2021 Notes, the Euro Notes). The Euro Notes are registered and trade on the New York Stock Exchange. We are accounting for the 2025 Notes as a net investment hedge of our investments in certain of our international subsidiaries that use the Euro as their functional currency in order to reduce the volatility in stockholders’ equity caused by the changes in foreign currency exchange rates of the Euro with respect to the U.S. Dollar pursuant to ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging* (ASC 815).

In July 2013, we also issued $3.0 billion of senior notes comprised of $500 million of floating rate notes due January 2019 (2019 Floating Rate Notes), $1.5 billion of 2.375% notes due January 2019 (2019 Notes) and $1.0 billion of 3.625% notes due July 2023 (2023 Notes, and together with the Floating Rate Notes and 2019 Notes, the U.S. Dollar Notes).

We issued the Euro Notes and the U.S. Dollar Notes for general corporate purposes, which may include stock repurchases, payment of cash dividends on our common stock and future acquisitions. Additional details regarding the Euro Notes, the U.S. Dollar Notes, and the related hedge accounting are included in Note 8 and Note 11 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

Interest Rate Swap Agreements : In July 2013, we entered into certain interest rate swap agreements that have the economic effect of modifying the fixed interest obligations associated with our 2019 Notes so that the interest payable on these notes effectively became variable based on LIBOR. As of May 31, 2014, our 2019 Notes had an effective interest rate of 0.88% after considering the effects of the aforementioned interest rate swap arrangements. We are accounting for these interest rate swap agreements as fair value hedges pursuant to ASC 815. Additional details regarding our senior notes and related interest rate swap agreements are included in Note 8 and Note 11 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

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Cross Currency Swap Agreements : In July 2013, in connection with the issuance of the 2021 Notes, we entered into certain cross-currency swap agreements to manage the related foreign currency exchange risk by effectively converting the fixed-rate, Euro denominated 2021 Notes, including the annual interest payments and the payment of principal at maturity, to fixed-rate, U.S. Dollar denominated debt. The economic effect of the swap agreements was to eliminate the uncertainty of the cash flows in U.S. Dollars associated with the 2021 Notes by fixing the principal amount of the 2021 Notes at $1.6 billion with an annual interest rate of 3.53%. We have designated these cross-currency swap agreements as qualifying hedging instruments and are accounting for these as cash flow hedges pursuant to ASC 815. Additional details regarding our senior notes and related cross-currency swap agreements are included in Note 8 and Note 11 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

Cash Dividends : In fiscal 2014, we declared and paid cash dividends of $0.48 per share that totaled $2.2 billion. In June 2014, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.12 per share of outstanding common stock payable on July 30, 2014 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on July 9, 2014. Future declarations of dividends and the establishment of future record and payment dates are subject to the final determination of our Board of Directors.

Common Stock Repurchases : Our Board of Directors has approved a program for us to repurchase shares of our common stock. On June 20, 2013, we announced that our Board of Directors approved an expansion of our stock repurchase program by an additional $12.0 billion. As of May 31, 2014, approximately $4.3 billion remained available for stock repurchases under the stock repurchase program. We repurchased

280.4 million shares for $9.8 billion, 346.1 million shares for $11.0 billion, and 207.3 million shares for $6.0 billion in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Our stock repurchase authorization does not have an expiration date and the pace of our repurchase activity will depend on factors such as our working capital needs, our cash requirements for acquisitions and dividend payments, our debt repayment obligations (described further below), our stock price and economic and market conditions. Our stock repurchases may be effected from time to time through open market purchases or pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan. Our stock repurchase program may be accelerated, suspended, delayed or discontinued at any time.

***Contractual Obligations:*** The contractual obligations presented in the table below represent our estimates of future payments under fixed contractual obligations and commitments. Changes in our business needs, cancellation provisions, changing interest rates and other factors may result in actual payments differing from these estimates. We cannot provide certainty regarding the timing and amounts of payments. We have presented below a summary of the most significant assumptions used in preparing this information within the context of our consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The following is a summary of certain of our contractual obligations as of May 31, 2014:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | | **Year** | **Ending May** | **31,** |  | |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **Total** | **2015** | **2016** | **2017** | **2018** | **2019** | **Thereafter** |
| Principal payments on borrowings (1) | $ 24,120 | $ 1,500 | $ 2,000 | $ — | $ 5,000 | $ 2,000 | $ 13,620 |
| Interest payments on borrowings (1) | 10,390 | 883 | 873 | 768 | 752 | 592 | 6,522 |
| Operating leases (2) | 1,398 | 373 | 304 | 230 | 168 | 120 | 203 |
| Purchase obligations and other (3) | 510 | 469 | 28 | 12 | 1 | — | — |
| Total contractual obligations | $ 36,418 | $ 3,225 | $ 3,205 | $ 1,010 | $ 5,921 | $ 2,712 | $ 20,345 |

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Our total borrowings consisted of the following as of May 31, 2014 (dollars in millions):

**Amount**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 3.75% senior notes due July 2014, net of fair value adjustment of $8 | $ 1,508 |
| 5.25% senior notes due January 2016, net of discount of $2 | 1,998 |
| 1.20% senior notes due October 2017, net of discount of $3 | 2,497 |
| 5.75% senior notes due April 2018 | 2,500 |
| Floating rate senior notes due January 2019 | 500 |
| 2.375% senior notes due January 2019, net of fair value adjustment of $15 and discount of $5 | 1,510 |
| 5.00% senior notes due July 2019, net of discount of $3 | 1,747 |
| 3.875% senior notes due July 2020, net of discount of $1 | 999 |
| 2.25% senior notes due January 2021, net of discount of $9 | 1,691 |
| 2.50% senior notes due October 2022, net of discount of $2 | 2,498 |
| 3.625% senior notes due July 2023, net of discount of $8 | 992 |
| 3.125% senior notes due July 2025, net of discount of $3 | 1,017 |
| 6.50% senior notes due April 2038, net of discount of $2 | 1,248 |
| 6.125% senior notes due July 2039, net of discount of $7 | 1,243 |
| 5.375% senior notes due July 2040, net of discount of $23 | 2,227 |
| Total borrowings | $ 24,175 |

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We have entered into certain interest rate swap agreements related to our 3.75% senior notes due July 2014 (2014 Notes) and our 2019 Notes that have the economic effect of modifying the fixed interest obligations associated with these senior notes so that the interest obligations effectively became variable pursuant to a LIBOR-based index. Interest payments on the 2014 Notes and 2019 Notes presented in the contractual obligations table above have been estimated using interest rates of 1.29% and 0.88%, respectively, which represented our effective interest rates for these senior notes as of May 31, 2014 after consideration of these fixed to variable interest rate swap agreements, and are subject to change in future periods. The changes in fair values of our debt associated with the interest rate risks that we are hedging pursuant to these agreements were included in notes payable and other current borrowings for the 2014 Notes and notes payable and other non-current borrowings for the 2019 Notes in our consolidated balance sheet and have been included in the above table of total borrowings as of May 31, 2014.

Our floating rate senior notes due January 2019 bore interest at a rate of 0.81% as of May 31, 2014 and interest payments on these notes presented in the contractual obligations table above have been estimated using this rate.

The 2021 Notes and the 2025 Notes are denominated in Euro. In connection with the issuance of the 2021 Notes, we entered into certain cross-currency swap agreements that have the economic effect of converting our fixed rate, Euro denominated debt, including annual interest payments and the payment of principal at maturity, to a fixed rate, U.S. Dollar denominated debt of $1.6 billion with a fixed annual interest rate of 3.53%. Principal and interest payments for the 2021 Notes presented in the contractual obligations table above were calculated based on the terms of the aforementioned cross-currency swap agreements. Principal and interest payments for the 2025 Notes presented in the contractual obligations table above were estimated using foreign currency exchange rates as of May 31, 2014.

Primarily represents leases of facilities and includes future minimum rent payments for facilities that we have vacated pursuant to our restructuring and merger integration activities. We have approximately $112 million in facility obligations, net of estimated sublease income, for certain vacated locations in accrued restructuring in our consolidated balance sheet at May 31, 2014.

Primarily represents amounts associated with agreements that are enforceable, legally binding and specify terms, including: fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the payment. We utilize several external manufacturers to manufacture sub-assemblies for our hardware products and to perform final assembly and testing of finished hardware products. We also obtain individual hardware components for our products from a variety of individual suppliers based on projected demand information. Such purchase commitments are based on our forecasted component and manufacturing requirements and typically provide for fulfillment within agreed upon lead-times and/or commercially standard lead-times for the particular part or product and have been included in the amount presented in the above contractual obligations table.

Routine arrangements for other materials and goods that are not related to our external manufacturers and certain other suppliers and that are entered into in the ordinary course of business are not included in the amounts presented above as they are generally entered into in order to secure pricing or other negotiated terms and are difficult to quantify in a meaningful way.

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On June 22, 2014, we entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (Merger Agreement) with MICROS Systems, Inc. (MICROS), a provider of integrated software, hardware and services solutions to the hospitality and retail industries. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, we will commence a tender offer for the outstanding shares and shares generally representing vested equity incentive awards of MICROS (collectively, MICROS Shares). MICROS shareholders will have the right to tender their MICROS Shares to Oracle in exchange for $68.00 per share in cash upon consummation of the tender offer. The tender offer will commence no later than ten business days from June 22, 2014. After completion of the tender offer and subject to certain limited conditions, MICROS will merge with and into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Oracle. In addition, unvested equity awards to acquire MICROS common stock that are outstanding immediately prior to the conclusion of the merger will generally be converted into equity awards denominated in shares of our common stock based on formulas contained in the Merger Agreement. The estimated total purchase price for MICROS is approximately $5.3 billion. This transaction is conditioned upon (i) at least a majority of the MICROS Shares being validly tendered to Oracle, (ii) regulatory clearance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976,

(iii) the applicable merger control laws of the European Commission and other jurisdictions, and (iv) certain other customary closing conditions. We also have entered into certain other agreements to acquire other companies and expect these proposed acquisitions to close during the first quarter of fiscal 2015. We intend to finance our proposed acquisitions through a combination of our internally available cash, our cash generated from operations, our existing available debt capacity, additional borrowings, or from the issuance of additional securities.

As of May 31, 2014, we had $4.5 billion of gross unrecognized income tax benefits, including related interest and penalties, recorded on our consolidated balance sheet and all such obligations have been excluded from the table above due to the uncertainty as to when they might be settled. We cannot make a reasonably reliable estimate of the period in which the remainder of our unrecognized income tax benefits will be settled or released with the relevant tax authorities, although we believe it is reasonably possible that certain of these liabilities could be settled or released during fiscal 2015.

We believe that our current cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and cash generated from operations will be sufficient to meet our working capital, capital expenditures and contractual obligation requirements. In addition, we believe we could fund any future acquisitions, dividend payments and repurchases of common stock or debt with our internally available cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, cash generated from operations, additional borrowings or from the issuance of additional securities.

***Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements:*** We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that are material to investors.

# Selected Quarterly Financial Data

Quarterly revenues, expenses and operating income have historically been affected by a variety of seasonal factors, including sales force incentive compensation plans. In addition, our European operations generally provide lower revenues in our first fiscal quarter because of the reduced economic activity in Europe during the summer. These seasonal factors are common in the high technology industry. These factors have caused a decrease in our first quarter revenues as compared to revenues in the immediately preceding fourth quarter, which historically has been our highest revenue quarter within a particular fiscal year. Similarly, the operating income of our business is affected by seasonal factors in a consistent manner as our revenues (in particular, our new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions segment) as certain expenses within our cost structure are relatively fixed in the short-term. We expect these trends to continue in fiscal 2015.

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The following tables set forth selected unaudited quarterly information for our last eight fiscal quarters. We believe that all necessary adjustments, which consisted only of normal recurring adjustments, have been included in the amounts stated below to present fairly the results of such periods when read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Annual Report. The sum of the quarterly financial information may vary from the annual data due to rounding.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Fiscal 2014 Quarter Ended (Unaudited)** | | | | |
| **(in millions, except per share amounts)** | **August 31** | **November 30** | **February 28** | **May 31** |
| Revenues | $ 8,372 | $ 9,275 | $ 9,307 | $ 11,320 |
| Gross profit | $ 6,607 | $ 7,420 | $ 7,490 | $ 9,340 |
| Operating income | $ 2,873 | $ 3,410 | $ 3,567 | $ 4,909 |
| Net income | $ 2,191 | $ 2,553 | $ 2,565 | $ 3,646 |
| Earnings per share—basic | $ 0.48 | $ 0.56 | $ 0.57 | $ 0.81 |
| Earnings per share—diluted | $ 0.47 | $ 0.56 | $ 0.56 | $ 0.80 |
| **Fiscal 2013 Quarter Ended (Unaudited)** | | | | |
| **(in millions, except per share amounts)** | **August 31** | **November 30** | **February 28** | **May 31** |
| Revenues | $ 8,181 | $ 9,094 | $ 8,958 | $ 10,947 |
| Gross profit | $ 6,305 | $ 7,200 | $ 7,122 | $ 8,984 |
| Operating income | $ 2,879 | $ 3,471 | $ 3,334 | $ 5,000 |
| Net income | $ 2,034 | $ 2,581 | $ 2,504 | $ 3,807 |
| Earnings per share—basic | $ 0.42 | $ 0.54 | $ 0.53 | $ 0.81 |
| Earnings per share—diluted  **Stock Options and Restricted Stock-Based Awards** | $ 0.41 | $ 0.53 | $ 0.52 | $ 0.80 |

Our stock-based compensation program is a key component of the compensation package we provide to attract and retain certain of our talented employees and align their interests with the interests of existing stockholders. We historically have granted only stock options to our employees and any restricted stock-based awards outstanding were assumed as a result of our acquisitions.

We recognize that stock options and restricted stock-based awards dilute existing stockholders and have sought to control the number of stock options and restricted stock-based awards granted while providing competitive compensation packages. Consistent with these dual goals, our cumulative potential dilution since June 1, 2011 has been a weighted average annualized rate of 2.3% per year. The potential dilution percentage is calculated as the average annualized new stock options or restricted stock-based awards granted and assumed, net of stock options and restricted stock-based awards forfeited by employees leaving the company, divided by the weighted average outstanding shares during the calculation period. This maximum potential dilution will only result if all stock options are exercised and restricted stock-based awards vest. Of the outstanding stock options at May 31, 2014, which generally have a 10-year exercise period, less than 1.0% have exercise prices higher than the current market price of our common stock. In recent years, our stock repurchase program has more than offset the dilutive effect of our

stock-based compensation program; however, we may reduce the level of our stock repurchases in the future as we may use our available cash for acquisitions, to pay dividends, to repay or repurchase indebtedness or for other purposes. At May 31, 2014, the maximum potential dilution from all outstanding and unexercised stock options and restricted stock-based awards, regardless of when granted and regardless of whether vested or unvested and including stock options where the strike price is higher than the current market price, was 10.4%.

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The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors reviews and approves the organization-wide stock option grants to selected employees, all stock option grants to executive officers and any individual stock option grants in excess of 100,000 shares. A separate Plan Committee, which is an executive officer committee, approves individual stock option grants of up to 100,000 shares to non-executive officers and employees. Stock option and restricted stock-based award activity from June 1, 2011 through May 31, 2014 is summarized as follows (shares in millions):

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Stock options and restricted stock-based awards outstanding at May 31, 2011 | 356 |
| Stock options granted | 362 |
| Stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed | 28 |
| Stock options exercised and restricted stock-based awards vested | (219) |
| Forfeitures, cancellations and other, net | (64) |
| Stock options and restricted stock-based awards outstanding at May 31, 2014 | 463 |
| Weighted average annualized stock options and restricted stock-based awards granted and assumed, net of forfeitures and cancellations | 109 |
| Weighted average annualized stock repurchases | (278) |
| Shares outstanding at May 31, 2014 | 4,464 |
| Basic weighted average shares outstanding from June 1, 2011 through May 31, 2014 | 4,771 |
| Stock options and restricted stock-based awards outstanding as a percent of shares outstanding at May 31, 2014 | 10.4% |
| In the money stock options and total restricted stock-based awards outstanding (based on the closing price of our common stock on the last trading day of our fiscal period presented) as a percent of shares outstanding at May 31, 2014 | 10.3% |

Weighted average annualized stock options and restricted stock-based awards granted and assumed, net of forfeitures and cancellations and before stock repurchases, as a percent of weighted average shares outstanding from June 1, 2011 through

May 31, 2014 2.3%

Weighted average annualized stock options and restricted stock-based awards granted and assumed, net of forfeitures and cancellations and after stock repurchases, as a percent of weighted average shares outstanding from June 1, 2011 through May 31,

2014 -3.5%

Our Compensation Committee approves the annual organization-wide option grants to certain employees. These annual option grants were historically made during the ten business day period following the second trading day after the announcement of our fiscal fourth quarter earnings report.

# Recent Accounting Pronouncements

For information with respect to recent accounting pronouncements and the impact of these pronouncements on our consolidated financial statements, see Note 1 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

# Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk Cash, Cash Equivalents, Marketable Securities and Interest Income Risk

Our bank deposits and time deposits are generally held with large, diverse financial institutions worldwide with high investment grade credit ratings, which we believe mitigates certain risks. In addition, we purchase high quality debt security investments, approximately 45% of which have maturity dates within one year and 55% of which have maturity dates within one to four years as of May 31, 2014 (see a description of our debt securities held in Note 3 and Note 4 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report and “Liquidity and Capital Resources” above). Interest rate movements can impact the valuation of our debt securities but are presently not significant to our valuations considering the current interest rate environment and the duration of our portfolio. Substantially all of our marketable securities are designated as available-for-sale. We generally do not use our investments for trading purposes.

Changes in the overall level of interest rates affect the interest income that is generated from our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities. For fiscal 2014, total interest income was $263 million with our cash, cash

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equivalents and marketable investments yielding an average 0.79% on a worldwide basis. The table below presents the approximate fair values of our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and the related weighted average interest rates for our investment portfolio at May 31, 2014 and 2013.

**May 31,**

**2014 2013**

**Weighted**

**Weighted**

**(Dollars in millions) Fair Value**

**Average Interest**

**Rate Fair Value**

**Average Interest Rate**

Cash and cash equivalents $ 17,769 0.37% $ 14,613 0.50%

Marketable securities 21,050 1.14% 17,603 0.88%

Total cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities $ 38,819 0.79% $ 32,216 0.71%

# Interest Expense Risk

Our total borrowings were $24.2 billion as of May 31, 2014, consisting of $23.7 billion of fixed rate borrowings and $500 million of floating rate borrowings. In July 2013, we issued €2.0 billion ($2.7 billion as of May 31, 2014) of fixed rate senior notes and $3.0 billion of senior notes comprised of $500 million of floating rate notes and $2.5 billion of fixed rate notes as described in the “Recent Financing Activities” section of Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (Item 7) in this Annual Report.

In July 2013, we entered into certain interest rate swap agreements that have the economic effect of modifying the fixed interest obligations associated with our $1.5 billion of 2.375% senior notes due January 2019 (2019 Notes) so that the interest payable on the 2019 Notes effectively became variable based on LIBOR. In September 2009, we entered into certain interest rate swap agreements that have the economic effect of modifying the fixed interest obligations associated with our $1.5 billion of 3.75% senior notes due July 2014 (2014 Notes) so that the interest payable on the 2014 Notes effectively became variable based on LIBOR. The critical terms of the interest rate swap agreements and the 2019 Notes and 2014 Notes that the interest rate swap agreements pertain to match, including the notional amounts and maturity dates. We do not use these interest rate swap arrangements or our fixed rate borrowings for trading purposes. We are accounting for these interest rate swap agreements as fair value hedges pursuant to ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging* . Additional details regarding our senior notes and related interest rate swap agreements are included in Note 8 and Note 11 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

By entering into these interest rate swap arrangements, we have assumed risks associated with variable interest rates based upon LIBOR. As of May 31, 2014, our 2014 Notes and 2019 Notes had effective interest rates of 1.29% and 0.88%, respectively, after considering the effects of the aforementioned interest rate swap arrangements. Changes in the overall level of interest rates affect the interest expense that we recognize in our statements of operations. An interest rate risk sensitivity analysis is used to measure interest rate risk by computing estimated changes in cash flows as a result of assumed changes in market interest rates. As of May 31, 2014, if LIBOR-based interest rates increased by 100 basis points, the change would increase our interest expense annually by approximately $22 million as it relates to our fixed to variable interest rate swap agreements and floating rate borrowings.

# Currency Risk

## *Foreign Currency Transaction and Translation Risks—Foreign Currency Borrowings and Related Hedges*

In July 2013, we issued €1.25 billion of 2.25% notes due January 2021 (2021 Notes) and we entered into certain cross-currency swap agreements to manage the related foreign exchange risk by effectively converting the fixed-rate Euro denominated debt, including the annual interest payments and the payment of principal at maturity, to a fixed-rate, U.S. Dollar denominated debt. The economic effect of the swap agreements was to eliminate the uncertainty of the cash flows in U.S. Dollars associated with the 2021 Notes by fixing the principal amount of the 2021 Notes at $1.6 billion with an annual interest rate of 3.53%.

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In July 2013, we also issued €750 million of 3.125% notes due July 2025 (2025 Notes). We designated the 2025 Notes as a net investment hedge of our investments in certain of our international subsidiaries that use the Euro as their functional currency in order to reduce the volatility in stockholders’ equity caused by the changes in foreign currency exchange rates of the Euro with respect to the U.S. Dollar. As a result, the change in the carrying value of the Euro denominated 2025 Notes due to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates on the effective portion is recorded in accumulated other comprehensive loss on our consolidated balance sheet and is also presented as a line item in our consolidated statements of comprehensive income included elsewhere in this Annual Report and totaled $34 million of net other comprehensive losses for fiscal 2014. Any remaining change in the carrying value of the 2025 Notes representing the ineffective portion of the net investment hedge is recognized in non-operating (expense) income, net. We did not record any ineffectiveness during fiscal 2014.

Fluctuations in the exchange rates between the Euro and the U.S. Dollar will impact the amount of U.S. Dollars that we will require to settle the 2025 Notes at maturity. If the U.S. Dollar weakened by 10% in comparison to the Euro as of May 31, 2014, our obligation to settle the 2025 Notes in U.S. Dollars would have increased by approximately $102 million.

## *Foreign Currency Transaction Risk* — *Foreign Currency Forward Contracts*

We transact business in various foreign currencies and have established a program that primarily utilizes foreign currency forward contracts to offset the risks associated with the effects of certain foreign currency exposures. Under this program, our strategy is to enter into foreign currency forward contracts so that increases or decreases in our foreign currency exposures are offset by gains or losses on the foreign currency forward contracts in order to mitigate the risks and volatility associated with our foreign currency transactions. We may suspend this program from time to time. Our foreign currency exposures typically arise from intercompany sublicense fees, intercompany loans and other intercompany transactions. Our foreign currency forward contracts are generally short-term in duration.

We neither use these foreign currency forward contracts for trading purposes nor do we designate these forward contracts as hedging instruments pursuant to ASC 815. Accordingly, we record the fair values of these contracts as of the end of our reporting period to our consolidated balance sheet with changes in fair values recorded to our consolidated statement of operations. Given the short duration of the forward contracts, the amount recorded is not significant. The balance sheet classification for the fair values of these forward contracts is prepaid expenses and other current assets for a net unrealized gain position and other current liabilities for a net unrealized loss position. The statement of operations classification for changes in fair values of these forward contracts is non-operating (expense) income, net for both realized and unrealized gains and losses.

