

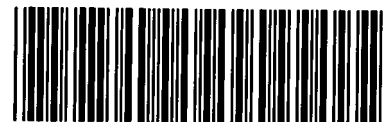
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Company Information

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Strategic Report for the Year Ended 30 April 2023

The directors present their report for the year ended 30 April 2023.

Review of the business

John Wiley & Sons Limited ('the Company' or 'Wiley') is a publishing company, trading in the provision of knowledge and knowledge-enabled services in areas of research, publishing and solutions. Business growth strategies include driving pricing and volume growth from existing journal and book brands and titles, as well as learning services related to education and professional development, the development of new journal titles or through publishing partnerships, technology and content acquisitions which complement our existing businesses, designing and implementing new methods of delivering products to our customers, and the development of new products and services.

The Company experienced continued organic revenue growth during the period, mainly through the expansion of Open Access offerings to new and existing customers. The Company received £49m of dividends from subsidiary companies during the year. Net current liabilities decreased to £82m in the year versus £196m in the prior year. This is due to a decrease in creditors, specifically third-party borrowings.

Results and KPIs

The results for John Wiley & Sons Limited are set out on page 30.

Turnover increased in the year by £7.5m. This was driven by growth in Open access publishing. Gross margin increased to 60.82% versus the prior year of 58.35%.

Operating expenses increased by £13.2m to £126.8m versus the prior year of £113.6m. The operating profit margin remained stable in the year at 27% (2022: 27%).

Net current liabilities decreased to £81.7m in the year versus £196.3m in the prior year. This is due to a decrease in creditors, specifically third-party borrowings.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Competition for market share

The publishing industry is increasingly becoming an online and technology-driven industry and Wiley must ensure that it keeps up with, or ahead of, the competition and meets the needs of its customers. The Company operates in highly competitive markets. Success and continued growth depend greatly on developing new products and the means to deliver them in an environment of rapid technological change. Attracting new authors and professional societies, while retaining our existing business relationships, are also critical to our success.

Investments

Another risk facing the Company is that its investments do not perform well. This could subsequently impact the investment value held with impairment becoming necessary.

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Credit risk

Cash for journal subscriptions is generally collected in advance by the subscription agents and is principally remitted to the Company between the months of December and March. Although at fiscal year-end the Company had minimal credit risk exposure to these agents, future calendar-year subscription receipts from these agents are highly dependent on their financial condition and liquidity. Outside of journal subscription-based customers, the Company ensures appropriate credit checks are carried out on potential customers before sales are made.

Liquidity risk

Changes in global financial markets have not had, nor do we anticipate they will have, a significant impact on our liquidity. Due to our significant operating cash flow, financial assets, access to capital markets and available lines of credit, we continue to believe that we have the ability to meet our financing needs for the foreseeable future.

Exchange rate risk

As the Company has multi-currency trading, results are exposed to foreign currency exchange rate volatility. The Company has strategically realigned its collections process so that there is reduced exposure to the US dollar. The Company cannot predict with certainty changes in currency rates affecting its business but there are opportunities for natural hedging to reduce this risk.

Business transformation and restructuring

The Company continues its program to restructure and realign its cost base with current and anticipated future market conditions. The Company's ability to achieve the anticipated cost savings and other benefits from these actions within the expected timeframe is subject to many estimates and assumptions. If these estimates and assumptions are incorrect, if delays are experienced, or if other unforeseen events occur, the business and results of operations could be adversely affected.

Outsourcing of business processes

The Company has outsourced certain business functions, principally in technology, content management and certain transactional functions to third-party service providers to achieve cost savings and efficiencies. If these third-party service providers do not perform effectively, the Company may not be able to achieve the expected cost savings and depending on the function involved, may experience disruption or processing inefficiencies, all with potential adverse effects on the Company's operating results.

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Going concern

Given net current liabilities of £81.7m, a loss for the year of £7.0m, cash of £6.0m at 30 April 2023 and impairment of investments during the year of £135m, the directors have undertaken a going concern review for the entity and have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis which the directors consider to be appropriate for the following reasons.

The Company is dependent on John Wiley & Sons Inc. ('the Parent') in providing ongoing financial support for the period of at least 12 months from signing of the financial statements. The Parent has confirmed that it will continue to make funds available as are needed by the Company for at least 12 months from date of signing the financial statements. It is the Parent company's intent to continue to support the UK market as demonstrated through the UK business performance and the acquisitions by the Company (see note 17).

The directors have therefore assessed John Wiley & Sons Inc's ('parent'), intent, ability and economic rationale to provide support for a period of 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The directors have assessed the cashflow forecasts of the Parent for the period which indicate that the Parent company will have sufficient funds, through its cash in hand and undrawn revolving credit facilities to support John Wiley & Sons Limited, the cash position at 31 October 2023 was \$83m and there have been no significant changes since that date. Based on the above assessment the directors are confident that with this support the Company will be able to meet its liabilities as they fall due. As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no absolute certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so.

Consequently, the directors are confident that the Company will have sufficient funds to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Future developments

Looking ahead, the Company sees good opportunities for innovation and growth at the nexus of technological, demographic and market forces. The Company plans to capitalise on these opportunities through new interactions with customers.

Our business is becoming more customer-centric, more flexible and more dynamic in its interactions with the constituencies it serves. Enabled by technology and the creativity of our colleagues, the Company is providing more access to more content to more people than ever before in its history. Our publishing has certainly evolved, but its core values still endure, providing a strong foundation for future growth and prosperity.

Stakeholder engagement

The likely consequences of any decision in the long term

Section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 requires Directors to have regard to wider stakeholder needs when supporting decisions and promoting the long-term success of the Company. While fulfilling this role, we strive to build lasting, collaborative relationships with all our stakeholders. We are dedicated to sustaining Wiley's performance-driven culture, which requires our unwavering commitment to the highest standard of ethical behaviour and integrity in everything we do.

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The interests of the Company's employees

Wiley aims to attract, develop, and retain talented and qualified colleagues. A career framework is in place and encourages development plans for all levels of staff and fosters a mindset of continuous improvement. Employees objectives are aligned to the Company's global objectives and regular communications take place to report on the year's strategies and performance to date. Employees are given regular opportunities to provide feedback on matters such as communication and our current virtual working environment. Results from such surveys are reviewed and reported and strategies considered for any improvements required. A staff forum group is also established for staff to utilise.

