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FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

- ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
For the fiscal year ended January 1, 2012
or
 TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Commission File Number 001-32242

Domino's Pizza, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

38-2511577

(I.R.S. employer
Identification number)

30 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive

Ann Arbor, Michigan

(Address of principal executive offices)

48106

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (734) 930-3030

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

Title of each class:

Domino's Pizza, Inc.

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value

Name of each exchange on which registered:

New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange 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) 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

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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 (do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act): Yes No

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting stock held by non-affiliates of Domino's Pizza, Inc. as of June 19, 2011 computed by reference to the closing price of Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange on such date was \$1,430,623,056.

As of February 21, 2012, Domino's Pizza, Inc. had 57,770,796 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, outstanding.

Documents incorporated by reference:

Portions of the definitive proxy statement to be furnished to shareholders of Domino's Pizza, Inc. in connection with the annual meeting of shareholders to be held on April 25, 2012 are incorporated by reference into Part III.

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Part I

Item 1. Business.

Overview

Domino's Pizza, Inc. (referred to as the "Company," "Domino's" or in the first person notations of "we," "us" and "our") is the number one pizza delivery company in the United States, based on reported consumer spending, and the second largest pizza company in the world, based on number of units and sales. On average, over one million pizzas are sold each day throughout the Domino's system, with deliveries covering approximately ten million miles per week. We pioneered the pizza delivery business and have built the Domino's Pizza® brand into one of the most widely-recognized consumer brands in the world. Together with our domestic franchisees, we have supported the Domino's Pizza® brand with an estimated \$1.4 billion in advertising spending in the United States over the past five years. Additionally, our international franchisees also commit significant dollars in advertising efforts in their markets. We operate through a network of 9,742 Company-owned and franchise stores, located in all 50 states and in more than 70 international markets. In addition, we operate 16 regional dough manufacturing and supply chain centers, one equipment and supply facility, one thin crust manufacturing center and one vegetable processing center in the contiguous United States, and six dough manufacturing and supply chain centers outside the contiguous United States. The foundation of our system-wide success and leading market position is our strong relationships with our franchisees, comprised of over 2,000 owner-operators throughout the world dedicated to the success of the Domino's Pizza® brand.

We celebrated our 50th anniversary in 2010, and over our 51-year history, we have developed a simple business model focused on our core strength of delivering quality pizza and other complementary items in a timely manner. This business model includes a delivery-oriented store design with low capital requirements, a focused menu of pizza and other complementary items, committed owner-operator franchisees and a vertically-integrated supply chain system. Our earnings are driven largely by retail sales at our franchise stores, which generate royalty payments and supply chain revenues to us. We also generate earnings through retail sales at our Company-owned stores. Internationally, similar dynamics apply. However, most geographies are granted to a qualified master franchisee, and this master franchisee can utilize three potential income streams: running corporate stores, sub-franchising and running supply chain centers.

We operate our business in three segments: domestic stores, domestic supply chain and international.

- *Domestic stores.* The domestic stores segment, which is comprised of 4,513 franchise stores and 394 Company-owned stores, generated revenues of \$523.4 million and income from operations of \$154.8 million during our fiscal year ended January 1, 2012, which we refer to herein as 2011.
- *Domestic supply chain.* Our domestic supply chain segment, which manufactures our dough and thin crust products, processes vegetables and distributes food, equipment and supplies to all of our Company-owned stores and over 99% of our domestic franchise stores, generated revenues of \$927.9 million and income from operations of \$71.8 million during 2011.
- *International.* Our international segment is comprised of 4,835 franchise stores outside the contiguous United States. It also manufactures dough and distributes food and supplies in a limited number of these markets. During 2011, our international segment generated revenues of \$200.9 million, of which approximately 54% related to franchise royalties and fees, and generated income from operations of \$93.1 million, of which approximately 91% related to franchise royalties and fees.

On a consolidated basis, we generated revenues of more than \$1.6 billion and income from operations (after deducting \$60.6 million of unallocated corporate and other expenses) of \$259.1 million in 2011. Net income was \$105.4 million in 2011. In each of the past three years, we have been able to increase our net income, grow our global retail sales and in those three years have added nearly 1,000 net stores worldwide. We were able to grow our business with capital expenditures that generally ranged between \$20.0 million to \$30.0 million on an annualized basis, as a significant portion of our earnings are derived from retail sales by our franchisees.

Our history

We have been delivering quality, affordable pizza to our customers since 1960 when brothers Thomas and James Monaghan borrowed \$900 and purchased a small pizza store in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Since that time, our store count and geographic reach have grown substantially. We opened our first franchise store in 1967 and our first international store in 1983. During 2010, we opened our 9,000th store worldwide and as of January 1, 2012, we had 9,742 stores worldwide. We celebrated the Company's 50th anniversary on December 9, 2010.

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In 1998, an investor group led by investment funds associated with Bain Capital, LLC completed a recapitalization through which the investor group acquired a 93% controlling economic interest in our Company from Thomas Monaghan and his family. In 2004, Domino's Pizza, Inc. completed its initial public offering (the "IPO") and now trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "DPZ." In connection with the IPO, on May 11, 2004, we reincorporated in Delaware. Prior to that, TISM, Inc., the then parent company of the Domino's Pizza business, was a Michigan corporation, which operated through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Domino's Pizza LLC, a Michigan limited liability company.

During 2007, the Company completed a recapitalization transaction (the "2007 Recapitalization"), primarily consisting of, (i) the issuance of \$1.7 billion of borrowings of fixed rate notes, (ii) the purchase and retirement of all outstanding senior subordinated notes, (iii) the repayment of all outstanding borrowings under its senior credit facility, and (iv) the payment of a special cash dividend to shareholders and related anti-dilution payments and adjustments to certain stock option holders.

Industry overview

In this document, we rely on and refer to information regarding the U.S. quick service restaurant, or QSR, sector, the U.S. QSR pizza category and its components and competitors (including us) from the CREST® report prepared by The NPD Group, as well as market research reports, analyst reports and other publicly-available information. Although we believe this information to be reliable, we have not independently verified it. Domestic sales information relating to the QSR sector, U.S. QSR pizza category and U.S. pizza delivery and carry-out represent reported consumer spending obtained by The NPD Group's CREST® report from consumer surveys. This information relates to both our Company-owned and franchise stores. Unless otherwise indicated, all U.S. industry data included in this document is based on reported consumer spending obtained by The NPD Group's CREST® report from consumer surveys.

The U.S. QSR pizza category is large and fragmented. With sales of \$32.4 billion in the twelve months ended November 2011, it is the second largest category within the \$238.9 billion U.S. QSR sector. The U.S. QSR pizza category is primarily comprised of delivery, dine-in and carry-out.

We operate primarily within the U.S. pizza delivery component. Its \$9.8 billion of sales accounted for approximately 30% of total U.S. QSR pizza category sales in the twelve months ended November 2011. We and our top two competitors account for approximately 51% of U.S. pizza delivery, based on reported consumer spending, with the remaining 49% attributable to regional chains and individual establishments.

We also compete in the growing carry-out component, which, together with pizza delivery, comprise the largest components of the U.S. QSR pizza category. U.S. carry-out pizza had \$14.3 billion of sales in the twelve months ended November 2011 and while our primary focus is on pizza delivery, we are also favorably positioned to compete in carry-out given our strong brand, convenient store locations and quality, affordable menu offerings.

In contrast to the United States, international pizza delivery is relatively underdeveloped, with only Domino's and one other competitor having a significant global presence. We believe that demand for international pizza and pizza delivery is large and growing, driven by international consumers' increasing emphasis on convenience, and the proven success of our 28 years of conducting business abroad.

Our competitive strengths

We believe that our competitive strengths include the following:

- **Strong and proven growth and earnings model.** Over our 51-year history, we have developed a focused growth and earnings model. This model is anchored by strong store-level economics, which provide an entrepreneurial incentive for our franchisees and generate demand for new stores. Our franchise system, in turn, has produced strong and consistent earnings for us through royalty fees and through supply chain revenues, with minimal associated capital expenditures by us.

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- **Strong store-level economics.** We have developed a cost-efficient store model, characterized by a delivery and carry-out oriented store design, with low capital requirements and a focused menu of quality, affordable pizza and other complementary items. At the store level, we believe that the simplicity and efficiency of our operations give us significant advantages over our competitors, who, in many cases, also focus on dine-in. Our domestic stores, and the vast majority of our international stores, do not offer extensive dine-in areas and thus do not require expensive restaurant facilities and staffing. In addition, our focused menu simplifies and streamlines our production and delivery processes and maximizes economies of scale on purchases of our principal ingredients. As a result of our focused business model and menu, our stores are small (generally up to 1,500 square feet) and relatively inexpensive to build, furnish and maintain as compared to many other QSR franchise opportunities. The combination of this efficient store model and strong store sales volume has resulted in strong store-level financial returns and makes Domino's Pizza an attractive business opportunity for existing and prospective franchisees.
- **Strong and well-diversified franchise system.** We have developed a large, global, diversified and committed franchise network that is a critical component of our system-wide success and our leading position in pizza delivery. As of January 1, 2012, our franchise store network consisted of 9,348 stores, 48% of which were located in the contiguous United States. In the United States, nine franchisees operate more than 50 stores, including our largest domestic franchisee who operates 136 stores. Our domestic franchisees own and operate an average of four stores. We generally require our domestic franchisees to forego active, outside business endeavors, aligning their interests with ours and making the success of each Domino's Pizza store of critical importance to our franchisees.

In addition, we generally share 50% (or a higher percentage in the case of Company-owned stores and certain franchisees who operate a larger number of stores) of the pre-tax profits generated by our regional dough manufacturing and supply chain centers with those domestic franchisees who agree to purchase all of their food from our supply chain system. These arrangements strengthen our ties with our franchisees by enhancing their profitability, while providing us with a continuing source of revenues and earnings. This arrangement also provides incentives for franchisees to work closely with us to reduce costs. We believe our strong, mutually-beneficial franchisee relationships are evidenced by the over 99% voluntary participation in our domestic supply chain system, our over 99% domestic franchise contract renewal rate and our over 99% collection rate on domestic franchise royalty and domestic supply chain receivables.

Internationally, we have been able to grow our franchise network by attracting franchisees with business experience and local market knowledge. We generally employ our master franchise model, which provides our international franchisees with exclusive rights to operate stores and sub-franchise our well-recognized Domino's Pizza® brand name in specific, agreed-upon market areas, as well as operate their own supply chain systems. From year-end 2006 through 2011, we grew our international franchise network 50%, from 3,223 stores to 4,835 stores. Our largest master franchisee operates 861 stores in five markets, which accounts for approximately 18% of our total international store count. During 2011, we had 413 net international store openings, including 75 net stores in India, 58 net stores in Turkey and 54 net stores in the United Kingdom.

- **Strong cash flow and earnings stream.** A substantial percentage of our earnings are generated by our committed, owner-operator franchisees through royalty payments and revenues to our vertically-integrated supply chain system.

We believe that our store economics have led to a strong, well-diversified franchise system. This established franchise system has produced strong cash flow and earnings for us, which has enabled us to invest in the Domino's Pizza® brand, our stores, our technology and our supply chain centers, pay significant dividends, repurchase shares of our common stock, repurchase and retire outstanding principal on our fixed rate notes and deliver attractive returns to our stockholders.

- **#1 pizza delivery company in the United States with a leading international presence.** We are the number one pizza delivery company in the United States with a 22.6% share based on reported consumer spending. With 4,907 stores located in the contiguous United States, our domestic store delivery areas cover a majority of U.S. households. Our share position and scale allow us to leverage our purchasing power, supply chain strength and advertising investment across our store base. We also believe that our scale and market coverage allow us to effectively serve our customers' demands for convenience and timely delivery.

Outside the United States, we have significant market share positions in the key markets in which we compete, including the United Kingdom, Mexico, Australia, India, South Korea, Canada, Turkey, Japan, France and Taiwan. Our top ten international markets, based on store count, accounted for approximately 76% of our international retail sales in 2011. We believe we have a strong presence in each of these markets.

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- **Strong brand awareness.** We believe our Domino's Pizza® brand is one of the most widely-recognized consumer brands in the world. We believe consumers associate our brand with the timely delivery of quality, affordable pizza and other complementary items. Over the past five years, our domestic franchise and Company-owned stores have invested an estimated \$1.4 billion on national, local and co-operative advertising in the United States. Additionally, we estimate that our international franchisees commit significant dollars in advertising efforts in their markets. Our Domino's Pizza® brand is routinely named a MegaBrand by *Advertising Age*. We continue to reinforce our brand with extensive advertising through television, radio, print and web-based promotions. We have also enhanced the strength of our brand through marketing affiliations with brands such as Coca-Cola®.
We believe that our brand is particularly strong among pizza consumers for whom a meal is a fairly spontaneous event. In these situations, we believe that service and product quality are the consumers' priorities. We believe that well established demographic and lifestyle trends will drive continuing emphasis on convenience and will, therefore, continue to play into our brand's strength.
- **Internal dough manufacturing and supply chain system.** In addition to generating significant revenues and earnings, primarily in the United States, we believe that our vertically integrated dough manufacturing and supply chain system enhances the quality and consistency of our products, enhances our relationships with franchisees, leverages economies of scale to offer lower costs to our stores and allows our store managers to better focus on store operations and customer service by relieving them of the responsibility of mixing dough in the stores and sourcing other ingredients.

In 2011, we made approximately 515,000 full-service food deliveries to our domestic stores, or approximately two deliveries per store, per week, with an on-time delivery performance rate of approximately 94%. All of our Company-owned and over 99% of our domestic franchise stores purchase all of their food and supplies from us. This is accomplished through our network of 16 regional dough manufacturing and supply chain centers, each of which is generally located within a one-day delivery radius of the stores it serves, and a leased fleet of over 400 tractors and trailers. Additionally, we supply our domestic and international franchisees with equipment and supplies through our equipment and supply center, which we operate as part of our domestic supply chain segment, offering a full range of non-food products, from ovens to uniforms. We also supply certain of our domestic stores with ingredients that are processed at our vegetable processing center and thin crust product that is manufactured at our thin crust manufacturing center, both of which we operate as part of our domestic supply chain segment.

Because we source the food for substantially all of our domestic stores, our domestic supply chain segment enables us to leverage and monitor our strong supplier relationships to achieve the cost benefits of scale and to ensure compliance with our rigorous quality standards. In addition, the "one-stop shop" nature of this system, combined with our delivery accuracy, allows our store managers to eliminate a significant component of the typical "back-of-store" activity that many of our competitors' store managers must undertake. Additionally, we operate six supply chain centers that service certain of our international franchise markets.

Our business strategy

We intend to achieve further growth and strengthen our competitive position through the continued implementation of our business strategy, which includes the following key elements:

- **Continue to execute on our mission statement.** Our mission statement is "Exceptional franchisees and team members on a mission to be the best pizza delivery company in the world." We implement this mission statement by following a business strategy that:
 - puts franchisees and Company-owned stores at the foundation of all our thinking and decisions;
 - emphasizes our ability to select, develop and retain exceptional team members and franchisees;
 - provides a strong infrastructure to support our stores; and
 - builds excellent store operations to create loyal customers.

We adhere to the following guiding principles, which are based on the concept of one united brand, system and team:

- putting people first;
- demanding integrity;
- striving to make every customer a loyal customer;
- delivering with smart hustle and positive energy; and
- winning by improving results every day.

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- **Grow our leading position in an attractive industry.** U.S. pizza delivery and carry-out are the largest components of the U.S. QSR pizza category. They are also highly fragmented. Pizza delivery, through which a majority of our retail sales are generated, had sales of \$9.8 billion in the twelve months ended November 2011. As the leader in U.S. pizza delivery, we believe that our convenient store locations, simple operating model, widely-recognized brand and efficient supply chain system are competitive advantages that position us to capitalize on future growth.

The carry-out component had \$14.3 billion of sales in the twelve months ended November 2011. While our primary focus is on pizza delivery, we are also favorably positioned as a leader in the growing carry-out component given our strong brand, convenient store locations and quality, affordable menu offerings.

- **Leverage our strong brand awareness.** We believe that the strength of our Domino's Pizza® brand makes us one of the first choices of consumers seeking a convenient, quality and affordable meal. We intend to continue to promote our brand name and enhance our reputation as the leader in pizza delivery. In 2009, in connection with the launch of our improved pizza recipe, we launched the campaign, "Oh Yes We Did." The launch of the new pizza and this campaign received significant attention in the news media, social networking internet sites and other media outlets and we experienced positive same store sales growth in our domestic stores throughout 2010 and 2011.

In 2008, each domestic store contributed 4% of its retail sales to support national advertising in addition to contributions for market-level advertising. In 2009, domestic stores within active advertising co-operatives elected to allocate an additional 1% of their advertising contributions to support national advertising initiatives, which resulted in each domestic store contributing 5% of its retail sales to support national advertising as stores within inactive advertising co-operatives were already contributing 5% of its retail sales to support national advertising. Also in 2009, all domestic franchisees amended their standard franchise agreements to require a contribution of 5.5% (subject, in limited instances, to lower rates based on certain incentives and waivers) of their retail sales for national advertising and to eliminate the required market-level contributions. We currently anticipate this 5.5% contribution rate, which took effect in 2010 and continued throughout 2011, to remain in place for the foreseeable future.

We intend to leverage our strong brand by continuing to introduce innovative, consumer-tested and profitable new product varieties (such as Artisan pizzas, Oven Baked Sandwiches, Domino's American Legends® pizzas and BreadBowl Pasta™), complementary side items (such as our new Stuffed Cheesy Bread, boneless chicken and wings, Cinna Stix® and Chocolate Lava Crunch Cakes) and value promotions, as well as through marketing affiliations with brands such as Coca-Cola®. Additionally, we may from time-to-time partner with other organizations in an effort to promote the Domino's Pizza® brand. We believe these opportunities, when coupled with our scale and share leadership, will allow us to grow our position in U.S. pizza delivery.

- **Expand global store base.** We plan to expand our base of domestic stores to take advantage of the attractive growth opportunities in U.S. pizza delivery. We believe that our scale will allow us to expand our store base with limited marketing, distribution and other incremental infrastructure costs. Additionally, our franchise-oriented business model will allow us to expand our store base with limited capital expenditures and working capital requirements. While we plan to expand our traditional domestic store base primarily through opening new franchise stores, we will also continually evaluate our mix of Company-owned and franchise stores, strategically acquire franchise stores and rebrand Company-owned stores.

We believe that pizza has global appeal and that there is strong and growing international demand for delivered pizza. We have successfully built a broad international platform, primarily through our master franchise model, as evidenced by our 4,835 international stores in more than 70 international markets. We believe that we continue to have significant long-term growth opportunities in international markets where we have established a leading presence. In our top ten international markets, we believe that our current store base is approximately half of the total long-term potential store base in those markets. Generally, we believe we will achieve long-term growth internationally as a result of the favorable store-level economics of our business model, the growing international demand for pizza and delivered pizza and the strong global recognition of the Domino's Pizza® brand. Our international stores have produced positive quarterly same store sales growth for 72 consecutive quarters. Additionally, during 2011, we had 413 net international store openings, including 75 net stores in India, 58 net stores in Turkey and 54 net stores in the United Kingdom.

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Store operations

We believe that our focused and proven store model provides a significant competitive advantage relative to many of our competitors who focus on multiple components of the pizza category, particularly dine-in. We have been focused primarily on pizza delivery for over 50 years. Because our domestic stores and most of our international stores do not offer extensive dine-in areas, they typically do not require expensive real estate, are relatively small and are relatively inexpensive to build and equip. Our stores also benefit from lower maintenance costs, as store assets have long lives and updates are not frequently required. Our simple and efficient operational processes, which we have refined through continuous improvement, include:

- strategic store locations to facilitate delivery service;
- production-oriented store designs;
- product and process innovations;
- a focused menu;
- efficient order taking, production and delivery;
- Domino's PULSE™ point-of-sale system; and
- a comprehensive store operations evaluation program.

Strategic store locations to facilitate delivery service

We locate our stores strategically to facilitate timely delivery service to our customers. The majority of our domestic stores are located in populated areas in or adjacent to large or mid-size cities, or on or near college campuses. We use geographic information software, which incorporates variables such as traffic volumes, competitor locations, household demographics and visibility, to evaluate and identify potential store locations and new markets.

Production-oriented store designs

Our typical store is relatively small, occupying generally up to 1,500 square feet and is designed with a focus on efficient and timely production of consistently high quality food for delivery. The store layout has been refined over time to provide an efficient flow from order-taking to delivery. Our stores are primarily production facilities and accordingly, do not typically have an extensive dine-in area.

Product and process innovations

Our over 50 years of experience and innovative culture have resulted in numerous new product and process developments that increase both quality and efficiency. These include our efficient, vertically-integrated supply chain system, a sturdier corrugated pizza box and a mesh screen that helped cook pizza crust more evenly. The Domino's HeatWave® hot bag keeps our pizzas hot during delivery. We also continue to introduce new products such as Domino's Oven Baked Sandwiches, launched in 2008; Domino's American Legends® pizzas and Domino's BreadBowl Pasta™, both launched in 2009; and improved new boneless chicken and wings, Domino's Artisan pizzas and Stuffed Cheesy Bread, each launched in 2011. Additionally, we have added a number of complementary side items to our menu such as bread sticks, Cinna Stix® and Chocolate Lava Crunch Cakes. In 2009, we introduced our improved pizza recipe, which was a change to our core pizza recipe.

Focused menu

We maintain a focused menu that is designed to present an attractive, quality offering to customers, while minimizing order errors, and expediting the order taking and food preparation processes. Our basic menu has three choices for pizza products: pizza type, pizza size and pizza toppings. Most of our stores carry two or three sizes of Traditional Hand-Tossed, Pan, Brooklyn Style and Crunchy Thin Crust pizza. Our typical store also offers Domino's Artisan pizzas, Domino's American Legends® pizzas, Domino's Oven Baked Sandwiches, Domino's Bread Bowl Pasta™, boneless chicken and wings, bread sticks, Cinna Stix®, Chocolate Lava Crunch Cakes, new Stuffed Cheesy Bread and Coca-Cola® soft drink products. We also occasionally offer other products on a promotional or a regional basis, such as salads. We believe that our focused menu creates a strong identity among consumers, improves operating efficiency and maintains food quality and consistency.

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Efficient order taking, production and delivery

Each store executes an operational process that includes order taking, pizza preparation, cooking (via automated, conveyor-driven ovens), boxing and delivery. The entire order taking and pizza production process is designed for completion in approximately 12-15 minutes. These operational processes are supplemented by an extensive employee training program designed to ensure world-class quality and customer service. It is our priority to ensure that every Domino's store operates in an efficient, consistent manner while maintaining our high standards of food quality and team member safety.

Domino's PULSE™ point-of-sale system

Our computerized management information systems are designed to improve operating efficiencies, provide corporate management with timely access to financial and marketing data and reduce store and corporate administrative time and expense. We have installed Domino's PULSE™, our proprietary point-of-sale system, in every Company-owned store in the United States and in more than 98% of our domestic franchise stores and in a growing portion of the international stores. Domino's PULSE™ features include:

- touch screen ordering, which ensures accuracy and facilitates more efficient order taking;
- a delivery driver routing system, which ensures delivery efficiency;
- administrative and reporting capabilities, which enable store managers to better focus on store operations and customer satisfaction; and
- state-of-the-art online ordering capability, including Pizza Tracker and Pizza Builder.

We require our domestic franchisees to install and maintain Domino's PULSE™. Additionally, Domino's PULSE™ has been installed in over 2,000 international franchise stores. Management believes that utilizing Domino's PULSE™ throughout our domestic system, and a growing portion of our global system, provides us with competitive advantages over other point-of-sales systems, including:

- consistent execution and communication of operational best practices in our stores;
- real-time dissemination of data with field management, which enables efficient and informed decision making;
- data collection capability, which provides senior management insight into store operations;
- innovation sharing throughout the system, which allows all users to be more efficient and profitable; and
- electronic dissemination of materials and information to our stores, which reduces training and operating costs.

Since the rollout of Domino's PULSE™ to our domestic stores, our online ordering transactions have grown. Currently, on average, almost one-third of our domestic stores' sales originate online. In 2010, we made the strategic decision to develop our own online ordering platform and manage this important and growing area of our business internally. In 2011, we launched a new mobile application for the iPhone and iPod touch to provide further convenience for our customers when ordering online. We intend to continue to enhance and grow our online ordering capabilities.

Comprehensive store operations evaluation program

We utilize a comprehensive evaluation program to ensure that our stores are meeting both our stringent standards as well as the expectations of our customers. The program focuses primarily on the quality of the pizza the store is producing, the customer service the store is providing and the condition of the store as viewed by the customer. We believe that this program is an integral part of our strategy to maintain high standards in our stores.

Segment overview

We operate in three business segments:

- *Domestic stores.* Our domestic stores segment consists of our domestic franchise operations, which oversees a network of 4,513 franchise stores located in the contiguous United States, and our domestic Company-owned store operations, which operates a network of 394 Company-owned stores located in the contiguous United States;
- *Domestic supply chain.* Our domestic supply chain segment operates 16 regional dough manufacturing and food supply chain centers, one thin crust manufacturing center, one supply chain center providing equipment and supplies to certain of our domestic and international stores and one vegetable processing center; and
- *International.* Our international segment is comprised of our network of 4,835 international franchise stores in more than 70 international markets. Our international segment also distributes food to a limited number of markets from six dough manufacturing and supply chain centers in Canada (four), Alaska and Hawaii.

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Domestic stores

During 2011, our domestic stores segment accounted for \$523.4 million, or nearly 32% of our consolidated revenues. Our domestic franchises are operated by entrepreneurs who own and operate an average of four stores. Nine of our domestic franchisees operate more than 50 stores, including our largest domestic franchisee who operates 136 stores. Our principal sources of revenues from domestic store operations are Company-owned store sales and royalty payments based on retail sales by our franchisees. Our domestic network of Company-owned stores also plays an important strategic role in our predominantly franchised operating structure. In addition to generating revenues and earnings, we use our domestic Company-owned stores as test sites for new products and promotions as well as store operational improvements and as forums for training new store managers and prospective franchisees. We also believe that our domestic Company-owned stores add to the economies of scale available for advertising, marketing and other costs that are primarily borne by our franchisees. While we continue to be primarily a franchised business, we continually evaluate our mix of domestic Company-owned and franchise stores in an effort to optimize our long-term profitability.

Our domestic Company-owned store operations are divided into ten geographic areas located throughout the contiguous United States while our domestic franchise operations are divided into four regions. Our team members within these areas provide direct supervision over our domestic Company-owned stores; provide training, store operational audits and marketing services and provide financial analysis and store development services to our franchisees. We maintain a close relationship with our franchise stores through regional franchise teams, an array of computer-based training materials that help franchise stores comply with our standards and franchise advisory groups that facilitate communications between us and our franchisees.

Domestic supply chain

During 2011, our domestic supply chain segment accounted for \$927.9 million, or 56% of our consolidated revenues. Our domestic supply chain segment is comprised primarily of 16 regional dough manufacturing and supply chain centers that manufacture fresh dough on a daily basis and purchase, receive, store and deliver quality pizza-related food products and other complementary items to all of our Company-owned stores and over 99% of our domestic franchise stores. Each regional dough manufacturing and supply chain center serves approximately 300 stores, generally located within a one-day delivery radius. We regularly supply nearly 5,000 stores with various supplies and ingredients, of which, nine product groups account for over 90% of the volume. Our domestic supply chain segment made approximately 515,000 full-service deliveries in 2011 or approximately two deliveries per store, per week; and we produced over 304 million pounds of dough during 2011.

We believe that our franchisees voluntarily choose to obtain food, supplies and equipment from us because we provide the most efficient, convenient and cost-effective alternative, while also providing both quality and consistency. In addition, our domestic supply chain segment offers a profit-sharing arrangement to stores that purchase all of their food from our domestic dough manufacturing and supply chain centers. This profit-sharing arrangement generally provides domestic Company-owned stores and participating franchisees with 50% (or a higher percentage in the case of Company-owned stores and certain franchisees who operate a larger number of stores) of their regional supply chain center's pre-tax profits. Profits are shared with the franchisees based upon each franchisee's purchases from our supply chain centers. We believe these arrangements strengthen our ties with these franchisees.

The information systems used by our domestic dough manufacturing and supply chain centers are an integral part of the quality service we provide our stores. We use routing strategies and software to optimize our daily delivery schedules, which maximizes on-time deliveries. Through our strategic dough manufacturing and supply chain center locations and proven routing systems, we achieved an on-time delivery performance rate of over 94% during 2011. Our supply chain center drivers unload food and supplies and stock store shelves typically during non-peak store hours, which minimize disruptions in store operations.

International

During 2011, our international segment accounted for \$200.9 million, or 12% of our consolidated revenues. At January 1, 2012, we had 4,835 international franchise stores. The principal sources of revenues from our international operations are royalty payments generated by retail sales from franchise stores and sales of food and supplies to franchisees in certain markets.

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We have grown by more than 1,600 international stores over the past five years. During 2011, we had 413 net international store openings, including 75 net stores in India, 58 net stores in Turkey and 54 net stores in the United Kingdom. Our international franchisees adapt our standard operating model, within certain parameters, to satisfy the local eating habits and consumer preferences of various regions outside the United States. Currently, most of our international stores are operated under master franchise agreements, and we plan to continue entering into master franchise agreements with qualified franchisees to expand our international operations in selected countries. We believe that our international franchise stores appeal to potential franchisees because of our well-recognized brand name, the limited capital expenditures required to open and operate our stores and our system's favorable store economics. While we had a significant presence in our top ten international markets, we believe that these markets contain opportunities for additional growth of the Domino's brand. The following table shows our store count as of January 1, 2012 in our top ten international markets, which account for approximately 75% of our international stores.

<u>Market</u>	<u>Number of stores</u>
United Kingdom	670
Mexico	577
Australia	450
India	439
South Korea	358
Canada	354
Turkey	220
Japan	205
France	195
Taiwan	141

Our domestic franchise program

As of January 1, 2012, our 4,513 domestic franchise stores were owned and operated by our 1,077 domestic franchisees. The success of our franchise formula, which enables franchisees to benefit from our brand name with a relatively low initial capital investment, has attracted a large number of motivated entrepreneurs as franchisees. As of January 1, 2012, the average domestic franchisee owned and operated four stores and had been in our franchise system for over fourteen years. At the same time, nine of our domestic franchisees operated more than 50 stores, including our largest domestic franchisee who operates 136 stores.

Franchisees

We apply rigorous standards to prospective franchisees. We generally require prospective domestic franchisees to manage a store for at least one year before being granted a franchise. This enables us to observe the operational and financial performance of a potential franchisee prior to entering into a long-term contract. We also generally restrict the ability of domestic franchisees to be involved in other businesses, which focuses our franchisees' attention on operating their stores. As a result, the vast majority of our domestic franchisees have historically come from within the Domino's Pizza system. We believe these standards are largely unique to the franchise industry and result in qualified and focused franchisees operating their stores.

Franchise agreements

We enter into franchise agreements with domestic franchisees under which the franchisee is granted the right to operate a store in a particular location for a term of ten years, with options to renew for an additional term of ten years. We currently have a franchise contract renewal rate of over 99%. Under the current standard franchise agreement, we assign an exclusive area of primary responsibility to each franchise store. During the term of the franchise agreement, the franchisee is required to pay a 5.5% royalty fee on sales, subject, in limited instances, to lower rates based on area development agreements, sales initiatives and new store incentives. We have the contractual right, subject to state law, to terminate a franchise agreement for a variety of reasons, including, but not limited to, a franchisee's failure to make required payments when due or failure to adhere to specified Company policies and standards.

Franchise store development

We provide domestic franchisees with assistance in selecting store sites and conforming the space to the physical specifications required for a Domino's Pizza store. Each domestic franchisee selects the location and design for each store, subject to our approval, based on accessibility and visibility of the site and demographic factors, including population density and anticipated traffic levels. We also sell fixtures and equipment to most of our franchise stores.

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Our international franchise program

Franchisees

The vast majority of our markets outside of the contiguous United States are operated by master franchisees with franchise and distribution rights for entire regions or countries; in a few select regions or countries, we franchise directly to individual store operators. Prospective master franchisees are required to possess or have access to local market knowledge required to establish and develop Domino's Pizza stores. The local market knowledge focuses on the ability to identify and access targeted real estate sites along with expertise in local customs, culture, consumer behavior and laws. We also seek candidates that have access to sufficient capital to meet growth and development plans.

Master franchise agreements

Our master franchise agreements generally grant the franchisee exclusive rights to develop or sub-franchise stores and the right to operate supply chain centers in a particular geographic area for a term of 10 to 20 years, with options to renew for additional terms. The agreements typically contain growth clauses requiring franchisees to open a minimum number of stores within a specified period. The master franchisee is generally required to pay an initial, one-time franchise fee as well as an additional franchise fee upon the opening of each new store. In addition, the master franchisee is required to pay a continuing royalty fee as a percentage of retail sales, which varies among international markets, and averaged approximately 3.0% in 2011.