We expect that we will continue to realize gains or losses with respect to our foreign currency exposures, net of gains or losses from our foreign currency forward contracts. Our ultimate realized gain or loss with respect to foreign currency exposures will generally depend on the size and type of cross-currency transactions that we enter into, the currency exchange rates associated with these exposures and changes in those rates, the net realized gain or loss on our foreign currency forward contracts and other factors. As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, the notional amounts of the forward contracts we held to purchase U.S. Dollars in exchange for other major international currencies were $3.6 billion and $3.0 billion, respectively. As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, the notional amounts of forward contracts we held to sell U.S. Dollars in exchange for other major international currencies were $2.0 billion and $1.1 billion, respectively. The fair values of our outstanding foreign currency forward contracts were nominal at May 31, 2014 and 2013. Net foreign exchange transaction losses included in non-operating (expense) income, net in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations were $375 million, $162 million and $105 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Included in the net foreign exchange transaction losses for fiscal 2014 and fiscal 2013 were foreign currency losses relating to our Venezuelan subsidiary’s operations, which are more thoroughly described under “Non-Operating (Expense) Income, net” in Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations above. As a large portion of our consolidated operations are international, we could experience additional foreign currency volatility in the future, the amounts and timing of which are unknown.

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## *Foreign Currency Translation Risk—Impact on Cash, Cash Equivalents and Marketable Securities*

Fluctuations in foreign currencies impact the amount of total assets and liabilities that we report for our foreign subsidiaries upon the translation of these amounts into U.S. Dollars. In particular, the amount of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities that we report in U.S. Dollars for a significant portion of the cash held by these subsidiaries is subject to translation variance caused by changes in foreign currency exchange rates as of the end of each respective reporting period (the offset to which is recorded to accumulated other comprehensive loss on our consolidated balance sheet and is also presented as a line item in our consolidated statements of comprehensive income included elsewhere in this Annual Report).

As the U.S. Dollar fluctuated against certain international currencies as of the end of fiscal 2014, the amount of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities that we reported in U.S. Dollars for foreign subsidiaries that hold international currencies as of May 31, 2014 decreased relative to what we would have reported using a constant currency rate as of May 31, 2013. As reported in our consolidated statements of cash flows, the estimated effect of exchange rate changes on our reported cash and cash equivalents balances in U.S. Dollars for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012 were decreases of $158 million, $110 million and $471 million, respectively. The following table includes estimates of the U.S. Dollar equivalent of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities denominated in certain major foreign currencies as of May 31, 2014:

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| --- | --- |
|  | **U.S. Dollar Equivalent at** |
| **(in millions)** | **May 31, 2014** |
| Euro | $ 1,843 |
| Indian Rupee | 1,172 |
| Australian Dollar | 724 |
| Japanese Yen | 550 |
| Chinese Renminbi | 535 |
| Canadian Dollar | 385 |
| South African Rand | 341 |
| British Pound | 325 |
| Other foreign currencies | 2,148 |
| Total cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities denominated in foreign currencies | $ 8,023 |

If overall foreign currency exchange rates in comparison to the U.S. Dollar uniformly weakened by 10%, the amount of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities we would report in U.S. Dollars would decrease by approximately $802 million, assuming constant foreign currency cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities balances.

# Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The response to this item is submitted as a separate section of this Annual Report. See Part IV, Item 15.

# Item 9. Changes In and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

# Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

## *Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures*

As of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, we carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of our Disclosure Committee and our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our President and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e). Disclosure controls are procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act, such as this Annual Report on Form 10-K, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Disclosure controls are also designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to our

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management, including our Chief Executive Officer and President and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our quarterly evaluation of disclosure controls includes an evaluation of some components of our internal control over financial reporting. We also perform a separate annual evaluation of internal control over financial reporting for the purpose of providing the management report below.

The evaluation of our disclosure controls included a review of their objectives and design, our implementation of the controls and the effect of the controls on the information generated for use in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. In the course of the controls evaluation, we reviewed data errors or control problems identified and sought to confirm that appropriate corrective actions, including process improvements, were being undertaken. This type of evaluation is performed on a quarterly basis so that the conclusions of management, including our Chief Executive Officer and President and Chief Financial Officer, concerning the effectiveness of the disclosure controls can be reported in our periodic reports on Form 10-Q and Form 10-K. Many of the components of our disclosure controls are also evaluated on an ongoing basis by both our internal audit and finance organizations. The overall goals of these various evaluation activities are to monitor our disclosure controls and to modify them as necessary. We intend to maintain our disclosure controls as dynamic processes and procedures that we adjust as circumstances merit.

Based on our management’s evaluation (with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and our President and Chief Financial Officer), as of the end of the period covered by this report, our Chief Executive Officer and our President and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

## *Management’s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting*

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f). Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and President and Chief Financial Officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of May 31, 2014 based on the guidelines established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission’s 1992 framework. Our internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Based on the results of our evaluation, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of May 31, 2014. We reviewed the results of management’s assessment with our Finance and Audit Committee.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of May 31, 2014 has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which is included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report.

## *Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting*

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by paragraph (d) of Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 or 15d-15 that occurred during our last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## *Inherent Limitations on Effectiveness of Controls*

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and President and Chief Financial Officer, believes that our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting are designed to provide reasonable assurance of achieving their objectives and are effective at the reasonable assurance level. However, our management does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal control over financial reporting will prevent all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation

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of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision making can be faulty and that breakdowns can occur because of a simple error or mistake.

Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls also is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions; over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or the degree of compliance with policies or procedures may deteriorate. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

# Item 9B. Other Information

None.

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# PART III

**Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(3) of Form 10-K, the information required by this item relating to our executive officers is included under the caption “Executive Officers of the Registrant” in Part I of this Annual Report.

The other information required by this Item 10 is incorporated by reference from the information contained in our Proxy Statement to be filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the solicitation of proxies for our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “2014 Proxy Statement”) under the sections entitled “Board of Directors—Nominees for Directors,” “Board of Directors—Committees, Membership and Meetings—Committee Memberships During Fiscal 2014,” “Board of Directors—Committees, Membership and Meetings— The Finance and Audit Committee,” “Corporate Governance—Employee Matters—Code of Conduct,” and “Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance”.

# Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information required by this Item 11 is incorporated by reference from the information to be contained in our 2014 Proxy Statement under the sections entitled “Board of Directors—Committees, Membership and Meetings—The Compensation Committee—Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation,” “Board of Directors—Director Compensation,” and “Executive Compensation”.

# Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The information required by this Item 12 is incorporated herein by reference from the information to be contained in our 2014 Proxy Statement under the sections entitled “Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management” and “Executive Compensation—Equity Compensation Plan Information”.

# Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The information required by this Item 13 is incorporated herein by reference from the information to be contained in our 2014 Proxy Statement under the sections entitled “Corporate Governance—Board of Directors and Director Independence” and “Transactions with Related Persons”.

# Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

The information required by this Item 14 is incorporated herein by reference from the information to be contained in our 2014 Proxy Statement under the section entitled “Ratification of Selection of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm”.

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**PART IV**

**Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules**

1. **1. Financial Statements**

The following financial statements are filed as a part of this report:

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# 2. Financial Statement Schedules

The following financial statement schedule is filed as a part of this report:

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All other schedules are omitted because they are not required or the required information is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.

# Exhibits

The information required by this Item is set forth in the Index of Exhibits that follows the signature page of this Annual Report.

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The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Oracle Corporation

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Oracle Corporation as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended May 31, 2014. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15(a) 2. These financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and 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, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Oracle Corporation at May 31, 2014 and 2013, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended May 31, 2014, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Oracle Corporation’s internal control over financial reporting as of May 31, 2014, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (1992 framework) and our report dated June 26, 2014 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

San Jose, California June 26, 2014

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

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The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Oracle Corporation

We have audited Oracle Corporation’s internal control over financial reporting as of May 31, 2014, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (1992 framework) (the COSO criteria). Oracle Corporation’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 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 that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance 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 its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that 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, Oracle Corporation maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of May 31, 2014, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Oracle Corporation as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended May 31, 2014 of Oracle Corporation and our report dated June 26, 2014 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

San Jose, California June 26, 2014

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

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| **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  **As of May 31, 2014 and 2013** | |  | | |
|  | |  | **May 31,** | |
| **(in millions, except per share data)** | | **2014** | **2013** | |
| **ASSETS** | |  |  | |
| Current assets: | |  |  | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | $ 17,769 | $ 14,613 | |
| Marketable securities | | 21,050 | 17,603 | |
| Trade receivables, net of allowances for doubtful accounts of $306 and $296 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively | | 6,087 | 6,049 | |
| Inventories | | 189 | 240 | |
| Deferred tax assets | | 914 | 974 | |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | | 2,129 | 2,213 | |
| Total current assets | | 48,138 | 41,692 | |
| Non-current assets: | |  |  | |
| Property, plant and equipment, ne | t | 3,061 | | 3,053 |
| Intangible assets, net |  | 6,137 | | 6,640 |
| Goodwill |  | 29,652 | | 27,343 |
| Deferred tax assets |  | 837 | | 766 |
| Other assets |  | 2,519 | | 2,318 |
| Total non-current assets |  | 42,206 | | 40,120 |
| Total assets |  | $ 90,344 | | $ 81,812 |
|  | **LIABILITIES AND EQUITY** |  | |  |
| Current liabilities: |  |  | |  |
| Notes payable, current and other current borrowings | | $ 1,508 | | $ — |
| Accounts payable | | 471 | | 419 |
| Accrued compensation and related benefits | | 1,940 | | 1,851 |
| Income taxes payable | | 416 | | 911 |
| Deferred revenues | | 7,269 | | 7,118 |
| Other current liabilities | | 2,785 | | 2,573 |
| Total current liabilities | | 14,389 | | 12,872 |

Non-current liabilities:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Notes payable and other non-current borrowings | 22,667 | 18,494 |
| Income taxes payable | 4,184 | 3,899 |
| Other non-current liabilities | 1,657 | 1,402 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 28,508 | 23,795 |

Commitments and contingencies

Oracle Corporation stockholders’ equity:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Preferred stock, $0.01 par value—authorized: 1.0 shares; outstanding: none | — — |
| Common stock, $0.01 par value and additional paid in capital—authorized: 11,000 shares; outstanding: 4,464 shares and 4,646 shares as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively | 21,077 18,893 |
| Retained earnings | 25,965 25,854 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (164) (99) |
| Total Oracle Corporation stockholders’ equity | 46,878 44,648 |
| Noncontrolling interests | 569 497 |
| Total equity | 47,447 45,145 |
| Total liabilities and equity | $ 90,344 $ 81,812 |

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| **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  **For the Years Ended May 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012** | |  | |  | |
|  | | **Year Ended May 31,** | |
| **(in millions, except per share data) 2014** | | **2013** | |  | **2012** |
| Revenues: | |  | |  |  |
| New software licenses $ 9,416 | | $ 9,411 | |  | $ 9,451 |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service 1,121 | | 910 | |  | 455 |
| Cloud infrastructure-as-a-service 456 | | 457 | |  | 444 |
| Software license updates and product support 18,206 | | 17,142 | |  | 16,210 |
| Software and cloud revenues 29,199 | | 27,920 | |  | 26,560 |
| Hardware systems products 2,976 | | 3,033 | |  | 3,827 |
| Hardware systems support 2,396 | | 2,313 | |  | 2,475 |
| Hardware systems revenues 5,372 | | 5,346 | |  | 6,302 |
| Services revenues 3,704 | | 3,914 | |  | 4,259 |
| Total revenues 38,275 | | 37,180 | |  | 37,121 |
| Operating expenses: | |  | |  |  |
| Sales and marketing (1) | 7,567 | 7,062 | |  | 6,990 |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service (1) | 455 | 327 | |  | 209 |
| Cloud infrastructure-as-a-service | 308 | 304 | |  | 289 |
| Software license updates and product support (1) | 1,162 | 1,175 | |  | 1,226 |
| Hardware systems products (1) | 1,521 | 1,501 | |  | 1,843 |
| Hardware systems support (1) | 836 | 890 | |  | 1,046 |
| Services (1) | 2,954 | 3,182 | |  | 3,382 |
| Research and development | 5,151 | 4,850 | |  | 4,523 |
| General and administrative | 1,038 | 1,072 | |  | 1,126 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 2,300 | 2,385 | |  | 2,430 |
| Acquisition related and other | 41 | (604) | |  | 56 |
| Restructuring | 183 | 352 | |  | 295 |
| Total operating expenses | 23,516 | 22,496 | |  | 23,415 |
| Operating income | 14,759 | 14,684 | |  | 13,706 |
| Interest expense | (914) | (797) | |  | (766) |
| Non-operating (expense) income, net | (141) | 11 | |  | 22 |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 13,704 | 13,898 | |  | 12,962 |
| Provision for income taxes | 2,749 | 2,973 | |  | 2,981 |
| Net income | $ 10,955 | $ 10,925 | |  | $ 9,981 |
| Earnings per share: |  |  | |  |  |
| Basic | $ 2.42 | $ 2.29 | |  | $ 1.99 |
| Diluted | $ 2.38 | $ 2.26 | |  | $ 1.96 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding: | | | | | |
| Basic | 4,528 |  | 4,769 |  | 5,015 |
| Diluted | 4,604 |  | 4,844 |  | 5,095 |
| Dividends declared per common share | $ 0.48 |  | $ 0.30 |  | $ 0.24 |

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Exclusive of amortization of intangible assets, which is shown separately.

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| **(in millions)** | **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Net income | $ 10,955 | $ 10,925 | $ 9,981 |
| Other comprehensive loss, net of tax: |  |  |  |
| Net foreign currency translation losses | (78) | (123) | (398) |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) on defined benefit plans | 23 | (68) | (102) |
| Net unrealized (losses) gains on marketable securities | (15) | (20) | 70 |
| Net unrealized gains on cash flow hedges | 5 | — | — |
| Total other comprehensive loss, net | (65) | (211) | (430) |
| Comprehensive income | $ 10,890 | $ 10,714 | $ 9,551 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions)** | **Common Stock and Additional Paid in**  **Capital** | |  | **Accumulated Other** | **Total Oracle Corporation** |  |  |
| **Number of** | |  | **Comprehensive** | **Stockholders’** | **Noncontrolling** |
| **Shares Amount** | | **Retained Earnings** | **(Loss) Income** | **Equity** | **Interests** | **Total Equity** |
| Balances as of May 31, 2011 | 5,068 $ 16,653 | | $ 22,581 | $ 542 | $ 39,776 | $ 469 | $ 40,245 |
| Common stock issued under stock-based compensation plans | 40 622 | | — | — | 622 | — | 622 |
| Common stock issued under stock purchase plans | 4 111 | | — | — | 111 | — | 111 |
| Assumption of stock-based compensation plan awards in connection |  | |  |  |  |  |  |
| with acquisitions | — 29 | | — | — | 29 | — | 29 |
| Stock-based compensation | — | 659 | — | — | 659 | — | 659 |
| Repurchase of common stock | (207) | (698) | (5,270) | — | (5,968) | — | (5,968) |
| Cash dividends declared ($0.24 per share) | — | — | (1,205) | — | (1,205) | — | (1,205) |
| Tax benefit from stock plans | — | 113 | — | — | 113 | — | 113 |
| Other, net | — | — | — | — | — | 2 | 2 |
| Distributions to noncontrolling interests | — | — | — | — | — | (163) | (163) |
| Other comprehensive loss, net | — | — | — | (430) | (430) | (28) | (458) |
| Net income | — | — | 9,981 | — | 9,981 | 119 | 10,100 |
| Balances as of May 31, 2012 | 4,905 | 17,489 | 26,087 | 112 | 43,688 | 399 | 44,087 |
| Common stock issued under stock-based compensation plans | 84 | 1,417 | — | — | 1,417 | — | 1,417 |
| Common stock issued under stock purchase plans | 3 | 110 | — | — | 110 | — | 110 |
| Assumption of stock-based compensation plan awards in connection with acquisitions | — | 15 | — | — | 15 | — | 15 |
| Stock-based compensation | — | 755 | — | — | 755 | — | 755 |
| Repurchase of common stock | (346) | (1,269) | (9,725) | — | (10,994) | — | (10,994) |
| Cash dividends declared ($0.30 per share) | — | — | (1,433) | — | (1,433) | — | (1,433) |
| Tax benefit from stock plans | — | 257 | — | — | 257 | — | 257 |
| Other, net | — | 119 | — | — | 119 | 66 | 185 |
| Distributions to noncontrolling interests | — | — | — | — | — | (31) | (31) |
| Other comprehensive loss, net | — | — | — | (211) | (211) | (49) | (260) |
| Net income | — | — | 10,925 | — | 10,925 | 112 | 11,037 |
| Balances as of May 31, 2013 | 4,646 | 18,893 | 25,854 | (99) | 44,648 | 497 | 45,145 |
| Common stock issued under stock-based compensation plans | 95 | 2,026 | — | — | 2,026 | — | 2,026 |
| Common stock issued under stock purchase plans | 3 | 109 | — | — | 109 | — | 109 |
| Assumption of stock-based compensation plan awards in connection |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| with acquisitions | — | 148 | — | — | 148 | — | 148 |
| Stock-based compensation | — | 805 | — | — | 805 | — | 805 |
| Repurchase of common stock | (280) | (1,160) | (8,638) | — | (9,798) | — | (9,798) |
| Cash dividends declared ($0.48 per share) | — | — | (2,178) | — | (2,178) | — | (2,178) |
| Tax benefit from stock plans | — | 254 | — | — | 254 | — | 254 |
| Other, net | — | 2 | (28) | — | (26) | 12 | (14) |
| Distributions to noncontrolling interests | — | — | — | — | — | (28) | (28) |
| Other comprehensive loss, net | — | — | — | (65) | (65) | (10) | (75) |
| Net income | — | — | 10,955 | — | 10,955 | 98 | 11,053 |
| Balances as of May 31, 2014 | 4,464 | $ 21,077 | $ 25,965 | $ (164) | $ 46,878 | $ 569 | $ 47,447 |

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**Year Ended May 31,**

**(in millions) 2014 2013 2012**

Cash Flows From Operating Activities:

Net income $ 10,955 $ 10,925 $ 9,981

Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Depreciation | 608 | 546 | 486 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 2,300 | 2,385 | 2,430 |
| Allowances for doubtful accounts receivable | 122 | 118 | 92 |
| Deferred income taxes | (248) | (117) | 9 |
| Stock-based compensation | 805 | 755 | 659 |
| Tax benefits on the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock-based awards | 480 | 410 | 182 |
| Excess tax benefits on the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock-based awards | (250) | (241) | (97) |
| Other, net | 311 | 155 | 84 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from acquisitions: |  |  |  |
| Decrease (increase) in trade receivables | 24 | 267 | (8) |
| Decrease (increase) in inventories | 57 | (66) | 150 |
| Increase in prepaid expenses and other assets | (143) | (555) | (51) |
| Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and other liabilities | 48 | (541) | (720) |
| (Decrease) increase in income taxes payable | (320) | 35 | 54 |
| Increase in deferred revenues | 172 | 148 | 492 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 14,921 | 14,224 | 13,743 |
| Cash Flows From Investing Activities: |  |  |  |
| Purchases of marketable securities and other investments | (32,316) | (32,160) | (38,625) |
| Proceeds from maturities and sales of marketable securities and other investments | 28,845 | 30,159 | 35,594 |
| Acquisitions, net of cash acquired | (3,488) | (3,305) | (4,702) |
| Capital expenditures | (580) | (650) | (648) |
| Net cash used for investing activities | (7,539) | (5,956) | (8,381) |
| Cash Flows From Financing Activities: |  |  |  |
| Payments for repurchases of common stock | (9,813) | (11,021) | (5,856) |
| Proceeds from issuances of common stock | 2,135 | 1,527 | 733 |
| Payments of dividends to stockholders | (2,178) | (1,433) | (1,205) |
| Proceeds from borrowings, net of issuance costs | 5,566 | 4,974 | 1,700 |
| Repayments of borrowings | — | (2,950) | (1,405) |
| Excess tax benefits on the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock-based awards | 250 | 241 | 97 |
| Distributions to noncontrolling interests | (28) | (31) | (163) |
| Other, net | — | 193 | — |
| Net cash used for financing activities | (4,068) | (8,500) | (6,099) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | (158) | (110) | (471) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 3,156 | (342) | (1,208) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 14,613 | 14,955 | 16,163 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | $ 17,769 | $ 14,613 | $ 14,955 |
| Non-cash investing and financing transactions: |  |  |  |
| Fair value of stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed in connection with acquisitions | $ 148 | $ 15 | $ 29 |
| Fair value of contingent consideration payable in connection with acquisition | $ — | $ — | $ 346 |
| (Decrease) increase in unsettled repurchases of common stock | $ (15) | $ (27) | $ 112 |
| Increase in unsettled purchases of marketable securities | $ 78 | $ — | $ — |
| Supplemental schedule of cash flow data: | | | |
| Cash paid for income taxes | $ 2,841 | $ 2,644 | $ 2,731 |
| Cash paid for interest | $ 827 | $ 781 | $ 737 |

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1. **ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Oracle Corporation develops, manufactures, markets, hosts and supports database and middleware software, application software, cloud infrastructure, hardware systems—including computer server, storage and networking products—and related services that are engineered to work together in cloud-based and on-premise information technology (IT) environments. We offer our customers the option to purchase our software and hardware systems products and related services to manage their own cloud-based or on-premise IT environments, or to deploy our Oracle Cloud offerings, which are a comprehensive set of cloud service offerings including cloud software-as-a-service (SaaS), platform-as-a-service (PaaS) and infrastructure-as-a-service (IaaS) that we manage, host and support. Customers that purchase our software products may elect to purchase software license updates and product support contracts, which provide our customers with rights to unspecified product upgrades and maintenance releases issued during the support period as well as technical support assistance. Customers that purchase our hardware products may elect to purchase hardware systems support contracts, which provide customers with software updates for software components that are essential to the functionality of our server, storage and networking products, such as Oracle Solaris and certain other software products, and can include product repairs, maintenance services, and technical support services. We also offer customers a broad set of services offerings including consulting services, advanced customer support services and education services.

Oracle Corporation conducts business globally and was incorporated in 2005 as a Delaware corporation and is the successor to operations originally begun in June 1977.

# Basis of Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements included our accounts and the accounts of our wholly- and majority-owned subsidiaries. Noncontrolling interest positions of certain of our consolidated entities are reported as a separate component of consolidated equity from the equity attributable to Oracle’s stockholders for all periods presented. The noncontrolling interests in our net income were not significant to our consolidated results for the periods presented and therefore have been included as a component of non-operating (expense) income, net in our consolidated statements of operations. Intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

We have reclassified certain revenues and expenses to conform to the current period’s presentation for all periods presented in our consolidated statements of operations. All such reclassifications did not affect our consolidated total revenues, consolidated operating income or consolidated net income.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, we added an operating segment, cloud infrastructure-as-a-service, as a result of a reorganization of financial information presented to our chief operating decision maker for operational decision and resource allocation purposes. We concluded this operating segment is a reporting unit for goodwill allocation and impairment assessment purposes.

Acquisition related and other expenses as presented in our consolidated statement of operations for fiscal 2013 included a change in fair value of contingent consideration payable, which resulted in a net benefit of $387 million in fiscal 2013 (see Note 2 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements below), and a $306 million benefit that we recorded in fiscal 2013 related to certain litigation (see Note 18 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements below).

# Use of Estimates

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as set forth in the Financial Accounting Standards Board’s (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) and consider the various staff accounting bulletins and other applicable guidance issued by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). These accounting principles require us to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions. We believe that the estimates, judgments and assumptions upon which we rely are reasonable based upon information available to us at the time that these estimates, judgments and

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assumptions are made. These estimates, judgments and assumptions can affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements as well as the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the periods presented. To the extent there are differences between these estimates, judgments or assumptions and actual results, our consolidated financial statements will be affected. In many cases, the accounting treatment of a particular transaction is specifically dictated by GAAP and does not require management’s judgment in its application. There are also areas in which management’s judgment in selecting among available alternatives would not produce a materially different result.

# Revenue Recognition

Our sources of revenues include: (1) software and cloud revenues, including new software licenses revenues earned from granting licenses to use our software products; cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues generated from fees for granting customers access to a broad range of our software and related support offerings on a subscription basis in a secure, standards-based cloud computing environment; cloud IaaS revenues generated from fees for deployment and management offerings for our software and hardware and related IT infrastructure generally on a subscription basis; and software license updates and product support revenues; (2) hardware systems revenues, which include the sale of hardware systems products including computer servers, storage products, networking and data center fabric products, and hardware systems support revenues; and

(3) services, which includes software and hardware related services including consulting, advanced customer support and education revenues. Revenues generally are recognized net of any taxes collected from customers and subsequently remitted to governmental authorities.