The need to foster business relationships with suppliers, customers and others

We aim to work responsibly with our customers. The Company works to develop and innovate a broad range of learning solutions, helping our customers succeed wherever they are in their education and professional careers. We maintain highly interactive relationships with our customers such as our scholarly and professional Society partners, authors, university and academic institution partners. Our business models ensure we react to our customers changing needs so that we maintain strong mutually beneficial long-term relationships.

Wiley aspires to be a valued and respected provider of products and services that make important contributions to advances in knowledge and understanding. In that aim, we work alongside our suppliers to ensure we have comprehensive business continuity plans to protect both parties and we also ensure our vendors meet our required sustainability standards. The governance of our vendor contracts considers the impact on the wider community, the local environment and the Company's reputation and social responsibilities.

The impact of the Company's operations on the community and environment

As a truly global company with core businesses serving markets around the world and colleagues throughout offices worldwide, the Company strives to be a good neighbour. We place great value on giving back to the communities in which we live and work, as well as those we serve. Local initiatives include cycle-to-work schemes, promoting recycling initiatives and supporting charitable workdays. There is also support for fund-raising activities initiated by our staff community groups and a budget provided to contribute to their fund-raising activities.

The desirability to maintain high standards of business conduct

The Company recognises its responsibility to assess and ensure our desired culture is embedded in the values, attitudes and behaviours of our colleagues. The Board promotes adherence to our Wiley Code of Conduct, Ethics training and its Modern Slavery statement to ensure high standards are maintained both internally and with the business relationships we maintain.

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The need to act fairly between members of the company

We recognise members as being stakeholders. We maintain regular dialogue with members, keeping them abreast of significant developments.

The above measures demonstrate the Directors are aware of their responsibility to promote the success of the Company in accordance with section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 and reviewing our principal stakeholders and how we have due regard for their interests.

Approved by the Board on 9 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



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Rosamund Johnson
Director

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Directors' Report for the Year Ended 30 April 2023

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2023.

Directors and Secretary of the Company

The directors, who held office during the year and in the subsequent period to date, except where indicated, were as follows:

Rosamund Johnson

Benjamin Wardleworth

Christina Van Tassell

Philip Kisray (resigned 1 May 2022)

On 19 January 2023, Caroline McPhee resigned as Company Secretary and was replaced by Lauryn Coyle-Parsons.

Dividends

Dividends of £57m were paid during the year (2022: £nil).

Political and charitable donations

The company contributed £6k (2022: £32k) to charities during the year. There were no contributions made to political parties during the year (2022: nil).

Important non-adjusting events after the financial period

On 11 October 2023 the Company paid a dividend of £3.9m to its immediate parent company, Wiley Heyden Limited.

In January 2024, the Company entered into a definitive agreement to dispose its holding in the MThree Group of Companies for an estimated total consideration of \$41m.

There were no other significant events since the end of the financial year.

Employment of disabled persons

Applications for employment of disabled persons are always fully considered, bearing in mind the aptitudes of the applicant concerned. In the event of staff becoming disabled, every effort is made to ensure that their employment with the Company continues and that appropriate training is arranged. It is the policy of the Company that the training, career development and promotion of disabled persons should, as far as possible, be identical with that of other employees.

Employee involvement

The Company places considerable value on the involvement of its employees and has continued its practice of keeping them informed of matters affecting them as employees and on the various factors affecting the performance of the Company. This is achieved through formal and informal meetings. Employees are consulted regularly on a wide range of matters affecting their current and future interests.

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Climate-Related Financial Disclosures

Introduction

John Wiley & Sons Limited (The Company) is captured under the Companies (Strategic Report) (Climate-related Financial Disclosure) Regulations 2022 under UK Companies Act 2006. The Company is a UK subsidiary of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (Corporate) in the US. All governance procedures, climate risk management processes, and target setting are effectively managed and aligned with the overarching responsibilities of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Hereafter, any mentions of the Corporate Board (Board) refer to John Wiley & Sons, Inc.'s Board, management and processes also refer to that of Corporate. Corporate and The Company believe that environmental responsibility is essential to its operations and actively work to reduce its environmental impact.

All information as reflected throughout this disclosure is as of Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23) status. However, note in November of Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24), executive responsibility of all environmental, social and governance reporting (ESG) will move to the Executive Vice President, Chief People Officer (CPO) due to a group-wide reorganization. Corporate is committed to conducting our business responsibly and we are pleased to present this report outlining our efforts in addressing the challenges and opportunities associated with climate change. This document serves as a condensed overview of our standalone TCFD report, accessible on our website, where further information on our processes and actions can be found.

Governance - Ensuring accountability and responsibility for climate-related risks

Board level oversight

The business of a New York corporation is managed under the direction of its board of directors. The Board delegates the day-to-day management of the organisation and appoints the Corporate President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), who administer and implement the policies and decisions of Corporate and see that all resolutions of the Board are carried into effect. The CEO has designated executive responsibility of ESG, including the management of climate-related risks and opportunities, to the Executive Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer (CMO). The Board is updated on ESG initiatives and progress, including those pertaining to climate change, in Corporate's Enterprise Report at least quarterly during its formal Board meetings. Over the next fiscal year, we aim to enhance our internal capacity and skills through educational workshops to develop the knowledge of our Board members and Senior Management in relation to climate change and the impact of its associated risks and opportunities.

In FY23, the Board approved John Wiley and Sons Inc.'s commitment to set science-based targets and goal to be net-zero by 2040 for Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions. The Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) defines "net-zero" as a 90% absolute reduction in emissions and offsetting the residual 10%. Further details can be found throughout this document.

Corporate Committee responsibility

The Committees of the Corporate Board have codified in their committee charters the areas of oversight of which they are responsible.

The Corporate Governance Committee

The Corporate Governance Committee oversees ESG planning, strategy, and the identification of qualified directors and establishes and maintains the governance framework of the Board, including facilitating the Board's self-evaluation, maintaining its governance principles, and periodically reviewing its corporate governance practices to identify opportunities for enhancement. The Governance Committee also oversees director education, including ESG-related Board training, and oversees Board governance, including Board independence, diversity, and structure.

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The Governance Committee has the responsibility of overseeing management's process for identifying the strategically significant ESG-related areas that are material to the business. The Governance Committee also has the responsibility of ensuring that the Board has the appropriate structure and processes to oversee ESG matters.

The Corporate Audit Committee

The Corporate Audit Committee of the Board has oversight responsibility of Corporate's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, which includes periodically reviewing climate-related disclosures, controls, and procedures, as well as any associated or emerging risks and the impact they have on the wider corporation.

