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Form 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended December 31, 2018

or

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 1-11373

Cardinal Health, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 31-0958666

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization) (IRS Employer
Identification No.)

7000 Cardinal Place, Dublin, Ohio 43017
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(614) 757-5000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer ☒ Accelerated filer ☐

Non-accelerated filer ☐ Smaller reporting company ☐

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes ☐ No ☒

The number of the registrant's common shares, without par value, outstanding as of January 31, 2019, was the following: 298,016,653.

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About Cardinal Health

Cardinal Health, Inc. is an Ohio corporation formed in 1979 and is a globally integrated healthcare services and products company providing customized solutions for hospitals, healthcare systems, pharmacies, ambulatory surgery centers, clinical laboratories and physician offices. We provide medical products and pharmaceuticals and cost-effective solutions that enhance supply chain efficiency. We connect patients, providers, payers, pharmacists and manufacturers for integrated care coordination and better patient management. We manage our business and report our financial results in two segments: Pharmaceutical and Medical. As used in this report, "we," "our," "us," and similar pronouns refer to Cardinal Health, Inc. and its subsidiaries, unless the context requires otherwise. Our fiscal year ends on June 30. References to fiscal 2018 and fiscal 2017 are to the fiscal years ending or ended June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017, respectively.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2018 (this "Form 10-Q") (including information incorporated by reference) includes "forward-looking statements" addressing expectations, prospects, estimates and other matters that are dependent upon future events or developments. Many forward-looking statements appear in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A"), but there are others in this Form 10-Q, which may be identified by words such as "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "believe," "will," "should," "could," "would," "project," "continue," "likely," and similar expressions, and include statements reflecting future results, trends or guidance, statements of outlook and expense accruals. These matters are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those made, projected or implied. The most significant of these risks and uncertainties are described in Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 10-Q and in "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 (our "2018 Form 10-K"). Forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q speak only as of the date of this document. Except to the extent required by applicable law, we undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In the "Overview of Consolidated Results" section of MD&A, we use financial measures that are derived from our consolidated financial data but are not presented in our condensed consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). These measures are considered "non-GAAP financial measures" under the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") rules. The reasons we use these non-GAAP financial measures and the reconciliations to their most directly comparable GAAP financial

measures are included in the “Explanation and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures” section following MD&A in this Form 10-Q.

MD&A Overview

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The discussion and analysis presented below is concerned with material changes in financial condition and results of operations between the periods specified in our condensed consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018, and in our condensed consolidated statements of earnings for the three and six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017. All comparisons presented are with respect to the prior-year period, unless stated otherwise. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the MD&A included in our 2018 Form 10-K.

Overview of Consolidated Results

Revenue

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2018, revenue increased 7 percent to \$37.7 billion and 8 percent to \$73.0 billion, respectively, primarily due to sales growth from pharmaceutical distribution and specialty pharmaceutical customers, partially offset by the February 2018 divestiture of our China distribution business.

MD&A Overview

GAAP and Non-GAAP Operating Earnings

(in millions)	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended		
	December 31,			December 31,		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
GAAP operating earnings	\$504	\$399	26 %	\$1,320	\$661	100 %
State opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years	(29)	—		—	—	
Restructuring and employee severance	12	21		44	153	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	157	184		314	368	
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets	8	68		(503)	68	
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	(15)	58		3	90	
Non-GAAP operating earnings	\$637	\$730	(13)%	\$1,178	\$1,340	(12)%

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

The increase in GAAP operating earnings during the three months ended December 31, 2018 was primarily due to favorable changes in litigation recoveries and charges, the beneficial comparison to the prior-year write-down of the assets held for sale from the divestiture of our China distribution business and growth from our specialty pharmaceutical products distribution and services business. These positive factors were partially offset by the negative impact of our Pharmaceutical segment generics program performance.

The increase in GAAP operating earnings during the six months ended December 31, 2018 was primarily due to a \$508 million gain from the divestiture of our naviHealth Holdings, LLC ("naviHealth") business and the same factors impacting GAAP operating earnings during the three months ended December 31, 2018. The beneficial comparisons to the prior-year \$125 million of contract termination costs to transition the distribution of our Medical segment surgeon gloves in certain international markets from a third-party distribution arrangement to a direct distribution model and the prior-year fair value step-up of inventory acquired with the Patient Recovery Business also contributed to the increase in GAAP operating earnings during the six months ended December 31, 2018.

The decrease in non-GAAP operating earnings during the three months and six ended December 31, 2018 was primarily due to the negative impact of our Pharmaceutical segment generics program performance, increased costs related to Cardinal Health Brand products and the adverse impact of pharmaceutical customer contract renewals. These factors were partially offset by growth from our specialty pharmaceutical products distribution and services business and the beneficial comparison to the prior-year fair value step-up of inventory acquired with the Patient Recovery Business.

MD&A Overview

GAAP and Non-GAAP Diluted EPS

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Six Months Ended December 31,		
(\$ per share)	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
GAAP ⁽¹⁾	\$0.93	\$3.33	(72)%	\$2.88	\$3.68	(22)%
State opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years	(0.07)	—		—	—	
Restructuring and employee severance	0.03	0.07		0.11	0.34	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	0.40	0.46		0.79	0.85	
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets	0.02	0.35		(1.22)	0.35	
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	(0.04)	0.13		0.01	0.19	
Transitional tax benefit, net	0.01	(2.83)		0.01	(2.82)	
Non-GAAP ⁽¹⁾	\$1.29	\$1.51	(15)%	\$2.58	\$2.60	(1)%

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

(1) diluted earnings per share attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc. ("diluted EPS")

During the three months ended December 31, 2018, GAAP diluted EPS decreased primarily due to transitional tax benefits related to the enactment of the U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("Tax Act") in the prior year.

During the six months ended December 31, 2018, GAAP diluted EPS decreased primarily due to transitional tax benefits related to the enactment of the Tax Act in the prior year, partially offset by the factors impacting GAAP operating earnings and the benefit from a lower share count as a result of share repurchases.

During the three months ended December 31, 2018, non-GAAP diluted EPS decreased primarily due to the factors impacting non-GAAP operating earnings.

During the six months ended December 31, 2018, non-GAAP diluted EPS was down slightly. The factors impacting non-GAAP operating earnings were offset by the benefits from applying a lower federal tax rate to our U.S. pre-tax earnings under the Tax Act, discrete tax items and a lower share count as a result of share repurchases.

Cash and Equivalents

Our cash and equivalents balance was \$2.2 billion at December 31, 2018 compared to \$1.8 billion at June 30, 2018.

The increase in cash and equivalents during the six months ended December 31, 2018 was due to \$737 million of net cash proceeds from the sale of our naviHealth business and \$736 million provided by operating activities, offset in part by \$600 million paid for share repurchases and \$293 million paid in dividends.

MD&A Overview

Significant Developments in Fiscal 2019

Divestitures

In August 2018, we sold our 98 percent ownership interest in naviHealth in exchange for cash proceeds of \$737 million and a 44 percent equity interest in a partnership that owns 100 percent of naviHealth. We also have certain call rights to reacquire naviHealth. We recognized a pre-tax gain of \$508 million related to this divestiture during the six months ended December 31, 2018.

MD&A Results of Operations

Results of Operations

Revenue

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Six Months Ended December 31,			
(in millions)	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change	
Pharmaceutical	\$33,740	\$31,146	8 %	\$65,155	\$60,066	8 %	
Medical	4,006	4,044	(1)%	7,807	7,768	1 %	
Total segment revenue	37,746	35,190	7 %	72,962	67,834	8 %	
Corporate	(6)	(4)	50 %	(9)	(7)	29 %	
Total revenue	\$37,740	\$35,186	7 %	\$72,953	\$67,827	8 %	

Pharmaceutical Segment

Pharmaceutical segment revenue growth was primarily due to sales growth from pharmaceutical distribution and specialty pharmaceutical customers, which together increased revenue by \$3.4 billion and \$6.7 billion during the three and six months ended December 31, 2018, respectively. The increase due to sales growth was partially offset by the February 2018 divestiture of our China distribution business.

Medical Segment

Medical segment revenue decreased slightly during the three months ended December 31, 2018 due to the divestitures of our China distribution and naviHealth businesses, largely offset by sales growth from existing customers.

Medical segment revenue increased slightly during the six months ended December 31, 2018 due to sales growth from existing customers and contributions from the Patient Recovery Business acquisition, largely offset by the divestitures of our China distribution and naviHealth businesses.

Cost of Products Sold

Cost of products sold for the three and six months ended December 31, 2018 increased \$2.7 billion (8 percent) and \$5.3 billion (8 percent) compared to the respective prior-year periods as a result of the factors affecting the changes in revenue and gross margin.

MD&A Results of Operations

Gross Margin

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Six Months Ended December 31,		
(in millions)	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
Gross margin	\$1,730	\$1,861	(7)%	\$3,397	\$3,533	(4)%

Gross margin decreased \$131 million and \$136 million during the three and six months ended December 31, 2018, respectively, primarily due to lower gross margin rate, partially offset by sales growth from our specialty pharmaceutical products distribution and services business.

Gross margin rate declined 71 and 55 basis points during the three and six months ended December 31, 2018, respectively, mainly due to changes in product mix, lower contribution from our Pharmaceutical segment generics program and the adverse impact of pharmaceutical customer contract renewals. Gross margin rate during the six months ended December 31, 2018 was positively impacted by the net impact of acquisitions and divestitures, which includes the Patient Recovery Business acquisition and the divestitures of our China distribution and naviHealth businesses.

Distribution, Selling, General and Administrative ("SG&A") Expenses

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Six Months Ended December 31,		
(in millions)	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
SG&A expenses	\$1,064	\$1,131	(6)%	\$2,219	\$2,193	1 %

During the three months ended December 31, 2018, SG&A expenses benefited from the impact of divestitures and the reversal of the amount we accrued in the first quarter of fiscal 2019 for the New York Opioid Stewardship Act assessment for opioids sold or distributed in New York state. In December 2018, the U.S. Federal District Court ruled the New York Opioid Stewardship Act was unconstitutional.