Franchise training and support

Training store managers and employees is a critical component of our success. We require all domestic franchisees to complete initial and ongoing training programs provided by us. In addition, under the standard domestic franchise agreement, domestic franchisees are required to implement training programs for their store employees. We assist our domestic and international franchisees by making training materials available to them for their use in training store managers and employees, including computer-based training materials, comprehensive operations manuals and franchise development classes. We also maintain communications with our franchisees online through various newsletters, electronic communications and through face-to-face meetings.

Franchise operations

We enforce stringent standards over franchise operations to protect the Domino's Pizza® brand. All franchisees are required to operate their stores in compliance with written policies, standards and specifications, which include matters such as menu items, ingredients, materials, supplies, services, furnishings, decor and signs. Each franchisee has discretion to determine the prices to be charged to customers. We also provide ongoing support to our franchisees, including training, marketing assistance and consultation to franchisees who experience financial or operational difficulties. We have established several advisory boards, through which franchisees contribute to developing system-wide initiatives.

Marketing operations

In our recent history, depending on the fiscal year, our domestic stores have contributed 4% or 5% of their retail sales to fund national marketing and advertising campaigns, with additional required contributions to market-level programs. During 2009, all domestic franchisees amended their master franchise agreements to require a contribution of 5.5% (subject, in limited instances, to lower rates based on certain incentives and waivers) of their retail sales to fund national marketing and advertising campaigns and to eliminate the required market-level contributions. Management currently anticipates this 5.5% contribution rate, which began in 2010 and continued in 2011, will remain in place for the foreseeable future. In those markets where we have co-operative advertising programs, our domestic stores are still able to contribute to market-level media campaigns at their discretion. These national and market-level funds are administered by Domino's National Advertising Fund Inc., or DNAF, our not-for-profit advertising subsidiary. The funds remitted to DNAF are used primarily to purchase media for advertising, but also support market research, field communications, public relations, commercial production, talent payments and other activities supporting the Domino's Pizza® brand. DNAF also provides cost-effective print materials to our domestic stores for use in local marketing that reinforce our national branding strategy. In addition to the national and market-level advertising contributions, domestic stores spend additional amounts on local store marketing, including targeted database mailings, saturation print mailings and community involvement through school and civic organizations. Additionally, we may from time-to-time partner with other organizations in an effort to promote the Domino's Pizza® brand.

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By communicating a common brand message at the national, local market and store levels, we create and reinforce a powerful, consistent marketing message to consumers. This is evidenced by our successful marketing campaign with the slogan “Oh Yes We Did.” Since introducing our improved pizza recipe and this new marketing campaign in the fourth quarter of 2009, we have received significant attention in the news media, social networking internet sites and other media outlets, and have experienced positive same store sales growth in our domestic stores. Additionally in May 2011, *Pizza Today*, the leading publication of the pizza industry, named Domino’s its “Chain of the Year” for the second straight year – making the Company a three-time overall winner of the honor, and the first pizza delivery company to receive the honor in back-to-back years. Over the past five years, we estimate that domestic stores have invested approximately \$1.4 billion on national, local and co-operative advertising in the United States.

Internationally, marketing efforts are the responsibility of the franchisee in each local market. We assist international franchisees with their marketing efforts through marketing workshops and knowledge sharing of best practices and successful concepts.

Third-party suppliers

We have maintained active relationships of 20 years or more with more than half of our major third-party suppliers. Our third-party suppliers are required to meet strict quality standards to ensure food safety. We review and evaluate our third-party suppliers’ quality assurance programs through, among other actions, on-site visits, third party audits and product evaluations to ensure compliance with our standards. We believe that the length and quality of our relationships with third-party suppliers provides us with priority service and quality products at competitive prices.

We believe that two factors have been critical to maintaining long-lasting relationships and keeping our purchasing costs low. First, we are one of the largest domestic volume purchasers of pizza-related products such as flour, cheese, sauce and pizza boxes, which allows us to maximize leverage with our third-party suppliers when items are put out for bid on a scheduled basis. Second, we use a combination of single-source and multi-source procurement strategies. Each supply category is evaluated along a number of criteria including value of purchasing leverage, consistency of quality and reliability of supply to determine the appropriate number of third-party suppliers.

We currently purchase our pizza cheese from a single supplier. Under the arrangement with this supplier, the supplier agreed to provide an uninterrupted supply of cheese and the Company agreed to a five-year pricing period during which it agreed to purchase all of its primary pizza cheese for the Company’s domestic stores from this supplier or, alternatively, pay to the supplier an amount reflecting any benefit previously received by the Company under the new pricing terms. The pricing schedule is directly correlated to the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) block cheddar price. The majority of our meat toppings come from a single supplier under a contract that began in November 2010 and expires in October 2013. We have the right to terminate these arrangements for quality failures and for uncured breaches.

We believe that alternative third-party suppliers for all of these ingredients are available, and all of our pizza boxes, sauces and other ingredients are sourced from various third-party suppliers. While we may incur additional costs if we are required to replace any of our third-party suppliers, we do not believe that such additional costs would have a material adverse effect on our business. We also entered into a multi-year agreement with Coca-Cola effective January 1, 2003 for the contiguous United States. The contract provides for Coca-Cola to be our exclusive beverage supplier and expires at such time as a minimum number of cases of Coca-Cola® products are purchased by us. We continually evaluate each supply category to determine the optimal sourcing strategy.

We have not experienced any significant shortages of supplies or any delays in receiving our food or beverage inventories, restaurant supplies or products. Prices charged to us by our third-party suppliers are subject to fluctuation and we have historically been able to pass increased costs and savings on to our stores. We periodically enter into supplier contracts, and infrequently utilize financial instruments, to manage the risk from changes in commodity prices. We do not engage in speculative transactions nor do we hold or issue financial instruments for trading purposes.

Competition

U.S. and international pizza delivery and carry-out are highly competitive. Domestically, we compete against regional and local companies as well as national chains Pizza Hut®, Papa John’s® and Little Caesars Pizza®. Internationally, we compete primarily against Pizza Hut® and country-specific national and local companies. We generally compete on the basis of product quality, location, image, service and price. We also compete on a broader scale with quick service and other international, national, regional and local restaurants. In addition, the overall food service industry and the QSR sector in particular are intensely competitive with respect to product quality, price, service, convenience and concept. The industry is often affected by changes in consumer tastes, economic conditions, demographic trends and consumers’ disposable income. We compete within the food service industry and the QSR sector not only for customers, but also for personnel, suitable real estate sites and qualified franchisees.

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Government regulation

We are subject to various federal, state and local laws affecting the operation of our business, as are our franchisees, including various health, sanitation, fire and safety standards. Each store is subject to licensing and regulation by a number of governmental authorities, which include zoning, health, safety, sanitation, building and fire agencies in the jurisdiction in which the store is located. In connection with maintaining our stores, we may be required to expend funds to meet certain federal, state and local regulations, including regulations requiring that remodeled or altered stores be accessible to persons with disabilities. Difficulties in obtaining, or the failure to obtain, required licenses or approvals could delay or prevent the opening of a new store in a particular area or cause an existing store to cease operations. Our supply chain facilities are also licensed and subject to similar regulations by federal, state and local health and fire codes.

We are also subject to the Fair Labor Standards Act and various other federal and state laws governing such matters as minimum wage requirements, overtime and other working conditions and citizenship requirements. A significant number of our food service personnel are paid at rates related to the applicable minimum wage, and past increases in the minimum wage have increased our labor costs, as would future increases.

We are subject to the rules and regulations of the Federal Trade Commission and various state laws regulating the offer and sale of franchises. The Federal Trade Commission and various state laws require that we furnish a franchise disclosure document containing certain information to prospective franchisees, and a number of states require registration of the franchise disclosure document with state authorities. We are operating under exemptions from registration in several states based on the net worth of our operating subsidiary, Domino's Pizza LLC and experience. Substantive state laws that regulate the franchisor-franchisee relationship presently exist in a substantial number of states, and bills have been introduced in Congress from time to time that would provide for federal regulation of the franchisor-franchisee relationship. The state laws often limit, among other things, the duration and scope of non-competition provisions, the ability of a franchisor to terminate or refuse to renew a franchise and the ability of a franchisor to designate sources of supply. We believe that our franchise disclosure document, together with any applicable state versions or supplements, and franchising procedures comply in all material respects with both the Federal Trade Commission guidelines and all applicable state laws regulating franchising in those states in which we have offered franchises.

Internationally, our franchise stores are subject to national and local laws and regulations that often are similar to those affecting our domestic stores, including laws and regulations concerning franchises, labor, health, sanitation and safety. Our international stores are also often subject to tariffs and regulations on imported commodities and equipment, and laws regulating foreign investment. We believe that our international disclosure statements, franchise offering documents and franchising procedures comply in all material respects with the laws of the foreign countries in which we have offered franchises.

Privacy and data protection

We are subject to a number of privacy and data protection laws and regulations globally. The legislative and regulatory landscape for privacy and data protection continues to evolve, and there has been an increasing attention to privacy and data protection issues with the potential to affect directly our business, including recently enacted laws and regulations in the United States and internationally requiring notification to individuals and government authorities of security breaches involving certain categories of personal information. We have a privacy policy posted on our website at www.dominos.com and believe that we are in material compliance therewith.

Trademarks

We have many registered trademarks and service marks and believe that the Domino's® mark and Domino's Pizza® names and logos, in particular, have significant value and are important to our business. Our policy is to pursue registration of our trademarks and to vigorously oppose the infringement of any of our trademarks. We license the use of our registered marks to franchisees through franchise agreements.

Environmental matters

We are not aware of any federal, state or local environmental laws or regulations that will materially affect our earnings or competitive position, or result in material capital expenditures. However, we cannot predict the effect of possible future environmental legislation or regulations. During 2011, there were no material capital expenditures for environmental control facilities, and no such material expenditures are anticipated in 2012.

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Employees

As of January 1, 2012, we had approximately 10,000 employees, who we refer to as team members, in our Company-owned stores, supply chain centers, World Resource Center (our corporate headquarters) and regional offices. None of our team members are represented by a labor union or covered by a collective bargaining agreement. As franchisees are independent business owners, they and their employees are not included in our employee count. We consider our relationship with our employees and franchisees to be good. We estimate the total number of people who work in the Domino's Pizza system, including our employees, franchisees and the employees of franchisees, was over 195,000 as of January 1, 2012.

Safety

Our commitment to safety is embodied in our hiring, training and review process. Before an applicant is considered for hire as a delivery driver in the United States, motor vehicle records are reviewed to ensure a minimum safe driving record of one or two years. In addition, we require regular checks of driving records and proof of insurance for delivery drivers throughout their employment with us. Each domestic Domino's driver, including drivers employed by franchisees, are required to complete our safe delivery training program. We have also implemented several safe driving incentive programs.

Our safety and security department oversees security matters for our domestic Company-owned stores. Regional security and safety directors oversee security measures at domestic Company-owned store locations and assist local authorities in investigations of incidents involving our stores or personnel.

Community activities

We believe in supporting the communities we serve, and we base our corporate giving on three simple elements: delivering charitable support to our own team members, to our customers, and to national programs.

National philanthropic partner

We have a tradition of creating multi-year partnerships with a national charity to raise funds and public awareness for the organization. Our current national philanthropic partner is St. Jude Children's Research Hospital®. St. Jude is internationally recognized for its pioneering work in finding cures and saving children with cancer and other catastrophic diseases. Through a variety of internal and consumer-based activities, including a national fundraising campaign called *Thanks and Giving*, the Domino's Pizza system has contributed more than \$12.0 million to St. Jude during our eight years of partnership, including approximately \$2.4 million in 2011. In addition to raising funds, the Domino's Pizza system has supported St. Jude through in-kind donations, including hosting hospital-wide pizza parties for patients and their families. The Domino's Pizza system also helps St. Jude build awareness through the inclusion of the St. Jude logo on millions of our pizza boxes and through a link on our consumer web site.

The Domino's Pizza Partners Foundation

Founded in 1986, the mission of the Partners Foundation is "Team Members Helping Team Members." Completely funded by team member and franchise contributions, the foundation is a separate, not-for-profit organization that has disbursed nearly \$12.0 million since its inception, to meet the needs of team members facing crisis situations, such as fire, accidents, illness or other personal tragedies.

Domino's Pizza contributions

During 2011, the Domino's Pizza system has directly contributed as well as helped raise approximately \$2.8 million to external charitable organizations in monetary and in-kind giving.

Franchisee involvement

In addition to the work that we do in the community on a corporate level, we are proud to have the support of more than 2,000 franchisees around the world who choose to get involved with local charities to make a difference in their communities. Franchisees participate in numerous local programs with schools, hospitals and other charitable organizations, delivering pizzas and offering monetary support.

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Research and development

We operate research and product development facilities at our World Resource Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Company-sponsored research and development activities, which include, among other things, testing new products for possible menu additions, are an important activity to us and our franchisees. We do not consider the amounts spent on research and development to be material.

Insurance

We maintain insurance coverage for general liability, owned and non-owned automobile liability, workers' compensation, employment practices liability, directors' and officers' liability, fiduciary, property (including leaseholds and equipment, as well as business interruption), commercial crime, global risks, data asset and network security risks, product contamination and other coverages in such form and with such limits as we believe are customary for a business of our size and type.

We have retention programs for workers' compensation, general liability and owned and non-owned automobile liabilities for certain periods prior to December 1998 and for periods after December 2001. We are generally responsible for up to \$1.0 million per occurrence under these retention programs for workers' compensation and general liability. We are also generally responsible for between \$500,000 and \$3.0 million per occurrence under these retention programs for owned and non-owned automobile liabilities. Pursuant to the terms of our standard franchise agreement, franchisees are also required to maintain minimum levels of insurance coverage at their expense and to have us named as an additional insured on their liability policies.

Working capital

Information about the Company's working capital is included in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in Part II, Item 7., page 29.

Customers

The Company's business is not dependent upon a single customer or small group of customers, including franchisees. No customer accounted for more than 10% of total consolidated revenues in 2009, 2010 or 2011. Our largest franchisee operates 861 stores in five international markets, and accounted for approximately 8.8% of our total store count. Additionally, royalty revenues from this franchisee accounted for approximately 1.1% of our consolidated revenues in 2011.

Seasonal operations

The Company's business is not typically seasonal.

Backlog orders

The Company has no backlog orders as of January 1, 2012.

Government contracts

No material portion of the Company's business is subject to renegotiation of profits or termination of contracts or subcontracts at the election of the United States government.

Financial information about business segments and geographic areas

Financial information about international and United States markets and business segments is incorporated herein by reference to Selected Financial Data, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the consolidated financial statements and related footnotes in Part II, Item 6., pages 27 through 28, Item 7. and 7A., pages 29 through 45 and Item 8., pages 46 through 76, respectively, of this Form 10-K.

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Available information

The Company makes available, free of charge, through its internet website www.dominosbiz.com, its annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, proxy statements and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as soon as reasonably practicable after electronically filing such material with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You may read and copy any materials filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission at the Securities and Exchange Commission's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the Securities and Exchange Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330. This information is also available at www.sec.gov. The reference to these website addresses does not constitute incorporation by reference of the information contained on the websites and should not be considered part of this document.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

The quick service restaurant pizza category is highly competitive and such competition could adversely affect our operating results.

We compete in the United States against three national chains, as well as many regional and local businesses. We could experience increased competition from existing or new companies in the pizza category which could create increasing pressures to grow our business in order to maintain our market share. If we are unable to maintain our competitive position, we could experience downward pressure on prices, lower demand for our products, reduced margins, the inability to take advantage of new business opportunities and the loss of market share, all of which would have an adverse effect on our operating results and could cause our stock price to decline.

We also compete on a broader scale with quick service and other international, national, regional and local restaurants. The overall food service market and the quick service restaurant sector are intensely competitive with respect to food quality, price, service, image, convenience and concept, and are often affected by changes in:

- consumer tastes;
- international, national, regional or local economic conditions;
- disposable purchasing power;
- demographic trends; and
- currency fluctuations related to our international operations.

We compete within the food service market and the quick service restaurant sector not only for customers, but also for management and hourly employees, suitable real estate sites and qualified franchisees. Our domestic supply chain segment is also subject to competition from outside suppliers. While over 99% of domestic franchisees purchased food, equipment and supplies from us in 2011, domestic franchisees are not required to purchase food, equipment or supplies from us and they may choose to purchase from outside suppliers. If other suppliers who meet our qualification standards were to offer lower prices or better service to our franchisees for their ingredients and supplies and, as a result, our franchisees chose not to purchase from our domestic supply chain centers, our financial condition, business and results of operations would be adversely affected.

If we fail to successfully implement our growth strategy, which includes opening new domestic and international stores, our ability to increase our revenues and operating profits could be adversely affected.

A significant component of our growth strategy includes the opening of new domestic and international stores. We and our franchisees face many challenges in opening new stores, including, among others:

- availability of financing with acceptable terms;
- selection and availability of suitable store locations;
- negotiation of acceptable lease or financing terms;
- securing required domestic or foreign governmental permits and approvals;
- employment and training of qualified personnel; and
- general economic and business conditions.

The opening of additional franchise stores also depends, in part, upon the availability of prospective franchisees who meet our criteria. Our failure to add a significant number of new stores would adversely affect our ability to increase revenues and operating income.

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We are currently planning to expand our international operations in many of the markets where we currently operate and in selected new markets. This may require considerable management time as well as start-up expenses for market development before any significant revenues and earnings are generated. Operations in new foreign markets may achieve low margins or may be unprofitable, and expansion in existing markets may be affected by local economic and market conditions. Therefore, as we expand internationally, we or our franchisees may not experience the operating margins we expect, our results of operations may be negatively impacted and our common stock price may decline.

We may also pursue strategic acquisitions as part of our business. If we are able to identify acquisition candidates, such acquisitions may be financed, to the extent permitted under our debt agreements, with substantial debt or with potentially dilutive issuances of equity securities.

The food service market is affected by consumer preferences and perceptions. Changes in these preferences and perceptions may lessen the demand for our products, which would reduce sales and harm our business.

Food service businesses are affected by changes in consumer tastes, international, national, regional and local economic conditions, and demographic trends. For instance, if prevailing health or dietary preferences cause consumers to avoid pizza and other products we offer in favor of foods that are perceived as more healthy, our business and operating results would be harmed. Moreover, because we are primarily dependent on a single product, if consumer demand for pizza should decrease, our business would suffer more than if we had a more diversified menu, as many other food service businesses do.

Reports of food-borne illness or food tampering could reduce sales and harm our business.

Reports, whether true or not, of food-borne illnesses (such as E. Coli, avian flu, bovine spongiform encephalopathy, hepatitis A, trichinosis or salmonella) and injuries caused by food tampering have in the past severely injured the reputations of participants in the QSR sector and could in the future as well. The potential for acts of terrorism on our nation's food supply also exists and, if such an event occurs, it could have a negative impact on us and could severely hurt sales, revenues and profits. In addition, our reputation is an important asset; as a result, anything that damages our reputation could immediately and severely affect our sales, revenue, and profits. Media reports of illnesses and injuries, whether accurate or not, could force some stores to close or otherwise reduce sales at such stores. In addition, reports of food-borne illnesses or food tampering, even those occurring solely at the restaurants of competitors, could, by resulting in negative publicity about the restaurant industry, adversely affect us on a local, regional, national or international basis.

Increases in food, labor and other costs could adversely affect our profitability and operating results.

An increase in our operating costs could adversely affect our profitability. Factors such as inflation, increased food costs, increased labor and employee benefit costs, increased rent costs and increased energy costs may adversely affect our operating costs. Most of the factors affecting costs are beyond our control and, in many cases, we may not be able to pass along these increased costs to our customers or franchisees. Most ingredients used in our pizza, particularly cheese, are subject to significant price fluctuations as a result of seasonality, weather, demand and other factors. The cheese block price per pound averaged \$1.80 in 2011, and the estimated increase in Company-owned store food costs from a hypothetical \$0.25 adverse change in the average cheese block price per pound would have been approximately \$2.1 million in 2011. Labor costs are largely a function of the minimum wage for a majority of our store personnel and certain supply chain center personnel and, generally, are also a function of the availability of labor. Food, including cheese costs and labor represent approximately 50% to 60% of a typical Company-owned store's sales.

We do not have long-term contracts with certain of our suppliers, and as a result they could seek to significantly increase prices or fail to deliver.

We do not have written contracts or formal long-term arrangements with certain of our suppliers. Although in the past we have not experienced significant problems with our suppliers, our suppliers may implement significant price increases or may not meet our requirements in a timely fashion, or at all. The occurrence of any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Shortages or interruptions in the supply or delivery of fresh food products could adversely affect our operating results.

We and our franchisees are dependent on frequent deliveries of fresh food products that meet our specifications. Shortages or interruptions in the supply of fresh food products caused by unanticipated demand, problems in production or distribution, financial or other difficulties of suppliers, inclement weather or other conditions could adversely affect the availability, quality and cost of ingredients, which would adversely affect our operating results.

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Any prolonged disruption in the operations of any of our dough manufacturing and supply chain centers could harm our business.

We operate 16 regional dough manufacturing and supply chain centers, one thin crust manufacturing center and one vegetable processing center in the contiguous United States and a total of six dough manufacturing and supply chain centers in Alaska, Hawaii and Canada. Our domestic dough manufacturing and supply chain centers service all of our Company-owned stores and over 99% of our domestic franchise stores. As a result, any prolonged disruption in the operations of any of these facilities, whether due to technical or labor difficulties, destruction or damage to the facility, real estate issues or other reasons, could adversely affect our business and operating results.

We face risks of litigation and negative publicity from customers, franchisees, employees and others in the ordinary course of business, which diverts our financial and management resources. Any adverse litigation or publicity may negatively impact our financial condition and results of operations.

Claims of illness or injury relating to food quality or food handling are common in the food service industry, and vehicular accidents and injuries occur in the food delivery business. In addition, class action lawsuits have been filed, and may continue to be filed, against various quick service restaurants alleging, among other things, that quick service restaurants have failed to disclose the health risks associated with high-fat foods and that quick service restaurant marketing practices have encouraged obesity. In addition to decreasing our sales and profitability and diverting our management resources, adverse publicity or a substantial judgment against us could negatively impact our financial condition, results of operations and brand reputation, thereby hindering our ability to attract and retain franchisees and grow our business.

Further, we may be subject to employee, franchisee and other claims in the future based on, among other things, discrimination, harassment, wrongful termination and wage, rest break and meal break issues, and those claims relating to overtime compensation. We have been subject to these types of claims in the past. If one or more of these claims were to be successful or if there is a significant increase in the number of these claims or if we receive significant negative publicity, our business, financial condition and operating results could be harmed.

Loss of key personnel or our inability to attract and retain new qualified personnel could hurt our business and inhibit our ability to operate and grow successfully.

Our success in the highly competitive business of pizza delivery will continue to depend to a significant extent on our leadership team and other key management personnel. Other than with our President and Chief Executive Officer, J. Patrick Doyle, we do not have long-term employment agreements with any of our executive officers. As a result, we may not be able to retain our executive officers and key personnel or attract additional qualified management. While we do not have long-term employment agreements with our executive officers, for all of our executive officers we have non-compete and non-solicitation agreements that extend for 24 months following the termination of such executive officer's employment. Our success also will continue to depend on our ability to attract and retain qualified personnel to operate our stores, dough manufacturing and supply chain centers and international operations. The loss of these employees or our inability to recruit and retain qualified personnel could have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

Our international operations subject us to additional risk. Such risks and costs may differ in each country in which we and our franchisees do business and may cause our profitability to decline due to increased costs.

We conduct a growing portion of our business outside the United States. Our financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected if global markets in which our franchise stores compete are affected by changes in political, economic or other factors. These factors, over which neither we nor our franchisees have control, may include:

- recessionary or expansive trends in international markets;
- changing labor conditions and difficulties in staffing and managing our foreign operations;
- increases in the taxes we pay and other changes in applicable tax laws;
- legal and regulatory changes, and the burdens and costs of our compliance with a variety of foreign laws;
- changes in inflation rates;
- changes in exchange rates and the imposition of restrictions on currency conversion or the transfer of funds;
- difficulty in collecting our royalties and longer payment cycles;
- expropriation of private enterprises;
- increases in anti-American sentiment and the identification of the Domino's Brand as an American brand;
- political and economic instability; and
- other external factors.

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Adverse economic conditions and the global debt crisis subject us to additional risk.

Our financial condition and results of operations are impacted by global markets and economic conditions over which neither we nor our franchisees have control. An economic downturn may result in a reduction in the demand for our products, longer payment cycles, slower adoption of new technologies and increased price competition. Poor economic conditions may adversely affect the ability of our franchisees to pay royalties or amounts owed, and could have a material adverse impact on our ability to pursue our growth strategy, which would reduce cash collections and in turn, may materially and adversely affect our ability to service our debt obligations.

The ongoing deterioration of the sovereign debt of several European countries, together with the risk of contagion to other more stable countries, has exacerbated the global economic crisis. Despite taking various measures, including the creation of the European Financial Stability Fund by the European Commission and the allocation of funds to affected countries, concerns persist regarding the debt burden of these countries and their ability to meet future financial obligations. The European debt crisis has also raised concerns over the overall stability of the euro and the suitability of the euro as a single currency given the diverse economic and political circumstances among countries that use the euro as their currency. These concerns could lead to the re-introduction of individual currencies in one or more of these countries, or, in more extreme circumstances, the possible dissolution of the euro currency entirely. Should the euro dissolve entirely, the legal and contractual consequences for holders of euro denominated obligations would be determined by laws in effect at such time. As of January 1, 2012, we had 1,499 stores in Europe, up from 871 in 2007. The potential developments in Europe, or market perceptions concerning these and related issues, could adversely affect the value of our earnings generated by such stores.

As part of the reforms to resolve the European debt crisis, some European countries have adopted or may adopt austerity measures in terms of fiscal policy, which could negatively impact employment, consumer confidence and household disposable income, resulting in reduced consumer expenditures for our products. Such austerity measures could also adversely affect the ability of third party suppliers to meet our requirements in a timely fashion, or at all. There can be no assurance that any such austerity measures will be successful or that future assistance packages will be available or, even if provided, will be sufficient to stabilize the affected countries and markets in Europe or elsewhere.

Nations outside of the European Union also face significant debt burdens, which have the potential to negatively impact the global economy. On August 5, 2011, Standard & Poor's lowered its long term sovereign credit rating on the United States of America from AAA to AA+. While U.S. lawmakers had reached agreement to raise the federal debt ceiling on August 2, 2011, the downgrade reflected Standard & Poor's view that such agreement had fallen short of what would be necessary to stabilize the U.S. government's medium term debt dynamics. This downgrade, along with market concerns about possible further downgrades and about the government's credit in general, could have a material adverse impact on financial markets and economic conditions in the United States and throughout the world.

Fluctuations in the value of the U.S. dollar in relation to other currencies may lead to lower revenues and earnings.

Exchange rate fluctuations could have an adverse effect on our results of operations. Approximately 10.5% of our total revenues in 2009, 11.2% of our total revenues in 2010 and 12.2% of our revenues in 2011 were derived from our international segment, a majority of which were denominated in foreign currencies. Sales made by franchise stores outside the United States are denominated in the currency of the country in which the store is located, and this currency could become less valuable in U.S. dollars as a result of exchange rate fluctuations. Unfavorable currency fluctuations could lead to increased prices to customers outside the United States or lower profitability to our franchisees outside the United States, or could result in lower revenues for us, on a U.S. dollar basis, from such customers and franchisees. A hypothetical 10% adverse change in the foreign currency rates in each of our top ten international markets, based on store count, would have resulted in a negative impact on revenues of approximately \$8.0 million in 2011.

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We may not be able to adequately protect our intellectual property, which could harm the value of our brand and branded products and adversely affect our business.

We depend in large part on our brand and branded products and believe that they are very important to our business. We rely on a combination of trademarks, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets and similar intellectual property rights to protect our brand and branded products. The success of our business depends on our continued ability to use our existing trademarks and service marks in order to increase brand awareness and further develop our branded products in both domestic and international markets. We have registered certain trademarks and have other trademark registrations pending in the United States and foreign jurisdictions. Not all of the trademarks that we currently use have been registered in all of the countries in which we do business, and they may never be registered in all of these countries. We may not be able to adequately protect our trademarks and our use of these trademarks may result in liability for trademark infringement, trademark dilution or unfair competition. All of the steps we have taken to protect our intellectual property in the United States and in foreign countries may not be adequate. In addition, the laws of some foreign countries do not protect intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States. Further, through acquisitions of third parties, we may acquire brands and related trademarks that are subject to the same risks as the brands and trademarks we currently own.

We may from time to time be required to institute litigation to enforce our trademarks or other intellectual property rights, or to protect our trade secrets. Such litigation could result in substantial costs and diversion of resources and could negatively affect our sales, profitability and prospects regardless of whether we are able to successfully enforce our rights.

Our earnings and business growth strategy depends on the success of our franchisees, and we may be harmed by actions taken by our franchisees, or employees of our franchisees, that are outside of our control.

A significant portion of our earnings comes from royalties generated by our franchise stores. Franchisees are independent operators, and their employees are not our employees. We provide limited training and support to franchisees, but the quality of franchise store operations may be diminished by any number of factors beyond our control. Consequently, franchisees may not successfully operate stores in a manner consistent with our standards and requirements, or may not hire and train qualified managers and other store personnel. If they do not, our image and reputation may suffer, and as a result our revenues and stock price could decline. While we try to ensure that our franchisees maintain the quality of our brand and branded products, our franchisees may take actions that adversely affect the value of our intellectual property or reputation. As of January 1, 2012, we had 1,077 domestic franchisees operating 4,513 domestic stores. Nine of these franchisees each operate over 50 domestic stores, including our largest domestic franchisee who operates 136 stores, and the average franchisee owns and operates four stores. In addition, our international master franchisees are generally responsible for the development of significantly more stores than our domestic franchisees. As a result, our international operations are more closely tied to the success of a smaller number of franchisees than our domestic operations. Our largest international master franchisee operates 861 stores in five markets, which accounts for approximately 18% of our total international store count. Our domestic and international franchisees may not operate their franchises successfully. If one or more of our key franchisees were to become insolvent or otherwise were unable or unwilling to pay us our royalties or other amounts owed, our business and results of operations would be adversely affected.

Interruption, failure or compromise of our information technology, communications systems and electronic data could hurt our ability to effectively serve our customers and protect customer data, which could damage our reputation and adversely affect our business and operating results.

An increasingly significant portion of our retail sales depends on the continuing operation of our information technology and communications systems, including but not limited to, Domino's PULSE™, our online ordering platform and our credit card processing systems. Our information technology, communication systems and electronic data may be vulnerable to damage or interruption from earthquakes, terrorist attacks, floods, fires, power loss, telecommunications failures, computer viruses, loss of data, unauthorized data breaches or other attempts to harm our systems. Additionally, we operate data centers that are also subject to break-ins, sabotage and intentional acts of vandalism that could cause disruptions in our ability to serve our customers and protect customer data. Some of our systems are not fully redundant, and our disaster recovery planning cannot account for all eventualities. The occurrence of a natural disaster, intentional sabotage or other unanticipated problems could result in lengthy interruptions in our service. Any errors or vulnerabilities in our systems, or damage to or failure of our systems, could result in interruptions in our services and non-compliance with certain regulations, which could reduce our revenues and profits, and damage our business and brand.

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We are subject to extensive government regulation and requirements issued by other groups and our failure to comply with existing or increased regulations could adversely affect our business and operating results.

We are subject to numerous federal, state, local and foreign laws and regulations, as well as, requirements issued by other groups, including those relating to:

- the preparation, sale and labeling of food;
- building and zoning requirements;
- environmental protection;
- minimum wage, overtime and other labor requirements;
- compliance with securities laws and New York Stock Exchange listed company rules;
- compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended;
- working and safety conditions;
- menu labeling and other nutritional requirements;
- compliance with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards (PCI DSS) and similar requirements;
- compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and subsequent amendments; and
- compliance with the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and any rules promulgated thereunder.

We may become subject to legislation or regulation seeking to tax and/or regulate high-fat foods or foods otherwise deemed to be “unhealthy.” If we fail to comply with existing or future laws and regulations, we may be subject to governmental or judicial fines or sanctions. In addition, our capital expenditures could increase due to remediation measures that may be required if we are found to be noncompliant with any of these laws or regulations.

We are also subject to a Federal Trade Commission rule and to various state and foreign laws that govern the offer and sale of franchises. Additionally, these laws regulate various aspects of the franchise relationship, including terminations and the refusal to renew franchises. The failure to comply with these laws and regulations in any jurisdiction or to obtain required government approvals could result in a ban or temporary suspension on future franchise sales, fines or other penalties or require us to make offers of rescission or restitution, any of which could adversely affect our business and operating results.

Our current insurance coverage may not be adequate, insurance premiums for such coverage may increase and we may not be able to obtain insurance at acceptable rates, or at all.

