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- Preeminent financial advisory and asset management firm
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- Extraordinary concentration of senior advisory and investment professionals



Lazard Growth Across Cycles

(\$ in millions) **OPERATING REVENUE** EARNINGS FROM OPERATIONS, AWARDED BASIS '05-'15 % Change: +175% '05-'15 % Change: (+75%) \$617 \$2,380 \$1,358 \$224 2005¹ 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 LAZARD EMPLOYEE PRODUCTIVITY 2 DEVELOPED WORLD GDP (\$ IN TRILLIONS) '05-'15 % Change: (+55%) '05-'15 % Change: +24% \$0.93 \$36

2005¹ 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015

³ Source: IMF WEO Database.

2005¹ 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015

¹ Lazard IPO, May 2005.

² Calculated as total firm operating revenue divided by average headcount.

Compelling Dividend Yield



¹ Includes all regular and special dividends paid associated with Lazard's fiscal year. Includes regular dividends of \$0.64, \$0.80, \$1.05, \$1.20, \$1.40 and \$1.49 with respect to 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and LTM, respectively, and special dividends of \$0.20, \$0.25, \$1.00, \$1.20 and \$1.20 with respect to 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and LTM, respectively.

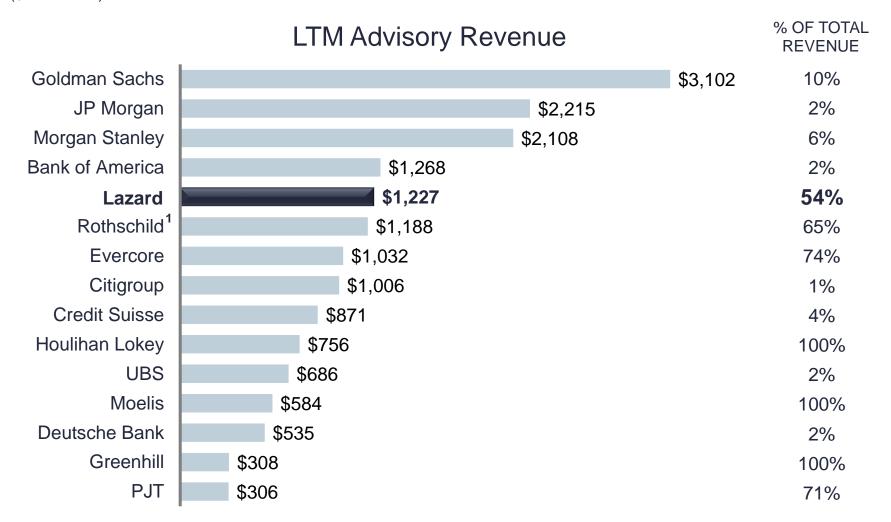
³ Dividend yield calculated using all regular and special dividends paid with respect to last twelve months assuming \$35.00 share price.



² Last twelve months as of 9/30/2016 at \$37.86 share price.

Advisory Business in Global Top Tier

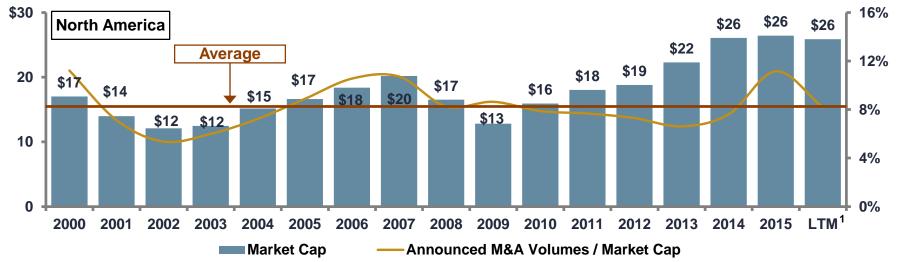
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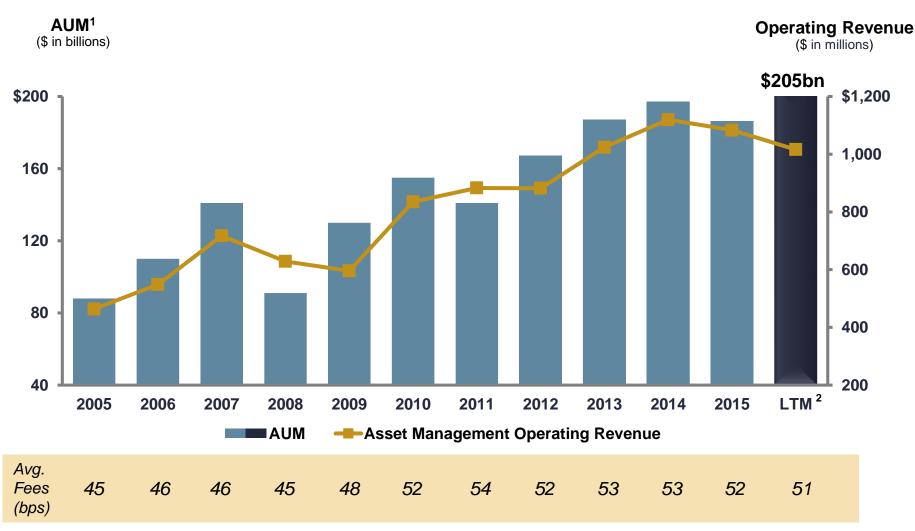
M&A Opportunity







Asset Management Growth Over Cycles

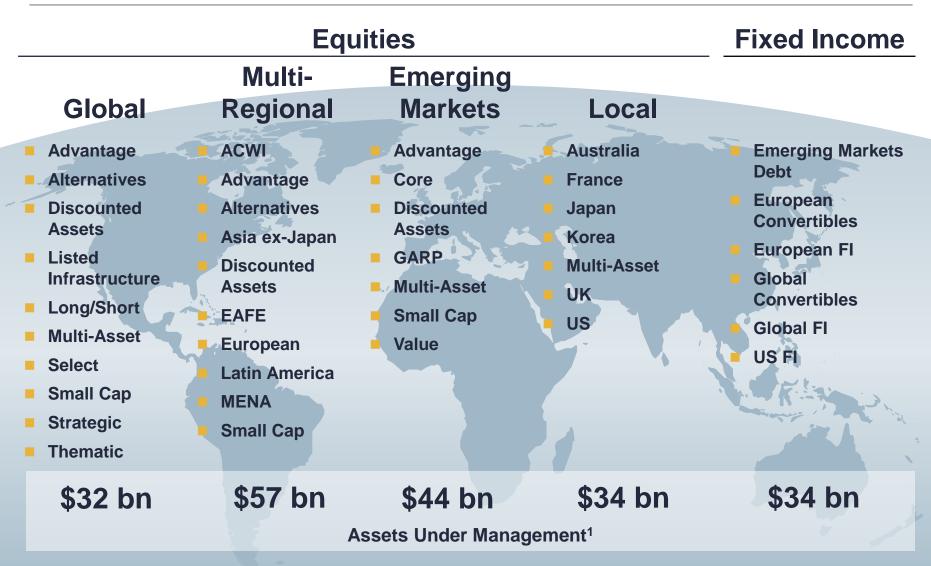


¹ Assets under management as of December 31 per year.

AUM as of September 30, 2016. Operating revenue for last twelve months ended September 30, 2016.