During the six months ended December 31, 2018, SG&A expenses increased slightly due to certain costs to exit transition service agreements for our Patient Recovery Business and opioid-matter legal defense expenses, partially offset by the beneficial impact of divestitures.

See Note 9 of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for additional information on the New York Opioid Stewardship Act and opioid lawsuits.

MD&A Results of Operations

Segment Profit

We evaluate segment performance based on segment profit, among other measures. See Note 14 of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for additional information on segment profit.

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended		
	December 31,			December 31,		
(in millions)	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
Pharmaceutical	\$443	\$514	(14)%	\$851	\$981	(13)%
Medical	188	220	(14)%	323	348	(7)%
Total segment profit	631	734	(14)%	1,174	1,329	(12)%
Corporate	(127)	(335)	(62)%	146	(668)	(122)%
Total consolidated operating earnings	\$504	\$399	26 %	\$1,320	\$661	100 %

Pharmaceutical Segment Profit

Pharmaceutical segment profit during the three and six months ended December 31, 2018 was adversely impacted by our generics program performance and customer contract renewals. The decreases were partially offset by growth from our specialty pharmaceutical products distribution and services business.

Medical Segment Profit

The decreases in Medical segment profit during the three and six months ended December 31, 2018 were primarily due to increased costs related to Cardinal Health Brand products. The decreases were partially offset by the net impact of acquisitions and divestitures, which includes the beneficial comparison to the prior-year fair value step-up of inventory acquired with the Patient Recovery Business.

Corporate

The changes in Corporate during the three and six months ended December 31, 2018 were due to the factors discussed in the Other Components of Consolidated Operating Earnings section that follows.

MD&A Results of Operations

Other Components of Consolidated Operating Earnings

In addition to revenue, gross margin and SG&A expenses discussed previously, consolidated operating earnings were impacted by the following:

	Three Months Ended December 31, 2018		Six Months Ended December 31, 2017	
(in millions)				
Restructuring and employee severance	\$ 12	\$ 21	\$ 44	\$ 153
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	157	184	314	368
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	8	68	(503)	68
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	(15)	58	3	90

Restructuring and Employee Severance

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2018, we recognized \$8 million and \$34 million, respectively, of employee-related severance costs in connection with enterprise-wide cost-saving measures that began in fiscal 2019.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we incurred \$125 million of contract termination costs to transition the distribution of our Medical segment surgeon gloves in certain international markets from a third-party distribution arrangement to a direct distribution model.

Amortization and Other Acquisition-Related Costs

Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets was \$133 million and \$152 million for the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$266 million and \$287 million for the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Transaction and integration costs associated with the Patient Recovery Business acquisition were \$22 million and \$24 million for the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$44 million and \$61 million for the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Impairments and (Gain)/Loss On Disposal of Assets, Net

During the six months ended December 31, 2018, we recognized a pre-tax gain of \$508 million related to the divestiture of our naviHealth business.

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2017 we recognized a \$67 million write-down of the assets held for sale from the divestiture of our China distribution business.

Litigation (Recoveries)/Charges, Net

During both the three and six months ended December 31, 2018, we recognized \$47 million of recoveries in class action antitrust lawsuits in which we were a class member. In addition, the costs we recognized in connection with the IVC filter product liability claims were \$26 million and \$45 million lower in the three and six months ended December 31, 2018, respectively, than the costs recognized in the comparable prior year periods.

Earnings Before Income Taxes

In addition to the items discussed above, earnings before income taxes were impacted by the following:

	Three Months Ended December 31, 2018			Six Months Ended December 31, 2017		
(in millions)						
Other (income)/expense, net	\$ 21	\$(5)	N.M.	\$ 25	\$(4)	N.M.
Interest expense, net	\$ 76	\$ 87	(13)%	\$ 152	\$ 168	(10)%
Loss on extinguishment of debt	\$ —	\$ —	N.M.	\$ —	\$ 2	N.M.

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MD&A Results of Operations

Provision for/(Benefit from) Income Taxes

During the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, the effective tax rate was 31.0 percent and (231.9) percent, respectively. During the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, the effective tax rate was 23.5 percent and (136.6) percent, respectively. The changes in the effective tax rates for the three and six months ended December 31, 2018 compared to the prior periods is primarily due to transitional tax benefits from the enactment of the Tax Act in the prior periods. The six months ended December 31, 2018 also included net discrete benefits of \$38 million primarily related to international legal entity changes.

The transitional tax benefits from the Tax Act during the three and six months ended December 31, 2017 included a provisional net tax benefit of \$935 million related to the remeasurement of our deferred tax assets and liabilities to the new federal statutory rate and a provisional tax expense of \$41 million for the one-time repatriation tax applied to our undistributed foreign earnings. Our effective tax rates for the three and six months ended December 31, 2017 also included \$57 million of tax expense recognized in connection with the sale of our China distribution business.

MD&ALiquidity and Capital Resources

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We currently believe that, based on available capital resources (cash on hand and committed credit facilities) and projected operating cash flow, we have adequate capital resources to fund working capital needs; currently anticipated capital expenditures; currently anticipated business growth and expansion; contractual obligations; tax payments; and current and projected debt service requirements, dividends and share repurchases. If we decide to engage in one or more acquisitions, depending on the size and timing of such transactions, we may need to access capital markets for additional financing.

Cash and Equivalents

Our cash and equivalents balance was \$2.2 billion at December 31, 2018 compared to \$1.8 billion at June 30, 2018. At December 31, 2018, our cash and equivalents were held in cash depository accounts with major banks or invested in high quality, short-term liquid investments.

In August 2018, we completed the sale of our interest in naviHealth and received proceeds of \$737 million and a 44 percent equity interest in a partnership that owns naviHealth. During the six months ended December 31, 2018, net cash provided by operating activities was \$736 million, driven by net earnings and changes in net working capital. Also during the six months ended December 31, 2018, we deployed \$600 million for share repurchases and \$293 million for cash dividends.

The cash and equivalents balance at December 31, 2018 includes \$695 million of cash held by subsidiaries outside of the United States.

Though our foreign earnings have been deemed to be repatriated from a U.S. federal tax perspective, we have not yet completed our assessment of pending and final Tax Act regulations on our plans to reinvest foreign earnings, and as such, we have not changed our prior conclusion that the earnings are indefinitely reinvested. If we decide to repatriate these earnings in the future, we may be subject to certain non-U.S. taxes at that time. See Note 8 of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for additional information on the Tax Act.

Changes in working capital, which impact operating cash flow, can vary significantly depending on factors such as the timing of customer payments, inventory purchases and payments to vendors in the regular course of business, as well as fluctuating working capital needs driven by customer and product mix.

Other Financing Arrangements and Financial Instruments

Credit Facilities and Commercial Paper

In addition to cash and equivalents and operating cash flow, other sources of liquidity at December 31, 2018 include a \$2.0 billion commercial paper program, backed by a \$2.0 billion revolving credit facility. We also have a \$1.0 billion committed receivables sales facility. At December 31, 2018, we had no amounts outstanding under our commercial paper program, revolving credit facility or our committed receivables sales facility. Under our commercial paper and committed receivables programs, we had maximum amounts outstanding of \$215 million and \$785 million, respectively, and an average daily amount outstanding of \$4 million and \$22 million during three and six months ended December 31, 2018, respectively.

On November 6, 2018, we increased the maximum consolidated leverage ratio permitted under our revolving credit and committed receivables facilities to provide that, as of the end of any calendar quarter, our maximum consolidated leverage ratio may be no more than 4.25-to-1. The maximum ratio will reduce to 4.00-to-1 in September 2019, to 3.75-to-1 in March 2020 and to 3.25-to-1 in September 2020. As of December 31, 2018, we were in compliance with our financial covenants.

Long-Term Debt

At December 31, 2018, we had total long-term obligations, including the current portion and other short-term borrowings, of \$9.0 billion.

MD&ALiquidity and Capital Resources

Capital Deployment

Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures during the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were \$116 million and \$168 million, respectively.

Dividends

On November 7, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a quarterly dividend of \$0.4763 per share, or \$1.91 per share on an annualized basis, payable on January 15, 2019 to shareholders of record on January 2, 2019.

On February 6, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a quarterly dividend of \$0.4763 per share, or \$1.91 per share on an annualized basis, payable on April 15, 2019 to shareholders of record on April 1, 2019.

Share Repurchases

During the six months ended December 31, 2018, we repurchased \$600 million of our common shares pursuant to an accelerated share repurchase ("ASR") program, which was completed in October 2018. See Note 12 of the "Notes to condensed consolidated financial statements" for additional information.

On November 7, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a new \$1.0 billion share repurchase program, which expires on December 31, 2021. At December 31, 2018, we had \$1.3 billion for share repurchases remaining under all programs.

MD&A Other Items

Other Items

The MD&A in our 2018 Form 10-K addresses our contractual obligations and off-balance sheet arrangements, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. There have been no subsequent material changes outside of the ordinary course of business to those items.

Critical Accounting Policies and Sensitive Accounting Estimates

The discussion and analysis presented below is a supplemental disclosure to the critical accounting policies and sensitive accounting estimates specified in our consolidated balance sheets at June 30, 2018. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Critical Accounting Policies and Sensitive Accounting Estimates included in our 2018 Form 10-K.

Critical accounting policies are those accounting policies that (i) can have a significant impact on our financial condition and results of operations and (ii) require the use of complex and subjective estimates based upon past experience and management's judgment. Other people applying reasonable judgment to the same facts and circumstances could develop different estimates. Because estimates are inherently uncertain, actual results may differ. In this section, we describe the significant policies applied in preparing our consolidated financial statements that management believes are the most dependent on estimates and assumptions for goodwill impairment testing.

Goodwill

Purchased goodwill is tested for impairment annually or when indicators of impairment exist. Goodwill impairment testing involves a comparison of the estimated fair value of reporting units to the respective carrying amount, which may be performed utilizing either a qualitative or quantitative assessment. Qualitative factors are first assessed to determine if it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If it is determined that it is more likely than not that the fair value does not exceed the carrying amount, then a quantitative test is performed. The quantitative goodwill impairment test involves a comparison of the estimated fair value of the reporting unit to the respective carrying amount. A reporting unit is defined as an operating segment or one level below an operating segment (also known as a component).