## *Revenue Recognition for Software Products and Software Related Services (Software Elements)*

New software licenses revenues primarily represent fees earned from granting customers licenses to use our database, middleware and application software and exclude cloud SaaS and PaaS revenues and revenues derived from software license updates, which are included in software license updates and product support revenues. The basis for our new software licenses revenue recognition is substantially governed by the accounting guidance contained in ASC 985-605, *Software-Revenue Recognition* . We exercise judgment and use estimates in connection with the determination of the amount of software and software related services revenues to be recognized in each accounting period.

For software license arrangements that do not require significant modification or customization of the underlying software, we recognize new software licenses revenues when: (1) we enter into a legally binding arrangement with a customer for the license of software; (2) we deliver the products; (3) the sale price is fixed or determinable and free of contingencies or significant uncertainties; and (4) collection is probable.

Revenues that are not recognized at the time of sale because the foregoing conditions are not met, are recognized when those conditions are subsequently met.

Substantially all of our software license arrangements do not include acceptance provisions. However, if acceptance provisions exist as part of public policy, for example, in agreements with government entities where acceptance periods are required by law, or within previously executed terms and conditions that are referenced in the current agreement and are short-term in nature, we generally recognize revenues upon delivery provided the acceptance terms are perfunctory and all other revenue recognition criteria have been met. If acceptance provisions are not perfunctory (for example, acceptance provisions that are long-term in nature or are not included as standard terms of an arrangement), revenues are recognized upon the earlier of receipt of written customer acceptance or expiration of the acceptance period.

The vast majority of our software license arrangements include software license updates and product support contracts, which are entered into at the customer’s option and are recognized ratably over the term of the arrangement, typically one year. Software license updates provide customers with rights to unspecified software product upgrades, maintenance releases and patches released during the term of the support period. Product

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support includes internet access to technical content, as well as internet and telephone access to technical support personnel. Software license updates and product support contracts are generally priced as a percentage of the net new software licenses fees. Substantially all of our customers renew their software license updates and product support contracts annually.

Revenue Recognition for Multiple-Element Arrangements—Software Products and Software Related Services (Software Arrangements)

We often enter into arrangements with customers that purchase both software related products and software related services from us at the same time, or within close proximity of one another (referred to as software related multiple-element arrangements). Such software related multiple- element arrangements include the sale of our software products, software license updates and product support contracts and other software related services whereby software license delivery is followed by the subsequent or contemporaneous delivery of the other elements. For those software related multiple-element arrangements, we have applied the residual method to determine the amount of new software license revenues to be recognized pursuant to ASC 985-605. Under the residual method, if fair value exists for undelivered elements in a multiple-element arrangement, such fair value of the undelivered elements is deferred with the remaining portion of the arrangement consideration generally recognized upon delivery of the software license. We allocate the fair value of each element of a software related multiple-element arrangement based upon its fair value as determined by our vendor specific objective evidence (VSOE—described further below), with any remaining amount allocated to the software license.

## *Revenue Recognition for Cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS Offerings, Hardware Systems Products, Hardware Systems Support and Related Services (Nonsoftware Elements)*

Our revenue recognition policy for nonsoftware deliverables including cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS offerings, hardware systems products and hardware systems related services is based upon the accounting guidance contained in ASC 605-25, *Revenue Recognition* , *Multiple-Element Arrangements,* and we exercise judgment and use estimates in connection with the determination of the amount of cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS revenues, hardware systems products revenues and hardware related services revenues to be recognized in each accounting period.

Revenues from the sales of our nonsoftware elements are recognized when: (1) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists; (2) we deliver the products and passage of the title to the buyer occurs; (3) the sale price is fixed or determinable; and (4) collection is reasonably assured.

Revenues that are not recognized at the time of sale because the foregoing conditions are not met are recognized when those conditions are subsequently met. When applicable, we reduce revenues for estimated returns or certain other incentive programs where we have the ability to sufficiently estimate the effects of these items. Where an arrangement is subject to acceptance criteria and the acceptance provisions are not perfunctory (for example, acceptance provisions that are long-term in nature or are not included as standard terms of an arrangement), revenues are recognized upon the earlier of receipt of written customer acceptance or expiration of the acceptance period.

Our cloud SaaS and PaaS offerings generally provide customers access to certain of our software within a cloud-based IT environment that we manage, host and support and offer to customers on a subscription basis. Revenues for our cloud SaaS and PaaS offerings are generally recognized ratably over the contract term commencing with the date the service is made available to customers and all other revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Our cloud IaaS offerings provide deployment and management offerings for our software and hardware and related IT infrastructure including comprehensive software and hardware management and maintenance services arrangements for customer IT infrastructure for a stated term that is hosted at our data center facilities, select partner data centers or physically on-premise at customer facilities generally for a term-based fee; and virtual machine instances that are subscription-based and designed for computing and reliable and secure object storage. Revenues for these cloud IaaS offerings are generally recognized ratably over the contract term commencing with the date the service is made available to customers and all other revenue recognition criteria have been

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satisfied. Our cloud IaaS offerings also include our Oracle Engineered Systems hardware and related support that are deployed on-premise in our customers’ data centers for a monthly fee and provide for the purchase of additional capacity on demand. Our revenue recognition policy for these on-premise offerings is in accordance with ASC 605 and ASC 840, *Leases* , and substantially all of these offerings are accounted for as operating leases as our contracts are structured so that the term of the arrangement is less than 75% of the economic life of the equipment and the present value of the minimum fixed payments are less than 90% of the fair market value of the equipment at the inception of the arrangement.

Our evaluation of useful life is based on our historical product development cycles and our historical customer hardware upgrade cycles. Capacity on demand is a contingent payment and is therefore excluded from our assessment of the net present value of fixed payments. Revenue for capacity on demand is recognized in the period our customers access additional capacity provided all other revenue recognition criteria have been met.

Revenues from the sale of hardware systems products represent amounts earned primarily from the sale of computer servers, storage, and networking products, including the sales of our Oracle Engineered Systems.

Our hardware systems support offerings generally provide customers with software updates for the software components that are essential to the functionality of our server and storage products and can also include product repairs, maintenance services and technical support services.

Hardware systems support contracts are generally priced as a percentage of the net hardware systems products fees. Hardware systems support contracts are entered into at the customer’s option and are recognized ratably over the contractual term of the arrangements, which are typically one year.

Revenue Recognition for Multiple-Element Arrangements—Cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS Offerings, Hardware Systems Products, Hardware Systems Support and Related Services (Nonsoftware Arrangements)

We enter into arrangements with customers that purchase both nonsoftware related products and services from us at the same time, or within close proximity of one another (referred to as nonsoftware multiple-element arrangements). Each element within a nonsoftware multiple-element arrangement is accounted for as a separate unit of accounting provided the following criteria are met: the delivered products or services have value to the customer on a standalone basis; and for an arrangement that includes a general right of return relative to the delivered products or services, delivery or performance of the undelivered product or service is considered probable and is substantially controlled by us. We consider a deliverable to have standalone value if the product or service is sold separately by us or another vendor or could be resold by the customer.

Further, our revenue arrangements generally do not include a general right of return relative to the delivered products. Where the aforementioned criteria for a separate unit of accounting are not met, the deliverable is combined with the undelivered element(s) and treated as a single unit of accounting for the purposes of allocation of the arrangement consideration and revenue recognition. For those units of accounting that include more than one deliverable but are treated as a single unit of accounting, we generally recognize revenues over the delivery period or in the case of our cloud offerings, generally over the estimated customer relationship period. For the purposes of revenue classification of the elements that are accounted for as a single unit of accounting, we allocate revenue to the respective revenue line items within our consolidated statements of operations based on a rational and consistent methodology utilizing our best estimate of relative selling prices of such elements.

For our nonsoftware multiple-element arrangements, we allocate revenue to each element based on a selling price hierarchy at the arrangement’s inception. The selling price for each element is based upon the following selling price hierarchy: VSOE if available, third party evidence (TPE) if VSOE is not available, or estimated selling price (ESP) if neither VSOE nor TPE are available (a description as to how we determine VSOE, TPE and ESP is provided below). If a tangible hardware systems product includes software, we determine whether the tangible hardware systems product and the software work together to deliver the product’s essential functionality and, if so, the entire product is treated as a nonsoftware deliverable. The total arrangement consideration is allocated to each separate unit of accounting for each of the nonsoftware deliverables using the relative selling prices of each

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unit based on the aforementioned selling price hierarchy. We limit the amount of revenue recognized for delivered elements to an amount that is not contingent upon future delivery of additional products or services or meeting of any specified performance conditions.

When possible, we establish VSOE of selling price for deliverables in software and nonsoftware multiple-element arrangements using the price charged for a deliverable when sold separately and for software license updates and product support and hardware systems support, based on the renewal rates offered to customers. TPE is established by evaluating similar and interchangeable competitor products or services in standalone arrangements with similarly situated customers. If we are unable to determine the selling price because VSOE or TPE does not exist, we determine ESP for the purposes of allocating the arrangement by reviewing historical transactions, including transactions whereby the deliverable was sold on a standalone basis and considering several other external and internal factors including, but not limited to, pricing practices including discounting, margin objectives, competition, contractually stated prices, the geographies in which we offer our products and services, the type of customer (i.e., distributor, value added reseller, government agency and direct end user, among others) and the stage of the product lifecycle. The determination of ESP is made through consultation with and approval by our management, taking into consideration our pricing model and go-to-market strategy. As our, or our competitors’, pricing and go-to-market strategies evolve, we may modify our pricing practices in the future, which could result in changes to our determination of VSOE, TPE and ESP. As a result, our future revenue recognition for multiple-element arrangements could differ materially from our results in the current period. Selling prices are analyzed on an annual basis or more frequently if we experience significant changes in our selling prices.

## *Revenue Recognition Policies Applicable to both Software and Nonsoftware Elements*

Revenue Recognition for Multiple-Element Arrangements—Arrangements with Software and Nonsoftware Elements

We also enter into multiple-element arrangements that may include a combination of our various software related and nonsoftware related products and services offerings including new software licenses, software license updates and product support, cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS offerings, hardware systems products, hardware systems support, consulting, advanced customer support services and education. In such arrangements, we first allocate the total arrangement consideration based on the relative selling prices of the software group of elements as a whole and to the nonsoftware elements. We then further allocate consideration within the software group to the respective elements within that group following the guidance in ASC 985-605 and our policies as described above. After the arrangement consideration has been allocated to the elements, we account for each respective element in the arrangement as described above.

Other Revenue Recognition Policies Applicable to Software and Nonsoftware Elements

Many of our software arrangements include consulting implementation services sold separately under consulting engagement contracts and are included as a part of our services business. Consulting revenues from these arrangements are generally accounted for separately from new software licenses revenues because the arrangements qualify as services transactions as defined in ASC 985-605. The more significant factors considered in determining whether the revenues should be accounted for separately include the nature of services (i.e., consideration of whether the services are essential to the functionality of the licensed product), degree of risk, availability of services from other vendors, timing of payments and impact of milestones or acceptance criteria on the realizability of the software license fee. Revenues for consulting services are generally recognized as the services are performed. If there is a significant uncertainty about the project completion or receipt of payment for the consulting services, revenues are deferred until the uncertainty is sufficiently resolved. We estimate the proportional performance on contracts with fixed or “not to exceed” fees on a monthly basis utilizing hours incurred to date as a percentage of total estimated hours to complete the project. If we do not have a sufficient basis to measure progress towards completion, revenues are recognized when we receive final

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acceptance from the customer that the services have been completed. When total cost estimates exceed revenues, we accrue for the estimated losses immediately using cost estimates that are based upon an average fully burdened daily rate applicable to the consulting organization delivering the services. The complexity of the estimation process and factors relating to the assumptions, risks and uncertainties inherent with the application of the proportional performance method of accounting affects the amounts of revenues and related expenses reported in our consolidated financial statements. A number of internal and external factors can affect our estimates, including labor rates, utilization and efficiency variances and specification and testing requirement changes.

Our advanced customer support services are offered as standalone arrangements or as a part of arrangements to customers buying other software and non-software products and services. We offer these advanced support services, both on-premise and remote, to Oracle customers to enable increased performance and higher availability of their products and services. Depending upon the nature of the arrangement, revenues from these services are recognized as the services are performed or ratably over the term of the service period, which is generally one year or less.

Education revenues are also a part of our services business and include instructor-led, media-based and internet-based training in the use of our software and hardware products. Education revenues are recognized as the classes or other education offerings are delivered.

If an arrangement contains multiple elements and does not qualify for separate accounting for the product and service transactions, then new software licenses revenues and/or hardware systems products revenues, including the costs of hardware systems products, are generally recognized together with the services based on contract accounting using either the percentage-of-completion or completed-contract method. Contract accounting is applied to any bundled software and cloud, hardware systems and services arrangements: (1) that include milestones or customer specific acceptance criteria that may affect collection of the software license or hardware systems product fees; (2) where consulting services include significant modification or customization of the software or hardware systems product or are of a specialized nature and generally performed only by Oracle; (3) where significant consulting services are provided for in the software license contract or hardware systems product contract without additional charge or are substantially discounted; or (4) where the software license or hardware systems product payment is tied to the performance of consulting services. For the purposes of revenue classification of the elements that are accounted for as a single unit of accounting, we allocate revenues to software and nonsoftware elements based on a rational and consistent methodology utilizing our best estimate of the relative selling price of such elements.

We also evaluate arrangements with governmental entities containing “fiscal funding” or “termination for convenience” provisions, when such provisions are required by law, to determine the probability of possible cancellation. We consider multiple factors, including the history with the customer in similar transactions, the “essential use” of the software or hardware systems products and the planning, budgeting and approval processes undertaken by the governmental entity. If we determine upon execution of these arrangements that the likelihood of cancellation is remote, we then recognize revenues once all of the criteria described above have been met. If such a determination cannot be made, revenues are recognized upon the earlier of cash receipt or approval of the applicable funding provision by the governmental entity.

We assess whether fees are fixed or determinable at the time of sale and recognize revenues if all other revenue recognition requirements are met. Our standard payment terms are net 30 days. However, payment terms may vary based on the country in which the agreement is executed. Payments that are due within six months are generally deemed to be fixed or determinable based on our successful collection history on such arrangements, and thereby satisfy the required criteria for revenue recognition.

While most of our arrangements for sales within our businesses include short-term payment terms, we have a standard practice of providing long-term financing to creditworthy customers primarily through our financing

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division. Since fiscal 1989, when our financing division was formed, we have established a history of collection, without concessions, on these receivables with payment terms that generally extend up to five years from the contract date. Provided all other revenue recognition criteria have been met, we recognize new software licenses revenues and hardware systems products revenues for these arrangements upon delivery, net of any payment discounts from financing transactions. We have generally sold receivables financed through our financing division on a non- recourse basis to third party financing institutions within 90 days of the contracts’ dates of execution and we classify the proceeds from these sales as cash flows from operating activities in our consolidated statements of cash flows. We account for the sales of these receivables as “true sales” as defined in ASC 860, *Transfers and Servicing* , as we are considered to have surrendered control of these financing receivables. During fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, $2.0 billion, $2.2 billion and $1.6 billion of our financing receivables were sold to financial institutions, respectively.

In addition, we enter into arrangements with leasing companies for the sale of our hardware systems products. These leasing companies, in turn, lease our products to end-users. The leasing companies generally have no recourse to us in the event of default by the end-user and we recognize revenue upon delivery, if all other revenue recognition criteria have been met.

Our customers include several of our suppliers and occasionally, we have purchased goods or services for our operations from these vendors at or about the same time that we have sold our products to these same companies (Concurrent Transactions). Software license agreements or sales of hardware systems that occur within a three-month time period from the date we have purchased goods or services from that same customer are reviewed for appropriate accounting treatment and disclosure. When we acquire goods or services from a customer, we negotiate the purchase separately from any sales transaction, at terms we consider to be at arm’s length and settle the purchase in cash. We recognize revenues from Concurrent Transactions if all of our revenue recognition criteria are met and the goods and services acquired are necessary for our current operations.

# Business Combinations

We apply the provisions of ASC 805, *Business Combinations* , in the accounting for our acquisitions. It requires us to recognize separately from goodwill the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed, at their acquisition date fair values. Goodwill as of the acquisition date is measured as the excess of consideration transferred over the net of the acquisition date fair values of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. While we use our best estimates and assumptions to accurately value assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date as well as contingent consideration, where applicable, our estimates are inherently uncertain and subject to refinement. As a result, during the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, we record adjustments to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed with the corresponding offset to goodwill. Upon the conclusion of the measurement period or final determination of the values of assets acquired or liabilities assumed, whichever comes first, any subsequent adjustments are recorded to our consolidated statements of operations.

Costs to exit or restructure certain activities of an acquired company or our internal operations are accounted for as one-time termination and exit costs pursuant to ASC 420, *Exit or Disposal Cost Obligations* , and are accounted for separately from the business combination. A liability for costs associated with an exit or disposal activity is recognized and measured at its fair value in our consolidated statement of operations in the period in which the liability is incurred. When estimating the fair value of facility restructuring activities, assumptions are applied regarding estimated sub-lease payments to be received, which can differ materially from actual results. This may require us to revise our initial estimates which may materially affect our results of operations and financial position in the period the revision is made.

For a given acquisition, we may identify certain pre-acquisition contingencies as of the acquisition date and may extend our review and evaluation of these pre-acquisition contingencies throughout the measurement period in order to obtain sufficient information to assess whether we include these contingencies as a part of the fair value

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estimates of assets acquired and liabilities assumed and, if so, to determine their estimated amounts. If we cannot reasonably determine the fair value of a pre-acquisition contingency (non-income tax related) by the end of the measurement period, which is generally the case given the nature of such matters, we will recognize an asset or a liability for such pre-acquisition contingency if: (i) it is probable that an asset existed or a liability had been incurred at the acquisition date and (ii) the amount of the asset or liability can be reasonably estimated. Subsequent to the measurement period, changes in our estimates of such contingencies will affect earnings and could have a material effect on our results of operations and financial position.

In addition, uncertain tax positions and tax related valuation allowances assumed in connection with a business combination are initially estimated as of the acquisition date. We reevaluate these items quarterly based upon facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date with any adjustments to our preliminary estimates being recorded to goodwill if identified within the measurement period. Subsequent to the measurement period or our final determination of the tax allowance’s or contingency’s estimated value, whichever comes first, changes to these uncertain tax positions and tax related valuation allowances will affect our provision for income taxes in our consolidated statement of operations and could have a material impact on our results of operations and financial position.

# Marketable and Non-Marketable Securities

In accordance with ASC 320, *Investments* — *Debt and Equity Securities,* and based on our intentions regarding these instruments, we classify substantially all of our marketable debt and equity securities as available-for-sale. Marketable debt and equity securities are reported at fair value, with all unrealized gains (losses) reflected net of tax in stockholders’ equity on our consolidated balance sheets, and as a line item in our consolidated statements of comprehensive income. If we determine that an investment has an other than temporary decline in fair value, we recognize the investment loss in non-operating (expense) income, net in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations. We periodically evaluate our investments to determine if impairment charges are required. Substantially all of our marketable debt and equity investments are classified as current based on the nature of the investments and their availability for use in current operations.

We hold investments in certain non-marketable equity securities in which we do not have a controlling interest or significant influence. These equity securities are recorded at cost and included in other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. If based on the terms of our ownership of these non-marketable securities, we determine that we exercise significant influence on the entity to which these non-marketable securities relate, we apply the requirements of ASC 323, *Investments* — *Equity Method and Joint Ventures* , to account for such investments *.* Our non-marketable securities are subject to periodic impairment reviews.

# Fair Value of Financial Instruments

We apply the provisions of ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurement* (ASC 820), to our assets and liabilities that we are required to measure at fair value pursuant to other accounting standards, including our investments in marketable debt and equity securities and our derivative financial instruments.

The additional disclosures regarding our fair value measurements are included in Note 4.

# Allowances for Doubtful Accounts

We record allowances for doubtful accounts based upon a specific review of all significant outstanding invoices. For those invoices not specifically reviewed, provisions are provided at differing rates, based upon the age of the receivable, the collection history associated with the geographic region that the receivable was recorded in and current economic trends. We write-off a receivable and charge it against its recorded allowance when we have exhausted our collection efforts without success.

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# Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that are potentially subject to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities and trade receivables. Our cash and cash equivalents are generally held with large, diverse financial institutions worldwide to reduce the amount of exposure to any single financial institution. Investment policies have been implemented that limit purchases of marketable debt securities to investment grade securities. We generally do not require collateral to secure accounts receivable. The risk with respect to trade receivables is mitigated by credit evaluations we perform on our customers, the short duration of our payment terms for the significant majority of our customer contracts and by the diversification of our customer base. No single customer accounted for 10% or more of our total revenues in fiscal 2014, 2013 or 2012.

# Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market value. Cost is computed using standard cost, which approximates actual cost, on a first-in, first-out basis. We evaluate our ending inventories for estimated excess quantities and obsolescence. This evaluation includes analysis of sales levels by product and projections of future demand within specific time horizons (generally six to nine months). Inventories in excess of future demand are written down and charged to hardware systems products expenses. In addition, we assess the impact of changing technology to our inventories and we write down inventories that are considered obsolete. At the point of loss recognition, a new, lower-cost basis for that inventory is established, and subsequent changes in facts and circumstances do not result in the restoration or increase in that newly established cost basis.

# Other Receivables

Other receivables represent value-added tax and sales tax receivables associated with the sale of our products and services to third parties. Other receivables are included in prepaid expenses and other current assets in our consolidated balance sheets and totaled $906 million and $826 million at May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

# Deferred Sales Commissions

We defer sales commission expenses associated with our cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS offerings, and recognize the related expenses over the non- cancelable term of the related contracts, which are typically one to three years. Amortization of deferred sales commissions is included as a component of sales and marketing expense in our consolidated statements of operations.

# Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at the lower of cost or realizable value, net of accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on estimated useful lives of the assets, which range from one to fifty years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the lesser of the estimated useful lives of the improvements or the lease terms, as appropriate. Property, plant and equipment are periodically reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. We did not recognize any significant property impairment charges in fiscal 2014, 2013 or 2012.

# Goodwill, Intangible Assets and Impairment Assessments

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price in a business combination over the fair value of net tangible and intangible assets acquired. Intangible assets that are not considered to have an indefinite useful life are amortized over their useful lives, which generally range from one to ten years. Each period we evaluate the estimated remaining useful lives of purchased intangible assets and whether events or changes in circumstances warrant a revision to the remaining periods of amortization.

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The carrying amounts of these assets are periodically reviewed for impairment (at least annually for goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets) and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of these assets may not be recoverable. According to ASC 350, *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other* , we can opt to perform a qualitative assessment to test a reporting unit’s goodwill for impairment or we can directly perform the two step impairment test. Based on our qualitative assessment, if we determine that the fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not (i.e., a likelihood of more than 50 percent) to be less than its carrying amount, the two step impairment test will be performed. In the first step, we compare the fair value of each reporting unit to its carrying value. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds the carrying value of the net assets assigned to that unit, goodwill is not considered impaired and we are not required to perform further testing. If the carrying value of the net assets assigned to the reporting unit exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit, then we must perform the second step of the impairment test in order to determine the implied fair value of the reporting unit’s goodwill. If the carrying value of a reporting unit’s goodwill exceeds its implied fair value, then we would record an impairment loss equal to the difference. Recoverability of finite lived intangible assets is measured by comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to the future undiscounted cash flows the asset is expected to generate.

Recoverability of indefinite lived intangible assets is measured by comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to its fair value. If the asset is considered to be impaired, the amount of any impairment is measured as the difference between the carrying value and the fair value of the impaired asset. We did not recognize any goodwill or intangible asset impairment charges in fiscal 2014, 2013 or 2012.