We have retention programs for workers’ compensation, general liability and owned and non-owned automobile liabilities. We are generally responsible for up to \$1.0 million per occurrence under these retention programs for workers’ compensation and general liability. We are also generally responsible for between \$500,000 and \$3.0 million per occurrence under these retention programs for owned and non-owned automobile liabilities. Total insurance limits under these retention programs vary depending upon the period covered and range up to \$110.0 million per occurrence for general liability and owned and non-owned automobile liabilities and up to the applicable statutory limits for workers’ compensation. These insurance policies may not be adequate to protect us from liabilities that we incur in our business. In addition, in the future our insurance premiums may increase and we may not be able to obtain similar levels of insurance on reasonable terms, or at all. Any such inadequacy of, or inability to obtain insurance coverage could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We are not required to, and do not, specifically set aside funds for our retention programs.

Our annual and quarterly financial results are subject to significant fluctuations depending on various factors, many of which are beyond our control, and if we fail to meet the expectations of securities analysts or investors our share price may decline significantly.

Our sales and operating results can vary significantly from quarter to quarter and year to year depending on various factors, many of which are beyond our control. These factors include, among other things:

- variations in the timing and volume of our sales and our franchisees’ sales;
- the timing of expenditures in anticipation of future sales;
- sales promotions by us and our competitors;
- changes in competitive and economic conditions generally;
- changes in the cost or availability of our ingredients or labor; and
- foreign currency exposure.

As a result, our operational performance may decline quickly and significantly in response to changes in order patterns or rapid decreases in demand for our products. We anticipate that fluctuations in operating results will continue in the future.

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Our common stock price could be subject to significant fluctuations and/or may decline.

The market price of our common stock could be subject to significant fluctuations. Among the factors that could affect our stock price are:

- variations in our operating results;
- changes in revenues or earnings estimates or publication of research reports by analysts;
- speculation in the press or investment community;
- strategic actions by us or our competitors, such as sales promotions, acquisitions or restructurings;
- actions by institutional and other stockholders;
- changes in our dividend policy;
- changes in the market values of public companies that operate in our business segments;
- general market conditions; and
- domestic and international economic factors unrelated to our performance.

The stock markets in general have recently experienced volatility that has sometimes been unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies. These broad market fluctuations may cause the trading price of our common stock to decline.

Our substantial indebtedness could adversely affect our business and limit our ability to plan for or respond to changes in our business.

As a result of the 2007 Recapitalization, we hold a substantial amount of indebtedness and are highly leveraged. As of January 1, 2012, our consolidated long-term indebtedness was approximately \$1.45 billion. We may also incur additional debt, which would not be prohibited under the terms of the securitized debt agreements. Our substantial indebtedness could have important consequences to our business and our shareholders. For example, it could:

- make it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to our debt agreements;
- increase our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions;
- require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, thereby reducing the availability of our cash flow for other purposes; and
- limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate, thereby placing us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors that may have less debt.

In addition, the financial and other covenants we agreed to with our lenders may limit our ability to incur additional indebtedness, make investments, pay dividends and engage in other transactions, and the leverage may cause potential lenders to be less willing to loan funds to us in the future. Our failure to comply with these covenants could result in an event of default that, if not cured or waived, could result in the acceleration of repayment of all of our indebtedness.

We may be unable to generate sufficient cash flow to satisfy our significant debt service obligations, which would adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Our ability to make principal and interest payments on and to refinance our indebtedness will depend on our ability to generate cash in the future. This, to a certain extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other factors that are beyond our control. If our business does not generate sufficient cash flow from operations, in the amounts projected or at all, or if future borrowings are not available to us under our variable funding notes in amounts sufficient to fund our other liquidity needs, our financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected. If we cannot generate sufficient cash flow from operations to make scheduled principal and interest payments on our debt obligations in the future, we may need to refinance all or a portion of our indebtedness on or before maturity, sell assets, delay capital expenditures or seek additional equity. If we are unable to refinance any of our indebtedness on commercially reasonable terms or at all or to effect any other action relating to our indebtedness on satisfactory terms or at all, our business may be harmed.

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The terms of our securitized debt financing of certain of our wholly-owned subsidiaries have restrictive terms and our failure to comply with any of these terms could put us in default, which would have an adverse effect on our business and prospects.

Unless and until we repay all outstanding borrowings under our securitized debt, we will remain subject to the restrictive terms of these borrowings. The securitized debt, under which certain of our wholly-owned subsidiaries issued and guaranteed senior and subordinated fixed rate notes and variable funding senior revolving notes, contain a number of covenants, with the most significant financial covenant being a debt service coverage calculation. These covenants limit the ability of certain of our subsidiaries to, among other things:

- sell assets;
- alter the business we conduct;
- engage in mergers, acquisitions and other business combinations;
- declare dividends or redeem or repurchase capital stock;
- incur, assume or permit to exist additional indebtedness or guarantees;
- make loans and investments;
- incur liens; and
- enter into transactions with affiliates.

The securitized debt also requires us to maintain a specified financial ratio at the end of each fiscal quarter. These restrictions could affect our ability to pay dividends or repurchase shares of our common stock. Our ability to meet this financial ratio can be affected by events beyond our control, and we may not satisfy such a test. A breach of this covenant could result in a rapid amortization event or default under the securitized debt. If amounts owed under the securitized debt are accelerated because of a default under the securitized debt and we are unable to pay such amounts, the insurers have the right to assume control of substantially all of the securitized assets.

In the event that one or both of the insurance companies that provide financial guaranties of our fixed and variable funding note payments were to become the subject of insolvency or similar proceedings, our lenders would not be required to fund our variable funding notes. Additionally, under the terms of our indenture governing our notes, an event of default would occur if: (i) one or both of the insurance companies were to become the subject of insolvency or similar proceedings and (ii) the related insurance policies were not continued or sold to a third party (who would assume one or both of the insurance companies' obligations under the related policies), but instead were terminated or canceled as a result of those proceedings. In an event of default, all unpaid amounts under the fixed and variable rate notes could become immediately due and payable at the direction or consent of holders of a majority of the outstanding fixed rate notes or the remaining insurance company that is not the subject of insolvency or similar proceedings. Such acceleration of our debt could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity if we were unable to negotiate mutually acceptable terms with our lenders or if alternate funding were not available to us.

During the first five years following issuance, the senior notes will accrue interest at a fixed rate of 5.261% per year and the subordinated notes will accrue interest at a fixed rate of 7.629%. If we are not able to exercise either of our two one-year extension options following the five-year interest-only period, our securitized debt will be subject to principal amortization and may also be subject to an increased interest rate if it is not repaid or refinanced. If we do exercise one or both extensions, we will be subject to an increased interest rate of at least 0.25%.

If we are unable to refinance or repay amounts under the securitized debt prior to the expiration of the five-year interest-only term (six or seven-year interest-only term if we satisfy certain conditions and exercise one or both of our one-year extension elections), our cash flow would be directed to the repayment of the securitized debt and, other than a weekly servicing fee sufficient to cover minimal selling, general and administrative expenses, would not be available for operating our business.

No assurance can be given that any refinancing or additional financing will be possible when needed or that we will be able to negotiate acceptable terms. In addition, our access to capital is affected by prevailing conditions in the financial and capital markets and other factors beyond our control. There can be no assurance that market conditions will be favorable at the times that we require new or additional financing.

The indenture governing the securitized debt will restrict the cash flow from the entities subject to the securitization to any of our other entities and upon the occurrence of certain events, cash flow would be further restricted.

In the event that a rapid amortization event occurs under the indenture (including, without limitation, upon an event of default under the indenture or the failure to repay the securitized debt at the end of the five year interest-only period (or at the end of any extension period)), the funds available to us would be reduced or eliminated, which would in turn reduce our ability to operate or grow our business.

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Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

None.

Item 2. Properties.

We lease approximately 210,000 square feet for our World Resource Center located in Ann Arbor, Michigan under an operating lease with Domino's Farms Office Park, L.L.C. The lease, as amended, expires in December 2013 and has two five-year renewal options.

We own two domestic Company-owned store buildings and five supply chain center buildings. We also own five store buildings that we lease to domestic franchisees. All other domestic Company-owned stores are leased by us, typically under five-year leases with one or two five-year renewal options. All other domestic and international supply chain centers are leased by us, typically under leases ranging between five and 15 years with one or two five-year renewal options. All other franchise stores are leased or owned directly by the respective franchisees. We believe that our existing headquarters and other leased and owned facilities are adequate to meet our current requirements.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

We are a party to lawsuits, revenue agent reviews by taxing authorities and administrative proceedings in the ordinary course of business which include, without limitation, workers' compensation, general liability, automobile and franchisee claims. We are also subject to suits related to employment practices.

Litigation is subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual litigated matters is not predictable with assurance. Included in the matters described above, we are party to four employment practice cases, three casualty cases, and one patent case. We have established accruals for losses relate to these cases which we believe are reasonable based upon our assessment of the current facts and circumstances, however, it is reasonably possible that our ultimate losses could exceed the amounts recorded by up to \$3.0 million. The remaining cases described in the foregoing paragraph could be decided unfavorably to us and could require us to pay damages or make other expenditures in amounts or a range of amounts that cannot be estimated with accuracy. In management's opinion, these matters, individually and in the aggregate, should not have a significant adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company, and the established accruals adequately provide for the estimated resolution of such claims.

While we may occasionally be party to large claims, including class action suits, we do not believe that these matters, individually or in the aggregate, will materially affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

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Part II

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

As of February 21, 2012, Domino's Pizza, Inc. had 170,000,000 authorized shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which 57,770,796 were issued and outstanding. Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the ticker symbol "DPZ."

The following table presents the high and low closing prices by quarter for Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s common stock, as reported by the NYSE. There were no dividends declared per common share during 2010 or 2011.

	High	Low	Dividends Declared Per Share
2010:			
First quarter (January 4, 2010 – March 28, 2010)	\$ 14.19	\$ 8.68	\$ —
Second quarter (March 29, 2010 – June 20, 2010)	16.16	12.08	—
Third quarter (June 21, 2010 – September 12, 2010)	14.07	10.99	—
Fourth quarter (September 13, 2010 – January 2, 2011)	<u>16.09</u>	<u>13.09</u>	—
2011:			
First quarter (January 3, 2011 – March 27, 2011)	\$ 18.19	\$ 16.17	\$ —
Second quarter (March 28, 2011 – June 19, 2011)	24.92	17.87	—
Third quarter (June 20, 2011 – September 11, 2011)	28.05	23.17	—
Fourth quarter (September 12, 2011 – January 1, 2012)	<u>34.91</u>	<u>26.00</u>	—

Our board of directors' assessment of any future dividends will be made based on our projected future cash flows, our debt and other payment obligations, the benefits of retaining and reinvesting future cash flows, the benefits of debt or share repurchases, and other factors our board of directors may deem relevant. Whether any future dividends are paid, and the actual amount of any dividends, will depend upon future earnings, results of operations, capital requirements, our financial condition and other factors. There can be no assurance as to the amount of excess cash flow that we will generate in future years and, accordingly, dividends will be considered after reviewing returns to shareholders, profitability expectations and financing needs and will be declared at the discretion of our board of directors.

As of February 21, 2012, there were 720 registered holders of record of Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s common stock.

We currently have a board of directors approved open market share repurchase program for up to \$200.0 million of our common stock, of which approximately \$82.3 million remained available at January 1, 2012 for future purchases of our common stock. Any future purchases of our common stock would be funded by current cash amounts, available borrowings and future excess cash flow.

The following table summarizes our repurchase activity during the fourth quarter ended January 1, 2012:

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased (1)	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Program	Maximum Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program
Period #1 (September 12, 2011 to October 9, 2011)	94,500	\$ 26.84	91,993	\$ 115,652,907
Period #2 (October 10, 2011 to November 6, 2011)	1,898	31.54	—	115,652,907
Period #3 (November 7, 2011 to December 4, 2011)	1,056,064	31.63	1,054,270	82,305,541
Period #4 (December 5, 2011 to January 1, 2012)	2,465	33.55	—	82,305,541
Total	1,154,927	\$ 31.25	1,146,263	\$ 82,305,541

(1) Includes 8,664 shares purchased as part of the Company's employee stock purchase discount plan. During the fourth quarter, the shares were purchased at an average price of \$30.95. All of the remaining shares presented were purchased pursuant to the publicly announced open market share repurchase program.

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The comparative stock performance line graph below compares the cumulative shareholder return on the common stock of Domino's Pizza, Inc. for the five-year period between December 31, 2006 through December 31, 2011, with cumulative total return on (i) the Total Return Index for the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE Composite Index"), (ii) the Standard & Poor's 500 Index (the "S&P 500") and (iii) peer groups, the Standard & Poors 600 Restaurant Index (the "S&P 600 Restaurant Index") and the Standard & Poors 400 Restaurant Index (the "S&P 400 Restaurant Index"). During 2011, the Company decided to change its peer group comparison from the S&P 600 Restaurant Index to the S&P 400 Restaurant Index due to an increase in the Company's market capitalization in 2011. Management believes that the companies included in the S&P 400 Restaurant Index appropriately reflect the scope of the Company's operations and match the competitive market in which the Company operates. The cumulative total return computations set forth in the performance graph assume the investment of \$100 in the Company's common stock, the NYSE Composite Index, the S&P 500 Index, the S&P 600 Restaurant Index and the S&P 400 Restaurant Index on December 31, 2006.

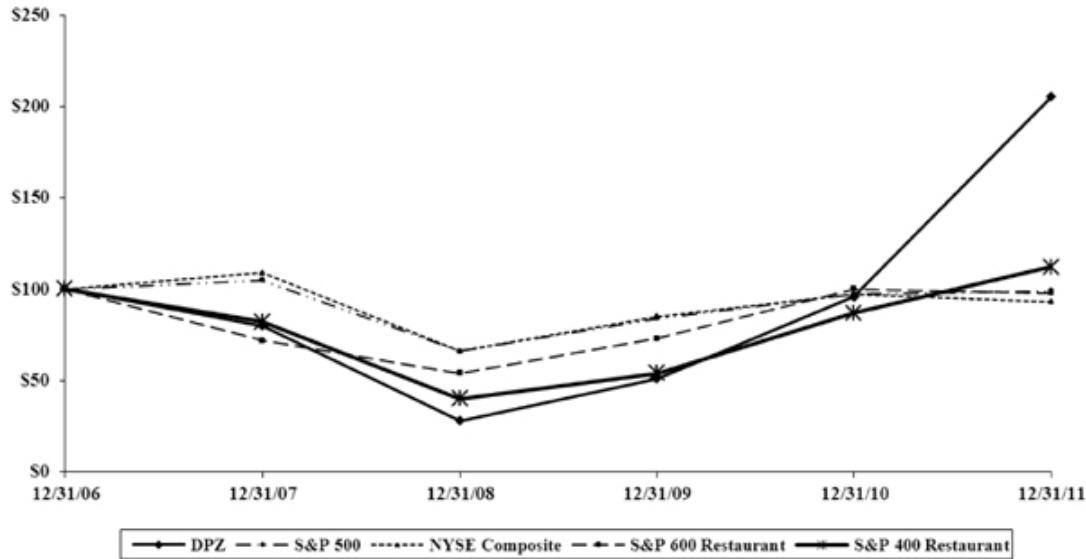


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Item 6. Selected Financial Data.

The selected financial data set forth below should be read in conjunction with, and is qualified by reference to, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in this Form 10-K. The selected financial data below, with the exception of store counts and same store sales growth, have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Domino's Pizza, Inc. and subsidiaries. This historical data is not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for any future period.

(dollars in millions, except per share data)	December 30, 2007 (4)	December 28, 2008	Fiscal year ended (5) January 3, 2010	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
Income statement data:					
Revenues:					
Domestic Company-owned stores	\$ 394.6	\$ 357.7	\$ 335.8	\$ 345.6	\$ 336.3
Domestic franchise	158.1	153.9	157.8	173.3	187.0
Domestic stores	552.6	511.6	493.6	519.0	523.4
Domestic supply chain	783.3	771.1	763.7	875.5	927.9
International	126.9	142.4	146.8	176.4	200.9
Total revenues	1,462.9	1,425.1	1,404.1	1,570.9	1,652.2
Cost of sales	1,084.0	1,061.9	1,017.1	1,132.3	1,181.7
Operating margin	378.9	363.3	387.0	438.6	470.5
General and administrative expense	184.9	168.2	197.5	210.9	211.4
Income from operations	193.9	195.0	189.5	227.7	259.1
Interest income	5.3	2.7	0.7	0.2	0.3
Interest expense	(130.4)	(114.9)	(110.9)	(96.8)	(91.6)
Other (1)	(13.3)	—	56.3	7.8	—
Income before provision for income taxes	55.6	82.9	135.5	138.9	167.8
Provision for income taxes	17.7	28.9	55.8	51.0	62.4
Net income	\$ 37.9	\$ 54.0	\$ 79.7	\$ 87.9	\$ 105.4
Earnings per share:					
Common stock – basic	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.93	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.79
Common stock – diluted	0.59	0.93	1.38	1.45	1.71
Dividends declared per share	\$ 13.50	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Balance sheet data (at end of period):					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11.3	\$ 45.4	\$ 42.4	\$ 47.9	\$ 50.3
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	81.0	78.9	91.1	85.5	92.6
Working capital (2)	(29.6)	25.8	(31.9)	33.4	37.1
Total assets	473.2	463.8	453.8	460.8	480.5
Total long-term debt	1,704.8	1,704.4	1,522.5	1,451.3	1,450.4
Total debt	1,720.1	1,704.8	1,572.8	1,452.2	1,451.3
Total stockholders' deficit	(1,450.1)	(1,424.6)	(1,321.0)	(1,210.7)	(1,209.7)

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(dollars in millions)	<u>December 30, 2007 (4)</u>	<u>December 28, 2008</u>	<u>January 3, 2010</u>	<u>Fiscal year ended (5) January 2, 2011</u>	<u>January 2, 2011</u>	<u>January 1, 2012</u>
Other financial data:						
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 31.2	\$ 28.4	\$ 24.1	\$ 24.1	\$ 24.0	
Capital expenditures	42.4	19.4	22.9	25.4	24.3	
Same store sales growth (3):						
Domestic Company-owned stores	1.0%	(2.2)%	(0.9)%	9.7%	4.1%	
Domestic franchise stores	(2.1)%	(5.2)%	0.6%	10.0%	3.4%	
Domestic stores	(1.7)%	(4.9)%	0.5%	9.9%	3.5%	
International stores	6.7%	6.2%	4.3%	6.9%	6.8%	
Store counts (at end of period):						
Domestic Company-owned stores	571	489	466	454	394	
Domestic franchise stores	4,584	4,558	4,461	4,475	4,513	
Domestic stores	5,155	5,047	4,927	4,929	4,907	
International stores	3,469	3,726	4,072	4,422	4,835	
Total stores	<u>8,624</u>	<u>8,773</u>	<u>8,999</u>	<u>9,351</u>	<u>9,742</u>	

- (1) The fiscal 2007 Other amount represents the premium paid to bond holders in the tender offer for the Domino's, Inc. senior subordinated notes due 2011. The fiscal 2009 and fiscal 2010 Other amounts represent the net gains recognized on the repurchase and retirement of principal on the fixed rate notes.
- (2) The working capital amounts exclude restricted cash amounts of \$81.0 million in 2007, \$78.9 million in 2008, \$91.1 million in 2009, \$85.5 million in 2010 and \$92.6 million in 2011.
- (3) Same store sales growth is calculated including only sales from stores that also had sales in the comparable period of the prior year, but excluding sales from certain seasonal locations such as stadiums and concert arenas. International same store sales growth is calculated similarly to domestic same store sales growth. Changes in international same store sales are reported on a constant dollar basis which reflects changes in international local currency sales. The 53rd week in fiscal 2009 had no impact on reported same store sales growth percentages.
- (4) In connection with our recapitalization in 2007, Domino's Pizza, Inc. borrowed \$780.0 million under a bridge term loan facility. We used the proceeds from the borrowings under the bridge term loan facility to purchase 2,242 shares of common stock for approximately \$0.1 million, repay \$463.0 million principal amount of then outstanding borrowings under the 2003 term loans plus accrued interest and related fees and retire, at a \$13.3 million premium, \$273.6 million in aggregate principal amount of Domino's, Inc. 8 1/4% senior subordinated notes due 2011, representing substantially all of the outstanding senior subordinated notes plus accrued interest and related fees. We paid \$22.3 million in fees in connection with obtaining the bridge loan facility and wrote off \$9.5 million of deferred financing fees and bond discount as part of the 2003 term loan and senior subordinated notes repayments. Additionally, in connection with the recapitalization, we borrowed \$1.7 billion of fixed rate notes and used the proceeds from the borrowings to repay in full the bridge term loan facility, capitalize certain new subsidiaries, pay \$38.1 million of deferred financing fees, pay a special cash dividend on our outstanding common stock totaling \$846.4 million and make a corresponding anti-dilution equivalent payment of \$50.6 million on certain stock options. Total cash paid for common stock dividends and related anti-dilution payments totaled \$897.0 million, of which \$141.0 million was recorded as a reduction of additional paid-in capital and \$756.0 million was recorded as an increase in retained deficit. In connection with the repayment of the bridge term loan facility, we wrote off \$21.9 million of unamortized deferred financing fees. Additionally, we expensed \$2.9 million of related general and administrative expenses, comprised of \$1.6 million of legal, professional and other fees and expenses and \$1.3 million of non-cash compensation expenses, of which \$0.4 million related to the acceleration of vesting of certain stock options. Total recapitalization related expenses were \$48.6 million (pre-tax).
- (5) The 2009 fiscal year includes 53 weeks, while the 2007, 2008, 2010 and 2011 fiscal years each include 52 weeks.

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

Overview

Our fiscal year typically includes 52 weeks, comprised of three twelve-week quarters and one sixteen-week quarter. Every five or six years our fiscal year includes an extra (or 53rd) week in the fourth quarter. Fiscal 2009 consisted of 53 weeks, while fiscal 2010 and fiscal 2011 consisted of 52 weeks.

Description of the Business

We are the number one pizza delivery company in the United States with a 22.6% share of the pizza delivery market based on reported consumer spending, and the second largest pizza company in the world, based on number of units. We also have a leading international presence. We operate through a network of 394 Company-owned stores, all of which are in the United States, and 9,348 franchise stores located in all 50 states and in more than 70 international markets. In addition, we operate 16 regional dough manufacturing and supply chain centers in the contiguous United States as well as six dough manufacturing and supply chain centers outside the contiguous United States.

Our financial results are driven largely by retail sales at our franchise and Company-owned stores. Changes in retail sales are driven by changes in same store sales and store counts. We monitor both of these metrics very closely, as they directly impact our revenues and profits, and strive to consistently increase both same store sales and our store counts. Retail sales drive royalty payments from franchisees as well as Company-owned store and supply chain revenues. Retail sales are primarily impacted by the strength of the Domino's Pizza® brand, the results of our marketing promotions, our ability to execute our store operating model, the overall global economic environment and the success of our business strategies.

We devote significant attention to our brand-building efforts, which is evident in our system's estimated \$1.4 billion of domestic advertising spending over the past five years and our frequent designation as a MegaBrand by *Advertising Age*. We plan on continuing to build our brand and retail sales by satisfying customers worldwide with our pizza delivery offerings and by continuing to invest significant amounts in the advertising and marketing of the Domino's Pizza® brand. In 2011, *Pizza Today*, the leading publication of the pizza industry, named Domino's its "Chain of the Year" for the second straight year – making the Company a three-time overall winner of the honor, and the first pizza delivery company to receive the honor in back-to-back years.

We also pay particular attention to the store economics, or the investment performance of a store to its owner, of both our franchise and Company-owned stores. We believe that our system's favorable store economics benefit from the relatively small initial and ongoing investments required to own and operate a Domino's Pizza store. We believe these favorable investment requirements, coupled with a strong brand message supported by significant advertising spending, as well as high-quality and focused menu offerings, drive strong store economics, which, in turn, drive demand for new stores.

Business Performance

During 2011, the Company continued to produce strong results both domestically and internationally. During fiscal 2011, domestic same store sales rose 3.5% which was rolling over a very strong 9.9% same store sales growth in 2010. The results in 2011 demonstrate sustained improvement in our domestic business due to higher customer satisfaction, retention and purchase frequency. Over the past several years, our focus domestically has been improving our Company through several initiatives, including investments to improve upon our menu, marketing, technology, operations and franchise base. Our menu improvements included launching new product platforms in the United States such as our improved pizza recipe (launched in late 2009), Domino's Oven Baked Sandwiches, Domino's American Legends® pizzas, Domino's BreadBowl Pasta™, Chocolate Lava Crunch Cakes and in 2011, our improved boneless chicken and wings, Domino's Artisan pizzas and our new Stuffed Cheesy Bread. We believe our new product platforms combined with an innovative, transparent and effective advertising campaign, continued focus on operational excellence and new technology, such as the launch of our iPhone and iPod touch mobile applications in 2011, generated strong sales and earnings growth for the Company in both 2010 and 2011.

Our international division continued to post strong same store sales growth (6.8% in 2011) and had a record 413 net store openings, including 75 net stores in India, 58 net stores in Turkey and 54 net stores in the United Kingdom. Continued strong same store sales growth combined with continued store count growth, demonstrate the consistency and reliability of this growing business segment.

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These strong results from both our domestic and international stores produced earnings per share growth and increased cash flows in 2011. We believe that our franchise business model continues to provide a solid structure on which to build consistent retail sales and store growth that results in strong cash flows that we can deploy to drive shareholder value.

In 2011, global retail sales, which are total retail sales at Company-owned and franchise stores worldwide, increased 11.0% as compared to 2010. Retail sales for franchise stores are reported to the Company by its franchisees and are not included in Company revenues. This increase was driven primarily by both domestic and international same store sales growth as well as an increase in our worldwide store counts during the trailing four quarters, and, the positive impact of foreign currency exchange rates on our international sales. Domestic same store sales growth reflected the sustained improvement in our domestic business due to the continued success of our new products and promotions. International same store sales growth reflected continued strong performance in the markets where we compete. In 2010, global retail sales increased 11.4% as compared to 2009, driven primarily by both domestic and international same store sales growth, growth in worldwide store counts, and, to a lesser extent, the positive impact of foreign currency exchange rates on our international sales. These increases were offset in part by the inclusion of the 53rd week in 2009, which benefited global retail sales by 2.5 percentage points in 2009.

Our revenues increased \$81.3 million or 5.2% in 2011 and increased \$166.8 million or 11.9% in 2010. The increase in revenues in 2011 was driven primarily by higher domestic supply chain revenues resulting from higher cheese and other commodity prices and higher international revenues attributable to same store sales, store count growth and the positive impact of foreign currency exchange rates. Additionally, domestic franchise revenues were higher due to an increase in domestic same store sales and fees paid by franchisees related to the in-sourcing of certain services, such as online ordering and a call center. We also incurred an increase in general and administrative expenses for these services paid by franchisees. These increases were offset in part by lower Company-owned store revenues resulting from the sale of 58 Company-owned stores to multiple franchisees during 2011. The increase in revenues in 2010 was driven by higher domestic supply chain revenues resulting from increased volumes and higher commodity prices, including cheese, higher same store sales domestically and abroad and international store count growth. These increases in 2010 were offset, in part by the inclusion of the 53rd week in 2009, which benefited revenues by \$34.4 million in 2009.

Worldwide store counts have increased from 8,773 at the beginning of 2009 to 9,742 at the end of 2011. This growth in store counts can be attributed to the global growth of our brand and our pizza delivery concept as well as the economics inherent in our system, which attract new franchisees and encourage existing franchisees to grow their business. Domestic same store sales increased 0.5% in 2009, 9.9% in 2010 and 3.5% in 2011. The increase in domestic same store sales during 2011 demonstrates that our products and promotions continue to resonate with consumers, including the launch of two improved chicken products, boneless chicken and wings, and the Domino's Artisan pizzas. The significant increase in domestic same store sales in 2010 was attributable to our innovative and effective advertising campaign for our improved pizza recipe, continued focus on operational excellence and efforts to strengthen our franchisee base over the past several years. The Company experienced traffic increases in both our domestic Company-owned and franchise stores in 2010 and 2011. Domestic same store sales in fiscal 2009 reflected the success of several initiatives, including the launch of two new product platforms: Domino's BreadBowl Pasta™ and Domino's American Legends® pizzas, as well as the introduction of Domino's Chocolate Lava Crunch Cakes and the introduction of our improved pizza recipe during the fourth quarter of 2009. International same store sales increased 4.3% in 2009, 6.9% in 2010 and 6.8% in 2011. Internationally, same stores sales growth continues to result from the growing acceptance of pizza and delivered pizza around the globe and the successful execution of the Domino's Pizza concept.

Income from operations increased \$31.4 million or 13.8% in 2011 and increased \$38.2 million or 20.2% in 2010. The increase in 2011 was driven primarily by higher royalty revenues from both domestic and international franchise stores and to a lesser extent, the positive impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates. Additionally, income from operations in 2011 benefited from higher domestic Company-owned store margins. The increase in income from operations in 2010 was due primarily to higher royalty revenues from domestic and international franchise stores and larger volumes in our supply chain business. Additionally, income from operations in 2010 benefited from higher domestic Company-owned store margins and approximately \$4.9 million of expenses incurred in 2009 in connection with the Company's equity incentive plan changes that did not recur in 2010. These increases were offset, in part, by higher variable general and administrative expenses, including higher performance-based bonuses as a result of our strong operating performance, as well as continued investments in growth initiatives. Additionally, the comparable results for 2010 were negatively impacted by the inclusion of the 53rd week in 2009, which benefited income from operations by approximately \$6.7 million in 2009.

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Net income increased \$17.5 million or 19.8% in 2011 and increased \$8.2 million or 10.2% in 2010. The increase in 2011 was due primarily to the aforementioned increase in income from operations and lower interest expense. The increase was offset in part by gains recorded on the extinguishment of debt in 2010. The increase in net income in 2010 was due primarily to the aforementioned increase in income from operations, lower interest expense resulting from lower debt balances, and the positive impact of a lower effective tax rate, offset in part by lower pre-tax gains recorded on the extinguishment of debt and the negative impact of the 53rd week in 2009. The inclusion of the 53rd week benefited net income in 2009 by approximately \$2.9 million.

We are highly leveraged primarily as a result of our recapitalization in 2007. As of January 1, 2012, consolidated debt was \$1.45 billion. Historically, a large portion of our cash flows from operations has been used to make principal and interest payments on our indebtedness as well as distributions to shareholders in the form of dividends and stock repurchases. Our securitized debt requires interest-only payments until April 2012. This interest-only period can be extended for two one-year periods if the Company meets certain requirements in April 2012 and April 2013. Based on fiscal 2011 financial results, the Company currently exceeds the required threshold for extension that will be evaluated in each of April 2012 and April 2013. Management currently expects to have the option to take advantage of these interest-only periods at the extension assessment dates and would plan to exercise those extensions if a refinancing was not completed prior to the extension dates. During the third quarter of 2011, the Company announced its intention to refinance its existing securitized debt. In connection with the proposed early refinancing, the Company incurred approximately \$7.6 million of fees during 2011, of which approximately \$7.4 million were recorded as a deferred financing cost asset in the consolidated balance sheets. Due to volatility in the financial markets, the Company later announced its intention to postpone the refinancing. Upon the completion of the expected refinancing, the deferred financing fees incurred plus any incremental fees will be amortized over the expected term of the new securitized debt. Overall, we believe that our ability to consistently produce significant excess cash flows allows us the flexibility not only to service our debt but also to invest in our growing business as well as return cash to our shareholders.

Critical accounting policies and estimates

The following discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations is based on our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires our management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, our management evaluates its estimates, including those related to revenue recognition, allowance for uncollectible receivables, long-lived and intangible assets, insurance and legal matters, share-based payments and income taxes. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from those estimates. Changes in our accounting policies and estimates could materially impact our results of operations and financial condition for any particular period. We believe that our most critical accounting policies and estimates are:

Revenue recognition. We earn revenues through our network of domestic Company-owned and franchise stores, dough manufacturing and supply chain centers and international operations. Retail sales from Company-owned stores and royalty revenues resulting from the retail sales from franchise stores are recognized as revenues when the items are delivered to or carried out by customers. Retail sales are generally reported and related royalties paid to the Company on a weekly basis based on a percentage of retail sales, as specified in the related standard franchise agreement (generally 5.5% of domestic franchise retail sales). In the event that retail sales are not reported timely by a franchisee, the Company will record royalty revenues in the period earned based on an estimate of the franchisee's sales; however, these estimates are not significant and have historically been materially consistent with the actual amounts. Revenues from Company-owned stores and royalty revenues from franchise stores fluctuate from time-to-time as a result of store count changes. For example, if a Company-owned store that generated \$500,000 in revenue in fiscal 2010 is sold to a franchisee in fiscal 2011, revenues from Company-owned stores would have declined by \$500,000 in fiscal 2011, while franchise royalty revenues would have increased by only \$27,500 in fiscal 2011, as we generally collect 5.5% of a domestic franchisee's retail sales. Sales of food from our supply chain centers are recognized as revenues upon delivery of the food to franchisees, while sales of equipment and supplies are generally recognized as revenues upon shipment of the related products to franchisees.