Breadth of Asset Management Platforms

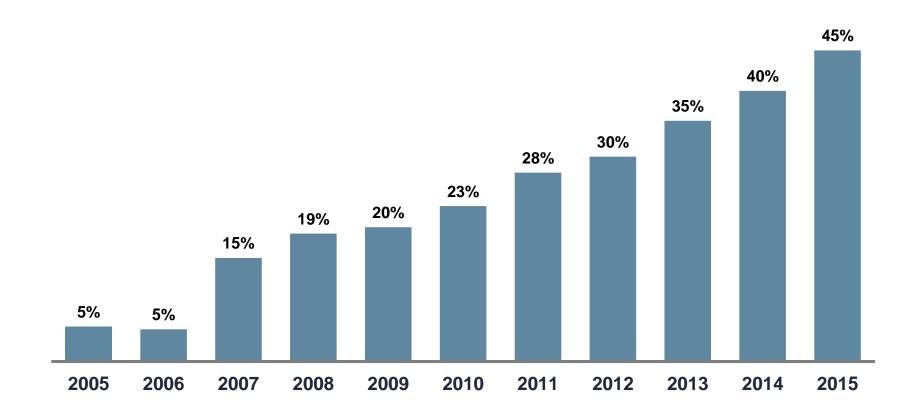




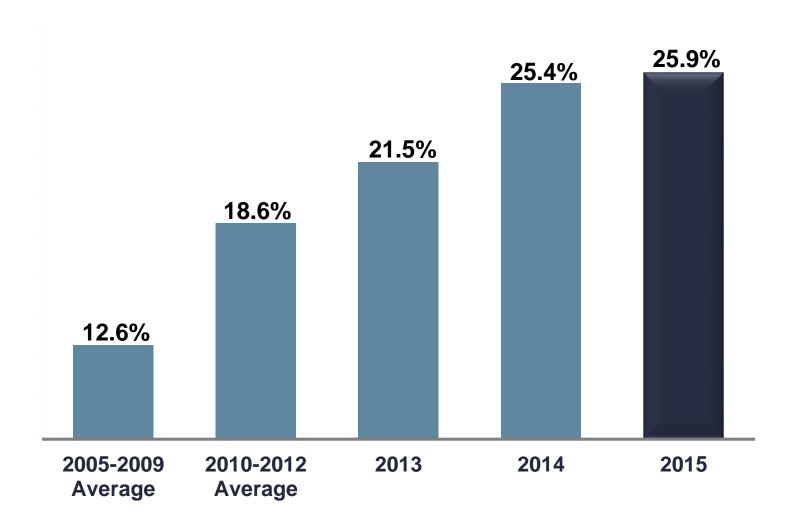
Assets under management for platforms as of September 30, 2016. Lists do not include all strategies on each platform. Excludes private equity AUM.

Asset Management: Ability to Innovate, Scale

New Strategies¹ as % of Total AUM

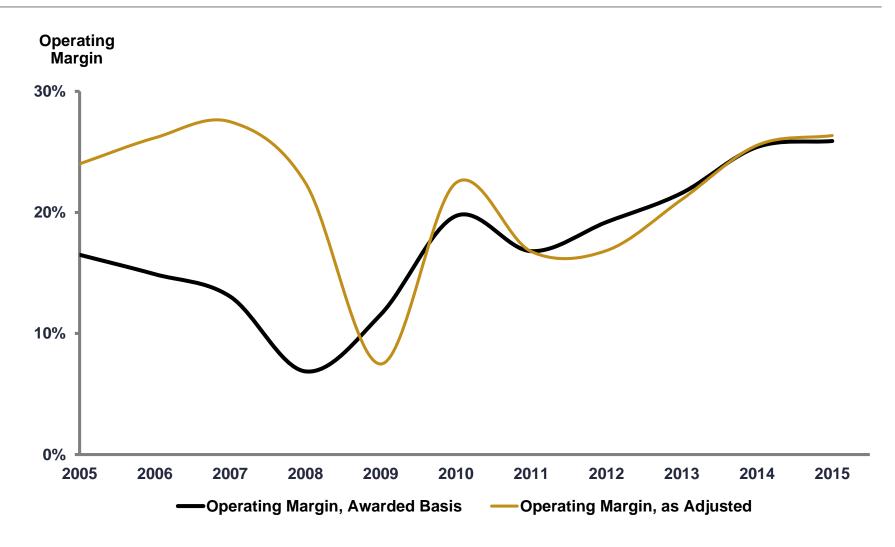


Awarded Operating Margin Growth





Quality of Earnings



Note: See the "Earnings from Operations – As Adjusted/Awarded" slide for additional information.



Capital Allocation Goals

- Seek to retain minimum cash balance of approximately \$350 million
- Aim to gradually increase quarterly dividend over time
- At a minimum, seek to repurchase shares to offset dilution from year-end share-based compensation
- Objective to return excess cash to shareholders annually in the form of additional share repurchases or dividends¹

Dividends

Latest 12 months: \$2.69²

Share Repurchases

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YTD: \$255 million

Remaining Authorization: \$164 million³

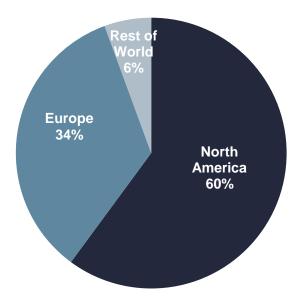
Note: Subject to other uses of capital (e.g., investments, debt management, additional share repurchases).

- Annual excess cash is net of cash earmarked for other uses (e.g., accrued compensation, regular dividends, regular share repurchases).
 - Includes all regular and special dividends paid with respect to last twelve months.
 - As of October 21, 2016.

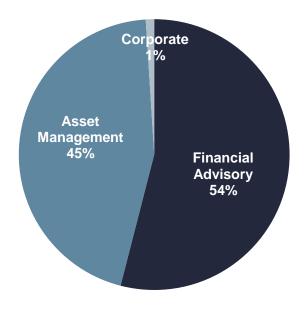
Business Segments

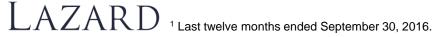
Revenue Balanced Across Geographies and Business Lines

LTM¹ Operating Revenue by Geography



LTM¹ Operating Revenue by Business Segment





Financial Advisory Operating Revenue

(\$ in millions)

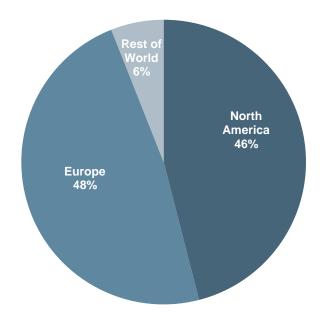


- ¹ Last twelve months ended September 30, 2016.
- ² Strategic Advisory is comprised of revenues from M&A and Other Advisory and Capital Raising activities.

