UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 26, 2019

Asbury Automotive Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-31262

(Commission File Number)

2905 Premiere Parkway NW Suite 300

Duluth, GA

(Address of principal executive offices)

01-0609375

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

30097 (Zip Code)

(770) 418-8200 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

None

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company \square

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.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. (the "<u>Company</u>") issued an earnings release on July 26, 2019, announcing its financial results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019. A copy of the earnings release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

The information furnished in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report.

 Exhibit No.
 Description

 99.1
 Press Release dated July 26, 2019.

SIGNATURE

By:

Name:

Title:

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 26, 2019

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.

/s/ Sean D. Goodman Sean D. Goodman

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Investors & Reporters May Contact: Matt Pettoni VP of Finance & Treasurer (770) 418-8219 ir@asburyauto.com

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP ANNOUNCES 2019 SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS

Record second quarter EPS of \$2.84 per diluted share, up 35% over prior year EPS

Record second quarter adjusted EPS of \$2.38 per diluted share (a non-GAAP measure), up 14% over prior year EPS

DULUTH, GA, July 26, 2019 - Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. (NYSE: ABG), one of the largest automotive retail and service companies in the U.S., reported net income for the second quarter 2019 of \$54.9 million (\$2.84 per diluted share) and adjusted net income (a non-GAAP measure) of \$45.9 million (\$2.38 per diluted share). This compares to net income of \$43.2 million (\$2.11 per diluted share) in the prior year quarter and adjusted net income of \$42.7 million (\$2.08 per diluted share).

Net income for the second quarter 2019 was adjusted for a gain on divestiture of our Nissan Houston store of \$11.7 million pre-tax (\$0.45 per diluted share) and gain on sale of land of \$0.3 million (\$0.01 per diluted share). Net income for the second quarter 2018 was adjusted for gains from legal settlements of \$0.7 million pre-tax (\$0.03 per diluted share)

"In a lower SAAR environment, we grew revenue 5%, delivered 10% parts and service revenue growth, improved our SG&A as a percentage of gross profit 60 basis points, and grew adjusted EPS 14%," said David Hult, Asbury's President and Chief Executive Officer. "While we experienced new vehicle margin pressure, we were able to grow our total front end yield by over \$50 per vehicle."

Second Quarter 2019 Operational Summary

Total company:

- Total revenue increased 5%; gross profit increased 6%
- Gross margin increased 30 basis points to 16.4%
- SG&A as a percentage of gross profit decreased 60 basis points to 68.0%
- Adjusted income from operations increased 8%
- Adjusted operating margin increased 20 basis points to 4.8%
- Adjusted EPS from continuing operations increased 14%

Same store:

- Total revenue increased 2%; gross profit increased 4%
- New vehicle revenue was flat; gross profit decreased 9%
- Used vehicle retail revenue increased 1%; gross profit decreased 1%
- Finance and insurance revenue and gross profit increased 7%
- Parts and service revenue increased 8%; gross profit increased 6%

Strategic Highlights:

- Divested our Nissan store in Houston, TX
- Signed agreements to acquire two import stores, one in the Indianapolis market and one in a new market. We expect to close both in the third quarter, subject to customary closing conditions, and these stores to generate approximately \$175 million in combined annualized revenue.
- Repurchased \$4 million of common stock.

Additional commentary regarding the second quarter results will be provided during the earnings conference call on July 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. The conference call will be simulcast live on the internet and can be accessed at <u>www.asburyauto.com</u>. A replay will be available at these sites for 30 days.

In addition, a live audio of the call will be accessible to the public by calling (323) 994-2093 (domestic), or (888) 254-3590 (international); passcode - 1004437. Callers should dial in approximately 5 to 10 minutes before the call begins.

A conference call replay will be available two hours following the call for seven days, and can be accessed by calling (888) 203-1112 (domestic), or (719) 457-0820 (international); passcode - 1004437.

About Asbury Automotive Group, Inc.

Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. ("Asbury"), a Fortune 500 company headquartered in Duluth, GA, is one of the largest automotive retailers in the U.S. Asbury currently operates 86 dealerships, consisting of 105 franchises, representing 30 domestic and foreign brands of vehicles. Asbury also operates 24 collision repair centers. Asbury offers customers an extensive range of automotive products and services, including new and used vehicle sales and related financing and insurance, vehicle maintenance and repair services, replacement parts and service contracts.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are statements other than historical fact, and may include statements relating to goals, plans, market conditions and projections regarding Asbury's financial position, liquidity, results of operations, market position and dealership portfolio, and other initiatives and future business strategy. These statements are based on management's current expectations and beliefs and involve significant risks and uncertainties that may cause results to differ materially from those set forth in the statements. These risks and uncertainties include, among other things, market factors, Asbury's relationships with, and the financial and operational stability of, vehicle manufacturers and other suppliers, acts of God or other incidents which may adversely impact supply from vehicle manufacturers and/or present retail sales challenges, risks

associated with Asbury's indebtedness (including available borrowing capacity, compliance with its financial covenants and ability to refinance or repay such indebtedness, on favorable terms), Asbury's relationships with, and the financial stability of, its lenders and lessors, risks related to competition in the automotive retail and service industries, general economic conditions both nationally and locally, governmental regulations, legislation, adverse results in litigation and other proceedings, and Asbury's ability to execute its digital initiatives and other operational strategies, Asbury's ability to leverage gains from its dealership portfolio, Asbury's ability to capitalize on opportunities to repurchase its debt and equity securities or purchase properties that it currently leases, and Asbury's ability to stay within its targeted range for capital expenditures. There can be no guarantees that Asbury's plans for future operations will be successfully implemented or that they will prove to be commercially successful.

These and other risk factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in our forward-looking statements are and will be discussed in Asbury's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including its most recent annual report on Form 10-K and any subsequently filed quarterly reports on Form 10-Q. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In millions, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	For t	For the Three Months Ended June 30,				%	
		2019		2018		Increase Decrease)	Change
REVENUE:							
New vehicle	\$	965.2	\$	928.7	\$	36.5	4 %
Used vehicle:							
Retail		486.6		470.9		15.7	3 %
Wholesale		47.0		46.0		1.0	2 %
Total used vehicle		533.6		516.9		16.7	3 %
Parts and service		224.5		204.5		20.0	10 %
Finance and insurance, net		80.2		73.5		6.7	9 %
TOTAL REVENUE		1,803.5		1,723.6		79.9	5 %
GROSS PROFIT:							
New vehicle		38.3		40.6		(2.3)	(6)%
Used vehicle:							
Retail		34.7		33.6		1.1	3 %
Wholesale		1.2		0.5		0.7	140 %
Total used vehicle		35.9		34.1		1.8	5 %
Parts and service		140.6		129.6		11.0	8 %
Finance and insurance, net		80.2		73.5		6.7	9 %
TOTAL GROSS PROFIT		295.0		277.8		17.2	6 %
OPERATING EXPENSES:							
Selling, general and administrative		200.7		190.6		10.1	5 %
Depreciation and amortization		9.0		8.5		0.5	6 %
Other operating (income) expenses, net		(0.6)		(0.9)		0.3	33 %
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		85.9		79.6		6.3	8 %
OTHER EXPENSES (INCOME):							
Floor plan interest expense		10.5		8.0		2.5	31 %
Other interest expense, net		13.6		13.2		0.4	3 %
Swap interest expense		—		0.2		(0.2)	(100)%
Gain on divestiture		(11.7)		—		(11.7)	NM
Total other expenses, net		12.4		21.4		(9.0)	(42)%
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		73.5		58.2		15.3	26 %
Income tax expense		18.6		15.0		3.6	24 %
NET INCOME	\$	54.9	\$	43.2	\$	11.7	27 %
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:			-				
Basic—							
Net income	\$	2.87	\$	2.13	\$	0.74	35 %
Diluted—							
Net income	\$	2.84	\$	2.11	\$	0.73	35 %
WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING:					Ŷ	0.70	20,0
Basic		19.1		20.3		(1.2)	(6)%
Restricted stock		0.1		0.1		(1.2)	(0)/a %
Performance share units		0.1		0.1		_	%
	<u> </u>	19.3	_	20.5		(1.2)	
Diluted		19.3		20.3		(1.2)	(6)%

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ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.