# Derivative Financial Instruments

During fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, we used derivative and non-derivative financial instruments to manage foreign currency and interest rate risks (see Note 11 below for additional information). We account for these instruments in accordance with ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging* (ASC 815), which requires that every derivative instrument be recorded on the balance sheet as either an asset or liability measured at its fair value as of the reporting date. ASC 815 also requires that changes in our derivatives’ fair values be recognized in earnings, unless specific hedge accounting and documentation criteria are met (i.e., the instruments are accounted for as hedges).

The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative depends on the intended use of the derivative and the resulting designation. For a derivative instrument designated as a fair value hedge, the gain or loss is recognized in earnings in the period of change. The loss or gain attributable to the risk being hedged is recognized in earnings with an offset recorded to the item for which the risk is being hedged. For a derivative instrument designated as a cash flow hedge, each reporting period we record the change in fair value on the effective portion to accumulated other comprehensive loss in our consolidated balance sheets and an amount is reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive loss into earnings to offset the earnings impact that is attributable to the risk being hedged. For the non-derivative financial instrument designated as a net investment hedge of our investments in certain of our international subsidiaries, the change on account of remeasurement of the effective portion for each reporting period is recorded to accumulated other comprehensive loss in our consolidated balance sheets.

We perform the effectiveness testing of our aforementioned designated hedges on a quarterly basis and the changes in ineffective portions, if any, are recognized immediately in earnings.

# Legal Contingencies

We are currently involved in various claims and legal proceedings. Quarterly, we review the status of each significant matter and assess our potential financial exposure. For legal and other contingencies that are not a part of a business combination or related to income taxes, we accrue a liability for an estimated loss if the potential loss from any claim or legal proceeding is considered probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated. A description of our accounting policies associated with contingencies assumed as a part of a business combination is provided under “Business Combinations” above.

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# Shipping and Handling Costs

Our shipping and handling costs for hardware systems products sales are included in hardware systems products expenses for all periods presented.

# Foreign Currency

We transact business in various foreign currencies. In general, the functional currency of a foreign operation is the local country’s currency. Consequently, revenues and expenses of operations outside the United States are translated into U.S. Dollars using weighted average exchange rates while assets and liabilities of operations outside the United States are translated into U.S. Dollars using exchange rates at the balance sheet date. The effects of foreign currency translation adjustments are included in stockholders’ equity as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and related periodic movements are summarized as a line item in our consolidated statements of comprehensive income. Net foreign exchange transaction losses included in non-operating (expense) income, net in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations were $375 million, $162 million and $105 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

# Stock-Based Compensation

We account for share-based payments, including grants of employee stock options, restricted stock-based awards and purchases under employee stock purchase plans, in accordance with ASC 718, *Compensation-Stock Compensation,* which requires that share-based payments (to the extent they are compensatory) be recognized in our consolidated statements of operations based on their fair values and the estimated number of shares we ultimately expect will vest. We recognize stock-based compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the service period of the award, which is generally four years.

We record deferred tax assets for stock-based compensation plan awards that result in deductions on our income tax returns based on the amount of stock-based compensation recognized and the statutory tax rate in the jurisdiction in which we will receive a tax deduction.

# Advertising

All advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Advertising expenses, which are included within sales and marketing expenses, were $79 million,

$85 million and $79 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

# Research and Development and Software Development Costs

All research and development costs are expensed as incurred.

Software development costs required to be capitalized under ASC 985-20, *Costs of Software to be Sold, Leased or Marketed,* and under ASC 350-40, *Internal-Use Software,* were not material to our consolidated financial statements in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012.

# Acquisition Related and Other Expenses

Acquisition related and other expenses consist of personnel related costs for transitional and certain other employees, stock-based compensation expenses, integration related professional services, certain business combination adjustments including adjustments after the measurement period has ended and certain other operating items, net. Stock-based compensation included in acquisition related and other expenses resulted from unvested options and restricted stock-based awards assumed from acquisitions whereby vesting was accelerated

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upon termination of the employees pursuant to the original terms of those options and restricted stock-based awards.

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| **(in millions)** |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Transitional and other employee related costs | $ 27 | $ 27 | $ 25 |
| Stock-based compensation | 10 | 33 | 33 |
| Professional fees and other, net | 20 | (276) | 13 |
| Business combination adjustments, net | (16) | (388) | (15) |
| Total acquisition related and other expenses | $ 41 | $ (604) | $ 56 |

Included in acquisition related and other expenses for fiscal 2013 were changes in estimates for contingent consideration payable, which reduced acquisition related and other expenses by $387 million during fiscal 2013 (see Note 2 for additional information). Acquisition related and other expenses for fiscal 2013 also included a benefit of $306 million related to certain litigation (see Note 18 for additional information), which reduced our acquisition related and other expenses in this period.

# Non-Operating (Expense) Income, net

Non-operating (expense) income, net consists primarily of interest income, net foreign currency exchange gains (losses), the noncontrolling interests in the net profits of our majority-owned subsidiaries (Oracle Financial Services Software Limited and Oracle Japan) and net other income (losses), including net realized gains and losses related to all of our investments and net unrealized gains and losses related to the small portion of our investment portfolio that we classify as trading.

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| **(in millions)** |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Interest income | $ 263 | $ 237 | $ 231 |
| Foreign currency losses, net | (375) | (162) | (105) |
| Noncontrolling interests in income | (98) | (112) | (119) |
| Other income, net | 69 | 48 | 15 |
| Total non-operating (expense) income, net | $ (141) | $ 11 | $ 22 |

Included in our non-operating (expense) income, net for fiscal 2014 are foreign currency remeasurement losses of $213 million. These remeasurement losses were related to the remeasurement of certain assets and liabilities of our Venezuelan subsidiary. The Venezuelan economy has been determined to be “highly inflationary” in accordance with ASC 830, *Foreign Currency Matters* . As a result, we report all net monetary assets related to our Venezuelan subsidiary in U.S. Dollars with the associated impacts of periodic changes of Bolivar Fuerte (“VEF”) to

U.S. Dollar exchange rates in our statements of operations for each respective reporting period. During fiscal 2014, the Venezuelan government issued new exchange agreements that allow for certain foreign currency transactions, which previously were subject to Venezuela’s official Bolivar Fuerte (“VEF”) to U.S. Dollar exchange rate (the “Official Rate”), to be subject to conversion at rates established at the Venezuelan government’s auction-based exchange rate programs, the Complementary System for Foreign Currency Administration (“SICAD”) rates. These SICAD rates were lower than the Official Rate that we had used historically to report the VEF based transactions and net monetary assets of our Venezuelan subsidiary. To determine which of the various VEF rates to use during fiscal 2014, we evaluated our individual facts and circumstances taking into consideration our legal ability to convert VEF at or to settle VEF based transactions using the SICAD rates, amongst other factors. We concluded that using the SICAD rates was the most

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appropriate for our reporting of our Venezuelan subsidiary’s VEF based transactions and net monetary assets in U.S. Dollars, which resulted in the fiscal 2014 remeasurement losses referenced above. During fiscal 2013, we also incurred a foreign currency remeasurement loss of $64 million related to our Venezuelan subsidiary due to the devaluation of the VEF official exchange rate by the Venezuelan government. Future devaluations of the Venezuelan currency are not expected to have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements. As a large portion of our consolidated operations are international, we could experience additional foreign currency volatility and incur additional remeasurement losses in the future, the amounts and timing of which are unknown.

# Income Taxes

We account for income taxes in accordance with ASC 740, *Income Taxes* . Deferred income taxes are recorded for the expected tax consequences of temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and amounts recognized for income tax purposes. We record a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets to the amount of future tax benefit that is more likely than not to be realized.

A two-step approach is applied pursuant to ASC 740 in the recognition and measurement of uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The first step is to determine if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained in an audit, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement. We recognize interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in our provision for income taxes line of our consolidated statements of operations.

A description of our accounting policies associated with tax related contingencies and valuation allowances assumed as a part of a business combination is provided under “Business Combinations” above.

# Recent Accounting Pronouncements

***Share-Based Payments with Performance Targets:*** In June 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-12, *Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period* (ASU 2014-12). ASU 2014-12 requires that a performance target that affects vesting and could be achieved after the requisite service period be treated as a performance condition. A reporting entity should apply existing guidance in ASC 718, *Compensation* — *Stock Compensation* , as it relates to such awards. ASU 2014-12 is effective for us in our first quarter of fiscal 2017 with early adoption permitted using either of two methods: (i) prospective to all awards granted or modified after the effective date; or (ii) retrospective to all awards with performance targets that are outstanding as of the beginning of the earliest annual period presented in the financial statements and to all new or modified awards thereafter, with the cumulative effect of applying ASU 2014-12 as an adjustment to the opening retained earnings balance as of the beginning of the earliest annual period presented in the financial statements. We are currently evaluating the impact of our pending adoption on ASU 2014-12 on our consolidated financial statements.

***Revenue Recognition:*** In May 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers: Topic* 606 (ASU 2014-09), to supersede nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance under U.S. GAAP. The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is to recognize revenues when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration that is expected to be received for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 defines a five step process to achieve this core principle and, in doing so, it is possible more judgment and estimates may be required within the revenue recognition process than required under existing U.S. GAAP including identifying performance obligations in the contract, estimating the amount of variable consideration to include in the transaction price and allocating the transaction price to each separate performance obligation. ASU 2014-09 is effective for us in our first quarter of fiscal 2018 using either of two methods: (i) retrospective to each prior reporting period presented with the option to elect

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certain practical expedients as defined within ASU 2014-09; or (ii) retrospective with the cumulative effect of initially applying ASU 2014-09 recognized at the date of initial application and providing certain additional disclosures as defined per ASU 2014-09. We are currently evaluating the impact of our pending adoption of ASU 2014-09 on our consolidated financial statements.

***Reporting Discontinued Operations:*** In April 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-08, *Reporting Discontinued Operations and Disclosures of Disposals of Components of an Entity* (ASU 2014-08), to change the criteria for determining which disposals can be presented as discontinued operations and enhanced the related disclosure requirements. ASU 2014-08 is effective for us on a prospective basis in our first quarter of fiscal 2016 with early adoption permitted for disposals (or classifications as held for sale) that have not been reported in financial statements previously issued. We are currently evaluating the impact of our pending adoption of ASU 2014-08 on our consolidated financial statements.

# ACQUISITIONS

**Proposed Acquisitions of MICROS Systems, Inc. and Others**

On June 22, 2014, we entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (Merger Agreement) with MICROS Systems, Inc. (MICROS), a provider of integrated software, hardware and services solutions to the hospitality and retail industries. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, we will commence a tender offer for the outstanding shares and shares generally representing vested equity incentive awards of MICROS (collectively, MICROS Shares). MICROS shareholders will have the right to tender their MICROS Shares to Oracle in exchange for $68.00 per share in cash upon consummation of the tender offer. The tender offer will commence no later than ten (10) business days from June 22, 2014. After completion of the tender offer and subject to certain limited conditions, MICROS will merge with and into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Oracle. In addition, unvested equity awards to acquire MICROS common stock that are outstanding immediately prior to the conclusion of the merger will generally be converted into equity awards denominated in shares of our common stock based on formulas contained in the Merger Agreement. The estimated total purchase price for MICROS is approximately $5.3 billion. This transaction is conditioned upon (i) at least a majority of the MICROS Shares being validly tendered to Oracle, (ii) regulatory clearance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, (iii) the applicable merger control laws of the European Commission and other jurisdictions, and (iv) certain other customary closing conditions.

We also have entered into certain other agreements to acquire other companies and expect these proposed acquisitions to close during the first quarter of fiscal 2015.

# Fiscal 2014 Acquisitions

## *Acquisition of Responsys, Inc.*

On February 6, 2014, we completed our acquisition of Responsys, Inc. (Responsys), a provider of enterprise-scale cloud-based business-to- consumer marketing software. We have included the financial results of Responsys in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition. The total preliminary purchase price for Responsys was approximately $1.6 billion, which consisted of approximately $1.4 billion in cash and $147 million for the fair value of stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed. We have preliminarily recorded $35 million of net tangible liabilities, related primarily to deferred tax liabilities, $580 million of identifiable intangible assets, and $14 million of in-process research and development, based on their estimated fair values, and $1.0 billion of residual goodwill.

## *Other Fiscal 2014 Acquisitions*

During fiscal 2014, we acquired certain other companies and purchased certain technology and development assets primarily to expand our products and services offerings. These acquisitions were not individually

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significant. We have included the financial results of these companies in our consolidated financial statements from their respective acquisition dates and the results from each of these companies were not individually material to our consolidated financial statements. In the aggregate, the total preliminary purchase price for these acquisitions was approximately $2.3 billion, which consisted primarily of cash consideration, and we preliminarily recorded $213 million of net tangible liabilities, related primarily to deferred tax liabilities, $1.1 billion of identifiable intangible assets, and $99 million of in-process research and development, based on their estimated fair values, and $1.3 billion of residual goodwill.

The preliminary fair value estimates for the assets acquired and liabilities assumed for our acquisitions completed during fiscal 2014 were based upon preliminary calculations and valuations and our estimates and assumptions for each of these acquisitions are subject to change as we obtain additional information for our estimates during the respective measurement periods (up to one year from the respective acquisition dates). The primary areas of those preliminary estimates that were not yet finalized related to certain tangible assets and liabilities acquired, identifiable intangible assets, certain legal matters and income and non-income based taxes.

# Fiscal 2013 Acquisitions

## *Acquisition of Acme Packet, Inc.*

On March 28, 2013, we completed our acquisition of Acme Packet, Inc. (Acme Packet), a provider of session border control technology. We have included the financial results of Acme Packet in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition. The total purchase price for Acme Packet was approximately $2.1 billion, which consisted of approximately $2.1 billion in cash and $12 million for the fair value of stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed. We have recorded $247 million of net tangible assets, $525 million of identifiable intangible assets, and $45 million of in-process research and development, based on their estimated fair values, and $1.3 billion of residual goodwill.

## *Acquisition of Eloqua, Inc.*

On February 8, 2013, we completed our acquisition of Eloqua, Inc. (Eloqua), a provider of cloud-based marketing automation and revenue performance management software. We have included the financial results of Eloqua in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition. The total purchase price for Eloqua was approximately $935 million, which consisted of approximately $933 million in cash and $2 million for the fair value of stock options assumed. We have recorded $1 million of net tangible assets and $327 million of identifiable intangible assets, based on their estimated fair values, and $607 million of residual goodwill.

## *Other Fiscal 2013 Acquisitions*

During fiscal 2013, we acquired certain other companies and purchased certain technology and development assets primarily to expand our products and services offerings. These acquisitions were not significant individually or in the aggregate.

# Fiscal 2012 Acquisitions

## *Acquisition of Taleo Corporation*

On April 5, 2012, we completed our acquisition of Taleo Corporation (Taleo), a provider of cloud-based talent management solutions. We have included the financial results of Taleo in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition. The total purchase price for Taleo was approximately $2.0 billion, which consisted of approximately $2.0 billion in cash and $10 million for the fair value of stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed. We recorded $1.1 billion of identifiable intangible assets and $244 million of net tangible liabilities related primarily to deferred tax liabilities and customer performance obligations that were assumed as a part of this acquisition, based on their estimated fair values, and $1.1 billion of residual goodwill.

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## *Acquisition of RightNow Technologies, Inc.*

On January 25, 2012, we completed our acquisition of RightNow Technologies, Inc. (RightNow), a provider of cloud-based customer service. We have included the financial results of RightNow in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition. The total purchase price for RightNow was approximately $1.5 billion, which consisted of approximately $1.5 billion in cash and $14 million for the fair value of stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed. We recorded $697 million of identifiable intangible assets and $259 million of net tangible liabilities related primarily to customer performance obligations, convertible debt and deferred tax liabilities that were assumed as a part of this acquisition, based on their estimated fair values, and $1.1 billion of residual goodwill.

## *Acquisition of Pillar Data Systems, Inc.*

On July 18, 2011, we acquired Pillar Data Systems, Inc. (Pillar Data), a provider of enterprise storage systems solutions. Prior to the acquisition, Pillar Data was directly and indirectly majority-owned and controlled by Lawrence J. Ellison, our Chief Executive Officer, director and largest stockholder. Pursuant to the agreement and plan of merger dated as of June 29, 2011 (Pillar Data Merger Agreement), we acquired all of the issued and outstanding equity interests of Pillar Data from the stockholders in exchange for rights to receive contingent cash consideration (Earn- Out), if any, pursuant to an Earn-Out calculation. An affiliate of Mr. Ellison has a preference right to receive the first approximately $565 million of the Earn-Out, if any, and rights to 55% of any amount of the Earn-Out that exceeds $565 million.

The Earn-Out will be calculated with respect to a three-year period that commenced with our second quarter of fiscal 2012 and will conclude with our first quarter of fiscal 2015 (Earn-Out Period). The Earn-Out will be an amount (if positive) calculated based on the product of (i) the difference between (x) future revenues generated from the sale of certain Pillar Data products during Oracle’s last four full fiscal quarters during the Earn-Out Period minus (y) certain losses associated with certain Pillar Data products incurred over the entire Earn-Out Period, multiplied by

1. three. Our obligation to pay the Earn-Out will be subject to reduction as a result of our right to set-off the amount of any indemnification claims we may have under the Pillar Data Merger Agreement. We do not expect the amount of the Earn-Out or its potential impact will be material to our results of operations or financial position.

We have included the financial results of Pillar Data in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition. These results were not material to our consolidated financial statements. The estimated fair value of the liability for contingent consideration as of the acquisition date, representing the purchase price payable for our acquisition of Pillar Data, was approximately $346 million and was included in other non-current liabilities in our consolidated balance sheet. Our liability for contingent consideration payable is subject to change until the liability is settled with the related impact recorded to our consolidated statements of operations as acquisition related and other expenses. In connection with our acquisition of Pillar Data, we recorded $142 million of identifiable intangible assets and $16 million of net tangible liabilities, based on their estimated fair values, and $220 million of residual goodwill. As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, we estimated the fair value of the Earn-Out liability to be zero. We recorded a net benefit to acquisition related and other expenses of $387 million in fiscal 2013 to reduce the Earn-Out liability to zero primarily as a result of a change in our estimate of year three revenues related to our acquisition of Pillar Data and the related impact to the liability calculation in accordance with the Earn-Out formula as noted above.

In June 2014, Mr. Ellison agreed to pay to Oracle 95% of all amounts, if any, that are paid to him under the Earn-Out (see Note 18 below for additional information).

## *Other Fiscal 2012 Acquisitions*

During fiscal 2012, we acquired certain other companies and purchased certain technology and development assets primarily to expand our products and services offerings. These acquisitions were not individually significant. We have included the financial results of these companies in our consolidated financial statements

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from their respective acquisition dates and the results from each of these companies were not individually material to our consolidated financial statements. In the aggregate, the total purchase price for these acquisitions was approximately $1.6 billion, which consisted of approximately

$1.6 billion in cash and $5 million for the fair value of stock options assumed. We recorded $540 million of identifiable intangible assets and

$29 million of net tangible assets, based on their estimated fair values, and $1.1 billion of residual goodwill.

# Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information

The unaudited pro forma financial information in the table below summarizes the combined results of operations for Oracle, Responsys, Acme Packet, Eloqua and certain other companies that we acquired since the beginning of fiscal 2013 (which were considered significant for the purposes of unaudited pro forma financial information disclosure) as though the companies were combined as of the beginning of fiscal 2013. The pro forma financial information for all periods presented also included the business combination accounting effects resulting from these acquisitions including our amortization charges from acquired intangible assets (certain of which were preliminary), stock-based compensation charges for unvested stock options and restricted stock-based awards assumed, if any, and the related tax effects as though the aforementioned companies were combined as of the beginning of fiscal 2013. The pro forma financial information as presented below is for informational purposes only and is not indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved if the acquisitions had taken place at the beginning of fiscal 2013.

The unaudited pro forma financial information for fiscal 2014 combined the historical results of Oracle for fiscal 2014, the historical results of Responsys for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 (adjusted due to differences in reporting periods and considering the date we acquired Responsys), the historical results of certain other companies that we acquired since the beginning of fiscal 2014 based upon their respective previous reporting periods and the dates these companies were acquired by us, and the effects of the pro forma adjustments listed above.

The unaudited pro forma financial information for fiscal 2013 combined the historical results of Oracle for fiscal 2013, the historical results of Responsys for the twelve months ended June 30, 2013 (due to differences in reporting periods), the historical results of Acme Packet for the year ended December 31, 2012 (adjusted due to differences in reporting periods and considering the date we acquired Acme Packet), the historical results of Eloqua for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 (adjusted due to differences in reporting periods and considering the date we acquired Eloqua), the historical results of certain other companies that we acquired since the beginning of fiscal 2013 based upon their respective previous reporting periods and the dates these companies were acquired by us, and the effects of the pro forma adjustments listed above. The unaudited pro forma financial information was as follows for fiscal 2014 and 2013:

**Year Ended May 31,**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions, except per share data)** | **2014** | **2013** |
| Total revenues | $ 38,486 | $ 38,258 |
| Net income | $ 10,826 | $ 10,676 |
| Basic earnings per share | $ 2.39 | $ 2.24 |
| Diluted earnings per share | $ 2.35 | $ 2.20 |

# CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND MARKETABLE SECURITIES

Cash and cash equivalents primarily consist of deposits held at major banks, Tier-1 commercial paper and other securities with original maturities of 90 days or less. Marketable securities primarily consist of time deposits held at major banks, Tier-1 commercial paper, corporate notes and certain other securities.

The amortized principal amounts of our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities approximated their fair values at May 31, 2014 and 2013. We use the specific identification method to determine any realized gains or

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losses from the sale of our marketable securities classified as available-for-sale. Such realized gains and losses were insignificant for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012. The following table summarizes the components of our cash equivalents and marketable securities held, substantially all of which were classified as available-for-sale:

**May 31,**

**(in millions) 2014 2013**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Commercial paper debt securities | $ 7,969 | $ 14,043 |
| Corporate debt securities and other | 16,657 | 4,935 |
| Total investments | $ 24,626 | $ 18,978 |
| Investments classified as cash equivalents | $ 3,576 | $ 1,375 |
| Investments classified as marketable securities | $ 21,050 | $ 17,603 |

As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, approximately 45% and 91%, respectively, of our marketable securities investments mature within one year and 55% and 9%, respectively, mature within one to four years. Our investment portfolio is subject to market risk due to changes in interest rates. As described above, we limit purchases of marketable debt securities to investment grade securities and also limit the amount of credit exposure to any one issuer. As stated in our investment policy, we are averse to principal loss and seek to preserve our invested funds by limiting default risk and market risk.

# FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

We perform fair value measurements in accordance with ASC 820. ASC 820 defines fair value as the price that would be received from selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. When determining the fair value measurements for assets and liabilities required to be recorded at their fair values, we consider the principal or most advantageous market in which we would transact and consider assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the assets or liabilities, such as inherent risk, transfer restrictions and risk of nonperformance.

ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. An asset’s or a liability’s categorization within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. ASC 820 establishes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

* + Level 1: quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
  + Level 2: inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities; or
  + Level 3: unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair values of the assets or liabilities.

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# Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

Our assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis, excluding accrued interest components, consisted of the following (Level 1 and 2 inputs are defined above):

**May 31, 2014 May 31, 2013**

**Fair Value Measurements**

**Using Input Types**

**Fair Value Measurements**

**Using Input Types**

**(in millions) Level 1 Level 2 Total Level 1 Level 2 Total**

Assets:

Commercial paper debt securities $ — $ 7,969 $ 7,969 $ — $ 14,043 $ 14,043

Corporate debt securities and other 119 16,538 16,657 246 4,689 4,935 Derivative financial instruments — 97 97 — 41 41 Total assets $ 119 $ 24,604 $ 24,723 $ 246 $ 18,773 $ 19,019

Our valuation techniques used to measure the fair values of our marketable securities that were classified as Level 1 in the table above were derived from quoted market prices and active markets for these instruments exist. Our valuation techniques used to measure the fair values of Level 2 instruments listed in the table above, the counterparties to which have high credit ratings, were derived from the following: non-binding market consensus prices that are corroborated by observable market data, quoted market prices for similar instruments, or pricing models, such as discounted cash flow techniques, with all significant inputs derived from or corroborated by observable market data including LIBOR-based yield curves, among others.