Goodwill impairment testing involves judgment, including the identification of reporting units, qualitative evaluation of events and circumstances to determine if it is more likely than not that an impairment exists, and, if necessary, the estimation of the fair value of the applicable reporting unit. Our qualitative evaluation considers the weight of evidence and significance of all identified events and circumstances and most relevant drivers of fair value, both positive and negative, in determining whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount.

Medical Unit Goodwill Qualitative Assessment

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018, we recorded a \$1.4 billion goodwill impairment within our Medical segment. Although we believe the assumptions used to arrive at the estimate of fair value during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018 continue to be reasonable and appropriate, changes in key assumptions during the remainder of fiscal 2019, including a failure to meet expected earnings or other financial plans, or other unanticipated events and circumstances, such as a rise in interest rates or a significant change in industry or economic trends, may affect future estimates. Adverse changes in key assumptions may result in a further decline in fair value below the carrying value in the future and an additional impairment in our Medical segment in future periods, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

Explanation and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Explanation and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The "Overview of Consolidated Results" section within MD&A in this Form 10-Q contains financial measures that are not calculated in accordance with GAAP.

In addition to analyzing our business based on financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP, we use these non-GAAP financial measures internally to evaluate our performance, engage in financial and operational planning, and determine incentive compensation because we believe that these measures provide additional perspective on and, in some circumstances are more closely correlated to, the performance of our underlying, ongoing business. We provide these non-GAAP financial measures to investors as supplemental metrics to assist readers in assessing the effects of items and events on our financial and operating results on a year-over-year basis and in comparing our performance to that of our competitors. However, the non-GAAP financial measures that we use may be calculated differently from, and therefore may not be comparable to, similarly titled measures used by other companies. The non-GAAP financial measures disclosed by us should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP, and the financial results calculated in accordance with GAAP and reconciliations to those financial statements set forth below should be carefully evaluated.

Exclusions from Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Management believes it is useful to exclude the following items from the non-GAAP measures presented in this report for its own and for investors' assessment of the business for the reasons identified below:

LIFO charges and credits are excluded because the factors that drive last-in first-out ("LIFO") inventory charges or credits, such as pharmaceutical manufacturer price appreciation or deflation and year-end inventory levels (which can be meaningfully influenced by customer buying behavior immediately preceding our fiscal year-end), are largely out of our control and cannot be accurately predicted. The exclusion of LIFO charges and credits from non-GAAP metrics facilitates comparison of our current financial results to our historical financial results and to our peer group companies' financial results.

State opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years is the portion of the New York State assessment for prescription opioid medications that were sold or distributed in periods prior to fiscal 2019. This portion was excluded from non-GAAP financial measures because it related to sales in prior fiscal years and inclusion would have obscured analysis of the current fiscal year results of our underlying, ongoing business. Additionally, while the New York law would have required us to make payments on an ongoing basis, the portion of the assessment related to sales in periods prior to fiscal 2019 was contemplated to be a one-time, nonrecurring item. In December 2018, this assessment was declared unconstitutional. The charges we had previously recorded for the assessment related to periods prior to fiscal 2019 were reversed in the second quarter of our fiscal 2019 and also excluded from non-GAAP financial measures.

Restructuring and employee severance costs are excluded because they are not part of the ongoing operations of our underlying business.

Amortization and other acquisition-related costs, which include transaction costs, integration costs, and changes in the fair value of contingent consideration obligations, are excluded primarily for consistency with the presentation of the financial results of our peer group companies. Additionally, costs for amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets are non-cash amounts, which are variable in amount and frequency and are significantly impacted by the timing and size of acquisitions, so their exclusion facilitates comparison of historical, current and forecasted financial results. We also exclude other acquisition-related costs, which are directly related to an acquisition but do not meet the criteria to be recognized on the acquired entity's initial balance sheet as part of the purchase price allocation. These costs are also significantly impacted by the timing, complexity and size of acquisitions.

Impairments and gain or loss on disposal of assets are excluded because they do not occur in or reflect the ordinary course of our ongoing business operations and are inherently unpredictable in timing and amount, and in the case of impairments, are non-cash amounts, so their exclusion facilitates comparison of historical, current and forecasted financial results.

Litigation recoveries or charges, net are excluded because they often relate to events that may have occurred in prior or multiple periods, do not occur in or reflect the ordinary course of our business and are inherently unpredictable in

timing and amount.

Loss on extinguishment of debt is excluded because it does not typically occur in the normal course of business and may obscure analysis of trends and financial performance. Additionally, the amount and frequency of this type of charge is not consistent and is significantly impacted by the timing and size of debt extinguishment transactions.

Explanation and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Transitional tax benefit, net related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is excluded because it results from the one-time impact of a very significant change in the U.S. federal corporate tax rate and, due to the significant size of the benefit, obscures analysis of trends and financial performance. The transitional tax benefit includes the initial estimate and subsequent adjustments for the re-measurement of deferred tax assets and liabilities due to the reduction of the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate and the repatriation tax on undistributed foreign earnings.

The tax effect for each of the items listed above, other than the transitional tax benefit item, is determined using the tax rate and other tax attributes applicable to the item and the jurisdiction(s) in which the item is recorded. The gross, tax and net impact of each item are presented with our GAAP to non-GAAP reconciliations.

Definitions

Growth rate calculation: growth rates in this Form 10-Q are determined by dividing the difference between current-period results and prior-period results by prior-period results.

Non-GAAP distribution, selling, general and administrative expenses or Non-GAAP SG&A: distribution, selling, general and administrative expenses, excluding state opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years.

Non-GAAP operating earnings: operating earnings excluding (1) LIFO charges/(credits), (2) state opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years, (3) restructuring and employee severance, (4) amortization and other acquisition-related costs, (5) impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, and (6) litigation (recoveries)/charges, net.

Non-GAAP earnings before income taxes: earnings before income taxes excluding (1) LIFO charges/(credits), (2) state opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years, (3) restructuring and employee severance, (4) amortization and other acquisition-related costs, (5) impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, (6) litigation (recoveries)/charges, net, and (7) loss on extinguishment of debt.

Non-GAAP net earnings attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.: net earnings attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc. excluding (1) LIFO charges/(credits), (2) state opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years, (3) restructuring and employee severance, (4) amortization and other acquisition-related costs, (5) impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, (6) litigation (recoveries)/charges, net, (7) loss on extinguishment of debt, each net of tax, and (8) transitional tax benefit, net.

Non-GAAP effective tax rate: (provision for income taxes adjusted for (1) LIFO charges/(credits), (2) state opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years, (3) restructuring and employee severance, (4) amortization and other acquisition-related costs, (5) impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, (6) litigation (recoveries)/charges, net, (7) loss on extinguishment of debt, and (8) transitional tax benefit, (net) divided by (earnings before income taxes adjusted for the first seven items).

Non-GAAP diluted EPS attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.: non-GAAP net earnings attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc. divided by diluted weighted-average shares outstanding.

Explanation and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliations

(in millions, except per common share amounts)	SG&A ¹	SG&A ¹ Rate	Operating Earnings ² Growth Rate	Operating Earnings ² Taxes	Earnings Before Provision for Income Taxes	Net Earnings ²	Net Earnings ² Rate	Diluted EPS ² Growth Rate	Diluted EPS ² Growth Rate
Three Months Ended December 31, 2018									
GAAP	\$1,064	(6)%	\$ 504	26 %	\$ 407	\$ 126	\$ 280	(73)%	\$ 0.93 (72)%
State opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years	29		(29)		(29)	(8)	(21)		(0.07)
Restructuring and employee severance	—		12		12	3	9		0.03
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	—		157		157	39	119		0.40
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	—		8		8	1	7		0.02
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	—		(15)		(15)	(4)	(11)		(0.04)
Transitional tax benefit, net ³	—		—		—	(3)	3		0.01
Non-GAAP	\$1,093	(3)%	\$ 637	(13)%	\$ 540	\$ 154	\$ 385	(19)%	\$ 1.29 (15)%
Three Months Ended December 31, 2017									
GAAP	\$1,131	24 %	\$ 399	(26)%	\$ 317	\$ (736)	\$ 1,053	225 %	\$ 3.33 226 %
Restructuring and employee severance	—		21		21	(2)	23		0.07
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	—		184		184	41	143		0.46
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	—		68		68	(43)	111		0.35
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	—		58		58	17	41		0.13
Transitional tax benefit, net ³	—		—		—	894	(894)		(2.83)
Non-GAAP	\$1,131	24 %	\$ 730	4 %	\$ 648	\$ 171	\$ 478	12 %	\$ 1.51 13 %
Six Months Ended December 31, 2018									
GAAP	\$2,219	1 %	\$ 1,320	100 %	\$ 1,143	\$ 269	\$ 873	(25)%	\$ 2.88 (22)%
Restructuring and employee severance	—		44		44	11	33		0.11
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	—		314		314	74	240		0.79
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	—		(503)		(503)	(133)	(370)		(1.22)
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	—		3		3	—	3		0.01
Transitional tax benefit, net ³	—		—		—	(3)	3		0.01
Non-GAAP	\$2,219	1 %	\$ 1,178	(12)%	\$ 1,001	\$ 218	\$ 782	(5)%	\$ 2.58 (1)%
Six Months Ended December 31, 2017									
GAAP	\$2,193	20 %	\$ 661	(39)%	\$ 495	\$ (675)	\$ 1,168	85 %	\$ 3.68 87 %
Restructuring and employee severance	—		153		153	45	108		0.34
	—		368		368	98	270		0.85

Amortization and other
acquisition-related costs

Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	—	68	68	(43	)	111	0.35
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net—		90	90	30	60	0.19	
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	—	2	1	1	—	
Transitional tax benefit, net ³	—	—	—	894	(894	) (2.82)	
Non-GAAP	\$2,193	20 %	\$1,340 (2)%	\$1,175	\$ 350	\$ 823 — %	\$2.60 1 %

¹ Distribution, selling, general and administrative expenses.

² attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.

Reflects the estimated net transitional benefit from the remeasurement of our deferred tax assets and liabilities

³ partially offset by the repatriation tax on cash and earnings of foreign subsidiaries. See Note 8 of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for more information on the Tax Act.

