SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the fiscal quarter ended May 5, 2001.

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Delaware	1-13536	13-3324058
(State of	(Commission File No.)	(I.R.S. Employer
Incorporation)	Ident	ification Number)

The Registrant has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 12, 13 or 15 (d) of the Act during the preceding 12 months and has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

194,892,944 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock, \$.01 par value, were outstanding as of June 2, 2001.

PART I -- FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE FIGURES)

	13 Weeks Ended May 5, 2001	13 Weeks Ended April 29, 2000		
Net Sales	\$ 3,822	\$ 4,032		
Cost of sales:				
Recurring	2,287	2,395		
Inventory valuation adjustments related to Stern's closure 19 -				
Total cost of sales	2,306	2,395		

Selling, general and

administrative expenses	1,292	1,384
Restructuring charges	27	-
Operating Income	197	253
Interest expense	(101)	(100)
Interest income	4	1
Income Before Income Taxes	100	154
Federal, state and local incom tax expense	(42)	(65)
Net Income	\$ 58	\$ 89
Basic earnings per share	\$.30	\$.42
Diluted earnings per share	\$.29	\$.41

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

(MILLIONS)

200		ary 3, Apr 2000	ril 29,
ASSETS: Current Assets:			
Cash \$	519 \$ 3	322 \$	249
Accounts receivable	3,656	4,072	4,031
Merchandise inventories	4,050	3,812	3,869
Supplies and prepaid exp			
Deferred income tax asse		294	176
Total Current Assets	8,711	8,700	8,542
Property and Equipment -	net 6,71	0 6,830	6,741
Intangible Assets - net	884	896	1,720
Other Assets	618	586	652
Total Assets	\$16,923	\$17,012	\$17,655
LIABILITIES AND SHAL	REHOLDEF	RS' EQUITY	:
Current Liabilities:			*
Short-term debt	\$ 1,399	\$ 1,722	\$ 1,352
Accounts payable and	2.046	2 002	2.000
accrued liabilities Income taxes	2,946 104	2,903 244	3,006 83
Total Current Liabilities	10.	4,869	85 4,441
Total Current Liabilities	4,449	4,009	4,441
Long-Term Debt	4,792	4,374	4,757
Deferred Income Taxes	1,359	1,393	1,448
Other Liabilities	558	554	548
Shareholders' Equity	5,765	5,822	6,461
Total Liabilities and	Φ1 C 000	¢17.010	017 (55
Shareholders' Equity	\$16,923	\$17,012	\$17,655

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FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWs (UNSUDITED)

(MILLIONS)

	13 Weeks End May 5, 2001		Weeks Ended 1 29, 2000
Cash flows from operatin		~ *	
Net income	\$ 5	8 \$	89
Adjustments to reconcile			
to net cash provided by	operating		
activities:			
Depreciation and amor		170	161
Amortization of intang		12	21
Amortization of financ	-	1	2
Amortization of unearned	d restricted sto		1 3
Restructuring charges		46	-
Changes in assets and l		44.0	201
Decrease in accounts		418	284
Increase in merchand		s (237	<i>'</i>) (277)
Decrease in supplies	and		12
prepaid expenses	1 1	4	13
Increase in other asse		(4)	(12)
separately identified		(4)	(13)
Decrease in accounts			
accrued liabilities no		50)	(79)
separately identified Decrease in current in		58) (140)	(78)
Increase (decrease) in		(140)	(142)
income taxes	(29	0)	1
Increase (decrease) in		"	1
liabilities not separat			
identified	1	((6)
Net cash provided b	-	((0)
activities	243		58
activities	215		50
Cash flows from investin Purchase of property and Capitalized software	l equipment	(53	3) (69) (15)
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FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A description of the Company's significant accounting policies is included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 3, 2001 (the "2000 10-K"). The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto in the 2000 10-K.

Substantially all department store merchandise inventories are valued by the retail method and stated on the LIFO (last-in, first-out) basis, which is generally lower than market. Fingerhut merchandise inventories are stated at the lower of FIFO (first-in, first-out) cost or market.

Because of the seasonal nature of the retail business, the results of operations for the 13 weeks ended May 5, 2001 and April 29, 2000 (which do not include the Christmas season) are not indicative of such results for the fiscal year.

The Consolidated Financial Statements for the 13 weeks ended May 5, 2001 and April 29, 2000, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary to present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position and results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries.