The Audit Committee also has oversight responsibility of management's enterprise risk management (ERM) process that identifies, assesses, and monitors risks to the business. As part of the ERM process, the individual risk "climate issues" was determined to be a low risk in Corporate's risk profile. However, to ensure management of climate risks and opportunities develops following best practices, management is in the process of mirroring existing ERM practices to further identify, assess and manage climate-related risks and opportunities in a standalone approach (referred to as the Climate Risk Management Framework).

As part of management's build of the Climate Risk Management Framework, the appropriate oversight responsibility for climate-related risks and opportunities by a Board-level committee will be further defined in FY24 to ensure they are monitored effectively.

Management's role

We take ESG seriously and have invested time and resources into building our ESG Strategy throughout FY23. Corporate developed an internal ESG Team with resources dedicated to overseeing Corporate's ESG reporting and compliance with current and emerging regulations. Furthermore, in January 2023, Corporate finalised its net-zero strategy to support our decarbonisation efforts, aligned with the Paris Agreement to limit global warming to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels.

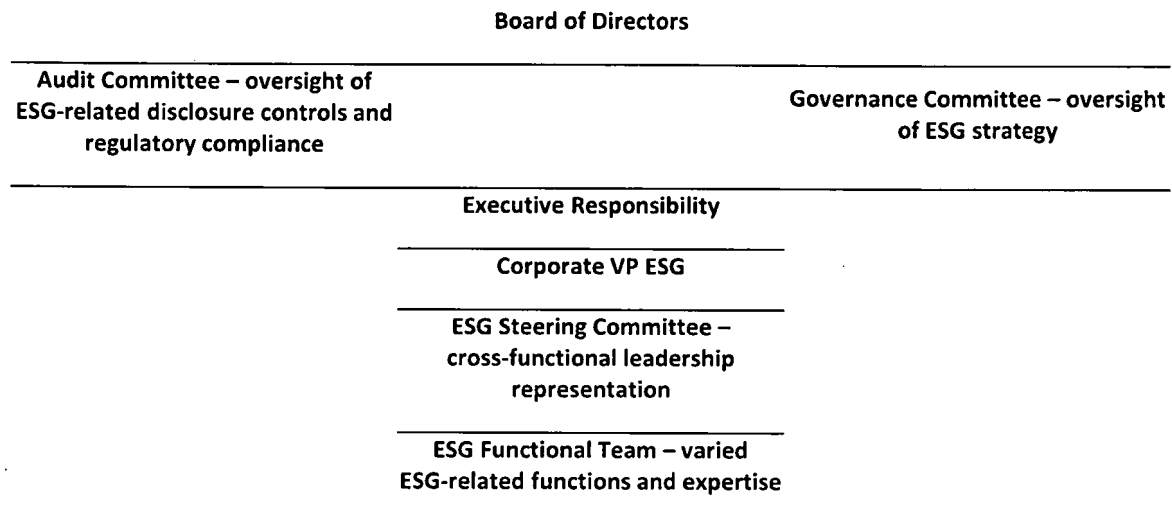
The CEO has delegated the responsibility for assessing and managing day-to-day ESG strategy to our Executive Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer (CMO). As such, the Executive Vice President, CMO is responsible for ensuring Corporate (and therefore The Company) appropriately identifies, assesses, and manages climate-related risks and opportunities. The Corporate VP of ESG, who reports to the CMO, oversees the aggregation and assessment of climate-related risks and coordinates the management and mitigation of these risks in the relevant departments. The Corporate VP for ESG will receive support from related functional leaders who will actively engage in the mitigation planning process. Management has established an ESG Steering Committee which is responsible for confirming the strategy and approach to ESG-related priorities, including climate change. The Steering Committee reviews internal roadmaps and risks. It comprises of Senior Management from across core business functions.

Over the next financial year, Corporate plans to build upon its existing knowledge to enhance internal capacity and skills, through direct engagement and educational workshops, in an effort to further develop the knowledge of the Board members, relevant committees, and Senior Management in relation to climate change and the impact of its associated risks and opportunities.

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Figure 1: How Corporate governs ESG



Risk management - Developing a climate risk management framework

Corporate's ERM program identifies, rates, and monitors risks to the business using an impact criteria matrix with five financial impact segments:

1. Extreme >\$100million
2. Major \$50-100million
3. Significant \$20-50million
4. Moderate \$5-20million
5. Minor <\$5million - any risk rated as minor (<\$5million) are classified as a low risk to the business.

We will continue to refine and develop our risk thresholds as we advance Corporate's overarching ESG strategy and enhance the Climate Risk Management Framework, to define any emerging and principal climate-related risks to the business.

Risks are then mapped across the matrix with two axes: horizontally the impact and vertically the % of likelihood that the risk will materialize. Our risks include those that impact the Enterprise, specific businesses, and specific sections of our operating infrastructure. Quarterly, the VP of Internal Audit reviews each risk with the assigned owner and makes the necessary updates to the risk scores, impact, and likelihood, as well as identifying any new emerging risks. The updates to the ERM risk landscape are subsequently reviewed quarterly with the Executive Leadership Team. Additionally, the VP of Internal Audit quarterly provides the Audit Committee and Board an update on any changes to the risk landscape with a focus on the high-priority risks, their risk mitigation strategies, and key performance indicators.

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Informed by the cumulative and specific climate risks reviewed in the Climate Risk Workshop, "climate issues" was determined to be a low priority risk in Corporate's risk profile. This was defined as: "Impact of climate issues, such as extreme weather events, rising temperatures, sea-level rise, and changing precipitation patterns, which can lead to physical, regulatory, and reputational challenges for the organisation, affecting its operations, supply chain, assets, and stakeholder perception."

In FY24, a new element will be introduced where the inherent risk score (impact x (likelihood + velocity (time to impact))), will be categorised into high, medium, and low priority risks. These designations will be used to trigger reporting requirements to the Board and Audit Committee. While they will see all risks, the ERM focus with the Audit Committee will be on the high priority risks, which will require management to provide risk mitigation strategies and KPIs.

As previously mentioned, separately we also continue to develop a standalone Climate Risk Management Framework to mitigate the Workshop's identified climate risks and opportunities and will be conducting financial modelling across all climate-related risks and opportunities in the near future. To further refine and strengthen our internal Climate Risk Management Framework, Corporate continues to work with a specialist ESG consultancy to support us in this work. Relevant physical and transitional climate-related risks were identified in FY22 through internal stakeholder engagement and data collection processes, uncovering department and site-specific information.