KEY OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS (In millions, except per unit data)

(Unaudited)

	For	For the Three Months Ended June 30,			T		%	
		2019		2018		Increase (Decrease)	% Change	
<u>Unit sales</u>								
New vehicle:								
Luxury		5,746		5,590		156	3 %	
Import		15,256		15,478		(222)	(1)%	
Domestic		5,447		5,001		446	9 %	
Total new vehicle		26,449		26,069		380	1 %	
Used vehicle retail		22,259		21,685		574	3 %	
Used to new ratio		84.2%		83.2%		100 bps		
Average selling price								
New vehicle	\$	36,493	\$	35,625	\$	868	2 %	
Used vehicle retail		21,861		21,715		146	1 %	
<u>Average gross profit per unit</u>								
New vehicle:								
Luxury	\$	3,341	\$	3,470	\$	(129)	(4)%	
Import		623		808		(185)	(23)%	
Domestic		1,762		1,740		22	1 %	
Total new vehicle		1,448		1,557		(109)	(7)%	
Used vehicle retail		1,559		1,549		10	1 %	
Finance and insurance, net		1,647		1,539		108	7 %	
Front end yield (1)		3,145		3,093		52	2 %	
<u>Gross margin</u>								
New vehicle:								
Luxury		6.1%		6.5%		(40) bps		
Import		2.2%		2.9%		(70) bps		
Domestic		4.4%		4.5%		(10) bps		
Total new vehicle		4.0%		4.4%		(40) bps		
Used vehicle retail		7.1%		7.1%		0 bps		
Parts and service		62.6%		63.4%		(80) bps		
Total gross profit margin		16.4%		16.1%		30 bps		
SG&A metrics								
Rent expense	\$	6.8	\$	6.3	\$	0.5	8 %	
Total SG&A as a percentage of gross profit		68.0%		68.6%		(60) bps		
SG&A, excluding rent expense as a percentage of gross profit		65.7%		66.3%		(60) bps		
<u>Operating metrics</u>								
Income from operations as a percentage of revenue		4.8%		4.6%		20 bps		
Income from operations as a percentage of gross profit		29.1%		28.7%		40 bps		
Adjusted income from operations as a percentage of revenue		4.7%		4.6%		10 bps		
Adjusted income from operations as a percentage of gross profit		29.0%		28.4%		60 bps		
Revenue mix								
New vehicle		53.5%		53.9%				
Used vehicle retail		27.1%		27.2%				
Used vehicle wholesale		2.6%		2.7%				
Parts and service		12.4%		11.9%				
Finance and insurance		4.4%		4.3%				
Total revenue		100.0%		100.0%				
<u>Gross profit mix</u>								
New vehicle		13.0%		14.6%				
Used vehicle retail		11.7%		12.0%				
Used vehicle wholesale		0.4%		0.2%				
Parts and service		47.7%		46.7%				
Finance and insurance		27.2%		26.5%				
Total gross profit		100.0%		100.0%				

(1) Front end yield is calculated as gross profit from new vehicles, used retail vehicles and finance and insurance (net), divided by combined new and used

retail unit sales.

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. SAME STORE OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS (In millions)

(Unaudited)

