

Dillard's, Inc. ranks among the nations largest fashion apparel and home furnishings retailers with annual revenues exceeding \$8.2 billion. The Company focuses on delivering maximum value to its shoppers, with fairly priced merchandise complemented by exceptional customer service. Dillard's stores offer a broad selection of merchandise, including products sourced and marketed under Dillard's private-brand names.

The Company comprises 333 stores, spanning 29 states, all operating with one name – Dillard's.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(in thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)	2002	2001	2000*	1999	1998
Income Statement Data:					
Net sales	\$ 7,910,996	\$ 8,154,911	\$ 8,566,560	\$ 8,676,711	\$ 7,762,778
Income before extraordinary item and accounting change	136,300	65,786	96,830	163,729	135,259
Extraordinary gain (loss), net of taxes	(4,374)	6,012	27,311		
Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of taxes	(530,331)(1)		(129,991)(2)		
Net income (loss)	(398,405)	71,798	(5,850)	163,729	135,259
Diluted earnings per common share:					
Income before extraordinary item					
and accounting change	1.60	.78	1.06	1.55	1.26
Extraordinary gain (loss)	(.05)	.07	.30		
Cumulative effect of accounting change	(6.22)		(1.42)		
Net income (loss)	(4.67)	.85	(.06)	1.55	1.26
Balance Sheet Data:					
Current assets	\$ 3,130,251	\$ 2,814,510	\$ 2,842,948	\$ 3,423,725	\$ 3,450,249
Current liabilities	886,461	928,071	876,697	810,594	1,013,480
Long-term debt	2,193,006	2,124,577	2,374,124	2,894,616	3,002,595
Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in the Company's					
Subordinated Debentures	531,579	531,579	531,579	531,579	531,579
Stockholders' equity	2,264,196	2,668,397	2,629,820	2,832,834	2,841,522
Operational Data:					
Number of stores	333	338	337	342	335
Number of employees	55,208	57,257	58,796	61,824	54,921
Gross square footage (in thousands)	56,700	56,800	56,500	57,000	55,000

^{*53} Weeks

⁽¹⁾ During fiscal 2002, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

⁽²⁾ During fiscal 2000, the Company changed its method of accounting for inventories under the retail method. See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

We are pleased to report the Dillard's team, with the ongoing support of our shareholders, made notable progress in 2002 and we did it in a very challenging retail environment. We increased income before extraordinary item and accounting change to \$136.3 million during the fiscal year ended February 1, 2003 from \$65.8 million in the prior year.

Throughout 2002, we executed key merchandising initiatives, which were previously noted as crucial to the continued success of our Company. These changes are designed to significantly improve our supply chain – the manner through which we provide our customers with great merchandise and exceptional value. By strengthening the supply chain with better buying processes, we are giving our customers more reasons to shop Dillard's. At the same time, we are responding to their preferences, distinguishing ourselves from our competitors with our own private brand merchandise and giving our customers a sense of true ownership of their hometown Dillard's store.

We know that one of the best ways to deliver value and distinction is through our private brand assortments and we made real progress in 2002 in building these brands. We increased the storewide penetration of these brands to 18.2% from 15.4% (of sales) in the prior year – and we are not yet finished. We will continue to replace underperforming brands with private brands. We encourage you as shareholders and shoppers to take a close look at our brands. We are confident you will agree there is great potential in growing this part of our business.

As a result of our initiatives to improve our supply chain, we increased our gross margin 110 basis points of sales in 2002. This is less improvement than we had originally hoped, as we entered the year after a record fourth quarter of 2001. However, the lackluster retail sales climate which existed particularly during the fourth quarter of 2002, and the resulting highly competitive environment, was a hindrance to greater gross margin improvement.

We remained focused on the balance sheet during 2002, executing good stewardship of our asset base and



Alex Dillard

William Dillard, II

further reducing indebtedness. We closed nine underperforming stores during the year, eliminating their detrimental effect on future operating results, and we sold a real estate joint venture at a substantial profit. We reduced our indebtedness \$193 million. Additionally, we opened seven new stores in select markets, and we continue to seek opportunities to replace under-performing stores with locations such as these where we see an opportunity to maximize our return for our shareholders.

Moving ahead into 2003, we will continue to improve merchandise assortments. Dillard's merchandising professionals are committed to listening to our customers and providing the right merchandise mix with special emphasis upon growing private brands, and we intend to deliver these selections with great service supported by the rest of the Dillard's team. We thank our associates and our shareholders for their valued contributions to our continuing success.

Regards,

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William Dillard, II Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

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Alex Dillard
President

Responding to Our Customers



such exclusive names as Antonio Melani and Gianni Bini.

Dillard's is working to be the hometown choice for fashion with our Copper Key and Class Club Baby children's apparel and Noble Excellence designs for the home.



Relaxation comes home with our own Noble Excellence home fashions and fine fragrances from our cosmetic departments.



Club • Copper Key • Cypress Links • Dani Bini · Go Soft

Hart • Katheri At Dillard's, our male shoppers can count on

finding their favorite basic shirt style from Roundtree & Yorke (left) in the most current colors. Daniel Cremieux (below), available exclusively in

the United States at Dillard's, offers men European style in contemporary classical lines with



ke•Ro impeccable fabric quality.



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CORPORATE ORGANIZATION

William Dillard, II

Chief Executive Officer

Alex Dillard
President

Mike Dillard

Executive Vice President

Drue Corbusier

Executive Vice President

James I. Freeman

Chief Financial Officer

Paul J. Schroeder, Jr. General Counsel

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Merchandising
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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 10-K

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DILLARD'S, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 71-0388071 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1600 CANTRELL ROAD, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

(Address of principal executive office) (Zip Code)

(501) 376-5200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Title of each Class Class A Common Stock

Commission file number 1-6140

Name of each exchange on which registered New York Stock Exchange

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

None

Indicate by checkmark 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 \underline{x} No

Indicated by checkmark whether the Registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 12b-2). Yes \underline{X} No $\underline{\hspace{0.2cm}}$

Indicate by checkmark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of the Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. [X]

State the aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant as of February 28, 2003: \$1,095,014,555.

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the Registrant's classes of common stock as of February 28, 2003:

CLASS A COMMON STOCK, \$.01 par value 80,746,732 CLASS B COMMON STOCK, \$.01 par value 4,010,929

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held May 17, 2003 (the "Proxy Statement") are incorporated by reference into Part III.

PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS.

General

Dillard's, Inc. (the "Company" or "Registrant") is an outgrowth of a department store originally founded in 1938 by William Dillard. The Company was incorporated in Delaware in 1964. The Company operates retail department stores located primarily in the Southwest, Southeast and Midwest.

We conduct our retail merchandise business under highly competitive conditions. Although we are a large regional department store, we have numerous competitors at the national and local level that compete with our individual stores, including specialty, off-price, discount, internet, and mail-order retailers. Competition is characterized by many factors including location, reputation, assortment, advertising, price, quality, service and credit availability. We believe that our stores are in a strong competitive position with regard to each of these factors. The Company's earnings depend to a significant extent on the results of operations for the last quarter of its fiscal year. Due to holiday buying patterns, sales for that period average approximately one-third of annual sales.

For additional information with respect to the Registrant's business, reference is made to information contained under the headings "Net sales," "Net income," "Total assets" and "Number of employees-average," under item 6 hereof.

The Company's annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K are available free of charge on Dillard's, Inc. Web site:

www.dillards.com

The information contained on the Company's web site is not incorporated by reference into this Form 10-K and should not be considered to be a part of this Form 10-K.

Executive Officers of the Registrant

The following table lists the names and ages of all Executive Officers of the registrant, the nature of any family relationship between them and all positions and offices with the Registrant presently held by each person named. All of the Executive Officers listed below have been in managerial positions with the registrant for more than five years except for Robin Sanderford, Paul J. Schroeder, Jr. and Charles Unfried.

Mr. Sanderford has been employed by the Registrant as Vice President since August 1998. Prior to August 1998 he was employed as President of the Southeast Division of Mercantile Stores Company, Inc. ("Mercantile") (1995-1998) and as Vice President and Director of Real Estate and Long Range Planning for Mercantile (1993-1995). Mr. Schroeder has been employed by the Registrant as Vice President since January 1998. Prior to 1998 he was a partner with the St. Louis based, international law firm of Bryan Cave, LLP, specializing in labor and employment law. Mr. Unfried has been employed by the Registrant since August 1998. Prior to August 1998, he was President of Mercantile Credit Services and Mercantile Stores National Bank, both subsidiaries of Mercantile.

The following is a listing of executive officers of the Company, their age, position and office, and family relationship, if any.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	Position & Office	Family Relationship
William Dillard, II	58	Director; Chief Executive Officer	None
Alex Dillard	53	Director; President	Brother of William Dillard, II
Mike Dillard	51	Director; Executive Vice President	Brother of William Dillard, II
H. Gene Baker	64	Vice President	None
Joseph P. Brennan	58	Vice President	None
G. Kent Burnett	58	Vice President	None
Drue Corbusier	56	Director; Executive Vice President	Sister of William Dillard, II
James I. Freeman	53	Director; Senior Vice President; Chief Financial Officer	None
Randal L. Hankins	52	Vice President	None
Gaston Lemoine	59	Vice President	None
Steven K. Nelson	45	Vice President	None
Robin Sanderford	56	Vice President	None
Paul J. Schroeder	54	Vice President	None
Burt Squires	53	Vice President	None
Charles Unfried	56	Vice President	None

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES.

All of the Registrant's stores are owned or leased from a wholly owned subsidiary or from third parties. The Registrant's third-party store leases typically provide for rental payments based on a percentage of net sales with a guaranteed minimum annual rent. Lease terms between the Registrant and its wholly owned subsidiary vary. In general, the Company pays the cost of insurance, maintenance and any increase in real estate taxes related to the leases. At February 1, 2003 there were 333 stores in operation with gross square footage approximating 56.7 million feet. The Company owned or leased, from a wholly owned subsidiary, a total of 258 stores with 43.8 million square feet. The Company leased 75 stores from third parties, which totaled 12.9 million square feet. Additional information is contained in Notes 1, 2, 12 and 13 of "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements," in Item 8 hereof and reference is made to information contained under the heading "Number of stores," under item 6 hereof.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

From time to time, we are involved in litigation relating to claims arising out of our operations in the normal course of business. Such issues may relate to litigation with customers, employment related lawsuits, class action lawsuits, purported class action lawsuits and actions brought by governmental authorities. As of March 28, 2003, we are not a party to any legal proceedings that, individually or in the aggregate, are reasonably expected to have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition or cash flows. However, the results of these matters cannot be predicted with certainty, and an unfavorable resolution of one or more of these matters could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS.

No matter was submitted to a vote of security holders during the fourth quarter of the year ended February 1, 2003.

PART II

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS.

The Company's common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the Ticker Symbol "DDS".

Stock Prices and Dividends by Quarter

	2002	2001	Dividends per Share
	High Low	High Low	2002 2001
First	\$25.87 \$12.94	\$22.00 \$15.74	\$0.04 \$0.04
Second	30.47 21.70	19.52 14.27	0.04 0.04
Third	27.98 15.59	19.05 12.63	0.04 0.04
Fourth	19.32 15.00	17.74 13.38	0.04 0.04

Equity Compensation Plan Information

			Number of securities
			available for future
			issuance under equity
			compensation
	Number of securities to	Weighted average	plans(excluding
	be issued upon exercise	exercise prices of	securities reflected in
	of outstanding options	outstanding options	column (a))
	(a)	(b)	(c)
Equity compensation plans			
approved by shareholders	9,669,755	\$24.72	8,096,500
Total	9,669,755	\$24.72	8,096,500

As of February 28, 2003, there were 4,906 record holders of the Company's Class A Common Stock and 8 record holders of the Company's Class B Common Stock.

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA.