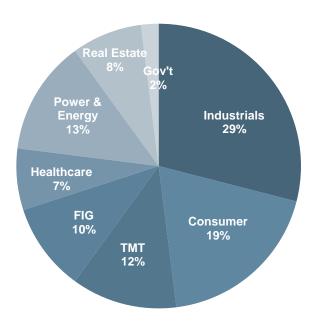


M&A and Other Advisory Operating Revenue Diversified by Geography and Industry

LTM¹ M&A and Other Advisory Operating Revenue by Geography

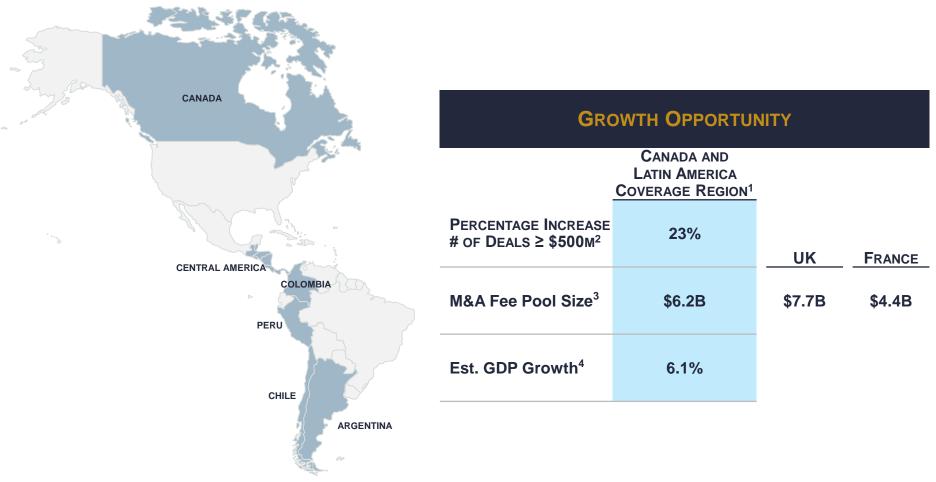


LTM¹ M&A and Other Advisory Operating Revenue by Industry





Recent Financial Advisory Investments in Canada and Latin America



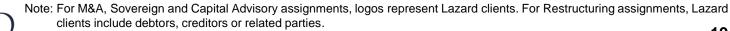
Source: Dealogic, IMF.

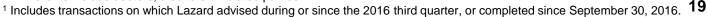
Note: Highlighted countries indicate areas of recent Lazard Financial Advisory investments. Lazard acquired Verus Partners and the remaining 50% interest not previously owned in MBA Lazard.

- 1 Includes Argentina, Belize, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama and Peru.
- 2 Percentage increase of # of deals ≥ \$500m from 2011-2015 vs. 2006-2010.
- 3 Cumulative M&A fee pool for the five year period 2011-2015.
 - Estimated 2016E-2021E annual GDP growth rate for the coverage region based on IMF data.

Selected Financial Advisory Assignments¹

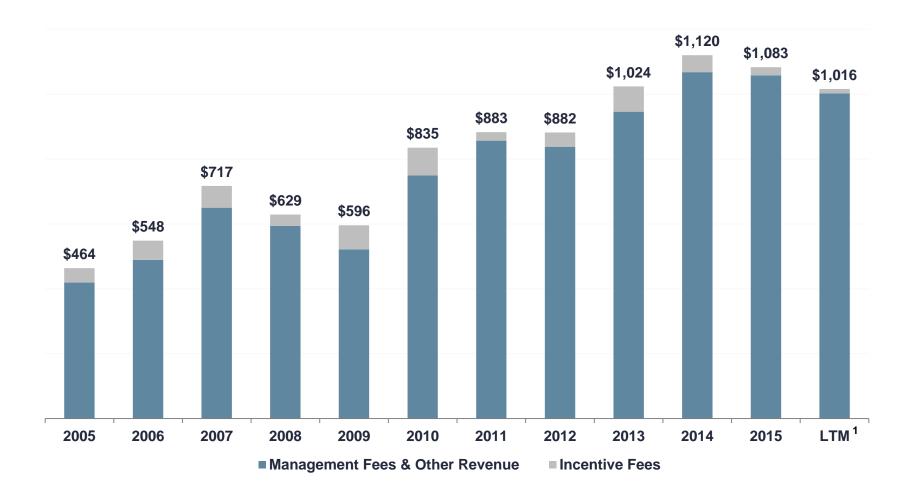
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Asset Management Operating Revenue

(\$ in millions)



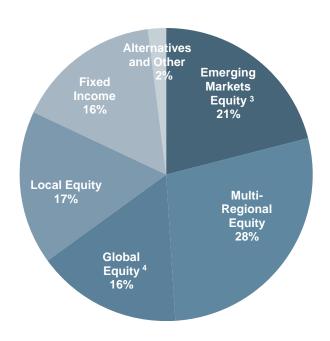


AUM Diversified by Geographic and Product Mix

AUM by Office Domicile 1,2

Asia 4% Germany 7% Australia 6% France 9% North America 61%

AUM by Platform ²

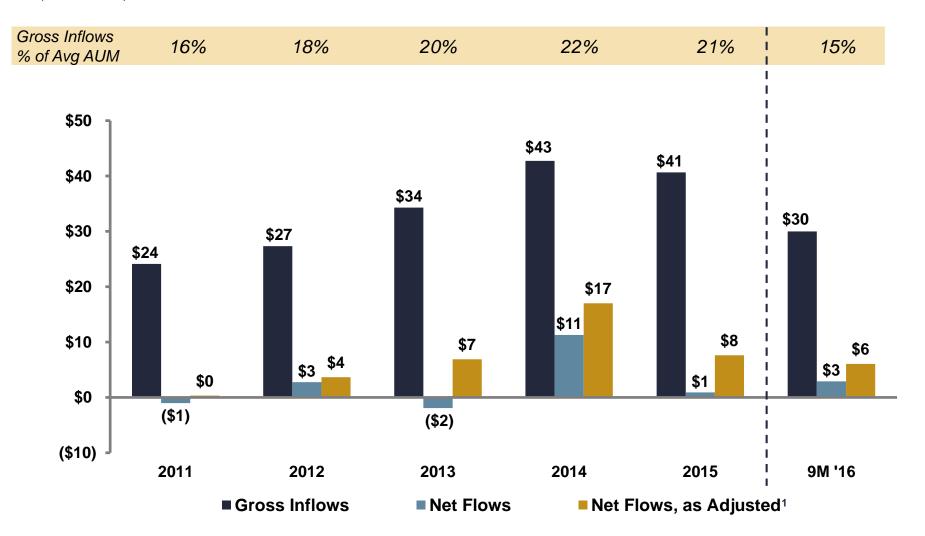


- Domicile refers to location of client-servicing office.
- ² Breakdown as of September 30, 2016.
- ³ Emerging Markets Equity strategy accounted for 85% of the Emerging Markets Equity platform.
- ⁴ Global Thematic Equity strategy accounted for 18% of the Global Equity platform.



Significant Gross Inflows

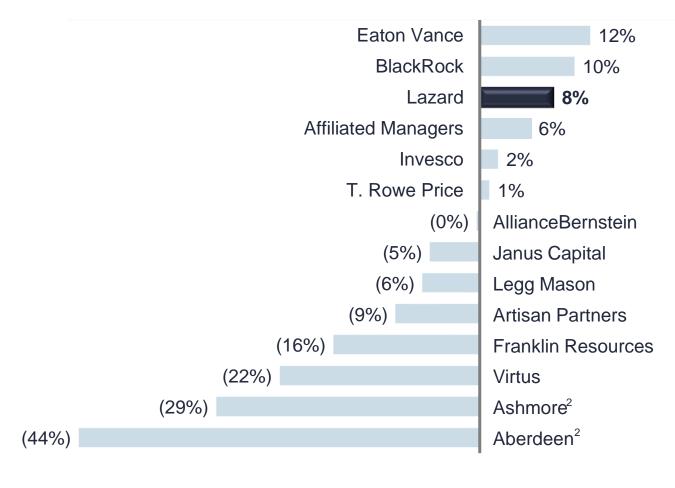
(\$ in billions)





Strong Net Flows in Volatile Environment

2014 - 2016 Q3 Net Flows as % of AUM1





¹ Calculated based on 2014 beginning AUM.

² Based on 2014-2016 Q2 net flows.