1. Identify - Corporate conducted an internal stakeholder engagement process, engaging with a wide range of employees across several businesses and divisions, through a series of discovery calls, around the impact of climate change. This data collection process was used to identify relevant physical and transitional climate-related risks and opportunities. Corporate conducted climate scenario analysis across 52 operational locations, with 22 of these sites falling within areas designated under The Company. Through this assessment, five transitional risks, two physical risks, and two opportunities were identified for The Company as low risks within the Climate Risk Management Framework. This process will be reoccurring on an annual basis.

2. Assess - Climate scenario analysis was conducted in October 2022 to assess the impact of each risk and opportunity identified over three warming pathways (below 2°C, 2-3°C, and above 3°C) and three-time horizons (Short-term up to - 2025, medium-term up to 2035, and long-term up to 2050). Corporate held a Climate Risk Workshop on October 31, 2022, with the ESG Team and relevant subject matter experts from across Corporate to discuss the historic and emerging impact of climate-related risks on our business. Corporate, and the related committees, will continuously assess what risks and opportunities are material to the business, by understanding what environmental and climate-related issues could have a significant impact on the company's finances, operations, and reputation.

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3. **Appraise** - Following the assessment of each risk and opportunity, Corporate identified and considered a range of risk management strategies to help manage and reduce the impacts of climate change. This specifically looks at and refers to actions and measures taken by the company to prevent and reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases and minimise environmental impact. In FY24, Corporate plans to report on its progress in implementing this program and building resilience against climate change across the business.

4. **Address** - Where appropriate, Corporate has introduced mitigation plans to reduce the risks on its business, such as setting goals and structures around risks and opportunities, also including the ongoing work we are completing with our specialist ESG consultancy. Corporate will continue to review our climate-related risks and opportunities annually and work to understand how the impacts may change. In FY24, we aim to further develop our autonomous approach to climate change risk management and introduce processes to model the financial impact of our risks.

Strategy - Building climate resilience into business strategy

Corporate has a clear strategy to create long-term value for shareholders, with continued access to knowledge and growth in the institutions, corporations, and societies that Corporate serves. The Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) framework informs its processes, ensuring its business strategy remains robust and resilient to the impacts of climate change. During FY23, Corporate engaged with various stakeholders across the business to further explore how climate-related issues might impact its business operations leveraging the TCFD framework.

Using climate scenario analysis Corporate combined both qualitative and quantitative approaches to assess the potential impacts of climate change on various facets of our environment. As per the TCFD guidance, Corporate assessed 52 global site locations across its operations, reviewing its direct operating sites. Corporate plans to extend the scope in FY24 to include supply chain. Of those locations, 22 sites sit within The Company. Several transition and physical climate-related risks and opportunities were identified and discussed alongside potential mitigation measures in a series of climate risk and net-zero thematic workshops in July and October 2022.

Climate scenarios

Climate scenarios present feasible models of future climate and how it may change over time to assess the potential impact. As per the TCFD guidance and with the help of consultants, Corporate assessed the potential operating, and where possible financial, impacts of each risk and opportunity using three warming pathways over the short, medium, and long-term. The short-term time horizon aligns with Corporate's immediate budget and forecasting up-to-2025. The medium-term time horizon up-to-2035 is 5-years from the 2040 value chain net-zero target. And the long-term time horizon aligns with the global 2050 net-zero targets. To develop these scenarios, Corporate used the below globally recognised established models including the IPCC's Representative Concentration Pathways (RCPs), the IEA's World Energy Models (WEM), and the Shared Socioeconomic Pathways (SSPs): Climate natural catastrophe damage model, CORDEX regional climate projections, and Integrated Assessment Models ("IAM").

Blending these datasets provides Corporate with information on how energy, emissions, society, demographics, and economics may alter in reaction to climate change. The scenarios Corporate used are only potential pathways and do not represent a definite future. They provide the basis for considering transition and physical risks and opportunities from climate change.

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Corporate developed the scenarios to reflect the short-, medium-, and long-term impacts of climate change and to align with the UK 2050 Net-Zero target. Existing mitigation measures were reviewed, such as the investment in technology and engaging with suppliers via a survey to ensure they were aligned to Corporate's sustainability values and to reduce overall energy consumption while decreasing associated GHG emissions. This is an ongoing process, and Corporate is continuously working to enhance climate risk management procedures.

Corporate used the following scenarios and time horizons to understand its vulnerability to the impacts of climate change and how they vary over time.

Scenario warming pathways

Below 2°C Scenario:

Organisations adhere to a coordinated and orderly transition to a low-carbon economy, aligning closely with the Paris Agreement and Science Based Targets Initiative to be net-zero by 2050. Governments coordinate to implement firm policies and regulations to reduce carbon emissions. Each business strives to lead the way in climate action to reduce emissions. This organised approach to taking climate action results in a well-structured process at an incremental cost to businesses. Although transition risks are high in this scenario, this will limit the severity of the physical hazards of climate change in the long-term.

Between 2-3°C Scenario:

Current global pledges will likely lead to a 2.7°C scenario. This scenario predicts a delayed response to climate change, leading to policies being introduced in an uncoordinated approach to reduce global emissions. Business continues as normal in the short term, but the delayed response, results in the highest levels of transitional risks within the medium term and some physical risk due to the limited action. Only the most committed businesses will take serious action, and governments will rely heavily on technology to reduce the effects of climate change.

Above 3°C Scenario:

In this scenario, limited climate action is taken, business continues as normal, and global emissions continue to rise until 2040, leading to a global temperature rise above 3°C. The rise in temperatures and subsequent physical risks will eventually apply pressure on governments and organisations to act, leading to policies being introduced in the long term, accompanied by the highest levels of physical risk, due to several tipping points being surpassed.

Time horizons

Short-term: up to -2025

Medium-term: up to -2035

Long-term: up to -2050

Eight climate indicators were considered as a part of Corporate's climate modelling for each site. The climate modelling considered the transition risks facing Corporate and the physical risks at both the global and subsidiary levels. The physical risks were then amalgamated into overarching physical risk categories at the Corporate level, to help understand their overall impact.

Climate-related risks and opportunities

The risks and opportunities of climate change to The Company are considered under two areas: those affecting direct business operations and those impacting upstream operations.