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

We generally apply varying tax rates depending on the item's nature and tax jurisdiction where it is incurred.

Other

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

There have been no material changes in the quantitative and qualitative market risk disclosures included in our 2018 Form 10-K since the end of fiscal 2018 through December 31, 2018.

Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We evaluated, with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")) as of December 31, 2018. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that as of December 31, 2018, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our reports under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended December 31, 2018 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Legal Proceedings

The legal proceedings described in Note 9 of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" are incorporated in this "Legal Proceedings" section by reference.

Risk Factors

You should carefully consider the information in this Form 10-Q and the risk factors discussed in "Risk Factors" and other risks discussed in our 2018 Form 10-K and our filings with the SEC since June 30, 2018. These risks could materially and adversely affect our results of operations, financial condition, liquidity, and cash flows. Our business also could be affected by risks that we are not presently aware of or that we currently consider immaterial to our operations.

Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased (1)	Average Price Paid per Share (2)	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Programs (2, 3)	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet be Purchased Under the Program (3) (in millions)
October 2018	1,954,662	\$ 61.40	1,954,392	\$ 293
November 2018	271	53.00	—	1,293
December 2018	407	49.62	—	1,293
Total	1,955,340	\$ 61.40	1,954,392	\$ 1,293

(1) Reflects 270, 271 and 407 common shares purchased in October, November and December 2018, respectively, through a rabbi trust as investments of participants in our Deferred Compensation Plan.

On August 16, 2018 we entered into an ASR program to purchase common shares for an aggregate purchase price (2) of \$600 million. The program completed on October 25, 2018 at a weighted average price per common share of \$52.32. See Note 12 of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for additional information.

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On February 7, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a new \$1.0 billion share repurchase program that expires on December 31, 2020. On November 7, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a new \$1.0 billion share repurchase program that expires on December 31, 2021.

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
(in millions, except per common share amounts)	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenue	\$37,740	\$35,186	\$72,953	\$67,827
Cost of products sold	36,010	33,325	69,556	64,294
Gross margin	1,730	1,861	3,397	3,533
Operating expenses:				
Distribution, selling, general and administrative expenses	1,064	1,131	2,219	2,193
Restructuring and employee severance	12	21	44	153
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	157	184	314	368
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	8	68	(503)	68
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	(15)	58	3	90
Operating earnings	504	399	1,320	661
Other (income)/expense, net	21	(5)	25	(4)
Interest expense, net	76	87	152	168
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	—	—	2
Earnings before income taxes	407	317	1,143	495
Provision for/(benefit from) income taxes	126	(736)	269	(675)
Net earnings	281	1,053	874	1,170
Less: Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests	(1)	—	(1)	(2)
Net earnings attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.	\$280	\$1,053	\$873	\$1,168
Earnings per common share attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.:				
Basic	\$0.94	\$3.35	\$2.90	\$3.70
Diluted	0.93	3.33	2.88	3.68
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic	299	315	302	315
Diluted	300	316	303	317
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$0.4763	\$0.4624	\$0.9526	\$0.9248
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.				

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017	2018	2017
Net earnings	\$281	\$1,053	\$874	\$1,170
Other comprehensive income/(loss):				
Foreign currency translation adjustments and other	(26)	(9)	(29)	31
Net unrealized gain/(loss) on derivative instruments, net of tax	(1)	—	(2)	(1)
Total other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax	(27)	(9)	(31)	30
Total comprehensive income	254	1,044	843	1,200
Less: comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(1)	—	(1)	(2)
Total comprehensive income attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.	\$253	\$1,044	\$842	\$1,198
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.				

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Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Unaudited)

(in millions)	December 31, 2018	June 30, 2018
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 2,182	\$1,763
Trade receivables, net	7,932	7,800
Inventories, net	13,037	12,308
Prepaid expenses and other	1,940	1,926
Assets held for sale	—	756
Total current assets	25,091	24,553
Property and equipment, net	2,376	2,487
Goodwill and other intangibles, net	11,973	12,229
Other assets	1,022	682
Total assets	\$ 40,462	\$39,951
Liabilities, Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests and Shareholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 20,610	\$19,677
Current portion of long-term obligations and other short-term borrowings	1,450	1,001
Other accrued liabilities	1,764	2,002
Liabilities related to assets held for sale	—	213
Total current liabilities	23,824	22,893
Long-term obligations, less current portion	7,599	8,012
Deferred income taxes and other liabilities	2,996	2,975
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	—	12
Shareholders' equity:		
Preferred shares, without par value:		
Authorized—500 thousand shares, Issued—none	—	—
Common shares, without par value:		
Authorized—755 million shares, Issued—327 million shares at December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018, respectively	2,728	2,730
Retained earnings	5,233	4,645
Common shares in treasury, at cost: 29 million shares and 18 million shares at December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018, respectively	(1,795)	(1,224)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(123)	(92)
Total shareholders' equity	6,043	6,059
Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interests and shareholders' equity	\$ 40,462	\$39,951
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.		

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended December 31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net earnings	\$ 874	\$ 1,170
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	498	520
Impairments and (gain)/loss on sale of other investments	2	6
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	(503)	) 68
Share-based compensation	41	40
Provision for bad debts	40	31
Change in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from acquisitions and divestitures:		
Increase in trade receivables	(191)	) (617)
Increase in inventories	(753)	) (995)
Increase in accounts payable	941	2,107
Other accrued liabilities and operating items, net	(213)	) (870)
Net cash provided by operating activities	736	1,460
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(21)	) (6,141)
Additions to property and equipment	(116)	) (168)
Purchase of available-for-sale securities and other investments	(10)	) (6)
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities and other investments	1	65
Proceeds from maturities of available-for-sale securities	1	—
Proceeds from divestitures, net of cash sold, and disposal of property and equipment	740	1
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	595	(6,249)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Payment of contingent consideration obligation	—	(17)
Net change in short-term borrowings	—	155
Purchase of noncontrolling interests	—	(106)
Proceeds from long-term obligations, net of issuance costs	—	3
Reduction of long-term obligations	(2)	) (403)
Net tax proceeds/(withholdings) from share-based compensation	(13)	) (16)
Dividends on common shares	(293)	) (296)
Purchase of treasury shares	(600)	) (150)
Net cash used in financing activities	(908)	) (830)
Effect of exchange rates changes on cash and equivalents	(4)	) 7
Cash reclassified to assets held for sale	—	(18)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and equivalents	419	(5,630)
Cash and equivalents at beginning of period	1,763	6,879
Cash and equivalents at end of period	\$ 2,182	\$ 1,249

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

Our condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of all majority-owned or controlled subsidiaries, and all significant intercompany transactions and amounts have been eliminated. References to "we," "our," and similar pronouns in these condensed consolidated financial statements refer to Cardinal Health, Inc. and its majority-owned or controlled subsidiaries unless the context requires otherwise.

Our fiscal year ends on June 30. References to fiscal 2019 and 2018 in these condensed consolidated financial statements are to the fiscal years ending or ended June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018, respectively.

Our condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") instructions to Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and include the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") for interim financial reporting. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in the condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual amounts may differ from these estimated amounts. In our opinion, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the condensed consolidated financial statements have been included. Except as disclosed elsewhere in this Form 10-Q, all such adjustments are of a normal and recurring nature. To conform to the current year presentation, certain prior year amounts have been reclassified. In addition, financial results presented for this fiscal 2019 interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. These condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited and, accordingly, should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 (the "2018 Form 10-K").

Recent Financial Accounting Standards

In October 2018, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued amended accounting guidance related to derivatives and hedging which permits the use of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") Overnight Index Swap ("OIS") as a Benchmark Interest Rate for Hedge Accounting Purposes. This guidance will be effective for us in the first quarter of fiscal 2020 and must be applied on a prospective basis. We are currently evaluating the impact of adoption on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

In March 2018, the FASB issued amended accounting guidance to codify SEC staff accounting bulletin 118 ("SAB 118"), which was issued in connection with the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act")

of December 2017. The guidance allows companies to use provisional estimates to record the effects of the Tax Act and also provides a measurement period (not to exceed one year from the date of enactment) to complete the accounting for the impacts of the Tax Act. We adopted this guidance in the second quarter of fiscal 2018 when it was initially issued as SAB 118. We completed our accounting for the impacts from enactment of the Tax Act during the three months ended December 31, 2018. Future adjustments to the financial statements may be necessary due to final Section 965 repatriation tax regulations, which were issued January 15, 2019, and any additional pending regulatory changes, the impact of which is being currently assessed, or will be assessed, as final regulations are issued. See Note 8 for additional information regarding income taxes.

In June 2016, the FASB issued amended accounting guidance that will require entities to measure credit losses on trade and other receivables, held-to-maturity debt securities, loans and other instruments using an "expected credit loss" model that considers historical experience, current conditions and reasonable supportable forecasts. This guidance also requires that credit losses on available-for-sale debt securities with unrealized losses be recognized as allowances rather than as deductions in the amortized cost of the securities. This guidance will be effective for us in the first quarter of fiscal 2021. We are currently evaluating the impact of adoption on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued amended accounting guidance that requires lessees to recognize most leases on the balance sheet as a lease liability and corresponding right-of-use asset. The guidance also requires disclosures that meet

the objective of enabling financial statement users to assess the amount, timing and uncertainty of cash flows arising from leases. We will adopt this guidance when it is effective for us in the first quarter of fiscal 2020 and we expect to elect the practical expedient which will allow us to not apply the amended lease accounting guidance to comparative periods that will be presented. The majority of our lease spend relates to certain real estate with the remaining lease spend primarily related to equipment. We anticipate that the adoption of the amended lease guidance will result in an increase to the assets and liabilities on our condensed consolidated balance sheet, but we are continuing to evaluate the impact of this standard on our condensed consolidated financial statements and the methods of adoption.

In May 2014, the FASB issued amended accounting guidance related to revenue recognition which we adopted in the first quarter of fiscal 2019 using the modified retrospective method and that we applied to customer contracts that were not completed as of June 30, 2018.