	Fo	the Three Mo	onths E	nded June 30,			% Change
		2019		2018		Increase (Decrease)	
Revenue							
New vehicle:							
Luxury	\$	315.1	\$	299.9	\$	15.2	5 %
Import		423.3		423.8		(0.5)	— %
Domestic		181.4		193.2		(11.8)	(6)%
Total new vehicle		919.8		916.9		2.9	<u> </u>
Used Vehicle:							
Retail		465.2		462.5		2.7	1 %
Wholesale		45.3		44.9	_	0.4	1 %
Total used vehicle		510.5		507.4	_	3.1	1 %
Parts and service		217.5		201.8		15.7	8 %
Finance and insurance		77.0		71.8		5.2	7 %
Total revenue	\$	1,724.8	\$	1,697.9	\$	26.9	2 %
<u>Gross profit</u>							
New vehicle:							
Luxury	\$	19.2	\$	19.4	\$	(0.2)	(1)%
Import		9.5		12.0		(2.5)	(21)%
Domestic		7.6		8.7		(1.1)	(13)%
Total new vehicle		36.3		40.1		(3.8)	(9)%
Used Vehicle:							
Retail		32.9		33.3		(0.4)	(1)%
Wholesale		1.2		0.5	-	0.7	140 %
Total used vehicle		34.1		33.8		0.3	1 %
Parts and service:							
Customer pay		77.2		73.3		3.9	5 %
Warranty		21.6		18.2		3.4	19 %
Wholesale parts		5.7		5.4	_	0.3	6 %
Parts and service, excluding reconditioning and preparation		104.5		96.9		7.6	8 %
Reconditioning and preparation		31.3		31.0	_	0.3	1 %
Total parts and service		135.8		127.9		7.9	6 %
Finance and insurance		77.0		71.8	-	5.2	7 %
Total gross profit	\$	283.2	\$	273.6	\$	9.6	4 %
SG&A expense	\$	192.1	\$	187.3	\$	4.8	3 %
SG&A expense as a percentage of gross profit		67.8%		68.5%	-	(70) bps	

Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for identical months in each comparative period, commencing with the first month we owned the dealership. Additionally, amounts related to divested dealerships are excluded from each comparative period.

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. SAME STORE OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS (Continued) (Unaudited)

	Fo	r the Three Mo	onths E	nded June 30,	_	Increase (Decrease)	%
		2019		2018	_		% Change
<u>Unit sales</u>			_				
New vehicle:							
Luxury		5,719		5,590		129	2 %
Import		15,031		15,053		(22)	— %
Domestic		4,483		5,001		(518)	(10)%
Total new vehicle		25,233		25,644	_	(411)	(2)%
Used vehicle retail		21,176		21,252		(76)	<u> </u>
Used to new ratio		83.9%	,	82.9%		100 bps	
<u>Average selling price</u>							
New vehicle	\$	36,452	\$	35,755	\$	697	2 %
Used vehicle retail		21,968		21,763		205	1 %
<u>Average gross profit per unit</u>							
New vehicle:							
Luxury	\$	3,357	\$	3,470	\$	(113)	(3)%
Import		632		797		(165)	(21)%
Domestic		1,695		1,740		(45)	(3)%
Total new vehicle		1,439		1,564		(125)	(8)%
Used vehicle retail		1,554		1,567		(13)	(1)%
Finance and insurance, net		1,659		1,531		128	8 %
Front end yield (1)		3,150		3,096		54	2 %
Gross margin							
New vehicle:							
Luxury		6.1%	,	6.5%		(40) bps	
Import		2.2%		2.8%		(60) bps	
Domestic		4.2%		4.5%		(30) bps	
Total new vehicle		3.9%	1	4.4%		(50) bps	
Used vehicle retail		7.1%	,	7.2%) (10bps	
Parts and service:							
Parts and service, excluding reconditioning and preparation		48.0%)	48.0%		0 bps	
Parts and service, including reconditioning and preparation		62.4%		63.4%		(100) bps	
Total gross profit margin		16.4%		16.1%		30 bps	

Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for identical months in each comparative period, commencing with the first month we owned the dealership. Additionally, amounts related to divested dealerships are excluded from each comparative period.

(1) Front end yield is calculated as gross profit from new vehicles, used retail vehicles and finance and insurance (net), divided by combined new and used retail unit sales.