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Allowance for uncollectible receivables. We closely monitor our accounts and notes receivable balances and provide allowances for uncollectible amounts as a result of our reviews. These estimates are based on, among other factors, historical collection experience and a review of our receivables by aging category. Additionally, we may also provide allowances for uncollectible receivables based on specific customer collection issues that we have identified. While write-offs of bad debts have historically been within our expectations and the provisions established, management cannot guarantee that future write-offs will not exceed historical rates. Specifically, if the financial condition of our franchisees were to deteriorate resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, additional allowances may be required.

At January 1, 2012, our total allowance for uncollectible accounts receivables was approximately \$5.4 million, compared to \$6.4 million at January 2, 2011, representing approximately 5.9% and 7.4% of our consolidated gross accounts receivable at those respective year-ends. A 10% change in our allowance for uncollectible accounts receivables at January 1, 2012 would result in a change in reserves of approximately \$0.5 million and a change in income before provision for income taxes by the same amount. Currently, management does not believe that there is a reasonable likelihood that there will be a material change in the future estimates or assumptions that were used to calculate our allowance for uncollectible accounts receivables.

Long-lived and intangible assets. We record long-lived assets, including property, plant and equipment and capitalized software, at cost. For acquisitions of franchise operations, we estimate the fair values of the assets and liabilities acquired based on physical inspection of assets, historical experience and other information available to us regarding the acquisition. We depreciate and amortize long-lived assets using useful lives determined by us based on historical experience and other information available to us. We evaluate the potential impairment of long-lived assets at least annually based on various analyses, including the projection of undiscounted cash flows and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. For Company-owned stores, we perform related impairment tests on an operating market basis, which the Company has determined to be the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of other cash flows. If the carrying amount of a long-lived asset exceeds the amount of the expected future undiscounted cash flows of that asset or the estimated fair value of the asset, an impairment loss is recognized and the asset is written down to its estimated fair value.

We have not made any significant changes in the methodology used to project the future market cash flows of Company-owned stores during the years presented. Same store sales fluctuations and the rates at which operating costs will fluctuate in the future are key factors in evaluating recoverability of the related assets. If our same store sales significantly decline or if operating costs increase and we are unable to recover these costs, the carrying value of our Company-owned stores, by market, may be unrecoverable and we may be required to recognize an impairment charge. At January 1, 2012, we determined that our long-lived assets were not impaired.

A significant portion of our goodwill relates to acquisitions of domestic franchise stores and is included in our domestic stores segment, specifically, the Company-owned stores reporting unit. We evaluate goodwill annually for impairment by comparing the fair value of the reporting unit, which is primarily determined using the present value of historical cash flows, to its carrying value. If the carrying value of the reporting unit exceeds the fair value, goodwill would be impaired. We have not made any significant changes in the methodology used to evaluate goodwill impairment during the years presented. At January 1, 2012, the fair value of our business operations with associated goodwill exceeded their recorded carrying value, including the related goodwill. If cash flows generated by our Company-owned stores were to decline significantly in the future or there were negative revisions to the market multiple assumption, we may be required to recognize a goodwill impairment charge. However, based on the latest impairment analysis, we do not believe it is reasonably likely that there could be changes in assumptions that would trigger impairment.

Insurance and legal matters. We are a party to lawsuits and legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. Management closely monitors these legal matters and estimates the probable costs for the resolution of such matters. These estimates are primarily determined by consulting with both internal and external parties handling the matters and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. While historically our actual losses have been materially consistent with our reserves, legal judgments can be volatile and difficult to predict. Accordingly, if our estimates relating to legal matters proved inaccurate for any reason, we may be required to increase or decrease the related expense in future periods. We had accruals for legal matters of approximately \$6.6 million at January 2, 2011 and approximately \$10.1 million at January 1, 2012.

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For certain periods prior to December 1998 and for periods after December 2001, we maintain insurance coverage for workers' compensation, general liability and owned and non-owned auto liability under insurance policies requiring payment of a deductible for each occurrence up to between \$500,000 and \$3.0 million, depending on the policy year and line of coverage. The related insurance reserves are based on undiscounted independent actuarial estimates, which are based on historical information along with assumptions about future events. Specifically, various methods, including analyses of historical trends and actuarial valuation methods, are utilized to estimate the cost to settle reported claims, and claims incurred but not yet reported. The actuarial valuation methods develop estimates of the future ultimate claim costs based on the claims incurred as of the balance sheet date. When estimating these liabilities, several factors are considered, including the severity, duration and frequency of claims, legal cost associated with claims, healthcare trends and projected inflation. Over the past several years, we have experienced improvements in frequency of claims; however increasing severity of claims and medical costs has partially offset these trends.

Our methodology for determining our exposure has remained consistent throughout the years presented. Management believes that the various assumptions developed and actuarial methods used to determine our self-insurance reserves are reasonable and provide meaningful data that management uses to make its best estimate of our exposure to these risks. While historically our actual losses have been materially consistent with our reserves, changes in assumptions for such factors as medical costs and legal actions, as well as changes in actual experience, could cause our estimates to change in the near term which could result in an increase or decrease in the related expense in future periods. A 10% change in our self-insurance liability at January 1, 2012 would have affected our income before provision for income taxes by approximately \$3.4 million for fiscal 2011. We had accruals for insurance matters of approximately \$31.2 million at January 2, 2011 and \$34.4 million at January 1, 2012.

Share-based payments. We recognize compensation expense related to our share-based compensation arrangements over the requisite service period based on the grant date fair value of the awards. The grant date fair value of each restricted stock and performance-based restricted stock award is equal to the market price of our stock on the date of grant. The grant date fair value of each stock option award is estimated using a Black-Scholes option pricing model. The pricing model requires assumptions, including the expected life of the stock option, the risk-free interest rate and expected volatility of our stock over the expected life, which significantly impact the assumed fair value. We are also required to estimate the expected forfeiture rate and only recognize expense for those awards expected to vest. We use historical data to determine these assumptions. Additionally, our stock option, restricted stock and performance-based restricted stock arrangements provide for accelerated vesting and the ability to exercise during the remainder of the ten-year stock option life upon the retirement of individuals holding the awards who have achieved specified service and age requirements. Management believes that the methods and various assumptions used to determine compensation expense related to these arrangements are reasonable, but if the assumptions change significantly for future grants, share-based compensation expense will fluctuate in future years.

Income taxes. We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities and reserves for uncertain tax positions. We measure deferred tax assets and liabilities using current enacted tax rates that will apply in the years in which we expect the temporary differences to be recovered or paid. Judgment is required in determining the provision for income taxes and related reserves, deferred tax assets and liabilities. These include establishing a valuation allowance related to the ability to realize certain deferred tax assets, if necessary. As of January 1, 2012, we had no valuation allowances recorded for deferred tax assets. Our accounting for deferred tax assets represents our best estimate of future events. Our net deferred tax assets assume that we will generate sufficient taxable income in specific tax jurisdictions, based on our estimates and assumptions. Changes in our current estimates due to unanticipated events could have a material impact on our financial condition and results of operation.

The amounts relating to taxes recorded on the balance sheet, including tax reserves, also consider the ultimate resolution of revenue agent reviews based on estimates and assumptions. We believe we have adequately accounted for our uncertain tax positions; however, tax audits, changes in tax laws and other unforeseen matters may result in us owing additional taxes. We adjust our reserves for uncertain tax positions when facts and circumstances change or due to the passage of time; for example the completion of a tax audit, or the expiration of a statute of limitations, or changes in penalty and interest reserves associated with uncertain tax positions. Management believes that our tax positions comply with applicable tax law and that we have adequately provided for these matters. However, to the extent the final tax outcome of these matters is different than our recorded amounts, we may be required to adjust our tax reserves resulting in additional income tax expense or benefit in future periods.

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Same Store Sales Growth

	2009	2010	2011
Domestic Company-owned stores	(0.9)%	9.7%	4.1%
Domestic franchise stores	0.6%	10.0%	3.4%
Domestic stores	0.5%	9.9%	3.5%
International stores	4.3%	6.9%	6.8%

Store Growth Activity

	Domestic Company-owned Stores	Domestic Franchise	Domestic Stores	International Stores	Total
Store count at December 28, 2008	489	4,558	5,047	3,726	8,773
Openings	—	99	99	414	513
Closings	(21)	(198)	(219)	(68)	(287)
Transfers	(2)	2	—	—	—
Store count at January 3, 2010	466	4,461	4,927	4,072	8,999
Openings	—	88	88	392	480
Closings	(1)	(85)	(86)	(42)	(128)
Transfers	(11)	11	—	—	—
Store count at January 2, 2011	454	4,475	4,929	4,422	9,351
Openings	1	66	67	473	540
Closings	(3)	(86)	(89)	(60)	(149)
Transfers	(58)	58	—	—	—
Store count at January 1, 2012	394	4,513	4,907	4,835	9,742

Income Statement Data

(dollars in millions)	2009	2010	2011			
Domestic Company-owned stores	\$ 335.8	\$ 345.6	\$ 336.3			
Domestic franchise	157.8	173.3	187.0			
Domestic supply chain	763.7	875.5	927.9			
International	146.8	176.4	200.9			
Total revenues	1,404.1	100.0%	1,570.9	100.0%	1,652.2	100.0%
Domestic Company-owned stores	274.5		278.3		267.1	
Domestic supply chain	680.4		778.5		831.7	
International	62.2		75.5		82.9	
Cost of sales	1,017.1	72.4%	1,132.3	72.1%	1,181.7	71.5%
Operating margin	387.0	27.6%	438.6	27.9%	470.5	28.5%
General and administrative	197.5	14.1%	210.9	13.4%	211.4	12.8%
Income from operations	189.5	13.5%	227.7	14.5%	259.1	15.7%
Interest expense, net	(110.3)	(7.9)%	(96.6)	(6.2)%	(91.3)	(5.5)%
Other	56.3	4.0%	7.8	0.5%	—	—
Income before provision for income taxes	135.5	9.7%	138.9	8.8%	167.8	10.2%
Provision for income taxes	55.8	4.0%	51.0	3.2%	62.4	3.8%
Net income	\$ 79.7	5.7%	\$ 87.9	5.6%	\$ 105.4	6.4%

2011 compared to 2010

(tabular amounts in millions, except percentages)

Revenues. Revenues primarily consist of retail sales from our Company-owned stores, royalties from our domestic and international franchise stores and sales of food, equipment and supplies from our supply chain centers to substantially all of our domestic franchise stores and certain international franchise stores. Company-owned store and franchise store revenues may vary significantly from period to period due to changes in store count mix, while supply chain revenues may vary significantly as a result of fluctuations in commodity prices, primarily cheese and meats.

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Consolidated revenues increased \$81.3 million or 5.2% in 2011. This increase in revenues was due primarily to higher domestic supply chain revenues resulting from higher cheese and other commodity prices and higher international revenues attributable to same store sales, store count growth and the positive impact of foreign currency exchange rates. Additionally, domestic franchise revenues were higher due to an increase in domestic same store sales and fees paid by franchisees related to the in-sourcing of certain services, such as online ordering and a call center, which we operate as long-term cost recovery initiatives. We also incurred an increase in general and administrative expenses for these services paid by franchisees. These increases were offset in part by lower Company-owned store revenues resulting from the sale of 58 Company-owned stores to multiple franchisees during 2011. These changes in revenues are more fully described below.

Domestic stores. Domestic stores revenues are primarily comprised of retail sales from domestic Company-owned store operations as well as royalties from retail sales and other fees from domestic franchise stores, as summarized in the following table.

	2010	2011
Domestic Company-owned stores	\$345.6	66.6%
Domestic franchise	173.3	33.4%
Total domestic stores revenues	<u>\$519.0</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
	<u>\$336.3</u>	<u>64.3%</u>
	<u>187.0</u>	<u>35.7%</u>
	<u>\$523.4</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Domestic stores revenues increased \$4.4 million or 0.8% in 2011. This increase was due primarily to fees paid by franchisees for certain services, such as online ordering and a call center and higher domestic Company-owned and franchise same store sales. The increase was offset in part by the sale of 58 Company-owned stores to multiple franchisees during fiscal 2011. These results are more fully described below.

Domestic Company-owned stores. Revenues from domestic Company-owned store operations decreased \$9.3 million or 2.7% in 2011. This decrease was due primarily to a fewer number of Company-owned stores open during 2011, resulting primarily from the sale of 58 Company-owned stores to multiple franchisees during fiscal 2011. The decrease was partially offset by a 4.1% increase in same store sales compared to 2010. There were 454 domestic Company-owned stores in operation as of January 2, 2011 and 394 domestic Company-owned stores in operation as of January 1, 2012.

Domestic franchise. Revenues from domestic franchise operations increased \$13.7 million or 7.9% in 2011. This increase was due primarily to fees paid by franchisees related to the in-sourcing of certain services, such as online ordering and a call center. We also incurred an increase in general and administrative expenses for in-sourcing these initiatives. Additionally, domestic franchise revenues in 2011 benefited from a 3.4% increase in same store sales compared to 2010, and to a lesser extent, an increase in the average number of domestic franchise stores open during 2011. There were 4,475 domestic franchise stores in operation as of January 2, 2011 and 4,513 domestic franchise stores in operation as of January 1, 2012.

Domestic supply chain. Revenues from domestic supply chain operations increased \$52.4 million or 6.0% in 2011. This increase was due primarily to an increase in overall commodity prices, including cheese and meats. Cheese prices positively impacted revenues by approximately \$25.0 million in 2011.

International. International revenues primarily consist of royalties from our international franchise stores and international supply chain sales. Revenues from international operations increased \$24.5 million or 13.9% in 2011. This increase was due primarily to higher international royalty and other revenues and higher international supply chain revenues. This increase was positively impacted by approximately \$6.6 million related to changes in foreign currency exchange rates. These changes in international revenues are more fully described below.

	2010	2011
International royalty and other	\$ 91.3	51.8%
International supply chain	85.1	48.2%
Total international revenues	<u>\$176.4</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
	<u>\$107.9</u>	<u>53.7%</u>
	<u>93.0</u>	<u>46.3%</u>
	<u>\$200.9</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

International royalty and other. Revenues from international royalties and other increased \$16.6 million or 18.2% in 2011. This increase was due primarily to higher same store sales and an increase in the average number of international stores open during 2011, as well as the positive impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates of approximately \$3.4 million in 2011. On a constant dollar basis (which excludes the impact of foreign currency exchange rates), same store sales increased 6.8% in 2011 compared to 2010. On a historical dollar basis (which includes the impact of foreign currency exchange rates), same store sales increased 11.5% in 2011 compared to 2010. The variance in our same store sales on a constant dollar basis versus a historical dollar basis in 2011 was caused by the general weakening of the U.S. dollar compared to the currencies in the international markets in which we compete. There were 4,422 international stores in operation as of January 2, 2011 and 4,835 international stores in operation as of January 1, 2012.

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International supply chain. Revenues from international supply chain operations increased \$7.9 million or 9.3% in 2011. This increase resulted from the positive impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates of approximately \$3.2 million as well as higher volumes in 2011.

Cost of sales / Operating margin. Consolidated cost of sales consists primarily of domestic Company-owned store and domestic supply chain costs incurred to generate related revenues. Components of consolidated cost of sales primarily include food, labor and occupancy costs.

The consolidated operating margin, which we define as revenues less cost of sales, increased \$31.9 million or 7.3% in 2011, as summarized in the following table.

	2010	2011	
Consolidated revenues	\$1,570.9	100.0%	\$1,652.2
Consolidated cost of sales	<u>1,132.3</u>	<u>72.1%</u>	<u>1,181.7</u>
Consolidated operating margin	<u>\$ 438.6</u>	<u>27.9%</u>	<u>\$ 470.5</u>
	<u>28.5%</u>		

The \$31.9 million increase in consolidated operating margin was due primarily to higher domestic and international franchise revenues. Franchise revenues do not have a cost of sales component and, as such, changes in franchise revenues have a disproportionate effect on the consolidated operating margin. Fiscal 2011 also benefited from higher domestic Company-owned store margins as described in more detail below.

As a percentage of total revenues, our consolidated operating margin increased 0.6 percentage points in 2011, due primarily to a change in our mix of revenues and higher Company-owned stores operating margins, offset in part by an increase in overall commodity prices, including cheese.

Domestic Company-owned stores. The domestic Company-owned store operating margin increased \$2.0 million or 2.9% in 2011, as summarized in the following table.

	2010	2011	
Revenues	\$345.6	100.0%	\$336.3
Cost of sales	<u>278.3</u>	<u>80.5%</u>	<u>267.1</u>
Store operating margin	<u>\$ 67.3</u>	<u>19.5%</u>	<u>\$ 69.3</u>
	<u>20.6%</u>		

The \$2.0 million increase in the domestic Company-owned store operating margin was due primarily to lower labor expenses and higher same store sales, offset in part by an increase in overall commodity prices, including cheese. As a percentage of store revenues, the store operating margin increased 1.1 percentage points in 2011, as discussed in more detail below.

As a percentage of store revenues, labor and related costs decreased 1.6 percentage points to 29.0% in 2011, due primarily to labor efficiencies. Additionally, labor and related costs benefited from lower average labor rates in fiscal 2011.

As a percentage of store revenues, occupancy costs, which include rent, telephone, utilities and depreciation, decreased 0.6 percentage points to 10.3% in 2011 primarily resulting from leveraging these fixed expenses with the higher same store sales.

As a percentage of store revenues, insurance costs increased 0.1 percentage points to 3.7% in 2011, due primarily to higher health insurance expenses.

As a percentage of store revenues, food costs increased 0.9 percentage points to 28.3% in 2011, due primarily to higher cheese and meat prices during 2011. The cheese block price per pound averaged \$1.80 in 2011 compared to \$1.50 in 2010.

Domestic supply chain. The domestic supply chain operating margin decreased \$0.8 million or 0.8% in 2011, as summarized in the following table.

	2010	2011	
Revenues	\$875.5	100.0%	\$927.9
Cost of sales	<u>778.5</u>	<u>88.9%</u>	<u>831.7</u>
Domestic supply chain operating margin	<u>\$ 97.0</u>	<u>11.1%</u>	<u>\$ 96.2</u>
	<u>10.4%</u>		

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The domestic supply chain operating margin decreased \$0.8 million in 2011. As previously mentioned, domestic supply chain revenues increased \$52.4 million in 2011 due primarily to an increase in overall commodity prices, including cheese; however, dollar margins were down in 2011 due to higher operating costs versus the prior year, including fuel costs. The decrease was offset in part by a favorable mix of products sold during 2011.

As a percentage of domestic supply chain revenues, the domestic supply chain operating margin decreased 0.7 percentage points in 2011 due primarily to higher commodity prices, including cheese and meats, as well as higher fuel costs. Increases in certain food prices, including cheese, have a negative effect on the domestic supply chain operating margin percentage due to the fixed dollar margin earned by domestic supply chain on certain food items. Had the 2011 cheese prices been in effect during 2010, the domestic supply chain operating margin as a percentage of domestic supply chain revenues would have been approximately 10.8% for 2010 versus the reported 11.1%.

General and administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses increased \$0.5 million or 0.2% in 2011. General and administrative expenses were negatively impacted by \$8.1 million in 2011 due to higher expenses incurred related to the in-sourcing of certain services, such as online ordering and a call center. We operate these services as long-term cost recovery initiatives, and accordingly, we experienced an increase in domestic franchise revenues for these services paid by franchisees. General and administrative expenses for 2011 were positively impacted by lower expenses in our supply chain operations. Further, general and administrative expenses benefited from lower variable performance-based bonuses of \$4.1 million in 2011 versus 2010 and by approximately \$2.8 million primarily related to the sale of certain Company-owned operations. As a percentage of total revenues, general and administrative expenses decreased 0.6 percentage points to 12.8% in 2011.

Interest income. Interest income increased \$0.1 million to \$0.3 million in 2011. This increase was primarily due to higher invested amounts of restricted and unrestricted cash and cash equivalents in 2011 versus 2010.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased \$5.2 million to \$91.6 million in 2011. The interest expense comparison benefited from the write-off of deferred financing fees and payment of insurance fees in connection with debt repurchases in 2010 of approximately \$1.8 million in 2010. Additionally, interest expense decreased in 2011 due to lower debt balances attributable to our debt repurchases in 2010.

Our cash borrowing rate was 5.9% in 2011 and 2010. Our average outstanding debt balance, excluding capital lease obligations, was approximately \$1.4 billion in 2011 and approximately \$1.5 billion in 2010.

Other. The other amount of \$7.8 million in 2010 represents the net gains recognized on the repurchase and retirement of principal on the fixed rate notes.

Provision for income taxes. Provision for income taxes increased \$11.4 million to \$62.4 million in 2011, due primarily to higher pre-tax income and a higher effective tax rate. The Company's effective income tax rate increased 0.5 percentage points to 37.2% of pre-tax income in 2011. The effective tax rate for 2010 was positively impacted by reserve adjustments related to a state income tax matter.

2010 compared to 2009

(tabular amounts in millions, except percentages)

Revenues. Consolidated revenues increased \$166.8 million or 11.9% in 2010. This increase in revenues was due primarily to higher domestic supply chain revenues resulting from increased volumes and higher commodity prices, including cheese, higher same store sales domestically and abroad and international store count growth. These increases in 2010 were offset in part by the inclusion of the 53rd week in 2009, which positively impacted revenues by approximately \$34.4 million in 2009. These changes in revenues are more fully described below.

Domestic stores. Domestic stores revenues are summarized in the following table.

	2009	2010	
Domestic Company-owned stores	\$335.8	68.0%	\$345.6
Domestic franchise	157.8	32.0%	173.3
Total domestic stores revenues	<u>\$493.6</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$519.0</u>
	<u>100.0%</u>		<u>100.0%</u>

Domestic stores revenues increased \$25.4 million or 5.2% in 2010. This increase was due primarily to higher domestic Company-owned and franchise same store sales. The increase was offset in part by the estimated \$11.8 million positive impact in 2009 related to the inclusion of the 53rd week. These results are more fully described below.

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Domestic Company-owned stores. Revenues from domestic Company-owned store operations increased \$9.8 million or 2.9% in 2010. This increase was due to a 9.7% increase in same store sales compared to 2009, offset in part by a decrease in the average number of Company-owned stores open during 2010 and the estimated \$8.2 million positive impact in 2009 related to the inclusion of the 53rd week. There were 466 domestic Company-owned stores in operation as of January 3, 2010 and 454 domestic Company-owned stores in operation as of January 2, 2011.

Domestic franchise. Revenues from domestic franchise operations increased \$15.5 million or 9.9% in 2010. This increase was due primarily to a 10.0% increase in same store sales compared to 2009 and an increase in fees for other services paid by franchisees, offset in part by the estimated \$3.6 million positive impact in 2009 related to the inclusion of the 53rd week. There were 4,461 domestic franchise stores in operation as of January 3, 2010 and 4,475 domestic franchise stores in operation as of January 2, 2011.

Domestic supply chain. Revenues from domestic supply chain operations increased \$111.8 million or 14.6% in 2010. This increase was due primarily to higher volumes related to growth in domestic retail sales and an increase in overall commodity prices, including cheese and meats, partially offset by the estimated \$19.2 million positive impact in 2009 related to the inclusion of the 53rd week. Cheese prices positively impacted revenues by approximately \$16.4 million in 2010.

International. International revenues consist of royalties from our international franchise stores and international supply chain sales. Revenues from international operations increased \$29.6 million or 20.2% in 2010. This increase was due primarily to higher international royalty and other revenues and higher international supply chain revenues. This increase was positively impacted by approximately \$9.9 million related to changes in foreign currency exchange rates and was negatively impacted by the inclusion of the 53rd week in 2009, which positively impacted total international revenues in 2009 by approximately \$3.5 million. These changes in international revenues are more fully described below.

	2009	2010	
International royalty and other	\$ 77.4	52.7%	\$ 91.3
International supply chain	<u>69.4</u>	<u>47.3%</u>	<u>85.1</u>
Total international revenues	<u>\$146.8</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$176.4</u>
	<u>100.0%</u>		<u>100.0%</u>

International royalty and other. Revenues from international royalties and other increased \$13.9 million or 18.1% in 2010. This increase was due primarily to higher same store sales and an increase in the average number of international stores open during 2010, as well as the positive impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates of approximately \$3.1 million in 2010. On a constant dollar basis (which excludes the impact of foreign currency exchange rates), same store sales increased 6.9% in 2010 compared to 2009. On a historical dollar basis (which includes the impact of foreign currency exchange rates), same store sales increased 11.4% in 2010 compared to 2009. The variance in our same store sales on a constant dollar basis versus a historical dollar basis in 2010 was caused by the weakening of the U.S. dollar compared to the currencies in the international markets in which we compete. There were 4,072 international stores in operation as of January 3, 2010 and 4,422 international stores in operation as of January 2, 2011.

International supply chain. Revenues from international supply chain operations increased \$15.7 million or 22.5% in 2010. This increase was due primarily to higher volumes and the positive impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates of approximately \$6.8 million in 2010.

Cost of sales / Operating margin. The consolidated operating margin increased \$51.6 million or 13.3% in 2010, as summarized in the following table.

	2009	2010	
Consolidated revenues	\$1,404.1	100.0%	\$1,570.9
Consolidated cost of sales	<u>1,017.1</u>	<u>72.4%</u>	<u>1,132.3</u>
Consolidated operating margin	<u>\$ 387.0</u>	<u>27.6%</u>	<u>\$ 438.6</u>
	<u>27.9%</u>		<u>27.9%</u>

The \$51.6 million increase in consolidated operating margin was due primarily to higher franchise royalty revenues as a result of strong global retail sales and higher volumes and margins in our domestic supply chain and domestic Company-owned store businesses (both as described in more detail below). Additionally, the increase in the consolidated operating margin was offset in part by the estimated \$10.4 million positive impact in 2009 related to the inclusion of the 53rd week. Franchise revenues do not have a cost of sales component and, as such, changes in franchise revenues have a disproportionate effect on the consolidated operating margin.

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As a percentage of total revenues, our consolidated operating margin increased 0.3 percentage points in 2010, primarily as a result of lower cost of sales as a percentage of revenues in our domestic supply chain and Company-owned store operations due primarily to increased volumes, as discussed below, offset in part by an increase in overall commodity prices, including cheese and meats. Changes in the operating margin at our domestic Company-owned store operations and our domestic supply chain operations are more fully described below.

Domestic Company-owned stores. The domestic Company-owned store operating margin increased \$6.0 million or 9.8% in 2010, as summarized in the following table.

	2009	2010	
Revenues	\$ 335.8	100.0%	\$ 345.6
Cost of sales	274.5	81.7%	278.3
Store operating margin	<u>\$ 61.3</u>	<u>18.3%</u>	<u>\$ 67.3</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>19.5%</u>

The \$6.0 million increase in the domestic Company-owned store operating margin was due primarily to higher same store sales, lower labor and related expenses and lower occupancy expenses, offset in part by an increase in overall commodity prices, including cheese and meats and the estimated \$2.4 million positive impact in 2009 related to the inclusion of the 53rd week. As a percentage of store revenues, the store operating margin increased 1.2 percentage points in 2010, as discussed in more detail below.

As a percentage of store revenues, food costs increased 1.6 percentage points to 27.4% in 2010, due primarily to higher cheese and meat prices, a slight increase in the product costs for our improved pizza and the negative impact of a lower average customer price paid per order during 2010. The cheese block price per pound averaged \$1.50 in 2010 compared to \$1.29 in 2009.

As a percentage of store revenues, labor and related costs decreased 1.7 percentage points to 30.6% in 2010, due primarily to efficiencies obtained with higher same store sales and lower average labor rates in fiscal 2010, offset in part by the impact of a lower average customer price paid per order during 2010.

As a percentage of store revenues, occupancy costs, which include rent, telephone, utilities and depreciation, decreased 1.3 percentage points to 10.9% in 2010 primarily resulting from leveraging these fixed expenses with the higher same store sales.

As a percentage of store revenues, insurance costs increased 0.1 percentage points to 3.6% in 2010, due primarily to adverse development of certain historical casualty insurance claims, offset in part by lower health insurance expenses.

Domestic supply chain. The domestic supply chain operating margin increased \$13.7 million or 16.4% in 2010, as summarized in the following table.

	2009	2010	
Revenues	\$ 763.7	100.0%	\$ 875.5
Cost of sales	680.4	89.1%	778.5
Domestic supply chain operating margin	<u>\$ 83.3</u>	<u>10.9%</u>	<u>\$ 97.0</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>11.1%</u>

The \$13.7 million increase in the domestic supply chain operating margin was due primarily to higher volumes as a result of increases in domestic retail sales, offset in part by the estimated \$2.3 million positive impact in 2009 related to the inclusion of the 53rd week in 2009.

As a percentage of domestic supply chain revenues, the domestic supply chain operating margin increased 0.2 percentage points in 2010 due primarily to higher volumes, offset in part by higher commodity prices, including cheese and meats, as well as higher fuel costs. Increases in certain food prices, including cheese, have a negative effect on the domestic supply chain operating margin percentage due to the fixed dollar margin earned by domestic supply chain on certain food items, including cheese. Had the 2010 cheese prices been in effect during 2009, the domestic supply chain operating margin as a percentage of domestic supply chain revenues would have been approximately 10.7% for 2009 versus the reported 10.9%.

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General and administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses increased \$13.4 million or 6.8% in 2010, due primarily to higher variable general and administrative expenses, including \$9.5 million of higher performance based bonus expenses as a result of our strong operating performance, continued investments in domestic and international growth initiatives and the negative impact of the \$2.0 million of net proceeds received in 2009 from an insurance settlement. Additionally, general and administrative expenses increased approximately \$3.5 million as a result of insourcing certain functions, including our online ordering platform and a call center in 2010. General and administrative expenses were positively impacted by the effect of approximately \$4.9 million of expenses incurred in 2009 in connection with the Company's equity incentive plan changes, approximately \$3.7 million of additional expenses in 2009, primarily labor and advertising, related to the inclusion of the 53rd week and operating fewer domestic Company-owned stores in 2010. As a percentage of total revenues, general and administrative expenses decreased 0.7 percentage points to 13.4% in 2010.

Interest income. Interest income decreased \$0.5 million to \$0.2 million in 2010. This decrease was primarily due to lower interest rates earned in 2010 on the Company's restricted and unrestricted cash and cash equivalents.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased \$14.1 million to \$96.8 million in 2010. This decrease in interest expense was due primarily to lower debt balances, which resulted from the Company's debt repurchases. Additionally, the inclusion of the 53rd week in 2009 negatively impacted interest expense by approximately \$1.9 million in 2009.

Our cash borrowing rate was 5.9% in 2010 and was 6.0% in 2009. Our average outstanding debt balance, excluding capital lease obligations, was approximately \$1.5 billion in 2010 versus approximately \$1.6 billion in 2009.

Other. The other amount of \$7.8 million in 2010 represents the net gains recognized on the repurchase and retirement of principal on the fixed rate notes. This compared to gains recognized on the repurchase and retirement of principal on the fixed rate notes of \$56.3 million in 2009.

Provision for income taxes. Provision for income taxes decreased \$4.8 million to \$51.0 million in 2010, due primarily to a lower effective tax rate. The Company's effective income tax rate decreased 4.5 percentage points to 36.7% of pre-tax income in 2010. This effective rate decrease was due primarily to the positive impact of reserve adjustments related to a state income tax matter combined with the benefit from changes made to our overall tax structure.

Liquidity and capital resources

As of January 1, 2012, we had working capital of \$37.1 million, excluding restricted cash and cash equivalents of \$92.6 million and including total unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of \$50.3 million. Historically, we have operated with minimal positive working capital or negative working capital primarily because our receivable collection periods and inventory turn rates are faster than the normal payment terms on our current liabilities. We generally collect our receivables within three weeks from the date of the related sale, and we generally experience 30 to 40 inventory turns per year. In addition, our sales are not typically seasonal, which further limits our working capital requirements. These factors, coupled with the use of our ongoing cash flows from operations to service our debt obligations, invest in our business and repurchase our fixed rate notes and our common stock, reduce our working capital amounts. As of January 1, 2012, the Company had approximately \$41.3 million of cash held in trust or as collateral for outstanding letters of credit (primarily relating to our insurance programs and supply chain center leases), \$38.4 million of cash held for future interest payments, \$6.6 million of cash held in interest reserves, \$6.0 million of cash held for capitalization of certain subsidiaries and \$0.3 million of other restricted cash, for a total of \$92.6 million of restricted cash and cash equivalents.

As of January 1, 2012, we had approximately \$1.45 billion of total debt, of which \$0.9 million was classified as a current liability. Our primary source of liquidity is cash flows from operations. During fiscal 2010, the Company borrowed an additional \$2.4 million under its variable funding note facility and is now fully drawn on the \$60.0 million facility. Our securitized debt requires interest-only payments until April 2012. This interest-only period can be extended for two one-year periods if the Company meets certain requirements in each of April 2012 and April 2013. Based on our financial results for fiscal 2011, the Company currently exceeds the required threshold for extension that would be evaluated in each of April 2012 and April 2013. Management currently expects to have the option to take advantage of these interest-only periods at the extension assessment dates and would plan to exercise those extensions if a refinancing was not completed prior to the extension dates.