Based on the trading prices of our $24.2 billion and $18.5 billion of borrowings, which consisted of senior notes that were outstanding as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, the estimated fair values of our borrowings using Level 2 inputs at May 31, 2014 and 2013 were $26.4 billion and $20.7 billion, respectively.

# INVENTORIES

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Inventories consisted of the following: |  |  | **May 31,** |
| **(in millions)** |  |  | **2014 2013** |
| Raw materials |  |  | $ 74 $ 114 |
| Work-in-process |  |  | 28 31 |
| Finished goods |  |  | 87 95 |
| Total |  |  | $ 189 $ 240 |
| **6. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT** |  |  |  |
| Property, plant and equipment, net consisted of the following: |  |  |  |
| **(Dollars in millions)** |  | **Estimated Useful Life** | **May 31, 2014 2013** |
| Computer, network, machinery and equipment |  | 1-5 years | $ 2,468 $ 2,138 |
| Buildings and improvements |  | 1-50 years | 2,582 2,477 |
| Furniture, fixtures and other |  | 3-10 years | 531 481 |
| Land |  | — | 632 632 |
| Construction in progress |  | — | 26 28 |
| Total property, plant and equipment |  | 1-50 years | 6,239 5,756 |
| Accumulated depreciation |  |  | (3,178) (2,703) |
| Total property, plant and equipment, net |  |  | $ 3,061 $ 3,053 |
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1. **INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND GOODWILL**

The changes in intangible assets for fiscal 2014 and the net book value of intangible assets at May 31, 2014 and 2013 were as follows:

**Intangible Assets, Gross Accumulated Amortization Intangible Assets, Net Weighted**

**(Dollars in millions)**

Software support agreements and related

**May 31,**

**2013 Additions Retirements**

**May 31,**

**2014**

**May 31,**

**2013 Expense Retirements**

**May 31,**

**2014**

**May 31,**

**2013**

**May 31,**

**2014**

**Average Useful Life (1)**

relationships $ 5,298 $ — $ (80) $ 5,218 $ (3,912) $ (571) $ 80 $ (4,403) $ 1,386 $ 815 N.A.

Hardware systems support agreements and

related relationships 817 152 — 969 (387) (143) — (530) 430 439 9 years

Developed technology 7,466 928 (4,007) 4,387 (5,477) (706) 4,007 (2,176) 1,989 2,211 7 years

Core technology 2,579 — (962) 1,617 (1,938) (318) 962 (1,294) 641 323 N.A.

Customer relationships and contract backlog 2,435 131 (512) 2,054 (1,637) (334) 512 (1,459) 798 595 4 years SaaS and PaaS agreements and related

relationships and other 1,227 562 — 1,789 (155) (150) — (305) 1,072 1,484 10 years

Trademarks 635 39 (158) 516 (356) (78) 158 (276) 279 240 10 years

Total intangible assets subject to

In-proc

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| amortization | 20,457 | 1,812 | (5,719) | 16,550 | (13,862) | (2,300) | 5,719 | (10,443) | 6,595 | 6,107 | 8 years |
| ess research and development, net | 45 | (15) | — | 30 | — | — | — | — | 45 | 30 | N.A. |
| tal intangible assets, net | $ 20,502 | $ 1,797 $ | (5,719) $ | 16,580 | $ (13,862) $ | (2,300) $ | 5,719 | $ (10,443) $ | 6,640 | $ 6,137 |  |

To

(1) Represents weighted average useful lives of intangible assets acquired during fiscal 2014.

Total amortization expense related to our intangible assets was $2.3 billion in fiscal 2014 and $2.4 billion in each of fiscal 2013 and 2012. As of May 31, 2014, estimated future amortization expenses related to intangible assets were as follows (in millions):

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Fiscal 2015 | $ 1,934 |
| Fiscal 2016 | 1,337 |
| Fiscal 2017 | 741 |
| Fiscal 2018 | 607 |
| Fiscal 2019 | 508 |
| Thereafter | 980 |
| Total intangible assets subject to amortization | 6,107 |
| In-process research and development | 30 |
| Total intangible assets, net | $ 6,137 |

The changes in the carrying amounts of goodwill, which is generally not deductible for tax purposes, for our operating segments for fiscal 2014 and 2013 were as follows:

**New Software**

**Software**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **Licenses and Cloud** | **License Hardware**  **Updates and** | | | |
| **Software Subscriptions** | **Product Support** | **Systems Support** | **Other (3)** | **Total** |
| Balances as of May 31, 2012 | $ 7,367 | $ 12,479 | $ 1,193 | $ 4,080 | $ 25,119 |
| Allocation of goodwill (1) | 2,346 | — | — | (2,346) | — |
| Goodwill from acquisitions | 933 | 27 | 62 | 1,341 | 2,363 |
| Goodwill adjustments (2) | (113) | (32) | 4 | 2 | (139) |
| Balances as of May 31, 2013 | 10,533 | 12,474 | 1,259 | 3,077 | 27,343 |
| Allocation of goodwill (1) | 875 | — | 380 | (1,255) | — |
| Goodwill from acquisitions | 1,721 | 4 | 436 | 134 | 2,295 |
| Goodwill adjustments (2) | 10 | (6) | 7 | 3 | 14 |
| Balances as of May 31, 2014 | $ 13,139 | $ 12,472 | $ 2,082 | $ 1,959 | $ 29,652 |

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(1)

(2)

(3)

Represents the allocation of goodwill to our operating segments upon completion of our intangible asset valuations.

Pursuant to our business combinations accounting policy, we recorded goodwill adjustments for the effect on goodwill of changes to net assets acquired during the measurement period (up to one year from the date of an acquisition). Goodwill adjustments were not significant to our previously reported operating results or financial position.

Represents goodwill allocated to our other operating segments and goodwill to be allocated to our operating segments upon completion of our intangible asset valuations, if any.

# NOTES PAYABLE AND OTHER BORROWINGS

Notes payable and other borrowings consisted of the following:

**May 31,**

**(Dollars in millions) 2014 2013**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 3.75% senior notes due July 2014, net of fair value adjustments of $8 and $41 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively (1) | $ 1,508 | $ 1,541 |
| 5.25% senior notes due January 2016, net of discount of $2 and $3 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively | 1,998 | 1,997 |
| 1.20% senior notes due October 2017, net of discount of $3 each as of May 31, 2014 and 2013 | 2,497 | 2,497 |
| 5.75% senior notes due April 2018, net of discount of $1 as of May 31, 2013 | 2,500 | 2,499 |
| Floating rate senior notes due January 2019 | 500 | — |
| 2.375% senior notes due January 2019, net of fair value adjustment of $15 and discount of $5 as of May 31, 2014 (1) | 1,510 | — |
| 5.00% senior notes due July 2019, net of discount of $3 and $4 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively | 1,747 | 1,746 |
| 3.875% senior notes due July 2020, net of discount of $1 and $2 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively | 999 | 998 |
| 2.25% senior notes due January 2021, net of discount of $9 as of May 31, 2014 (2) | 1,691 | — |
| 2.50% senior notes due October 2022, net of discount of $2 each as of May 31, 2014 and 2013 | 2,498 | 2,498 |
| 3.625% senior notes due July 2023, net of discount of $8 as of May 31, 2014 | 992 | — |
| 3.125% senior notes due July 2025, net of discount of $3 as of May 31, 2014 (2) | 1,017 | — |
| 6.50% senior notes due April 2038, net of discount of $2 each as of May 31, 2014 and 2013 | 1,248 | 1,248 |
| 6.125% senior notes due July 2039, net of discount of $7 each as of May 31, 2014 and 2013 | 1,243 | 1,243 |
| 5.375% senior notes due July 2040, net of discount of $23 and $24 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively | 2,227 | 2,226 |
| Capital leases | — | 1 |
| Total borrowings | $ 24,175 | $ 18,494 |
| Notes payable, current and other current borrowings | $ 1,508 | $ — |
| Notes payable, non-current and other non-current borrowings | $ 22,667 | $ 18,494 |

(1)

(2)

Refer to Note 11 for a description of our accounting for fair value hedges.

Euro based notes valued at May 31, 2014 foreign exchange rates (see further discussion below)

# Senior Notes and Other

In July 2013, we issued €2.0 billion ($2.7 billion as of May 31, 2014) of fixed rate senior notes comprised of €1.25 billion of 2.25% notes due January 2021 (2021 Notes) and €750 million of 3.125% notes due July 2025 (2025 Notes, and together with the 2021 Notes, the Euro Notes). The Euro Notes are registered and trade on the New York Stock Exchange. We issued the Euro Notes for general corporate purposes, which may include stock repurchases, payment of cash dividends on our common stock and future acquisitions.

In connection with the issuance of the 2021 Notes, we entered into certain cross-currency swap agreements that have the economic effect of converting our fixed rate, Euro denominated debt, including annual interest payments and the payment of principal at maturity, to a fixed rate,

U.S. Dollar denominated debt of $1.6 billion with a fixed annual interest rate of 3.53% (see Note 11 for additional information). Further, we designated the 2025 Notes as a net investment hedge of our investments in certain of our international subsidiaries that use the Euro as their functional currency in order to reduce the volatility in stockholders’ equity caused by the changes in foreign currency exchange rates of the Euro with respect to the U.S. Dollar. Refer to Note 11 for additional information.

In July 2013, we also issued $3.0 billion of senior notes comprised of $500 million of floating rate notes due January 2019 (2019 Floating Rate Notes), $1.5 billion of 2.375% notes due January 2019 (January 2019 Notes) and $1.0 billion of 3.625%

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notes due July 2023 (2023 Notes). The 2019 Floating Rate Notes bear interest at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus 0.58% (0.81% as of May 31, 2014) with interest payable quarterly. We issued these senior notes for general corporate purposes, which may include stock repurchases, payment of cash dividends on our common stock and future acquisitions.

In October 2012, we issued $5.0 billion of fixed rate senior notes comprised of $2.5 billion of 1.20% notes due October 2017 (2017 Notes) and

$2.5 billion of 2.50% notes due October 2022 (2022 Notes).

In July 2010, we issued $3.25 billion of fixed rate senior notes comprised of $1.0 billion of 3.875% notes due July 2020 (2020 Notes) and $2.25 billion of 5.375% notes due July 2040 (2040 Notes, and together with the 2020 Notes, the Original Senior Notes). As part of the offering of the Original Senior Notes, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers for the benefit of the holders of the Original Senior Notes in which we agreed to file with the SEC a registration statement with respect to senior notes identical in all material respects to the Original Senior Notes within fourteen months after the issue date of the Original Senior Notes and on December 16, 2011 we completed a registered offer to exchange the Original Senior Notes for new freely tradable notes having terms substantially identical to the Original Senior Notes. An aggregate of $994 million principal amount of the 2020 Notes and an aggregate of $2.24 billion principal amount of the 2040 Notes were tendered and exchanged in the offer.

In July 2009, we issued $4.5 billion of fixed rate senior notes comprised of $1.5 billion of 3.75% notes due July 2014 (2014 Notes), $1.75 billion of 5.00% notes due July 2019 (July 2019 Notes) and $1.25 billion of 6.125% notes due July 2039 (2039 Notes).

In April 2008, we issued $5.0 billion of fixed rate senior notes, of which $1.25 billion of 4.95% senior notes was due and paid in April 2013, and

$2.5 billion of 5.75% senior notes due April 2018 (2018 Notes) and $1.25 billion of 6.50% senior notes due April 2038 (2038 Notes) remained outstanding as of May 31, 2014.

In January 2006, we issued $5.75 billion of senior notes, of which $2.25 billion of 5.00% senior notes was due and paid in January 2011 and

$2.0 billion of 5.25% senior notes due January 2016 (2016 Notes) remained outstanding as of May 31, 2014.

The effective interest yields of the 2014 Notes, 2016 Notes, 2017 Notes, 2018 Notes, January 2019 Notes, July 2019 Notes, 2020 Notes, 2022 Notes, 2023 Notes, 2025 Notes, 2038 Notes, 2039 Notes and 2040 Notes (collectively and together with the 2021 Notes, the Senior Notes) at May 31, 2014 were 3.75%, 5.32%, 1.24%, 5.76%, 2.44%, 5.05%, 3.93%, 2.51%, 3.73%, 3.17%, 6.52%, 6.19% and 5.45%, respectively. In July

2013, we entered into certain interest rate swap agreements that have the economic effect of modifying the fixed interest obligations associated with the January 2019 Notes so that the interest payable on these notes effectively became variable (0.88% at May 31, 2014; see Note 11 for additional information). In September 2009, we entered into certain interest rate swap agreements that have the economic effect of modifying the fixed interest obligations associated with the 2014 Notes so that the interest payable on these notes effectively became variable (1.29% at

May 31, 2014; see Note 11 for additional information). The effective interest yield of the 2021 Notes was 2.33% (3.53% after the economic effects of the cross-currency swap agreements described above and in Note 11). Interest is payable semi-annually for the Senior Notes except for the 2021 Notes and 2025 Notes for which interest is payable annually. We may redeem some or all of the Senior Notes of each series at any time, subject to payment of an applicable make-whole premium. The 2019 Floating Rate Notes may not be redeemed prior to their maturity.

The Senior Notes and the 2019 Floating Rate Notes rank pari passu with any other notes we may issue in the future pursuant to our commercial paper program (see additional discussion regarding our commercial paper program below) and all existing and future unsecured senior indebtedness of Oracle Corporation. All existing and future liabilities of the subsidiaries of Oracle Corporation are or will be effectively senior to the Senior Notes and the 2019 Floating Rate Notes and any future issuances of commercial paper notes. We were in compliance with all debt- related covenants at May 31, 2014.

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In the third quarter of fiscal 2012, shortly after the closing of our acquisition of RightNow, we repaid, in full, $255 million of RightNow’s legacy convertible notes.

Future principal payments for all of our borrowings at May 31, 2014 were as follows (in millions):

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Fiscal 2015 | $ 1,500 |
| Fiscal 2016 | 2,000 |
| Fiscal 2017 | — |
| Fiscal 2018 | 5,000 |
| Fiscal 2019 | 2,000 |
| Thereafter | 13,620 |
| Total | $ 24,120 |

# Commercial Paper Program and Commercial Paper Notes

On April 22, 2013, pursuant to our existing $3.0 billion commercial paper program which allows us to issue and sell unsecured short-term promissory notes pursuant to a private placement exemption from the registration requirements under federal and state securities laws, we entered into new dealer agreements with various banks and a new Issuing and Paying Agency Agreement with JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, we did not have any outstanding commercial paper notes. We intend to back-stop any commercial paper notes that we may issue in the future with the 2013 Credit Agreement (see additional details below).

# Revolving Credit Agreements

In April 2013, we entered into a $3.0 billion Revolving Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Bank of America, N.A., BNP Paribas, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and certain other lenders (the 2013 Credit Agreement). The 2013 Credit Agreement provides for an unsecured 5- year revolving credit facility to be used for general corporate purposes including back-stopping any commercial paper notes that we may issue. Subject to certain conditions stated in the 2013 Credit Agreement, we may borrow, prepay and re-borrow amounts under the 2013 Credit Agreement at any time during the term of the 2013 Credit Agreement. Interest under the 2013 Credit Agreement is based on either (a) a LIBOR- based formula or (b) the Base Rate formula, each as set forth in the 2013 Credit Agreement. Any amounts drawn pursuant to the 2013 Credit Agreement are due on April 20, 2018. No amounts were outstanding pursuant to the 2013 Credit Agreement as of May 31, 2014 and 2013.

The 2013 Credit Agreement contains certain customary representations and warranties, covenants and events of default, including the requirement that our total net debt to total capitalization ratio not exceed 45% on a consolidated basis. If any of the events of default occur and are not cured within applicable grace periods or waived, any unpaid amounts under the 2013 Credit Agreement may be declared immediately due and payable and the 2013 Credit Agreement may be terminated. We were in compliance with the 2013 Credit Agreement’s covenants as of May 31, 2014.

On May 29, 2012, we borrowed $1.7 billion pursuant to a revolving credit agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as initial lender and administrative agent; and J.P. Morgan Securities, LLC, as sole lead arranger and sole bookrunner (the 2012 Credit Agreement). During fiscal 2013, we repaid the $1.7 billion and the 2012 Credit Agreement expired pursuant to its terms.

On May 27, 2011, we entered into two revolving credit agreements with BNP Paribas, as initial lender and administrative agent, and BNP Paribas Securities Corp., as sole lead arranger and sole bookrunner (the 2011 Credit Agreements), and borrowed $1.15 billion pursuant to these agreements. During fiscal 2012, we repaid the $1.15 billion and the 2011 Credit Agreements expired pursuant to their terms.

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# RESTRUCTURING ACTIVITIES Fiscal 2013 Oracle Restructuring Plan

During the first quarter of fiscal 2013, our management approved, committed to and initiated plans to restructure and further improve efficiencies in our operations (the 2013 Restructuring Plan). Our management subsequently amended the 2013 Restructuring Plan in the third quarter of fiscal 2013 and in the first quarter of fiscal 2014 to reflect additional actions that we expect to take. The total estimated restructuring costs associated with the 2013 Restructuring Plan are $705 million and will be recorded to the restructuring expense line item within our consolidated statements of operations as they are incurred. We recorded $174 million and $325 million of restructuring expenses in connection with the 2013 Restructuring Plan in fiscal 2014 and 2013, respectively, and we expect to incur the majority of the estimated remaining $206 million through the end of fiscal 2015. Any changes to the estimates of executing the 2013 Restructuring Plan will be reflected in our future results of operations.

# Sun Restructuring Plan

During the third quarter of fiscal 2010, our management approved, committed to and initiated a plan to restructure our operations due to our acquisition of Sun Microsystems, Inc. (the Sun Restructuring Plan) in order to improve the cost efficiencies in our merged operations.

Restructuring costs associated with the Sun Restructuring Plan were recorded to the restructuring expense line item within our consolidated statements of operations as they were recognized. We recorded $215 million of net restructuring expenses in connection with the Sun Restructuring Plan in fiscal 2012. The execution of the Sun Restructuring Plan was substantially complete as of the end of fiscal 2012.

# Summary of All Plans

## *Fiscal 2014 Activity*

**Accrued**

**Year Ended May 31, 2014 Initial Adj. to Cash**

**Accrued**

**Total Costs Accrued**

**Total Expected**

**Program**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions)**  **Fiscal 2013 Oracle Restructuring Plan (1)** | **May 31,**  **2013 (2)** | **Costs (3)** | **Cost**  **(4)** | **Payments** | **Others (5)** | **May 31,**  **2014 (2)** | **to Date** | **Costs** |
| New software licenses and cloud software subscriptions | $ 16 | $ 57 | $ (8) | $ (55) | $ 2 | $ 12 | $ 126 | $ 158 |
| Software license updates and product support | 1 | 11 | — | (10) | 3 | 5 | 18 | 24 |
| Hardware systems business | 24 | 48 | (3) | (52) | 1 | 18 | 139 | 238 |
| Services | 18 | 39 | (7) | (39) | — | 11 | 99 | 166 |
| General and administrative and other | 12 | 42 | (5) | (39) | 5 | 15 | 117 | 119 |
| Total Fiscal 2013 Oracle Restructuring Plan | $ 71 | $ 197 | $ (23) | $ (195) | $ 11 | $ 61 | $ 499 | $ 705 |
| Total other restructuring plans (6) | $ 179 | $ 24 | $ (15) | $ (58) | $ (22) | $ 108 |  |  |
| Total restructuring plans | $ 250 | $ 221 | $ (38) | $ (253) | $ (11) | $ 169 |  |  |

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## *Fiscal 2013 Activity*

**Accrued May 31,**

**Initial**

**Year Ended May 31, 2013 Adj. to**

**Cost Cash**

**Accrued May 31,**

**(in millions)**

**2012**

**Costs (3) (4)**

**Payments Others (5)**

**2013 (2)**

**Fiscal 2013 Oracle Restructuring Plan (1)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| New software licenses and cloud software subscriptions | $ — | $ 85 | $ (8) | $ (60) | $ (1) | $ 16 |
| Software license updates and product support | — | 13 | (6) | (11) | 5 | 1 |
| Hardware systems business | — | 99 | (5) | (68) | (2) | 24 |
| Services | — | 72 | (5) | (50) | 1 | 18 |
| General and administrative and other | — | 81 | (1) | (52) | (16) | 12 |
| Total Fiscal 2013 Oracle Restructuring Plan | $ — | $ 350 | $ (25) | $ (241) | $ (13) | $ 71 |
| Total other restructuring plans (6) | $ 337 | $ 53 | $ (26) | $ (185) | $ — | $ 179 |
| Total restructuring plans | $ 337 | $ 403 | $ (51) | $ (426) | $ (13) | $ 250 |

## *Fiscal 2012 Activity*

**Accrued May 31,**

**Initial**

**Year Ended May 31, 2012 Adj. to**

**Cost Cash**

**Accrued May 31,**

**(in millions)**

**2011**

**Costs (3) (4)**

**Payments Others (5)**

**2012**

**Sun Restructuring Plan (1)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| New software licenses and cloud software subscriptions | $ 14 | $ 46 | $ (8) | $ (41) | $ (2) | $ 9 |
| Software license updates and product support | 19 | 31 | (2) | (35) | (1) | 12 |
| Hardware systems business | 10 | 34 | 1 | (33) | — | 12 |
| Services | 9 | 32 | (2) | (25) | (2) | 12 |
| General and administrative and other | 100 | 92 | (9) | (129) | (1) | 53 |
| Total Sun Restructuring | $ 152 | $ 235 | $ (20) | $ (263) | $ (6) | $ 98 |
| Total other restructuring plans (6) | $ 297 | $ 65 | $ 15 | $ (122) | $ (16) | $ 239 |
| Total restructuring plans | $ 449 | $ 300 | $ (5) | $ (385) | $ (22) | $ 337 |

(1)

(2)

(3)

(4)

(5)

(6)

Restructuring costs recorded for individual line items primarily related to employee severance costs except for general and administrative and other, which also included $46 million and

$23 million recorded during fiscal 2013 and 2012, respectively, for facilities related restructuring, contract termination and other costs.

The balances at May 31, 2014 and 2013 included $100 million and $160 million, respectively, recorded in other current liabilities, and $69 million and $90 million, respectively, recorded in other non-current liabilities.

Costs recorded for the respective restructuring plans during the current period presented.

All plan adjustments were changes in estimates whereby increases and decreases in costs were generally recorded to operating expenses in the period of adjustments. Represents foreign currency translation and certain other adjustments.

Other restructuring plans presented in the table above included condensed information for other Oracle-based plans and other plans associated with certain of our acquisitions whereby we continued to make cash outlays to settle obligations under these plans during the periods presented but for which the periodic impact to our consolidated statements of operations was not significant.

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# DEFERRED REVENUES

Deferred revenues consisted of the following:

**May 31,**

**(in millions) 2014 2013**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Software license updates and product support | $ 5,909 |  | $ 5,705 |
| Hardware systems support and other | 664 |  | 706 |
| Services | 364 |  | 355 |
| Cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS | 248 |  | 223 |
| New software licenses | 84 |  | 129 |
| Deferred revenues, current | 7,269 |  | 7,118 |
| Deferred revenues, non-current (in other non-current liabilities) | 404 |  | 312 |
| Total deferred revenues | $ 7,673 |  | $ 7,430 |

Deferred software license updates and product support revenues and deferred hardware systems support revenues represent customer payments made in advance for support contracts that are typically billed on a per annum basis in advance with corresponding revenues being recognized ratably over the support periods. Deferred services revenues include prepayments for our services business and revenues for these services are generally recognized as the services are performed. Deferred cloud SaaS, PaaS and IaaS revenues typically result from our cloud-based offerings that are typically billed in advance and recognized over the corresponding contractual term. Deferred new software licenses revenues typically result from undelivered products or specified enhancements, customer specific acceptance provisions, customer payments made in advance for time-based license arrangements and software license transactions that cannot be segmented from undelivered consulting or other services.