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Table 1: Summary of climate-related transition and physical risks on direct and upstream operations

Climate-related risk	Timeline /Scenario	Climate risk category	Impact description
Climate-related transition risks			
Current regulation Enhanced emissions-reporting obligations	Short-term <2 degrees	Direct operations	The Company is already impacted by UK Government regulation which has been introduced to reduce energy use and emissions including UK Energy Saving Opportunity Scheme (ESOS), Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (SECR), resulting in an increase in labour resource and reporting costs for Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) and Taskforce for Climate-related Financial Disclosure (TCFD).
Emerging regulation* Enhanced emissions-reporting obligations	Short-term <2 degrees	Direct operations	As the world aims to transition to a decarbonised economy, enhanced regulation may be introduced over time. The costs and resources required to ensure The Company remains compliant with additional reporting and to manage internal initiatives is likely to increase. We are actively monitoring forthcoming regulations, including the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) reporting requirements .
Current regulation Mandates on and regulation of existing products and services	Short-term <2 degrees	Direct operations	The Company is subject to increased regulation on plastics and packaging, and these regulations are likely to increase. For example, from the 1st April 2022, organisations that manufacture or import ten or more tonnes of finished plastic packaging material will need to register for the Plastic Packaging Tax. If this packaging does not contain at least 30% recycled plastic, the organisation will be charged at a rate of £210.82 per tonne.
Market uncertainty in market signals	Medium term 2/3 degrees	Direct operations	The Company is already impacted by rising prices of energy and materials. This impact is likely to increase over time and across the different scenarios. Supply chain disruptions and increased costs have also already impacted the business. Paper costs and availability have stabilised in 2023 but uncertainty in the marketplace remains.

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Reputation Increased stakeholder concern or negative stakeholder feedback	Medium term 2/3 degrees	Direct operations	With the increasing importance of ESG, stakeholder concern for the organisation's part in helping the environment is likely to increase. Failing to communicate how The Company will proactively reduce its environmental impact could result in lower interest from investors.
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Climate-related physical risks

Acute physical Storm (including, flooding, heatwaves)	Long-term	Upstream	Extreme weather conditions may increase production costs or cause supply chain disruptions, but they are not likely to permanently disrupt the ability to make products because of the number of different geographies where The Company has print partners. As this is ongoing, the Company does not yet have financial figures and aims to model the impact of this risk over time.
Chronic physical Changing temperature (air, freshwater, marine water)	Long-term	Direct operations	Climate change may result in rising mean temperatures which will lead to a higher demand for cooling. Energy costs may rise as sites require additional cooling to maintain optimum temperatures for staff and operations. Staff wellbeing may be impacted if adequate cooling is not maintained. By installing energy efficiency technology over time to reduce energy usage, The Company will mitigate the risk of rising energy prices.

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Table 2: Summary of climate-related opportunities on direct operations

Climate-related opportunity	Timeline / Magnitude of impact	Climate opportunity category	Opportunity description
Resource efficiency	Medium-term Impact: Medium	Direct operations	Investing in energy efficient, lower emissions technology will reduce energy costs and result in a payback over time. Capitalising on this opportunity will also lower carbon emissions and support The Company on its journey to net-zero. As this is ongoing, The Company does not have the financial figure to gauge the impact of this opportunity and aims to explore the practicalities of this over time.
Products and services	Medium-term Impact: Medium	Direct operations	By investing in lower emissions products, The Company can achieve its climate targets and remain competitive in the market. The Company recognises that customer preferences are shifting as customers move towards more sustainable choices. Digital products and services generated approximately 85% of revenue for FY23. The Company has invested in technology and widened the range of digital products available to its customers over time, including moving select journals entirely online.

Metrics & Targets - Measuring and managing our impact

Corporate uses a range of metrics to measure and understand its impact and to manage climate-related risks and opportunities, including full Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions. To date, Corporate has partnered with external third-party specialists to support Corporate on this journey, by helping expand and improve data collection processes.

Reducing impact

Corporate is committed to reducing its impact on the environment. This commitment can be demonstrated by areas of Corporate's business strategy and financial planning, which have already been influenced by climate-related risks and opportunities.

The below illustrates our initial stage in establishing metrics and targets for clarity and measurability, to manage Corporate's, and therefore, The Company's, identified risks and opportunities. We will continue to refine and develop metrics and targets as we advance Corporate's overarching ESG strategy and enhance the Climate Risk Management Framework.

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Table 3: Mapping climate-related risks to metrics and targets

Climate-related risk	Metrics and targets
Enhanced emissions reporting obligations	<p>Corporate has had its near-term and long-term net-zero targets validated by the SBTi. Corporate's overall net-zero target commits to reach net-zero greenhouse gas emissions across the value chain by FY40 from a FY20 base year.</p> <p>Near-term targets: Corporate commits to reduce absolute scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions 50% by FY30 from a FY20 base year. Corporate commits to reduce absolute scope 3 GHG emissions from purchased goods and services and business travel by 50% within the same timeframe.</p> <p>Long-term targets: Corporate commits to reduce absolute scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions 90% by FY40 from a FY20 base year.</p> <p>Conducting a comprehensive greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory for Corporate on an annual basis.</p> <p>The Company also submits reports in accordance with UK SECR requirements.</p>
Mandates on regulation of existing products and services. Uncertainty in market signals	<p>Corporate has introduced initiatives to manage its impact across the areas of paper, waste, supply chain, and sustainable products. Corporate will continue to report on its progress across these indicators annually.</p> <p>Over the past two financial years, Corporate has reduced its print journals and magazines by nearly 1.2 million copies and taken additional measures to remove polybags from its distribution process by transitioning batches of titles to paper packaging in the UK and Germany. Corporate is striving to continue progress within this area and is constantly analysing and reviewing solutions.</p>
Reputation: Increased stakeholder concern or negative stakeholder feedback	<p>In January 2023, Corporate finalised its net-zero strategy to support the transition to net-zero.</p> <p>Corporate has invested in technology and widened the range of digital products available to its customers.</p>