The adoption of the amended accounting guidance did not have a material impact on our condensed consolidated financial statements. We did not record any material contract assets, contract liabilities, or deferred contract costs in our condensed consolidated balance sheets upon adopting the amended accounting guidance. As a result of adoption, assets recorded for the right to recover products from

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customers and the associated refund liabilities for return allowances were not material.

Revenue in both segments is primarily related to the distribution of pharmaceutical and medical products, which we recognize at a point in time when title transfers to customers and we have no further obligation to provide services related to such merchandise. Service revenues are recognized over the period that services are provided to the customer. Revenues derived from services are not material for either segment for all periods presented.

We are generally the principal in a transaction, therefore our revenue is primarily recorded on a gross basis. When we are a principal in a transaction, we have determined that we control the ability to direct the use of the product or service prior to transfer to a customer, are primarily responsible for fulfilling the promise to provide the product or service to our customer, have discretion in establishing prices, and ultimately control the transfer of the product or services provided to the customer.

Revenue is recorded net of sales returns and allowances. Revenues are measured based on the amount of consideration that we expect to receive, reduced by estimates for return allowances, discounts, rebates and other variable consideration. Sales returns are recorded based on estimates using historical data. Shipping and handling costs are primarily included in distribution, selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses in our condensed consolidated statements of earnings and include all delivery expenses as well as all costs to prepare the product for shipment to the end customer. Shipping and handling costs incurred after control has transferred to the customer are treated as fulfillment costs.

We elected the practical expedient to expense costs to obtain a contract when incurred when the amortization period would have been one year or less. Additionally, we elected the practical expedients to not disclose the value of unsatisfied performance obligations for contracts with an original expected length of one year or less, contracts for which we recognize revenue at the amount to which we have the right to invoice for services performed and for contracts for which the variable consideration is allocated entirely to a wholly unsatisfied performance obligation or to a wholly unsatisfied promise to transfer a distinct good or service that forms part of a single performance obligation. See Note 14 for additional information regarding our disaggregation of revenue.

In the first quarter of fiscal 2019, we adopted the following Accounting Standards Updates ("ASU"). ASU 2016-01 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities; ASU 2018-03 Technical Corrections and Improvements to Financial Instruments; ASU 2016-15 Statement of Cash Flows: Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments; ASU 2016-16 Income Taxes: Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory; and ASU 2017-12 Derivatives and Hedging: Targeted Improvements to Accounting for Hedging Activities. The adoption of these ASUs did not have a material impact on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

2. Acquisitions

Patient Recovery Business

On July 29, 2017, we acquired the Patient Care, Deep Vein Thrombosis, and Nutritional Insufficiency businesses (the "Patient Recovery Business") from Medtronic plc for \$6.1 billion in cash. The acquisition further expands our Medical segment's portfolio of self-manufactured products.

Transaction and integration costs associated with the acquisition of the Patient Recovery business were \$22 million and \$24 million for the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$44 million and \$61 million for the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. These costs are included in amortization and other acquisition-related costs in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

Fair Value of Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed

The allocation of the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed for the acquisition of the Patient Recovery Business was finalized during the three months ended September 30, 2018, resulting in goodwill of \$3.3 billion. There were no significant adjustments to the allocation of the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed for the Patient Recovery Business acquisition from those disclosed in our fiscal 2018 Form 10-K.

3. Restructuring and Employee Severance

The following table summarizes restructuring and employee severance costs:

	Three	
	Months	
	Ended	
	December	
	31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Employee-related costs (1)	\$ 12	\$ 15
Facility exit and other costs (2)	—	6
Total restructuring and employee severance	\$ 12	\$ 21

	Six	
	Months	
	Ended	
	December	
	31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Employee-related costs (1)	\$41	\$ 19
Facility exit and other costs (2)	3	134
Total restructuring and employee severance	\$44	\$ 153

(1) Employee-related costs primarily consist of termination benefits provided to employees who have been involuntarily terminated, duplicate payroll costs and retention bonuses incurred during transition periods.

Facility exit and other costs primarily consist of product distribution and lease contract termination costs, lease costs associated with vacant facilities, accelerated depreciation, equipment relocation costs, project consulting fees, costs associated with restructuring our delivery of information technology infrastructure services and certain other divestiture-related costs.

In early fiscal 2019, we began implementing certain enterprise-wide cost-saving measures, which we expect to reduce our future operating expenses. As a result of these measures, we incurred pre-tax employee-related severance costs of \$8 million and \$34 million,

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during the three and six months ended December 31, 2018, respectively, which are reflected in restructuring and employee severance in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

In fiscal 2018, we entered into an agreement to transition the distribution of our Medical segment's surgeon gloves in certain international markets from a third-party distribution arrangement to a direct distribution model. The costs associated with this restructuring included \$125 million, on a pre-tax basis, in contract termination costs that were paid during fiscal 2018. These costs are reflected in restructuring and employee severance in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings during the six months ended December 31, 2017.

The following table summarizes activity related to liabilities associated with restructuring and employee severance:

(in millions)	Facility		
	Employee- Related Costs	Exit and Other Costs	Total
Balance at June 30, 2018	\$ 24	\$ 4	\$28
Additions	34	7	41
Payments and other adjustments	(19)	—	(19)
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 39	\$ 11	\$50

4. Divestitures

In August 2018, we sold our 98 percent ownership interest in naviHealth Holdings, LLC ("naviHealth") to investor entities controlled by Clayton, Dubilier & Rice in exchange for cash proceeds of \$737 million (after adjusting for certain fees and expenses) and a 44 percent equity interest in a partnership that owns 100 percent of the equity interest of naviHealth. We also have certain call rights to reacquire naviHealth. Refer to Note 6 for further discussion regarding this investment.

During the six months ended December 31, 2018, we recognized a pre-tax gain of \$508 million related to this divestiture in impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets in our condensed consolidated statement of earnings. This gain includes our initial recognition of an equity method investment for \$358 million and the derecognition of redeemable noncontrolling interests of \$12 million. The fiscal 2019 tax expense as a result of this transaction will be approximately \$130 million. We determined that the sale of the naviHealth business does not meet the criteria to be classified as discontinued operations. The naviHealth business operated within our Medical segment.

5. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill

The following table summarizes the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by segment and in total:

(in millions)	Pharmaceutical	Medical	Total
Balance at June 30, 2018	\$ 2,621	\$5,695	\$8,316
Goodwill acquired, net of purchase price adjustments	8	7	15
Foreign currency translation adjustments and other	(1)	(13)	(14)
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 2,628	\$5,689	\$8,317

Other Intangible Assets

The following tables summarize other intangible assets by class at:

(in millions)	December 31, 2018			Weighted- Average Remaining Amortization Period
	Gross Intangible Assets	Accumulated Amortization	Net Intangible Assets	
Indefinite-life intangibles:				
IPR&D, trademarks and other	\$59	\$ —	\$ 59	N/A
Total indefinite-life intangibles	59	—	59	N/A

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Definite-life intangibles:

Customer relationships	3,523	1,353	2,170	14
Trademarks, trade names and patents	668	270	398	14
Developed technology and other	1,560	531	1,029	11
Total definite-life intangibles	5,751	2,154	3,597	13
Total other intangible assets	\$5,810	\$ 2,154	\$ 3,656	N/A

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(in millions)	June 30, 2018		
	Gross Intangible	Accumulated amortization	Net Intangible
Indefinite-life intangibles:			
IPR&D, trademarks and other	\$62	\$ —	\$ 62
Total indefinite-life intangibles	62	—	62

Definite-life intangibles:			
Customer relationships	3,513	1,191	2,322
Trademarks, trade names and patents	667	246	421
Developed technology and other	1,562	454	1,108
Total definite-life intangibles	5,742	1,891	3,851
Total other intangible assets	\$5,804	\$ 1,891	\$ 3,913

Total amortization of intangible assets was \$133 million and \$152 million for the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$266 million and \$287 million for the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. For acquisitions closed on or before December 31, 2018, estimated annual amortization of intangible assets for the remainder of fiscal 2019 through 2023 is as follows: \$264 million, \$503 million, \$435 million, \$400 million and \$351 million.

6. Investments

Investments in non-marketable equity securities are accounted for under the fair value, equity or net asset value method of accounting and are included in other assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. For equity securities without a readily determinable fair value, we use the fair value measurement alternative and measure the securities at cost less impairment, if any, including adjustments for observable price changes in orderly transactions for an identical or similar investment of the same issuer. For investments in which we can exercise significant influence but do not control, we use the equity method of accounting. Our share of the earnings and losses are recorded in other income, net in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings. We closely monitor our investments for other-than-temporary impairment by considering factors such as the operating performance of the investment and current economic and market conditions.

In connection with the naviHealth divestiture discussed in [Note 4](#), we obtained a 44 percent equity interest in a partnership that owns 100 percent of the equity interest of naviHealth. We accounted for this investment initially at its fair value using Level 3 unobservable inputs based on expected sales proceeds following a competitive bidding process. Accordingly, we initially recognized a \$358 million equity method investment.

We are accounting for our equity interest in naviHealth using the equity method of accounting on a one-month reporting lag. The impact of our proportionate share of naviHealth's results was not material to our condensed consolidated statements of earnings for the six months ended December 31, 2018. Upon the divestiture closing, we received a non-cash distribution of \$14 million in the form

of the partnership's payment for certain of our divestiture transaction costs directly to the applicable third-party. At December 31, 2018 the carrying value of this investment was \$343 million.

7. Long-Term Obligations and Other Short-Term Borrowings

Long-Term Debt

At both December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018, we had total long term obligations, including the current portion and other short-term borrowings, of \$9.0 billion. All the borrowings represent unsecured obligations of Cardinal Health, Inc. and rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness. Interest is paid pursuant to the terms of the obligations. These obligations are effectively subordinated to the liabilities of our subsidiaries, including trade payables of \$20.6 billion.

Other Financing Arrangements

In addition to cash and equivalents and operating cash flow, other sources of liquidity include a \$2.0 billion commercial paper program backed by a \$2.0 billion revolving credit facility. We also have a \$1.0 billion committed receivables sales facility.