In connection with our acquisitions, we have estimated the fair values of the cloud SaaS and PaaS, software license updates and product support, and hardware systems support obligations, amongst others, assumed from our acquired companies. We generally have estimated the fair values of these obligations assumed using a cost build-up approach. The cost build-up approach determines fair value by estimating the costs related to fulfilling the obligations plus a normal profit margin. The sum of the costs and operating profit approximates, in theory, the amount that we would be required to pay a third party to assume these acquired obligations. These aforementioned fair value adjustments recorded for obligations assumed from our acquisitions reduced the cloud SaaS and PaaS, software license updates and product support and hardware systems support deferred revenues balances that we recorded as liabilities from these acquisitions and also reduced the resulting revenues that we recognized or will recognize over the terms of the acquired obligations during the post-combination periods.

# DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS Fair Value Hedges — Interest Rate Swap Agreements

In July 2013, we entered into certain interest rate swap agreements that have the economic effect of modifying the fixed interest obligations associated with our January 2019 Notes so that the interest payable on these senior notes effectively became variable based on LIBOR. In September 2009, we entered into certain interest rate swap agreements that have the economic effect of modifying the fixed interest obligations associated with our 2014 Notes so that the interest payable on these notes effectively became variable based on LIBOR. The critical terms of the interest rate swap agreements and the January 2019 Notes and 2014 Notes that the interest rate swap agreements pertain to match, including the notional amounts and maturity dates.

We have designated the aforementioned interest rate swap agreements as qualifying hedging instruments and are accounting for them as fair value hedges pursuant to ASC 815. These transactions are characterized as fair value

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hedges for financial accounting purposes because they protect us against changes in the fair values of certain of our fixed rate borrowings due to benchmark interest rate movements. The changes in fair values of these interest rate swap agreements are recognized as interest expense in our consolidated statements of operations with the corresponding amounts included in prepaid expenses and other current assets or other current liabilities for the 2014 Notes, and other assets or other non-current liabilities for the January 2019 Notes in our consolidated balance sheets. The amount of net gain (loss) attributable to the risk being hedged is recognized as interest expense in our consolidated statements of operations with the corresponding amount included in notes payable, current and other current borrowings for the 2014 Notes, and notes payable and other non- current borrowings for the January 2019 Notes. The periodic interest settlements for the interest rate swap agreements for the 2014 Notes and January 2019 Notes are recorded as interest expense.

We do not use any interest rate swap agreements for trading purposes.

# Cash Flow Hedges — Cross Currency Swap Agreements

In connection with the issuance of the 2021 Notes, we entered into certain cross-currency swap agreements to manage the related foreign currency exchange risk by effectively converting the fixed-rate, Euro denominated 2021 Notes, including the annual interest payments and the payment of principal at maturity, to fixed-rate, U.S. Dollar denominated debt. The economic effect of the swap agreements was to eliminate the uncertainty of the cash flows in U.S. Dollars associated with the 2021 Notes by fixing the principal amount of the 2021 Notes at $1.6 billion with a fixed annual interest rate of 3.53%. We have designated these cross-currency swap agreements as qualifying hedging instruments and are accounting for these as cash flow hedges pursuant to ASC 815. The critical terms of the cross-currency swap agreements correspond to the 2021 Notes, including the annual interest payments being hedged, and the cross-currency swap agreements mature at the same time as the 2021 Notes.

We used the hypothetical derivative method to measure the effectiveness of our cross-currency swap agreements. The fair values of these cross- currency swap agreements are recognized as other assets or other non-current liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets. The effective portions of the changes in fair values of these cross-currency swap agreements are reported in accumulated other comprehensive loss in our consolidated balance sheets and an amount is reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive loss into non-operating (expense) income, net in the same period that the carrying value of the Euro denominated 2021 Notes is remeasured and the interest expense is recognized. The ineffective portion of the unrealized gains and losses on these cross-currency swaps, if any, is recorded immediately to non-operating (expense) income, net. We evaluate the effectiveness of our cross-currency swap agreements on a quarterly basis. We did not record any ineffectiveness during fiscal 2014.

We do not use any cross-currency swap agreements for trading purposes.

# Net Investment Hedge — Foreign Currency Borrowings

In July 2013, we designated our Euro denominated 2025 Notes as a net investment hedge of our investments in certain of our international subsidiaries that use the Euro as their functional currency in order to reduce the volatility in stockholders’ equity caused by the changes in foreign currency exchange rates of the Euro with respect to the U.S. Dollar.

We used the spot method to measure the effectiveness of our net investment hedge. Under this method, for each reporting period, the change in the carrying value of the Euro denominated 2025 Notes due to remeasurement of the effective portion is reported in accumulated other comprehensive loss on our consolidated balance sheet and the remaining change in the carrying value of the ineffective portion, if any, is recognized in non-operating (expense) income, net in our consolidated statements of operations. We evaluate the effectiveness of our net investment hedge at the beginning of every quarter. We did not record any ineffectiveness during fiscal 2014.

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# Foreign Currency Forward Contracts Not Designated as Hedges

We transact business in various foreign currencies and have established a program that primarily utilizes foreign currency forward contracts to offset the risks associated with the effects of certain foreign currency exposures. Under this program, our strategy is to enter into foreign currency forward contracts so that increases or decreases in our foreign currency exposures are offset by gains or losses on the foreign currency forward contracts in order to mitigate the risks and volatility associated with our foreign currency transactions. We may suspend this program from time to time. Our foreign currency exposures typically arise from intercompany sublicense fees, intercompany loans and other intercompany transactions that are generally expected to be cash settled in the near term. Our foreign currency forward contracts are generally short-term in duration. Our ultimate realized gain or loss with respect to currency fluctuations will generally depend on the size and type of cross-currency exposures that we enter into, the currency exchange rates associated with these exposures and changes in those rates, the net realized and unrealized gains or losses on foreign currency forward contracts to offset these exposures and other factors.

We neither use these foreign currency forward contracts for trading purposes nor do we designate these forward contracts as hedging instruments pursuant to ASC 815. Accordingly, we recorded the fair values of these contracts as of the end of our reporting period to our consolidated balance sheet with changes in fair values recorded to our consolidated statement of operations. The balance sheet classification for the fair values of these forward contracts is prepaid expenses and other current assets for a net unrealized gain position and other current liabilities for a net unrealized loss position. The statement of operations classification for changes in fair values of these forward contracts is non-operating (expense) income, net, for both realized and unrealized gains and losses.

As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, the notional amounts of the forward contracts we held to purchase U.S. Dollars in exchange for other major international currencies were $3.6 billion and $3.0 billion, respectively, and the notional amounts of forward contracts we held to sell U.S. Dollars in exchange for other major international currencies were $2.0 billion and $1.1 billion, respectively. The fair values of our outstanding foreign currency forward contracts were nominal at May 31, 2014 and 2013.

Included in our non-operating (expense) income, net were $(69) million, $(64) million and $43 million of net (losses) gains related to these forward contracts for the years ended May 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

The effects of derivative and non-derivative instruments designated as hedges on our consolidated financial statements were as follows as of or for each of the respective periods presented below (amounts presented exclude any income tax effects):

# Fair Values of Derivative and Non-Derivative Instruments Designated as Hedges in Consolidated Balance Sheets

**May 31, 2014 May 31, 2013**

**(in millions) Balance Sheet Location Fair Value Balance Sheet Location Fair Value**

Interest rate swap agreements designated as fair value hedges Other assets $ 15 Not applicable $ —

Prepaid expenses and

Interest rate swap agreements designated as fair value hedges

other current assets $ 8 Other assets $ 41

Cross-currency swap agreements designated as cash flow hedges Other assets $ 74 Not applicable $ —

Notes payable and other non-current

Foreign currency borrowings designated as net investment hedge

borrowings $ (1,116) Not applicable $ —

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# Effects of Derivative and Non-Derivative Instruments Designated as Hedges on Income and Other Comprehensive Loss (OCL)

**Amount of Gain (Loss)**

**(in millions)**

**Recognized in Accumulated**

**OCL (Effective Portion) Year Ended**

**May 31, 2014**

**Location and Amount of Gain Reclassified from Accumulated OCL**

**into Income (Effective Portion)**

**Year Ended May 31, 2014**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cross-currency swap agreements designated as cash flow hedges | $ 74 | Non-operating (expense) income, net | $ 69 |
| Foreign currency borrowings designated as net investment hedge | $ (34) | Not applicable | $ — |

**Location and Amount of Loss**

**Recognized in Income on Derivative**

**Location and Amount of Gain on Hedged Item Recognized in Income**

**Attributable to Risk Being Hedged**

**Year Ended May 31, Year Ended May 31,**

**(in millions) 2014 2013 2014 2013**

Interest rate swap agreements designated as fair value hedges Interest expense $ (18) $ (28) Interest expense $ 18 $ 28

# COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES Lease Commitments

We lease certain facilities, furniture and equipment under operating leases. As of May 31, 2014, future minimum annual operating lease payments and future minimum payments to be received from non-cancelable subleases were as follows:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **(in millions)** |  |
| Fiscal 2015 | $ 373 |
| Fiscal 2016 | 304 |
| Fiscal 2017 | 230 |
| Fiscal 2018 | 168 |
| Fiscal 2019 | 120 |
| Thereafter | 203 |
| Future minimum operating lease payments | 1,398 |
| Less: minimum payments to be received from non-cancelable subleases | (63) |
| Total future minimum operating lease payments, net | $ 1,335 |

Lease commitments included future minimum rent payments for facilities that we have vacated pursuant to our restructuring and merger integration activities, as discussed in Note 9. We have approximately $112 million in facility obligations, net of estimated sublease income and other costs, in accrued restructuring for these locations in our consolidated balance sheet at May 31, 2014.

Rent expense was $278 million, $313 million and $329 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively, net of sublease income of approximately $55 million, $69 million and $89 million, respectively. Certain lease agreements contain renewal options providing for extensions of the lease terms.

# Unconditional Obligations

In the ordinary course of business, we enter into certain unconditional purchase obligations with our suppliers, which are agreements that are enforceable, legally binding and specify terms, including: fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the

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payment. We utilize several external manufacturers to manufacture sub-assemblies for our hardware products and to perform final assembly and testing of finished hardware products. We also obtain individual components for our hardware systems products from a variety of individual suppliers based on projected demand information. Such purchase commitments are based on our forecasted component and manufacturing requirements and typically provide for fulfillment within agreed upon lead-times and/or commercially standard lead-times for the particular part or product and have been included in the amounts below. Routine arrangements for other materials and goods that are not related to our external manufacturers and certain other suppliers and that are entered into in the ordinary course of business are not included in the amounts below as they are generally entered into in order to secure pricing or other negotiated terms and are difficult to quantify in a meaningful way.

As of May 31, 2014, our unconditional purchase and certain other obligations were as follows (in millions):

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Fiscal 2015 | $ 469 |
| Fiscal 2016 | 28 |
| Fiscal 2017 | 12 |
| Fiscal 2018 | 1 |
| Fiscal 2019 | — |
| Thereafter | — |
| Total | $ 510 |

We have a commitment to acquire certain companies for cash consideration that we expect to pay upon the closing of these acquisitions. As described in Note 8 and Note 11 above, as of May 31, 2014 we have notes payable and other borrowings outstanding of $24.2 billion that mature at various future dates and derivative financial instruments outstanding that we leverage to manage certain risks and exposures.

# Guarantees

Our software and hardware systems product sales agreements generally include certain provisions for indemnifying customers against liabilities if our products infringe a third party’s intellectual property rights. To date, we have not incurred any material costs as a result of such indemnifications and have not accrued any material liabilities related to such obligations in our consolidated financial statements. Certain of our product sales agreements also include provisions indemnifying customers against liabilities in the event we breach confidentiality or service level requirements. It is not possible to determine the maximum potential amount under these indemnification agreements due to our limited and infrequent history of prior indemnification claims and the unique facts and circumstances involved in each particular agreement.

Our software license and hardware systems products agreements also generally include a warranty that our products will substantially operate as described in the applicable program documentation for a period of one year after delivery. We also warrant that services we perform will be provided in a manner consistent with industry standards for a period of 90 days from performance of the service.

We occasionally are required, for various reasons, to enter into financial guarantees with third parties in the ordinary course of our

business including, among others, guarantees related to foreign exchange trades, taxes, import licenses and letters of credit on behalf of parties with whom we conduct business. Such agreements have not had a material effect on our results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

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# STOCKHOLDERS’ EQUITY Stock Repurchases

Our Board of Directors has approved a program for us to repurchase shares of our common stock. On June 20, 2013, we announced that our Board of Directors approved an expansion of our stock repurchase program by an additional $12.0 billion. Approximately $4.3 billion remained available for stock repurchases as of May 31, 2014, pursuant to our stock repurchase program. We repurchased 280.4 million shares for $9.8 billion (including 2.2 million shares for $94 million that were repurchased but not settled), 346.1 million shares for $11.0 billion and

207.3 million shares for $6.0 billion in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively, under the stock repurchase program.

Our stock repurchase authorization does not have an expiration date and the pace of our repurchase activity will depend on factors such as our working capital needs, our cash requirements for acquisitions and dividend payments, our debt repayment obligations or repurchase of our debt, our stock price, and economic and market conditions. Our stock repurchases may be effected from time to time through open market purchases or pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan. Our stock repurchase program may be accelerated, suspended, delayed or discontinued at any time.

# Dividends on Common Stock

During fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, our Board of Directors declared cash dividends of $0.48, $0.30 and $0.24 per share of our outstanding common stock, respectively, which we paid during the same period.

In June 2014, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.12 per share of our outstanding common stock payable on July 30, 2014 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on July 9, 2014. Future declarations of dividends and the establishment of future record and payment dates are subject to the final determination of our Board of Directors.

# Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The following table summarizes, as of each balance sheet date, the components of our accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of income taxes:

**May 31,**

**(in millions) 2014 2013**

Foreign currency translation losses and other, net $ (81) $ (3) Unrealized losses on defined benefit plans, net (153) (176)

Unrealized gains on marketable securities, net 65 80

Unrealized gains on cash flow hedges, net 5 —

Total accumulated other comprehensive loss $ (164) $ (99)

1. **EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS Stock-based Compensation Plans *Stock Option Plans***

In fiscal 2001, we adopted the 2000 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan, which provides for the issuance of non-qualified stock options and incentive stock options, as well as stock purchase rights, stock appreciation rights, and long-term performance awards, including restricted stock- based awards, to our eligible employees, officers and directors who are also employees or consultants, independent consultants and advisers. In fiscal 2011, our

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stockholders, upon the recommendation of our Board of Directors, approved the adoption of the Amended and Restated 2000 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan (the 2000 Plan), which extended the termination date of the 2000 Plan by ten years and increased the number of authorized shares of stock that may be issued by 388,313,015 shares. In fiscal 2014, our stockholders, upon the recommendation of our Board of Directors, approved a further increase in the number of authorized shares of stock that may be issued under the 2000 Plan by 305,000,000 shares. Under the terms of the 2000 Plan, options to purchase common stock are granted at not less than fair market value, become exercisable as established by the Board (generally 25% annually over four years under our current practice) and generally expire no more than ten years from the date of grant. As of May 31, 2014, options to purchase 448 million shares of common stock were outstanding under the 2000 Plan, of which 183 million were vested. As of May 31, 2014, approximately 495 million shares of common stock were available for future awards under the 2000 Plan. To date, we have not issued any stock purchase rights, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock-based awards or long-term performance awards under the 2000 Plan.

In fiscal 1993, the Board adopted the 1993 Directors’ Stock Option Plan (the Directors’ Plan), which provides for the issuance of non-qualified stock options to non-employee directors. The Directors’ Plan has from time to time been amended and restated. Under the terms of the Directors’ Plan, options to purchase 10 million shares of common stock were reserved for issuance (including a fiscal 2013 amendment to increase the number of shares of our common stock reserved for issuance by 2 million shares), options are granted at not less than fair market value, become exercisable over four years and expire no more than ten years from the date of grant. The Directors’ Plan provides for automatic grants of options to each non-employee director upon first becoming a director and thereafter on an annual basis, as well as automatic nondiscretionary grants for chairing or vice chairing certain Board committees. The Board will determine the particular terms of any such stock awards at the time of grant, but the terms will be consistent with those of options granted under the Directors’ Plan with respect to vesting or forfeiture schedules and treatment on termination of status as a director. As of May 31, 2014, options to purchase approximately 3 million shares of common stock were outstanding under the 1993 Directors’ Plan, of which approximately 2 million were vested. As of May 31, 2014, approximately 2 million shares were available for future option awards under this plan.

In connection with certain of our acquisitions, we assumed certain outstanding stock options and other restricted stock-based awards of each acquiree’s respective stock plans. These stock options and other restricted stock-based awards generally retain all of the rights, terms and conditions of the respective plans under which they were originally granted. As of May 31, 2014, stock options to purchase 11 million shares of common stock and 1 million shares of restricted stock-based awards were outstanding under these plans.

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The following table summarizes stock option activity for our last three fiscal years ended May 31, 2014:

**Options Outstanding**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions, except exercise price)** | **Shares Under** | **Weighted Average** |
| **Option** | **Exercise Price** |
| Balance, May 31, 2011 | 354 | $ 19.53 |
| Granted | 112 | $ 32.05 |
| Assumed | 8 | $ 12.17 |
| Exercised | (39) | $ 16.61 |
| Canceled | (13) | $ 29.31 |
| Balance, May 31, 2012 | 422 | $ 22.66 |
| Granted | 119 | $ 29.90 |
| Assumed | 9 | $ 32.52 |
| Exercised | (83) | $ 17.38 |
| Canceled | (20) | $ 28.94 |
| Balance, May 31, 2013 | 447 | $ 25.48 |
| Granted | 131 | $ 31.02 |
| Assumed | 5 | $ 9.02 |
| Exercised | (95) | $ 21.51 |
| Canceled | (26) | $ 30.60 |
| Balance, May 31, 2014 | 462 | $ 27.37 |

Options outstanding that have vested and that are expected to vest as of May 31, 2014 were as follows:

**Weighted Average**

**In-the-Money**

**Outstanding**

**Options (in millions)**

**Weighted**

**Average Exercise Price**

**Remaining Contract Term**

**(in years)**

**Options as of May 31, 2014**

**(in millions)**

**Aggregate Intrinsic Value (1)**

**(in millions)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Vested | 192 | $ 23.44 | 5.12 | 190 | $ 3,608 |
| Expected to vest (2) | 241 | $ 30.07 | 8.19 | 241 | 2,885 |
| Total | 433 | $ 27.13 | 6.83 | 431 | $ 6,493 |

(1)

(2)

The aggregate intrinsic value was calculated based on the gross difference between our closing stock price on the last trading day of fiscal 2014 of $42.02 and the exercise prices for all “in-the-money” options outstanding, excluding tax effects.

The unrecognized compensation expense calculated under the fair value method for shares expected to vest (unvested shares net of expected forfeitures) as of May 31, 2014 was approximately $1.2 billion and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.51 years. Approximately 29 million shares outstanding as of May 31, 2014 were not expected to vest.

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Stock-Based Compensation Expense and Valuation of Stock Options

Stock-based compensation is included in the following operating expense line items in our consolidated statements of operations:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions)** |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Sales and marketing | $ 165 | $ 137 | $ 115 |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service | 8 | 10 | 7 |
| Cloud infrastructure-as-a-service | 4 | 8 | 6 |
| Software license updates and product support | 22 | 20 | 18 |
| Hardware systems products | 5 | 3 | 1 |
| Hardware systems support | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| Services | 29 | 23 | 17 |
| Research and development | 385 | 352 | 295 |
| General and administrative | 171 | 164 | 162 |
| Acquisition related and other | 10 | 33 | 33 |
| Total stock-based compensation | 805 | 755 | 659 |
| Estimated income tax benefit included in provision for income taxes | (260) | (243) | (216) |
| Total stock-based compensation, net of estimated income tax benefit | $ 545 | $ 512 | $ 443 |

We estimate the fair values of our share-based payments using the Black-Scholes-Merton option-pricing model, which was developed for use in estimating the fair values of stock options. Option valuation models, including the Black-Scholes-Merton option-pricing model, require the input of assumptions, including stock price volatility. Changes in the input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimates and ultimately how much we recognize as stock-based compensation expense. The fair values of our stock options were estimated at the grant dates or at the acquisition dates for options assumed in a business combination. The weighted average input assumptions used and resulting fair values of our stock options were as follows for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Expected life (in years) | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.1 |
| Risk-free interest rate | 1.3% | 0.7% | 1.6% |
| Volatility | 27% | 31% | 30% |
| Dividend yield | 1.5% | 0.8% | 0.8% |
| Weighted-average fair value per share | $ 7.47 | $ 7.99 | $ 9.30 |

The expected life input is based on historical exercise patterns and post-vesting termination behavior, the risk-free interest rate input is based on

U.S. Treasury instruments, the annualized dividend yield input is based on the per share dividend declared by our Board of Directors and the volatility input is calculated based on the implied volatility of our publicly traded options.

Tax Benefits from Exercise of Stock Options and Vesting of Restricted Stock-Based Awards

Total cash received as a result of option exercises was approximately $2.0 billion, $1.4 billion and $622 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value of options exercised and vesting of restricted stock-based awards was $1.5 billion, $1.3 billion and

$587 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. In connection with these exercises and vesting of restricted stock-based awards, the tax benefits realized by us were $480 million, $410 million and $182 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Of

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the total tax benefits received, we classified excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation of $250 million, $241 million and $97 million as cash flows from financing activities rather than cash flows from operating activities for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

## *Employee Stock Purchase Plan*

We have an Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Purchase Plan) that allows employees to purchase shares of common stock at a price per share that is 95% of the fair market value of Oracle stock as of the end of the semi-annual option period. As of May 31, 2014, 60 million shares were reserved for future issuances under the Purchase Plan. We issued 3 million shares under the Purchase Plan in each of fiscal 2014 and 2013 and 4 million shares in fiscal 2012.

# Defined Contribution and Other Postretirement Plans

We offer various defined contribution plans for our U.S. and non-U.S. employees. Total defined contribution plan expense was $357 million,

$353 million and $344 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The number of plan participants in our benefit plans has generally increased in recent years primarily as a result of additional eligible employees from our acquisitions.