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	<p>Corporate is committed to contributing to a circular economy that recovers and regenerates products and materials at the end of each service life. Wiley's Paper Selection and Use Policy upholds high environmental standards set out by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI), and Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC).</p>
Acute physical: Storm (including blizzards, dust, and sandstorms)	<p>Corporate currently has continuity plans in effect to manage acute physical risks and is actively working on further enhancing these processes to strengthen resilience against such risks in the future. Corporate engages regularly with its suppliers. Because approximately 98% of its paper is purchased through its printing partners, less than 2% is purchased directly through merchants from paper mills. Working with its print partners, Corporate enters long-term contracts so it can commit to the mills producing the paper required. This also enables Corporate to spread out its paper sourcing and lock in prices for periods of time.</p>
Chronic physical: Changing temperature (air, freshwater, marine water)	<p>At present, we have not established a metric or target to gauge the impact of this risk. However, our goal for the next financial year is to formulate metrics and targets through financial modelling which will contribute to the formulation of metrics and targets for this identified risk.</p> <p>By further installing energy efficiency technology over time to reduce our energy usage, we will mitigate the risk of rising energy prices.</p>
Climate-related opportunities	Metrics and targets
Resource efficiency	<p>Corporate has invested in technology and widened the range of digital products available to its customers. Wiley Online Library and Print-on-Demand services ensure that Corporate is reducing paper products and offering its widening customer base lower emission alternatives. In the FY23, around 85% of revenue was derived from digital products and services.</p> <p>Investing in energy efficient, lower emissions technology within The Company will reduce our energy costs and result in a payback over time. Capitalising on this opportunity will also lower our carbon emissions and support us on our journey to net-zero.</p>

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Products and services

Corporate conducted site surveys to identify energy saving opportunities and is currently implementing these across its business. Corporate is committed to operating sustainably and has introduced initiatives to reduce the environmental impact of its products by reducing the number of books, journals, and magazines that it prints and reducing waste production.

Corporate engages with its printing partners to ensure they use specific grades of paper that meet our quality and environmental standards. Corporate expects our printers use forestry management companies with a demonstrated and documented commitment to sustainability.

GHG emissions reporting

The Company has calculated its FY23 Scope 1 and 2 emissions in line with the internationally recognised GHG Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (revised edition). Scope 1 and 2 emissions include all sites within the UK and any other global sites registered under the reporting entity (Figure 2). The operational control consolidation approach was used to define the organisational boundary, in line with parent company John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

Under UK Government regulations, The Company is required to report its Scope 1, 2, and partial Scope 3 (grey fleet) emissions in line with the Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (SECR) policy. As a large, unquoted company John Wiley & Sons Ltd. only needs to report UK energy use (Figure 4).

There is a discrepancy between the emissions stated in Figure 2 and Figure 4 because Figure 2 includes all John Wiley & Sons Limited's sites (globally) and Figure 4 only includes UK sites. In addition, SECR requires businesses to report their Scope 3 (grey fleet) emissions, which have been calculated for UK sites but not at entity level for sites outside of the UK.

FY23 full scope emissions have been calculated at the Corporate level (John Wiley & Sons, Inc.) and can be viewed within John Wiley & Sons, Inc.'s publicly available TCFD report, alongside details of the methodology behind calculations. Corporate has overall responsibility for decarbonising Scope 3 across all entities, therefore it has not been deemed relevant to sub-divide Scope 3 emissions based on reporting entity. Net-zero targets have also been calculated and validated by the SBTi at the Corporate level, therefore Corporate is responsible for calculating Scope 3 emissions and tracking progress against targets.

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Figure 2: John Wiley & Sons Limited FY23 and baseline (FY20) Scope 1 & 2 Emissions

Emissions Scope	GHG Inventory FY23 (tCO ₂ e)	GHG Inventory Baseline year FY20 (tCO ₂ e)	% change
Scope 1	773	903	-14%
Natural Gas	647	812	-20%
Diesel	3	4	-25%
District Heating	75	-	-
F-Gas	14	45	-69%
Transportation (excluding grey fleet)	34	42	-19%
Scope 2 (location-based)	905	1,772	-49%
Scope 2 (market-based)	375	735	-49%
Total Emissions Scope 1&2 (location-based) (tCO ₂ e)	1,678	2,675	-37%
Total Emissions Scope 1&2 (market-based) (tCO ₂ e)	1,148	1,638	-30%

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Streamlined Energy & Carbon Reporting (SECR)

The following figures show the consumption and associated emissions for this reporting year for our operations throughout the UK, with figures from the previous reporting period included for comparison.

Scope 1 consumption and emissions include direct combustion of natural gas, and fuels utilised for transportation operations, for example, company vehicle fleets.

Scope 2 consumption and emissions refer to indirect emissions related to the consumption of purchased electricity in day-to-day business operations.

Scope 3 consumption and emissions cover emissions resulting from sources not directly owned by us. This relates to grey fleet (business travel undertaken in employee-owned vehicles) only.

Scope 2 emissions reported within SECR have been calculated on a location-basis, in line with policy guidance. Corporate's net-zero targets have been calculated using market-based Scope 2 data, therefore both location and market-based Scope 2 emissions have been reported in other sections of this report.

Figure 3: John Wiley & Sons Limited UK emissions intensity metric

Intensity metric	FY23	FY22	% change
Scope 1, Scope 2 (location-based) and Scope 3 (transportation) tCO ₂ e per £m Turnover	2.58	2.96	-12.90%

Figure 4: John Wiley & Sons Limited UK total energy consumption (kWh)

Utility and Scope	FY23 Consumption (kWh)	FY22 Consumption (kWh)
Scope 1 total	3,316,984	2,934,452
Gaseous and other fuels	3,300,781	2,934,452
Transportation	16,203	-
Scope 2 total	2,994,763	2,742,128
Grid-supplied electricity	2,994,717	2,742,128
Transportation	46	-
Scope 3 total	78,889	93,580
Transportation	78,889	93,580
Total	6,390,636	5,770,160

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Figure 5: John Wiley & Sons Limited UK total location-based emissions (tCO₂e)

Utility and Scope	FY23 Consumption (tCO ₂ e) Location-based	FY22 Consumption (tCO ₂ e) Location-based
Scope 1 total	607	479
Gaseous and other fuels	603.19*	479
Transportation	4	-
Scope 2 total	579	582
Grid-supplied electricity	579	582
Transportation	-	-
Scope 3 total	18	23
Transportation	18	23
Total	1,204	1,084

*FY23 natural gas increase is largely from landlord-managed sites, which are calculated using estimates due to limited availability of actual consumption information. All Wiley-managed sites decreased their energy consumption over FY23.

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Energy efficiency narrative

We are committed to year-on-year improvements in our operational energy efficiency. A register of energy efficiency measures has been compiled, with a view to implementing these measures in the next five years.

Measures ongoing and undertaken through FY23

Oxford:

- Lighting - Reduced the run time of the LED lighting and ensured the high-level lighting turned off out of hours.
- Lift lighting - Lift lighting has been upgraded to LEDs.
- External lighting - External lighting is being upgraded to LED when each fixture fails.