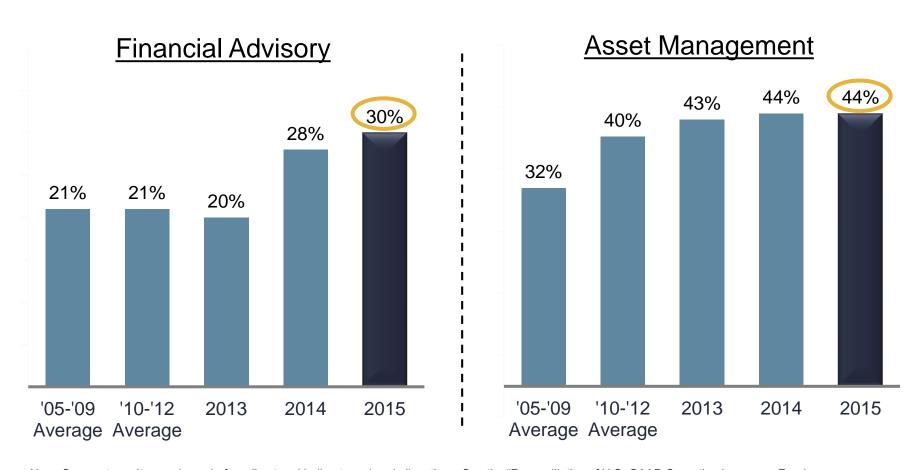
Asset Flows Diversified By Region & Investment Strategy

SELECTED NEW MANDATES					
Client Type	Investment Strategy				
Asian Multi Manager	Global Equity				
Australian Superannuation	Emerging Markets Debt				
European Corporate Pension	Emerging Markets Debt				
French Healthcare Insurer	Multi-Asset				
French Insurance & Pension	Diversified				
French Insurer	European Equity				
French Retirement Institution	Large-Cap European Equity				
Multinational Corporate Pension	Asian Equity				
Sovereign Wealth Fund	Emerging Markets Debt				
US Corporate Pension	Quantitative Equity				
US Corporate Pension	US Equity				
US Public Pension	US Equity				
US Public Pension	Emerging Markets Equity				
US Sub Advisor	International Equity				



Strong Margin Growth

Operating Margin on an Awarded Basis



Note: Segment results are shown before direct and indirect overhead allocations. See the "Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Operating Income to Earnings from Operations, Awarded Basis" slides for additional information regarding overhead allocations.



Supplemental Financial Information

Earnings from Operations – Awarded Basis

(\$ in millions, except per share values)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Operating Revenue	\$1,884	\$1,971	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380
% Growth	(5%)	5%	3%	15%	2%
Compensation and benefits, Awarded basis	1,168	1,171	1,187	1,305	1,329
% of Operating Revenue	62%	59%	58%	56%	56%
Non-Compensation expense	400	421	409	441	434
% of Operating Revenue	21%	21%	20%	19%	18%
Earnings from Operations, Awarded basis	\$316	\$379	\$438	\$594	\$617
Operating Margin	17%	19%	22%	25%	26%
Awarded EPS¹	\$1.42	\$1.81	\$2.23	\$3.32	\$3.73
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Net Income per share, as adjusted	\$1.31	\$1.44	\$2.01	\$3.20	\$3.60

¹ Based on net income per share as adjusted, substituting awarded compensation for compensation and benefits as adjusted and cash taxes for income taxes as adjusted.



Unaudited, Non-GAAP Supplemental Segment Information

(\$ in millions)

	Financial Advisory ¹		Asset Management ¹			Corporate ²			
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Operating Revenue	\$981	\$1,207	\$1,280	\$1,024	\$1,120	\$1,083	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380
% Growth	(7%)	23%	6%	16%	9%	(3%)	3%	15%	2%
Compensation and benefits, Awarded basis	\$630	\$703	\$732	\$428	\$455	\$443	\$129	\$147	\$155
% of Operating Revenue	64%	58%	57%	42%	41%	41%	6%	6%	7%
Non-Compensation expense	\$157	\$162	\$161	\$154	\$167	\$164	\$98	\$112	\$109
% of Operating Revenue	16%	13%	13%	15%	15%	15%	5%	5%	5%
Earnings from Operations, Awarded basis	\$194	\$342	\$387	\$442	\$498	\$476			
Operating Margin, Awarded basis	20%	28%	30%	43%	44%	44%			

² Awarded compensation and non-compensation amounts recorded in the Corporate segment are measured as a percentage of total Lazard operating revenue.



¹ Segment results are shown before direct and indirect overhead allocations. See the "Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Operating Income to Earnings from Operations, Awarded Basis" slides for additional information regarding overhead allocations.

2015 Compensation Bridge – U.S. GAAP to Awarded

(\$ in millions)

		% of Operatin Revenue
Compensation and benefits - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$1,320	55.4%
Adjustments	(1)	
Compensation and benefits, as adjusted	\$1,319	55.4%
Deferral Amortization (previous years)	(321)	
2015 Deferrals Awarded (including sign-on and special awards)	362	
Estimated Forfeitures on Deferrals	(27)	
FX Adjustments	(4)	
Compensation and benefits, Awarded Basis	\$1,329	55.8%

Note: See the "Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Compensation to Adjusted/Awarded Compensation" slide for additional information regarding adjustments.



Estimated Future Amortization of Historical Deferrals¹

(\$ in millions)

	2015A	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E
2010 Grants	\$1	-	_	-	_
2011 Grants	9	_	_	_	_
2012 Grants	59	8	_	_	_
2013 Grants	106	58	8	_	-
2014 Grants	132	119	62	9	-
2015 Grants	11	166	102	63	9
2016 Grants	_	5	TBD	TBD	TBD
Other	3		12	9	5
Total	\$321	\$356 ²	TBD	TBD	TBD

¹ In accordance with U.S. GAAP, an estimate is made for future forfeitures of deferred compensation awards. The result reflects the cost associated with awards that are expected to vest. Amortization of deferrals beyond 2018 not shown.

Based on estimates.



Quarterly Amortization of Deferrals¹

(\$ in millions)

	Q1 ²	Q2	Q3	Q4	Full Year
2015	\$114	\$62	\$74	\$71	\$321
2016E	\$124	\$87	\$76	69 E	\$356 E ³

Based on estimates.



¹ In accordance with U.S. GAAP, an estimate is made for future forfeitures of deferred compensation awards. The result reflects the cost associated with awards that are expected to vest.

² All year-end deferrals are granted in the first quarter and some of the grants relating to retirement eligible employees are expensed immediately.

Corporate Structure and Tax Facts

Corporate Structure

- Lazard trades as common stock on the NYSE under ticker symbol "LAZ"
 - Publicly traded partnership for corporate tax purposes and K-1 issuer
 - Lazard does not generate Unrelated Business Taxable Income ("UBTI") and its current corporate structure prevents UBTI from being received by investors

Tax

- Expect 2016 annual adjusted GAAP tax rate to be in the mid to high 20s
 - Currently expect 25-30% for the foreseeable future¹
- Approximately \$0.6 billion of tax benefits as of September 30, 2016
- Currently expect cash taxes to be in the mid to high teens for the foreseeable future¹

Lazard Corporate Structure Considerations

CONSIDERATIONS

- Corporate structure / K-1 issuer status:
 - Impacts inclusion in some large passive equity indices
 - Subjects certain investors to additional compliance requirements
 - Creates misperception that Lazard generates UBTI

ACTIONS

- Educating market participants, indices and investors that Lazard's traded security is a common stock and not a Limited Partnership / LP structure
- Continuing investor communications regarding our structural blocking of UBTI
- Continuing to monitor benefits/issues associated with corporate structure
 - In current environment, altering corporate structure would likely increase tax rates (e.g., if incorporated in US, potentially >40% effective rate, cash rate would also likely increase)



Tax Considerations

(\$ in millions)

Approximately \$0.6 billion of estimated future net tax benefits

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Pre-Tax Income, as Adjusted	\$226	\$249	\$345	\$531	\$576
Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes, as Adjusted	47	53	77	104	96
Tax Rate	21%	21%	22%	20%	17%
Non-Cash Tax Expense ¹	(14)	(2)	(19)	(20)	(27)
Cash Taxes	\$33	\$51	\$58	\$84	\$69
Tax Rate, Cash Basis	15%	21%	17%	16%	12%

¹ Includes deferred taxes and FIN 48 / APIC benefit.