Table of Selected Financial Data

(In thousands of dollars, except per share data)

	2002	2001	2000*	1999	1998
Net sales	\$7,910,996	\$8,154,911	\$8,566,560	\$8,676,711	\$7,762,778
Percent increase	-3%	-5%	-1%	12%	17%
Cost of sales	5,254,134	5,507,702	5,802,147	5,762,431	5,184,132
Percent of sales	66.4%	67.5%	67.8%	66.4%	66.8%
Interest and debt expense	182,940	201,736	239,280	249,514	196,680
Income before taxes	211,100	111,571	140,860	283,949	219,084
Income taxes	74,800	45,785	44,030	120,220	83,825
Income before extraordinary item and					
accounting change	136,300	65,786	96,830	163,729	135,259
Extraordinary gain (loss), net of taxes	(4,374)	6,012	27,311	-	-
Cumulative effect of accounting change	(530,331) (1)	-	(129,991)(2)	-	-
Net income (loss)	(398,405)	71,798	(5,850)	163,729	135,259
Pro forma inventory change	-	-	-	(8,963)(3)	(15,106)
Pro forma net income (loss)	(398,405)	71,798	(5,850)	154,766	120,153
Per Diluted Common Share					
Income before extraordinary item and					
accounting change	1.60	0.78	1.06	1.55	1.26
Extraordinary gain (loss)	(0.05)	0.07	0.30	=	-
Cumulative effect of accounting change	(6.22)	-	(1.42)	=	-
Net income (loss)	(4.67)	0.85	(0.06)	1.55	1.26
Pro forma inventory change	· · · · · -	-	-	(0.08)	(0.14)
Pro forma net income (loss)	(4.67)	0.85	(0.06)	1.47	1.12
Dividends	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16
Book value	26.71	31.81	30.94	28.68	26.57
Average number of shares					
outstanding	85,316,200	84,486,747	91,199,184	105,617,503	107,636,260
Accounts receivable	1,387,835	1,112,325	1,011,481	1,137,458	1,230,059
Merchandise inventories	1,594,308	1,561,863	1,616,186	2,047,830	2,157,010
Property and equipment	3,370,502	3,455,715	3,508,331	3,619,191	3,684,629
Total assets	6,675,932	7,074,559	7,199,309	7,918,204	8,172,001
Long-term debt	2,193,006	2,124,577	2,374,124	2,894,616	3,002,595
Capitalized lease obligations	18,600	20,459	22,453	24,659	27,000
Deferred income taxes	645,020	643,965	638,648	702,467	681,061
Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests					
in the Company's Subordinated Debentures	531,579	531,579	531,579	531,579	531,579
Stockholders' equity	2,264,196	2,668,397	2,629,820	2,832,834	2,841,522
Number of employees - average	55,208	57,257	58,796	61,824	54,921
Gross square footage (in thousands)	56,700	56,800	56,500	57,000	55,000
Number of stores	•		ŕ	ŕ	
Opened	4	6	4	8	5
Acquired	0	4	0	0	65
Closed	9	9	9	1	5
Total - end of year	333	338	337	342	335

^{* 53} Weeks

- (1) During fiscal 2002, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.
- (2) During fiscal 2000, the Company changed its method of accounting for inventories under the retail method. See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.
- (3) Pro forma effect of applying the cumulative effect of accounting change for inventories in fiscal 2000.

ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

General

Net Sales. Net sales include sales of comparable stores, non-comparable stores and lease income on leased departments. Comparable store sales include sales for those stores which were in operation for a full period in both the current month and the corresponding month for the prior year. Non-comparable store sales include sales in the current fiscal year from stores opened during the previous fiscal year before they are considered comparable stores, sales from new stores opened in the current fiscal year and sales in the previous fiscal year for stores that were closed in the current fiscal year.

Service Charges, Interest and Other Income. Service Charges, Interest and Other Income include interest and service charges, net of service charge write-offs, related to the Company's proprietary credit card sales. Other income relates to joint ventures accounted for by the equity method, rental income, shipping and handling fees and gains (losses) on the sale of property and equipment.

Cost of Sales. Cost of sales includes the cost of merchandise sold, bank card fees, freight to the distribution centers, employee and promotional discounts and direct payroll for salon personnel.

Advertising, selling, administrative and general expenses. Advertising, selling, administrative and general expenses include buying and occupancy, selling, distribution, warehousing, store management and corporate expenses, including payroll and employee benefits, insurance, employment taxes, advertising, management information systems, legal, bad debt costs and other corporate level expenses. Buying expenses consist of payroll, employee benefits and travel for design, buying and merchandising personnel.

Depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization expenses include depreciation on property and equipment and amortization of goodwill prior to February 3, 2002.

Rentals. Rentals include expenses for store leases and data processing equipment rentals.

Interest and debt expense. Interest and debt expense includes interest relating to the Company's unsecured notes, mortgage notes, credit card receivables financing, the Guaranteed Beneficial Interests in the Company's subordinated debentures, amortization of financing intangibles and interest on capital lease obligations.

Asset impairment and store closing charges. Asset impairment and store closing charges consist of write downs to fair value of under-performing properties including property and equipment and exit costs associated with the closure of certain stores. Exit costs include future rent, taxes and common area maintenance expenses from the time the stores are closed.

Extraordinary gain (loss). Extraordinary gain (loss) consist of gains (losses) on the repurchase of outstanding unsecured notes prior to their related maturity dates net of the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs relating thereto and the retirement of Reset Put Securities ("REPS") prior to their maturity dates.

Cumulative effect of accounting change. Effective February 3, 2002, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". SFAS No. 142 changes the accounting for goodwill from an amortization method to an "impairment only" approach. Under SFAS No. 142, goodwill is no longer amortized but reviewed for impairment annually or more frequently if certain indicators arise. The Company tested goodwill for impairment as of the adoption date using the two-step process prescribed in SFAS No. 142. The Company identified its reporting units under SFAS No. 142 at the store unit level. The fair value of

these reporting units was estimated using the expected discounted future cash flows and market values of related businesses, where appropriate. The cumulative effect of the accounting change as of February 3, 2002 was to decrease net income for fiscal year 2002 by \$530 million or \$6.22 per diluted share.

Effective January 30, 2000, the Company changed its method of accounting for inventories under the retail inventory method. The change principally relates to the Company's accounting for vendor markdown allowances, from recording these allowances directly as a reduction of cost of sales to recording such allowances as a reduction of inventoriable product cost. The cumulative effect of the accounting change as of January 30, 2000 was to decrease net income for fiscal year 2000 by \$130 million, net of tax, or \$1.42 per share. The effect of adopting the new method was to increase both income before extraordinary item and net income for fiscal 2000 in the amount of \$30 million (\$.33 per share).

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The Company's accounting policies are more fully described in Note 1 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. As disclosed in Note 1 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, the preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions about future events that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Since future events and their effects cannot be determined with absolute certainty, actual results will differ from those estimates. The Company evaluates its estimates and judgments on an ongoing basis and predicates those estimates and judgments on historical experience and on various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results will differ from these under different assumptions or conditions.

Management of the Company believes the following critical accounting policies, among others, affect its more significant judgments and estimates used in preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Merchandise inventory. Approximately 97% of the inventories are valued at lower of cost or market using the retail last-in, first-out ("LIFO") inventory method. Under the retail inventory method ("RIM"), the valuation of inventories at cost and the resulting gross margins are calculated by applying a calculated cost to retail ratio to the retail value of inventories. RIM is an averaging method that has been widely used in the retail industry due to its practicality. Additionally, it is recognized that the use of RIM will result in valuing inventories at the lower of cost or market if markdowns are currently taken as a reduction of the retail value of inventories. Inherent in the RIM calculation are certain significant management judgments including, among others, merchandise markon, markups, and markdowns, which significantly impact the ending inventory valuation at cost as well as the resulting gross margins. Management believes that the Company's RIM provides an inventory valuation which results in a carrying value at the lower of cost or market. The remaining 3% of the inventories are valued at lower of cost or market using the specific identified cost method.

Allowance for doubtful accounts. The accounts receivable from the Company's proprietary credit card sales are subject to credit losses. The Company maintains allowances for uncollectible accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of its customers to make required payments. The adequacy of the allowance is based on historical experience with similar customers including bankruptcy and write-off trends, current aging information and year-end balances. Management believes that the allowance for uncollectible accounts is adequate to cover anticipated losses in the reported credit card receivable portfolio under current conditions; however, significant deterioration in any of the above-noted factors or in the overall health of the economy could materially change these expectations.

Vendor Allowances. The Company receives concessions from its vendors through a variety of programs and arrangements, including co-operative advertising and markdown reimbursement programs. Co-operative advertising allowances are reported as a reduction of advertising expense in the period in which the advertising occurred. All other vendor allowances are recognized as a reduction of cost purchases. Accordingly, a reduction or increase in vendor concessions has an inverse impact on cost of sales and/or selling and administrative expenses.

The FASB's EITF Issue 02-16, "Accounting By A Customer (Including A Reseller) For Cash Consideration Received From A Vendor" addressed the accounting treatment for vendor allowances. The Company has not completed the process of evaluating the impact of EITF Issue 02-16; however, the Company does not expect that its adoption in 2003 will have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

Self insurance accruals. The Company purchases third-party insurance for workers' compensation, automobile, product and general liability claims that exceed a certain level. However, the Company is responsible for the payment of claims under these insured limits. In estimating the obligation associated with incurred losses, the Company utilizes loss development factors. These development factors utilize historical data to project the future development of incurred losses. Loss estimates are adjusted based upon actual claims settlements and reported claims.

Long-lived assets excluding goodwill. In the evaluation of the fair value and future benefits of long-lived assets, the Company performs an analysis of the anticipated undiscounted future net cash flows of the related long-lived assets. If the carrying value of the related asset exceeds the undiscounted cash flows, the carrying value is reduced to its fair value. Various factors including future sales growth and profit margins are included in this analysis. To the extent these future projections or our strategies change, the conclusion regarding impairment may differ from the current estimates.

Goodwill. The Company evaluates goodwill whenever events and changes in circumstances suggest that the carrying amount may not be recoverable from its estimated future cash flows. To the extent these future projections or our strategies change, the conclusion regarding impairment may differ from the current estimates.

Stock Options. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors periodically grants employees of the Company stock options. As allowed under GAAP, the Company does not record any compensation expense on the income statement with respect to options granted to employees. Alternatively, under GAAP, the Company could have recorded a compensation expense based on the fair value of employee stock options. As described in Note 11 in the Consolidated Financial Statements, had the Company recorded a fair value-based compensation expense for stock options, diluted earnings per share would have been \$0.11, \$0.06, and \$0.08 less than what was reported for fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

Income Taxes. The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes," which requires that deferred tax assets and liabilities be recognized using enacted rates for the effect of temporary differences between the book and tax bases of recorded assets and liabilities in the multiple taxing jurisdictions within which the Company operates. Future tax law changes may require adjustment to the Company's existing tax assets and liabilities.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Sales

Sales decreased 3% for the 52-week period ended February 1, 2003 compared to the 52-week period ended February 2, 2002 on both a total and comparable store basis. The sales decrease for 2002 is due to lower levels of comparable store sales particularly in the latter half of fiscal 2002 due to a notably weak retail environment. Sales declined in all merchandising categories with the largest declines in men's clothing and accessories and home, which decreased 6% and 4%, respectively. The Company continues to emphasize its private brand merchandise in order to build penetration and recognition of those private brands. During the fiscal years 2002, 2001 and 2000, sales of private brand merchandise as a percent of total sales were 18.2%, 15.4% and 13.4%, respectively.

Sales for the 52-week period ended February 2, 2002 decreased 5% from the 53-week period ended February 3, 2001 on both a total and comparable store basis. Sales for the comparable 52-week period in 2001 declined in all merchandise categories with the exception of cosmetics, which were unchanged. The weakest performing merchandise categories for that period were men's clothing and accessories and home, which each decreased 6%.

The sales mix by category as a percent of total sales for the past three years has been:

	2002	2001	2000
Cosmetics	13.8%	13.7%	13.3%
Women's and Juniors' Clothing	30.8	30.7	30.6
Children's Clothing	6.9	6.8	6.7
Men's Clothing and Accessories	18.3	18.9	19.5
Shoes, Accessories and Lingerie	20.7	20.4	20.0
Home	8.9	8.9	9.2
Leased and Other	.6	.6	.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Cost of Sales

Cost of sales as a percentage of sales decreased to 66.4% during 2002 compared with 67.5% for 2001. The Company experienced lower than expected consumer demand in its fourth quarter of 2002 necessitating increased promotional efforts by the Company to clear slower moving merchandise. Significantly improved levels of markups offset this promotional activity during 2002 compared with 2001. All product categories had improved gross margins during 2002 except cosmetics, which was unchanged from 2001. The Company has continued to build penetration and recognition of its private brand merchandise as a means for increased control over merchandise mix and better gross margin performance with the goal of replacing under-performing branded vendors with Dillard's private brands.

Inventory in comparable stores at February 1, 2003 increased 2% comparing to inventory in comparable stores at February 2, 2002. This increase was due to lower than expected sales in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2002.

Cost of sales as a percentage of sales decreased to 67.5% during 2001 compared with 67.8% for 2000. This decrease is due to a higher level of markups and lower shrinkage levels, partially offset by slightly higher level of markdowns during 2001 compared with 2000. The gross margin improvement is also attributable to a greater percentage of sales in categories with higher gross margins such as cosmetics and shoes, accessories and lingerie. Comparable store inventories for 2001 decreased by 5% from 2000 levels as the Company continued to focus on maintaining appropriate inventory levels.