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During the third quarter of 2011, the Company announced its intention to refinance its existing securitized debt. In connection with the proposed early refinancing, the Company incurred approximately \$7.6 million of fees during fiscal 2011, of which approximately \$7.4 million were recorded as a deferred financing cost asset in the consolidated balance sheet. Due to volatility in the financial markets, the Company later announced its intention to postpone the refinancing. Upon the completion of the expected refinancing, the deferred financing fees incurred plus any incremental fees will be amortized over the expected term of the new securitized debt. Should the Company determine that it is no longer likely that the refinancing will be completed as originally structured, some, or all, of these fees may be required to be expensed at that time.

During 2011, the Company made no repurchases of its outstanding fixed rate notes. During 2010, the Company used a combination of cash on hand and cash flows from operations to fund the repurchase and retirement of \$100.0 million in principal amount of its senior fixed rate notes and approximately \$23.9 million of its subordinated fixed rate notes for a combined purchase price of approximately \$116.6 million, including \$0.5 million of accrued interest. Including the repurchases made in fiscal 2009 and 2010, the Company has repurchased and retired a total of \$313.1 million of principal of its outstanding fixed rate notes for a total purchase price of approximately \$250.6 million, including \$1.5 million of accrued interest.

The Company has a Board of Directors approved open market share repurchase program of the Company's common stock, which was reset during the third quarter of 2011 at \$200.0 million. The open market share repurchase program has historically been funded by excess cash flows and borrowings available under the variable funding notes. The Company used cash of approximately \$5.4 million and \$165.0 million in 2010 and 2011, respectively, for share repurchases under this program. The Company has approximately \$82.3 million left under the \$200.0 million authorization as of January 1, 2012. The Company did not repurchase any of its common shares in 2009 as it focused on reducing outstanding fixed rate notes. The Company expects to continue to use available unrestricted cash and cash equivalents and ongoing excess cash flow generation to, among other things, repurchase shares under the current authorized program.

During 2011, the Company experienced an increase in both domestic and international same store sales versus 2010. The same store sales were strong given that we were rolling over significant same store sales growth in 2010. These results demonstrate the sustained improvement in our domestic business and the consistent and reliable growth of our international business segment. Additionally, our international business continued to grow store count at a record pace in 2011. All of these factors have contributed to the Company's continued ability to generate positive operating cash flows. We expect to use our unrestricted cash and cash equivalents and ongoing cash flows from operations to fund working capital requirements, invest in our core business, reduce our long-term debt and repurchase our common stock. We have historically funded our working capital requirements, capital expenditures, debt repayments and repurchases of common stock primarily from our cash flows from operations and, on occasion, our available borrowings under the variable funding notes. Management believes its current unrestricted cash and cash equivalents balance and its expected ongoing cash flows from operations will be sufficient to fund operations for the foreseeable future.

We expect capital expenditures of approximately \$25.0 million to \$35.0 million in fiscal 2012. These capital expenditures primarily relate to investments in existing Company-owned stores and supply chain centers as well as investments in our proprietary internally developed point-of-sale system (Domino's PULSE™), our digital ordering platform and other technology initiatives; all of which we feel are necessary to sustain and grow our business. We did not have any material commitments for capital expenditures as of January 1, 2012.

Cash provided by operating activities was \$153.1 million in 2011, \$128.3 million in 2010 and \$101.3 million in 2009. The \$24.8 million increase in 2011 versus 2010 was due primarily to a \$13.4 million net change in operating assets and liabilities, due primarily to the timing of payments on current operating liabilities and an \$11.4 million increase in net income excluding non-cash adjustments. The \$27.0 million increase in 2010 versus 2009 was due primarily to a \$32.9 million increase in net income excluding non-cash adjustments. This was offset in part by a \$5.9 million net change in operating assets and liabilities, due primarily to the timing of payments on current operating liabilities. We are focused on continually improving our net income and cash flow from operations. As noted above, we generated \$153.1 million of cash from our operating activities. Even after deducting our \$24.3 million of capital expenditures, we generated a substantial amount of excess cash in 2011, some of which was deployed on other activities, including repurchases of our common stock or similar uses of cash. Management expects to continue to generate positive cash flows from operating activities for the foreseeable future.

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Cash used in investing activities was \$26.9 million in 2011, \$18.4 million in 2010 and \$32.9 million in 2009. The \$8.5 million increase in 2011 versus 2010 was due primarily to a \$12.7 million change in restricted cash and cash equivalents, offset in part by a \$3.3 million increase in proceeds from the sale of assets, resulting from the sale of certain Company-owned operations in 2011, and a \$1.1 million decrease in capital expenditures. The \$14.5 million decrease in 2010 versus 2009 was due primarily to a \$17.9 million change in restricted cash and cash equivalents, offset in part by a \$2.6 million increase in capital expenditures.

Cash used in financing activities was \$123.5 million in 2011, \$104.3 million in 2010 and \$70.8 million in 2009. The \$19.2 million increase in 2011 versus 2010 was due primarily to a \$159.6 million increase in purchases of common stock, \$3.8 million cash paid for financing costs in 2011 and a \$2.4 million increase in tax payments for restricted stock. These increases were offset in part by a \$115.9 million decrease in repayments of long-term debt and capital lease obligations, a \$24.1 million increase in the proceeds from exercise of stock options and a \$13.5 million increase in the tax impact of our equity-based compensation. The \$33.5 million increase in 2010 versus 2009 was due primarily to a \$58.1 million decrease in proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, offset in part by a \$19.9 million decrease in repayments of long-term debt and capital lease obligations.

Based upon the current level of operations and anticipated growth, we believe that the cash generated from operations and our current unrestricted cash and cash equivalents will be adequate to meet our anticipated debt service requirements, capital expenditures and working capital needs for the foreseeable future. Our ability to continue to fund these items and continue to reduce debt could be adversely affected by the occurrence of any of the events described in Item 1A. Risk Factors. There can be no assurance, however, that our business will generate sufficient cash flows from operations or that future borrowings will be available under the variable funding notes or otherwise to enable us to service our indebtedness, or to make anticipated capital expenditures. Our future operating performance and our ability to service, extend or refinance the fixed rate notes and to service, extend or refinance the variable funding notes will be subject to future economic conditions and to financial, business and other factors, many of which are beyond our control.

Impact of inflation

We believe that our results of operations are not materially impacted by moderate changes in the inflation rate. Inflation did not have a material impact on our operations in 2009, 2010 or 2011. Severe increases in inflation, however, could affect the global and U.S. economies and could have an adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Further discussion on the impact of commodities and other cost pressures is included above as well as in Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

New accounting pronouncements

In June 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) amended the guidance for the presentation of comprehensive income. The amended guidance eliminates certain options for presenting comprehensive income but does not change which components of comprehensive income are recognized in net income or other comprehensive income. The amended guidance is intended to enhance comparability between entities that report under generally accepted accounting principles and those that report under international financial reporting standards. This guidance will be effective for the Company's fiscal year ending December 30, 2012. The Company has determined that this new guidance will not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In September 2011, the FASB amended the guidance on the annual testing of goodwill for impairment. The amended guidance will allow companies to assess qualitative factors to determine if it is more-likely-than-not that goodwill might be impaired and whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test required under current accounting standards. This guidance will be effective for the Company's fiscal year ending December 30, 2012, with early adoption permitted. The Company has determined that this new guidance will not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

Other accounting standards that have been issued by the FASB or other standards-setting bodies that do not require adoption until a future date are not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

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Contractual obligations

The following is a summary of our significant contractual obligations at January 1, 2012.

(dollars in millions)	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>Thereafter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Long-term debt (1):							
Principal (2)	\$ —	\$ —	\$1,446.9	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$1,446.9
Interest (3)	88.3	88.5	28.2	—	—	—	205.0
Capital leases (2)	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.2	5.6
Operating leases (4)	36.3	30.3	18.9	15.4	11.0	19.6	131.5

- (1) The maturity date of the long-term debt noted within the table above reflects the Company's expected repayment date of April 25, 2014, rather than the legal maturity date of April 27, 2037. In the event that the fixed rate notes are not repaid in full by April 25, 2012 and certain covenants are met, the Company has the option to extend the maturities of the fixed rate notes for two one-year terms at interest rates that will be higher than the current stated rates by at least 0.25%, depending on the then current LIBOR rates and the Company's performance against certain covenants. During the extension periods, partial principal repayments may be due depending on performance against certain covenants. Following the extension periods, or if the Company does not qualify for the extensions in 2012 and 2013, all cash generated by the Company less a specific amount allocated to the Company as a servicing fee must be used to pay down outstanding principal and interest rates may be higher than previous extension periods. As of January 1, 2012, the Company believes it will qualify for these extensions.
- (2) The long-term debt contractual obligations included above differ from the long-term debt amounts reported in our consolidated financial statements as the above amounts do not include the effect of unamortized debt discounts of approximately \$16,000 at January 1, 2012. Additionally, the principal portion of the capital lease obligation amounts above, which totaled \$4.4 million at January 1, 2012, are classified as debt in our consolidated financial statements.
- (3) The interest rate on our variable funding notes is based primarily on a current commercial paper rate plus 0.5%. The interest rate on Class A-2 notes is fixed at 5.261% per year. The interest rate on our Class M-1 notes is fixed at 7.269%. If the securitized debt is extended, interest rates will be higher than the current stated rates, by at least 0.25%.
- (4) We lease certain retail store and supply chain center locations, supply chain vehicles, various equipment and our World Resource Center, which is our corporate headquarters, under leases with expiration dates through 2022.

Liabilities for unrecognized tax benefits of \$3.5 million are excluded from the above table, as we are unable to make a reasonably reliable estimate of the amount and period of payment. For additional information on unrecognized tax benefits see Note 6 to the consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-K.

Off-balance sheet arrangements

We are party to letters of credit and, to a lesser extent, financial guarantees with off-balance sheet risk. Our exposure to credit loss for letters of credit and financial guarantees is represented by the contractual amounts of these instruments. Total conditional commitments under letters of credit as of January 1, 2012 were approximately \$39.7 million and relate to our insurance programs and supply chain center leases. The Company has restricted \$41.3 million of cash on its consolidated balance sheet as collateral for these letters of credit. The Company has also guaranteed borrowings of franchisees of approximately \$0.5 million as of January 1, 2012. Additionally, the Company has guaranteed lease payments related to certain franchisees' lease arrangements. The maximum amount of potential future payments under these guarantees is \$3.2 million as of January 1, 2012. We believe that none of these arrangements has or is likely to have a material effect on our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

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SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT UNDER THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995

This Annual Report on Form 10-K includes various forward-looking statements about the Company within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act") that are based on current management expectations that involve substantial risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from the results expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements. The following cautionary statements are being made pursuant to the provisions of the Act and with the intention of obtaining the benefits of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Act. Forward-looking statements include information concerning future results of operations, and business strategy. Also, statements that contain words such as "anticipate," "believe," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "predict," "project," "will," "potential," "outlook" and similar terms and phrases, including references to assumptions, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements relating to our anticipated profitability, the growth of our international business, ability to service our indebtedness, our intentions with respect to the extension of the interest-only period on our fixed rate notes, our operating performance, the anticipated success of our new core pizza product, trends in our business and other descriptions of future events reflect management's expectations based upon currently available information and data. While we believe these expectations and projections are based on reasonable assumptions, such forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions about us, including the risk factors listed under Item 1A. Risk Factors, as well as other cautionary language in this Form 10-K. Actual results may differ materially from those in the forward looking statements as a result of various factors, including but not limited to, the following:

- our substantial increased indebtedness as a result of the recapitalization in 2007 and our ability to incur additional indebtedness or refinance that indebtedness in the future;
- our future financial performance;
- the success of our marketing initiatives;
- our future cash needs;
- our ability to maintain good relationships with our franchisees;
- our ability to successfully implement cost-saving strategies;
- increases in our operating costs, including cheese, fuel and other commodity costs and the minimum wage;
- our ability to compete domestically and internationally in our intensely competitive industry;
- additional risk precipitated by international operations;
- our ability to retain or replace our executive officers and other key members of management and our ability to adequately staff our stores and supply chain centers with qualified personnel;
- our ability to pay principal and interest on our substantial debt;
- our ability to find and/or retain suitable real estate for our stores and supply chain centers;
- adverse legislation, regulation or publicity;
- adverse legal judgments or settlements;
- food-borne illness or contamination of products;
- data breaches or other cyber risks;
- the effect of war, terrorism or catastrophic events;
- our ability to pay dividends;
- changes in consumer taste, demographic trends and traffic patterns; and
- adequacy of insurance coverage.

All forward-looking statements should be evaluated with the understanding of their inherent uncertainty. We will not undertake and specifically decline any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events discussed in this Annual Report on Form 10-K might not occur.

Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Form 10-K. Except as required under federal securities laws and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, we do not have any intention to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances arising after the date of this Form 10-K, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. As a result of these risks and uncertainties, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements included in this Form 10-K or that may be made elsewhere from time to time by, or on behalf of, us. All forward-looking statements attributable to us are expressly qualified by these cautionary statements.

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Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Market risk

We do not engage in speculative transactions nor do we hold or issue financial instruments for trading purposes. In connection with the recapitalization in 2007, we issued fixed rate notes and, at January 1, 2012, we are only exposed to interest rate risk on borrowings under our variable funding notes. As of January 1, 2012, we had \$60.0 million outstanding under our variable funding note facility. Our fixed rate debt exposes the Company to changes in market interest rates reflected in the fair value of the debt and to the risk that the Company may need to refinance maturing debt with new debt at a higher rate.

We are exposed to market risks from changes in commodity prices. During the normal course of business, we purchase cheese and certain other food products that are affected by changes in commodity prices and, as a result, we are subject to volatility in our food costs. We may periodically enter into financial instruments to manage this risk. We do not engage in speculative transactions nor do we hold or issue financial instruments for trading purposes. In instances when we use forward pricing agreements with our suppliers, these agreements cover our physical commodity needs, are not net-settled and are accounted for as normal purchases.

Interest rate derivatives

From time to time we have entered into interest rate swaps, collars or similar instruments with the objective of managing volatility relating to our borrowing costs. We had no outstanding derivative instruments as of January 1, 2012.

Foreign currency exchange rate risk

We have exposure to various foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations for revenues generated by our operations outside the United States, which can adversely impact our net income and cash flows. Total revenues of approximately 10.5% in 2009, 11.2% in 2010 and 12.2% in 2011 were derived from sales to customers and royalties from franchisees outside the contiguous United States. This business is conducted in the local currency but royalty payments are generally remitted to us in U.S. dollars. We do not enter into financial instruments to manage this foreign currency exchange risk. A hypothetical 10% adverse change in the foreign currency rates in each of our top ten international markets, based on store count, would have resulted in a negative impact on revenues of approximately \$8.0 million in 2011.

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Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and Board of Directors
of Domino's Pizza, Inc.:

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements listed in the index appearing under Item 15(a)(1) present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Domino's Pizza, Inc. and its subsidiaries at January 1, 2012 and January 2, 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended January 1, 2012 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statement schedules listed in the index appearing under Item 15(a)(2) present fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related consolidated financial statements. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of January 1, 2012, based on criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements and financial statement schedules, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, appearing under Item 9(A). Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements, on the financial statement schedules, and on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our integrated 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 audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

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 (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) 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 (iii) 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.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Detroit, Michigan
February 28, 2012

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
<u>ASSETS</u>		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 47,945	\$ 50,292
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	85,530	92,612
Accounts receivable, net of reserves of \$6,436 in 2010 and \$5,446 in 2011	80,410	87,200
Inventories	26,998	30,702
Notes receivable, net of reserves of \$479 in 2010 and \$324 in 2011	1,509	945
Prepaid expenses and other	9,760	12,232
Advertising fund assets, restricted	36,134	36,281
Deferred income taxes	16,752	16,579
Total current assets	<u>305,038</u>	<u>326,843</u>
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT:		
Land and buildings	23,211	23,714
Leasehold and other improvements	83,451	79,518
Equipment	175,125	171,726
Construction in progress	4,028	6,052
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(188,431)	(188,610)
Property, plant and equipment, net	<u>97,384</u>	<u>92,400</u>
OTHER ASSETS:		
Investments in marketable securities, restricted	1,193	1,538
Notes receivable, less current portion, net of reserves of \$1,088 in 2010 and \$1,735 in 2011	2,668	5,070
Deferred financing costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$21,918 in 2010 and \$25,590 in 2011	12,274	16,051
Goodwill	17,356	16,649
Capitalized software, net of accumulated amortization of \$49,829 in 2010 and \$51,274 in 2011	7,788	8,176
Other assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$3,772 in 2010 and \$4,070 in 2011	8,490	8,958
Deferred income taxes	8,646	4,858
Total other assets	<u>58,415</u>	<u>61,300</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 460,837</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 480,543</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Continued)

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
<u>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT</u>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 835	\$ 904
Accounts payable	56,602	69,714
Accrued compensation	27,418	21,691
Accrued interest	16,028	15,775
Insurance reserves	13,767	13,023
Legal reserves	6,648	10,069
Advertising fund liabilities	36,134	36,281
Other accrued liabilities	28,694	29,718
Total current liabilities	186,126	197,175
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:		
Long-term debt, less current portion	1,451,321	1,450,369
Insurance reserves	17,438	21,334
Deferred income taxes	—	5,021
Other accrued liabilities	16,603	16,383
Total long-term liabilities	1,485,362	1,493,107
Total liabilities	1,671,488	1,690,282
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT:		
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 170,000,000 shares authorized; 60,139,061 in 2010 and 57,741,208 in 2011 issued and outstanding	601	577
Preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 5,000,000 shares authorized, none issued	—	—
Additional paid-in capital	45,532	—
Retained deficit	(1,254,044)	(1,207,915)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,740)	(2,401)
Total stockholders' deficit	(1,210,651)	(1,209,739)
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	\$ 460,837	\$ 480,543

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	For the Years Ended		
	January 3, 2010	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
REVENUES:			
Domestic Company-owned stores	\$ 335,779	\$ 345,636	\$ 336,349
Domestic franchise	157,780	173,345	187,007
Domestic supply chain	763,733	875,517	927,904
International	146,765	176,396	200,933
Total revenues	<u>1,404,057</u>	<u>1,570,894</u>	<u>1,652,193</u>
COST OF SALES:			
Domestic Company-owned stores	274,474	278,297	267,066
Domestic supply chain	680,427	778,510	831,665
International	62,180	75,498	82,946
Total cost of sales	<u>1,017,081</u>	<u>1,132,305</u>	<u>1,181,677</u>
OPERATING MARGIN			
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE	197,467	210,887	211,371
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	<u>189,509</u>	<u>227,702</u>	<u>259,145</u>
INTEREST INCOME	683	244	296
INTEREST EXPENSE	(110,945)	(96,810)	(91,635)
OTHER	56,275	7,809	—
INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	<u>135,522</u>	<u>138,945</u>	<u>167,806</u>
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	55,778	51,028	62,445
NET INCOME	<u>\$ 79,744</u>	<u>\$ 87,917</u>	<u>\$ 105,361</u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE:			
Common Stock – basic	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.79
Common Stock – diluted	\$ 1.38	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.71

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(In thousands)

	For the Years Ended		
	January 3, 2010	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
NET INCOME	\$79,744	\$87,917	\$105,361
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME, BEFORE TAX:			
Currency translation adjustment	296	(34)	(380)
Reclassification adjustment for losses included in net income	1,790	2,837	2,518
	<u>2,086</u>	<u>2,803</u>	<u>2,138</u>
TAX ATTRIBUTES OF ITEMS IN OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME:			
Currency translation adjustment	(171)	(359)	(842)
Reclassification adjustment for losses included in net income	(680)	(1,078)	(957)
	<u>(851)</u>	<u>(1,437)</u>	<u>(1,799)</u>
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME, NET OF TAX			
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	<u>1,235</u>	<u>1,366</u>	<u>339</u>
	<u>\$80,979</u>	<u>\$89,283</u>	<u>\$105,700</u>

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT

(In thousands, except share data)

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Deficit	Currency Translation Adjustment	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Fair Value of Derivative Instruments
	Shares	Amount	\$ 1,853	\$ (1,421,705)	\$ (430)	\$ (4,911)	
BALANCE AT DECEMBER 28, 2008	56,984,155	\$ 570	\$ 1,853	\$ (1,421,705)			
Net income	—	—	—	79,744	—	—	—
Issuance of common stock	1,365,903	14	4,362	—	—	—	—
Exercise of stock options	222,801	2	756	—	—	—	—
Tax impact from equity-based compensation	—	—	383	—	—	—	—
Non-cash compensation expense	—	—	17,254	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	(121)	—	—	—	—
Currency translation adjustment, net of tax	—	—	—	—	125	—	—
Reclassification adjustment for losses on derivative instruments included in net income, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	1,110	—
BALANCE AT JANUARY 3, 2010	58,572,859	586	24,487	(1,341,961)	(305)		(3,801)
Net income	—	—	—	87,917	—	—	—
Issuance of common stock, net	927,620	9	4,539	—	—	—	—
Common stock effectively repurchased for required employee withholding taxes	(93,501)	(1)	(1,081)	—	—	—	—
Purchase of common stock	(343,884)	(3)	(5,381)	—	—	—	—
Exercise of stock options	1,075,967	10	9,440	—	—	—	—
Tax impact from equity-based compensation	—	—	2,100	—	—	—	—
Non-cash compensation expense	—	—	13,370	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	(1,942)	—	—	—	—
Currency translation adjustment, net of tax	—	—	—	—	(393)	—	—
Reclassification adjustment for losses on derivative instruments included in net income, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	1,759	—
BALANCE AT JANUARY 2, 2011	60,139,061	601	45,532	(1,254,044)	(698)		(2,042)
Net income	—	—	—	105,361	—	—	—
Issuance of common stock, net	403,362	4	563	—	—	—	—
Common stock effectively repurchased for required employee withholding taxes	(160,165)	(2)	(3,502)	—	—	—	—
Purchase of common stock	(6,414,813)	(64)	(105,711)	(59,232)	—	—	—
Exercise of stock options	3,773,763	38	33,486	—	—	—	—
Tax impact from equity-based compensation	—	—	15,589	—	—	—	—
Non-cash compensation expense	—	—	13,954	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	89	—	—	—	—
Currency translation adjustment, net of tax	—	—	—	—	(1,222)	—	—
Reclassification adjustment for losses on derivative instruments included in net income, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	1,561	—
BALANCE AT JANUARY 1, 2012	57,741,208	\$ 577	\$ —	\$ (1,207,915)	\$ (1,920)		\$ (481)

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(In thousands)

	For the Years Ended		
	January 3, 2010	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income	\$ 79,744	\$ 87,917	\$ 105,361
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities-			
Depreciation and amortization	24,064	24,052	24,042
Gains on debt extinguishment	(56,275)	(7,809)	—
(Gains) losses on sale/disposal of assets	1,843	403	(2,436)
Provision for losses on accounts and notes receivable	1,542	64	1,428
Provision for deferred income taxes	19,476	6,027	8,169
Amortization of deferred financing costs, debt discount and other	9,621	7,837	6,190
Non-cash compensation expense	17,254	13,370	13,954
Tax impact from equity-based compensation	(383)	(2,100)	(15,589)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities-			
Increase in accounts receivable	(7,235)	(3,395)	(7,713)
Increase in inventories, prepaid expenses and other	(1,050)	(2,357)	(4,904)
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	16,669	518	21,419
Increase (decrease) in insurance reserves	(3,996)	3,798	3,152
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>101,274</u>	<u>128,325</u>	<u>153,073</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Capital expenditures	(22,870)	(25,421)	(24,349)
Proceeds from sale of assets	3,730	2,737	6,031
Change in restricted cash	(12,270)	5,611	(7,082)
Other	(1,481)	(1,307)	(1,541)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(32,891)</u>	<u>(18,380)</u>	<u>(26,941)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	60,995	2,861	—
Repayments of long-term debt and capital lease obligations	(136,679)	(116,760)	(890)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	4,376	4,548	563
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	758	9,450	33,524
Tax impact from equity-based compensation	383	2,100	15,589
Purchase of common stock	—	(5,384)	(165,007)
Tax payments for restricted stock	—	(1,082)	(3,504)
Cash paid for financing costs	(552)	—	(3,760)
Other	(77)	—	—
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(70,796)</u>	<u>(104,267)</u>	<u>(123,485)</u>
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	<u>(567)</u>	<u>(125)</u>	<u>(300)</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	<u>(2,980)</u>	<u>5,553</u>	<u>2,347</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	45,372	42,392	47,945
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, AT END OF PERIOD	\$ 42,392	\$ 47,945	\$ 50,292

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Business

Domino's Pizza, Inc. ("DPI"), a Delaware corporation, conducts its operations and derives substantially all of its operating income and cash flows through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Domino's, Inc. (Domino's) and Domino's wholly-owned subsidiary, Domino's Pizza LLC ("DPLLC"). DPI and its wholly-owned subsidiaries (collectively, "the Company") are primarily engaged in the following business activities: (i) retail sales of food through Company-owned Domino's Pizza stores; (ii) sales of food, equipment and supplies to Company-owned and franchised Domino's Pizza stores through Company-owned supply chain centers; and (iii) receipt of royalties from domestic and international Domino's Pizza franchisees.

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of DPI and its subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Fiscal Year

The Company's fiscal year ends on the Sunday closest to December 31. The 2009 fiscal year ended January 3, 2010, the 2010 fiscal year ended January 2, 2011, and the 2011 fiscal year ended January 1, 2012. The 2010 and 2011 fiscal years each consisted of fifty-two weeks, while the 2009 fiscal year consisted of fifty-three weeks.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase. These investments are carried at cost, which approximates fair value.

Restricted Cash

Restricted cash at January 1, 2012 includes \$38.4 million of cash held for future interest payments, \$41.3 million of cash held in trust or as collateral for outstanding letters of credit, \$6.6 million of cash held in interest reserves, \$6.0 million cash held for capitalization of entities, and \$0.3 million of other restricted cash.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost (on a first-in, first-out basis) or market. Inventories at January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012 are comprised of the following (in thousands):

	2010	2011
Food	\$23,134	\$27,788
Equipment and supplies	3,864	2,914
Inventories	<u>\$26,998</u>	<u>\$30,702</u>

Notes Receivable

During the normal course of business, the Company may provide financing to franchisees in the form of notes. Notes receivable generally require monthly payments of principal and interest, or monthly payments of interest only, generally ranging from 7% to 12%, with balloon payments of the remaining principal due two to seven years from the original issuance date. Such notes are generally secured by the related assets or business. The carrying amounts of these notes approximate fair value.

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Other Assets

Current and long-term other assets primarily include prepaid expenses such as insurance, rent and taxes, deposits, as well as covenants not-to-compete and other intangible assets primarily arising from franchise acquisitions. Amortization expense related to intangible assets for financial reporting purposes is provided using the straight-line method over the useful lives for covenants not-to-compete and other intangible assets and was approximately \$335,000, \$333,000 and \$333,000 in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. As of January 1, 2012, scheduled amortization of these assets for the next five fiscal years is approximately \$333,000 in each of 2012 and 2013, respectively and approximately \$51,000 in 2014. There is no scheduled amortization in fiscal years 2015 and 2016. The carrying value of intangible assets as of January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012 was approximately \$1.1 million and \$0.7 million, respectively.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Additions to property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost. Repair and maintenance costs are expensed as incurred. Depreciation and amortization expense for financial reporting purposes is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Estimated useful lives, other than the estimated useful life of the capital lease asset as described below, are generally as follows (in years):

Buildings	20
Leasehold and other improvements	7–15
Equipment	3–15

Included in land and buildings as of January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012 are capital lease assets of approximately \$4.4 million and \$3.5 million, which are net of \$3.3 million and \$4.2 million of accumulated amortization, respectively, primarily related to the lease of a supply chain center building, and to a lesser extent, leases of computer equipment. The capital lease assets are being amortized using the straight-line method over the lease terms.

Depreciation and amortization expense on property, plant and equipment was approximately \$21.8 million, \$21.5 million and \$20.1 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

Impairments of Long-Lived Assets

The Company evaluates the potential impairment of long-lived assets at least annually based on various analyses including the projection of undiscounted cash flows and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. For Company-owned stores, the Company performs this evaluation on an operating market basis, which the Company has determined to be the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of other cash flows. If the carrying amount of a long-lived asset exceeds the amount of the expected future undiscounted cash flows of that asset or the estimated fair value of the asset, an impairment loss is recognized and the asset is written down to its estimated fair value. The Company did not record an impairment loss on long-lived assets in 2009, 2010 or 2011.

Investments in Marketable Securities

Investments in marketable securities consist of investments in various mutual funds made by eligible individuals as part of the Company's deferred compensation plan (Note 7). These investments are stated at aggregate fair value, are restricted and have been placed in a rabbi trust whereby the amounts are irrevocably set aside to fund the Company's obligations under the deferred compensation plan. The Company classifies and accounts for these investments in marketable securities as trading securities.

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Deferred Financing Costs

Deferred financing costs primarily include debt issuance costs incurred by the Company as part of the 2007 Recapitalization (Note 4). Amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over the expected terms of the respective debt instruments to which the costs relate and is included in interest expense.

In connection with the proposed early refinancing (Note 4), the Company recorded approximately \$7.4 million of deferred financing costs as an asset in the consolidated balance sheets during 2011. Upon the completion of the expected refinancing, the deferred financing fees incurred plus any incremental fees will be amortized over the expected term of the new securitized debt. Should the Company determine that it is no longer likely that the refinancing will be completed as originally structured, some, or all, of these fees may be required to be expensed at that time.

In connection with the Company's repurchases and retirement of its Fixed Rate Notes (Note 4), the Company wrote-off financing costs of approximately \$2.3 million and \$1.2 million in 2009 and 2010, respectively. Deferred financing cost expense, including the aforementioned amounts, was approximately \$7.8 million, \$5.0 million and \$3.7 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

Goodwill

The Company's goodwill amounts primarily relate to franchise store acquisitions and are not amortized. The Company performs its required impairment tests in the fourth quarter of each fiscal year and did not recognize any goodwill impairment charges in 2009, 2010 or 2011.

Capitalized Software

Capitalized software is recorded at cost and includes purchased, internally-developed and externally-developed software used in the Company's operations. Amortization expense for financial reporting purposes is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the software, which range from one to three years. Capitalized software amortization expense was approximately \$1.9 million, \$2.3 million and \$3.6 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. The Company received \$2.7 million, \$1.9 million and \$2.5 million from franchisees from sales and enhancements of internally developed point-of-sale software during 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

Insurance Reserves

The Company has retention programs for workers' compensation, general liability and owned and non-owned automobile liabilities for certain periods prior to December 1998 and for periods after December 2001. The Company is generally responsible for up to \$1.0 million per occurrence under these retention programs for workers' compensation and general liability exposures. The Company is also generally responsible for between \$500,000 and \$3.0 million per occurrence under these retention programs for owned and non-owned automobile liabilities depending on the year. Total insurance limits under these retention programs vary depending on the year covered and range up to \$110.0 million per occurrence for general liability and owned and non-owned automobile liabilities and up to the applicable statutory limits for workers' compensation.

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Insurance reserves relating to our retention programs are based on undiscounted actuarial estimates. These estimates are based on historical information and on certain assumptions about future events. Changes in assumptions for such factors as medical costs and legal actions, as well as changes in actual experience, could cause these estimates to change in the near term. The Company receives an annual estimate of outstanding insurance exposures from its independent actuary and differences between these estimated actuarial exposures and the Company's recorded amounts are adjusted as appropriate.

Other Accrued Liabilities

Current and long-term other accrued liabilities primarily include accruals for sales, property and other taxes, store operating expenses, deferred rent expense and deferred compensation liabilities.

Foreign Currency Translation

The Company's foreign entities use their local currency as the functional currency. Where the functional currency is the local currency, the Company translates net assets into U.S. dollars at year end exchange rates, while income and expense accounts are translated at average annual exchange rates. Currency translation adjustments are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in determining net income.

Revenue Recognition

Domestic Company-owned stores revenues are comprised of retail sales of food through Company-owned Domino's Pizza stores located in the contiguous United States and are recognized when the items are delivered to or carried out by customers.

Domestic franchise revenues are primarily comprised of royalties from Domino's Pizza franchisees with operations in the contiguous United States. Royalty revenues are recognized when the items are delivered to or carried out by franchise customers.

Domestic supply chain revenues are primarily comprised of sales of food, equipment and supplies to franchised Domino's Pizza stores located in the contiguous United States. Revenues from the sales of food are recognized upon delivery of the food to franchisees, while revenues from the sales of equipment and supplies are generally recognized upon shipment of the related products to franchisees.

International revenues are primarily comprised of sales of food to, and royalties from Domino's Pizza franchisees outside the contiguous United States. These revenues are recognized consistently with the policies applied for revenues generated in the contiguous United States.