Bognor:

- Electricity - In FY23 we saved 50,422.7 kWh (2.9%) of electricity compared to FY22. This was through a new air conditioning rationalisation system in New Era House. This prevented consumption during weekends when the offices were closed. We have serviced the air conditioning units, so they operate more efficiently.
- Gas - In FY23 we saved 440,888 kWh (25.85%) of gas compared to FY22. This was through a rationalisation of the time clocks on the large gas heaters in the EDC. We removed the previous manual controls and we set time profiles that reflected business use and needs. We set the time clocks for the 3 x boilers running the heating to reflect business requirements.

Chichester:

- Electricity - In FY23 we saved 1,370 kWh (0.41%) compared to FY22. This reduced consumption was primarily driven by making adjustment to the BMS controls.
- Gas - In FY23, we used 2,097 kWh more gas compared with FY22 (an increase of 7.72%). The increase in consumption in part is due to an increase in catering activities.

Measures prioritised for implementation in FY24

The Global Real Estate and Facilities Teams have been tasked with forming committees and creating energy reduction strategies for utilities. Plans are currently in the early stages of development, but we aim to formalise them in due course.

John Wiley & Sons Limited reporting methodology

All Scope 1, 2, and 3 (grey fleet) CO₂e emissions have been calculated using the GHG Protocol - A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (World Business Council for Sustainable Development and World Resources Institute, 2004); Greenhouse Gas Protocol - Scope 2 Guidance (World Resources Institute, 2015); ISO 14064-1 and ISO 14064-2 (ISO, 2018; ISO, 2019a); Environmental Reporting Guidelines: Including Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting Guidance (HM Government, 2019).

UK Government Emissions Factor Database 2022 version 1 has been used for UK assets, utilising the published kWh gross calorific value (CV) and kgCO₂e emissions factors relevant for reporting period 01/05/2022 - 30/04/2023. For sites outside of the UK, relevant country-specific databases were used. In the absence of country-specific factors, the UK was used as a proxy.

Actual consumption data was gathered from sites that manage and monitor their usage. Estimations were undertaken to cover missing billing periods for properties directly invoiced to John Wiley & Sons Limited. These were calculated on a kWh/day pro-rata basis at the meter level.

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For smaller sites that do not collect data and properties where John Wiley & Sons Limited is indirectly responsible for utilities (i.e., via a landlord or service charge), an average kWh/sq. ft consumption was calculated at meter level and was applied to the properties that were missing consumption data.

Disclosure of information to the auditors

The directors believe that they have taken all steps necessary to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and have established that the company's statutory auditor is aware of that information. In so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's statutory auditor is unaware.

Appointment of auditors

Subsequent to the year end, KPMG Chartered Accountants were not reappointed auditors pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on 9 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Rosamund Johnson
Director

John Wiley & Sons Limited

Statement of Directors Responsibilities in respect of the Directors Report, Strategic Report and Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report, strategic report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework.

Under Company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that year.

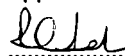
In preparing the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- assess the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are responsible for such internal controls as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the Board on 9 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Rosamund Johnson
Director



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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of John Wiley & Sons Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of John Wiley & Sons Limited ('the Company') for the year ended April 30, 2023 set out on pages 30 to 88, which comprise the profit and loss Account, statement of comprehensive income, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and related notes, including the summary of significant accounting policies set out in note 2.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is UK Law and FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework.

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at April 30, 2023 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework issued by the UK's Financial Reporting Council; and
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council (FRC)'s Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

The directors have prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis as they do not intend to liquidate the Company or to cease its operations, and as they have concluded that the Company's financial position means that this is realistic. They have also concluded that there are no material uncertainties that could have cast significant doubt over its ability to continue as a going concern for at least a year from the date of approval of the financial statements ("the going concern period").

In our evaluation of the directors' conclusions, we considered the inherent risks to the Company's business model and analysed how those risks might affect the Company's financial resources or ability to continue operations over the going concern period.



Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of John Wiley & Sons Limited *(continued)*

Report on the audit of the financial statements *(continued)*

Conclusions relating to going concern *(continued)*

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate. Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the absence of reference to a material uncertainty in this auditor's report is not a guarantee that the Company will continue in operation.

Detecting irregularities including fraud

We identified the areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and risks of material misstatement due to fraud, using our understanding of the entity's industry, regulatory environment and other external factors and inquiry with the directors. In addition, our risk assessment procedures included: inquiring with the directors as to the Company's policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations and prevention and detection of fraud; inquiring whether the directors have knowledge of any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws or regulations or alleged fraud; inspecting the Company's regulatory and legal correspondence; and reading Board minutes.

We discussed identified laws and regulations, fraud risk factors and the need to remain alert among the audit team.

The Company is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including companies and financial reporting legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items, including assessing the financial statement disclosures and agreeing them to supporting documentation when necessary.

The Company is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these non-direct laws and regulations to inquiry of the directors and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. These limited procedures did not identify actual or suspected non-compliance.

We assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls and the risk of fraudulent revenue recognition. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.



Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of John Wiley & Sons Limited *(continued)*

Report on the audit of the financial statements *(continued)*

Detecting irregularities including fraud (continued)

In response to risk of fraud, we also performed procedures including: identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation; evaluating the business purpose of significant unusual transactions; assessing significant accounting estimates for bias; and assessing the disclosures in the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information presented in the Annual Report together with the financial statements. The other information comprises the information included in the strategic report and the directors' report. The financial statements and our auditor's report thereon do not comprise part of the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except as explicitly stated below, any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work we have not identified material misstatements in the other information.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

Based solely on our work on the other information undertaken during the course of the audit:

- we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report or the strategic report;
- in our opinion, the information given in the directors' report and the strategic report is consistent with the financial statements;
- in our opinion, the directors' report and the strategic report have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

We have nothing to report in these respects.



Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of John Wiley & Sons Limited (*continued*)

Respective responsibilities and restrictions on use

Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 25, the directors are responsible for: the preparation of the financial statements including being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud, other irregularities or error, and to issue an opinion in an auditor's report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud, other irregularities or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on the FRC's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities.