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	For	For the Six Months Ended June 30,			-	0/	
		2019		2018		Increase (Decrease)	% Change
REVENUE:							
New vehicle	\$	1,837.0	\$	1,785.8	\$	51.2	3 %
Used vehicle:							
Retail		944.8		906.7		38.1	4 %
Wholesale		98.7		94.8		3.9	4 %
Total used vehicle		1,043.5		1,001.5		42.0	4 %
Parts and service		442.1		403.8		38.3	9 %
Finance and insurance, net		151.7		141.7		10.0	7 %
TOTAL REVENUE		3,474.3		3,332.8		141.5	4 %
GROSS PROFIT:							
New vehicle		76.2		79.2		(3.0)	(4)%
Used vehicle:							
Retail		68.3		65.8		2.5	4 %
Wholesale		2.1		1.8		0.3	17 %
Total used vehicle		70.4		67.6		2.8	4 %
Parts and service		275.9		254.7		21.2	8 %
Finance and insurance, net		151.7		141.7		10.0	7 %
TOTAL GROSS PROFIT		574.2		543.2		31.0	6 %
OPERATING EXPENSES:							
Selling, general and administrative		391.7		374.8		16.9	5 %
Depreciation and amortization		17.6		16.7		0.9	5 %
Other operating expense (income), net		1.2		(1.1)		2.3	NM
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		163.7		152.8		10.9	7 %
OTHER EXPENSES (INCOME):							
Floor plan interest expense		20.7		14.6		6.1	42 %
Other interest expense, net		27.5		26.2		1.3	5 %
Swap interest expense		—		0.4		(0.4)	(100)%
Gain on divestiture		(11.7)		—		(11.7)	NM
Total other expenses, net		36.5		41.2		(4.7)	(11)%
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		127.2		111.6		15.6	14 %
Income tax expense		31.4		28.3		3.1	11 %
NET INCOME	\$	95.8	\$	83.3	\$	12.5	15 %
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:							
Basic—							
Net income	\$	4.99	\$	4.08	\$	0.91	22 %
Diluted—							
Net income	\$	4.96	\$	4.02	\$	0.94	23 %
WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING:	Ψ <u></u>	1.50	Ψ	1.02	Ψ	0.71	23 70
Basic		19.2		20.4		(1.2)	(6)%
Restricted stock		19.2		0.1		(0.1)	(100)%
Performance share units		0.1		0.1		(0.1)	(100)%
Diluted		19.3		20.7		(1.4)	(7)%

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KEY OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS (In millions, except per unit data)

(Unaudited)

	Fo	For the Six Months Ended June 30,			Increase	%
		2019		2018	(Decrease)	Change
<u>Unit sales</u>						
New vehicle:						
Luxury		10,908		10,842	66	1 %
Import		29,699		29,499	200	1 %
Domestic		9,951		9,387	564	6 %
Total new vehicle		50,558		49,728	830	2 %
Used vehicle retail		43,342		42,255	1,087	3 %
Used to new ratio		85.7%		85.0%	70 bps	
Average selling price						
New vehicle	\$	36,335	\$	35,911	\$ 424	1 %
Used vehicle retail		21,799		21,458	341	2 %
<u>Average gross profit per unit</u>						
New vehicle:						
Luxury	\$	3,511	\$	3,588	\$ (77)	(2)%
Import		717		803	(86)	(11)%
Domestic		1,668		1,768	(100)	(6)%
Total new vehicle		1,507		1,593	(86)	(5)%
Used vehicle retail		1,576		1,557	19	1 %
Finance and insurance, net		1,616		1,541	75	5 %
Front end yield (1)		3,154		3,117	37	1 %
<u>Gross margin</u>						
New vehicle:						
Luxury		6.3%		6.6%	(30) bps	
Import		2.6%		2.8%	(20) bps	
Domestic		4.2%		4.5%	(30) bps	
Total new vehicle		4.1%		4.4%	(30) bps	
Used vehicle retail		7.2%		7.3%	(10) bps	
Parts and service		62.4%		63.1%	(70) bps	
Total gross profit margin		16.5%		16.3%	20 bps	
SG&A metrics						
Rent expense	\$	13.6	\$	12.6	\$ 1.0	8 %
Total SG&A as a percentage of gross profit		68.2%		69.0%	(80) bps	
SG&A, excluding rent expense as a percentage of gross profit		65.8%		66.7%	(90) bps	
<u>Operating metrics</u>						
Income from operations as a percentage of revenue		4.7%		4.6%	10 bps	
Income from operations as a percentage of gross profit		28.5%		28.1%	40 bps	
Adjusted income from operations as a percentage of revenue		4.8%		4.6%	20 bps	
Adjusted income from operations as a percentage of gross profit		28.9%		28.0%	90 bps	
Revenue mix						
New vehicle		52.9%		53.6%		
Used vehicle retail		27.2%		27.2%		
Used vehicle wholesale		2.8%		2.8%		
Parts and service		12.7%		12.1%		
Finance and insurance		4.4%		4.3%		
Total revenue		100.0%		100.0%		
<u>Gross profit mix</u>						
New vehicle		13.3%		14.6%		
Used vehicle retail		11.9%		12.1%		
Used vehicle wholesale		0.4%		0.3%		
		0.4% 48.0%		0.3% 46.9%		
Used vehicle wholesale Parts and service Finance and insurance						