Domestic Supply Chain Profit-Sharing Arrangements

The Company enters into profit-sharing arrangements with Domestic Stores (Note 11) that purchase all of their food from Company-owned supply chain centers. These profit-sharing arrangements generally provide participating stores with 50% (or a higher percentage in the case of Company-owned stores and certain franchisees who operate a larger number of stores) of their regional supply chain center's pre-tax profits based upon each store's purchases from the supply chain center. Profit-sharing obligations are recorded as a revenue reduction in Domestic Supply Chain (Note 11) in the same period as the related revenues and costs are recorded, and were \$55.4 million, \$62.8 million and \$62.5 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

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Advertising

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Advertising expense, which relates primarily to Company-owned stores, was approximately \$33.0 million, \$30.2 million and \$28.5 million during 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

Domestic Stores are required to contribute a certain percentage of sales to the Domino's National Advertising Fund Inc. (DNAF), a not-for-profit subsidiary that administers the Domino's Pizza system's national and market level advertising activities. Included in advertising expense were national advertising contributions from Company-owned stores to DNAF of approximately \$16.4 million, \$19.5 million and \$18.5 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. DNAF also received national advertising contributions from franchisees of approximately \$131.2 million, \$161.4 million and \$165.8 million during 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. Franchisee contributions to DNAF and offsetting disbursements are presented net in the accompanying statements of income.

DNAF assets, consisting primarily of cash received from franchisees and accounts receivable from franchisees, can only be used for activities that promote the Domino's Pizza brand. Accordingly, all assets held by the DNAF are considered restricted.

Rent

The Company leases certain equipment, vehicles, retail store and supply chain center locations and its corporate headquarters under operating leases with expiration dates through 2022. Rent expenses totaled approximately \$42.0 million, \$41.1 million and \$39.7 million during 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

Derivative Instruments

The Company recognizes all derivatives as either assets or liabilities in the balance sheet and measures those instruments at fair value. The Company had no outstanding derivative instruments as of January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012.

In connection with the 2007 Recapitalization, the Company entered into a five-year forward-starting interest rate swap agreement with a notional amount of \$1.25 billion. This interest rate swap was entered into to hedge the variability of future interest rates in contemplation of the recapitalization-related debt issuances. The Company subsequently settled the swap agreement with a cash payment of \$11.5 million, in accordance with its terms, concurrent with the issuance of debt as part of the 2007 Recapitalization. In connection with this settlement, the accumulated other comprehensive loss amount was adjusted for the after-tax net settlement amount of \$7.1 million which is being amortized into interest expense over the remaining term of the hedged item.

Stock Options and Other Equity-Based Compensation Arrangements

The cost of all of the Company's employee stock options, as well as other equity-based compensation arrangements, is reflected in the financial statements based on the estimated fair value of the awards.

Earnings Per Share

The Company discloses two calculations of earnings per share (EPS): basic EPS and diluted EPS. The numerator in calculating common stock basic and diluted EPS is consolidated net income. The denominator in calculating common stock basic EPS is the weighted average shares outstanding. The denominator in calculating common stock diluted EPS includes the additional dilutive effect of outstanding stock options and unvested restricted stock and unvested performance-based restricted stock grants.

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Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information

The Company paid interest of approximately \$99.2 million, \$88.8 million and \$85.0 million during 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. Cash paid for income taxes was approximately \$32.8 million, \$49.3 million and \$41.2 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) amended the guidance for the presentation of comprehensive income. The amended guidance eliminates certain options for presenting comprehensive income but does not change which components of comprehensive income are recognized in net income or other comprehensive income. The amended guidance is intended to enhance comparability between entities that report under generally accepted accounting principles and those that report under international financial reporting standards. This guidance will be effective for the Company's fiscal year ending December 30, 2012. The Company has determined that this new guidance will not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In September 2011, the FASB amended the guidance on the annual testing of goodwill for impairment. The amended guidance will allow companies to assess qualitative factors to determine if it is more-likely-than-not that goodwill might be impaired and whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test required under current accounting standards. This guidance will be effective for the Company's fiscal year ending December 30, 2012, with early adoption permitted. The Company has determined that this new guidance will not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

Other accounting standards that have been issued by the FASB or other standards-setting bodies that do not require adoption until a future date are not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(2) EARNINGS PER SHARE

The computation of basic and diluted earnings per common share is as follows (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	2009	2010	2011
Net income available to common stockholders—basic and diluted	<u>\$ 79,744</u>	<u>\$ 87,917</u>	<u>\$ 105,361</u>
Weighted average number of common shares	57,409,448	58,467,769	58,918,038
Earnings per common share – basic	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.79
Diluted weighted average number of common shares	57,827,697	60,815,898	61,653,519
Earnings per common share – diluted	\$ 1.38	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.71

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The denominator in calculating the common stock diluted EPS does not include 9,186,229 stock options in 2009, 674,710 stock options in 2010 and 206,800 stock options in 2011, as their inclusion would be anti-dilutive.

Under the FASB's authoritative guidance on participating securities, unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents, whether paid or unpaid, are considered participating securities and should be included in the computation of both basic and diluted earnings per share using the two-class method. The Company evaluated the impact of this guidance and determined that the basic and diluted earnings per share amounts as reported are equivalent to the basic and diluted earnings per share amounts calculated under the guidance for all periods presented.

(3) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value measurements enable the reader of the financial statements to assess the inputs used to develop those measurements by establishing a hierarchy for ranking the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values. The Company classifies and discloses assets and liabilities carried at fair value in one of the following three categories:

Level 1: Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Observable market based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

The fair values of the Company's cash equivalents and investments in marketable securities are based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. The following table summarizes the carrying amounts and fair values of certain assets at January 2, 2011:

	At January 2, 2011		
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value Inputs	Estimated Using Inputs
Cash equivalents	\$44,415	\$44,415	\$ —
Restricted cash equivalents	34,715	34,715	—
Investments in marketable securities	1,193	1,193	—

The following table summarizes the carrying amounts and fair values of certain assets at January 1, 2012:

	At January 1, 2012		
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value Inputs	Estimated Using Inputs
Cash equivalents	\$41,699	\$41,699	\$ —
Restricted cash equivalents	34,117	34,117	—
Investments in marketable securities	1,538	1,538	—

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(4) RECAPITALIZATION AND FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS

2007 Recapitalization

During 2007, the Company completed a recapitalization transaction (the 2007 Recapitalization) consisting of, among other things, (i) issuing \$1.7 billion of borrowings of fixed rate notes as described below, (ii) purchasing and retiring all of the outstanding 8 1/4% senior subordinated notes due 2011, (iii) the repayment of all outstanding borrowings under a previous credit agreement, and (iv) a special cash dividend to stockholders and related anti-dilution payments and adjustments to certain option holders.

As part of the 2007 Recapitalization, a wholly-owned subsidiary of DPLLC and three of its wholly-owned subsidiaries completed an asset-backed securitization (ABS) by co-issuing a \$1.85 billion facility in a private transaction consisting of \$1.6 billion of 5.261% Fixed Rate Series 2007-1 Senior Notes, Class A-2 (Class A-2 Notes), \$100.0 million of 7.629% Fixed Rate Series 2007-1 Subordinated Notes, Class M-1 (Class M-1 Notes and collectively with Class A-2 Notes, the Fixed Rate Notes) and \$150.0 million of Variable Rate Series 2007-1 Senior Variable Funding Notes, Class A-1 (the Variable Funding Notes). Gross proceeds from the issuance of the Fixed Rate Notes were \$1.7 billion. The Variable Funding Notes were undrawn upon at issuance.

The Fixed Rate Notes and the Variable Funding Notes

The Class A-2 Notes bear interest at 5.261%, payable quarterly. The Class M-1 Notes bear interest at 7.629%, payable quarterly. The Fixed Rate Notes and Variable Funding Notes require no annual principal payments and the expected repayment date is April 25, 2014, with legal final maturity on April 27, 2037. In the event that the Fixed Rate Notes are not repaid in full by April 25, 2012 and certain covenants are met, the Company has the option to extend the maturities of the Fixed Rate Notes for two one-year terms at interest rates that will be higher than the current stated rates by at least 0.25%, depending on then current LIBOR rates and the Company's performance against certain covenants. During the extension periods, partial principal repayments may be due depending on performance against certain covenants. Following the extension periods, or if the Company does not qualify for the extensions in 2012 and 2013, all cash generated by the Company less a specific amount allocated to the Company as a servicing fee must be used to pay down outstanding principal amounts and interest rates may be higher than previous extension periods. As of January 1, 2012, the Company is in compliance with all debt covenants. The Company expects to remain in compliance with all debt covenants and to meet the minimum threshold for the key financial measure as of April 2012 and April 2013, and, therefore, the option to extend the maturities of the Fixed Rate Notes for the two one-year terms will be at the Company's discretion. As such, the Fixed Rate Notes and Variable Funding Notes have been classified as a noncurrent liability in the consolidated balance sheets.

During the third quarter of 2011, the Company announced its intention to refinance its existing securitized debt. In connection with the proposed early refinancing, the Company incurred approximately \$7.6 million of fees during 2011, of which approximately \$7.4 million were recorded as a deferred financing cost asset in the consolidated balance sheets. Due to volatility in the financial markets, the Company later announced its intention to postpone the refinancing. Upon the completion of the expected refinancing, the deferred financing fees incurred plus any incremental fees will be amortized over the expected term of the new securitized debt.

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All principal and interest obligations under the Class A-2 Notes and the Variable Funding Notes have been guaranteed by insurance companies. The Company pays these insurance corporations an insurer premium which is recorded in interest expense. The Fixed Rate Notes and the Variable Funding Notes are guaranteed by four subsidiaries of DPLLC and secured by a security interest in substantially all of the assets of the Company, including royalty income from all domestic stores, domestic supply chain income, international income and intellectual property. The restrictions placed on the Company's subsidiaries require that the Company's interest obligations have first priority and amounts are segregated weekly to ensure appropriate funds are reserved to pay the quarterly interest amounts due. The amount of weekly cash flow that exceeds the required weekly interest reserve is generally remitted to the Company in the form of a dividend. However, once the interest obligations are satisfied, there are no further restrictions, including payment of dividends, on the cash flows of the subsidiaries.

The Fixed Rate Notes are subject to certain financial and non-financial covenants, including a debt service coverage calculation, as defined in the related agreements. The covenants, among other things, limit the ability of certain of our subsidiaries to declare dividends, make loans or advances or enter into transactions with affiliates. In the event that certain covenants are not met, the Fixed Rate Notes may become partially or fully due and payable on an accelerated schedule. Additionally, in the event that one or both of the insurance companies that provide financial guarantees of our Fixed Rate Notes and Variable Funding Note payments were to become the subject of insolvency or similar proceedings, the lenders would not be required to fund our Variable Funding Notes. Further, if one or both of the insurance companies' obligations under the related policies were terminated or canceled as a result of those proceedings, all unpaid amounts could become immediately due and payable at the direction or consent of holders of a majority of the outstanding Fixed Rate Notes or the remaining insurance company that is not the subject of insolvency or similar proceedings. In addition, the Company may voluntarily prepay, in part or in full, the Fixed Rate Notes at any time, subject to certain make-whole interest obligations.

Interest and principal on the Class M-1 Notes is subordinated to interest and principal on the Class A-2 Notes and the Variable Funding Notes.

The Variable Funding Notes allowed for the issuance of up to \$150.0 million of financing and certain other credit instruments, including up to \$60.0 million of letters of credit in support of various obligations of the Company. Interest on a portion of the outstanding Variable Funding Note borrowings is payable quarterly at a rate equal to a commercial paper rate plus 0.5%, with the remainder at LIBOR plus 0.5%. During 2008, one of the Company's Variable Funding Notes providers (the Primary VFN Provider) declared bankruptcy. As a result of the Primary VFN Provider's bankruptcy, the Company's ability to draw upon the Variable Funding Notes was reduced to \$60.0 million. At January 1, 2012, there were \$60.0 million of borrowings on the Variable Funding Notes and the Company currently has no borrowing capacity available under the \$60.0 million facility.

At January 1, 2012, management estimates that the over \$1.3 billion of outstanding Class A-2 Notes had a fair value of approximately \$1.3 billion and the \$76.1 million of outstanding Class M-1 Notes had a fair value of approximately \$76.3 million. The Company estimated the fair value amounts by using available market information. The Company obtained broker quotes from three separate brokerage firms that are knowledgeable about the Company's Fixed Rate Notes and at times, trade these notes. Further, the Company performs its own internal analysis based on the information it gathers from public markets, including information on notes that are similar to that of the Company. However, considerable judgment is required in interpreting market data to develop estimates of fair value. Accordingly, the fair value estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amount that the Company or the debtholders could realize in a current market exchange. The use of different assumptions and/or estimation methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value.

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Letters of Credit

During 2009, DPLLC entered into a Letter of Credit Agreement (the L/C Agreement) pursuant to which the counterparty may issue, at DPLLC's request, up to \$50.0 million of standby letters of credit (the Commitment) for the account of DPLLC and its subsidiaries. Pursuant to the L/C Agreement, DPLLC will maintain a cash collateral account holding an amount equal to 105% of any outstanding letters of credit and pay to the counterparty quarterly commitment fees of 0.375% per annum of the unused portion of the commitment and quarterly letter of credit fees of 0.75% per annum of the undrawn face amount of any outstanding letters of credit. As of January 1, 2012, the Company had \$32.1 million of outstanding standby letters of credit under the L/C Agreement and restricted \$33.7 million of cash on its consolidated balance sheet as collateral for these outstanding letters of credit. These letters of credit primarily relate to our insurance programs and supply chain center leases.

As a result of, and concurrent with the execution of the L/C Agreement, the Company terminated substantially all of its pre-existing letters of credit in order to provide additional borrowing availability under its Variable Funding Notes. During fiscal 2009, the Company borrowed a total of approximately \$61.0 million under the Variable Funding Notes and repaid \$3.4 million of those borrowings. During fiscal 2010, the Company borrowed an additional \$2.4 million under its Variable Funding Notes and is currently fully drawn on the \$60.0 million facility.

Repurchases of Long-Term Debt

During 2009, the Company repurchased and retired approximately \$189.2 million in principal amount of its Class A-2 Notes for a total purchase price of approximately \$133.9 million, including approximately \$1.0 million of accrued interest that resulted in pre-tax gains of approximately \$56.3 million. The pre-tax gains were recorded in Other in the Company's consolidated statements of income. In connection with the aforementioned transactions, the Company wrote-off deferred financing fees of approximately \$2.3 million in 2009, which were recorded in interest expense in the Company's consolidated statements of income.

During 2010, the Company repurchased and retired \$100.0 million in principal amount of its Class A-2 Notes and approximately \$23.9 million in principal amount of its Class M-1 Notes for a total purchase price of approximately \$116.6 million, including approximately \$0.5 million of accrued interest that resulted in pre-tax gains of approximately \$7.8 million. The net pre-tax gains were recorded in Other in the Company's consolidated statements of income. In connection with the aforementioned transactions, the Company wrote-off deferred financing fees and prepaid insurance fees totaling approximately \$1.7 million in 2010, which were recorded in interest expense in the Company's consolidated statements of income.

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During 2011, the Company made no repurchases of its outstanding Fixed Rate Notes.

Consolidated Long-Term Debt

At January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012, consolidated long-term debt consisted of the following (in thousands):

	2010	2011
Variable Funding Notes	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
5.261% Class A-2 Notes; expected repayment date April 2014; legal final maturity April 2037, net of an unamortized discount of \$23,000 in 2010 and \$16,000 in 2011	1,310,763	1,310,770
7.629% Class M-1 Notes; expected repayment date April 2014; legal final maturity April 2037	76,110	76,110
Capital lease obligations	5,283	4,393
Total debt	<u>1,452,156</u>	<u>1,451,273</u>
Less – current portion	835	904
Consolidated long-term debt	<u><u>\$1,451,321</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,450,369</u></u>

At January 1, 2012, maturities of long-term debt and capital lease obligations are as follows, which exclude approximately \$16,000 unamortized discount on the Class A-2 Notes (in thousands):

2012	\$ 904
2013	702
2014	1,447,415
2015	565
2016	615
Thereafter	1,088
	<u><u>\$1,451,289</u></u>

(5) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Lease Commitments

As of January 1, 2012, the future minimum rental commitments for all non-cancelable leases are as follows (in thousands):

	Operating Leases	Capital Leases	Total
2012	\$ 36,290	\$ 1,209	\$ 37,499
2013	30,349	980	31,329
2014	18,889	736	19,625
2015	15,398	736	16,134
2016	10,969	736	11,705
Thereafter	19,607	1,227	20,834
Total future minimum rental commitments	<u><u>\$131,502</u></u>	<u><u>5,624</u></u>	<u><u>\$137,126</u></u>
Less – amounts representing interest		(1,231)	
Total principal payable on capital leases		<u><u>\$ 4,393</u></u>	

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Legal Proceedings and Related Matters

The Company is a party to lawsuits, revenue agent reviews by taxing authorities and legal proceedings, of which the majority involve workers' compensation, employment practices liability, general liability and automobile and franchisee claims arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company records legal fees associated with loss contingencies when they are probable and reasonably estimable.

Litigation is subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual litigated matters is not predictable with assurance. Included in the matters described above, the Company is party to four employment practice cases, three casualty cases, and one patent case. We have established accruals for losses related to these cases which we believe are reasonable based upon our assessment of the current facts and circumstances, however, it is reasonably possible that our ultimate losses could exceed the amounts recorded by up to \$3.0 million. The remaining cases described in the foregoing paragraph could be decided unfavorably to us and could require us to pay damages or make other expenditures in amounts or a range of amounts that cannot be estimated with accuracy. In management's opinion, these matters, individually and in the aggregate, should not have a significant adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company, and the established accruals adequately provide for the estimated resolution of such claims.

(6) INCOME TAXES

Income before provision for income taxes in 2009, 2010 and 2011 consists of the following (in thousands):

	2009	2010	2011
Domestic	\$134,593	\$139,902	\$164,996
Foreign	929	(957)	2,810
	<u><u>\$135,522</u></u>	<u><u>\$138,945</u></u>	<u><u>\$167,806</u></u>

The differences between the United States Federal statutory income tax provision (using the statutory rate of 35%) and the Company's consolidated provision for income taxes for 2009, 2010 and 2011 are summarized as follows (in thousands):

	2009	2010	2011
Federal income tax provision based on the statutory rate	\$47,433	\$ 48,631	\$ 58,732
State and local income taxes, net of related Federal income taxes	3,494	4,458	5,418
Non-resident withholding and foreign income taxes	8,323	10,622	12,036
Foreign tax and other tax credits	(7,892)	(12,622)	(15,073)
Losses attributable to foreign subsidiaries	1,597	—	59
Non-deductible expenses	1,106	1,977	2,184
Unrecognized tax benefits, net of related Federal income taxes	1,783	(1,847)	(640)
Other	(66)	(191)	(271)
	<u><u>\$55,778</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 51,028</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 62,445</u></u>

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The components of the 2009, 2010 and 2011 consolidated provision for income taxes are as follows (in thousands):

	2009	2010	2011
Provision for Federal income taxes –			
Current provision	\$21,597	\$32,077	\$36,165
Deferred provision	<u>18,562</u>	<u>4,748</u>	<u>7,000</u>
Total provision for Federal income taxes	40,159	36,825	43,165
Provision for state and local income taxes –			
Current provision	6,395	2,302	6,075
Deferred provision	<u>901</u>	<u>1,279</u>	<u>1,169</u>
Total provision for state and local income taxes	7,296	3,581	7,244
Provision for non-resident withholding and foreign income taxes	8,323	10,622	12,036
	<u>\$55,778</u>	<u>\$51,028</u>	<u>\$62,445</u>

As of January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012, the significant components of net deferred income taxes are as follows (in thousands):

	2010	2011
Deferred Federal income tax assets –		
Depreciation, amortization and asset basis differences	\$ 8,314	\$ 4,705
Insurance reserves	8,339	8,788
Covenants not-to-compete	3,456	2,289
Stock compensation	12,764	10,282
Other accruals and reserves	14,137	13,905
Bad debt reserves	3,023	2,969
Derivatives liability	1,252	295
Other	<u>2,597</u>	<u>3,131</u>
Total deferred Federal income tax assets	<u>53,882</u>	<u>46,364</u>
Deferred Federal income tax liabilities –		
Capitalized software	7,143	9,657
Gain on debt extinguishments	22,682	22,682
Foreign tax credit	1,096	219
Other	<u>3,571</u>	<u>2,248</u>
Total deferred Federal income tax liabilities	<u>34,492</u>	<u>34,806</u>
Net deferred Federal income tax asset	19,390	11,558
Net deferred state and local income tax asset	6,008	4,858
Net deferred income taxes	<u>\$25,398</u>	<u>\$16,416</u>

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As of January 2, 2011, the classification of net deferred income taxes is summarized as follows (in thousands):

	Current	Long-term	Total
Deferred tax assets	\$ 18,092	\$ 41,798	\$ 59,890
Deferred tax liabilities	(1,340)	(33,152)	(34,492)
Net deferred income taxes	\$ 16,752	\$ 8,646	\$ 25,398

As of January 1, 2012, the classification of net deferred income taxes is summarized as follows (in thousands):

	Current	Long-term	Total
Deferred tax assets	\$ 17,694	\$ 33,528	\$ 51,222
Deferred tax liabilities	(1,115)	(33,691)	(34,806)
Net deferred income taxes	\$ 16,579	\$ (163)	\$ 16,416

Realization of the Company's deferred tax assets is dependent upon many factors, including, but not limited to, the Company's ability to generate sufficient taxable income. Although realization of the Company's net deferred tax assets is not assured, management believes it is more likely than not that the net deferred tax assets will be realized. On an ongoing basis, management will assess whether it remains more likely than not that the net deferred tax assets will be realized.

For financial reporting purposes the Company's investment in foreign subsidiaries does not exceed its tax basis. Therefore no deferred income taxes have been provided.

The Company recognizes the financial statement benefit of a tax position if it is more likely than not that the position is sustainable, based solely on its technical merits and consideration of the relevant taxing authority's widely understood administrative practices and precedents. For tax positions meeting the "more likely than not" threshold, the amount recognized in the financial statements is the largest benefit that has a greater than 50 percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the relevant tax authority. The Company recognizes accrued interest related to unrecognized tax benefits in interest expense and penalties in income tax expense.

During 2009, the Company accrued interest expense of \$0.8 million and penalties of \$0.4 million. At January 3, 2010, the amount of unrecognized tax benefits was \$6.8 million of which, if ultimately recognized, \$5.8 million would be recognized as an income tax benefit and reduce the Company's effective tax rate. At January 3, 2010, the Company had \$0.9 million of accrued interest and \$0.4 million of accrued penalties. This amount is excluded from the \$6.8 million total unrecognized tax benefit.

During 2010, the Company accrued interest expense of \$0.3 million and released interest expense previously accrued of \$0.7 million and penalties of \$0.4 million. At January 2, 2011, the amount of unrecognized tax benefits was \$4.4 million of which, if ultimately recognized, \$3.0 million would be recognized as an income tax benefit and reduce the Company's effective tax rate. At January 2, 2011, the Company had \$0.5 million of accrued interest and no accrued penalties. This amount is excluded from the \$4.4 million total unrecognized tax benefit. The decrease of unrecognized tax benefits during 2010 primarily relates to state income tax matters resulting from a retroactive change in state law and the lapse of state statute of limitations.

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During 2011, the Company accrued interest expense of \$0.1 million and released interest of \$0.2 million. At January 1, 2012, the amount of unrecognized tax benefits was \$3.5 million of which, if ultimately recognized, \$2.2 million would be recognized as an income tax benefit and reduce the Company's effective tax rate. At January 1, 2012, the Company had \$0.4 million of accrued interest and no accrued penalties. This amount is excluded from the \$3.5 million total unrecognized tax benefit.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows (in thousands):

Balance as of December 28, 2008	\$ 4,654
Additions for tax positions of prior years	2,854
Reductions in tax positions from prior years for:	
Changes in prior year tax positions	(593)
Settlements during the period	(80)
Lapses of applicable statute of limitations	<u>(46)</u>
Balance as of January 3, 2010	6,789
Additions for tax positions of prior years	548
Reductions in tax positions from prior years for:	
Changes in prior year tax positions	(2,130)
Lapses of applicable statute of limitations	<u>(802)</u>
Balance as of January 2, 2011	4,405
Additions for tax positions of current year	138
Additions for tax positions of prior years	119
Reductions in tax positions from prior years for:	
Changes in prior year tax positions	(444)
Lapses of applicable statute of limitations	<u>(731)</u>
Balance as of January 1, 2012	<u>\$ 3,487</u>

The Company continues to be under examination by certain states. The Company's Federal statute of limitation has expired for years prior to 2008 and the relevant state statutes vary. The Company expects the current ongoing examinations to be concluded in the next twelve months and does not expect the assessment of any significant additional amount in excess of amounts reserved.

(7) EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The Company has a retirement savings plan which qualifies under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k). All employees of the Company who have completed 1,000 hours of service and are at least 21 years of age are eligible to participate in the plan. The plan requires the Company to match 100% of the first 3% of each employee's elective deferrals and 50% of the next 2% of each employee's elective deferrals. The Company's matching contributions during 2009 and 2010 were in Company common stock and vested immediately. Beginning in 2011, the Company ceased matching in Company common stock and began matching with cash contributions. All contributions made during 2011 vested immediately. The expenses incurred for Company contributions to the plan were approximately \$3.4 million in 2009, \$3.6 million in 2010 and \$3.7 million in 2011. The Company contributed 449,583 shares and 271,052 shares of common stock to the plan in 2009 and 2010, respectively.

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The Company has established a non-qualified deferred compensation plan available for certain key employees. Under this self-funding plan, the participants may defer up to 40% of their annual compensation. The participants direct the investment of their deferred compensation within several investment funds. The Company is not required to contribute and did not contribute to this plan during 2009, 2010 or 2011.

The Company has an employee stock purchase discount plan (the ESPDP). Under the ESPDP, eligible employees may deduct up to 15% of their eligible wages to purchase common stock at 85% of the market price of the stock at the purchase date. The ESPDP requires employees to hold their purchased common stock for one year. There are 1,000,000 shares authorized to be issued under the ESPDP. There were 163,590 shares, 95,720 shares and 40,107 shares issued under the ESPDP in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. During 2011, the Company began to purchase common stock on the open market for the ESPDP at the current market price as soon as practicable under the plan. In 2011, 23,468 shares of common stock were purchased on the open market for participating employees at a weighted-average price of \$27.99. The expenses incurred under the ESPDP were approximately \$0.2 million in 2009 and 2010, respectively, and \$0.1 million in 2011.

(8) FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITH OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK

The Company is a party to stand-by letters of credit. The Company's exposure to credit loss for stand-by letters of credit is represented by the contractual amounts of these instruments. The Company uses the same credit policies in making conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments. Total conditional commitments under letters of credit as of January 1, 2012 are \$39.7 million, and relate to the Company's insurance programs and supply chain center leases. The Company has also guaranteed borrowings of franchisees of approximately \$0.5 million as of January 1, 2012. Additionally, the Company has guaranteed lease payments related to certain franchisees' lease arrangements. The maximum amount of potential future payments under these guarantees is \$3.2 million as of January 1, 2012.

(9) EQUITY INCENTIVE PLANS

The cost of all employee stock options, as well as other equity-based compensation arrangements, is reflected in the consolidated statements of income based on the estimated fair value of the awards.

The Company has two equity incentive plans, both of which benefit certain of the Company's employees and directors: the TISM, Inc. Stock Option Plan (the TISM Stock Option Plan) and the Domino's Pizza, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan) (collectively, the Equity Incentive Plans). The TISM Stock Option Plan has been amended to prohibit the granting of additional stock options. As of January 1, 2012, the number of options granted and outstanding under the TISM Stock Option Plan was 54,076 shares of non-voting common stock and the number of options granted and outstanding under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan was 5,389,615 shares of common stock. As of January 1, 2012, the maximum number of shares that may be granted under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan is 15,600,000 shares of voting common stock of which 4,623,111 shares were authorized for grant but have not been granted.

The Company recorded total non-cash compensation expense of \$17.3 million, \$13.4 million and \$14.0 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively, which reduced net income by \$10.3 million, \$8.2 million and \$8.8 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. All non-cash compensation expense amounts are recorded in general and administrative expense.

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In March 2009, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a stock option exchange program that allowed eligible employees the opportunity to exchange certain options granted under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan for a lesser number of replacement options with lower exercise prices. The Company's shareholders approved the stock option exchange program at the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, held on April 28, 2009, and the Company executed the program in 2009. This amendment was accounted for as a modification. The incremental value to the option holders created as a result of the modification is being recognized as additional compensation expense over the remaining service period. This amount was calculated to be approximately \$1.3 million (after-tax), of which approximately \$0.8 million, \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million (after-tax) was recognized in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

Separately, the Company's Board of Directors authorized management to amend existing stock option agreements currently issued under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan and all future stock option agreements issued under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan. These amendments provide for accelerated vesting and extended exercise periods upon the retirement of option holders who have achieved specified service and age requirements. The amended terms of the relevant stock option agreements became effective in 2009. The amendments to the existing awards were accounted for as a modification. The incremental value to option holders created as a result of the modification is being recognized as additional compensation expense over the remaining service period. This amount was calculated to be approximately \$0.3 million (after-tax), of which approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million (after-tax) was recognized in 2009 and 2010, respectively. Additionally, the Company was required to accelerate previously unrecognized compensation expense that it would have been required to expense in future periods for these stock options during 2009. This resulted in the acceleration of approximately \$2.1 million (after-tax) of compensation expense in 2009 for employees who accepted the amendment and who will meet the specified service and age requirements prior to the original vesting date. The \$2.1 million (after-tax) of compensation expense recognized in 2009 was not incremental expense, but merely an acceleration of expense that would have been recognized in future periods.

Stock Options

Options granted under the Equity Incentive Plans prior to fiscal 2009 were generally granted at the market price at the date of the grant, expire ten years from the date of grant and vest within five years from the date of grant. Options granted under the Equity Incentive Plans in fiscal 2009, 2010 and 2011 were granted at the market price at the date of the grant, expire ten years from the date of grant and vest within three years from the date of grant. Additionally, all options granted become fully exercisable upon vesting.

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Stock option activity related to the Equity Incentive Plans is summarized as follows:

	Common Stock Options		
	Outstanding	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Life (Years)
			Aggregate Intrinsic Value (In thousands)
Options at December 28, 2008	9,882,052	\$ 12.87	
Options granted (1)	4,964,011	9.71	
Options cancelled (1)	(4,729,368)	17.30	
Options exercised	(222,801)	3.40	
Options at January 3, 2010	9,893,894	\$ 9.38	
Options granted	675,500	11.87	
Options cancelled	(497,760)	9.93	
Options exercised	(1,075,967)	8.80	
Options at January 2, 2011	8,995,667	\$ 9.60	
Options granted	392,000	19.24	
Options cancelled	(170,213)	10.30	
Options exercised	(3,773,763)	8.88	
Options at January 1, 2012	5,443,691	\$ 10.78	6.0 \$ 126,145
Exercisable at January 1, 2012	<u>3,572,806</u>	<u>\$ 9.98</u>	<u>5.3</u> <u>\$ 85,655</u>

- (1) The number of options granted and cancelled in fiscal 2009 includes 3,898,411 stock options granted and 4,469,436 stock options cancelled in connection with the Company's stock option exchange program.

The total intrinsic value of options exercised was approximately \$1.0 million, \$5.5 million and \$50.2 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

Cash received from the exercise of stock options was approximately \$0.8 million, \$9.5 million and \$33.5 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. The tax benefit realized from stock options exercised was approximately \$0.4 million, \$2.1 million and \$13.5 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

As of January 1, 2012, there was \$6.7 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested options granted under the Equity Incentive Plans which will be recognized on a straight-line basis over the related vesting period. This unrecognized compensation cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.7 years.

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Management estimated the fair value of each option grant made during 2009, 2010 and 2011 as of the date of the grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing method. Weighted average assumptions are presented in the following table (this excludes options granted in connection with the Company's stock option exchange program). The risk-free interest rate is based on the estimated effective term, and is the five-year or the average of the five-year and seven-year U.S. Treasury Bond rates, as applicable, as of the grant date. The expected life (years) is based on several factors, including, among other things, the vesting term and contractual term as well as historical experience. The expected volatility is based principally on the historical volatility of the Company's share price.

	2009	2010	2011
Risk-free interest rate	2.5%	2.1%	2.1%
Expected life (years)	5.0	4.6	5.0
Expected volatility	42.3%	45.0%	45.0%
Expected dividend yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Weighted average fair value per share	\$2.99	\$4.78	\$8.04

The weighted average assumptions used to calculate the incremental fair value associated with the options granted in connection with the Company's 2009 stock option exchange program were as follows: (i) risk-free interest rate of 1.6%, (ii) expected life of 3.1 years, (iii) expected volatility of 58.8%, and (iv) expected dividend yield of 0.0%.

Option valuation models require the input of highly subjective assumptions. In management's opinion, existing models do not necessarily provide a reliable single measure of the fair value of the Company's stock options, as changes in subjective input assumptions can significantly affect the fair value estimate.