On November 6, 2018, we increased the maximum consolidated leverage ratio permitted under our revolving credit and committed receivables facilities to provide that, as of the end of any calendar quarter, our maximum consolidated leverage ratio may be no more than 4.25-to-1. The maximum ratio will reduce to 4.00-to-1 in September 2019, to 3.75-to-1 in March 2020 and to 3.25-to-1 in September 2020. As of December 31, 2018, we were in compliance with our financial covenants.

In November 2016, we renewed our committed receivables sales facility program through Cardinal Health Funding, LLC (“CHF”) through November 1, 2019. CHF was organized for the sole purpose of buying receivables and selling undivided interests in those receivables to third-party purchasers. Although consolidated with Cardinal Health, Inc. in accordance with GAAP, CHF is a separate legal entity from Cardinal Health, Inc. and from our subsidiary that sells receivables to CHF. CHF is designed to be a special purpose, bankruptcy-remote entity whose assets are available solely to satisfy the claims of its creditors.

8. Income Taxes

Fluctuations in our provision for/(benefit from) income taxes as a percentage of pretax earnings (“effective tax rate”) are generally due to changes in international and U.S. state effective tax rates resulting from our business mix and discrete items.

U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

On December 22, 2017, the United States enacted the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the “Tax Act”). The Tax Act made broad and complex changes to the U.S. tax code that affected fiscal 2018 and will incrementally affect our fiscal year 2019 financial results in several ways. First, the U.S. statutory tax rate in fiscal 2019 is reduced to 21 percent. Second, the Tax Act established new tax provisions that

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affected us beginning July 1, 2018 including, (1) eliminating the U.S. manufacturing deduction; (2) establishing new limitations on deductible interest expense and certain executive compensation; (3) eliminating the corporate alternative minimum tax; (4) creating the base erosion anti-abuse tax; (5) creating a new provision designed to tax global intangible low-tax income ("GILTI") and allow for a deduction related to foreign derived intangible income ("FDII"); (6) generally eliminating U.S. federal income taxes on dividends from foreign subsidiaries; and (7) changing rules related to uses and limitations of net operating loss carryforwards created in tax years beginning after December 31, 2017.

Regarding the new GILTI tax rules, we elected to treat taxes due on future GILTI inclusions in U.S. taxable income as a current period expense when incurred.

In accordance with SAB 118, we finalized our provisional estimates related to transitional tax benefits (i.e., remeasurement of deferred tax assets and liabilities and the repatriation tax on undistributed foreign earnings) which did not have a significant impact on tax expense during the three and six months ended December 31, 2018. Future adjustments to the financial statements may be necessary due to final Section 965 repatriation tax regulations which were issued January 15, 2019 and any additional pending regulatory changes, the impact of which is being currently assessed or will be assessed as final regulations are issued.

Effective Tax Rate

During the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, the effective tax rate was 31.0 percent and (231.9) percent, respectively. The change in the effective tax rate from fiscal 2018 to fiscal 2019 is primarily due to transitional tax benefits from the enactment of the Tax Act in fiscal 2018.

During the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, the effective tax rate was 23.5 percent and (136.6) percent, respectively. The change in the effective tax rate from fiscal 2018 to fiscal 2019 is primarily due to transitional tax benefits from the enactment of the Tax Act in fiscal 2018. The six months ended December 31, 2018 also included net discrete benefits of \$38 million primarily related to international legal entity changes. The transitional tax benefits from the Tax Act during the three and six months ended December 31, 2017 included a provisional net tax benefit of \$935 million related to the remeasurement of our deferred tax assets and liabilities to the new federal statutory rate and a provisional tax expense of \$41 million for the one-time repatriation tax applied to our undistributed foreign earnings. Our effective tax rates for the three and six months ended December 31, 2017 also included \$57 million of tax expense recognized in connection with the sale of our China distribution business.

Unrecognized Tax Benefits

At December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018, we had \$496 million and \$423 million of unrecognized tax benefits, respectively. The December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018 balances include \$333 million and \$262 million of unrecognized tax benefits, respectively, that if recognized, would have an impact on the effective tax rate.

At December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018, we had \$116 million and \$110 million, respectively, accrued for the payment of interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits, which we recognize in the provision for/(benefit from) income taxes in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings. These balances are gross amounts before any tax benefits and are included in deferred income taxes and other liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

It is reasonably possible that there could be a change in the amount of unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months due to activities of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") or other taxing authorities, possible settlement of audit issues, reassessment of existing unrecognized tax benefits or the expiration of statutes of limitations. We estimate that the range of the possible change in unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months is between zero and a net decrease of \$35 million, exclusive of penalties and interest.

Other Tax Matters

We file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, various U.S. state jurisdictions and various foreign jurisdictions. With few exceptions, we are subject to audit by taxing authorities for fiscal years 2008 through the current fiscal year.

We are a party to a tax matters agreement with CareFusion Corporation ("CareFusion"), which has been acquired by Becton, Dickinson and Company. Under the tax matters agreement, CareFusion is obligated to indemnify us for certain tax exposures and transaction taxes prior to our fiscal 2010 spin-off of CareFusion. The indemnification receivable was \$156 million and \$151 million at December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018, respectively, and is included in other assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

As a result of the acquisition of the Patient Recovery Business, Medtronic plc is obligated to indemnify us for certain tax exposures and transaction taxes related to periods prior to the acquisition under the purchase agreement. The indemnification receivable was \$23 million and \$21 million at December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018, respectively, and is included in other assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

9. Commitments, Contingent Liabilities and Litigation

Commitments

Generic Sourcing Venture with CVS Health Corporation ("CVS Health")

Red Oak Sourcing, LLC ("Red Oak Sourcing") is a U.S.-based generic pharmaceutical sourcing venture with CVS Health for an initial term through June 2024. Red Oak Sourcing negotiates generic pharmaceutical supply contracts on behalf of its participants. Due to the achievement of predetermined milestones, we are required to make quarterly payments of \$45.6 million to CVS Health for the initial term.

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New York Opioid Stewardship Act

In April 2018, the State of New York passed a budget which included the Opioid Stewardship Act (the "OSA"). The OSA created an aggregate \$100 million annual assessment on all manufacturers and distributors licensed to sell or distribute opioids in New York. Under the OSA, each licensed manufacturer and distributor would be required to pay a portion of the assessment based on its ratable share, as determined by the state, of the total morphine milligram equivalents sold or distributed in New York during the applicable calendar year, beginning in 2017.

In October, we received notices from the New York Department of Health of our estimated payment amount for calendar year 2017. At September 30, 2018, we recorded an aggregate accrual of \$34 million for calendar year 2017 and the first three quarters of calendar 2018 based on the estimated payment amount, which reflected our best estimate of the OSA payments owed through September 30, 2018. In December 2018, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York ruled that the OSA is unconstitutional and enjoined its enforcement (the "Ruling"). In January 2019, the State filed notice of its intent to appeal the Ruling. We accrue for contingencies if it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount can be estimated. As a result of the Ruling, in the three-months ended December 31, 2018, we reversed this accrual because we no longer believe it is probable that a liability has been incurred.

Legal Proceedings

We become involved from time to time in disputes, litigation and regulatory matters.

We may be named from time to time in qui tam actions initiated by private third parties. In such actions, the private parties purport to act on behalf of federal or state governments, allege that false claims have been submitted for payment by the government and may receive an award if their claims are successful. After a private party has filed a qui tam action, the government must investigate the private party's claim and determine whether to intervene in and take control over the litigation. These actions may remain under seal while the government makes this determination. If the government declines to intervene, the private party may nonetheless continue to pursue the litigation on his or her own purporting to act on behalf of the government.

From time to time, we become aware through employees, internal audits or other parties of possible compliance matters, such as complaints or concerns relating to accounting, internal accounting controls, financial reporting, auditing, or other ethical matters or relating to compliance with laws such as healthcare fraud and abuse, anti-corruption or anti-bribery laws. When we become aware of such possible compliance matters, we investigate internally and take appropriate corrective action. In addition, from time to time, we receive subpoenas or requests for information from various federal or state agencies relating to our business or to the business of a customer, supplier or other industry participants. Internal investigations, subpoenas or requests for information could lead to the assertion of claims or the commencement of legal proceedings

against us or result in sanctions.

From time to time, we may determine that products we manufacture or market do not meet our specifications, regulatory requirements, or published standards. When we or a regulatory agency identify a potential quality or regulatory issue, we investigate and take appropriate corrective action. Such actions can lead to product recalls, costs to repair or replace affected products, temporary interruptions in product sales, action by regulators and product liability claims and lawsuits, including class actions. Even absent an identified regulatory or quality issue or product recall, we can become subject to product liability claims and lawsuits.

We accrue for contingencies related to disputes, litigation and regulatory matters if it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Because these matters are inherently unpredictable and unfavorable developments or resolutions can occur, assessing contingencies is highly subjective and requires judgments about future events. We regularly review contingencies to determine whether our accruals and related disclosures are adequate. The amount of ultimate loss may differ from these estimates.

We recognize income from the favorable outcome of litigation when we receive the associated cash or assets.

We recognize estimated loss contingencies for certain litigation and regulatory matters and income from favorable resolution of litigation in litigation (recoveries)/charges in our condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

Opioid Lawsuits

Pharmaceutical wholesale distributors, including us, have been named as defendants in over 1,500 lawsuits relating to the distribution of prescription opioid pain medications. These lawsuits have been filed in various federal, state, and other courts by a variety of plaintiffs, primarily counties, municipalities and other political subdivisions. Plaintiffs also include 10 state attorneys general, unions and other health and welfare funds, hospital systems and other healthcare providers, as well as individuals. Of these lawsuits, 56 are purported class actions. The lawsuits seek equitable relief and monetary damages based on a variety of legal theories including various common law claims, such as negligence, public nuisance and unjust enrichment as well as violations of controlled substance laws, the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act and various other statutes. Many also name pharmaceutical manufacturers, retail pharmacy chains and other entities as defendants.

The vast majority of these lawsuits were filed in U.S. federal court and have been transferred for consolidated pre-trial proceedings in a Multi-District Litigation proceeding in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio. The court, among other things, ordered that three lawsuits be set for trial in October 2019. In December 2018, the court denied distributor defendants' motions to dismiss the complaints associated with those lawsuits. In connection with these proceedings, distributors have continued to engage in preliminary discussions with various parties, including state attorneys general, regarding possible resolution structures.