(1) Front end yield is calculated as gross profit from new vehicles, used retail vehicles and finance and insurance (net), divided by combined new and used

retail unit sales.

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.

SAME STORE OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS (In millions) (Unaudited)

	Fo	r the Six Mont	hs En	ded June 30,	-	Increase	%
		2019		2018		(Decrease)	Change
Revenue							
New vehicle:							
Luxury	\$	603.6	\$	586.0	\$	17.6	3 %
Import		809.4		810.0		(0.6)	— %
Domestic		342.8		365.7		(22.9)	(6)%
Total new vehicle		1,755.8		1,761.7		(5.9)	%
Used Vehicle:							
Retail		901.7		890.7		11.0	1 %
Wholesale		95.4		93.2	_	2.2	2 %
Total used vehicle		997.1		983.9		13.2	1 %
Parts and service		427.8		398.3		29.5	7 %
Finance and insurance, net		145.0		138.5	_	6.5	5 %
Total revenue	\$	3,325.7	\$	3,282.4	\$	43.3	1 %
Gross profit							
New vehicle:							
Luxury	\$	38.3	\$	38.9	\$	(0.6)	(2)%
Import	Ψ	20.6	Ψ	22.9	Ψ	(2.3)	(10)%
Domestic		13.7		16.6		(2.9)	(17)%
Total new vehicle		72.6		78.4	_	(5.8)	(7)%
Used Vehicle:		72.0		70.1		(5.6)	()//
Retail		64.6		64.8		(0.2)	— %
Wholesale		2.1		1.8		0.3	17 %
Total used vehicle		66.7		66.6	_	0.1	%
Parts and service:		00.7		00.0		0.1	
Customer pay		151.9		143.1		8.8	6 %
Warranty		42.6		36.9		5.7	15 %
Wholesale parts		11.6		11.1		0.5	5 %
Parts and service, excluding reconditioning and preparation		206.1		191.1	_	15.0	8 %
Reconditioning and preparation		60.5		60.0		0.5	1 %
Total parts and service		266.6		251.1	_	15.5	6 %
Finance and insurance		145.0		138.5		6.5	5 %
Total gross profit	\$	550.9	\$	534.6	\$	16.3	3 %
		2510	¢		_		
SG&A expense	\$	374.8	\$	368.1	\$	6.7	2 %
SG&A expense as a percentage of gross profit		68.0%		68.9%	=	(90) bps	

Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for identical months in each comparative period, commencing with the first month we owned the dealership. Additionally, amounts related to divested dealerships are excluded from each comparative period.

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. SAME STORE OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS (Continued) (Unaudited)