Effective January 30, 2000, the Company changed its method of accounting for inventories under the retail inventory method. The change principally related to the Company's accounting for vendor markdown allowances, from recording these allowances directly as a reduction of cost of sales to recording such allowances as a reduction of inventoriable product cost. Historically, the vendor/retailer arrangement provided for the Company to receive allowances from vendors when gross margin rates fell below stipulated levels. During fiscal 2000, the Company and certain vendors revised the vendor/retailer arrangement whereby the vendors were providing up-front allowances in the form of a fixed percentage discount off of purchases. The Company viewed the changes in the vendor arrangements as a new purchasing model that will enhance its merchandising decisions. Since the vendor allowances were directly related to purchases, the Company accounted for such fixed discount arrangements as a reduction of inventoriable product cost. As the Company moves toward the new purchasing model, it plans to continue to negotiate up-front discounts with its vendors. As such, the Company no longer views vendor markdown allowances as direct reductions of markdowns, but rather as overall vendor discounts on inventory purchases, along with the upfront product discounts noted above. Accordingly, the Company has changed its accounting method for markdown allowances to record such allowances as a reduction of inventoriable product cost. In addition, and as a result of this change, the Company has also changed its method of accounting for certain retail price adjustments, from recording such price adjustments as a reduction of initial markup to recording them as markdowns under the retail inventory method. The Company believes that its change in accounting method will result in improved merchandising and buying decisions. The cumulative effect of the accounting change as of January 30, 2000 was to decrease net income for fiscal year 2000 by \$130 million, net of tax, or \$1.42 per share. The effect of adopting the new method was to increase both income before extraordinary item and net income for fiscal 2000 in the amount of \$30 million (\$.33 per share).

ExpensesExpenses as a percentage of sales for the past three years were as follows:

_	2002	2001	2000
Advertising, selling, administrative and			
general expenses	27.3%	26.9%	25.9%
Depreciation and amortization	3.8	3.8	3.5
Rentals	.9	.9	.9
Interest and debt expense	2.3	2.5	2.8

Advertising, selling, administrative and general ("SG&A") expenses increased to 27.3% of sales for fiscal 2002 compared to 26.9% for fiscal 2001. The percentage increase is primarily due to a lack of sales leverage as SG&A expenses decreased \$27.4 million in 2002 compared to 2001. On a dollar basis significant decreases were noted in payroll, utilities and supplies partially offset by a \$23.8 million increase in bad debt expenses, which includes an increase in the allowance for doubtful accounts of \$12.4 million during 2002 compared to 2001. Depreciation and amortization as a percentage of sales remained flat during fiscal 2002 principally due to lower amortization expenses during 2002 compared to 2001 as a result of the non-amortization provisions of SFAS No. 142 combined with a lack of sales leverage from the 3% decline in comparable store sales during the year. Interest and debt expense as a percentage of sales declined during fiscal 2002 as a result of the Company's continuing focus on reducing its outstanding debt levels and the reduction in variable short-term interest rates. The Company retired \$340 million in long-term debt and issued \$40 million in new mortgage loans and \$100 million in additional receivable financing during 2002.

SG&A expenses increased to 26.9% of sales for fiscal 2001 compared to 25.9% for fiscal 2000. This increase is due principally to higher selling payroll, utilities, insurance and bad debt costs combined with a lack of sales leverage. Depreciation and amortization as a percentage of sales increased during fiscal 2001 principally due to the 3% decline in comparable store sales during the year and capital expenditures incurred to upgrade the Company's store selling, service and support systems. Interest and debt expense as a percentage of sales declined during fiscal 2001 as a result of the Company's continuing focus on reducing its outstanding debt levels and the reduction in variable short-term interest rates. The Company retired \$411 million in long-term debt and issued \$50 million in new debt during 2001.

The Company has reclassified interest expense related to its receivable financing from other revenue to interest expense on its consolidated statements of operations for all periods presented. The Company reclassified \$11.3 million and \$15.0 million for fiscal 2001 and 2000, respectively.

During fiscal 2002, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$52.2 million for asset impairment and store closing costs. The charge includes a write-down to fair value for certain under-performing properties in the amount of \$55.8 million and exit costs to close four such properties in the amount of \$4.4 million, all of which will be closed during fiscal 2003, partially offset by forgiveness of a lease obligation of \$8.0 million in connection with the sale of a closed owned store in Memphis, Tennessee in satisfaction of that obligation. The Company does not expect to incur significant additional exit costs upon the closing of these properties during fiscal 2003. During fiscal 2001, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$3.8 million for asset impairment and store closing costs. The charge includes a write-down to fair value for one under-performing store in the amount of \$1.8 million and lease commitments of \$2 million. During fiscal 2000, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$51 million for asset impairment and store closing costs. The charge includes a write-down to fair value for certain under-performing properties in the amount of \$37 million and exit costs to close four such properties in the amount of \$14 million, all of which were closed during fiscal 2001.

Service Charges, Interest and Other Income

Service Charges, Interest and Other Income, as a percentage of net sales, was 4.1%, 3.0% and 3.1% for fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Included in other income in fiscal 2002 is a \$64.3 million gain pertaining to the Company's sale of its interest in the FlatIron Crossing joint venture located in Broomfield, Colorado. Service charge income was \$226 million in 2002 compared to \$210 million in 2001. This increase is due to a \$70 million increase in the average amount of outstanding accounts receivable during 2002 compared to 2001. Service charge income was \$210 million in 2001 compared to \$219 million in 2000. The decrease is due to the 53-week period in 2000 compared to the 52-week period in 2001 and to a \$29 million decrease in the average amount of outstanding accounts receivable during 2001 compared to 2000. Sales on the Company's proprietary credit cards as a percent of total sales were 28.2%, 28.8% and 27.7% for fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Earnings from joint ventures was \$19.5 million, \$11.6 million and \$8.2 million for fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Earnings from FlatIron Crossing for fiscal 2002 were \$13.6 million. Due to the Company's sale of FlatIron Crossing in fiscal 2002, future earnings from joint ventures are expected to be significantly reduced from fiscal 2002 levels.

Income Taxes

The Company's actual federal and state income tax rate (exclusive of the effect of nondeductible goodwill amortization) was 36% in fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000. The Company's actual federal and state income tax rate was reduced from 37% in fiscal 1999 to 36% in fiscal 2000, as a result of lower effective combined income tax rates. The effect of these reduced rates on the Company's deferred income taxes was to reduce the income tax provision by \$16 million in fiscal 2000.

Extraordinary Item

The 2002 extraordinary loss of \$4.4 million (net of income tax benefit of \$2.5 million) and the 2001 and 2000 extraordinary gains of \$6 million and \$27 million (net of taxes of \$3.4 million and \$15.4 million), respectively, consist of gains (losses) on the retirement of Reset Put Securities ("REPS") prior to their maturity dates and the repurchase of outstanding unsecured notes prior to their related maturity dates net of the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs relating thereto.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Net cash flows from operations were \$357 million for 2002 and were adequate to fund the Company's operations for the year. Cash flows from operations declined from 2001 levels due primarily to a \$102 million decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the current year compared to a \$193 million increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the prior year and an increase in inventories in the current year compared to a decrease in the prior year. On a comparable stores basis, merchandise inventory increased 2% while the prior year comparable store inventory decreased 5%. Accounts receivable were flat in the current year compared to a \$117 million increase in the prior year.

During 2002, the Company reduced its net level of outstanding debt and capital leases by \$200 million through scheduled debt maturities and repurchases of notes prior to their related maturity dates. Capital expenditures were \$233 million for 2002. During 2002, the Company opened four new stores, Randolph Mall in Asheboro, North Carolina; Parkway Place in Huntsville, Alabama; Triangle Town Center in Raleigh, North Carolina and Prescott Gateway in Prescott, Arizona and three replacement stores, Fashion Show Mall in Las Vegas, Nevada; Lynnhaven Mall in Virginia Beach, Virginia and Gulf View Square Mall in Port Richey, Florida. These seven stores totaled approximately 1.1 million square feet of retail space. In addition, the Company completed major expansions on five

stores totaling 434,000 square feet of retail space. The Company closed twelve store locations, including the three replacement stores, during the year totaling approximately 1.5 million square feet of retail space. Capital expenditures for 2003 are expected to be approximately \$250 million. The Company plans to open five new stores in fiscal 2003 totaling 773,000 square feet, net of replaced square footage.

The Company recorded a gain of \$64.3 million and received proceeds of \$68.3 million from the sale of its interest in FlatIron Crossing, a regional mall in Broomfield, Colorado.

During the year ended February 1, 2003, the Company issued \$40 million of variable rate mortgage notes due 2004. The Company also closed on an additional \$200 million in long-term receivable financing and paid off \$100 million in short-term receivable financing bringing the total receivable financing recorded in long-term debt to \$400 million. The Company repurchased \$111.9 million of its outstanding unsecured notes prior to their related maturity dates. The Company also retired the remaining \$143 million of its 6.31% Reset Put Securities ("REPS") due August 1, 2012 prior to their maturity dates. Interest rates on the repurchased securities ranged from 6.13% to 9.50%. Maturity dates ranged from 2002 to 2028. In connection with these transactions, the Company recorded an extraordinary loss of \$4.4 million (net of income tax benefit of \$2.5 million).

In May 2002, the Company amended its conduit financing agreement in a manner that prevented future transfers of accounts receivable from qualifying as a sale and thus receiving off-balance-sheet treatment. As a result of this decision, the Company records all financing through this facility on the balance sheet at February 1, 2003 of which \$400 million is classified in long-term debt. At February 2, 2002, the Company had \$300 million of off-balance-sheet financing associated with its securitizations.

Maturities of the Company's long-term debt over the next five years are \$139 million, \$207 million, \$297 million, \$298 million and \$201 million, respectively. The Company may elect to retire \$146 million of its 6.39% REPS due August 1, 2013 in August 2003. The REPS reprice on August 1, 2003 at a rate equal to 5.503% plus the Company's trading spread to the ten year treasury note. If the Company elects to call the REPS, the Company will pay a premium.

During fiscal 2002, the Company closed on a new \$400 million revolving credit facility with Fleet Retail Finance, Inc. ("Fleet"). Borrowings under the facility accrue interest at Fleet's Base Rate or the Eurodollar Rate plus 1.75%. The line of credit agreement is secured by inventory of certain Company stores. The agreement expires on May 9, 2005.

The Company was in compliance with all the covenants under the line of credit agreement during fiscal 2002 and at February 1, 2003. No funds were borrowed under the revolving line of credit during fiscal 2002. At the end of fiscal 2002, the Company had an outstanding shelf registration statement for securities in the amount of \$750 million.

In May 2000, the Company announced that the Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$200 million of its Class A Common Stock. During fiscal 2001, the Company repurchased approximately \$22.3 million of Class A Common Stock, representing 1.3 million shares at an average price of \$17.15 per share. Approximately \$75 million in share repurchase authorization remained under this open-ended plan at February 1, 2003.

During fiscal 2003, the Company expects to finance its capital expenditures and its working capital requirements including required debt repayments and stock repurchases, if any, from cash flows generated from operations. As part of its overall funding strategy and for peak working capital requirements, the Company expects to obtain funds through its credit card receivable financing facilities. The Company's available receivable financing facilities provide for up to \$600 million of which none was outstanding at February 1, 2003. The receivable financing facilities mature in fiscal 2003. Management expects the \$600 million available through its receivable financing facilities to meet peak borrowing demand. The peak borrowings incurred under the facilities were \$465 million during 2002. The Company expects a comparable level of borrowings during fiscal 2003. The Company intends to renew maturing receivable financing facilities as they become due. Other than peak working capital requirements, management believes that cash generated from operations will be sufficient to cover its reasonably foreseeable working capital, capital expenditure, stock repurchase and debt service requirements. Depending on conditions in the capital markets and other factors, the Company will from time to time consider the issuance of debt or other securities, or other possible capital market transactions, the proceeds of which could be used to refinance current indebtedness or other corporate purposes.

Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments

To facilitate an understanding of the Company's contractual obligations and commercial commitments, the following data is provided:

	PAYMENTS DUE BY PERIOD				
(in thousands of dollars)	Total	Within 1 year	2-3 years	4-5 years	After 5 years
Contractual obligations					
Long-term debt	\$1,931,820	\$138,814	\$303,716	\$299,123	\$1,190,167
Guaranteed beneficial interest in					
the Company's subordinated					
debentures	531,579	=	=	-	531,579
Receivable financing facility	400,000	=	200,000	200,000	=
Capital lease obligations	20,456	1,730	3,269	2,839	12,618
Operating leases	324,968	59,299	92,276	68,070	105,323
Total contractual cash					_
obligations	\$3,208,823	\$199,843	\$599,261	\$570,032	\$1,839,687

	AMOUNT OF COMMITMENT EXPIRATION PER PERIOD						
	Total						
	Amounts						
(in thousands of dollars)	Committed	Within 1 year	2-3 years	4-5 years	After 5 years		
Other commercial commitments							
\$400 million line of credit, none							
outstanding	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-		
\$600 million receivables							
financing facility, none							
outstanding	-	=	=	=	=		
Standby letters of credit	51,020	51,020	-	-	=		
Import letters of credit	44,480	44,480	-	=	=		
Total commercial commitments	\$95,500	\$95,500	\$-	\$-	\$-		

New Accounting Pronouncements

In October 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets." SFAS No. 144 addresses the accounting and reporting for the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets. The statement provides a single accounting model for long-lived assets to be disposed of. New criteria must be met to classify the asset as an asset held-for-sale. This statement also focuses on reporting the effects of a disposal of a segment of a business. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2001. The Company adopted SFAS No. 144 as of February 3, 2002, and the adoption did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In April 2002, SFAS No. 145, "Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44 and 64, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13, and Technical Corrections" ("SFAS No. 145") was issued. SFAS No. 145 rescinds SFAS No. 4 and 64, which required gains and losses from extinguishments of debt to be classified as extraordinary items. SFAS No. 145 also amends SFAS No. 13, eliminating inconsistencies in certain sale-leaseback transactions. The provisions of SFAS No. 145 are effective for fiscal years beginning after May 15, 2002. Any gain or loss on extinguishment of debt that was classified as an extraordinary item in prior periods presented shall be reclassified to interest expense.

In June 2002, SFAS No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities" ("SFAS No. 146") was issued. SFAS No. 146 requires companies to recognize costs associated with exit or disposal activities when they are incurred rather than at the date of a commitment to an exit or disposal plan. SFAS No. 146 supercedes EITF Issue No. 94-3, "Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity (including Certain Costs Incurred in a Restructuring)." SFAS No. 146 is to be applied prospectively to exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002. This pronouncement will not have a material effect on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In December 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure" ("SFAS No. 148") which amends SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation." SFAS No. 148 provides alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, SFAS No. 148 amends the disclosure requirements

of SFAS No. 123 to require more frequent and prominent disclosures in financial statements of the effects of stock-based compensation. The transition guidance and annual disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 148 are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2002. The interim disclosure provisions are effective for financial reports containing financial statements for interim periods beginning after December 15, 2002. The Company has adopted the disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 148 as of December 31, 2002 and has not adopted the fair-value based method of accounting.

Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Interpretation No. 45, "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others" ("FIN 45") was issued in November 2002. FIN 45 requires the recognition of a liability for certain guarantee obligations issued or modified after December 31, 2002. FIN 45 also clarifies disclosure requirements to be made by a guarantor for certain guarantees. The disclosure provisions of FIN 45 are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2002. FIN 45 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's results of operations, financial position or cash flows, and the Company has adopted the disclosure provisions of FIN 45 as of December 31, 2002.

FASB Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of APB No. 50" ("FIN 46") was issued in January 2003. FIN 46 requires certain variable interest entities to be consolidated by the primary beneficiary of the entity if the equity investors in the entity do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties. FIN 46 is effective for all new variable interest entities created or acquired after January 31, 2003. For variable interest entities created or acquired prior to February 1, 2003, the provisions of FIN 46 must be applied for the first interim or annual period beginning after June 15, 2003. The adoption of FIN 46 is not expected to have an impact on the Company's results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

Forward-Looking Information

Statements in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations include certain "forward-looking statements," including (without limitation) statements with respect to anticipated future operating and financial performance, growth and acquisition opportunities, financing requirements and other similar forecasts and statements of expectation. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "plans" and "believes," and variations of these words and similar expressions, are intended to identify these forward-looking statements. The Company cautions that forward-looking statements, as such term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, contained in this report, the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, or made by management are based on estimates, projections, beliefs and assumptions of management at the time of such statements and are not guarantees of future performance. The Company disclaims any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements based on the occurrence of future events, the receipt of new information, or otherwise. Forward-looking statements of the Company involve risks and uncertainties and are subject to change based on various important factors. Actual future performance, outcomes and results may differ materially from those expressed in forwardlooking statements made by the Company and its management as a result of a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Representative examples of those factors (without limitation) include general retail industry conditions and macro-economic conditions; economic and weather conditions for regions in which the Company's stores are located and the effect of these factors on the buying patterns of the Company's customers; the impact of competitive pressures in the department store industry and other retail channels including specialty, off-price, discount, internet, and mail-order retailers; trends in personal bankruptcies and charge-off trends in the credit card receivables portfolio; changes in consumer spending patterns and debt levels; adequate and stable availability of materials and production facilities from which the Company sources its merchandise; changes in operating expenses, including employee wages, commission structures and related benefits; possible future acquisitions of store properties from other department store operators and the continued availability of financing in amounts and at the terms necessary to support the Company's future business; potential disruption from terrorist activity and the effect on ongoing consumer confidence; potential disruption of international trade and supply chain efficiencies; world conflict, including the war with Iraq and the possible impact on consumer spending patterns and other economic and demographic changes of similar or dissimilar nature.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

The table below provides information about the Company's obligations that are sensitive to changes in interest rates. The table presents maturities of the Company's long-term debt and Guaranteed Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures along with the related weighted-average interest rates by expected maturity dates.

(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Expected	Maturity	Date
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(fiscal year)	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Thereafter	Total	Fair Value
Long-term debt	\$138,814	\$207,041	\$296,675	\$298,483	\$200,640	\$1,190,167	\$2,331,820	\$2,241,471
Average interest rate	6.2%	6.5%	3.4%	5.0%	6.9%	7.2%	6.3%	
Guaranteed Beneficial								
Interests in the Company's								
Subordinated Debentures	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$531,579	\$531,579	\$473,179
Average interest rate	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	4.7%	4.7%	

During the year ended February 1, 2003, the Company repurchased \$111.9 million of its outstanding unsecured notes prior to their related maturity dates. Interest rates on the repurchased securities ranged from 6.1% to 9.5%. Maturity dates ranged from 2002 to 2028. The Company also retired the remaining \$143 million of its 6.31% Reset Put Securities due August 1, 2012 prior to their maturity date.

The Company is exposed to market risk from changes in the interest rates on certain receivable financing facilities and \$331.6 million of the Guaranteed Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures. Outstanding balances under these facilities bear interest at a variable rate based on a spread over LIBOR. Based on the amount outstanding as of February 1, 2003, a 100 basis point change in interest rates would result in an approximate \$5.3 million annual change to interest expense.

The \$331.6 million of the Guaranteed Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures are subject to mandatory remarketing on January 29, 2004 if a financing extension agreement has not been reached. Solicited bids are subject to maximum applicable rates in effect immediately prior to the remarketing date.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA.

The consolidated financial statements of the Company and notes thereto are included in this report beginning on page F-1.

ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE.

None.

PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTANT.

A. Directors of the Registrant

Information regarding directors of the Registrant is incorporated herein by reference to the information on pages 5 through 8 under the heading "Nominees for Election as Directors" and page 14 under the heading "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance" in the Proxy Statement.

B. Executive Officers of the Registrant

Information regarding executive officers of the Registrant is incorporated herein by reference to Item 1 of this report under the heading "Executive Officers of the Registrant." Reference additionally is made to the information under the heading "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance" on page 14 in the Proxy Statement, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.

Information regarding executive compensation and compensation of directors is incorporated herein by reference to the information beginning on page 9 under the heading "Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers" and concluding on page 11 under the heading "Compensation of Directors" in the Proxy Statement.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS.

Information regarding security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management is incorporated herein by reference to the information on page 4 under the heading "Principal Holders of Voting Securities" and page 5 under the heading "Nominees for Election as Directors" and continuing through footnote 12 on page 7 in the Proxy Statement.

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS.

Information regarding certain relationships and related transactions is incorporated herein by reference to the information on page 14 under the heading "Certain Relationships and Transactions" in the Proxy Statement.

ITEM 14. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

The Company maintains "disclosure controls and procedures," as such term is defined in Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company's reports, pursuant to the Exchange Act, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding the required disclosures. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well-designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurances of achieving the desired control objectives, and management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

The Company's management, including William Dillard, II, Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) and James I. Freeman, Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer), have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's "disclosure controls and procedures," within 90 days of the filing date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Based on their

evaluation, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective. There were no significant changes in the Company's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date the controls were evaluated.

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES, AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K.

(a)(1) and (2) Financial Statements and Financial Statement Schedules

An "Index to Financial Statements" and "Financial Statement Schedules" has been filed as a part of this Report beginning on page F-1 hereof.

(a)(3) Exhibits and Management Compensatory Plans

An "Exhibit Index" has been filed as a part of this Report beginning on page E-1 hereof and is herein incorporated by reference.

(b) Reports on Form 8-K filed during the fourth quarter

Certification dated December 17, 2002 of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission's June 27, 2002 Order.

SIGNATURES

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.

Dillard's, Inc. Registrant

Date: April 8, 2003 /s/ James I. Freeman

James I. Freeman, Senior Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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

/s/ Calvin N. Clyde, Jr. /s/ Drue Corbusier
Calvin N. Clyde, Jr. Drue Corbusier

Director Executive Vice President and Director

/s/ Robert C. Connor/s/ Will D. DavisRobert C. ConnorWill D. DavisDirectorDirector

/s/ Alex Dillard
Alex Dillard
Mike Dillard

President and Director Executive Vice President

and Director

/s/ William Dillard II
William Dillard II
Chief Executive Officer and Director

(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ John Paul Hammerschmidt John Paul Hammerschmidt Director

/s/ Warren A. Stephens Warren A. Stephens Director

/s/ J.C. Watts, Jr.
J.C. Watts, Jr.
Director

Date: April 8, 2003

/s/ James I. Freeman
James I. Freeman
Senior Vice President and Chief

Senior Vice President and Chie Financial Officer and Director

/s/ John H. Johnson John H. Johnson Director

/s/ William H. Sutton William H. Sutton Director

/s/ Bob L. Martin Bob L. Martin Director

CERTIFICATIONS

- I, William Dillard, II, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Dillard's, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:
 - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
 - (b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this annual report (the "Evaluation Date"); and
 - (c) presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
 - (a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
 - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and;
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: April 8, 2003

/s/ William Dillard, II
William Dillard, II
Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

- I, James I. Freeman, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Dillard's, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:
 - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
 - (b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this annual report (the "Evaluation Date"); and
 - (c) presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
 - (a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
 - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and;
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: April 8, 2003

/s/ James I. Freeman

James I. Freeman

Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer

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Independent Auditors' Report

Independent Auditors' Report To the Stockholders and Board of Directors of Dillard's, Inc. Little Rock, Arkansas

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Dillard's, Inc. and subsidiaries as of February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and comprehensive loss and cash flows for each of the three fiscal years in the period ended February 1, 2003. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule of Dillard's, Inc. and subsidiaries, listed in item 15. These financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial statement schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted within the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Dillard's, Inc. and subsidiaries as of February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three fiscal years in the period ended February 1, 2003 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

As discussed in Notes 1 and 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company changed its method of accounting for goodwill and other intangible assets in 2002 to conform to Statement of Financial Standards No. 142. Also, as discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company changed its method of accounting for merchandise inventories under the retail inventory method in 2000.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

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Dallas, Texas March 1, 2003

Consolidated Balance Sheets Dollars in Thousands

Assets	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$142,356	\$152,960
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for		
doubtful accounts of \$49,755 and \$37,385)	1,338,080	1,074,940
Merchandise inventories	1,594,308	1,561,863
Other current assets	55,507	24,747
Total current assets	3,130,251	2,814,510
Property and Equipment:		
Land and land improvements	104,848	106,911
Buildings and leasehold improvements	2,748,225	2,661,120
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	2,202,811	2,258,909
Buildings under construction	28,602	43,340
Buildings under capital leases	50,123	50,123
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(1,764,107)	(1,664,688)
	3,370,502	3,455,715
Goodwill	39,214	569,545
Other Assets	135,965	234,789
Total Assets	\$6,675,932	\$7,074,559
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current Liabilities:		
Trade accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$675,962	\$808,231
Current portion of long-term debt	138,814	98,317
Current portion of capital lease obligations	1,856	2,169
Federal and state income taxes	69,829	19,354
Total current liabilities	886,461	928,071
Long-term Debt	2,193,006	2,124,577
Capital Lease Obligations	18,600	20,459
Other Liabilities	137,070	157,511
Deferred Income Taxes	645,020	643,965
Operating Leases and Commitments		
Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in the		
Company's Subordinated Debentures	531,579	531,579
Stockholders' Equity:		
Common stock, Class A – 112,677,505 and 111,807,520 shares issued;		
80,746,732 and 79,876,747 shares outstanding	1,127	1,118
Common stock, Class B (convertible) — 4,010,929 shares issued		
and outstanding	40	40
Additional paid-in capital	711,324	699,104
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(4,496)	-
Retained earnings	2,205,674	2,617,608
Less treasury stock, at cost, Class A —31,930,773 shares	(649,473)	(649,473)
Total stockholders' equity	2,264,196	2,668,397
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$6,675,932	\$7,074,559
See notes to consolidated financial statements		

Consolidated Statements of Operations Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Data

Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Data		Years Ended	
	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002	February 3, 2001
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Net Sales	\$7,910,996	\$8,154,911	\$8,566,560
Service Charges, Interest and Other Income	322,943	244,776	266,182
	8,233,939	8,399,687	8,832,742
Costs and Expenses:			
Cost of sales	5,254,134	5,507,702	5,802,147
Advertising, selling, administrative and general expenses	2,164,033	2,191,389	2,219,818
Depreciation and amortization	301,407	310,754	303,198
Rentals	68,101	72,783	76,043
Interest and debt expense	182,940	201,736	239,280
Asset impairment and store closing charges	52,224	3,752	51,396
Total costs and expenses	8,022,839	8,288,116	8,691,882
Income Before Income Taxes	211,100	111,571	140,860
Income Taxes	74,800	45,785	44,030
Income before extraordinary item and accounting change	136,300	65,786	96,830
Extraordinary gain (loss), net of income tax expense (benefit) of			
\$(2,461), \$3,382 and \$15,363	(4,374)	6,012	27,311
Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of tax benefit			
of \$0, \$0 and \$73,120	(530,331)	_	(129,991)
Net Income (Loss)	\$(398,405)	\$71,798	\$(5,850)
Basic Earnings Per Common Share:			
Income before extraordinary item and accounting change	\$1.61	\$.78	\$1.06
Extraordinary gain (loss)	(.05)	.07	.30
Cumulative effect of accounting change	(6.27)		(1.42)
Net Income (Loss)	\$(4.71)	\$.85	\$(.06)
Diluted Earnings Per Common Share:			
Income before extraordinary item and accounting change	\$1.60	\$.78	\$1.06
Extraordinary gain (loss)	(.05)	.07	.30
Cumulative effect of accounting change	(6.22)	_	(1.42)
Net Income (Loss)	\$(4.67)	\$.85	\$(.06)

Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Loss Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Data

				Accumulated			
			Additional	Other			
	Commo	n Stock	Paid-in	Comprehen-		Treasury	
	Class A	Class B	Capital	sive Loss	Earnings	Stock	Total
Balance, January 29, 2000	\$1,115	\$40	\$695,507	\$ —	\$2,579,567	\$(443,395)	\$2,832,834
Net loss					(5,850)		(5,850)
Issuance of 116,275 shares							
under stock option,							
employee savings and							
stock bonus plans	1		1,372				1,373
Purchase of 13,894,514 shares of							
treasury stock						(183,753)	(183,753)
Cash dividends declared:							
Common stock, \$.16 per share		_			(14,784)		(14,784)
Balance, February 3, 2001	1,116	40	696,879	_	2,558,933	(627,148)	2,629,820
Net income					71,798		71,798
Issuance of 221,635 shares		_	_			_	
under stock option,							
employee savings and							
stock bonus plans	2		2,225				2,227
Purchase of 1,333,959 shares of							
treasury stock						(22,325)	(22,325)
Cash dividends declared:							
Common stock, \$.16 per share					(13,123)		(13,123)
Balance, February 2, 2002	1,118	40	699,104	_	2,617,608	(649,473)	2,668,397
Net loss					(398,405)		(398,405)
Minimum pension liability adjustment, ne	t			(4,496)		_	<u>(4,496)</u>
Total comprehensive loss							(402,901)
Issuance of 869,985 shares							
under stock option,							
employee savings and							
stock bonus plans	9		12,220				12,229
Cash dividends declared:							
Common stock, \$.16 per share					(13,529)		(13,529)
Balance, February 1, 2003	\$1,127	\$40	\$711,324	\$(4,496)	\$2,205,674	\$(649,473)	\$2,264,196
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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Dollars in Thousands

		Years Ended	
	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002	February 3, 2001
Operating Activities:			
Net income (loss)	\$(398,405)	\$71,798	\$(5,850)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to			
net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	305,545	313,711	306,096
Extraordinary loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt	4,374	(6,012)	(27,311)
Deferred income taxes	24,882	2,045	(6,325)
Impairment charges	52,224	3,752	51,396
Gain on sale of joint venture	(64,295)	_	
Gain on sale of property and equipment	(1,103)	(2,060)	(7,750)
Provision for loan losses	36,574	21,286	24,994
Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of taxes	530,331		129,991
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	286	(116,985)	100,690
(Increase) decrease in merchandise inventories	(32,445)	54,323	228,533
(Increase) decrease in other current assets	(30,760)	28,794	18,708
Decrease in other assets	31,559	53,504	28,540
(Decrease) increase in trade accounts payable			
and accrued expenses, other liabilities and income taxes	(101,825)	192,825	(43,083)
Net cash provided by operating activities	356,942	616,981	798,629
Investing Activities:			
Purchase of property and equipment	(233,268)	(270,595)	(225,525)
Proceeds from sale of joint venture	68,295		_
Net cash used in investing activities	(164,973)	(270,595)	(225,525)
Financing Activities:			
Principal payments on long-term debt and capital lease obligations	(340,081)	(402,941)	(379,308)
Cash dividends paid	(13,529)	(13,123)	(14,784)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	11,037	983	` _
Proceeds from receivable financing, net	100,000	_	_
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	40,000	50,000	
Purchase of treasury stock	<u> </u>	(22,325)	(183,753)
Net cash used in financing activities	(202,573)	(387,406)	(577,845)
Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(10,604)	(41,020)	(4,741)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	152,960	193,980	198,721
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$142,356	\$152,960	\$193,980
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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Description of Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Description of Business – Dillard's, Inc. (the "Company") operates retail department stores located primarily in the Southeastern, Southwestern and Midwestern areas of the United States. The Company's fiscal year ends on the Saturday nearest January 31 of each year. Fiscal years 2002, 2001 and 2000 ended on February 1, 2003, February 2, 2002, and February 3, 2001, respectively. Fiscal years 2002 and 2001 included 52 weeks and fiscal year 2000 included 53 weeks.

Consolidation – The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Dillard's, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries. Intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation. Investments in and advances to joint ventures in which the Company has a 50% ownership interest are accounted for by the equity method.

Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates include inventories, sales return, allowance for doubtful accounts, self-insured accruals and lives of long-lived assets. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash Equivalents – The Company considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable – Customer accounts receivable are classified as current assets and include some which are due after one year, consistent with industry practice. Credit card receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts. The Company calculates the allowance for uncollectible accounts using a model that analyzes factors such as bankruptcy filings, delinquency rates, historical charge-off patterns, recovery rates and other portfolio data. The calculation is then reviewed by management to assess whether, based on recent economic events, additional analyses are required to appropriately estimate losses inherent in the portfolio. The Company's current credit processing system charges off an account automatically when a customer has failed to make a required payment in each of the six billing cycles following a missed payment. The Company also provides for the estimated uncollectible portion of the finance charge revenue based upon our historical collection experience as part of the allowance for doubtful accounts. This allowance represents amounts of credit card receivable balances (including billed but uncollected finance charges) which management estimates will ultimately not be collected. Finance charge revenue is recorded until an account is charged off, at which time uncollected finance charge revenue is recorded as a reduction of credit revenues.

The Company utilizes credit card securitizations as part of its overall funding strategy. The transfers were subject to the grandfathering provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 140, "Accounting for Transfer and Servicing of Financial Assets and Liabilities" until May 2002 and thus continued to be accounted for under the previous accounting standards that existed under FAS 125. In May 2002, the Company amended its conduit financing agreement in a manner that prevented future transfers of accounts receivable to its master trust from qualifying as a sale and thus receiving off-balance-sheet treatment. As a result of this decision, the Company does not have any off-balance-sheet financing as it relates to new transfers to the Trust. Based upon the expected average life of the credit card receivables, all financing through this facility is recorded on the balance sheet at February 1, 2003 (see Note 15).

Significant Group Concentrations of Credit Risk –The Company grants credit to customers throughout North America. There were no Metropolitan Statistical Areas that comprised 10% of the Company's managed credit card receivables at February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002.

Merchandise Inventories – The retail last-in, first-out ("LIFO") inventory method is used to value merchandise inventories. At February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002, the LIFO cost of merchandise was approximately equal to the first-in, first-out ("FIFO") cost of merchandise.

Effective January 30, 2000, the Company changed its method of accounting for inventories under the retail inventory method. The change principally relates to the Company's accounting for vendor markdown allowances, from recording these allowances directly as a reduction of cost of sales to recording such allowances as a reduction of inventoriable product cost. Historically, the vendor/retailer arrangement provided for the Company to receive allowances from vendors when gross margin rates fell below stipulated levels. During fiscal 2000, the Company and certain vendors revised the vendor/retailer arrangement whereby the vendors are providing upfront allowances in the form of a fixed percentage discount off of purchases. The Company views the changes in the vendor

arrangements as a new purchasing model that will enhance its merchandising decisions. Since the vendor allowances are directly related to purchases, the Company accounts for such fixed discount arrangements as a reduction of inventoriable product cost. As the Company moves toward the new purchasing model, it plans to continue to negotiate up-front discounts with its vendors. As such, the Company is no longer viewing vendor markdown allowances as direct reductions of markdowns, but rather as overall vendor discounts on inventory purchases, along with the up-front product discounts noted above. Accordingly, the Company has changed its accounting method for markdown allowances to record such allowances as a reduction of inventoriable product cost. In addition, and as a result of this change, the Company has also changed its method of accounting for certain retail price adjustments, from recording such price adjustments as a reduction of initial mark-up to recording them as markdowns under the retail inventory method. The Company believes that its change in accounting method will result in improved merchandising and buying decisions. The cumulative effect of the accounting change as of January 30, 2000 was to decrease net income for fiscal year 2000 by \$130 million, net of tax, or \$1.42 per share. The effect of adopting the new method was to increase both income before extraordinary item and net income for fiscal 2000 in the amount of \$30 million (\$.33 per share).

Property and Equipment – Property and equipment owned by the Company is stated at cost, which includes related interest costs incurred during periods of construction, less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Capitalized interest was \$2.5 million, \$5.4 million and \$4.7 million in fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. For tax reporting purposes, accelerated depreciation or cost recovery methods are used and the related deferred income taxes are included in noncurrent deferred income taxes in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. For financial reporting purposes, depreciation is computed by the straight-line method over estimated useful lives:

Buildings and leasehold improvements	20 - 40 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3 - 10 years

Properties leased by the Company under lease agreements which are determined to be capital leases are stated at an amount equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments during the lease term, less accumulated amortization. The properties under capital leases and leasehold improvements under operating leases are amortized on the straight-line method over the shorter of their useful lives or the related lease terms. The provision for amortization of leased properties is included in depreciation and amortization expense.

Included in property and equipment as of February 1, 2003 are assets held for sale in the amount of \$35.9 million. During fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, the Company realized gains on the sale of property and equipment of \$1.1 million, \$2.1 million and \$7.8 million, respectively.

Depreciation expense on property and equipment was \$301 million, \$295 million and \$287 million for fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

Long-lived Assets Excluding Goodwill – The Company follows SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," which requires impairment losses to be recorded on long-lived assets used in operations when indicators of impairment are present and the undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than the assets carrying amount. In the evaluation of the fair value and future benefits of long-lived assets, the Company performs an analysis of the anticipated undiscounted future net cash flows of the related long-lived assets. This analysis is performed at the store unit level. If the carrying value of the related asset exceeds the undiscounted cash flows, the carrying value is reduced to its fair value. Various factors including future sales growth and profit margins are included in this analysis. Management believes at this time that the carrying value and useful lives continue to be appropriate, after recognizing the impairment charge recorded in 2002, as disclosed in Note 13.

Goodwill – The Company adopted SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," effective February 3, 2002. It changes the accounting for goodwill from an amortization method to an "impairment only" approach. Under SFAS No. 142, goodwill is no longer amortized but reviewed for impairment annually or more frequently if certain indicators arise. The Company tested goodwill for impairment as of the adoption date using the two-step process prescribed in SFAS No. 142. The Company identified its reporting units under SFAS No. 142 at the store unit level. The fair value of these reporting units was estimated using the expected discounted future cash flows and market values of related businesses, where appropriate. Prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 142, goodwill, which represents the cost in excess of fair value of net assets acquired, was amortized on the straight-line basis over 40 years. Accumulated goodwill amortization was \$55.6 million at February 2, 2002. Management believes at this time that the carrying value continues to be appropriate, recognizing the impairment charge recorded in 2002, as disclosed in Note 2.

Other Assets – Other assets include investments in joint ventures accounted for by the equity method. These joint ventures, which consist of malls and a general contracting company that constructs Dillard's stores and other commercial buildings, had carrying values of \$97 million and \$203 million at February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002, respectively. The malls are located in Crestview Hills, Kentucky; Toledo, Ohio and Denver, Colorado. Earnings from joint ventures was \$19.5 million, \$11.6 million and \$8.2 million for fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

Vendor Allowances. The Company receives concessions from its vendors through a variety of programs and arrangements, including co-operative advertising and markdown reimbursement programs. Co-operative advertising allowances are reported as a reduction of advertising expense in the period in which the advertising occurred. All other vendor allowances are recognized as a reduction of cost purchases. Accordingly, a reduction or increase in vendor concessions has an inverse impact on cost of sales and/or selling and administrative expenses.

Revenue Recognition — The Company recognizes revenue at the "point of sale." Finance charge revenue earned on customer accounts, serviced by the Company under its proprietary credit card program, is recognized in the period in which it is earned. Allowance for sales returns are recorded as a component of net sales in the period in which the related sales are recorded.

Advertising – Advertising and promotional costs, which include newspaper, television, radio and other media advertising, are expensed as incurred and were \$245 million, \$245 million and \$246 million for fiscal years 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

Income Taxes – In accordance with SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes," deferred income taxes reflect the future tax consequences of differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their financial reporting amounts at year-end.

Shipping and Handling – Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") Issue 00-10, "Accounting for Shipping and Handling Fees and Costs," requires that all amounts billed to a customer in a sale transaction related to shipping and handling, if any, should be classified as revenue. As required, the Company adopted this EITF in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2000 and has reclassified shipping and handling reimbursements to Other Income for all periods. The Company recorded shipping and handling costs in Advertising, Selling, General and Administrative Expenses for all periods presented.

Comprehensive Income – Comprehensive income is equivalent to the Company's net income for fiscal years 2001 and 2000.

Stock-Based Compensation – The Company periodically grants stock options to employees. Pursuant to Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," the Company accounts for stock-based employee compensation arrangements using the intrinsic value method. Accordingly, no compensation expense has been recorded in the Consolidated Financial Statements with respect to option grants. The Company has adopted the disclosure only provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 123, "Accounting for Stock Based Compensation," as amended by Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 148, "Accounting for Stock Based Compensation – Transition and Disclosure, an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 123". See Note 11 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements. If compensation cost for the Company's stock option plans had been determined in accordance with the fair value method prescribed by SFAS No. 123, the Company's income before extraordinary item and accounting change would have been:

(in thousands of dollars, except per share data)	Fiscal 2002	Fiscal 2001	Fiscal 2000
Income before extraordinary item and accounting change			_
As reported	\$136,300	\$65,786	\$96,830
Deduct: Total stock based employee compensation expense			
determined under fair value based method, net of taxes	9,261	5,667	7,334
Pro forma	127,039	60,119	89,496
Basic earnings per share:			
As reported	\$1.61	\$0.78	\$1.06
Pro forma	1.50	0.71	0.98
Diluted earnings per share:			
As reported	\$1.60	\$0.78	\$1.06
Pro forma	1.49	0.72	0.98

Segment Reporting – The Company operates in a single operating segment — the operation of retail department stores. Revenues from external customers are derived from merchandise sales and service charges and interest on the Company's proprietary credit card. The Company's merchandise sales mix by product category for the last three years was as follows:

Product Categories	2002	2001	2000	
Cosmetics	13.8%	13.7%	13.3%	
Women's and Juniors' Clothing	30.8	30.7	30.6	
Children's Clothing	6.9	6.8	6.7	
Men's Clothing and Accessories	18.3	18.9	19.5	
Shoes, Accessories and Lingerie	20.7	20.4	20.0	
Home	8.9	8.9	9.2	
Leased and Other	.6	.6	.7	
Total Merchandise Sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

The Company does not rely on any major customers as a source of revenue.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In October 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets." SFAS No. 144 addresses the accounting and reporting for the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets. The statement provides a single accounting model for long-lived assets to be disposed of. New criteria must be met to classify the asset as an asset held-for-sale. This statement also focuses on reporting the effects of a disposal of a segment of a business. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2001. The Company adopted SFAS No. 144 as of February 3, 2002, and the adoption did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In April 2002, SFAS No. 145, "Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44 and 64, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13, and Technical Corrections" ("SFAS No. 145") was issued. SFAS No. 145 rescinds SFAS No. 4 and 64, which required gains and losses from extinguishments of debt to be classified as extraordinary items. SFAS No. 145 also amends SFAS No. 13, eliminating inconsistencies in certain sale-leaseback transactions. The provisions of SFAS No. 145 are effective for fiscal years beginning after May 15, 2002. Any gain or loss on extinguishment of debt that was classified as an extraordinary item in prior periods presented shall be reclassified to interest expense.

In June 2002, SFAS No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities" ("SFAS No. 146") was issued. SFAS No. 146 requires companies to recognize costs associated with exit or disposal activities when they are incurred rather than at the date of a commitment to an exit or disposal plan. SFAS No. 146 supercedes EITF Issue No. 94-3, "Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity (including Certain Costs Incurred in a Restructuring)." SFAS No. 146 is to be applied prospectively to exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002. This pronouncement will not have a material effect on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In December 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure" ("SFAS No. 148") which amends SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation." SFAS No. 148 provides alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, SFAS No. 148 amends the disclosure requirements of SFAS No. 123 to require more frequent and prominent disclosures in financial statements of the effects of stock-based compensation. The transition guidance and annual disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 148 are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2002. The interim disclosure provisions are effective for financial reports containing financial statements for interim periods beginning after December 15, 2002. The Company has adopted the disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 148 as of December 31, 2002 and has not adopted the fair-based method accounting.

Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Interpretation No. 45, "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others" ("FIN 45") was issued in November 2002. FIN 45 requires the recognition of a liability for certain guarantee obligations issued or modified after December 31, 2002. FIN 45 also clarifies disclosure requirements to be made by a guarantor for certain guarantees. The disclosure provisions of FIN 45 are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2002. FIN 45 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's results of operations, financial position or cash flows, and the Company has adopted the disclosure provisions of FIN 45 as of December 31, 2002.

FASB Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of APB No. 50" ("FIN 46") was issued in January 2003. FIN 46 requires certain variable interest entities to be consolidated by the primary beneficiary of the entity if the equity investors in the entity do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties. FIN 46 is effective for all new variable interest entities created or acquired after January 31, 2003. For variable interest entities created or acquired prior to February 1, 2003, the provisions of FIN 46 must be applied for the first interim or annual period beginning after June 15, 2003. The adoption of FIN 46 is not expected to have an impact on the Company's results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

The FASB's EITF Issue 02-16, "Accounting By A Customer (Including A Reseller) For Cash Consideration Received From A Vendor" addressed the accounting treatment for vendor allowances. The Company has not completed the process of evaluating the impact of EITF Issue 02-16, however, the Company does not expect that its adoption in 2003 will have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

Reclassifications – Certain reclassifications have been made to prior year financial statements to conform with fiscal 2002 presentations.

2. Goodwill

The Company adopted SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," effective February 3, 2002. It changes the accounting for goodwill from an amortization method to an "impairment only" approach. Under SFAS No. 142, goodwill is no longer amortized but reviewed for impairment annually or more frequently if certain indicators arise. The Company tested goodwill for impairment as of the adoption date using the two-step process prescribed in SFAS No. 142. The Company identified its reporting units under SFAS No. 142 at the store unit level. The fair value of these reporting units was estimated using the expected discounted future cash flows and market values of related businesses, where appropriate.

Related to the 1998 acquisition of Mercantile Stores Company Inc., the Company had \$570 million in goodwill recorded in its consolidated balance sheet at the beginning of 2002. The Company completed the required impairment tests of goodwill in the second quarter of 2002 and determined that \$530 million of goodwill was impaired under the fair value test. This impairment was the result of sequential periods of declining profits in certain of these reporting units. In accordance with SFAS No. 142, the impairment loss for goodwill was reflected as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle in the first quarter of 2002.

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the year ended February 1, 2003 are as follows (in thousands):

Goodwill balance at February 2, 2002	\$569,545
Cumulative effect of adopting SFAS No. 142	(530,331)
Goodwill balance at February 1, 2003	\$ 39,214

The following pro forma financial information is presented as if the statement was adopted at January 30, 2000 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Fiscal 2002	Fiscal 2001	Fiscal 2000
Reported net income (loss)	\$(398,405)	\$71,798	\$(5,850)
Cumulative effect of accounting change	530,331	-	-
Net income before the cumulative effect of accounting change	131,926	71,798	(5,850)
Add back: Goodwill amortization	-	15,604	15,858
Pro forma net income	\$ 131,926	\$87,402	\$10,008
Net income (loss) per share reported – basic Cumulative effect of accounting change Goodwill amortization	\$ (4.71) 6.27	\$ 0.85 - 0.19	\$ (0.06) - 0.17
Pro forma net income per share – basic	\$ 1.56	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.11
Net income (loss) per share reported — diluted Cumulative effect of accounting change Goodwill amortization	\$ (4.67) 6.22	\$ 0.85 - 0.18	\$ (0.06) - 0.17
Pro forma net income per share – diluted	\$ 1.55	\$ 1.03	\$ 0.11

3. Revolving Credit Agreement

During fiscal 2002 and 2001, there were no commercial paper borrowings. The average amount of commercial paper outstanding during fiscal 2000 was \$14 million, at a weighted-average interest rate of 6.63%.

At February 1, 2003, the Company maintained a \$400 million revolving credit facility with Fleet Retail Finance, Inc. ("Fleet"). Borrowings under the facility accrue interest at Fleet's Base Rate or Eurodollar Rate plus 1.75%. The line of credit agreement is secured by inventory of certain Company stores. The agreement expires on May 9, 2005 and cannot be withdrawn except in the case of defaults by the Company. The Company pays an annual commitment fee of 0.375% of the committed amount to the banks. At February 1, 2003, inventory of \$555 million was pledged as collateral on the revolving credit facility. There were no funds borrowed under the revolving credit facility during fiscal 2002.

4. Long-term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following:

(in thousands of dollars)	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002	
Unsecured notes			
at rates ranging from			
6.13% to 9.50%,			
due 2003 through 2028	\$1,823,429	\$2,147,279	
Receivable financing facilities			
at rates ranging from 1.6% to			
3.8% due 2005 through 2006	400,000	-	
Mortgage notes, payable			
monthly or quarterly			
(some with balloon payments)			
through 2013 and bearing			
interest at rates ranging from			
4.90% to 13.25%	108,391	75,615	
	2,331,820	2,222,894	
Current portion	(138,814)	(98,317)	
	\$2,193,006	\$2,124,577	·

As of February 2, 2002, the Company had \$300 million in off-balance-sheet receivable financing (See Note 15).

Building, land, and land improvements with a carrying value of \$141.2 million at February 1, 2003 were pledged as collateral on the mortgage notes. Maturities of long-term debt over the next five years are \$139 million, \$207 million, \$297 million, \$298 million and \$201 million. Outstanding letters of credit aggregated \$95.5 million at February 1, 2003.

Interest and debt expense consists of the following:

	Fiscal	Fiscal	Fiscal	
(in thousands of dollars)	2002	2001	2000	
Long-term debt:				
Interest	\$166,093	\$180,918	\$215,103	
Amortization of				
debt expense	4,088	4,204	4,361	
	170,181	185,122	219,464	
Interest on capital				
lease obligations	2,354	2,560	2,772	
Interest on receivable financing	10,405	14,054	16,135	
Commercial paper				
interest	-	-	909	
	\$182,940	\$201,736	\$239,280	

Interest paid during fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000 was approximately \$158.6 million, \$208.9 million and \$302.5 million, respectively. The interest paid during fiscal 2002 does not include a \$28.4 million interest payment made on February 3, 2003 that would have been due on the last day of the Company's fiscal year had the date fallen on a business day.

The Company has reclassified interest expense related to its receivable financing from other revenue to interest expense on its consolidated statements of operations for all periods presented. The Company reclassified \$11.3 million and \$15.0 million for the twelve-month periods ended February 2, 2002 and February 3, 2001, respectively.

5. Trade Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses

Trade accounts payable and accrued expenses consist of the following:

(in thousands of dollars)	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002	
Trade accounts payable	\$429,144	\$562,516	
Accrued expenses:			
Taxes, other than income	66,890	73,025	
Salaries, wages,			
and employee benefits	53,560	51,281	
Interest	46,138	20,488	
Rent	11,685	13,454	
Other	68,545	87,467	
	\$675,962	\$808,231	

6. Income Taxes

The provision for federal and state income taxes is summarized as follows:

	Fiscal	Fiscal	Fiscal	
(in thousands of dollars)	2002	2001	2000	
Current:				
Federal	\$47,784	\$41,869	\$48,203	
State	2,134	1,871	2,152	
	49,918	43,740	50,355	
Deferred:				
Federal	23,574	1,694	(5,459)	
State	1,308	351	(866)	
	24,882	2,045	(6,325)	
	\$74,800	\$45,785	\$44,030	

A reconciliation between the Company's income tax provision and income taxes using the federal statutory income tax rate is presented below:

presented cere			
	Fiscal	Fiscal	Fiscal
(in thousands of dollars)	2002	2001	2000
Income tax at the			
statutory federal rate	\$73,885	\$39,050	\$49,301
State income taxes,			
net of federal benefit	2,076	1,226	1,612
Nondeductible			
goodwill amortization	-	5,461	8,761
Impact of reduced effective income			
tax rate on deferred taxes	-	=	(15,693)
Other	(1,161)	48	49
	\$74,800	\$45,785	\$44,030

In connection with the gain on the early extinguishment of debt and the loss on the cumulative effect of an accounting change, the Company realized income tax expense of \$15.4 million and income tax benefit of \$73.1 million, respectively, in 2000. Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. The Company's actual federal and state income tax rate (exclusive of the effect of non-deductible goodwill amortization) was 36% in fiscal 2002 and 2001. The Company's actual federal and state income tax rate was reduced from 37% in fiscal 1999 to 36% in fiscal 2000, as a result of lower effective combined income tax rates. The effect of these reduced rates on the Company's deferred income taxes was to reduce the income tax provision by \$16 million in fiscal 2000. Significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities as of February 2, 2002 and February 3, 2001 are as follows:

(in thousands of dollars)	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002	
Property and equipment			
bases and depreciation			
differences	\$643,703	\$654,994	
State income taxes	25,612	24,538	
Joint venture basis differences	17,341	46,571	
Differences between			
book and tax bases of inventory	45,287	(11,337)	
Other	3,554	5,127	
Total deferred tax liabilities	735,497	719,893	
Accruals not currently deductible	(72,657)	(73,320)	
State income taxes	(2,641)	(2,608)	
Total deferred tax assets	(75,298)	(75,928)	
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$660,199	\$643,965	

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are presented as follows in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets:

(in thousands of dollars)	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002	
Net deferred tax liabilities-noncurrent	\$645,020	\$643,965	
Net deferred tax liabilities-current	15,179	-	
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$660,199	\$643,965	

Income taxes paid during fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000 were approximately \$0, \$22.9 million and \$40.5 million, respectively.

7. Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures

Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures are comprised of \$200 million liquidation amount of 7.5% Capital Securities, due August 1, 2038 (the "Capital Securities") representing beneficial ownership interest in the assets of Dillard's Capital Trust I, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and \$331.6 million liquidation amount of LIBOR plus 1.56% Preferred Securities, due January 29, 2009 (the "Preferred Securities") by Horatio Finance V.O.F., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.

Holders of the Capital Securities are entitled to receive cumulative cash distributions, payable quarterly, at the annual rate of 7.5% of the liquidation amount of \$25 per Capital Security. The subordinated debentures are the sole assets of the Trust, and the Capital Securities are subject to mandatory redemption upon repayment of the subordinated debentures. Holders of the Preferred Securities are entitled to receive quarterly dividends at LIBOR plus 1.56%. The Preferred Securities are subject to mandatory redemption upon repayment of the debentures. The Company's obligations under the debentures and related agreements, taken together, provide a full and unconditional guarantee of payments due on the Capital and Preferred Securities. The \$331.6 million of the Guaranteed Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures are subject to mandatory remarketing on January 29, 2004 if a financing extension agreement has not been reached. Solicited bids are subject to maximum applicable rates in effect immediately prior to the remarketing date.

8. Benefit Plans

The Company has a retirement plan with a 401(k)-salary deferral feature for eligible employees. Under the terms of the plan, eligible employees may contribute up to 20% of eligible pay. Eligible employees with one year of service may elect to make a Basic Contribution of up to 5% of eligible pay which will be matched 100% only if invested in the Company's common stock. The Company contributions are used to purchase Class A Common Stock of the Company for the account of the employee. The terms of the plan provide a six-year graduated-vesting schedule for the Company contribution portion of the plan. The Company incurred expense of \$18 million, \$19 million and \$19 million for fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively, for the plan.

The Company has a nonqualified defined benefit plan for certain officers. The plan is noncontributory and provides benefits based on years of service and compensation during employment. Pension expense is determined using various actuarial cost methods to estimate the total benefits ultimately payable to officers and allocates this cost to service periods. The pension plan is unfunded. The actuarial assumptions used to calculate pension costs are reviewed annually.

The accumulated benefit obligations ("ABO"), change in projected benefit obligation ("PBO"), change in plan assets, funded status, and reconciliation to amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheets are as follows:

(in thousands of dollars)	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002
Change in projected benefit obligation:		
PBO at beginning of year	\$45,163	\$46,682
Service cost	1,416	1,255
Interest cost	3,592	3,287
Plan amendments	6,360	-
Actuarial loss (gain)	10,988	(3,252)
Benefits paid	(3,159)	(2,809)
PBO at end of year	\$64,360	\$45,163
ABO at end of year	\$64,126	\$39,961

	February 1, 2003	February 2, 2002
Change in plan assets:		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$ -	\$ -
Employer contribution	3,159	2,809
Benefits paid	(3,159)	(2,809)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	\$ -	\$ -
Funded status (PBO less plan assets)	\$64,360	\$45,163
Unamortized prior service costs	(6,360)	=
Unrecognized net actuarial gain (loss)	(5,715)	5,429
Intangible asset	6,360	=
Unrecognized net loss	7,025	=
Accrued benefit cost	\$65,670	\$50,592
ABO in excess of plan assets	\$64,126	\$39,961
Amounts recognized in the balance sheets:		
Accrued benefit liability	\$52,285	\$50,592
Intangible asset	6,360	=
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	7,025	<u> </u>
Net amount recognized	\$65,670	\$50,592

Accrued benefit liability is included in other liabilities. Intangible asset is included in other assets. Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax benefit, is included in stockholders' equity.

Weighted average assumptions are as follows:

	Fiscal 2002	Fiscal 2001	Fiscal 2000
Discount rate-net periodic pension cost	7.25%	7.25%	7.25%
Discount rate-benefit obligations	6.75%	7.25%	7.25%
Rate of compensation increases	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%

The components of net periodic benefit costs are as follows:

(in thousands of dollars)	Fiscal 2002	Fiscal 2001	Fiscal 2000
Components of net periodic benefit costs:			
Service cost	\$1,416	\$1,255	\$1,197
Interest cost	3,592	3,287	3,326
Net actuarial loss	(156)	(103)	(463)
Amortization of transition obligation	· · ·	2,688	2,688
Net periodic benefit costs	\$4,852	\$7,127	\$6,748

9. Stockholders' Equity

Capital stock is comprised of the following:

	Par	Shares
Type	Value	Authorized
Preferred (5% cumulative)	\$100	5,000
Additional preferred	\$.01	10,000,000
Class A, common	\$.01	289,000,000
Class B, common	\$.01	11,000,000

Holders of Class A are empowered as a class to elect one-third of the members of the Board of Directors and the holders of Class B are empowered as a class to elect two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors. Shares of Class B are convertible at the option of any holder thereof into shares of Class A at the rate of one share of Class B for one share of Class A.

On March 2, 2002, the Company adopted a shareholder rights plan under which the Board of Directors declared a dividend of one preferred share purchase right for each outstanding share of the Company's Common Stock, which includes both the Company's Class A and Class B Common Stock, payable on March 18, 2002 to the shareholders of record on that date. Each right, which is not presently exercisable, entitles the holder to purchase one one-thousandth of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock for \$70 per one one-thousandth of a share of Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment. In the event that any person acquires 15% or more of the outstanding shares of common stock, each holder of a right (other than the acquiring person or group) will be entitled to receive, upon payment of the exercise price, shares of Class A common stock having a market value of two times the exercise price. The rights will expire, unless extended, redeemed or exchanged by the Company, on March 2, 2012.

10. Earnings per Share

In accordance with SFAS No. 128, "Earnings Per Share," basic earnings per share has been computed based upon the weighted average of Class A and Class B common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share gives effect to outstanding stock options. Earnings per common share has been computed as follows:

	Fise	cal 2002	Fisca	1 2001	Fiscal	2000
(in thousands of dollars, except per share data	a) Basic	Diluted	Basic	Diluted	Basic	Diluted
Earnings before extraordinary item and						
accounting change	\$ 136,300	\$ 136,300	\$65,786	\$65,786	\$ 96,830	\$ 96,830
Extraordinary gain (loss)	(4,374)	(4,374)	6,012	6,012	27,311	27,311
Cumulative effect of accounting change	(530,331)	(530,331)	-	-	(129,991)	(129,991)
Net earnings (loss) available for						_
per-share calculation	\$(398,405)	\$(398,405)	\$71,798	\$71,798	\$ (5,850)	\$ (5,850)
Average shares of common						_
stock outstanding	84,513	84,513	84,020	84,020	91,171	91,171
Stock options	-	803	-	467	-	28
Total average equivalent shares	84,513	85,316	84,020	84,487	91,171	91,199
Per Share of Common Stock:						
Earnings before extraordinary item and						
accounting change	\$ 1.61	\$ 1.60	\$0.78	\$0.78	\$ 1.06	\$ 1.06
Extraordinary gain (loss)	(0.05)	(0.05)	0.07	0.07	0.30	0.30
Cumulative effect of accounting change	(6.27)	(6.22)	-	-	(1.42)	(1.42)
Net income (loss)	\$(4.71)	\$(4.67)	\$0.85	\$0.85	\$(0.06)	\$(0.06)

Total stock options outstanding were 9,669,755, 10,708,646 and 11,270,261 at February 1, 2003, February 2, 2002 and February 3, 2001, respectively. Of these, options to purchase 8,974,174, 9,298,695 and 9,465,383 shares of Class A Common Stock at prices ranging from \$18.13 to \$40.22, \$15.74 to \$40.22, \$18.13 to \$40.22 per share were outstanding in fiscal 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the exercise price of the options exceeds the average market price and would have been antidilutive.

11. Stock Options

The Company has various stock option plans that provide for the granting of options to purchase shares of Class A Common Stock to certain key employees of the Company. Exercise and vesting terms for options granted under the plans are determined at each grant date. All options were granted at not less than fair market value at dates of grant. At the end of fiscal 2002, 8,096,500 shares were available for grant under the plans and 17,766,255 shares of Class A Common Stock were reserved for issuance under the stock option plans. Stock option transactions are summarized as follows:

	Fiscal 2002		Fisc	Fiscal 2001		Fiscal 2000	
		Weighted		Weighted		Weighted	
		Average		Average		Average	
Fixed Options	Shares	Exercise Price	Shares	Exercise Price	Shares	Exercise Price	
Outstanding, beginning of year	10,708,646	\$24.58	11,270,261	\$ 25.30	10,093,594	\$ 28.86	
Granted	2,312,375	24.02	654,000	15.74	2,173,925	10.44	
Exercised	(2,150,111)	20.62	(345,675)	12.93	-	-	
Forfeited	(1,201,155)	31.53	(869,940)	31.98	(997,258)	28.77	
Outstanding, end of year	9,669,755	\$24.72	10,708,646	\$ 24.58	11,270,261	\$ 25.30	
Options exercisable at year-end	6,793,960	\$26.63	7,834,601	\$ 26.73	7,174,551	\$ 28.12	
Weighted-average fair value of							
options granted during the year	\$6.91		\$3.91		\$3.01		

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding at February 1, 2003:

		Options Outstanding		Options	s Exercisable
		Weighted-Average			
Range of	Options	Remaining	Weighted-Average	Options	Weighted-Average
Exercise Prices	Outstanding	Contractual Life (Yrs.)	Exercise Price	Exercisable	Exercise Price
\$10.44 - \$15.74	1,886,591	4.54	\$11.69	1,116,366	\$12.55
\$18.13 - \$25.13	4,838,949	3.65	22.31	2,942,594	22.32
\$28.19 - \$40.22	2,944,215	1.11	37.01	2,735,000	37.01
	9,669,755	3.05	\$24.72	6,793,960	\$26.63

SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock Based Compensation," permits compensation expense to be measured based on the fair value of the equity instrument awarded. In accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," the Company uses the intrinsic value method of accounting for stock options. No compensation cost has been recognized in the consolidated statements of operations for the Company's stock option plans.

The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of each grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions:

	Fiscal 2002	Fiscal 2001	Fiscal 2000
Risk-free interest rate	1.96%	2.27%	4.47%
Expected option life (years)	3.1	2.0	3.3
Expected volatility	41.6%	44.0%	38.7%
Expected dividend yield	0.67%	1.02%	1.53%

The fair values generated by the Black-Scholes model may not be indicative of the future benefit, if any, that may be received by the option holder.

12. Leases and Commitments

Rental expense consists of the following:

	Fiscal	Fiscal	Fiscal	
(in thousands of dollars)	2002	2001	2000	
Operating leases:				
Buildings:				
Minimum rentals	\$40,862	\$45,066	\$47,711	
Contingent rentals	10,433	10,310	10,959	
Equipment	16,806	16,757	16,419	
	68,101	72,133	75,089	
Contingent rentals				
on capital leases	-	650	954	
	\$68,101	\$72,783	\$76,043	

Contingent rentals on certain leases are based on a percentage of annual sales in excess of specified amounts. Other contingent rentals are based entirely on a percentage of sales.