Earnings Per Share – As Adjusted vs. Awarded

(\$ in millions, except per share values)

		As Adjusted				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2015
Operating Revenue	\$1,884	\$1,971	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380	\$2,380
Compensation and Benefits Expense	1,168	1,171	1,187	1,305	1,329	\$1,319
Non-Compensation Expense	400	421	409	441	434	434
Earnings from Operations	\$316	\$379	\$438	\$594	\$617	\$627
Interest Expense and Other ²	90	84	82	66	51	51
Pre-Tax Income	\$226	\$295	\$356	\$528	\$566	\$576
Taxes	33	51	58	84	69	96
Net Income	\$193	\$244	\$298	\$444	\$497	\$480
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EPS	\$1.42	\$1.81	\$2.23	\$3.32	\$3.73	\$3.60



¹ Based on net income per share as adjusted, substituting awarded compensation for compensation and benefits as adjusted and cash taxes for income taxes as adjusted.

² Includes interest expense, amortization and other acquisition-related costs earnings/(loss) from noncontrolling interests and net income attributable to non-controlling interests.

Unaudited and Non-GAAP

Selected Quarterly Financial Data

	Q3	Q3	Q2	% Change From	% Change From
	2016	2015	2016	Q3 2015	Q2 2016
Operating Revenue					
Strategic Advisory	\$292.2	\$305.0	\$214.7	(4%)	36%
Restructuring	51.3	25.8	72.3	NM	(29%)
Financial Advisory	343.5	330.8	287.0	4%	20%
Management fees and other	264.5	258.9	249.5	2%	6%
Incentive fees	0.6	2.7	1.2	(78%)	(50%)
Asset Management	265.1	261.6	250.7	1%	6%
Corporate	2.2	1.9	4.6	20%	(52%)
Total Operating Revenue	\$610.8	\$594.3	\$542.3	3%	13%
Expenses					
Compensation and benefits, as adjusted	\$345.1	\$330.6	\$306.4	4%	13%
Ratio of compensation to operating revenue	56.5%	55.6%	56.5%		
Non-compensation	\$104.8	\$102.3	\$112.2	2%	(7%)
Ratio of non-compensation to operating revenue	17.2%	17.2%	20.7%		
<u>Earnings</u>					
Earnings from Operations	\$160.9	\$161.4	\$123.7	(0%)	30%
Operating margin, as adjusted	26.3%	27.2%	22.8%		
Net Income, as adjusted	\$112.5	\$124.1	\$80.4	(9%)	40%
Net Income per share, as adjusted	\$0.85	\$0.93	\$0.61	(9%)	39%
Assets Under Management (in billions)	\$205.4	\$182.6	\$191.9	12%	7%



Unaudited and Non-GAAP

Selected Financial Data – 9M

		9M	
	2016	2015	YoY
Operating Revenue			
Strategic Advisory	\$730.4	\$873.9	(16%)
Restructuring	166.1	74.9	NM
Financial Advisory	896.5	948.8	(6%)
Management fees and other	751.7	806.7	(7%)
Incentive fees	3.6	16.0	(78%)
Asset Management	755.3	822.7	(8%)
Corporate	7.3	10.3	(29%)
Total Operating Revenue	\$1,659.1	\$1,781.8	(7%)
Expenses			
Compensation and benefits, as adjusted	\$949.4	\$991.1	(4%)
Ratio of compensation to operating revenue	57.2%	55.6%	
Non-compensation	\$318.6	\$318.3	0%
Ratio of non-compensation to operating revenue	19.2%	17.9%	
<u>Earnings</u>			
Earnings from Operations	\$391.1	\$472.4	(17%)
Operating margin, as adjusted	23.6%	26.5%	
Net Income, as adjusted	\$259.7	\$357.4	(27%)
Net Income per share, as adjusted	\$1.96	\$2.68	(27%)
Assets Under Management (in billions)	\$205.4	\$182.6	12%



Condensed Balance Sheet

	September 30, 2016	June 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
ASSETS			
Cash & cash equivalents	\$854	\$646	\$1,132
Deposits with banks and short-term investments	535	667	390
Cash deposited with clearing organizations and other segregated cash	35	34	35
Receivables	538	495	497
Investments	463	491	542
Deferred tax assets	1,107	1,123	1,131
Other assets	770	760	751
Total Assets	\$4,302	\$4,216	\$4,478
LIABILITIES & STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Deposits and other customer payables	\$587	\$721	\$507
Accrued compensation and benefits	376	270	571
Senior debt	990	990	989
Tax receivable agreement obligation	514	514	524
Other liabilities	534	517	520
Total stockholders' equity ¹	1,301	1,204	1,367
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$4,302	\$4,216	\$4,478

¹ Attributable to Lazard Ltd: \$1,243m at September 30, 2016, \$1,146m at June 30, 2016, \$1,165m and \$1,313m at December 31, 2015.



Earnings from Operations – As Adjusted/Awarded

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
As Adjusted											
Operating Revenue	\$1,358	\$1,571	\$2,015	\$1,675	\$1,618	\$1,979	\$1,884	\$1,971	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380
Compensation and benefits	774	891	1,123	931	1,160	1,166	1,168	1,218	1,197	1,302	1,319
Non-Compensation expense	257	269	338	368	337	368	400	421	409	441	434
Earnings from Operations	\$327	\$411	\$554	\$376	\$121	\$445	\$316	\$332	\$428	\$597	\$627
Operating Margin, As Adjusted	24%	26%	27%	22%	7%	22%	17%	17%	21%	26%	26%

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Awarded	·										
Operating Revenue	\$1,358	\$1,571	\$2,015	\$1,675	\$1,618	\$1,979	\$1,884	\$1,971	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380
Compensation and benefits	876	1,068	1,414	1,192	1,094	1,221	1,168	1,171	1,187	1,305	1,329
Non-Compensation expense	257	269	338	368	337	368	400	421	409	441	434
Earnings from Operations	\$224	\$234	\$263	\$115	\$187	\$390	\$316	\$379	\$438	\$594	\$617
Operating Margin, Awarded Basis	16%	15%	13%	7%	12%	20%	17%	19%	22%	25%	26%



U.S. GAAP Selected Financial Information

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	201	16
												Q3	9M
Net revenue	\$1,301	\$1,494	\$1,918	\$1,557	\$1,531	\$1,905	\$1,830	\$1,912	\$1,985	\$2,300	\$2,354	\$609	\$1,642
% Growth		15%	28%	(19%)	(2%)	24%	(4%)	5%	4%	16%	2%		
Operating Expenses:													
Compensation and benefits	699	891	1,123	1,128	1,309	1,194	1,169	1,351	1,279	1,314	1,320	354	959
Non-Compensation ¹	260	275	376	404	404	468	425	437	490	467	1,051	106	322
Operating Income (loss)	\$342	\$328	\$419	\$25	(\$182)	\$243	\$236	\$124	\$216	\$519	(\$17)	\$149	\$361
% of Net revenue	26%	22%	22%	2%	(12%)	13%	13%	6%	11%	23%	(1%)	24%	22%

¹ Includes provision pursuant to tax receivable agreement.



Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Net Revenue to Operating Revenue

(\$ in millions)

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	20	16
												Q3	9M
Net revenue - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$1,301	\$1,494	\$1,918	\$1,557	\$1,531	\$1,905	\$1,830	\$1,912	\$1,985	\$2,300	\$2,354	\$609	\$1,642
Adjustments:													
Revenue related to noncontrolling interests ¹	(2)	(5)	(5)	13	(7)	(16)	(17)	(14)	(15)	(15)	(16)	(3)	(12)
(Gains) losses related to Lazard Fund Interests ("LFI") and other													
similar arrangements ²	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	(7)	(14)	(7)	4	(7)	(5)
Interest Expense ³	59	82	102	105	94	90	86	80	78	62	50	12	34
Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	(18)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private Equity revenue adjustment ⁵	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(12)	-	-
Operating revenue	\$1,358	\$1,571	\$2,015	\$1,675	\$1,618	\$1,979	\$1,884	\$1,971	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380	\$611	\$1,659

Operating Revenue is a non-GAAP measure which excludes:

⁵ Revenue relating to the Company's disposal of the Australian private equity business is adjusted for the recognition of an obligation, which was previously recognized for U.S. GAAP.



¹ Revenue related to the consolidation of noncontrolling interests is excluded from operating revenue because the Company has no economic interest in such amount.

² Changes in the fair value of investments held in connection with LFI and other similar deferred compensation arrangements for which a corresponding equal amount is excluded from compensation and benefits expense.

³ Interest expense related to corporate financing activities because such expense is not considered to be a cost directly related to the revenue of our business. For Q1'2015, includes excess interest expense of \$2.7 million due to the delay between the issuance of the 2025 senior notes and the settlement of the 2017 notes.

⁴ Gain related to the repurchase of the then outstanding subordinated promissory note due to the non-operating nature of such transaction.

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Compensation to Adjusted/Awarded Compensation

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	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	201	16
												Q3	9M
Compensation and benefits expense - U.S. GAAP basis	\$699	\$891	\$1,123	\$1,128	\$1,309	\$1,194	\$1,169	\$1,351	\$1,279	\$1,314	\$1,320	\$354	\$959
Adjustments:													
Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(100)	(52)	-	-	-	-
Charges pertaining to staff reductions ²	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(22)	-	-	-	-	-
(Charges)/Credits pertaining to LFI and other similar arrangements ³	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	(7)	(14)	(7)	4	(7)	(5)
Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(12)	-	-	-	-
Compensation related to noncontrolling interests 5	-	-	-	-	(2)	(3)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(5)	(5)	(2)	(5)
2009 and 2010 adjustments ⁶	-	-	-	-	(147)	(25)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
LAM Equity Charge ⁷	-	-	-	(197)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005 adjustment ²⁴	75	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Compensation and benefits expense, as adjusted	774	891	1,123	931	1,160	1,166	1,168	1,218	1,197	1,302	1,319	345	949
Amortization of deferred incentive awards	-	(23)	(105)	(238)	(333)	(241)	(289)	(335)	(298)	(299)	(321)		
Total cash compensation and benefits ⁸	774	868	1,018	693	827	925	879	883	899	1,003	998		
Deferred year-end incentive awards 9	116	204	337	352	239	293	282	272	291	325	336		
Sign-on and other special deferred incentive awards 10	-	13	88	180	39	27	40	42	22	14	26		
Adjustment for actual/estimated forfeitures 11	(14)	(24)	(36)	(22)	(17)	(27)	(28)	(27)	(27)	(26)	(27)		
Year-end foreign exchange adjustment ¹²	-	7	7	(11)	6	3	(5)	1	2	(11)	(4)		
Compensation and benefits expense - Awarded basis	\$876	\$1,068	\$1,414	\$1,192	\$1,094	\$1,221	\$1,168	\$1,171	\$1,187	\$1,305	\$1,329		
% of Operating revenue - Awarded basis	65%	68%	70%	71%	68%	62%	62%	59%	58%	56%	56%		
Memo: Operating Revenue	\$1,358	\$1,571	\$2,015	\$1,675	\$1,618	\$1,979	\$1,884	\$1,971	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380		



Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Non-Compensation Expense to Non-Compensation, as adjusted

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	20	16
		<u> </u>									<u>.</u>	Q3	9M
Non-Compensation expense - U.S. GAAP basis	\$260	\$275	\$376	\$404	\$404	\$468	\$425	\$437	\$490	\$467	\$1,051	\$106	\$322
Adjustments:													
Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing 13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(54)	-	(60)	-	-
Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3)	(13)	-	-	-	-
Charges pertaining to staff reductions ²	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3)	-	-	-	-	-
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs 14	-	-	(21)	(5)	(5)	(8)	(12)	(8)	(10)	(6)	(6)	(1)	(2)
Non-compensation related to noncontrolling interests 5	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(0)	(1)
Accrual of tax receivable agreement obligation ("TRA") 15	-	(6)	(17)	(17)	1	(3)	-	-	(2)	(18)	(548)	-	-
Expense related to partial extinguishment of TRA obligation ²³	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1)	-	-
Write-off of Lazard Alternative Investment Holdings option prepayment ¹⁶	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provision for a lease contract for U.K. facility 16	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restructuring charges ¹⁷	-	-	-	-	(63)	(87)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provision for counterparty defaults ⁷	-	-	-	(12)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
LAM Equity Charge ⁷	-	-	-	(2)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IPO related costs ²⁵	(3)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-compensation expense, as adjusted	\$257	\$269	\$338	\$368	\$337	\$368	\$400	\$421	\$409	\$441	\$434	\$105	\$319
% of Operating revenue	19%	17%	17%	22%	21%	19%	21%	21%	20%	19%	18%	17%	19%
Memo: Operating Revenue	\$1,358	\$1,571	\$2,015	\$1,675	\$1,618	\$1,979	\$1,884	\$1,971	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380	\$611	\$1,659



Reconciliation of Operating Income/(Loss) to Pre-Tax Income, as adjusted

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	201	6
						Q3	9M
Operating Income (loss) - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$236	\$124	\$216	\$519	(\$17)	\$149	\$361
Adjustments:							
Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹	-	103	65	-	-	-	=
Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing ¹³	-	-	54	-	63	-	-
Charges pertaining to staff reductions ²	-	25	-	-	-	-	-
Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ¹⁹	(18)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Write-off of Lazard Alternative Investment Holdings option prepayment ¹⁶	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private Equity revenue adjustment ²¹	-	-	-	-	(12)	-	-
Accrual of tax receivable agreement obligation ("TRA") 15	-	-	1	18	968	-	-
Gain on partial extinguishment of TRA obligation ²³	-	-	-	-	(420)	-	-
Expense related to partial extinguishment of TRA obligation ²³	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Net income related to noncontrolling interest 5	(4)	(3)	(4)	(6)	(7)	(0)	(5)
Provision for a lease contract for U.K. facility ¹⁶	6	-	-	-	<u> </u>	-	-
Pre-tax Income, as adjusted	\$226	\$249	\$344	\$531	\$576	\$149	\$356



Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Net Income to Net Income, as adjusted