	Fo	For the Six Months Ended June 30,				Increase	0/
		2019		2018		Increase (Decrease)	% Change
<u>Unit sales</u>			-				
New vehicle:							
Luxury		10,869		10,842		27	<u> %</u>
Import		28,789		28,639		150	1 %
Domestic		8,543		9,387		(844)	(9)%
Total new vehicle		48,201	_	48,868		(667)	(1)%
Used vehicle retail		41,107		41,402		(295)	(1)%
Used to new ratio		85.3%		84.7%		60 bps	
·							
Average selling price	•	0.4.40	٩		^		1.07
New vehicle	\$	36,427	\$	36,050	\$	377	1 %
Used vehicle retail		21,935		21,513		422	2 %
<u>Average gross profit per unit</u>							
New vehicle:							
Luxury	\$	3,524	\$	3,588	\$	(64)	(2)%
Import		716		800		(84)	(11)%
Domestic		1,604		1,768		(164)	(9)%
Total new vehicle		1,506		1,604		(98)	(6)%
Used vehicle retail		1,572		1,565		7	<u> </u>
Finance and insurance, net		1,624		1,534		90	6 %
Front end yield (1)		3,160		3,121		39	1 %
Current and and a second s							
<u>Gross margin</u> New vehicle:							
Luxury		6.3%		6.6%		(30) bps	
Import		2.5%		2.8%		(30) bps (30) bps	
Domestic		4.0%		4.5%		(50) bps (50) bps	
Total new vehicle		4.0%		4.5%		(30) bps (40) bps	
Used vehicle retail		4.176 7.2%		4.3% 7.3%		(40) bps (10) bps	
Parts and service:		1.2%		1.5%		(10) ops	
Parts and service, excluding reconditioning and preparation		48.2%		48.0%		20 bps	
		48.2% 62.3%		48.0% 63.0%		-	
Parts and service, including reconditioning and preparation						(70) bps	
Total gross profit margin		16.6%		16.3%		30 bps	

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ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. Additional Disclosures (In millions) (Unaudited)

	Ju	June 30, 2019 December 31		ember 31, 2018	Increase (Decrease)		% Change
SELECTED BALANCE SHEET DATA							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	9.6	\$	8.3	\$	1.3	16 %
New vehicle inventory		895.1		867.2		27.9	3 %
Used vehicle inventory		162.2		158.9		3.3	2 %
Parts inventory		43.5		41.5		2.0	5 %
Total current assets		1,529.5		1,553.0		(23.5)	(2)%
Floor plan notes payable		918.7		966.1		(47.4)	(5)%
Total current liabilities		1,272.6		1,303.3		(30.7)	(2)%
CAPITALIZATION:							
Long-term debt (including current portion)	\$	909.6	\$	905.3	\$	4.3	<u> </u>
Shareholders' equity		556.3		473.2		83.1	18 %
Total	\$	1,465.9	\$	1,378.5	\$	87.4	6 %

	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
DAYS SUPPLY		
New vehicle inventory	86	67
Used vehicle inventory	33	34

Days supply of inventory is calculated based on new and used inventory levels at the end of each reporting period and a 30-day historical cost of sales.

Brand Mix - New Vehicle Revenue by Brand-

	For the Six Months	Inded June 30,	
	2019	2018	
Luxury:			
Mercedes-Benz	7%	7%	
Lexus	6%	6%	
BMW	6%	5%	
Acura	4%	4%	
Infiniti	3%	3%	
Other luxury	7%	8%	
Total luxury	33%	33%	
Imports:			
Honda	19%	20%	
Nissan	9%	11%	
Toyota	12%	11%	
Other imports	5%	5%	
Total imports	45%	47%	
Domestic:			
Ford	10%	10%	
Chevrolet	6%	5%	
Dodge	3%	2%	
Other domestics	3%	3%	
Total domestic	22%	20%	
Total New Vehicle Revenue	100%	100%	