In the United States, regular employees can participate in the Oracle Corporation 401(k) Savings and Investment Plan (Oracle 401(k) Plan). Participants can generally contribute up to 40% of their eligible compensation on a per-pay-period basis as defined by the Oracle 401(k) Plan document or by the section 402(g) limit as defined by the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS). We match a portion of employee contributions, currently 50% up to 6% of compensation each pay period, subject to maximum aggregate matching amounts. Our contributions to the Oracle 401(k) Plan, net of forfeitures, were $134 million, $129 million and $125 million in fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

We also offer non-qualified deferred compensation plans to certain key employees whereby they may defer a portion of their annual base and/or variable compensation until retirement or a date specified by the employee in accordance with the plans. Deferred compensation plan assets and liabilities were each approximately $367 million as of May 31, 2014 and were each approximately $320 million as of May 31, 2013 and were presented in other assets and other non-current liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

We sponsor certain defined benefit pension plans that are offered primarily by certain of our foreign subsidiaries. Many of these plans were assumed through our acquisitions or are required by local regulatory requirements. We may deposit funds for these plans with insurance companies, third party trustees, or into government-managed accounts consistent with local regulatory requirements, as applicable. Our total defined benefit plan pension expenses were $64 million, $81 million and $55 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The aggregate projected benefit obligation and aggregate net liability (funded status) of our defined benefit plans as of May 31, 2014 was $853 million and

$436 million, respectively, and as of May 31, 2013 was $734 million and $364 million, respectively.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **15. INCOME TAXES**  The following is a geographical breakdown of income before the provision for income taxes: |  | | |
|  |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **(in millions)** | **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Domestic | $ 5,397 | $ 6,614 | $ 6,284 |
| Foreign | 8,307 | 7,284 | 6,678 |
| Income before provision for income taxes | $ 13,704 | $ 13,898 | $ 12,962 |
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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| The provision for income taxes consisted of the following: |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Current provision: |  |  |  |
| Federal | $ 1,613 | $ 1,720 | $ 1,611 |
| State | 337 | 254 | 257 |
| Foreign | 1,047 | 1,116 | 1,104 |
| Total current provision | $ 2,997 | $ 3,090 | $ 2,972 |
| Deferred (benefit) provision: |  |  |  |
| Federal | $ (68) | $ (179) | $ 267 |
| State | (100) | 82 | 14 |
| Foreign | (80) | (20) | (272) |
| Total deferred (benefit) provision | $ (248) | $ (117) | $ 9 |
| Total provision for income taxes | $ 2,749 | $ 2,973 | $ 2,981 |
| Effective income tax rate | 20.1% | 21.4% | 23.0% |

The provision for income taxes differed from the amount computed by applying the federal statutory rate to our income before provision for income taxes as follows:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions)** |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Tax provision at statutory rate | $ 4,796 | $ 4,865 | $ 4,537 |
| Foreign earnings at other than United States rates | (1,790) | (1,637) | (1,474) |
| State tax expense, net of federal benefit | 154 | 299 | 171 |
| Settlements and releases from judicial decisions and statute expirations, net | (168) | (144) | (132) |
| Domestic production activity deduction | (174) | (155) | (178) |
| Other, net | (69) | (255) | 57 |
| Total provision for income taxes | $ 2,749 | $ 2,973 | $ 2,981 |

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|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| The components of our deferred tax liabilities and assets were as follows: |  | **May 31,** |  |
| **(in millions)** | **2014** |  | **2013** |
| Deferred tax liabilities: |  |  |  |
| Unrealized gain on stock | $ (130) | | $ (130) |
| Acquired intangible assets | (1,804) | | (1,795) |
| Unremitted earnings | (510) | | (249) |
| Total deferred tax liabilities | $ (2,444) | | $ (2,174) |
| Deferred tax assets: |  |  |  |
| Accruals and allowances | $ 440 | | $ 481 |
| Employee compensation and benefits | 1,062 | | 997 |
| Differences in timing of revenue recognition | 210 | | 158 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 243 | | 243 |
| Tax credit and net operating loss carryforwards | 2,810 | | 2,706 |
| Other | 96 | | 44 |
| Total deferred tax assets | $ 4,861 | | $ 4,629 |
| Valuation allowance | $ (1,053) | | $ (999) |
| Net deferred tax assets | $ 1,364 | | $ 1,456 |
| Recorded as: |  |  |  |
| Current deferred tax assets | $ 914 | | $ 974 |
| Non-current deferred tax assets | 837 | | 766 |
| Current deferred tax liabilities (in other current liabilities) | (129) | | (111) |
| Non-current deferred tax liabilities (in other non-current liabilities) | (258) | | (173) |
| Net deferred tax assets | $ 1,364 | | $ 1,456 |

We provide for United States income taxes on the undistributed earnings and the other outside basis temporary differences of foreign subsidiaries unless they are considered indefinitely reinvested outside the United States. During the third quarter of fiscal 2012, we increased the number of foreign subsidiaries in countries with lower statutory rates than the United States, the earnings of which we consider to be indefinitely reinvested outside the United States. If these subsidiaries generate sufficient earnings in the future, our provision for income taxes may continue to be favorably affected to a meaningful extent, although any such favorable effects could be significantly reduced under a variety of circumstances. At May 31, 2014, the amount of temporary differences related to undistributed earnings and other outside basis temporary differences of investments in foreign subsidiaries upon which United States income taxes have not been provided was approximately $32.4 billion and $6.9 billion, respectively. If these undistributed earnings were repatriated to the United States, or if the other outside basis differences were recognized in a taxable transaction, they would generate foreign tax credits that would reduce the federal tax liability associated with the foreign dividend or the otherwise taxable transaction. At May 31, 2014, assuming a full utilization of the foreign tax credits, the potential net deferred tax liability associated with these temporary differences of undistributed earnings and other outside basis temporary differences would be approximately $10.0 billion and $2.2 billion, respectively.

Our net deferred tax assets were $1.4 billion and $1.5 billion as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. We believe it is more likely than not that the net deferred tax assets will be realized in the foreseeable future. Realization of our net deferred tax assets is dependent upon our generation of sufficient taxable income in future years in appropriate tax jurisdictions to obtain benefit from the reversal of temporary differences, net operating

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loss carryforwards and tax credit carryforwards. The amount of net deferred tax assets considered realizable is subject to adjustment in future periods if estimates of future taxable income change.

The valuation allowance was $1.1 billion and $999 million at May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Substantially all of the valuation allowances as of May 31, 2014 and 2013 relate to tax assets established in purchase accounting. Any subsequent reduction of that portion of the valuation allowance and the recognition of the associated tax benefits associated with our acquisitions will be recorded to our provision for income taxes subsequent to our final determination of the valuation allowance or the conclusion of the measurement period (as defined above), whichever comes first.

At May 31, 2014, we had federal net operating loss carryforwards of approximately $1.0 billion. These losses expire in various years between fiscal 2016 and fiscal 2033, and are subject to limitations on their utilization. We had state net operating loss carryforwards of approximately

$2.8 billion at May 31, 2014, which expire between fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2033, and are subject to limitations on their utilization. We had total foreign net operating loss carryforwards of approximately $1.8 billion at May 31, 2014, which are subject to limitations on their utilization.

Approximately $1.7 billion of these foreign net operating losses are not currently subject to expiration dates. The remainder of the foreign net operating losses, approximately $143 million, expire between fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2034. We had tax credit carryforwards of approximately

$1.1 billion at May 31, 2014, which are subject to limitations on their utilization. Approximately $614 million of these tax credit carryforwards are not currently subject to expiration dates. The remainder of the tax credit carryforwards, approximately $478 million, expire in various years between fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2033.

We classify our unrecognized tax benefits as either current or non-current income taxes payable in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. The aggregate changes in the balance of our gross unrecognized tax benefits, including acquisitions, were as follows:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions)** |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Gross unrecognized tax benefits as of June 1 | $ 3,601 | $ 3,276 | $ 3,160 |
| Increases related to tax positions from prior fiscal years | 94 | 279 | 99 |
| Decreases related to tax positions from prior fiscal years | (116) | (125) | (169) |
| Increases related to tax positions taken during current fiscal year | 307 | 312 | 522 |
| Settlements with tax authorities | (2) | (71) | (187) |
| Lapses of statutes of limitation | (53) | (71) | (84) |
| Other, net | 7 | 1 | (65) |
| Total gross unrecognized tax benefits as of May 31 | $ 3,838 | $ 3,601 | $ 3,276 |

As of May 31, 2014, $2.6 billion of unrecognized benefits would affect our effective tax rate if recognized. We recognized interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in our provision for income taxes line of our consolidated statements of operations of $24 million, $31 million and $46 million during fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Interest and penalties accrued as of May 31, 2014 and 2013 were $693 million and $666 million, respectively.

Domestically, U.S. federal and state taxing authorities are currently examining income tax returns of Oracle and various acquired entities for years through fiscal 2013. Many issues are at an advanced stage in the examination process, the most significant of which include the deductibility of certain royalty payments, transfer pricing, extraterritorial income exemptions, domestic production activity, foreign tax credits, and research and development credits taken. Other issues are related to years with expiring statutes of limitation. With all of these domestic audit issues considered in the aggregate, we believe it was reasonably possible that, as of May 31, 2014, the gross unrecognized tax benefits related to these audits could decrease (whether by payment, release, or a

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combination of both) in the next 12 months by as much as $460 million ($364 million net of offsetting tax benefits). Our U.S. federal and, with some exceptions, our state income tax returns have been examined for all years prior to fiscal 2003 and we are no longer subject to audit for those periods.

Internationally, tax authorities for numerous non-U.S. jurisdictions are also examining returns affecting our unrecognized tax benefits. We believe it was reasonably possible that, as of May 31, 2014, the gross unrecognized tax benefits, could decrease (whether by payment, release, or a combination of both) by as much as $190 million ($142 million net of offsetting tax benefits) in the next 12 months, related primarily to transfer pricing. Other issues are related to years with expiring statutes of limitation. With some exceptions, we are generally no longer subject to tax examinations in non-U.S. jurisdictions for years prior to fiscal 1997.

We believe that we have adequately provided for any reasonably foreseeable outcomes related to our tax audits and that any settlement will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations. However, there can be no assurances as to the possible outcomes.

We previously negotiated three successive unilateral Advance Pricing Agreements with the IRS that cover many of our intercompany transfer pricing issues and preclude the IRS from making a transfer pricing adjustment within the scope of these agreements. These agreements were effective for fiscal years through May 31, 2006. We have reached final agreement with the IRS for renewal of this Advance Pricing Agreement for the years ending May 31, 2007 through May 31, 2013. However, these agreements do not cover substantial elements of our transfer pricing and do not bind tax authorities outside the United States. We have finalized bilateral Advance Pricing Agreements, which are effective for the years ending May 31, 2004 through May 31, 2006 and May 31, 2007 through May 31, 2013.

# SEGMENT INFORMATION

ASC 280, *Segment Reporting* , establishes standards for reporting information about operating segments. Operating segments are defined as components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker, or decision making group, in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. Our chief operating decision maker is our Chief Executive Officer. We are organized geographically and by line of business. While our Chief Executive Officer evaluates results in a number of different ways, the line of business management structure is the primary basis for which the allocation of resources and financial results are assessed.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, we added a reportable segment, cloud infrastructure-as-a-service, as a result of the reorganization of financial information presented to our chief operating decision maker for operational decision and resource allocation purposes. As a result, we reclassified certain revenues and expenses for all periods presented within this note to conform to the current presentation.

We have three businesses—software and cloud, hardware systems and services—which are further divided into certain operating segments. Our software and cloud business is comprised of three operating segments: (1) new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions, which includes our cloud SaaS and PaaS offerings, (2) cloud infrastructure-as-a-service and (3) software license updates and product support. Our hardware systems business is comprised of two operating segments: (1) hardware systems products and (2) hardware systems support. All other operating segments are combined under our services business.

The new software licenses and cloud software subscriptions line of business is engaged in the licensing of our database and middleware software, as well as our application software, and providing access to a broad range of our software through Oracle Cloud SaaS and PaaS offerings on a subscription basis via a cloud-based IT environment that we manage, host and support.

The cloud infrastructure-as-a-service line of business provides deployment and management offerings for our software and hardware and related IT infrastructure including virtual machine instances that are subscription-

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based and designed for computing and reliable and secure object storage; Oracle Engineered Systems hardware and related support that are deployed in our customers’ data centers for a monthly fee; and comprehensive software and hardware management and maintenance services for customer IT infrastructure for a fee for a stated term that is hosted at our data center facilities, select partner data centers or physically on- premise at customer facilities.

The software license updates and product support line of business provides customers with rights to software product upgrades and maintenance releases, patches released, internet access to technical content, as well as internet and telephone access to technical support personnel during the support period.

The hardware systems products line of business consists primarily of servers, storage, networking, virtualization software, operating systems including the Oracle Solaris Operating System and management software to support diverse IT environments, including cloud computing environments. As a part of this line of business, we offer our Oracle Engineered Systems, including Oracle Exadata Database Machine, Oracle Exalogic Elastic Cloud, Oracle Exalytics In-Memory Machine, Oracle SuperCluster, Oracle Database Appliance, and Oracle Big Data Appliance, which are the core building blocks for Oracle’s data center and cloud computing products and services.

Our hardware systems support line of business provides customers with software updates for the software components that are essential to the functionality of our server and storage products, such as Oracle Solaris and certain other software products, and can include product repairs, maintenance services and technical support services.

Our services business is comprised of the remainder of our operating segments and offers consulting, advanced customer support services and education services. Our consulting line of business primarily provides services to customers in business and IT strategy alignment, enterprise architecture planning and design, initial product implementation and integration and ongoing product enhancements and upgrades. Advanced customer support provides support services, both on-premise and remote, to our customers to enable increased performance and higher availability of their products and services. Education services provide training to customers, partners and employees as a part of our mission of accelerating the adoption and use of our software and hardware products and to create opportunities to grow our product revenues.

We do not track our assets by operating segments. Consequently, it is not practical to show assets by operating segment.

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The following table presents summary results for each of our three businesses and for the operating segments of our software and hardware systems businesses:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **(in millions)** | **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| New software licenses and cloud software subscriptions: |  |  |  |
| Revenues (1) | $ 10,542 | $ 10,350 | $ 9,910 |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service expenses | 437 | 313 | 199 |
| Sales and distribution expenses | 5,666 | 5,227 | 5,018 |
| Margin (2) | $ 4,439 | $ 4,810 | $ 4,693 |
| Cloud infrastructure-as-a-service: |  |  |  |
| Revenues | $ 491 | $ 491 | $ 483 |
| Cloud infrastructure-as-a-service expenses | 310 | 300 | 288 |
| Sales and distribution expenses | 62 | 61 | 72 |
| Margin (2) | $ 119 | $ 130 | $ 123 |
| Software license updates and product support: | | | |
| Revenues (1) | $ 18,209 | $ 17,156 | $ 16,258 |
| Software license updates and product support expenses | 1,111 | 1,120 | 1,159 |
| Margin (2) | $ 17,098 | $ 16,036 | $ 15,099 |
| Total software and cloud business: |  |  |  |
| Revenues (1) | $ 29,242 | $ 27,997 | $ 26,651 |
| Expenses | 7,586 | 7,021 | 6,736 |
| Margin (2) | $ 21,656 | $ 20,976 | $ 19,915 |
| Hardware systems products: | | | |
| Revenues | $ 2,976 | $ 3,033 | $ 3,827 |
| Hardware systems products expenses | 1,516 | 1,498 | 1,841 |
| Sales and distribution expenses | 940 | 885 | 1,050 |
| Margin (2) | $ 520 | $ 650 | $ 936 |
| Hardware systems support: |  |  |  |
| Revenues (1) | $ 2,407 | $ 2,327 | $ 2,505 |
| Hardware systems support expenses | 802 | 857 | 1,006 |
| Margin (2) | $ 1,605 | $ 1,470 | $ 1,499 |
| Total hardware systems business: |  |  |  |
| Revenues (1) | $ 5,383 | $ 5,360 | $ 6,332 |
| Expenses | 3,258 | 3,240 | 3,897 |
| Margin (2) | $ 2,125 | $ 2,120 | $ 2,435 |
| Total services business: |  |  |  |
| Revenues (1) | $ 3,681 | $ 3,896 | $ 4,238 |
| Services expenses | 2,815 | 3,047 | 3,248 |
| Margin (2) | $ 866 | $ 849 | $ 990 |
| Totals: |  |  |  |
| Revenues (1) | $ 38,306 | $ 37,253 | $ 37,221 |
| Expenses | 13,659 | 13,308 | 13,881 |
| Margin (2) | $ 24,647 | $ 23,945 | $ 23,340 |

(1)

New software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues for management reporting included revenues related to cloud SaaS and PaaS contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities but were not recognized in

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(2)

the accompanying consolidated statements of operations in the amounts of $17 million, $45 million and $22 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Software license updates and product support revenues for management reporting included revenues related to software support contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities but were not recognized in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations in the amounts of $3 million, $14 million and $48 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. In addition, we did not recognize hardware systems support revenues related to hardware systems support contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of $11 million, $14 million and $30 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. See Note 10 for an explanation of these adjustments and the table below for a reconciliation of our total operating segment revenues to our total revenues. Our new software license, cloud IaaS and services revenues for management reporting also differ from amounts reported per our consolidated statements of operations for the periods presented due to certain insignificant reclassifications between these lines for management reporting purposes.

The margins reported reflect only the direct controllable costs of each line of business and do not include allocations of product development, marketing and partner programs, and corporate, general and administrative and information technology expenses. Additionally, the margins do not reflect amortization of intangible assets, acquisition related and other expenses, restructuring expenses, stock-based compensation, interest expense or certain other expenses, net.

The following table reconciles total operating segment revenues to total revenues as well as total operating segment margin to income before provision for income taxes:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **(in millions)** | **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Total revenues for operating segments | $ 38,306 | $ 37,253 | $ 37,221 |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service revenues (1) | (17) | (45) | (22) |
| Software license updates and product support revenues (1) | (3) | (14) | (48) |
| Hardware systems support revenues (1) | (11) | (14) | (30) |
| Total revenues | $ 38,275 | $ 37,180 | $ 37,121 |
| Total margin for operating segments | $ 24,647 | $ 23,945 | $ 23,340 |
| Cloud software-as-a-service and platform-as-a-service revenues (1) | (17) | (45) | (22) |
| Software license updates and product support revenues (1) | (3) | (14) | (48) |
| Hardware systems support revenues (1) | (11) | (14) | (30) |
| Product development | (4,590) | (4,321) | (4,050) |
| Marketing and partner program expenses | (564) | (591) | (581) |
| Corporate, general and administrative and information technology expenses | (1,384) | (1,421) | (1,496) |
| Amortization of intangible assets | (2,300) | (2,385) | (2,430) |
| Acquisition related and other | (41) | 604 | (56) |
| Restructuring | (183) | (352) | (295) |
| Stock-based compensation | (795) | (722) | (626) |
| Interest expense | (914) | (797) | (766) |
| Non-operating (expense) income, net | (141) | 11 | 22 |
| Income before provision for income taxes | $ 13,704 | $ 13,898 | $ 12,962 |

(1)

New software licenses and cloud software subscriptions revenues for management reporting included revenues related to cloud SaaS and PaaS contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities but were not recognized in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations in the amounts of $17 million, $45 million and $22 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Software license updates and product support revenues for management reporting included revenues related to software support contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities but were not recognized in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations in the amounts of $3 million, $14 million and $48 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. In addition, we did not recognize hardware systems support revenues related to hardware systems support contracts that would have otherwise been recorded by the acquired businesses as independent entities in the amounts of $11 million, $14 million and

$30 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. See Note 10 for an explanation of these adjustments.

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# Geographic Information

Disclosed in the table below is geographic information for each country that comprised greater than three percent of our total revenues for any of fiscal 2014, 2013 or 2012.

**As of and for the Year Ended May 31,**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions)** |  | **2014** |  |  |  | **2013** |  |  |  | **2012** |  |
|  |  | **Long** |  |  |  | **Long** |  |  |  | **Long** |
| **Revenues** |  | **Lived Assets (1)** |  | **Revenues** |  | **Lived Assets (1)** |  | **Revenues** |  | **Lived Assets (1)** |
| United States | $ 16,809 |  | $ 2,993 |  | $ 16,003 |  | $ 2,921 |  | $ 15,767 |  | $ 2,468 |
| United Kingdom | 2,309 |  | 236 |  | 2,165 |  | 203 |  | 2,302 |  | 171 |
| Japan | 1,558 |  | 414 |  | 1,770 |  | 428 |  | 1,865 |  | 550 |
| Germany | 1,483 |  | 35 |  | 1,308 |  | 44 |  | 1,484 |  | 47 |
| Canada | 1,190 |  | 31 |  | 1,232 |  | 34 |  | 1,234 |  | 37 |
| France | 1,148 |  | 28 |  | 1,054 |  | 17 |  | 1,162 |  | 16 |
| Australia | 994 |  | 63 |  | 1,084 |  | 54 |  | 1,163 |  | 38 |
| Other countries | 12,784 |  | 816 |  | 12,564 |  | 814 |  | 12,144 |  | 741 |
| Total | $ 38,275 |  | $ 4,616 |  | $ 37,180 |  | $ 4,515 |  | $ 37,121 |  | $ 4,068 |

(1)

Long-lived assets exclude goodwill, intangible assets, equity investments and deferred taxes, which are not allocated to specific geographic locations as it is impracticable to do so.

# EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing net income for the period by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is computed by dividing net income for the period by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period, plus the dilutive effect of outstanding stock options, restricted stock-based awards and shares issuable under the employee stock purchase plan using the treasury stock method. The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(in millions, except per share data)** |  | **Year Ended May 31,** |  |
| **2014** | **2013** | **2012** |
| Net income | $ 10,955 | $ 10,925 | $ 9,981 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding | 4,528 | 4,769 | 5,015 |
| Dilutive effect of employee stock plans | 76 | 75 | 80 |
| Dilutive weighted average common shares outstanding | 4,604 | 4,844 | 5,095 |
| Basic earnings per share | $ 2.42 | $ 2.29 | $ 1.99 |
| Diluted earnings per share | $ 2.38 | $ 2.26 | $ 1.96 |
| Shares subject to anti-dilutive stock options and restricted stock-based awards excluded from calculation (1) | 76 | 208 | 110 |

(1)

These weighted shares relate to anti-dilutive stock options and restricted stock-based awards as calculated using the treasury stock method and could be dilutive in the future. See Note 14 for information regarding the exercise prices of our outstanding, unexercised options.

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# LEGAL PROCEEDINGS SAP Intellectual Property Litigation

On March 22, 2007, Oracle Corporation, Oracle USA, Inc. and Oracle International Corporation (collectively, Oracle) filed a complaint in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California against SAP AG, its wholly-owned subsidiary, SAP America, Inc., and its wholly-owned subsidiary, TomorrowNow, Inc., (the SAP Subsidiary, and collectively, the SAP Defendants) alleging that SAP unlawfully accessed Oracle’s Customer Connection support website and improperly took and used Oracle’s intellectual property.

Trial commenced on November 1, 2010 on the issue of damages, as SAP had stipulated to liability. The jury awarded Oracle $1.3 billion. On September 1, 2011, the court granted the SAP Defendants’ motion for judgment as a matter of law and for a new trial. The court vacated the $1.3 billion award and held that Oracle could either accept a reduced amount or remittitur of $272 million or proceed to a new trial. On February 6, 2012, Oracle rejected the remittitur and requested a new trial.

On August 2, 2012, Oracle and the SAP Defendants stipulated to a judgment of $306 million against the SAP Defendants, in lieu of having a second jury trial, while preserving both parties’ rights to appeal prior court orders. We recorded a $306 million non-current receivable, included in other assets, in our consolidated balance sheet and we recognized a corresponding benefit to our results of operations for the first quarter of fiscal 2013. Previously during trial we received payment of $120 million in attorneys’ fees from SAP under a stipulation, and we recorded this payment upon receipt as a benefit to our results of operations during the second quarter of fiscal 2011. On August 3, 2012, the court entered the judgment and vacated the date set for the new trial. Oracle filed a Notice of Appeal on August 31, 2012, and the SAP Defendants filed a notice of appeal on September 14, 2012. The SAP Defendants subsequently dismissed their appeal. Oracle’s appeal has been fully briefed. The appellate court heard oral argument on May 13, 2014. The court has not yet ruled on this appeal.

# Hewlett-Packard Company Litigation

On June 15, 2011, Hewlett-Packard Company (“HP”) filed a complaint in the California Superior Court, County of Santa Clara against Oracle Corporation alleging numerous causes of action including breach of contract, breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing, defamation, intentional interference with prospective economic advantage, and violation of the California Unfair Business Practices Act. The complaint alleged that when Oracle announced on March 22 and 23, 2011 that it would no longer develop future versions of its software to run on HP’s Itanium-based servers, it breached a settlement agreement signed on September 20, 2010 between HP and Mark Hurd (the “Hurd Settlement Agreement”), who was both HP’s former chief executive officer and chairman of HP’s board of directors. HP sought a judicial declaration of the parties’ rights and obligations under the Hurd Settlement Agreement, and other equitable and monetary relief.

Oracle answered the complaint and filed a cross-complaint, which was amended on December 2, 2011. The amended cross-complaint alleged claims including violation of the Lanham Act. Oracle alleged that HP had secretly agreed to pay Intel to continue to develop and manufacture the Itanium microprocessor, and had misrepresented to customers that the Itanium microprocessor had a long roadmap, among other claims. Oracle sought equitable rescission of the Hurd Settlement Agreement, and other equitable and monetary relief.