Adjustments: Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹ Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing ¹³ Charges pertaining to Staff reductions ² Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴ Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ¹⁹ Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹ - 103 65 54 - 54 - 63		2011	2012	2 2013	2014	2015	20	16
Adjustments: Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹ Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing ¹³ Charges pertaining to staff reductions ² Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴ Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ¹⁹ Charges pertaining to staff reductions ² - 103 65 - 54 - 54 - 63 - - 7 - 7 - 7 - 12 - - - - - - - - - - - - -							Q3	9M
Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹ Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing ¹³ Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing ¹³ Charges pertaining to staff reductions ² Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴ Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ¹⁹ - 103 - 54 - 54 - 63	Net income attributable to Lazard Ltd - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$175	\$84	\$160	\$427	\$986	\$113	\$260
Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing ¹³ Charges pertaining to staff reductions ² Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴ Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ¹⁹ 54 63	Adjustments:							
Charges pertaining to staff reductions ² - 25 Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴ 12	Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹	-	103	65	-	-	-	-
Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴ 12 Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ¹⁹ (18)	Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing ¹³	-	-	54	-	63	-	-
Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ¹⁹ (18)	Charges pertaining to staff reductions ²	-	25	-	-	-	-	-
·	Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
Write off of Lazard Alternative Investment Heldings ention pronoument 16	Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt ¹⁹	(18)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Write-on of Lazard Alternative investment modings option prepayment	Write-off of Lazard Alternative Investment Holdings option prepayment ¹⁶	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private Equity revenue adjustment ²¹ (12)	Private Equity revenue adjustment ²¹	-	-	-	-	(12)	-	-
Gain on partial extinguishment of TRA obligation (net of tax) 23 (259)	Gain on partial extinguishment of TRA obligation (net of tax) ²³	-	-	-	-	(259)	-	-
Recognition of deferred tax assets (net of TRA accrual) 22 (294)	Recognition of deferred tax assets (net of TRA accrual) 22	-	-	-	-	(294)	-	-
Provision for a lease contract for U.K. facility ¹⁶ 6	Provision for a lease contract for U.K. facility ¹⁶	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tax (benefits) allocated to adjustments ¹⁸ - (21) (23) - (4)	Tax (benefits) allocated to adjustments ¹⁸	-	(21)	(23)	-	(4)	-	-
Amount attributable to LAZ-MD Holdings ¹⁸ - (2) (1)	Amount attributable to LAZ-MD Holdings ¹⁸	-	(2)	(1)	-	-	-	-
Adjustment for full exchange of exchangable interests ²⁰ :	Adjustment for full exchange of exchangable interests ²⁰ :							
Tax adjustment for full exchange (1) (1)	Tax adjustment for full exchange	(1)	(1)	-	-	-	-	-
Amount attributable to LAZ-MD Holdings 11 7 2 1	Amount attributable to LAZ-MD Holdings			2	1	-	-	-
Net Income, as adjusted \$179 \$195 \$269 \$428 \$480 \$113 \$26	Net Income, as adjusted	\$179	\$195	\$269	\$428	\$480	\$113	\$260
Weighted average shares outstanding:	Weighted average shares outstanding:							
		137,630	129,326	133,737	133,813	133,245	132,321	132,518
		•	,	,	•	•	,	132,518
Diluted Net Income per share:	Diluted Net Income per share:							
·	•	\$1.36	\$0.65	\$1.21	\$3.20	\$7.40	\$0.85	\$1.96
As adjusted \$1.31 \$1.44 \$2.01 \$3.20 \$3.60 \$0.85 \$1.5	As adjusted	\$1.31	\$1.44	\$2.01	\$3.20	\$3.60	\$0.85	\$1.96



Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Operating Income to Earnings from Operations, Awarded Basis

(\$ in millions)

	Financial Advisory			Asse	t Manageme	ent		Corporate		Total		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Net Revenue - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$981	\$1,207	\$1,280	\$1,039	\$1,135	\$1,111	(\$35)	(\$42)	(\$37)	\$1,985	\$2,300	\$2,354
Adjustments ^(a) :												
Revenue related to noncontrolling interests	-	-	-	(15)	(15)	(16)	-			(15)	(15)	(16)
(Gain) loss related to LFI and other similar arrangements Interest expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	(14) 78	(7) 62	4 50	(14) 78	(7) 62	4 50
Private Equity revenue adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	(12)	-	-	-	-	-	(12)
Gain on repurchase of subordinated debt	-	-		-	-	<u> </u>	-	-		-	-	
Operating revenue	\$981	\$1,207	\$1,280	\$1,024	\$1,120	\$1,083	\$29	\$13	\$17	\$2,034	\$2,340	\$2,380
Operating Income - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$21	\$229	\$274	\$335	\$385	\$374	(\$140)	(\$95)	(\$665)	\$216	\$519	(\$17)
Adjustments:												
Sum of Adjustments - Revenue - U.S. GAAP vs. Operating revenue (from above)	-	-	-	(15)	(15)	(28)	64	55	54	49	40	26
Sum of Adjustments - Compensation and benefits expense, as adjusted to awarded basis (b)	17	1	(12)	(15)	(2)	(2)	8	(2)	4	10	(3)	(10)
Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹	48	-	-	-	-	-	17	-	-	65	-	-
Charges pertaining to staff reductions ²	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges pertaining to LFI and other similar arrangements ³	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	7	(4)	14	7	(4)
Private Equity incentive compensation ⁴	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-
Operating expenses related to noncontrolling interests ⁵	-	-	-	6	7	7	-	-	-	6	7	7
Charges pertaining to Senior Debt refinancing 13	-	-	-	-	-	-	54	-	60	54	-	60
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs ¹⁴	-	-	-	10	6	7	-	-	-	10	6	7
Provision pursuant to the tax receivable agreement ¹⁵	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	19	968	2	18	968
Loss (gain) on partial extinguishment of TRA obligation 23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(420)	-	-	(420)
Write-off of Lazard Alternative Investment Holdings option prepayment 16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provision for a lease contract for U.K. facility ¹⁶	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporate support group allocations to business segments	108	112	125	109	117	118	(217)	(229)	(243)	-	-	-
Total adjustments	173	113	113	107	113	102	(58)	(150)	419	222	75	634
Earnings from Operations, Awarded basis	\$194	\$342	\$387	\$442	\$498	\$476	(\$198)	(\$245)	(\$246)	\$438	\$594	\$617
Operating Margin, Awarded basis	20%	28%	30%	43%	44%	44%	nm	nm	nm	22%	25%	26%

Notes: (a) See Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Net Revenue to Operating Revenue.

⁽b) See Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Compensation to Adjusted/Awarded Compensation.



Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Operating Income to Earnings from Operations, Awarded Basis

(\$ in millions)

	Fina	ncial Adviso	ry	Asset Management			
	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	
Net Revenue - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$1,120	\$992	\$1,049	\$850	\$897	\$896	
Adjustments ^(a) :							
Revenue related to noncontrolling interests	-	-	-	(15)	(14)	(14)	
Interest expense Operating revenue	1 \$1,121	\$992	<u> </u>	\$835	- \$883	- \$882	
Operating revenue	\$1,121	\$992	\$1,049	— \$633	\$003	<u> </u>	
Operating Income - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$169	\$62	(\$9)	\$265	\$268	\$237	
Adjustments:							
Sum of Adjustments - Revenue - U.S. GAAP vs. Operating revenue (from above)	1	-	-	(15)	(14)	(14)	
Sum of Adjustments - Compensation and benefits expense, as adjusted to awarded basis (b)	(14)	17	35	(33)	(19)	5	
Charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives ¹	-	-	77	-	-	13	
2010 adjustments ⁶	20	=	-	3	=	-	
Operating expenses related to noncontrolling interests ⁵	-	-	-	5	6	6	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs ¹⁴	-	-	-	8	12	8	
Corporate support group allocations to business segments	107	104	114	89	97	104	
Total adjustments	114	121	226	57	82	122	
Earnings from Operations, Awarded basis	\$283	\$183	\$217	\$322	\$350	\$359	
Operating Margin, Awarded basis	25%	18%	21%	39%	40%	41%	
2010-2012 Average Operating Margin, Awarded basis			21%			40%	

Notes: (a) See Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Net Revenue to Operating Revenue.

