

# NORDSTROM

## Nordstrom Same-Store Sales for April Increase 3.1 Percent

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SEATTLE, May 10 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Nordstrom, Inc. (NYSE: JWN) today reported preliminary sales of \$604.0 million for the four-week period ending May 5, 2007, an increase of 3.3 percent compared to sales of \$584.9 million for the four-week period ending April 29, 2006. Same-store sales increased 3.1 percent.

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Preliminary first quarter sales of \$1.95 billion increased 9.3 percent compared to sales of \$1.79 billion during the same period in fiscal 2006. First quarter same-store sales increased 9.5 percent.

The 53rd week in fiscal 2006 created a timing shift in the 4-5-4 calendar for fiscal 2007. The month of April in fiscal 2007 began and ended one week later than in fiscal 2006. This timing shift negatively impacted sales results for April 2007, but positively impacted results for the first quarter of 2007.

For the period of March and April 2007 combined, same-store sales increased 9.6 percent. Combining March and April sales takes into account the shift of the Easter holiday selling period from April into March, and provides a more comparable view of results this year versus last year.

### SALES RECORDING

To hear Nordstrom's prerecorded April sales message, please dial (402) 220-6036. This recording will be available for one week.

SALES SUMMARY	Total Sales(1)	Same-store Sales(1)
(unaudited; \$ in millions)		

	Fiscal	Fiscal	Percent	Total	line	Rack
	2007	2006	Increase	Retail	Stores	Stores
April	\$604.0	\$584.9	3.3%	3.1%	1.0%	7.7%

First Quarter	\$1,953.8	\$1,787.2	9.3%	9.5%	7.7%	12.2%
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Number of stores

Full-line	98	99
Rack and other	57	57
International		
Faconnable		
boutiques	36	34
Total	191	190
Gross square		
footage	20,170,000	20,217,000

(1) Same-store sales results exclude the impact of the January 2007 closure of the Crossroads Plaza Mall full-line store in Salt Lake City, Utah, in preparation for its planned relocation in 2011. Total sales results include the impact of this store closure.

### 2007 ANNUAL SALES OUTLOOK

Throughout the remainder of fiscal 2007, the timing shift caused by the 53rd week in fiscal 2006 is anticipated to impact the cadence of monthly same-store sales results because normal sales trends, events and holiday periods are aligned differently than last year. Outlined below is the company's same-store sales plan by quarter for the remainder of fiscal 2007, and the anticipated impact on each reporting period from the 53rd week timing shift:

Period	Same-store sales plan	FY2006 53rd week timing shift impact
2nd Quarter 2007	1 to 2 percent	Negative
3rd Quarter 2007	4 to 5 percent	Positive
4th Quarter 2007	2 to 3 percent	Negative
2007 Fiscal Year	3 to 4 percent	Not material

Historically, the second and fourth quarters are larger sales volume periods than the first and third quarters of the year.

### 2007 SECOND QUARTER SALES OUTLOOK

The timing shift from the fiscal 2006 53rd week is expected to have a negative impact on second quarter 2007 sales results. In addition, the company's Anniversary sale event will take place one week later than in the previous year. As a result, the second quarter will have an extra non-event week

between the company's Half Yearly clearance sales events and its Anniversary sale event versus last year.

The months of May and June are anticipated to be negatively impacted by the timing shift of the fiscal 2006 53rd week. When compared to the planned same-store sales rate of one to two percent for the 2007 second quarter, the monthly same-store sales rate in May is expected to be in-line, in June is expected to be below, and in July is expected to be above the anticipated quarterly rate.

#### FUTURE REPORTING DATES

Nordstrom's financial release calendar for the next three months is currently planned as follows:

First Quarter Earnings Thurs., May 17, 2007 May Sales Release Thurs., June 7, 2007 June Sales Release Thurs., July 12, 2007 July Sales Release Thurs., August 9, 2007 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Nordstrom will hold its 2007 annual meeting of shareholders on Tuesday, May 22, 2007, at 11:00 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time, in the John W. Nordstrom Room of the downtown Seattle, Wash., Nordstrom store.

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 155 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 98 full-line stores, 50 Nordstrom Racks, four Faconnable boutiques in the United States, one free-standing shoe store, and two clearance stores. Nordstrom also operates 36 Faconnable boutiques in Europe. In addition, Nordstrom serves customers through its online presence at <http://www.nordstrom.com> and through its catalogs. Nordstrom, Inc. is publicly traded on the NYSE under the symbol JWN.

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Certain statements in this news release contain "forward-looking" information (as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) that involves risks and uncertainties, including anticipated results for the company's fiscal year ending February 2, 2008, anticipated sales results and same-store sales rates for the 2007 second, third and fourth quarters, the anticipated impact on same-store sales rates for those periods due to the fiscal 2006 53rd week timing shift, and trends in company operations. Actual future results and trends may differ materially from historical results or current expectations depending upon factors including, but not limited to, the impact of economic and competitive market forces, the impact of terrorist activity or the impact of a war on the company, its customers and the retail industry, the company's ability to predict fashion trends, consumer apparel buying patterns, trends in personal bankruptcies and bad debt write-offs, changes in interest rates, employee relations, the company's ability to continue its expansion plans, the timely completion of construction associated with newly planned stores, changes in government or regulatory requirements, the company's ability to control costs, weather conditions and hazards of nature. Our SEC reports, including our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 3, 2007, contain other information on these and other factors that could affect our financial results and cause actual results to differ materially from any forward-looking information we may provide. The company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events, new information or future circumstances.

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