Other Equity-Based Compensation Arrangements

The Company granted 75,000 shares of restricted stock in 2009 and 25,000 shares of restricted stock in 2010 to an employee and officer of the Company pursuant to the related employment agreements. These restricted stock grants are considered granted for accounting purposes in the year the related employment agreement was signed and the related per share expense was amortized on a straight-line basis over the period from the accounting grant date to the end of fiscal 2010. As of January 1, 2012, there was no unrecognized compensation cost related to these restricted stock grants. Separately, the Company granted 42,000 shares and 53,125 shares of restricted stock in 2010 and 2011, respectively, to members of its board of directors. These grants generally vest one-year from the date of the grant and have a fair value equal to the market price of the Company's stock on the grant date. The Company recorded total non-cash compensation expense of \$0.7 million, \$1.2 million and \$0.7 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively, related to these restricted stock awards. All non-cash compensation expense amounts are recorded in general and administrative expense. As of January 1, 2012, there was approximately \$0.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to these restricted stock grants.

The Company granted 694,000 shares, 602,355 shares and 376,309 shares of performance-based restricted stock in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively, to certain employees of the Company. The performance-based restricted stock awards are separated into three tranches and have time-based and performance-based vesting conditions with the last tranche vesting three years from the issuance date. These awards also contain provisions for accelerated vesting upon the retirement of holders that have achieved specific service and age requirements. These awards are considered granted for accounting purposes when the performance target is set, which is generally in the fourth quarter of each year. The Company recorded total non-cash compensation expense of \$1.4 million, \$4.3 million and \$7.2 million in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively, related to these awards. All non-cash compensation expense amounts are recorded in general and administrative expense. As of January 1, 2012, there was an estimated \$16.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to performance-based restricted stock.

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Restricted stock and performance-based restricted stock activity related to the Equity Incentive Plans is summarized as follows:

	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested at January 2, 2011	1,112,599	\$ 11.39
Shares granted (1)	429,434	\$ 22.17
Shares cancelled	(62,402)	\$ 18.96
Shares vested	(520,957)	\$ 13.95
Nonvested at January 1, 2012	<u>958,674</u>	<u>\$ 14.33</u>

- (1) The weighted average grant date fair value for performance-based restricted shares granted was calculated based on the market price on the grant dates. Certain tranches will ultimately be valued when the performance condition is established for each tranche, which generally occurs in the fourth quarter of each fiscal year.

(10) CAPITAL STRUCTURE

The Company has a Board of Directors approved open market share repurchase program of the Company's common stock, which was reset during the third quarter of 2011 at \$200.0 million. The open market share repurchase program has historically been funded by excess cash flow and borrowings available under the Variable Funding Notes. During 2010 and 2011, the Company repurchased 343,884 and 6,414,813 shares of common stock for approximately \$5.4 million and \$165.0 million, respectively. The Company did not repurchase any shares of its common stock during 2009. The Company has approximately \$82.3 million remaining under the \$200.0 million authorization. The Company's policy is to recognize the difference between the purchase price and par value of the common stock in additional paid-in capital. In instances where there is no additional paid-in capital, the difference is recognized in retained deficit.

As of January 1, 2012, authorized common stock consists of 160,000,000 voting shares and 10,000,000 non-voting shares. The share components of outstanding common stock at January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012 are as follows:

	2010	2011
Voting	60,024,010	57,704,657
Non-Voting	115,051	36,551
Total Common Stock	<u>60,139,061</u>	<u>57,741,208</u>

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(11) SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company has three reportable segments: (i) Domestic Stores; (ii) Domestic Supply Chain; and (iii) International. The Company's operations are organized by management on the combined basis of line of business and geography. The Domestic Stores segment includes operations with respect to all franchised and Company-owned stores throughout the contiguous United States. The Domestic Supply Chain segment primarily includes the distribution of food, equipment and supplies to the Domestic Stores segment from the Company's regional supply chain centers. The International segment primarily includes operations related to the Company's franchising business in foreign and non-contiguous United States markets and its supply chain center operations in Canada, Alaska and Hawaii.

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as those described in Note 1. The Company evaluates the performance of its segments and allocates resources to them based on earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and other, referred to as Segment Income.

The tables below summarize the financial information concerning the Company's reportable segments for 2009, 2010 and 2011. Intersegment Revenues are comprised of sales of food, equipment and supplies from the Domestic Supply Chain segment to the Company-owned stores in the Domestic Stores segment. Intersegment sales prices are market based. The "Other" column as it relates to Segment Income and income from operations information below primarily includes corporate administrative costs. The "Other" column as it relates to capital expenditures primarily includes capitalized software, certain equipment and leasehold improvements. Tabular amounts presented below are in thousands.

	Domestic Stores	Domestic Supply Chain	International	Intersegment Revenues	Other	Total
Revenues-						
2009	\$ 493,559	\$ 852,030	\$ 146,765	\$ (88,297)	\$ —	\$1,404,057
2010	518,981	971,668	176,396	(96,151)	—	1,570,894
2011	523,356	1,024,495	200,933	(96,591)	—	1,652,193
Segment Income-						
2009	\$ 132,637	\$ 64,425	\$ 67,225	N/A	\$(30,770)	\$ 233,517
2010	149,839	77,009	79,553	N/A	(40,874)	265,527
2011	160,624	78,970	92,771	N/A	(37,345)	295,020
Income from Operations-						
2009	\$ 121,487	\$ 57,044	\$ 66,822	N/A	\$(55,844)	\$ 189,509
2010	141,305	69,579	79,137	N/A	(62,319)	227,702
2011	154,814	71,801	93,119	N/A	(60,589)	259,145
Capital Expenditures-						
2009	\$ 4,399	\$ 8,512	\$ 1,082	N/A	\$ 8,877	\$ 22,870
2010	4,090	9,205	275	N/A	11,851	25,421
2011	5,575	7,281	254	N/A	11,239	24,349

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The following table reconciles Total Segment Income to consolidated income before provision for income taxes:

	2009	2010	2011
Total Segment Income	\$ 233,517	\$ 265,527	\$ 295,020
Depreciation and amortization	(24,064)	(24,052)	(24,042)
Gains (losses) on sale/disposal of assets	(1,843)	(403)	2,436
Non-cash compensation expense	(12,533)	(13,370)	(13,954)
Expenses for 2009 stock option plan changes	(4,937)	—	—
Expenses related to the sale of Company-owned stores	(631)	—	(315)
Income from operations	189,509	227,702	259,145
Interest income	683	244	296
Interest expense	(110,945)	(96,810)	(91,635)
Other	56,275	7,809	—
Income before provision for income taxes	\$ 135,522	\$ 138,945	\$ 167,806

The following table summarizes the Company's identifiable asset information as of January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012:

	2010	2011
Domestic Stores	\$ 64,439	\$ 66,609
Domestic Supply Chain	118,693	126,340
Total domestic assets	183,132	192,949
International	22,293	11,482
Unallocated	255,412	276,112
Total consolidated assets	\$ 460,837	\$ 480,543

Unallocated assets primarily include cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, advertising fund assets, investments in marketable securities, deferred financing costs, certain long-lived assets and deferred income taxes.

The following table summarizes the Company's goodwill balance as of January 2, 2011 and January 1, 2012:

	2010	2011
Domestic Stores	\$ 16,289	\$ 15,582
Domestic Supply Chain	1,067	1,067
Consolidated goodwill	\$ 17,356	\$ 16,649

In connection with the sale of 11 and 58 Company-owned stores to domestic franchisees in 2010 and 2011, respectively, goodwill was reduced by approximately \$0.2 million in 2010 and \$0.7 million in 2011. Additionally, the closure of one Company-owned store in 2010 and three Company-owned stores in 2011 resulted in a decrease in goodwill of approximately \$35,000 and \$76,000, respectively.

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(12) SALE AND CLOSURE OF COMPANY-OWNED STORES

During 2009, the Company closed 21 Company-owned stores, including 14 in the fourth quarter of 2009 in connection with a store rationalization plan. In connection with the closure of these 21 stores, the Company recognized a pre-tax loss on the closure of the stores of approximately \$2.2 million, which includes a reduction in goodwill of approximately \$0.3 million. The losses were included in general and administrative expenses.

During 2010, the Company sold 11 Company-owned stores in a series of transactions to existing franchisees. In connection with the sale of these stores, the Company recognized a minimal pre-tax gain, which was net of a reduction in goodwill of approximately \$0.2 million. The gains were included in general and administrative expenses.

During 2011, the Company sold 58 Company-owned stores in a series of transactions to multiple franchisees. In connection with the sale of these stores, the Company recognized pre-tax gains on the sale of assets of approximately \$2.2 million, which was net of a reduction in goodwill of approximately \$0.7 million. Additionally, the Company incurred other related expenses of approximately \$0.3 million. These items were included in general and administrative expenses.

(13) PERIODIC FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED; IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

The Company's convention with respect to reporting periodic financial data is such that each of the first three fiscal quarters consists of twelve weeks while the last fiscal quarter consists of sixteen weeks or seventeen weeks. The fourth quarter of 2010 and 2011 are both comprised of sixteen weeks.

	For the Fiscal Quarter Ended				For the Fiscal Year Ended January 2, 2011
	March 28, 2010	June 20, 2010	September 12, 2010	January 2, 2011	
Total revenues	\$ 381,131	\$ 362,405	\$ 347,388	\$ 479,970	\$ 1,570,894
Operating margin	107,994	100,336	94,153	136,106	438,589
Income before provision for income taxes	39,562	34,320	27,208	37,855	138,945
Net income	24,519	22,625	16,600	24,173	87,917
Earnings per common share – basic	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.41	\$ 1.50
Earnings per common share – diluted	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.39	\$ 1.45
Common stock dividends declared per share	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

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	For the Fiscal Quarter Ended				For the Fiscal Year Ended January 1, 2012
	March 27, 2011	June 19, 2011	September 11, 2011	January 1, 2012	
Total revenues	\$ 389,186	\$ 384,933	\$ 376,326	\$ 501,748	\$ 1,652,193
Operating margin	111,606	110,694	103,359	144,857	470,516
Income before provision for income taxes	43,735	41,076	34,930	48,065	167,806
Net income	27,111	25,248	22,091	30,911	105,361
Earnings per common share – basic	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.54	\$ 1.79
Earnings per common share – diluted	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.52	\$ 1.71
Common stock dividends declared per share	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

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

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.

The Company carried out an evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this report, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act). Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that all information required in the reports it files or submits under the Exchange Act was accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure and was recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time period required by the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(b) Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting.

There have been no changes in internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

(c) Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting.

The management of Domino's Pizza, Inc. is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Internal control over financial reporting is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) promulgated under the Exchange Act, as a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the Company's principal executive and principal financial officers and effected by the Company's board of directors, management and other personnel, 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.

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.

Under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the Company conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting as of January 1, 2012 based on the framework in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on that evaluation, management concluded that its internal control over financial reporting was effective as of January 1, 2012.

The effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of January 1, 2012, has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

Item 9B. Other Information.

None.

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Part III

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

The following table sets forth information about our executive officers and directors.

Name	Age	Position
David A. Brandon	59	Chairman of the Board of Directors
J. Patrick Doyle	48	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director
Michael T. Lawton	53	Chief Financial Officer, and Interim Chief Information Officer
Richard E. Allison, Jr.	45	Executive Vice President of International
Scott R. Hinshaw	49	Executive Vice President, Franchise Operations and Development
Lynn M. Liddle	55	Executive Vice President of Communications, Investor Relations, Legislative Affairs
John D. Macksood	49	Executive Vice President, Supply Chain Services
Kenneth B. Rollin	45	Executive Vice President, General Counsel
Asi M. Sheikh	47	Executive Vice President, Team U.S.A.
James G. Stansik	56	Executive Vice President of Franchise Relations
Russell J. Weiner	43	Chief Marketing Officer, Executive Vice President of Build the Brand
Patricia A. Wilmot	63	Executive Vice President of PeopleFirst
Andrew B. Balson	45	Director
Diana F. Cantor	54	Director
Richard L. Federico	57	Director
James A. Goldman	53	Director
Vernon "Bud" O. Hamilton	69	Director
Gregory A. Trojan	52	Director

David A. Brandon has served as our Chairman of the Board of Directors since March 1999. Mr. Brandon served as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer from March 1999 to March 2010. Mr. Brandon was retained by the Company as a Special Advisor from March 2010 to January 2, 2011. Mr. Brandon was President and Chief Executive Officer of Valassis, Inc., a company in the sales promotion and coupon industries, from 1989 to 1998 and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Valassis, Inc. from 1997 to 1998. Mr. Brandon is currently the Director of Athletics for the University of Michigan and serves on the Boards of Directors of Herman Miller Inc., Kaydon Corporation and DTE Energy and also previously served on the Board of Directors of Burger King Corporation, Northwest Airlines and the TJX Companies, Inc.

J. Patrick Doyle has served as our President and Chief Executive Officer since March 2010 and was appointed to the Board of Directors in February 2010. Mr. Doyle served as President, Domino's U.S.A. from September 2007 to March 2010, Executive Vice President, Team U.S.A. from 2004 to 2007, Executive Vice President of International from May 1999 to October 2004 and as interim Executive Vice President of Build the Brand from December 2000 to July 2001. Mr. Doyle served as Senior Vice President of Marketing from the time he joined Domino's in 1997 until May 1999. Mr. Doyle serves on the Board of Directors of G&K Services, Inc.

Michael T. Lawton has served as our Chief Financial Officer since August 2010 and has served as our interim Chief Information Officer since October 2011. Mr. Lawton served as Executive Vice President of International, from October 2004 to March 2011. Mr. Lawton also served as Senior Vice President Finance and Administration of International for the Company from June 1999 to October 2004.

Richard E. Allison, Jr. has served as our Executive Vice President of International since March 2011. Mr. Allison served as a Partner at Bain & Company, Inc. from 2004 through December 2010, as co-leader of Bain's restaurant practice and was employed with Bain & Company for more than 13 years.

Scott R. Hinshaw has served as our Executive Vice President, Franchise Operations and Development since January 2008. Mr. Hinshaw served as Executive Vice President, Team U.S.A. from September 2007 to January 2008. Mr. Hinshaw also served as a Vice President within Team U.S.A. from 1994 through September 2007. Mr. Hinshaw joined Domino's in 1986.

Lynn M. Liddle joined Domino's in November 2002, and serves as Executive Vice President of Communications, Investor Relations and Legislative Affairs. Ms. Liddle served as Vice President, Investor Relations and Communications Center, for Valassis, Inc. from 1992 to November 2002.

John D. Macksood has served as our Executive Vice President, Supply Chain Services since March 2010. Mr. Macksood joined Domino's Pizza in 1986 and served in positions of increasing responsibility in Supply Chain Services, most recently as Vice President of Logistics and Network Planning.

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Kenneth B. Rollin has served as Executive Vice President, General Counsel since January 2008. From June 2000 through 2007, Mr. Rollin was employed by AutoNation, Inc. where he last served as Vice President and Deputy General Counsel. From 1996 to June 2000, Mr. Rollin was employed by Walgreen Co. where he last served as a Senior Attorney in charge of litigation. Prior to 1996, Mr. Rollin was in private practice.

Asi M. Sheikh has served as Executive Vice President, Team U.S.A. since January 2008. Mr. Sheikh has held numerous positions with Domino's since joining the Company in 1994, most recently as Director-Corporate Operations for the New York and New Jersey areas since October 1996.

James G. Stansik has served our Executive Vice President of Franchise Relations since January 2008. Mr. Stansik served as our Executive Vice President of Franchise Development from July 2006 through January 2008. Mr. Stansik served as our Executive Vice President of Flawless Execution – Franchise Operations from December 2003 to July 2006. Mr. Stansik served as Special Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer from August 1999 through December 2003 and also served as interim Executive Vice President of Flawless Execution – Corporate Operations of Domino's from July 2000 through January 2001. Mr. Stansik joined Domino's in 1985.

Russell J. Weiner has served as our Executive Vice President of Build the Brand and Chief Marketing Officer, since September 2008. Mr. Weiner held various marketing positions at Pepsi from 1998 to 2008, most recently serving as Vice President of Marketing, Colas for Pepsi-Cola North America.

Patricia A. Wilmot has served as our Executive Vice President of PeopleFirst since July 2000. Ms. Wilmot was a human resources consultant from May 1999 to June 2000. Ms. Wilmot served as Vice President, Human Resources for Brach & Brock Confections from January 1998 to May 1999.

Andrew B. Balson has served on our Board of Directors since March 1999, serves on the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors and also serves on the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. Mr. Balson has been a Managing Director of Bain Capital, a global investment company, since January 2001. Mr. Balson became a Principal of Bain Capital in June 1998. Mr. Balson serves on the Boards of Directors of Dunkin' Brands, Inc., OSI Restaurant Partners, Inc. and FleetCor Technologies, Inc. as well as a number of other private companies. Mr. Balson also previously served on the Boards of Directors of Burger King Corporation and UGS Corp.

Diana F. Cantor has served on our Board of Directors since October 2005, serves as the Chairperson of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors and also serves on the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors. Ms. Cantor joined Alternative Investment Management, LLC as a Partner in January 2010 and is the Chairman of the Virginia Retirement System, where she also serves on the Audit and Compliance Committee. Ms. Cantor was a Managing Director with New York Private Bank and Trust from January 2008 through the end of 2009. Ms. Cantor served as Executive Director of the Virginia College Savings Plan, the state's 529 college savings program, from 1996 to January 2008. Ms. Cantor served seven years as Vice President of Richmond Resources, Ltd. from 1990 through 1996, and as Vice President of Goldman, Sachs & Co. from 1985 to 1990. Ms. Cantor is also a member of the Board of Directors of Media General, Inc., the Edelman Financial Group Inc. and Vistage International.

Richard L. Federico has served on our Board of Directors since February 2011 and also serves on the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. Mr. Federico is currently Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Inc., based in Scottsdale, Arizona. Mr. Federico serves on the Board of Directors of Jamba Inc. Mr. Federico is a founding director of Chances for Children and a member of the Board of Directors for both the Arizona Youth Hockey Foundation and the NotMyKid organization. He also serves on the board of Banner Alzheimer's Institute.

James A. Goldman has served on our Board of Directors since March 2010 and also serves on the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. Since 2004, Mr. Goldman has served as president and CEO of Godiva Chocolatier Inc., based in New York City. He was president of the Foods and Beverage Division at Campbell Soup Company from 2001 to 2004. He worked in various executive positions at Nabisco Inc. from 1992 to 2000. Prior to his work at Nabisco Inc., Mr. Goldman was a senior consulting associate at McKinsey & Co. Mr. Goldman served as a member of the Board of Directors at The Children's Place Retail from 2006 to 2008, on the Compensation Committee. He also served on the Board of Trustees at the YMCA Camps Becket and Chimney Corners in Becket, Massachusetts, from 1992 to 1998.

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Vernon “Bud” O. Hamilton has served on our Board of Directors since May 2005, serves as the Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors and also serves on the Audit Committee. Mr. Hamilton served in various executive positions for Procter & Gamble from 1966 through 2003. Mr. Hamilton most recently served as Vice President, Innovation-Research & Development-Global from 2002 through 2003 and served as Vice President of Procter & Gamble Customer Business Development-North America from 1999 to 2001, Vice President of Procter & Gamble Customer Marketing-North America from 1996 through 1998 and President of Eurocos, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Procter & Gamble, from 1994 to 1995.

Gregory A. Trojan has served on our Board of Directors since March 2010 and also serves on the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors. Since 2010, Mr. Trojan has served as CEO at Guitar Center, Inc., the leading United States retailer of guitars, amplifiers, percussion instruments, keyboards and pro-audio and recording equipment, based in Westlake Village, Calif. Mr. Trojan previously served as president and chief operating officer at Guitar Center, Inc. from 2007 until 2010. From 1996 to 2006, he was president and CEO of House of Blues Entertainment, Inc. Mr. Trojan served as CEO of California Pizza Kitchen for two years while at Pepsico Inc., and held various positions within Pepsico from 1990 to 1996. Prior to that, he was a consultant at Bain & Company, the Wharton Small Business Development Center and Arthur Andersen & Co. Mr. Trojan has previously served on the Board of Directors at Oakley Inc.

The remaining information required by this item is incorporated by reference from Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s definitive proxy statement, which will be filed within 120 days of January 1, 2012.

Item 11. Executive Compensation.

Information regarding executive compensation is incorporated by reference from Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s definitive proxy statement, which will be filed within 120 days of January 1, 2012. However, no information set forth in the proxy statement regarding the Audit Committee Report shall be deemed incorporated by reference into this Form 10-K.

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

Information regarding security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management and related stockholders matters is incorporated by reference from Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s definitive proxy statement, which will be filed within 120 days of January 1, 2012.

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

Information regarding certain relationships and related transactions is incorporated by reference from Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s definitive proxy statement, which will be filed within 120 days of January 1, 2012.

Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

Information regarding principal accountant fees and services is incorporated by reference from Domino's Pizza, Inc.'s definitive proxy statement, which will be filed within 120 days of January 1, 2012.

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Part IV

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

- (a)1. Financial Statements: The following financial statements for Domino's Pizza, Inc. and subsidiaries are included in Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data":

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2. Financial Statement Schedules: The following financial statement schedules are attached to this report.

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

3. Exhibits: Certain of the following Exhibits have been previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such exhibits are identified by the parenthetical references following the listing of each such exhibit and are incorporated herein by reference.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
3.1	Form of Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Domino's Pizza, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Domino's Pizza, Inc. registration statement on Form S-1 filed on April 13, 2004 (Reg. No. 333-114442), (the "S-1").)
3.2	Amended and Restated By-Laws of Domino's Pizza, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 12, 2010).
10.1	Lease Agreement dated as of December 21, 1998 by and between Domino's Farms Office Park Limited Partnership and Domino's, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Domino's, Inc. registration statement on Form S-4 filed on March 22, 1999 (Reg. No. 333-74797)).
10.2	Amendment, dated February 7, 2000, to Lease Agreement dated December 21, 1998 by and between Domino's Farms Office Park Limited Partnership and Domino's Pizza, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.32 of the Domino's, Inc. annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000 (Reg. No. 333-74797)).
10.3	First Amendment to a Lease Agreement between Domino's Farms Office Park, L.L.C. and Domino's Pizza LLC, dated as of August 8, 2002, by and between Domino's Farms Office Park L.L.C. and Domino's Pizza, LLC (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Domino's, Inc. annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2002 (Reg. No. 333-74797)).
10.4	Second Amendment to a Lease Agreement between Domino's Farms Office Park, L.L.C. and Domino's Pizza LLC, dated as of May 5, 2004 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.34 to the S-1).
10.5*	Domino's Pizza, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan adopted effective January 1, 2005 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the registrants' annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 1, 2006).

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- 10.6* First Amendment to the Domino's Pizza Deferred Compensation Plan effective January 1, 2007 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the registrants' annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006).
- 10.7* TISM, Inc. Fourth Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan ("TISM Option Plan") (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Domino's, Inc. current report on Form 8-K filed on June 26, 2003 (Reg. No. 333-74797)).
- 10.8* Amended Domino's Pizza, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 22, 2009, (the "March 2009 10-Q").)
- 10.9* Form of Employee Stock Option Agreement under the Amended Domino's Pizza, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the March 2009 10-Q).
- 10.10* Form of Director Stock Option Agreement under the Amended Domino's Pizza, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the March 2009 10-Q).
- 10.11* Form of Amendment to Existing Employee Stock Option Grants (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the March 2009 10-Q).
- 10.12* Form of Amendment to Existing Director Stock Option Grants (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the March 2009 10-Q).
- 10.13* Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed on July 20, 2009 (the "July 2009 8-K")).
- 10.14* Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the July 2009 8-K).
- 10.15* Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the July 2009 8-K).
- 10.16* Form of Domino's Pizza, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan Restricted Stock Agreement for Directors (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 to the registrants' annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 3, 2010, (the "2009 10-K").
- 10.17* Amended and Restated Domino's Pizza Senior Executive Annual Incentive Plan. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20 to the registrants' annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 2, 2011, (the "2010 10-K").
- 10.18* Form of Domino's Pizza, Inc. 2004 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.31 to the S-1).
- 10.19* Form of Domino's Pizza, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment & Direct Stock Purchase and Sale Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.32 to the S-1).
- 10.20* Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated as of December 3, 2007 between David A. Brandon and Domino's Pizza, Inc., Domino's, Inc. and Domino's Pizza LLC (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.01 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed on December 3, 2007).
- 10.21* Amended and Restated Time Sharing Agreement dated as of February 25, 2008 between Domino's Pizza LLC and David A. Brandon (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.25 to registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2007).
- 10.22* First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Employment agreement dated as of December 3, 2007 between David A. Brandon and Domino's Pizza, Inc., Domino's, Inc. and Domino's Pizza LLC (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed on December 24, 2008, (the "December 2008 8-K").
- 10.23* Form of Amended and Restated Stock Option Agreement of David A. Brandon under the TISM Option Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.23 to the registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 2, 2005).
- 10.24* Amendment to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated as of February 25, 2010 between Domino's Pizza LLC and David A. Brandon (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33 to the 2009 10-K).

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- 10.25* Employment Agreement dated as of February 25, 2010 between Domino's Pizza LLC and J. Patrick Doyle (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.40 to the 2009 10-K).
- 10.26* Time Sharing Agreement dated as of February 25, 2010 between Domino's Pizza LLC and J. Patrick Doyle (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.41 to the 2009 10-K).
- 10.27* Employment Agreement dated as of February 14, 2007 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Michael T. Lawton (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.44 of the registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2008, (the "2008 10-K").)
- 10.28* Amendment to the Employment agreement dated as of February 14, 2007 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Michael T. Lawton. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.45 of the 2008 10-K).
- 10.29* Amendment to the Employment Agreement dated as of July 26, 2010 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Michael T. Lawton (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 20, 2010, (the "June 2010 10-Q").)
- 10.30* Employment Agreement dated as of September 2, 2008 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Russell J. Weiner (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.01 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed on September 4, 2008).
- 10.31* Amendment to the Employment agreement dated as of September 2, 2008 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Russell J. Weiner (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the December 2008 8-K).
- 10.32* Amendment to the Employment Agreement dated as of July 26, 2010 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Russell J. Weiner (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the June 2010 10-Q).
- 10.33* Employment Agreement dated as of January 7, 2008 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Kenneth B. Rollin (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.36 of the 2010 10-K).
- 10.34* Amendment to the Employment Agreement dated as of December 23, 2008 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Kenneth B. Rollin (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.37 of the 2010 10-K).
- 10.35* Amendment to the Employment Agreement dated as of July 26, 2010 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Kenneth B. Rollin (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.38 of the 2010 10-K).
- 10.36* Employment Agreement dated as of July 21, 2011 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Scott R. Hinshaw.
- 10.37* Employment Agreement dated as of March 14, 2011 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Richard E. Allison, Jr. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 27, 2011).
- 10.38 Form of Indemnification Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33 to the S-1).
- 10.39 Base Indenture dated April 16, 2007 among Domino's Pizza Master Issuer LLC, Domino's Pizza Distribution LLC, Domino's IP Holder LLC and Domino's SPV Canadian Holding Company Inc., each as Co-Issuer , and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee and Securities Intermediary (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Domino's Pizza, Inc. quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 25, 2007, (the "March 2007 10-Q").)
- 10.40 Supplemental Indenture dated April 16, 2007 among Domino's Pizza Master Issuer LLC, Domino's Pizza Distribution LLC, Domino's IP Holder LLC and Domino's SPV Canadian Holding Company Inc., each as a Co-Issuer of the 5.261% Fixed Rate Series 2007-1 Senior Notes, Class A-2, the 7.629% Fixed Rate Series 2007-1 Subordinated Notes, Class M-1 and the Series 2007-1 Variable Funding Senior Notes, Class A-1, and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee and Series 2007-1 Securities Intermediary (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the March 2007 10-Q).
- 10.41 Class A-1 Note Purchase Agreement dated April 16, 2007 among Domino's Pizza Master Issuer LLC, Domino's IP Holder LLC, Domino's Pizza Distribution LLC and Domino's SPV Canadian Holding Company Inc., each as a Co-Issuer, Domino's Pizza LLC, as Master Servicer, certain conduit investors, certain financial institutions and funding agents, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N. A., as provider of letters of credit, and Lehman Commercial Paper Inc., as swingline lender and as Administrative Agent (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the March 2007 10-Q).

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10.42	Guarantee and Collateral Agreement dated April 16, 2007 among Domino's SPV Guarantor LLC, Domino's Pizza Franchising LLC, Domino's Pizza International Franchising Inc. and Domino's Pizza Canadian Distribution ULC, each as a Guarantor, in favor of Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the March 2007 10-Q).
10.43	Master Servicing Agreement dated as of April 16, 2007 among Domino's Pizza Master Issuer LLC, certain subsidiaries of Domino's Pizza Master Issuer LLC party thereto, Domino's Pizza LLC, as Master Servicer, Domino's Pizza NS Co., as a Servicer, and Citibank, N.A. as Trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the March 2007 10-Q).
10.44	Insurance and Indemnity Agreement dated as of April 16, 2007 among MBIA Insurance Corporation and Ambac Assurance Corporation, as Insurers, Domino's Pizza Master Issuer LLC, Domino's Pizza Distribution LLC, Domino's IP Holder LLC and Domino's SPV Canadian Holding Company Inc., each as a Co-Issuer, Domino's Pizza, Inc., Domino's SPV Guarantor LLC and Domino's Pizza International LLC, Domino's Pizza LLC, as Master Servicer and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the March 2007 10-Q).
10.45	Agreement dated January 6, 2009 between Domino's Pizza, Inc., Blue Harbour Strategic Value Partners Master Fund, LP and Blue Harbour Institutional Partners Master Fund, L.P. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed on January 9, 2009).
10.46	Letter of Credit Agreement dated as of June 22, 2009 between Domino's Pizza LLC and Barclays Bank PLC (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed on June 26, 2009).
10.47	Board of Directors Compensation.
12.1	Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.
21.1	Subsidiaries of Domino's Pizza, Inc.
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, relating to Domino's Pizza, Inc.
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, relating to Domino's Pizza, Inc.
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, relating to Domino's Pizza, Inc.
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, relating to Domino's Pizza, Inc.
101.INS**	XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.
101.CAL**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.LAB**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.
101.PRE**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.

* - A management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an exhibit to this report pursuant to Item 15(b) of Form 10-K.

** In accordance with Regulation S-T, the XBRL-related information in Exhibit 101 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K shall be deemed to be "furnished" and not "filed."

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SCHEDULE I – CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF THE REGISTRANT

DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC.

PARENT COMPANY CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5	\$ 6
Total assets	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT		
LIABILITIES:		
Equity in net deficit of subsidiaries	\$ 1,210,651	\$ 1,209,739
Due to subsidiary	5	6
Total liabilities	<u>1,210,656</u>	<u>1,209,745</u>
STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT:		
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 170,000,000 shares authorized; 60,139,061 in 2010 and 57,741,208 in 2011 issued and outstanding	601	577
Preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 5,000,000 shares authorized, none issued	—	—
Additional paid-in capital	45,532	—
Retained deficit	(1,254,044)	(1,207,915)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,740)	(2,401)
Total stockholders' deficit	<u>(1,210,651)</u>	<u>(1,209,739)</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>

See accompanying notes to the Schedule I.

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC.

PARENT COMPANY CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	For the Years Ended		
	January 3, 2010	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
REVENUES	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Total revenues	—	—	—
OPERATING EXPENSES	—	—	—
Total operating expenses	—	—	—
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	—	—	—
Equity earnings in subsidiaries	79,744	87,917	105,361
INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	79,744	87,917	105,361
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	—	—	—
NET INCOME	<u><u>\$79,744</u></u>	<u><u>\$87,917</u></u>	<u><u>\$105,361</u></u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE:			
Common Stock – basic	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.79
Common Stock – diluted	\$ 1.38	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.71

See accompanying notes to the Schedule I.

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC.

PARENT COMPANY CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(In thousands)

	For the Years Ended		
	January 3, 2010	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	\$ 76,049	\$ 87,917	\$ 105,362
Net cash provided by operating activities	76,049	87,917	105,362
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Investments in subsidiaries	(84,802)	(95,448)	—
Dividends from subsidiaries	—	—	29,063
Net cash used in (provided by) investing activities	(84,802)	(95,448)	29,063
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Purchase of common stock	—	(5,384)	(165,007)
Other	5,058	12,915	30,583
Net cash used in (provided by) financing activities	5,058	7,531	(134,424)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(3,695)	—	1
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	3,700	5	5
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, AT END OF PERIOD	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>

See accompanying notes to the Schedule I.

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DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC.

NOTES TO PARENT COMPANY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) INTRODUCTION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Domino's Pizza, Inc., on a stand-alone basis, (the Parent Company) has accounted for majority-owned subsidiaries using the equity method of accounting. The accompanying condensed financial statements of the Parent Company should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements of Domino's Pizza, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the Company) and the notes thereto included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K. These financial statements have been provided to comply with Rule 4-08(e) of Regulation S-X.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase. These investments are carried at cost, which approximates fair value.

Use of Estimates

The use of estimates is inherent in the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(2) SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Non-cash activities of \$18.8 million, \$14.9 million and \$30.0 million were recorded in 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. These amounts primarily relate to stock-based compensation plans and amounts recorded in other comprehensive income related to the Company's subsidiaries.