Effective February 4, 2001, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," as amended, which establishes the accounting and financial reporting requirements for derivative instruments. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

2. RESTRUCTURING CHARGES

The Company recorded \$46 million of restructuring charges during the first quarter of 2001 related to the closure of the Stern's department store division, including \$19 million of inventory valuation adjustments as a part of cost of sales. The remaining \$27 million of restructuring charges includes \$8 million of duplicate central office costs, \$8 million of severance costs and \$4 million of advertising costs. Of the \$8 million of severance costs incurred, covering approximately 300 employees, \$5 million had been paid to employees and \$3 million was accrued as of May 5, 2001.

With respect to the Fingerhut restructuring initiated in 2000 and the \$10 million of severance costs which had been accrued at February 3, 2001, \$5 million was paid to employees during the first quarter of 2001 and \$5 million remains accrued as of May 5, 2001.

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consists of \$1,408 million of Fingerhut accounts receivable, net of \$531 million of allowance for doubtful accounts and \$2,248 million of other Federated accounts receivable, net of \$70 million of allowance for doubtful accounts as of May 5, 2001; \$1,637 million of Fingerhut accounts receivable, net of \$584 million of allowance for doubtful accounts and \$2,435 million of other Federated accounts receivable, net of \$71 million of allowance for doubtful accounts as of February 3, 2001; and \$1,879 million of Fingerhut accounts receivable, net of \$327 million of allowance for doubtful accounts and \$2,152 million of other Federated accounts receivable, net of \$57 million of other Federated accounts receivable, net of \$57 million of other Federated accounts receivable, net of \$57 million of allowance for doubtful accounts as of April 29, 2000.

4. SEGMENT DATA

The Company conducts its business through two segments, department stores and Fingerhut. The department store segment, through store locations and related mail catalog and electronic commerce businesses, sells a wide range of merchandise, including men's, women's and children's apparel and accessories, cosmetics, home furnishings and other consumer goods. Fingerhut sells a broad range of products and services directly to consumers via catalogs, direct marketing and the Internet. "Corporate and other" consists of the income or expense associated with the corporate office and certain items managed on a company-wide basis (e.g., intangibles, financial instruments, investments, retirement benefits and properties held for sale or disposition).

The financial information for each segment is reported on the basis used internally by the Company to evaluate performance and allocate resources. At the beginning of Fiscal 2001, the Company reorganized its business segments for making operating decisions and assessing performance. Certain reclassifications were made to prior period amounts to conform with the classifications of such amounts for the most recent period.

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

		April 29, 2000
Net Sales Department Stores Fingerhut	\$3,55 266	6 \$3,573 459
Total	\$3,822	\$4,032
Operating income Department Stores	\$ 211	1 \$ 288

Fingerhut	30	(3)	
Corporate and other	(44)	(32)	
Total	\$ 197	\$ 253	

For the 13 weeks ended May 5, 2001, the operating income for the department store segment includes costs and expenses associated with the closure of the Stern's department store division (see Note 2).

Depreciation and amort	ization expense	e
Department Stores	\$ 160	\$ 151
Fingerhut	9	10
Corporate and other	14	24
Total	\$ 183	\$ 185

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

5. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

13 Weeks Ended				
May 5, 2001 April 29, 2000				
(millions, except per share data) Income Shares Income				
Net income and average number of				
shares outstanding \$	58 197	.5 \$ 89	212.3	
Shares to be issued under				
deferred compensation plans	-	.5 -	.5	
\$ 58	198.0 \$ 8	9 212.8	3	
Basic earnings per share	\$.30	\$.42	2	
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Warrants -	2.9	- 1.9		
Stock options -	3.2	- 1.6)	
\$ 58	204.1 \$ 8	9 216.	3	
Diluted earnings per share	\$.29	\$.4	1	

In addition to the warrants and stock options reflected in the foregoing table, stock options to purchase 4.6 million and 9.6 million shares of common stock at prices ranging from \$38.06 to \$79.44 per share were outstanding at May 5, 2001 and April 29, 2000, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the exercise price thereof exceeded the average market price and their inclusion would have been antidilutive.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For purposes of the following discussion, all references to "first quarter of 2001" and "first quarter of 2000" are to the Company's 13-week fiscal periods ended May 5, 2001 and April 29, 2000, respectively.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

COMPARISON OF THE 13 WEEKS ENDED MAY 5, 2001 AND APRIL 29, 2000

Net sales for the first quarter of 2001 totaled \$3,822 million, compared to net sales of \$4,032 million for the first quarter of 2000, a decrease of 5.2%, in part reflecting the strategic downsizing of Fingerhut. Net sales for department stores for the first quarter of 2001 were \$3,556 million, compared to net sales of \$3,573 million for the first quarter of 2000, a decrease of 0.5%. On a comparable store basis (sales from stores in operation throughout the first quarter of 2000 and the first quarter of 2001), net sales for department stores for the first quarter of 2001 decreased 1.5% compared to the first quarter of 2000. Net sales for Fingerhut totaled \$266 million for the first quarter of 2001 compared to \$459 million for the first quarter of 2000, reflecting the strategic downsizing of that business.