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In addition, 39 state attorneys general have formed a multi-state task force to investigate the manufacturing, distribution, dispensing and prescribing practices of opioid medications. We have received requests related to this multi-state investigation, as well as separate civil investigative demands, subpoenas or requests for information from these and other state attorneys general offices. We are cooperating with the offices conducting these investigations. We are vigorously defending ourselves in all of these opioid-related matters. Given the uncertainty surrounding these lawsuits and investigations, we are unable to predict their outcome or estimate a range of reasonably possible losses.

Product Liability Lawsuits

As of January 31, 2019, we are named as a defendant in 212 product liability lawsuits coordinated in Alameda County Superior Court in California involving claims by approximately 2,394 plaintiffs that allege personal injuries associated with the use of Cordis OptEase and TrapEase inferior vena cava (IVC) filter products. Another 22 similar lawsuits involving claims by approximately 24 plaintiffs are pending in other jurisdictions. These lawsuits seek a variety of remedies, including unspecified monetary damages. We are vigorously defending ourselves in these lawsuits.

At December 31, 2018, we had a total of \$302 million, net of estimated insurance recoveries, accrued for losses and legal defense costs related to the Cordis IVC filter lawsuits which are presented on a gross basis in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. We believe there is a range of estimated losses with respect to these matters. Because no amount within the range is a better estimate than any other amount within the range, we have accrued the minimum amount in the range. We estimate the high end of the range to be approximately \$519 million, net of estimated insurance recoveries.

Antitrust Litigation Proceeds

We received and recognized income resulting from settlements of class action lawsuits in which we were a class member of \$47 million in the three-months ended December 31, 2018.

10. Fair Value Measurements

Assets and (liabilities) measured on a recurring basis

The following tables present the fair values for assets and (liabilities) measured on a recurring basis at:

	December 31, 2018			
(in millions)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Other investments (1)	\$ 106	\$ —	\$ —	\$106
Liabilities:				
Forward contracts (2)	—	(30)	—	(30)

	June 30, 2018			
(in millions)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Cash equivalents	\$ 200	\$ —	\$ —	\$200
Other investments (1)	117	—	—	117
Liabilities:				
Forward contracts (2)	—	(76)	—	(76)

The other investments balance includes investments in mutual funds, which are used to offset fluctuations in deferred compensation liabilities. These mutual funds invest in the equity securities of companies with both large and small market capitalization and high quality fixed income debt securities. The fair value of these investments is determined using quoted market prices.

The fair value of interest rate swaps, foreign currency contracts and commodity contracts is determined based on the present value of expected future cash flows considering the risks involved, including non-performance risk, and using discount rates appropriate for the respective maturities. Observable Level 2 inputs are used to determine the present value of expected future cash flows. The fair value of these derivative contracts, which are subject to master netting arrangements under certain circumstances, is presented on a gross basis in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

11. Financial Instruments

We utilize derivative financial instruments to manage exposure to certain risks related to our ongoing operations. The primary risks managed through the use of derivative instruments include interest rate risk, currency exchange risk, and commodity price risk. We do not use derivative instruments for trading or speculative purposes. While the majority of our derivative instruments are designated as hedging instruments, we also enter into derivative instruments that are designed to hedge a risk, but are not designated as hedging instruments. These derivative instruments are adjusted to fair value through earnings at the end of each period. We are exposed to counterparty credit risk on all of our derivative instruments. Accordingly, we have established and maintain strict counterparty credit guidelines and only enter into derivative instruments with major financial institutions that are rated investment grade or better. We do not have significant exposure to any one counterparty and we believe the risk of loss is remote. Additionally, we do not require collateral under these agreements.

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Interest Rate Risk Management

We are exposed to the impact of interest rate changes. Our objective is to manage the impact of interest rate changes on cash flows and the market value of our borrowings. We utilize a mix of debt maturities along with both fixed-rate and variable-rate debt to manage changes in interest rates. In addition, we enter into interest rate swaps to further manage our exposure to interest rate variations related to our borrowings and to lower our overall borrowing costs.

Currency Exchange Risk Management

We conduct business in several major international currencies and are subject to risks associated with changing foreign exchange rates. Our objective is to reduce volatility in earnings, cash flow and net investments in certain subsidiaries to allow management to focus its attention on business operations. Accordingly, we enter into various contracts that change in value as foreign exchange rates change to protect the value of existing foreign currency assets and liabilities, commitments and anticipated foreign currency revenue and expenses.

Commodity Price Risk Management

We are exposed to changes in the price of certain commodities. Our objective is to reduce earnings and cash flow volatility associated with forecasted purchases of these commodities to allow management to focus its attention on business operations. Accordingly, we enter into derivative contracts when possible to manage the price risk associated with certain forecasted purchases.

Fair Value Hedges

We enter into pay-floating interest rate swaps to hedge the changes in the fair value of fixed-rate debt resulting from fluctuations in interest rates. These contracts are designated and qualify as fair value hedges. Accordingly, the gain or loss recorded on the pay-floating interest rate swaps is directly offset by the change in fair value of the underlying debt. Both the derivative instrument and the underlying debt are adjusted to market value at the end of each period with any resulting gain or loss recorded in interest expense in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings. For the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, there was no gain or loss recorded to interest expense as changes in the market value of our derivative instruments offset changes in the market value of the underlying debt. During the six months ended December 31, 2018, no new pay-floating interest rate swaps were executed. During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we entered into pay-floating interest rate swaps with a total notional amount of \$350 million. These swaps have been designated as fair value hedges of our fixed rate debt and are included in other assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

Cash Flow Hedges

We enter into derivative instruments to hedge our exposure to changes in cash flows attributable to interest rate, foreign currency and commodity price fluctuations associated with certain forecasted transactions.

These derivative instruments are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges. Accordingly, the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reported as a component of other comprehensive income and reclassified into earnings in the same line item associated with the forecasted transaction and in the same period during which the hedged transaction affects earnings. Gains and losses recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss and reclassified into earnings were immaterial for the three and six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017.

All gains and losses currently included within accumulated other comprehensive loss associated with our foreign exchange forward contracts that are expected to be reclassified into net earnings within the next 12 months are immaterial.

Net Investment Hedges

We hedge the foreign currency risk associated with certain net investment positions in European subsidiaries. To accomplish this, we enter into cross-currency swaps that are designated as hedges of net investments.

In September 2018 we entered into a €200 million cross-currency swap maturing in 2023.

Cross-currency swaps designated as net investment hedges are marked-to-market using the current spot exchange rate as of the end of the period, with gains and losses included in the foreign currency translation component of accumulated other comprehensive loss until the sale or substantial liquidation of the underlying net investments. To the extent the cross-currency swaps designated as net investment hedges are not highly effective, changes in carrying

value attributable to the change in spot rates are recorded in earnings. During the quarter ended December 31, 2018, there were no gains or losses from net investment hedges recorded in other comprehensive income. There was no ineffectiveness in our net investment hedges during the six months ended December 31, 2018.

Economic (Non-Designated) Hedges

We enter into foreign currency contracts to manage our foreign exchange exposure related to sales transactions, intercompany financing transactions and other balance sheet items subject to revaluation that do not meet the requirements for hedge accounting treatment. Accordingly, these derivative instruments are adjusted to current market value at the end of each period through earnings. The gain or loss recorded on these instruments is substantially offset by the remeasurement adjustment on the foreign currency denominated asset or liability. The settlement of the derivative instrument and the remeasurement adjustment on the foreign currency denominated asset or liability are both recorded in other income, net. We recorded an \$8 million expense and \$1 million income in the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The principal currencies managed through foreign currency contracts are the Euro, Canadian dollar, British pound, Japanese yen, and Chinese renminbi.

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Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts of cash and equivalents, trade receivables, accounts payable and other accrued liabilities at December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018 approximate fair value due to their short-term maturities.

The following table summarizes the estimated fair value of our long-term obligations and other short-term borrowings compared to the respective carrying amounts at:

(in millions)	December 31, 2018	June 30, 2018
Estimated fair value	\$ 8,717	\$ 8,852
Carrying amount	9,049	9,013

The fair value of our long-term obligations and other short-term borrowings is estimated based on either the quoted market prices for the same or similar issues or other inputs derived from available market information, which represents a Level 2 measurement.

12. Shareholders' Equity

During the six months ended December 31, 2018, we repurchased 11.5 million common shares having an aggregate cost of \$600 million. The average price paid per common share was \$52.32. These repurchases were purchased under an accelerated share repurchase ("ASR") program, which began on August 16, 2018 and was completed on October 25, 2018.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we repurchased 2.2 million common shares having an aggregate cost of \$150 million. The average price paid per common share was \$67.92.

We funded the repurchases with available cash and short-term borrowings. The common shares repurchased are held in treasury to be used for general corporate purposes.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The following table summarizes the changes in the balance of accumulated other comprehensive loss by component and in total:

(in millions)	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Derivatives, net of tax	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss
Balance at June 30, 2018	\$ (113)	\$ 21	\$ (92)
Other comprehensive income/(loss), before reclassifications	(29)	—	(29)
Amounts reclassified to earnings	—	(2)	(2)
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax	(29)	(2)	(31)
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ (142)	\$ 19	\$ (123)

13. Earnings Per Share Attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.

The following table reconciles the number of common shares used to compute basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended December 31, 2018	2017
Weighted-average common shares—basic	299	315
Effect of dilutive securities:		
Employee stock options, restricted share units and performance share units	1	1
Weighted-average common shares—diluted	300	316

	Six	
	Months	
	Ended	
	December	
	31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Weighted-average common shares—basic	302	315
Effect of dilutive securities:		
Employee stock options, restricted share units and performance share units	1	2
Weighted-average common shares—diluted	303	317

The potentially dilutive employee stock options, restricted share units and performance share units that were antidilutive were 5 million and 7 million for the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and 5 million and 6 million for the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

14. Segment Information

Our operations are principally managed on a products and services basis and are comprised of two operating segments, which are the same as our reportable segments: Pharmaceutical and Medical. The factors for determining the reportable segments include the manner in which management evaluates performance for purposes of allocating resources and assessing performance combined with the nature of the individual business activities.