The court bifurcated the trial and tried HP’s causes of action for declaratory relief and promissory estoppel without a jury in June 2012. The court issued a final statement of decision on August 28, 2012, finding that the Hurd Settlement Agreement required Oracle to continue to develop certain of its software products for use on HP’s Itanium-based servers and to port such products at no cost to HP for as long as HP sells those servers. Oracle has announced that it is appealing this decision. The issues of breach, HP’s performance, causation and damages, HP’s tort claims, and Oracle’s cross-claims will all be tried before a jury. As of April 8, 2013, the trial is stayed pending Oracle’s appeal of the court’s denial of its anti-SLAPP motion, which is fully briefed, although

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**May 31, 2014**

oral argument has not yet been scheduled. We cannot currently estimate a reasonably possible range of loss for this action. We believe that we have meritorious defenses against this action, and we will continue to vigorously defend it.

# Derivative Litigations and Related Action

On September 30, 2011, a stockholder derivative lawsuit was filed in the Delaware Court of Chancery and a second stockholder was permitted to intervene as a plaintiff on November 15, 2011. At an August 22, 2012, hearing, the court dismissed certain claims but permitted certain claims for breach of fiduciary duty to proceed. On May 3, 2013, plaintiffs filed an amended complaint. The derivative suit is brought by two alleged stockholders of Oracle, purportedly on Oracle’s behalf, against one former director and all but two of our current directors, including against our Chief Executive Officer as an alleged controlling stockholder. Plaintiffs allege that Oracle’s directors breached their fiduciary duties in agreeing to purchase Pillar Data Systems, Inc. at an excessive price. Oracle’s acquisition of Pillar is structured as an earn out, under which Oracle is scheduled to make a single payment, if any, by November 30, 2014, to Pillar’s former shareholders based on an agreed-upon Earn-Out formula. Plaintiffs seek declaratory relief, rescission of the Pillar Data transaction, damages, disgorgement of our Chief Executive Officer’s alleged profits, disgorgement of all compensation earned by defendants as a result of their service on Oracle’s Board or any committee of the Board, and an award of attorneys’ fees and costs.

On June 13, 2014, plaintiffs and defendants filed a Stipulation and Agreement of Compromise, Settlement and Release, under which our Chief Executive Officer agreed to pay to Oracle 95% of any and all amounts, if any, that are paid to him under the Pillar earn out. Oracle will pay plaintiffs’ attorneys’ fees and costs, which will not exceed $15 million. The settlement is subject to approval by the Delaware Chancery Court, which has scheduled a fairness hearing for August 12, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time.

While the outcome of the derivative litigation cannot be predicted with certainty, we do not believe that the outcome will result in losses that are materially in excess of amounts already recognized, if any.

# Other Litigation

We are party to various other legal proceedings and claims, either asserted or unasserted, which arise in the ordinary course of business, including proceedings and claims that relate to acquisitions we have completed or to companies we have acquired or are attempting to acquire. While the outcome of these matters cannot be predicted with certainty, we do not believe that the outcome of any of these matters, individually or in the aggregate, will result in losses that are materially in excess of amounts already recognized, if any.

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# SCHEDULE II

**ORACLE CORPORATION VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Beginning** | **Additions Charged to** |  | **Translation Adjustments** |  |
|  | **Operations or** |  | **and** | **Ending** |
| **(in millions)** | **Balance** | **Other Accounts** | **Write-offs** | **Other** | **Balance** |
| Allowances for Doubtful Trade Receivables |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year Ended: |  |  |  |  |  |
| May 31, 2012 | $ 372 | $ 92 | $ (107) | $ (34) | $ 323 |
| May 31, 2013 | $ 323 | $ 118 | $ (167) | $ 22 | $ 296 |
| May 31, 2014 | $ 296 | $ 122 | $ (120) | $ 8 | $ 306 |

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# 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.

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Date: June 26, 2014 By: / S / L AWRENCE J. E LLISON Lawrence J. Ellison

Chief Executive Officer and Director

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

**Name Title Date**

/ S / L AWRENCE J. E LLISON Lawrence J. Ellison

Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)

June 26, 2014

/ S / S AFRA A. C ATZ Safra A. Catz

President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer)

June 26, 2014

/ S / W ILLIAM C OREY W EST William Corey West

Senior Vice President, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)

June 26, 2014

/ S / J EFFREY O. H ENLEY Jeffrey O. Henley

Chairman of the Board of Directors June 26, 2014

/ S / J EFFREY S. B ERG Jeffrey S. Berg

Director June 26, 2014

/ S / H. R AYMOND B INGHAM

H. Raymond Bingham

Director June 26, 2014

/ S / M ICHAEL J. B OSKIN Michael J. Boskin

Director June 26, 2014

/ S / B RUCE R. C HIZEN Bruce R. Chizen

Director June 26, 2014

/ S / G EORGE H. C ONRADES George H. Conrades

Director June 26, 2014

/ S / H ECTOR G ARCIA -M OLINA Hector Garcia-Molina

Director June 26, 2014

/ S / M ARK V. H URD Mark V. Hurd

President and Director June 26, 2014

/ S / N AOMI O. S ELIGMAN Naomi O. Seligman

Director June 26, 2014

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# ORACLE CORPORATION INDEX OF EXHIBITS

The following exhibits are filed herewith or are incorporated by reference to exhibits previously filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

**Exhibit**

**Incorporated by Reference Filed**

**No. Exhibit Description**

**Form File No. Exhibit Filing Date Filed By**

**Herewith**

* 1. Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Oracle Corporation and Certificate of Amendment of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Oracle Corporation

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000-51788 3.1 2/6/06 Oracle Corporation

* 1. Amended and Restated Bylaws of Oracle Corporation

8-K 000-51788 3.02 7/14/06 Oracle Corporation

* 1. Specimen Certificate of Registrant’s Common Stock

S-3 ASR

333-166643 4.04 5/7/10 Oracle Corporation

* 1. Indenture dated January 13, 2006, among Ozark Holding Inc., Oracle Corporation and Citibank, N.A.
  2. Form of Old 2016 Note, together with the Officers’ Certificate issued January 13, 2006 pursuant to the Indenture dated January 13, 2006, among Oracle Corporation (formerly known as Ozark Holding Inc.) and Citibank, N.A.

8-K 000-14376 10.34 1/20/06 Oracle Systems Corporation

8-K 000-14376 10.35 1/20/06 Oracle Systems Corporation

* 1. Form of New 5.25% Note due 2016 S-4/A 333-132250 4.4 4/14/06 Oracle Corporation
  2. First Supplemental Indenture dated May 9, 2007 among Oracle Corporation, Citibank,

N.A. and The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A.

S-3 ASR

333-142796 4.3 5/10/07 Oracle Corporation

* 1. Forms of 4.95% Note due 2013, 5.75% Note due 2018 and 6.50% Note due 2038, together with Officers’ Certificate issued April 9, 2008 setting forth the terms of the Notes
  2. Forms of 3.75% Note due 2014, 5.00% Note due 2019 and 6.125% Note due 2039, together with Officers’ Certificate issued July 8, 2009 setting forth the terms of the Notes

8-K 000-51788 4.09 4/8/08 Oracle Corporation

8-K 000-51788 4.08 7/8/09 Oracle Corporation

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**No. Exhibit Description**

* 1. Forms of Original 2020 Note and Original 2040 Note, together with Officers’ Certificate issued July 19, 2010 setting forth the terms of the Notes

**Form File No. Exhibit Filing Date Filed By**

10-Q 000-51788 4.08 9/20/10 Oracle Corporation

**Herewith**

* 1. Forms of New 2020 Note and New 2040 Note S-4 333-176405 4.5 8/19/11 Oracle Corporation
  2. Forms of 1.20% Note due 2017 and 2.50% Note due 2022, together with Officers’ Certificate issued October 25, 2012 setting forth the terms of the Notes
  3. Forms of 2.25% Note due 2021 and 3.125% Note due 2025, together with Officers’ Certificate issued July 10, 2013 setting forth the terms of the Notes
  4. Forms of Floating Rate Note due 2019, 2.375% Note due 2019 and 3.625% Note due 2023, together with Officers’ Certificate issued

July 16, 2013 setting forth the terms of the Notes

* 1. \* Oracle Corporation 1993 Deferred Compensation Plan, as amended and restated as of January 1, 2008
  2. \* Oracle Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan (1992), as amended and restated as of October 1, 2009
  3. \* Oracle Corporation Amended and Restated 1993 Directors’ Stock Plan, as amended and restated on September 4, 2013
  4. \* Amended and Restated 2000 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan, as approved on October 31, 2013
  5. \* Form of Stock Option Agreements under the Amended and Restated 2000 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan for U.S. Executive Vice Presidents and Section 16 Officers

8-K 000-51788 4.10 10/25/12 Oracle Corporation

8-K 001-35992 4.11 7/10/13 Oracle Corporation

8-K 001-35992 4.12 7/16/13 Oracle Corporation

10-Q 000-51788 10.01 3/23/09 Oracle Corporation

10-K 000-51788 10.02 7/1/10 Oracle Corporation

10-Q 001-35992 10.03 12/20/13 Oracle Corporation

10-Q 001-35992 10.30 12/20/13 Oracle Corporation

10-Q 000-51788 10.05 12/23/11 Oracle Corporation

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**No. Exhibit Description**

* 1. \* Form of Stock Option Agreement under the Oracle Corporation Amended and Restated 1993 Directors’ Stock Plan
  2. \* Form of Indemnity Agreement for Directors and Executive Officers
  3. Form of Commercial Paper Dealer Agreement relating to the $3,000,000,000 Commercial Paper Program
  4. Issuing and Paying Agency Agreement between Oracle Corporation and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association dated as of April 23, 2013
  5. \* Offer letter dated February 2, 2010 to John Fowler and employment agreement dated February 2, 2010
  6. \* Offer letter dated September 2, 2010 to Mark

V. Hurd and employment agreement dated September 3, 2010

**Form File No. Exhibit Filing Date Filed By**

10-Q 000-51788 10.06 12/23/11 Oracle Corporation

10-Q 000-51788 10.07 12/23/11 Oracle Corporation

8-K 000-51788 10.2 2/9/06 Oracle Corporation

8-K 000-51788 10.09 4/26/13 Oracle Corporation

10-Q 000-51788 10.26 3/29/10 Oracle Corporation

8-K 000-51788 10.28 9/8/10 Oracle Corporation

**Herewith**

* 1. \* Oracle Corporation Executive Bonus Plan 8-K 000-51788 10.29 10/13/10 Oracle Corporation
  2. \* Sun Microsystems, Inc. 2007 Omnibus Incentive Plan
  3. $3,000,000,000 5-Year Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of April 22, 2013 among Oracle Corporation and the lenders and agents named therein

12.01 Consolidated Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

10-Q 000-15086 10.1 2/6/08 Sun Microsystems, Inc. 8-K 000-51788 10.14 4/26/13 Oracle Corporation

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21.01 Subsidiaries of the Registrant X

23.01 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

* 1. Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Principal Executive Officer

X X

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**No. Exhibit Description**

* 1. Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Principal Financial Officer

32.01 Section 1350 Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer

101 Interactive Data Files Pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T: (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of May 31, 2014 and 2013,

* 1. Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended May 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012
  2. Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended May 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012
  3. Consolidated Statements of Equity for the years ended May 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012,
  4. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended May 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012,
  5. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and (vii) Financial Statement Schedule II

**Form File No. Exhibit Filing Date Filed By**

**Herewith**

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\* Indicates management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement

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**CONSOLIDATED RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES**

**(Unaudited)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **Year Ended May 31** | **,** | |
| **(Dollars in millions)** | **2014** | **2013 2012** | **2011** | **2010** |
| **Earnings (1)** |  |  |  |  |
| Income before provision for income taxes | $13,704 | $13,898 $12,962 | $11,411 | $8,243 |
| Add: Noncontrolling interests | 98 | 112 119 | 97 | 95 |
| Add: Fixed charges | 968 | 850 827 | 875 | 808 |
| Total earnings | $14,770 | $14,860 $13,908 | $12,383 | $9,146 |

**Fixed Charges (2)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Interest expense | $ 914 |  | $ 797 |  | $ 766 |  | $ 808 |  | $ 754 |
| Estimate of interest in rent expense | 54 |  | 53 |  | 61 |  | 67 |  | 54 |
| Total fixed charges | $ 968 |  | $ 850 |  | $ 827 |  | $ 875 |  | $ 808 |
| Ratio of earnings to fixed charges | 15x |  | 17x |  | 17x |  | 14x |  | 11x |

**(1)** The term “earnings” means the amounts resulting from the following: (a) our income before provision for income taxes, plus (b) the noncontrolling interests in the net income of our majority owned subsidiaries, plus (c) our fixed charges.

**(2)** The term “fixed charges” means the amounts resulting from the following: (a) our interest expensed, plus (b) our estimate of the interest component of rent expense.

We do not report any shares of preferred stock outstanding in our consolidated financial statements because our outstanding preferred stock is owned by one or more of our wholly-owned subsidiaries. Our ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred dividends for any given period is equivalent to our ratio of earnings to fixed charges.

**Subsidiaries of the Registrant**

Name of Subsidiary Place of Incorporation

Oracle International Corporation California

Oracle Global Holdings, Inc. Delaware

Oracle America, Inc. Delaware

Oracle Technology Company Ireland

OCAPAC Holding Company Ireland

OCAPAC Research Partner Ireland

OCAPAC Research Company Ireland

OCAPAC Distributor Partner Ireland

OCAPAC Hardware Partner Ireland

**CONSENT OF ERNST & YOUNG LLP, INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the following Registration Statements:

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| Form S-8 | 333-195502 | Blue Kai, Inc. 2007 Stock Plan, TrackSimple, Inc. 2008 Equity Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-194705 | Responsys, Inc. 1999 Stock Plan, as amended, Responsys, Inc. 2011 Equity Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-193006 | Oracle Corporation Amended and Restated 2000 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan, Bitzer Mobile Inc. 2011 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended |
| Form S-8 | 333-187924 | Acme Packet, Inc. 2006 Equity Incentive Plan |
| Form S-3 | 333-187919 |  |
| Form S-8 | 333-186971 | Oracle Corporation Amended and Restated 1993 Directors’ Stock Plan, Eloqua Limited 2006 Stock Option Plan, Eloqua, Inc. 2012 Stock Option and Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-184062 | Vitrue, Inc. 2006 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, as amended, Vitrue, Inc. 2011 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, Xsigo Systems, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-181023 | Taleo Corporation 2004 Stock Plan, Taleo Corporation 2009 Equity Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-179586 | RightNow Technologies, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated, RightNow Technologies, Inc. Amended and Restated 1998 Long-Term Incentive and Stock Option Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-179132 | Endeca Technologies, Inc. 2009 Stock Incentive Plan, Endeca Technologies, Inc. Amended and Restated 1999 Stock Incentive Plan, GoAhead Software, Inc. 2002 Stock Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-176986 | FatWire Corporation 2007 Stock Option Plan, as amended , FatWire Corporation Second Amended 1999 Stock Option Plan, as amended, InQuira, Inc. Amended and Restated 2002 Stock Plan, InQuira, Inc. Amended and Restated 2002 Stock Plan for Officers and Directors |
| Form S-4 | 333-176405 |  |
| Form S-8 | 333-171939 | Oracle Corporation Amended and Restated 2000 Long–Term Equity Incentive Plan Art Technology Group, Inc. Amended and Restated 1996 Stock Option Plan, Art Technology Group, Inc./Primus Knowledge Solutions, Inc. 1999 Stock Incentive Compensation Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-169089 | Phase Forward Incorporated Amended and Restated 2004 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, Convergin, Inc. Israeli 2001 Stock Option Plan, as amended |
| Form S-3 | 333-166643 |  |
| Form S-8 | 333-164734 | Sun Microsystems, Inc. 2007 Omnibus Incentive Plan, Sun Microsystems, Inc. 1990 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan, Sun Microsystems, Inc. Equity Compensation Acquisition Plan, Sun Microsystems, Inc. 1988 Directors’ Stock Option Plan, Sun |

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|  | | Microsystems, Inc. 1997 French Stock Option Plan, Afara Websystems, Inc. 2000 Equity Incentive Plan, Cobalt Networks, Inc. Amended and Restated 1997 Employee Stock Plan, Forte Software, Inc. 1996 Stock Option Plan, Forte Software, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan, Gridware, Inc. 2000 Equity Incentive Plan, HighGround Systems, Inc. Stock Option Plan, InnoSoft International, Inc. 1992 Stock Incentive Plan, InnoSoft International, Inc. 1999 Equity Incentive Plan, Isopia Inc. Stock Option Plan, Kealia, Inc. Amended and Restated 2001 Stock Plan, Large Storage Configurations, Incorporated 1992 Stock Option Plan, MySQL AB Global Share Option Plan 2005, Neogent, Inc. 2001 Stock Incentive Plan, Pirus Networks, Inc. 2000 Stock Option Plan, SeeBeyond Technology Corporation 1998 Stock Plan, SevenSpace, Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Stock Incentive Plan, Star Division Corporation 1998 Stock Plan, Amended and Restated Storage Technology Corporation 1995 Equity Participation Plan, Storage Technology Corporation 2004 Long Term Incentive Plan, Tarantella, Inc. 2002 Incentive Stock Option Plan, Tarantella, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan, Waveset Technologies, Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Stock Plan, Silver Creek Systems, Inc. 2003 Equity Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-163147 | GoldenGate Software, Inc. 2002 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended |
| Form S-8 | 333-157758 | Primavera Software, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Stock Option Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-153660 | AdminServer, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-151045 | BEA Systems, Inc. 1995 Flexible Stock Incentive Plan, BEA Systems, Inc. 1997 Stock Incentive Plan, BEA Systems, Inc. 2000 Non-Qualified Stock Incentive Plan, BEA Systems, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan, The Theory Center Amended and Restated 1999 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan, Plumtree Software, Inc. 1997 Equity Incentive Plan, Plumtree Software, Inc. 2002 Stock Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-147400 | Bridgestream 1999 Stock Plan, Logical Apps, Inc. 2003 Equity Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-145162 | Agile Software Corporation 1995 Stock Option Plan, Agile Software Corporation 2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan, The Digital Market, Inc. 1995 Stock Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-142776 | Hyperion Solutions Corporation 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, Hyperion Solutions Corporation 1999 Stock Option Plan, Hyperion Solutions Corporation 1995 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan, Hyperion Solutions Corporation 1992 Stock Option Plan, Hyperion Software Corporation 1991 Stock Plan, Hyperion Software Corporation 1991 Stock Plan, Decisioneering, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan, SQRIBE 1995 Stock Option Plan, Hyperion Software Corporation 1991 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan, Brio Software, Inc. 2000 Non-Executive Director Stock Option Plan, Brio Software, Inc. 1998 Stock Option Plan, Brio Software, Inc. 1998 Directors’ Stock Option Plan, Brio Software, Inc. 1998 Non-Executive Stock Option Plan, Arbor Software Corporation 1995 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-142225 | Hyperion Solutions Corporation 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, Hyperion Solutions Corporation 1995 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan and the Arbor Software Corporation 1995 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-139901 | Stellent, Inc. 1994-1997 Stock Option and Compensation Plan, InfoAccess, Inc. 1990 Stock Option Plan as amended September 29, 1999, InfoAccess, Inc. 1995 Stock Option Plan as amended September 29, 1999, Stellent, Inc. 1999 Employee Stock Option and Compensation Plan, Stellent, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan, Stellent, Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Employee Stock Incentive Plan, Stellent, Inc. Amended and Restated 1997 Directors Stock Option Plan, Optika Imaging Systems, Inc. 1994 |

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|  | | Stock Option /Stock Issuance Plan, Amendment to Optika Imaging Systems, Inc. 1994 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan, Optika Inc. 2000 Non-Officer Stock Incentive Plan, Optika Inc. 2003 Equity Incentive Plan, Amendment to Optika Inc. 2003 Equity Incentive Plan, Stellent, Inc. 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, French Annex to the Stellent, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-139875 | MetaSolv, Inc. 1992 Stock Option Plan, MetaSolv, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-138694 | SPL WorldGroup Holdings, LLC 2005 Option Plan, SPL WorldGroup Holdings, LLC 2004 Equity Incentive Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-136275 | Portal Software, Inc. 1999 Stock Incentive Plan, Portal Software, Inc. 2000 Supplemental Stock Option Plan, Portal Software, Inc. 1995 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan (as amended and succeeded by the 1999 Stock Incentive Plan) |
| Form S-8 | 333-131988 | Siebel Systems, Inc. 1996 Equity Incentive Plan, Siebel Systems, Inc. 1996 Supplemental Stock Option, Siebel Systems, Inc. 1998 Equity Incentive Plan, InterActive WorkPlace, Inc. 1996 Stock Option Plan, Janna Systems Inc. Amended and Restated Share Compensation Plan, nQuire Software, Inc. 1997 Employee Stock Option and Compensation Plan, OnLink Technologies, Inc. 1998 Stock Option Plan, OnTarget, Inc. 1999 Stock Award Plan, OpenSite Technologies, Inc. 1998 Stock Option Plan, Sales.Com, Inc. 1999 Equity Incentive Plan, Options Granted Outside of Sales.com, Inc. 1999 Equity Incentive Plan, SalesRepsOnline.com, Inc. 2000 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan, Scopus Technology, Inc. 1991 Stock Option Plan, Scopus Technology, Inc. 1995 Director Option Plan |
| Form S-8 | 333-131427 | Oracle Corporation Amended and Restated 2000 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan, Oracle Corporation Amended and Restated 1993 Directors’ Stock Plan, Oracle Corporation 1991 Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended, Oracle Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan (1992), as amended and restated, ProfitLogic, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 1999 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, Peoplesoft, Inc. Amended and Restated 1989 Stock Plan, Peoplesoft, Inc. 2001 Stock Plan, Peoplesoft, Inc. 2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan, Peoplesoft, Inc. 1992 Directors’ Stock Option Plan, Peoplesoft, Inc. 2003 Directors Stock Plan, Intrepid Systems, Inc. 1992 Stock Option Plan, J.D. Edwards & Company 1992 Incentive Stock Option Plan, J.D. Edwards & Company 1992 Nonqualified Stock Option Plan, J.D. Edwards & Company 1997 Equity Incentive Plan, J.D. Edwards & Company 2003 Equity Incentive Plan, Red Pepper Software Company 1993 Stock Option Plan, Skillsvillage 1999 Stock Plan, Teamscape Corporation 1998 Stock Plan, Trimark Technologies, Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan, The Vantive Corporation Amended and Restated 1991 Stock Option Plan, The Vantive Corporation 1997 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan, Oracle Corporation 1993 Deferred Compensation Plan, Oracle Corporation 401(k) Savings and Investment Plan |

of our reports dated June 26, 2014, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of Oracle Corporation and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Oracle Corporation included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) of Oracle Corporation for the year ended May 31, 2014.

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

San Jose, California June 26, 2014

# Exhibit 31.01

**CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULE 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a)**

**AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Lawrence J. Ellison, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Oracle Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant’s other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
   1. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
   2. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
   3. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant’s disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
   4. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant’s internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant’s most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant’s fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant’s internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant’s other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant’s auditors and the Finance and Audit Committee of the registrant’s board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
   1. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant’s ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
   2. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant’s internal control over financial reporting.

Date: June 26, 2014 By: / S / L AWRENCE J. E LLISON Lawrence J. Ellison

Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)

**CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULE 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a)**

**AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Safra A. Catz, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Oracle Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant’s other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
   1. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
   2. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
   3. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant’s disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
   4. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant’s internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant’s most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant’s fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant’s internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant’s other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant’s auditors and the Finance and Audit Committee of the registrant’s board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
   1. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant’s ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
   2. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant’s internal control over financial reporting.

Date: June 26, 2014 By: / S / S AFRA A. C ATZ Safra A. Catz

President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer)

**CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350**

**AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

The certification set forth below is being submitted in connection with the report on Form 10-K of Oracle Corporation for the purpose of complying with Rule 13a-14(b) or Rule 15d-14(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Lawrence J. Ellison, the Chief Executive Officer of Oracle Corporation, and Safra A. Catz, the Chief Financial Officer of Oracle Corporation, each certifies that, to the best of his or her knowledge:

1. the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Oracle Corporation.

Date: June 26, 2014 By: / S / L AWRENCE J. E LLISON Lawrence J. Ellison

Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: June 26, 2014 By: / S / S AFRA A. C ATZ Safra A. Catz

President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer)