

	December 31,				
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	(in thousands, except percentages)				
Other Financial Data:					
Consolidated gross margin	23.5%	23.9%	23.2 %	22.7%	22.1 %
Animal Hospital gross margin	16.3%	15.6%	15.2 %	14.7%	14.2 %
Laboratory gross margin	51.9%	51.2%	48.8 %	47.5%	46.3 %
All Other gross margin	37.2%	36.8%	33.4 %	34.2%	34.3 %
Consolidated operating margin ^{(1) (2)}	15.3%	15.5%	12.9 %	13.8%	5.5 %
Animal Hospital operating margin	13.4%	13.0%	12.6 %	12.1%	11.7 %
Laboratory operating margin	42.4%	41.5%	39.5 %	38.3%	37.3 %
All Other operating margin ⁽²⁾	10.6%	13.8%	(17.0)%	5.0%	(108.2)%
Cash Flow Data:					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 389,831	\$ 317,545	\$ 270,210	\$ 256,372	\$ 237,253
Net cash used in investing activities	\$ (828,241)	\$ (203,652)	\$ (219,242)	\$ (126,731)	\$ (219,258)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$ 421,316	\$ (95,273)	\$ (93,765)	\$ (72,013)	\$ (13,514)
Capital expenditures	\$ (122,946)	\$ (95,234)	\$ (72,948)	\$ (73,270)	\$ (76,807)
Balance Sheet Data (at year end):					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 81,409	\$ 98,888	\$ 81,383	\$ 125,029	\$ 68,435
Goodwill	\$ 2,164,422	\$ 1,517,650	\$ 1,415,861	\$ 1,321,234	\$ 1,281,590
Total assets	\$ 3,373,328	\$ 2,501,132	\$ 2,293,815	\$ 2,196,204	\$ 2,055,128
Long-term obligations, net	\$ 1,347,717	\$ 866,341	\$ 786,894	\$ 616,658	\$ 626,411
Total VCA Inc. stockholders' equity	\$ 1,471,223	\$ 1,244,962	\$ 1,200,646	\$ 1,307,416	\$ 1,183,503

⁽¹⁾ On May 1, 2016 we acquired an 80% ownership interest in CAPNA. CAPNA, founded in 2010, is located in Las Vegas, Nevada, and at the time of its acquisition, operated a network of 56 free standing animal hospitals in 18 states.

On January 31, 2012, we increased our investment in Associate Veterinary Clinics (1981) LTD ("AVC"), becoming the sole non-veterinary shareholder. Accordingly, we consolidate their results into our own. At the time of the additional investment, AVC operated 44 animal hospitals.

⁽²⁾ In 2014, our operating income and operating margin were unfavorably impacted by a \$27.0 million non-cash impairment charge. The charge was attributable to impairment of goodwill and intangible assets, related to our Vetstreet business, included in our All Other segments category. The charge impacted our 2014 operating margin by 1.4%.

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⁽³⁾ On December 31, 2015, we completed the sale of our wholly owned subsidiary, Vetstreet, resulting in a gain of \$43.3 million.

⁽⁴⁾ The 2015 provision for income taxes was impacted by the tax effect of the business interruption insurance gain and the gain on sale of our Vetstreet business. The 2014 and 2012 provisions for income taxes were impacted by the tax effect of the impairment charges mentioned above.