Non-GAAP Financial Disclosure and Reconciliation

In addition to evaluating the financial condition and results of our operations in accordance with GAAP, from time to time management evaluates and analyzes results and any impact on the Company of strategic decisions and actions relating to, among other things, cost reduction, growth, and profitability improvement initiatives, and other events outside of normal, or "core," business and operations, by considering certain alternative financial measures not prepared in accordance with GAAP. These measures include "Adjusted leverage ratio," "Adjusted income from operations," "Adjusted net income," ' Adjusted operating margins," and "Adjusted diluted earnings per share ("EPS")." Further, management assesses the organic growth of our revenue and gross profit on a same store basis. We believe that our assessment on a same store basis represents an important indicator of comparative financial performance and provides relevant information to assess our performance at our existing locations. Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for identical months in each comparative period, commencing with the first month we owned the dealership. Additionally, amounts related to divested dealerships are excluded from each comparative period. Non-GAAP measures do not have definitions under GAAP and may be defined differently by and not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. As a result, any non-GAAP financial measures considered and evaluated by management are reviewed in conjunction with a review of the most directly comparable measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. Management cautions investors not to place undue reliance on such non-GAAP measures, but also to consider them with the most directly comparable GAAP measures. In their evaluation of results from time to time, management excludes items that do not arise directly from core operations, or are otherwise of an unusual or non-recurring nature. Because these non-core, unusual or non-recurring charges and gains materially affect Asbury's financial condition or results in the specific period in which they are recognized, management also evaluates, and makes resource allocation and performance evaluation decisions based on, the related non-GAAP measures excluding such items. In addition to using such non-GAAP measures to evaluate results in a specific period, management believes that such measures may provide more complete and consistent comparisons of operational performance on a period-over-period historical basis and a better indication of expected future trends. Management discloses these non-GAAP measures, and the related reconciliations, because it believes investors use these metrics in evaluating longer-term period-over-period performance, and to allow investors to better understand and evaluate the information used by management to assess operating performance.

The following tables provide reconciliations for our non-GAAP metrics:

		For the Twelve Months Ended			
	Jur	ne 30, 2019	March 31, 2019		
		(Dollars in m	illions)		
Adjusted leverage ratio:					
Long-term debt (including current portion)	\$	909.6	\$ 913.4		
Calculation of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA"):					
Net Income	\$	180.5	\$ 168.8		
Add:					
Depreciation and amortization		34.7	34.1		
Income tax expense		59.8	56.3		
Swap and other interest expense		54.4	54.1		
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA")	\$	329.4	\$ 313.3		
Non-core items - expense (income):					
Gain on divestiture	\$	(11.7)	§ —		
Gain on sale of real estate		(0.3)	₿		
Franchise rights impairment		3.7	3.7		
Fixed assets write-off		2.4	2.4		
Legal settlements			(0.7)		
Total non-core items		(5.9)	5.4		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	323.5	\$ 318.7		
Adjusted leverage ratio		2.8	2.9		
Adjusica leverage ratio		2.0	2.7		

	For the Th	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		
	2019		2018	
	(In millio	1s, except	per share data)	
Adjusted income from operations:				
Income from operations		85.9 \$	5 79.6	
Gain on sale of real estate		(0.3)	—	
Legal settlements			(0.7)	
Adjusted income from operations	<u>\$</u>	85.6 \$	5 78.9	
Adjusted net income:				
Net income	\$	54.9 \$	43.2	
Non-core items - (income) expense:				
Gain on divestiture	,	11.7)	-	
Gain on sale of real estate		(0.3)	—	
Legal settlements		—	(0.7)	
Income tax on non-core items above		3.0	0.2	
Total non-core items		(9.0)	(0.5)	
Adjusted net income	\$ 4	45.9 \$	6 42.7	
Adjusted diluted earnings per share (EPS):				
Diluted EPS	\$	2.84 \$	5 2.11	
Total non-core items		0.46)	(0.03)	
Adjusted diluted EPS	\$ 2	2.38 \$	5 2.08	
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted		19.3	20.5	

		For the Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	
	(In millions, exce	ept per share data)	
Adjusted income from operations:			
Income from operations	\$ 163.7	\$ 152.8	
Gain on sale of real estate	(0.3)	—	
Fixed assets write-off	2.4	_	
Legal settlements		(0.7)	
Adjusted income from operations	\$ 165.8	\$ 152.1	
Adjusted net income:			
Net income	\$ 95.8	\$ 83.3	
Non-core items - (income) expense:			
Gain on divestiture	(11.7)	—	
Gain on sale of real estate	(0.3)	—	
Fixed assets write-off	2.4		
Legal settlements	—	(0.7)	
Income tax on non-core items above	2.4	0.2	
Total non-core items	(7.2)	(0.5)	
Adjusted net income	\$ 88.6	\$ 82.8	
Adjusted diluted earnings per share (EPS):			
Diluted EPS	\$ 4.96	\$ 4.02	
Total non-core items	(0.37)	(0.02)	
Adjusted diluted EPS	\$ 4.59	\$ 4.0	
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted	19.3	20.7	