⁽b) See Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Compensation to Adjusted/Awarded Compensation.



Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Operating Income to Earnings from Operations, Awarded Basis

(\$ in millions)

	Financial Advisory				Asset Management					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Net Revenue - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$865	\$973	\$1,240	\$1,023	\$987	\$466	\$553	\$725	\$615	\$602
Adjustments ^(a) : Revenue related to noncontrolling interests Interest expense	-	- -	- 1	- 1	- 4	(2)	(5) 1	(8)	13 1	(7) 1
Operating revenue	\$865	\$973	\$1,241	\$1,024	\$991	\$464	\$549	\$717	\$629	\$596
Operating Income - U.S. GAAP Basis	\$276	\$251	\$319	\$226	(\$12)	\$116	\$135	\$185	(\$63)	\$97
Adjustments:										
Sum of Adjustments - Revenue - U.S. GAAP vs. Operating revenue (from above)	-	-	1	1	4	(2)	(4)	(8)	14	(6)
Sum of Adjustments - Compensation and benefits expense, as adjusted to awarded basis (b)	(57)	(128)	(191)	(175)	84	(31)	(21)	(55)	(25)	16
Operating expenses related to noncontrolling interests ⁵	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs ¹⁴	-	-	22	4	-	_	-	-	1	5
LAM Equity Charge ⁷	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	199	_
2005 Adjustments ²⁴	(63)	-	-	-	-	(11)	-	-	-	-
Corporate support group allocations to business segments	82	84	94	105	102	66	71	81	85	83
Total adjustments	(38)	(44)	(74)	(65)	190	22	46	18	274	100
Earnings from Operations, Awarded basis	\$238	\$207	\$245	\$161	\$178	\$138	\$181	\$203	\$211	\$197
Operating Margin, Awarded basis	28%	21%	20%	16%	18%	30%	33%	28%	34%	33%
2006-2009 Average Operating Margin, Awarded basis					21%					32%

Notes: (a) See Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Net Revenue to Operating Revenue.

(b) See Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Compensation to Adjusted/Awarded Compensation.



Endnotes related to non-GAAP adjustments

- For the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, represents charges pertaining to cost saving initiatives including severance and benefit payments, acceleration of unrecognized amortization of deferred incentive compensation previously granted to individuals terminated, settlement of certain contractual obligations, occupancy cost reduction and other non-compensation related costs, and for purposes of net income, net of applicable tax benefits.
- 2 For the year ended December 31, 2012 represents charges pertaining to staff reductions including severance and benefit payments, acceleration of unrecognized amortization of deferred incentive compensation previously granted to individuals terminated, and other non-compensation related costs, and for purposes of net income, net of applicable tax benefits.
- 3 Represents changes in the fair value of the compensation liability recorded in connection with Lazard Fund Interests ('LFI") and other similar deferred incentive compensation arrangements for which a corresponding equal amount is excluded from operating revenue.
- 4 Represents an adjustment to match the timing of the recognition of carried interest revenue subject to clawback to the recognition of the related incentive compensation expense, which is not aligned under U.S. GAAP. Such adjustment will reduce compensation expense prior to the recording of revenue and increase compensation expense in periods when revenue is recognized, generally at the end of the life of a fund.
- 5 Amounts related to the consolidation of noncontrolling interests which are excluded because the Company has no economic interest in such amounts.
- For the year ended December 31, 2009, represents expenses in connection with the acceleration of unamortized restricted stock units granted to our former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the accelerated vesting of deferred cash awards previously granted; for the year ended December 31, 2010, represents expenses related to the accelerated vesting of restricted stock units in connection with the Company's change in retirement policy.
- For the year ended December 31, 2008 excludes (i) compensation and benefits and non-compensation charges in connection with the Company's repurchase of all outstanding Lazard Asset Management ("LAM") Equity units held by certain current and former MDs and employees of LAM and (ii) a provision for losses from counterparty defaults related to the bankruptcy filing of one of our prime brokers.
- Includes base salaries and benefits of \$584 million, \$570 million, \$530 million, \$516 million, \$507 million, \$453 million, \$422 million, \$468 million, \$456 million, \$398 million and \$380 million for 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively, and cash incentive compensation of \$414 million, \$433 million, \$369 million, \$367 million, \$372 million, \$473 million, \$405 million, \$225 million, \$562 million, \$470 million and \$394 million, for the respective years.
- 9 Grant date fair value of deferred incentive compensation awards granted applicable to the relevant year-end compensation process (i.e. grant date fair value of deferred incentive awards granted in 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007 and 2006 related to the 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005 year-end compensation processes, respectively).
- 10 Represents deferred incentive compensation awards that are granted outside the year-end compensation process, and includes grants to new hires, retention awards and performance units earned under PRSU grants.
- An adjustment based on both historical experience and future expectations, for future forfeitures of the deferred portion of such awards in order to present awarded compensation and benefits expense on a similar basis to that under U.S. GAAP, which also considers estimated forfeitures. Amounts for 2005-2011 represent actual forfeiture experience. The 2012-2015 amounts represent estimated forfeitures.
- Represents an adjustment to the year-end foreign exchange spot rate from the full year average rate for year-end incentive compensation awards.



Endnotes related to non-GAAP adjustments (continued)

- For the year ended December 31, 2013, represents charges related to the refinancing of the Company's 7.125% Senior Notes maturing on May 15, 2015 and the issuance of \$500 million of 4.25% Senior Notes maturing on November 14, 2020. For the period ended March 31, 2015, represents charges related to the extinguishment of \$450 million of the 6.85% Senior Notes maturing in June 2017 and the issuance of \$400 million of 3.75% notes maturing in February 2025.
- 14 Represents amortization of intangible assets and change in the fair value of the contingent consideration liability related to acquisitions.
- 15 Represents amounts the Company may be required to pay LTBP Trust under the TRA based on the expected utilization of deferred tax assets that are subject to the TRA.
- Represents (i) a charge related to the write-off of a partial prepayment of the Company's option to acquire the fund management activities of Lazard Alternative Investment Holdings and (ii) a provision for a lease contract for the Company's leased facility in the U.K.
- 17 For the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2010, represents severance and benefit payments, acceleration of unrecognized amortization of deferred incentive compensation previously granted to individuals terminated and other charges in connection with the reduction and realignment of staff.
- 18 Represents the tax benefit applicable to adjustments described above and the portion of adjustments described above attributable to LAZ-MD Holdings.
- 19 Gain related to the repurchase of an outstanding subordinated promissory note due to the non-operating nature of such transaction.
- Represents a reversal of noncontrolling interests related to LAZ-MD Holdings ownership of Lazard Group common membership interests and an adjustment for Lazard Ltd entity-level taxes to effect a full exchange of interests.
- 21 Revenue relating to the Company's disposal of the Australian private equity business is adjusted for the recognition of an obligation, which was previously recognized for U.S. GAAP.
- For the nine month period ended September 30, 2015, represents the recognition of deferred tax assets of \$1,217 million, net of accrual of \$962 million for the tax receivable agreement. For the three month period ended December 31, 2015, represents the recognition of deferred tax assets of \$39 million relating to the release of additional valuation allowance.
- In July of 2015 the Company extinguished approximately 47% of the outstanding TRA obligation. Accordingly, for the three month period ended September 30, 2015 and the twelve month period ended December 31, 2015, the Company recorded a pre-tax gain of \$420 million and a related tax expense of \$161 million.
- 24 Reflects payments for services rendered by our employee members of LAM and managing directors, which prior to the IPO were accounted for as either distributions from members' capital or as minority interest expense.
- 25 Represents the exclusion of one-time IPO-related costs.