The future minimum rental commitments as of February 1, 2003 for all noncancelable leases for buildings and equipment are as follows:

(in thousands of dollars)	Operating	Capital	
Fiscal Year	Leases	Leases	
2003	\$59,299	\$3,806	
2004	50,479	3,622	
2005	41,797	3,339	
2006	38,588	3,232	
2007	29,482	2,578	
After 2007	105,323	21,595	
Total minimum lease payments	\$324,968	38,172	
Less amount representing interest		<u>(17,716)</u>	
Present value of net minimum			
lease payments (of which			
\$1,856 is currently payable)		\$20,456	

Renewal options from three to 25 years exist on the majority of leased properties. At February 1, 2003, the Company is committed to incur costs of approximately \$112.0 million to acquire, complete and furnish certain stores and equipment.

Various legal proceedings, in the form of lawsuits and claims, which occur in the normal course of business are pending against the Company and its subsidiaries. In the opinion of management, disposition of these matters is not expected to materially affect the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

13. Asset Impairment and Store Closing Charges

In the evaluation of the fair value and future benefits of long-lived assets, the Company performs an analysis of the anticipated undiscounted future net cash flows of the related long-lived assets. If the carrying value of the related asset exceeds the undiscounted cash flows, the Company reduces the carrying value to its fair value, which is generally calculated using discounted cash flows. During fiscal 2002, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$52.2 million for asset impairment and store closing costs. The charge includes a write-down to fair value for certain under-performing properties in the amount of \$55.8 million and exit costs to close four such properties in the amount of \$4.4 million, all of which will be closed during fiscal 2003, partially offset by the forgiveness of a lease obligation of \$8.0 million in connection with the sale of a closed owned store in Memphis, Tennessee in satisfaction of that obligation. The Company does not expect to incur significant additional exit costs upon the closing of these properties during fiscal 2003. During fiscal 2001, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$3.8 million for asset impairment and store closing costs. The charge includes a write-down to fair value for one under performing store in the amount of \$1.8 million and lease commitments of \$2 million. During fiscal 2000, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$51 million for asset impairment and store closing costs. The

charge includes a write-down to fair value for certain under-performing properties in the amount of \$37 million and exit costs to close four such properties in the amount of \$14 million, all of which were closed during fiscal 2001.

14. Fair Value Disclosures

The estimated fair values of financial instruments which are presented herein have been determined by the Company using available market information and appropriate valuation methodologies. However, considerable judgment is required in interpreting market data to develop estimates of fair value. Accordingly, the estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of amounts the Company could realize in a current market exchange.

The fair value of trade accounts receivable is determined by discounting the estimated future cash flows at current market rates, after consideration of credit risks and servicing costs using historical rates. The fair value of the Company's long-term debt and Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures is based on market prices or dealer quotes (for publicly traded unsecured notes) and on discounted future cash flows using current interest rates for financial instruments with similar characteristics and maturity (for bank notes and mortgage notes).

The fair value of the Company's cash and cash equivalents and trade accounts receivable approximates their carrying values at February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002 due to the short-term maturities of these instruments. The fair value of the Company's long-term debt at February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002 was \$2.24 billion and \$2.09 billion, respectively. The carrying value of the Company's long-term debt at February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002 was \$2.33 billion and \$2.22 billion, respectively. The fair value of the Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures at February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002 was \$473 million and \$496 million, respectively. The carrying value of the Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in the Company's Subordinated Debentures at February 1, 2003 and February 2, 2002 was \$532 million.

15. Securitizations of Assets

The Company utilizes credit card securitizations as a part of its overall funding strategy. In May 2002, the Company amended its conduit financing agreement in a manner that prevented future transfers of accounts receivable to its master trust from qualifying as a sale and thus receiving off-balance-sheet treatment. The Company decided not to amend its agreements to allow continuing off-balance-sheet treatment but to allow accounts receivable and the related financing to be brought back onto the balance sheet. As a result of this decision, the Company took a charge to its income statement in the amount of \$5.4 million related to the amortization of the beneficial interests recognized up front on the off-balance-sheet financing. The Company has \$400 million of debt and the related asset on its balance sheet as of February 1, 2003.

Under generally accepted accounting principles, if the structure of the securitization meets certain requirements, these transactions are accounted for as sales of receivables. Prior to May 2002, the Company accounted for it securitizations of credit card receivables as sales of receivables. As part of its credit card securitizations, the Company transferred credit card receivable balances to a Master Trust ("Trust") in exchange for certificates representing undivided interests in such receivables. The Trust securitized balances by issuing certificates representing undivided interests in the Trust's receivables to outside investors. In each securitization the Company retains certain subordinated interests that serve as a credit enhancement to outside investors and expose the Company's Trust assets to possible credit losses on receivables sold to outside investors. The investors and the Trust have no recourse against the Company beyond Trust assets. In order to maintain the committed level of securitized assets, the Trust reinvests cash collections on securitized accounts in additional balances. The Company also receives annual servicing fees as compensation for servicing the outstanding balances.

The Company measured its net securitization gains using the present value of estimated future cash flows. The valuations technique required the use of key economic assumptions about repayment rates, credit losses and interest rates. The following table shows the key economic assumptions used in measuring the securitization gains and the fair value of retained interest for 2001. The table also displays the sensitivity of the current fair values of residual cash flows to adverse changes in repayment, charge-off and discount rate assumptions:

(dollars in thousands)	Fiscal 2001	
PORTFOLIO YIELD	21.8%	
REPAYMENT SPEED (MONTHLY RATE)	17.7%	
Impact of 5% change	\$454	
Impact of 10% change	909	
EXPECTED CREDIT LOSSES (ANNUAL RATE)	7.0%	
Impact of 5% change	\$373	
Impact of 10% change	745	
DISCOUNT RATE	6.1%	
Impact of 5% change	\$70	
Impact of 10% change	141	

These sensitivities are hypothetical and are presented for illustrative purposes only. Changes in fair value based on a change in assumptions generally cannot be extrapolated because the relationship of the change in assumption to the change in fair value may not be linear. The changes in assumptions presented in the above table were calculated without changing any other assumption; in reality, changes in one assumption may result in changes in another, which may magnify or counteract the sensitivities.

The table below summarizes certain cash flows received from and paid to securitization trusts for the year ended February 2, 2002. Cash flow data had not been provided for 2002 as the securitization trust was consolidated beginning in the second quarter.

(dollars in thousands)

\$200,000	
580,000	
7,844	
39,147	
	580,000 7,844

The following table presents information about principal balances of managed and securitized credit card receivables as of and for the year ended February 2, 2002.

(dollars in thousands)

Receivables securitized, maturing in 2005	\$300,000	
Retained interest in transferred credit card receivables	\$1,087,561	
Other receivables owned	24,764	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(37,385)	
Accounts receivable, net	\$1,074,940	
Net charge-offs of managed credit card receivables	\$73,246	
Delinquency rate on managed credit card receivables	6.5%	

16. Quarterly Results of Operations (unaudited)

During the second quarter of 2002, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." The cumulative effect of the accounting change as of February 3, 2002 was to decrease net income for fiscal year 2002 by \$530 million or \$6.22 per diluted share. The Company has restated the first quarter of 2002 in accordance with SFAS No. 3, "Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements," as follows:

Fiscal 2002, Three Months Ended

(in thousands, except per share data)	M	ay 4	August 3	November 2	February 1
		As			
	As	Previously			
	Restated	Reported			
Net sales	\$1,910,879	\$1,910,879	\$1,817,976	\$1,794,250	\$2,387,891
Gross profit	684,451	684,451	620,677	602,813	748,921
Income (loss) before extraordinary ite	m				
and accounting change	57,764	57,764	12,501	(6,215)	72,250
Net income (loss)	(472,219)	58,112	6,666	(5,102)	72,250
Diluted earnings per share:				, , ,	
Income (loss) before extraordinary					
item and accounting change	.68	.68	.15	(.07)	.85
Net income (loss)	(5.56)	.68	.08	(.06)	.85

Fiscal 2001, Three Months Ended

(in thousands, except per share data)	May 5	August 4	November 3	February 2
Net sales	\$1,920,309	\$1,828,304	\$1,872,333	\$2,533,965
Gross profit	667,302	589,934	559,377	830,596
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	25,834	(20,568)	(40,241)	100,761
Net income (loss)	28,993	(18,605)	(40,116)	101,526
Diluted earnings per share:				
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	.30	(.24)	(.48)	1.20
Net income (loss)	.34	(.22)	(.48)	1.21

Total of quarterly earnings per common share may not equal the annual amount because net income per common share is calculated independently for each quarter.

SCHEDULE II - VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS DILLARD'S, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES (DOLLAR AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

Column A	Column B	Column C	Column D	Column E	Column F		
		Add	itions				
	Balance at	Charged to	Charged to	•	Balance at		
	Beginning of	Costs and	Other		End of		
Description	Period	Expenses	Accounts	Deductions (1)	Period		
Allowance for losses on accounts receivable:							
Year Ended February 1, 2003	\$37,385	\$98,787	\$ -	\$86,417	\$49,755		
Year Ended February 2, 2002	32,240	78,121	-	72,976	37,385		
Year Ended February 3, 2001	32,533	83,277	-	83,570	32,240		

⁽¹⁾ Accounts written off and charged to allowance for losses on accounts receivable (net of recoveries).

Exhibit Index

<u>Numbe</u> r	<u>Description</u>
*3(a)	Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Exhibit 3 to Form 10-Q for the quarter ended August 1, 1992 in 1-6140).
*3(b)	By-Laws as currently in effect (Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K dated as of March 2, 2002 in 1-6140).
*4(a)	Indenture between the Registrant and Chemical Bank, Trustee, dated as of October 1, 1985 (Exhibit (4) in 2-85556).
*4(b)	Indenture between the Registrant and Chemical Bank, Trustee, dated as of October 1, 1986 (Exhibit (4) in 33-8859).
*4(c)	Indenture between Registrant and Chemical bank, dated as of April 15, 1987 (Exhibit 4.3 in 33-13534).
*4(d)	Indenture between Registrant and Chemical bank, Trustee, dated as of May 15, 1988, as supplemented (Exhibit 4 in 33-21671, Exhibit 4.2 in 33-25114 and Exhibit 4(c) to Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 26, 1990 in 1-6140).
*4(e)	Rights Agreement between Dillard's, Inc. and Registrar and Transfer Company, as Rights Agent (Exhibit 4.1 to Form 8-K dated as of March 2, 2002 in 1-6140).
**10(a)	Retirement Contract of William Dillard dated March 8, 1997 (Exhibit 10(a) to Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 1, 1997 in 1-6140).
**10(b)	1998 Incentive and Nonqualified Stock Option Plan (Exhibit 10 (b) to Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 1999 in 1-6140).
**10(c)	Corporate Officers Non-Qualified Pension Plan (Exhibit 10(c) to Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 29, 1994 in 1-6140).
10(d)	Amendment No. 1 to the Corporate Officers Non-Qualified Pension Plan.
**10(e)	Senior Management Cash Bonus Plan (Exhibit 10(d) to Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 1995 in 1-6140).
**10(f)	2000 Incentive and Nonqualified Stock Option Plan (Exhibit 10(e) to Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 3, 2001 in 1-6140).
12	Statement re: Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.
*18	Letter re: Change in Accounting Principles (Exhibit 18 to Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 3, 2001 in 1-6140).
21	Subsidiaries of Registrant
23	Consent of Independent Auditors

- 99(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. 1350).
- 99(b) Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. 1350).
- * Incorporated by reference as indicated.
- ** A management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an exhibit to this report pursuant to Item 14(c) of Form 10-K.

Annual Meeting

Saturday, May 17, 2003, at 9:30 a.m., Dillard's Corporate Office 1600 Cantrell Road, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Financial and Other Information

Copies of financial documents and other company information such as Dillard's, Inc. reports on Form 10-K and 10-Q and other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission are available by contacting:

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Listing

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Store Openings-2002

During 2002, Dillard's opened newly constructed stores in these locations:

Location	City	Open	Square Ft
Gulf View Square*	Port Richey, FL	February	143,000
Prescott Gateway	Prescott, AZ	March	98,000
Lynnhaven Mall*	Virginia Beach, VA	August	180,000
Triangle Town Center	Raleigh, NC	August	200,000
Randolph Mall	Asheboro, NC	October	60,000
Parkway Place	Huntsville, AL	October	180,000
Fashion Show*	Las Vegas, NV	October	200,000

^{*}Replacement store.

On the cover:

Katherine Kelly, one of Dillard's premier private brands, presents classically modern styling in luxurious fabrics.



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