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(in thousands)	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Provision (Benefit)</u>	<u>Additions/ Deductions from Reserves *</u>	<u>Translation Adjustments</u>	<u>Balance End of Year</u>
Allowance for doubtful accounts receivable:					
2011	\$ 6,436	\$ 1,050	\$ (2,040)	\$ —	\$ 5,446
2010	9,190	185	(2,937)	(2)	6,436
2009	10,949	1,162	(2,925)	4	9,190
Allowance for doubtful notes receivable:					
2011	\$ 1,567	\$ 378	\$ 114	\$ —	\$ 2,059
2010	1,122	(121)	566	—	1,567
2009	1,791	380	(1,049)	—	1,122

* Consists primarily of write-offs, recoveries of bad debt and certain reclassifications.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this annual report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC.

/s/ Michael T. Lawton
Michael T. Lawton
Chief Financial Officer

February 28, 2012

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrants and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

/s/ J. Patrick Doyle

J. Patrick Doyle
February 28, 2012

President, Chief Executive Officer and Director
(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Michael T. Lawton

Michael T. Lawton
February 28, 2012

Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

/s/ David A. Brandon

David A. Brandon
February 28, 2012

Chairman of the Board of Directors

/s/ Andrew B. Balson

Andrew B. Balson
February 28, 2012

Director

/s/ Diana F. Cantor

Diana F. Cantor
February 28, 2012

Director

/s/ Richard L. Federico

Richard L. Federico
February 28, 2012

Director

/s/ James A. Goldman

James A. Goldman
February 28, 2012

Director

/s/ Vernon O. Hamilton

Vernon O. Hamilton
February 28, 2012

Director

/s/ Gregory A. Trojan

Gregory A. Trojan
February 28, 2012

Director

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement is made as of July 21st, 2011, by Domino's Pizza LLC, a Michigan limited liability company (the "Company") and **Scott R. Hinshaw** (the "Executive").

RECITALS

1. The Executive has experience and expertise required by the Company and its Affiliates.
2. Subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, the Company therefore wishes to employ the Executive as its Executive Vice President, Franchise Operations and Development and the Executive wishes to accept such employment.

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, for valid consideration received, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Employment.** Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the Company offers and the Executive accepts employment hereunder effective as of the date first set forth above (the "Effective Date").
2. **Term.** This Agreement shall commence on the date hereof and shall remain in effect for an indefinite time until terminated by either party as set forth in Section 5 hereof.
3. **Capacity and Performance.**

3.1 **Offices.** During the Term, the Executive shall serve the Company as Executive Vice President, Franchise Operations and Development. The Executive shall have such other powers, duties and responsibilities consistent with the Executive's position as Executive Vice President, Franchise Operations and Development as may from time to time be prescribed by the Chief Executive Officer of the Company ("CEO").

3.2 **Performance.** During the Term, the Executive shall be employed by the Company on a full-time basis and shall perform and discharge, faithfully, diligently and to the best of his/her ability, his/her duties and responsibilities hereunder. During the Term, the Executive shall devote his/her full business time exclusively to the advancement of the business and interests of the Company and its Affiliates and to the discharge of his/her duties and responsibilities hereunder. The Executive shall not engage in any other business activity or serve in any industry, trade, professional, governmental, political, charitable or academic position during the Term of this Agreement, except for such directorships or other positions which he/she currently holds and has disclosed to the CEO in Exhibit 3.2 hereof and except as otherwise may be approved in advance by the CEO.

4. Compensation and Benefits. During the Term, as compensation for all services performed by the Executive under this Agreement and subject to performance of the Executive's duties and obligations to the Company and its Affiliates, pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise, the Executive shall receive the following:

4.1 Base Salary. The Company shall pay the Executive a base salary at the rate of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) per year, payable in accordance with the payroll practices of the Company for its executives and subject to such increases as the Board of Directors of the Company or the Compensation Committee (the "Board") in its sole discretion may determine from time to time (the "Base Salary").

4.2 Bonus Compensation. During the term hereof, the Executive shall participate in the Company's Senior Executive Annual Incentive Plan, as it may be amended from time to time pursuant to the terms thereof (the "Plan," a current copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A) and shall be eligible for a bonus award thereunder (the "Bonus"). For purposes of the Plan, the Executive shall be eligible for a Bonus, and the Executive's specified percentage (the "Specified Percentage") for such Bonus shall be established annually by the Board of Directors (the "Board") or, if the Board delegates the Specified Percentage determination process to a Committee of the Board, by such Committee. In the event the Board or Committee does not approve the Executive's Specified Percentage within 90 days of the beginning of a fiscal year, such Specified Percentage shall be the same as the immediately preceding year. Whenever any Bonus payable to the Executive is stated in this Agreement to be prorated for any period of service less than a full year, such Bonus shall be prorated by multiplying (x) the amount of the Bonus otherwise earned and payable for the applicable fiscal year in accordance with this Sub-Section 4.2 by (y) a fraction, the denominator of which shall be 365 and the numerator of which shall be the number of days during the applicable fiscal year for which the Executive was employed by the Company. Executive agrees and understands that any prorated Bonus payments will be made only after determination of the achievement of the applicable Performance Measures (as defined in the Plan) in accordance with the terms of the Plan. Any compensation paid to the Executive as Bonus shall be in addition to the Base Salary.

4.3 Vacations. During the Term, the Executive shall be entitled to four weeks of vacation per calendar year, to be taken at such times and intervals as shall be determined by the Executive, subject to the reasonable business needs of the Company. The Executive may not accumulate or carry over from one calendar year to another any unused, accrued vacation time. The Executive shall not be entitled to compensation for vacation time not taken.

4.4 Other Benefits. During the Term and subject to any contribution therefor required of executives of the Company generally, the Executive shall be entitled to participate in all employee benefit plans, including without limitation any 401(k) plan, from time to time adopted by the Board and in effect for executives of the Company generally (except to the extent such plans are in a category of benefit otherwise provided the Executive hereunder). Such participation shall be subject to (i) the terms of the applicable plan documents and (ii) generally applicable policies of the Company. The Company may alter, modify, add to or delete any aspects of its employee benefit plans at any time as the Board, in its sole judgment, determines to be appropriate.

4.5 Business Expenses. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Executive for all reasonable business expenses, including without limitation the cost of first class air travel and dues for industry-related association memberships, incurred or paid by the Executive in the performance of his/her duties and responsibilities hereunder, subject to (i) any expense policy of the Company set by the Board from time to time, including without limitation any portion thereof intended to comply with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations and other guidance thereunder (“Section 409A”) and (ii) such reasonable substantiation and documentation requirements as may be specified by the Board or CEO from time to time.

4.6 Airline Clubs. Upon receiving the prior written approval of the CEO authorizing the Executive to join a particular airline club, the Company shall pay or reimburse the Executive for dues for not less than two nor more than four airline clubs, provided such club memberships serve a direct business purpose and subject to such reasonable substantiation and documentation requirements as to cost and purpose as may be specified by the CEO from time to time.

4.7 Physicals. The Company shall annually pay for or reimburse the Executive for the cost of a physical examination and health evaluation performed by a licensed medical doctor, subject to such reasonable substantiation and documentation requirements as to cost as may be specified by the Board or CEO from time to time.

5. **Termination of Employment and Severance Benefits.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2 hereof, the Executive’s employment hereunder shall terminate prior to the expiration of the term of this Agreement under the circumstances described in this Section 5. All references herein to termination of employment, separation from service and similar or correlative terms, insofar as they are relevant to the payment of any benefit that could constitute nonqualified deferred compensation subject to Section 409A, shall be construed to require a “separation from service” within the meaning of Section 409A, and the Company and the Executive shall take all steps necessary (including with regard to any post- termination services by the Executive) to ensure that any such termination constitutes a “separation from service” as so defined.

5.1 Retirement or Death. In the event of the Executive's retirement or death during the Term, the Executive's employment hereunder shall immediately and automatically terminate. In the event of the Executive's retirement after the age of 65 with the prior consent of the Board or death during the Term, the Company shall pay to the Executive (or in the case of death, the Executive's designated beneficiary or, if no beneficiary has been designated by the Executive, to Executive's estate) any Base Salary earned but unpaid through the date of such retirement or death, any Bonus for the fiscal year preceding the year in which such retirement or death occurs that was earned but has not yet been paid and, at the times the Company pays its executives bonuses in accordance with its general payroll policies, an amount equal to that portion of any Bonus earned but unpaid during the fiscal year of such retirement or death (prorated in accordance with Section 4.2).

5.2 **Disability.**

5.2.1 The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder, upon notice to the Executive, in the event that the Executive becomes disabled during his/her employment hereunder through any illness, injury, accident or condition of either a physical or psychological nature and, as a result, is unable to perform substantially all of his/her duties and responsibilities hereunder for an aggregate of 120 days during any period of 365 consecutive calendar days ; provided, that if the Executive incurs a leave of absence due to any medically determinable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than six (6) months, the Executive, unless he/she earlier returns to service (at a level of service inconsistent with a separation from service under Section 409A) or his/her employment is earlier terminated, shall in all events be deemed to have separated from service not later than by the end of the twenty-ninth (29th) month, commencing with the commencement of such leave of absence.

5.2.2 The Board may designate another employee to act in the Executive's place during any period of the Executive's disability. Notwithstanding any such designation, the Executive shall continue to receive the Base Salary in accordance with Section 4.1 and to receive benefits in accordance with Section 4.5, to the extent permitted by the then current terms of the applicable benefit plans, until the Executive becomes disabled within the meaning of Section 409A or until the termination of his/her employment, whichever shall first occur. Upon becoming so disabled, or upon such termination, whichever shall first occur, the Company shall promptly and in all events within thirty (30) days pay to the Executive any Base Salary earned but unpaid through the date of such eligibility or termination and any

Bonus for the fiscal year preceding the year of such eligibility or termination that was earned but unpaid. At the times the Company pays its executives bonuses generally, but no later than two and one half (2 1/2) months after the end of the fiscal year in which the bonus is earned, the Company shall pay the Executive an amount equal to that portion of any Bonus earned but unpaid during the fiscal year of such eligibility or termination (prorated in accordance with Section 4.2). During the eighteen (18) month period from the date of such disability (as determined under Section 409A), the Company shall pay the Executive, at its regular pay periods, an amount equal to the difference between the Base Salary and the amounts of any disability income benefits that the Executive receives in respect of such period.

5.2.3 Except as provided in Section 5.2.2, while receiving disability income payments under any disability income plan maintained by the Company, the Executive shall not be entitled to receive any Base Salary under Section 4.1 or Bonus payments under Section 4.2 but shall continue to participate in benefit plans of the Company in accordance with Section 4.4 and the terms of such plans, until the termination of his/her employment. During the 18-month period from the date of disability (as determined under Section 409A) or termination, whichever shall first occur, the Company shall contribute to the cost of the Executive's participation in group medical plans of the Company, provided that the Executive is entitled to continue such participation under applicable law and plan terms.

5.2.4 If any question shall arise as to whether during any period the Executive is disabled through any illness, injury, accident or condition of either a physical or psychological nature so as to be unable to perform substantially all of his/her duties and responsibilities hereunder, or for purposes of Section 409A the Executive may, and at the request of the Company shall, submit to a medical examination by a physician selected by the Company to whom the Executive or his/her duly appointed guardian, if any, has no reasonable objection, to determine whether the Executive is so disabled and such determination shall for the purposes of this Agreement be conclusive of the issue. If such question shall arise and the Executive shall fail to submit to such medical examination, the Board's determination of the issue shall be binding on the Executive.

5.3 By the Company for Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause at any time upon notice to the Executive setting forth in reasonable detail the nature of such Cause. The following events or conditions shall constitute "Cause" for termination:

(i) Executive's willful failure to perform (other than by reason of disability), or gross negligence in the performance of his/her duties to the Company or any of its Affiliates and the continuation of such failure or negligence for a period of ten (10) days after notice to the

Executive; (ii) the Executive's willful failure to perform (other than by reason of disability) any lawful and reasonable directive of the CEO; (iii) the commission of fraud, embezzlement or theft by the Executive with respect to the Company or any of its Affiliates; or (iv) the conviction of the Executive of, or plea by the Executive of *nolo contendere* to, any felony or any other crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude. Anything to the contrary in this Agreement notwithstanding, upon the giving of notice of termination of the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause, the Company and its Affiliates shall have no further obligation or liability to the Executive hereunder, other than for Base Salary earned but unpaid through the date of termination. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Executive shall not be entitled to receive any Bonus amounts which have not been paid prior to the date of termination.

5.4 By the Company Other Than for Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder other than for Cause at any time upon notice to the Executive. In the event of such termination, the Company shall pay the Executive: (i) promptly following termination and in all events within thirty (30) days thereof, Base Salary earned but unpaid through the date of termination, plus (ii) severance payments for a period to end twelve (12) months after the termination date ("Severance Term"), of which (a) the first severance payment shall be made on the date that is six (6) months from the date of termination and in an amount equal six (6) times the Executives monthly base compensation in effect at the time of such termination and (b) the balance of the severance shall be paid in six (6) monthly payments beginning on the date that is seven (7) months from the date of termination and continuing through the date that is twelve (12) months from the date of termination, each such monthly payment in an amount equal to the Executive's monthly base compensation in effect at the time of such termination (i.e., 1/12th of the Base Salary), plus (iii) promptly following termination and in all events within thirty (30) days thereof, any unpaid portion of any Bonus for the fiscal year preceding the year in which such termination occurs that was earned but has not been paid, plus (iv) at the times the Company pays its executives bonuses generally, but no later than two and one half (2 1/2) months after the end of the fiscal year in which the Bonus is earned, an amount equal to that portion of any Bonus earned but unpaid during the fiscal year of such termination (prorated in accordance with Section 4.2).

5.5 By the Executive for Good Reason. The Executive may terminate employment hereunder for Good Reason, upon notice to the Company setting forth in reasonable detail the nature of such Good Reason. The following shall constitute "Good Reason" for termination by the Executive: (i) any material diminution in the nature and scope of the Executive's responsibilities, duties, authority or title, however, a change in reporting structure shall not constitute a material diminution of authority; (ii) material failure of the Company to provide the Executive the Base Salary and benefits in accordance with the terms of Section 4 hereof; or (iii) relocation of the Executive's office to a location outside a 50-mile radius of the

Company's current headquarters in Ann Arbor, Michigan. In the event of termination in accordance with this Section 5.5, then the Company shall pay the Executive: (x) promptly following termination and in all events within thirty (30) days thereof, Base Salary earned but unpaid through the date of termination, plus (y) six months after the termination date, an amount equal to six times the Executive's monthly base compensation in effect at the time of such termination (i.e., 1/12th of the Base Salary) and thereafter, monthly severance payments, each equal to the Executive's monthly base compensation for a period of six months , plus (z) at the times the Company pays its executives bonuses generally, but no later than two and one half (2 1/2) months after the end of the fiscal year in which the bonus is earned, an amount equal to that portion of any Bonus earned but unpaid during the fiscal year of such termination (prorated in accordance with Section 4.2).

5.6 By the Executive Other Than for Good Reason. The Executive may terminate employment hereunder at any time upon 90 days written notice to the Company. In the event of termination of the Executive's employment pursuant to this Section 5.6, the CEO or the Board may elect to waive the period of notice or any portion thereof. The Company will pay the Executive his/her Base Salary for the notice period, except to the extent so waived by the Board. Upon the giving of notice of termination of the Executive's employment hereunder pursuant to this Section 5.6, the Company and its Affiliates shall have no further obligation or liability to the Executive, other than (i) payment to the Executive of his/her Base Salary for the period (or portion of such period) indicated above, (ii) continuation of the provision of the benefits set forth in Section 4.4 for the period (or portion of such period) indicated above, and (iii) any unpaid portion of any Bonus for the fiscal year preceding the year in which such termination occurs that was earned but has not been paid. The payments made under subsections (i) and (iii) hereof shall be made promptly following termination and in all events within thirty (30) days thereof.

5.7 Post-Agreement Employment. In the event the Executive remains in the employ of the Company or any of its Affiliates following termination of this Agreement, by the expiration of the Term or otherwise, then such employment shall be at will.

5.8 Delayed Payments for Specified Employees. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 5, if the Executive is a "specified employee" as defined in Section 409A, determined in accordance with the methodology established by the Company as in effect on the Executive's termination, amounts payable hereunder on account of the Executive's termination that would constitute nonqualified deferred compensation for purposes of Section 409A and that would, but for this Section 5.9, be payable within the six (6) month period commencing with the Executive's termination shall instead be accumulated and paid in a lump sum at the conclusion of such six-month period.

6. **Effect of Termination of Employment.** The provisions of this Section 6 shall apply in the event of termination of Executive's employment, pursuant to Section 5, or otherwise.

6.1 **Payment in Full.** Payment by the Company or its Affiliates of any Base Salary, Bonus or other specified amounts that are due to the Executive under the applicable termination provision of Section 5 shall constitute the entire obligation of the Company and its Affiliates to the Executive, except that nothing in this Section 6.1 is intended or shall be construed to affect the rights and obligations of the Company or its Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Executive, on the other, with respect to any option plans, option agreements, subscription agreements, stockholders agreements or other agreements to the extent said rights or obligations therein survive termination of employment.

6.2 **Termination of Benefits.** If Executive is terminated by the Company without Cause, or terminates employment with the Company for Good Reason, and provided that Executive elects continuation of health coverage pursuant to Section 601 through 608 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("COBRA"), Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to the monthly COBRA premiums for the Severance Term; provided further, such payment will cease upon Executive's entitlement to other health insurance without charge. Except for medical insurance coverage continued pursuant to Section 5.2 hereof, all other benefits shall terminate pursuant to the terms of the applicable benefit plans based on the date of termination of the Executive's employment without regard to any continuation of Base Salary or other payments to the Executive following termination of employment. Executive and Company agree to make such changes to the reimbursement for COBRA as may be required to ensure compliance with Internal Revenue Code section 409A.

6.3 **Survival of Certain Provisions.** Provisions of this Agreement shall survive any termination of employment if so provided herein or if necessary to accomplish the purpose of other surviving provisions, including, without limitation, the obligations of the Executive under Sections 7 and 8 hereof. The obligation of the Company to make payments to or on behalf of the Executive under Sections 5.2, 5.4 or 5.5 hereof is expressly conditioned upon the Executive's continued full performance of his/her obligations under Sections 7 and 8 hereof. The Executive recognizes that, except as expressly provided in Section 5.2, 5.4 or 5.5, no compensation is earned after termination of employment.

7. **Confidential Information; Intellectual Property.**

7.1 **Confidentiality.** The Executive acknowledges that the Company and its Affiliates continually develop Confidential Information (as that term is defined in Section 11.2, below); that the Executive may develop Confidential Information for the Company or its Affiliates and that the Executive may learn of Confidential Information during the course of his/her employment. The Executive will comply with the policies and procedures of the Company and its Affiliates for protecting Confidential Information and shall never use or disclose to any Person (except as required by applicable law or for the proper performance of his/her duties and responsibilities to the Company) any Confidential Information obtained by the Executive incident to his/her employment or other association with the Company and its Affiliates. The Executive understands that this restriction shall continue to apply after employment terminates, regardless of the reason for such termination.

7.2 **Return of Documents.** All documents, records, tapes and other media of every kind and description relating to the business, present or otherwise, of the Company and its Affiliates and any copies, in whole or in part, thereof (the "Documents"), whether or not prepared by the Executive, shall be the sole and exclusive property of the Company and its Affiliates. The Executive shall safeguard all Documents and shall surrender to the Company and its Affiliates at the time employment terminates or at such earlier time or times as the Board or CEO designee may specify, all Documents then in the Executive's possession or control.

7.3 **Assignment of Rights to Intellectual Property.** The Executive shall promptly and fully disclose all Intellectual Property to the Company. The Executive hereby assigns to the Company (or as otherwise directed by the Company) the Executive's full right, title and interest in and to all Intellectual Property. The Executive shall execute any and all applications for domestic and foreign patents, copyrights or other proprietary rights and to do such other acts (including without limitation the execution and delivery of instruments of further assurance or confirmation) requested by the Company or its Affiliates to assign the Intellectual Property to the Company and to permit the Company and its Affiliates to enforce any patents, copyrights or other proprietary rights to the Intellectual Property. The Executive will not charge the Company or its Affiliates for time spent in complying with these obligations. All copyrightable works that the Executive creates shall be considered "Work For Hire" under applicable laws.

8. Restricted Activities.

8.1 Agreement Not to Compete With the Company. During the Executive's employment hereunder and for a period of 24 months following the date of termination thereof (the "Non-Competition Period"), the Executive will not, directly or indirectly, own, manage, operate, control or participate in any manner in the ownership, management, operation or control of, or be connected as an officer, employee, partner, director, principal, member, manager, consultant, agent or otherwise with, or have any financial interest in, or aid or assist anyone else in the conduct of, any business, venture or activity which in any material respect competes with the following enumerated business activities to the extent then being conducted or being planned to be conducted by the Company or its Affiliates or being conducted or known by the Executive to be planned to be conducted by the Company or by any of its Affiliates, at or prior to the date on which the Executive's employment under this Agreement is terminated (the "Date of Termination"), in the United States or any other geographic area where such business is being conducted or being planned to be conducted at or prior to the Date of Termination (a "Competitive Business", defined below). For purposes of this Agreement, "Competitive Business" shall be defined as: (i) any company or other entity engaged as a "quick service restaurant" ("QSR") which offers pizza for sale; (ii) any "quick service restaurant" which is then contemplating entering into the pizza business or adding pizza to its menu; (iii) any entity which at the time of Executive's termination of employment with the Company, offers, as a primary product or service, products or services then being offered by the Company or which the Company is actively contemplating offering; and (iv) any entity under common control with an entity included in (i), (ii) or (iii), above. Notwithstanding the foregoing, ownership of not more than 5% of any class of equity security of any publicly traded corporation shall not, of itself, constitute a violation of this Section 8.1.

8.2 Agreement Not to Solicit Employees or Customers of the Company. During employment and during the Non-Competition Period the Executive will not, directly or indirectly, (i) recruit or hire or otherwise seek to induce any employees of the Company or any of the Company's Affiliates to terminate their employment or violate any agreement with or duty to the Company or any of the Company's Affiliates; or (ii) solicit or encourage any franchisee or vendor of the Company or of any of the Company's Affiliates to terminate or diminish its relationship with any of them or to violate any agreement with any of them, or, in the case of a franchisee, to conduct with any Person any business or activity that such franchisee conducts or could conduct with the Company or any of the Company's Affiliates.

9. Enforcement of Covenants. The Executive acknowledges that he/she has carefully read and considered all the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including without limitation the restraints imposed upon his/her pursuant to Sections 7 and 8 hereof. The Executive agrees that said restraints are necessary for the reasonable

and proper protection of the Company and its Affiliates and that each and every one of the restraints is reasonable in respect to subject matter, length of time and geographic area. The Executive further acknowledges that, were he/she to breach any of the covenants or agreements contained in Sections 7 or 8 hereof, the damage to the Company and its Affiliates could be irreparable. The Executive, therefore, agrees that the Company and its Affiliates, in addition to any other remedies available to it, shall be entitled to preliminary and permanent injunctive relief against any breach or threatened breach by the Executive of any of said covenants or agreements. The parties further agree that in the event that any provision of Section 7 or 8 hereof shall be determined by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable by reason of it being extended over too great a time, too large a geographic area or too great a range of activities, such provision shall be deemed to be modified to permit its enforcement to the maximum extent permitted by law.

10. **Conflicting Agreements.** The Executive hereby represents and warrants that the execution of this Agreement and the performance of his/her obligations hereunder will not breach or be in conflict with any other agreement to which or by which the Executive is a party or is bound and that the Executive is not now subject to any covenants against competition or solicitation or similar covenants or other obligations that would affect the performance of his/her obligations hereunder. The Executive will not disclose to or use on behalf of the Company or any of its Affiliates any proprietary information of a third party without such party's consent.
11. **Definitions.** Words or phrases which are initially capitalized or are within quotation marks shall have the meanings provided in this Section 11 or as specifically defined elsewhere in this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the following definitions apply:
 - 11.1 **Affiliates.** "Affiliates" shall mean Domino's Pizza, Inc., Domino's, Inc. and all other persons and entities controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Company, where control may be by management authority or equity interest.
 - 11.2 **Confidential Information.** "Confidential Information" means any and all information of the Company and its Affiliates that is not generally known by others with whom they compete or do business, or with whom they plan to compete or do business, and any and all information the disclosure of which would otherwise be adverse to the interest of the Company or any of its Affiliates. Confidential Information includes without limitation such information relating to (i) the products and services sold or offered by the Company or any of its Affiliates (including without limitation recipes, production processes and heating technology), (ii) the costs, sources of supply, financial performance and strategic plans of the Company and its Affiliates, (iii) the identity of the suppliers to the Company and its Affiliates, and (iv) the people and organizations with whom the Company and its Affiliates have business relationships and those relationships. Confidential Information also includes information that the Company or any of its Affiliates have received belonging to others with any understanding, express or implied, that it would not be disclosed.

11.3 **ERISA**. “ERISA” means the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and any successor statute, and the rules and regulations thereunder, and, in the case of any referenced section thereof, any successor section thereto, collectively and as from time to time amended and in effect.

11.4 **Intellectual Property**. “Intellectual Property” means inventions, discoveries, developments, methods, processes, compositions, works, concepts, recipes and ideas (whether or not patentable or copyrightable or constituting trade secrets or trademarks or service marks) conceived, made, created, developed or reduced to practice by the Executive (whether alone or with others, whether or not during normal business hours or on or off Company premises) during the Executive’s employment that relate to either the business activities or any prospective activity of the Company or any of its Affiliates.

11.5 **Person**. “Person” means an individual, a corporation, an association, a partnership, a limited liability company, an estate, a trust and any other entity or organization.

12. **Withholding/Other Tax Matters**. All payments made by the Company under this Agreement shall be reduced by any tax or other amounts required to be withheld by the Company under applicable law. This Agreement shall be construed consistent with the intent that all payment and benefits hereunder comply with the requirements of, or the requirements for exemption from, Section 409A. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall not be liable to the Executive for any failure to comply with any such requirements.

13. **Miscellaneous**.

13.1 **Assignment**. Neither the Company nor the Executive may assign this Agreement or any interest herein, by operation of law or otherwise, without the prior written consent of the other; provided, however, that the Company may assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement without the consent of the Executive in the event that the Company shall hereafter affect a reorganization, consolidate with, or merge into, any other Person or transfer all or substantially all of its properties or assets to any other Person, in which event such other Person shall be deemed the “Company” hereunder, as applicable, for all purposes of this Agreement; provided, further, that nothing contained herein shall be construed to place any limitation or restriction on the transfer of the Company’s Common Stock in addition to any restrictions set forth in any stockholder agreement applicable to the holders of such shares. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Company and the Executive, and their respective successors, executors, administrators, representatives, heirs and permitted assigns.

13.2 Severability. If any portion or provision of this Agreement shall to any extent be declared illegal or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the application of such provision in such circumstances shall be deemed modified to permit its enforcement to the maximum extent permitted by law, and both the application of such portion or provision in circumstances other than those as to which it is so declared illegal or unenforceable and the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each portion and provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

13.3 Waiver; Amendment. No waiver of any provision hereof shall be effective unless made in writing and signed by the waiving party. The failure of either party to require the performance of any term or obligation of this Agreement, or the waiver by either party of any breach of this Agreement, shall not prevent any subsequent enforcement of such term or obligation or be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by the Executive and any expressly authorized representative of the Company.

13.4 Notices. Any and all notices, requests, demands and other communications provided for by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be effective when delivered in person or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, registered or certified, and addressed (i) in the case of the Executive, to: Scott R. Hinshaw, 30 Frank Lloyd Wright, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106, and (ii) in the case of the Company, to the attention of Chief Executive Officer, at 30 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106, or to such other address as either party may specify by notice to the other actually received.

13.5 Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any and all prior communications, agreements and understandings, written or oral, between the Executive and the Company, or any of its predecessors, with respect to the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment.

13.6 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

13.7 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the domestic substantive laws of the State of Michigan without giving effect to any choice or conflict of laws provision or rule that would cause the application of the domestic substantive laws of any other jurisdiction.

13.8 Consent to Jurisdiction. Each of the Company and the Executive evidenced by the execution hereof, (i) hereby irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of the state courts of the State of Michigan for the purpose of any claim or action arising out of or based upon this Agreement or relating to the subject matter hereof and (ii) hereby waives, to the extent not prohibited by applicable law, and agrees not to assert by way of motion, as a defense or otherwise, in any such claim or action, any claim that it or he/she is not subject personally to the jurisdiction of the above-named courts, that its or his/her property is exempt or immune from attachment or execution, that any such proceeding brought in the above-named courts is improper, or that this Agreement or the subject matter hereof may not be enforced in or by such court. Each of the Company and the Executive hereby consents to service of process in any such proceeding in any manner permitted by Michigan law, and agrees that service of process by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, at its address specified pursuant to Section 13.4 hereof is reasonably calculated to give actual notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed by the Company, by its duly authorized representative, and by the Executive, as of the date first above written.

THE COMPANY:

DOMINO'S PIZZA LLC

Date: August 11, 2011

By: /s/ J. Patrick Doyle

Name: **J. Patrick Doyle**

Title: **Chief Executive Officer**

THE EXECUTIVE:

Date: August 11, 2011

By: /s/ Scott R. Hinshaw

Name: **Scott R. Hinshaw**

Model LC Employment Agreement

EXHIBIT A

DOMINO'S PIZZA SENIOR EXECUTIVE ANNUAL INCENTIVE PLAN

Model LC Employment Agreement

EXHIBIT 3.2

(None, unless additional information is set forth below.)

Domino's Pizza, Inc.
Independent Director Compensation Schedule

The following table sets forth the compensation received by independent directors of Domino's Pizza, Inc.:

Compensation Type	Amount
Annual Retainer	\$50,000 per year
Board of Directors Meeting Fee	\$2,000 per meeting
Committee Meeting Fee	\$1,500 per meeting
Audit Chairperson Retainer	\$20,000 per year
Compensation Committee Chairperson Retainer	\$15,000 per year
Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Chairperson Retainer	\$10,000 per year
Annual Restricted Stock Grant	2,990 shares per year

Domino's Pizza, Inc.
Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

(dollars in thousands)	Fiscal years ended				
	December 30, 2007	December 28, 2008	January 3, 2010	January 2, 2011	January 1, 2012
Income before provision for income taxes	\$ 55,559	\$ 82,870	\$ 135,522	\$ 138,945	\$ 167,806
Fixed charges	143,190	127,441	123,596	109,149	103,577
Earnings as defined	\$ 198,749	\$ 210,311	\$ 259,118	\$ 248,094	\$ 271,383
Fixed charges (1):					
Interest expense	\$ 130,374	\$ 114,906	\$ 110,945	\$ 96,810	\$ 91,635
Portion of rental expense representative of interest	12,816	12,535	12,651	12,339	11,942
Total fixed charges	\$ 143,190	\$ 127,441	\$ 123,596	\$ 109,149	\$ 103,577
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	1.4x	1.7x	2.1x	2.3x	2.6x

(1) Fixed charges are determined as defined in instructions for Item 503 of Regulation S-K and include interest expense and our estimate of interest included in rental expense (one-third of rent expense under operating leases).

SIGNIFICANT SUBSIDIARIES OF DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC.

Domino's Pizza LLC	Michigan
Domino's IP Holder LLC	Delaware
Domino's National Advertising Fund Inc.	Michigan
Domino's Pizza Master Issuer LLC	Delaware
Domino's Pizza Distribution LLC	Delaware
Domino's Pizza Franchising LLC	Delaware
Domino's Pizza International Franchising Inc.	Delaware
Domino's Pizza Overseas Franchising B.V.	Netherlands

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (Nos. 333-118486, 333-121830, 333-121923, 333-161971, 333-161972 and 333-174542) of Domino's Pizza, Inc. of our report dated February 28, 2012 relating to the financial statements, financial statement schedules and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which appears in this Form 10-K.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Detroit, Michigan
February 28, 2012

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC.

I, J. Patrick Doyle, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Domino's Pizza, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of 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 controls over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15(d)-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) 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;
 - b) Designed such internal controls 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;
 - c) 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
 - d) 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 audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
 - a) 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
 - b) 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.

February 28, 2012

Date

/s/ J. Patrick Doyle

J. Patrick Doyle
Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, DOMINO'S PIZZA, INC.

I, Michael T. Lawton, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Domino's Pizza, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of 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 controls over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15(d)-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) 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;
 - b) Designed such internal controls 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;
 - c) 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
 - d) 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 audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
 - a) 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
 - b) 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.

February 28, 2012

Date

/s/ Michael T. Lawton

Michael T. Lawton
Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of Domino's Pizza, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ended January 1, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, J. Patrick Doyle, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that based on my knowledge:

- 1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- 2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ J. Patrick Doyle

J. Patrick Doyle
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: February 28, 2012

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to Domino's Pizza, Inc. and will be retained by Domino's Pizza, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of Domino's Pizza, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ended January 1, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Michael Lawton, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that based on my knowledge:

- 1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- 2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Michael T. Lawton

Michael Lawton
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: February 28, 2012

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to Domino's Pizza, Inc. and will be retained by Domino's Pizza, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.