Revenue

Our Pharmaceutical segment distributes branded and generic pharmaceutical, specialty pharmaceutical and over-the-counter healthcare and consumer products in the United States. This segment also provides services to pharmaceutical manufacturers and healthcare providers to support the development, marketing and distribution of specialty pharmaceutical products; operates nuclear pharmacies and radiopharmaceutical manufacturing facilities; provides pharmacy management services to hospitals as well as medication therapy management and patient outcomes services to hospitals, other healthcare providers and payers; and repackages generic pharmaceuticals and over-the-counter healthcare products.

Our Medical segment manufactures, sources and distributes Cardinal Health branded medical, surgical and laboratory products,

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which are sold in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and other markets. In addition to distributing Cardinal Health branded products, this segment also distributes a broad range of national brand products and provides supply chain services and solutions to hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, clinical laboratories and other healthcare providers in the United States and Canada.

The following table presents revenue for each reportable segment and Corporate:

	Three Months Ended December 31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Pharmaceutical	\$33,740	\$31,146
Medical	4,006	4,044
Total segment revenue	37,746	35,190
Corporate (1)	(6)	(4)
Total revenue	\$37,740	\$35,186
	Six Months Ended December 31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Pharmaceutical	\$65,155	\$60,066
Medical	7,807	7,768
Total segment revenue	72,962	67,834
Corporate (1)	(9)	(7)
Total revenue	\$72,953	\$67,827

(1) Corporate revenue consists of the elimination of inter-segment revenue and other revenue not allocated to the segments.

The following table presents disaggregated revenue within our two reportable segments:

	Three months ended December 31, 2018	Six months ended December 31, 2018
(in millions)		
Pharmaceutical distribution and specialty	\$ 33,534	\$ 64,742
Nuclear and Precision Health Solutions (1)	206	413
Pharmaceutical segment revenue	33,740	65,155
Medical distribution and products (2)	3,527	6,907
Cardinal Health At Home	479	900
Medical segment revenue	4,006	7,807
Total segment revenue	37,746	72,962
Corporate (3)	(6)	(9)
Total revenue	\$ 37,740	\$ 72,953

(1) Our Nuclear and Precision Health Solutions division was formerly referred to as our Nuclear Pharmacy Services division.

(2) Comprised of all Medical segment businesses except for Cardinal Health At Home division.

(3) Corporate revenue consists of the elimination of inter-segment revenue and other revenue not allocated to the segments.

The following table presents revenue by geographic area:

	Three months ended December 31, 2018	Six months ended December 31, 2018
(in millions)		
United States	\$ 36,716	\$ 70,960
International	1,030	2,002
Total segment revenue	37,746	72,962
Corporate (1)	(6)	(9)
Total revenue	\$ 37,740	\$ 72,953

(1) Corporate revenue consists of the elimination of inter-segment revenue and other revenue not allocated to the segments.

Segment Profit

We evaluate segment performance based on segment profit, among other measures. Segment profit is segment revenue, less segment cost of products sold, less segment SG&A expenses. Segment SG&A expenses include share-based compensation expense as well as allocated corporate expenses for shared functions, including corporate management, corporate finance, financial and customer care shared services, human resources, information technology, legal and compliance. Corporate expenses are allocated to the segments based on headcount, level of benefit provided and other ratable allocation methodologies. The results attributable to noncontrolling interests are recorded within segment profit.

We do not allocate the following items to our segments: last-in first-out, or ("LIFO"), inventory charges/(credits); restructuring and employee severance; amortization and other acquisition-related costs; impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets; litigation (recoveries)/charges, net; state opioid assessment related to prior fiscal years; other (income)/expense, net; interest expense, net; loss on extinguishment of debt; and provision for/(benefit from) income taxes.

In addition, certain investment spending, certain portions of enterprise-wide incentive compensation and other spending are not allocated to the segments. Investment spending generally includes the first-year spend for certain projects that require incremental investments in the form of additional operating expenses. Because approval for these projects is dependent on executive management, we retain these expenses at Corporate. Investment spending within Corporate was \$12 million and \$6 million for the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$19 million and \$11 million for the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

In connection with the naviHealth divestiture discussed in [Note 4](#), we recognized a pre-tax gain of \$508 million during the six months ended December 31, 2018, which was retained at Corporate.

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The following table presents segment profit by reportable segment and Corporate:

	Three Months Ended December 31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Pharmaceutical	\$443	\$514
Medical	188	220
Total segment profit	631	734
Corporate	(127)	(335)
Total operating earnings	\$504	\$399
	Six Months Ended December 31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Pharmaceutical	\$851	\$981
Medical	323	348
Total segment profit	1,174	1,329
Corporate	146	(668)
Total operating earnings	\$1,320	\$661

The following table presents total assets for each reportable segment and Corporate at:

	December 31, June 30,	
(in millions)	2018	2018
Pharmaceutical	\$ 22,101	\$21,421
Medical	15,697	16,066
Corporate	2,664	2,464
Total assets	\$ 40,462	\$39,951

15. Share-Based Compensation

We maintain stock incentive plans (collectively, the “Plans”) for the benefit of certain of our officers, directors and employees.

The following table provides total share-based compensation expense by type of award:

	Three Months Ended December 31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Restricted share unit expense	\$ 16	\$ 16
Employee stock option expense	2	5
Performance share unit expense	4	2
Total share-based compensation	\$ 22	\$ 23

Six
Months
Ended

	December	
	31,	
(in millions)	2018	2017
Restricted share unit expense	\$30	\$34
Employee stock option expense	6	10
Performance share unit expense	5	(4)
Total share-based compensation	\$41	\$40

The total tax benefit related to share-based compensation was \$4 million and \$5 million for the three months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$8 million and \$11 million for the six months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Restricted Share Units

Restricted share units granted under the Plans generally vest in equal annual installments over three years. Restricted share units accrue cash dividend equivalents that are payable upon vesting of the awards.

The following table summarizes all transactions related to restricted share units under the Plans:

	Restricted	Weighted-Average
(in millions, except per share amounts)	Share	Grant Date Fair
	Units	Value per Share
Nonvested at June 30, 2018	2	\$ 71.58
Granted	2	50.46
Vested	(1)	75.19
Canceled and forfeited	—	—
Nonvested at December 31, 2018	3	\$ 52.23

At December 31, 2018, the total pre-tax compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested restricted share units not yet recognized was \$106 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of two years.

Stock Options

Employee stock options granted under the Plans generally vest in equal annual installments over three years and are exercisable for ten years from the grant date. All stock options are exercisable at a price equal to the market value of the common shares underlying the option on the grant date.

The following table summarizes all stock option transactions under the Plans:

	Stock	Weighted-Average
(in millions, except per share amounts)	Options	Exercise Price per
		Common Share
Outstanding at June 30, 2018	7	\$ 64.50
Granted	—	—
Exercised	—	—
Canceled and forfeited	—	—
Outstanding at December 31, 2018	7	\$ 64.05
Exercisable at December 31, 2018	6	\$ 62.92

At December 31, 2018, the total pre-tax compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested stock options not yet recognized was \$9 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of one year. The following tables provide additional detail related to stock options:

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(in millions)	December 31, June 30,	
	2018	2018
Aggregate intrinsic value of outstanding options at period end	\$ 6	\$ 13
Aggregate intrinsic value of exercisable options at period end	6	13
(in years)	December 31, 2018 June 30, 2018	
Weighted-average remaining contractual life of outstanding options	6	7
Weighted-average remaining contractual life of exercisable options	6	5
Performance Share Units		

Performance share units vest over a three-year performance period based on achievement of specific performance goals. Based on the extent to which the targets are achieved, vested shares may range from zero to 200 percent of the target award amount. Performance share units accrue cash dividend equivalents that are payable upon vesting of the awards.

The following table summarizes all transactions related to performance share units under the Plans (based on target award amounts):

(in millions, except per share amounts)	Performance Share Units	Weighted-Average
		Grant Date Fair Value per Share
Nonvested at June 30, 2018	0.4	\$ 66.13
Granted	0.4	50.90
Vested (1)	(0.1)	84.27
Canceled and forfeited	—	—
Nonvested at December 31, 2018	0.6	\$ 51.09

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

(1) No payout was made because the threshold performance goal was not met.

At December 31, 2018, the total pre-tax compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested performance share units not yet recognized was \$22 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of two years if targets are achieved.

Exhibits

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Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
3.1	<u>Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Cardinal Health, Inc., as amended (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Cardinal Health's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2008, File No. 1-11373)</u>
3.2	<u>Cardinal Health, Inc. Restated Code of Regulations (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Cardinal Health's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 30, 2016, File No. 1-11373)</u>
10.1	<u>Amendment No. 3 to Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement, dated as of November 6, 2018, by and between Cardinal Health, Inc. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., individually and as administrative agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Cardinal Health's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2018, File No. 1-11373)</u>
10.2	<u>Amendment No. 2 to Seventh Amended and Restated Performance Guaranty, dated as of November 6, 2018, among Cardinal Health, Inc., Cardinal Health Funding, LLC, and MUFG Bank (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Cardinal Health's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2018, File No. 1-11373)</u>
10.3	<u>Third Amendment, effective as of April 1, 2018, to the Cardinal Health Deferred Compensation Plan, as amended and restated effective as of January 1, 2016</u>
10.4	<u>Form of Directors' Restricted Share Units Agreement under the Amended Cardinal Health, Inc. 2011 Long-Term Incentive Plan</u>
31.1	<u>Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</u>
31.2	<u>Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</u>
32.1	<u>Certification of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</u>
99.1	<u>Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information</u>
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

Cardinal Health Website

Cardinal Health uses its website as a channel of distribution for material company information. Important information, including news releases, financial information, earnings and analyst presentations and information about upcoming presentations and events is routinely posted and accessible at ir.cardinalhealth.com. In addition, the website allows investors and other interested persons to sign up automatically to receive e-mail alerts when the company posts news releases, SEC filings and certain other information on its website.

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

Cardinal Health, Inc.

Date: February 7, 2019 /s/ MICHAEL C. KAUFMANN

Michael C. Kaufmann
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ JORGE M. GOMEZ

Jorge M. Gomez
Chief Financial Officer