On June 7, 2001, the Company reported that May department store sales were down 3.3%, on a comparable store basis, compared to the same period last year. The Company believes that, unless the department store sales trend improves, it is likely that earnings for the second quarter will fall below expectations. The Company still hopes to attain its projected earnings of \$4.00 to \$4.25 a share for fiscal 2001, although it may be difficult to achieve unless there is sales improvement.

Cost of sales was 60.3% of net sales for the first quarter of 2001, compared to 59.4% for the first quarter of 2000. Cost of sales as a percent of net sales for department stores, excluding the \$19 million Sterns restructuring charges, was 60.7% in the first quarter of 2001, an increase of 0.5 percentage points compared to the same period a year ago, reflecting higher markdowns taken in the first quarter of 2001 which enabled the Company to keep inventories both current and at appropriate levels. Cost of sales as a percent of net sales for Fingerhut was 48.6% in the first quarter of 2001, a decrease of 4.3 percentage points, primarily due to a shift in the sales mix to higher margin product categories. The valuation of department store merchandise inventories on the last-in, first-out basis did not impact cost of sales in either period.

Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses were 33.8% of net sales for the first quarter of 2001 compared to 34.3% for the first quarter of 2000. Department store SG&A expenses increased 0.5 percentage points to 32.2% as a percent of department store net sales in the first quarter of 2001, reflecting slightly higher operating expenses on the decreased sales level. Fingerhut's SG&A expenses as a percent of net sales were 40.2%, a decrease of 7.6 percentage points, primarily as a result of lower bad debt expenses and higher finance charge income in the first quarter of 2001 compared to the first quarter of 2000.

The Company recorded \$46 million of restructuring costs during the first quarter of 2001 related to the closure of the Stern's department store division, including \$19 million of inventory valuation adjustments as a part of cost of sales. The remaining \$27 million of restructuring costs includes \$8 million of duplicate central office costs, \$8 million of severance costs and \$4 million of advertising costs. As previously communicated, the Company anticipates incurring approximately \$30-\$50 million of additional restructuring charges related to the closure of Stern's during the remainder of 2001.

Net interest expense was \$97 million for the first quarter of 2001, compared to \$99 million for the first quarter of 2000.

The Company's effective income tax rate of 41.8% for the first quarter of 2001 differs from the federal income tax statutory rate of 35.0% principally because of the effect of state and local income taxes and permanent differences arising from the amortization of intangible assets.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Company's principal sources of liquidity are cash from operations, cash on hand and certain available credit facilities.

Net cash provided by operating activities in the first quarter of 2001 was \$243 million, compared to the \$58 million provided in the first quarter of 2000, reflecting a greater decrease in accounts receivable due to the strategic downsizing of the Fingerhut business.

Net cash used by investing activities was \$81 million for the first quarter of 2001. Investing activities for the first quarter of 2001 included purchases of property and equipment totaling \$53 million and capitalized software of \$28 million. The Company plans to open 9 new department stores, 3 new furniture galleries and 2 new bedding stores during the remainder of 2001.

Net cash provided to the Company by all financing activities was \$35 million for the first quarter of 2001. During the first quarter of 2001, the Company issued \$500 million of 6.625% Senior Notes due 2011. The Company repaid \$402 million of borrowings during the first quarter of 2001, consisting principally of \$290 million of net short-term borrowings and \$110 million of 10% Senior Notes. The Company purchased 3.4 million shares of its Common Stock under its stock repurchase program during the first quarter of 2001 at an approximate cost of \$140 million. On May 18, 2001, the Board of Directors approved a \$500 million increase to the current stock repurchase program increasing the authorization to \$1,500 million. As of May 5, 2001, including the effect of the May 18, 2001 authorization, the Company had approximately \$750 million of the \$1,500 million stock repurchase program remaining. The Company may continue or, from time to time, suspend repurchases of shares under its stock repurchase program, depending on prevailing market conditions, alternate uses of capital and other factors.

Management believes the department store business and other retail businesses will continue to consolidate. Accordingly, the Company intends from time to time to consider additional acquisitions of, and investments in, department stores, Internet-related companies, catalog companies and other complementary assets and companies.

Management believes that, with respect to its current operations, cash on hand and funds from operations, together with its credit facilities, will be sufficient to cover its reasonably foreseeable working capital, capital expenditure and debt service requirements. Acquisition transactions, if any, are expected to be financed through a combination of cash on hand and from operations and the possible issuance from time to time of long-term debt or other securities. Depending upon 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 markets transactions, the proceeds of which could be used to refinance

PART II -- OTHER INFORMATION FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company and certain members of its senior management have been named defendants in five substantially identical purported class action complaints (the "Complaints") filed on behalf of persons who purchased shares of the Company between February 23, 2000 and July 20, 2000. The Complaints were filed on August 24, August 30, September 15, September 26 and October 6, 2000, in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. The Complaints allege violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and Rule 10b-5 thereunder, on the basis that the Company, among other things, made false and misleading statements regarding its financial condition and results of operations and failed to disclose material information relating to the credit delinquency problem at Fingerhut. The plaintiffs are seeking unspecified amounts of compensatory damages and costs, including legal fees. Management believes that the allegations contained in the Complaints are without merit and intends to defend vigorously against those allegations.

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

The Annual Meeting of the Company's stockholders was held on May 18, 2001. The Company's stockholders voted on the following items at such meeting:

- i. The stockholders approved the election of four Directors for a three-year term expiring at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the Company's stockholders. The votes for such elections were as follows: Sara Levinson - 130,813,501 votes in favor and 42,715,707 votes withheld; Joseph Neubauer - 130,811,728 votes in favor and 42,717,480 votes withheld; Joseph A. Pichler - 130,815,878 votes in favor and 42,713,330 votes withheld; and Karl M. von der Heyden - 130,816,318 votes in favor and 42,712,890 votes withheld. There were no broker non-votes on this item.
- ii. The stockholders ratified the employment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent accountants for the fiscal year ending February 2, 2002. The votes for the ratification were 170,478,162, the votes against the ratification were 1,942,374, the votes abstained were 1,109,122, and there were no broker non-votes.
- iii. The stockholders approved a stockholder's proposal seeking the adoption of a system for the annual election of directors. The votes for the proposal were 103,783,592, the votes against the proposal were 42,363,283, the votes abstained were 13,573,954, and there were 13,808,379 broker non-votes.

PART II -- OTHER INFORMATION

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

This report and other reports, statements and information previously or subsequently filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") contain or may contain forward-looking statements. Such statements are based upon the beliefs and assumptions of, and on information available to, the management of the Company at the time such statements are made. The following are or may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: (i) statements preceded by, followed by or that include the words "may," "will," "could," "should," "believe," "expect," "future," "potential," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "think," "estimate" or "continue" or the negative or other variations thereof and (ii) statements regarding matters that are not historical facts. Such forward-looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties, including (a) risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying beliefs and assumptions, (b) possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal and regulatory circumstances and conditions, and (c) actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties. including customers, suppliers, business partners, competitors and legislative, regulatory, judicial and other governmental authorities and officials. Furthermore, future results of the operations of the Company could differ materially from historical results or current expectations because of a variety of factors that affect the Company, including transaction costs associated with the renovation, conversion and transitioning of retail stores in regional markets; the outcome and timing of sales and leasing in conjunction with the disposition of retail store properties; the retention, reintegration and transitioning of displaced employees; and competitive pressures from department and specialty stores, general merchandise stores, manufacturers' outlets, off-price and discount stores, and all other retail channels; and general consumerspending levels, including the impact of the availability and level of consumer debt, and the effects of the weather. In addition to any risks and uncertainties specifically identified in the text surrounding such forward-looking statements, the statements in the immediately preceding sentence and the statements under captions such as "Risk Factors" and "Special Considerations" in reports, statements and information filed by the Company with the SEC from time to time constitute cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause actual amounts, results, events and circumstances to differ materially from those reflected in such forward-looking statements.

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ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

(a) Exhibits

4.1 Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of March 27, 2001, by and among the Company and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on March 26, 2001).

(b) Reports on Form 8-K

- 1. Current Report on Form 8-K filed on March 22, 2001 reporting matters under Item 5 and Item 7 thereof.
- 2. Current Report on Form 8-K filed on March 26, 2001 reporting matters under Item 5 and Item 7 thereof.

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SIGNATURES

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

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

Date June 19, 2001

/s/ Dennis J. Broderick Dennis J. Broderick Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

/s/ Joel A. Belsky Joel A. Belsky Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)