The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

Our report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Laurence May (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of
KPMG, Statutory Auditor
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February 9, 2024

John Wiley & Sons Limited

Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 30 April 2023

	Note	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Turnover	4	375,474	367,924
Cost of sales		<u>(147,092)</u>	<u>(153,250)</u>
Gross profit		228,382	214,674
Distribution costs		(10,594)	(8,805)
Administrative expenses		(57,438)	(51,152)
Selling and marketing		(15,873)	(13,640)
Editorial costs		(42,916)	(40,001)
Other operating income	6	<u>639</u>	<u>697</u>
Operating profit	7	<u>102,200</u>	<u>101,773</u>
Income from shares in group undertakings		49,078	10,253
Interest receivable and similar income	8	4,116	3,148
Interest payable and similar expenses	9	(7,175)	(5,856)
Amounts written back/(off) investments	17	<u>(135,014)</u>	<u>12,878</u>
		<u>(88,995)</u>	<u>20,423</u>
Profit before tax		13,205	122,196
Tax on profit	12	<u>(20,186)</u>	<u>(17,252)</u>
(Loss)/profit for the year		<u>(6,981)</u>	<u>104,944</u>

The above results were derived from continuing operations.

The notes on pages 34 to 88 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 30 April 2023

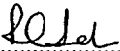
	Note	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
(Loss)/profit for the year		<u>(6,981)</u>	<u>104,944</u>
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Actuarial gain or loss on defined benefit pension schemes	26	315	374
Deferred tax on items that will not be recycled to profit or loss	12	(78)	(371)
Actuarial loss/gains relating to the unapproved pension scheme	26	674	405
Deferred tax attributable to actuarial (gain)/loss	12	(169)	(101)
Currency translation of subsidiary		<u>(196)</u>	<u>(156)</u>
		<u>546</u>	<u>151</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year		<u><u>(6,435)</u></u>	<u><u>105,095</u></u>

The notes on pages 34 to 88 form an integral part of these financial statements.

John Wiley & Sons Limited
Balance Sheet as at 30 April 2023 - Registration number: 00641132

	Note	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	13	18,832	22,783
Tangible assets	14	10,197	10,588
Right of use assets	15	10,164	11,816
Investment properties	16	2,179	2,242
Investments	17	352,803	535,892
		<u>394,175</u>	<u>583,321</u>
Current assets			
Stocks	18	4,446	5,484
Debtors	19	255,152	269,069
Cash at bank and in hand	20	5,951	4,232
		265,549	278,785
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	21	<u>(347,213)</u>	<u>(475,102)</u>
Net current liabilities		<u>(81,664)</u>	<u>(196,317)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		312,511	387,004
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	25	(8,215)	(10,505)
Provisions for liabilities	24	(2,041)	(1,976)
Pension liability	26	<u>(18,153)</u>	<u>(26,581)</u>
Net assets		<u>284,102</u>	<u>347,942</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital presented as equity	28	524	524
Share premium		90,930	90,930
Profit and loss account		<u>192,648</u>	<u>256,488</u>
Shareholders' funds		<u>284,102</u>	<u>347,942</u>

Approved by the Board on 9 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Rosamund Johnson
Director

The notes on pages 34 to 88 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 30 April 2023

	Share capital	Share premium	Profit and Loss Account	Total
	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000
At 1 May 2022	524	90,930	256,489	347,943
Loss for the year	-	-	(6,981)	(6,981)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	546	546
Total comprehensive income	-	-	(6,435)	(6,435)
Dividends (Note 29)	-	-	(57,406)	(57,406)
At 30 April 2023	<u>524</u>	<u>90,930</u>	<u>192,648</u>	<u>284,102</u>

	Share capital	Share premium	Profit and Loss Account	Total
	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000
At 1 May 2021	524	90,930	151,394	242,848
Profit for the year	-	-	104,944	104,944
Other comprehensive income	-	-	151	151
Total comprehensive income	-	-	105,095	105,095
At 30 April 2022	<u>524</u>	<u>90,930</u>	<u>256,489</u>	<u>347,943</u>

The notes on pages 34 to 88 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023

1 General information

John Wiley & Sons Limited (the Company) is a private company limited by share capital, incorporated and domiciled in United Kingdom.

The address of its registered office is:

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Southern Gate
Chichester
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PO19 8SQ
United Kingdom

2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Basis of preparation

These financial statements were produced in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework ("FRS 101").

In preparing these financial statements, the Company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and has set out below where advantage of the FRS 101 disclosure exemptions has been taken.

The Company's (ultimate) parent undertaking, John Wiley & Sons Inc, includes the Company in its consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of John Wiley & Sons Inc are prepared in accordance with US GAAP and are available to the public and may be obtained from John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 111 River Street, Hoboken, New Jersey 07030, USA.

Foreign currency

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the Company's functional currencies at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are retranslated to the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at that date. Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised in the profit and loss account. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

The Company's functional and presentation currency is GBP.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Measurement Convention

The financial statements are prepared on a historical cost basis. The preparation of financial statements requires management to exercise judgement in applying the Company's accounting policies. It also requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

Judgements made by the directors that have a significant effect on the financial statements and significant estimates are discussed in note 3.

Summary of disclosure exemptions

The Company is exempt by virtue of s401 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

In these financial statements, the Company has applied the exemptions available under FRS 101 in respect of the following disclosures:

1. IAS 7 Statement of cash flows and related notes;
2. Paragraph 38 of IAS 1, Presentation of financial statements' comparative information in respect of:
 - paragraph 79(a) (iv) of IAS 1 share capital and reserves;
 - paragraph 73 of IAS 16 Property, plant and equipment;
 - paragraph 118 of IAS 38 Intangible assets (reconciliations between the carrying amount at the beginning and end of the period); and
 - paragraphs 76 and 79(d) of IAS 40 Investment Property
3. IAS 24 Related party disclosures in respect of transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries;
4. Paragraph 30 and 31 of IAS 8 'Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors';
5. IAS 1.134-136 Disclosures in respect of capital management;
6. Paragraph 17 of IAS 24, 'Related party transactions' in respect of key management compensation.
7. Paragraph 110 and paragraphs 113(a), 114, 115, 118, 119(a) to (c), 120 to 127 and 129 of IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers.

As the consolidated financial statements of John Wiley & Sons Inc include the equivalent disclosures, the Company has also taken the exemptions under FRS 101 available in respect of the following disclosures:

1. IFRS 2 Share Based Payments in respect of group settled share-based payments.
2. IFRS 7 financial instruments: disclosures;
3. Paragraphs 91 to 99 of IFRS 13 'fair value measurement' (disclosure of valuation techniques and inputs used for fair value measurement of assets and liabilities);

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Going concern

Given net current liabilities of £81.7m, a loss for the year of £7.0m, cash of £6.0m at 30 April 2023 and impairment of investments during the year of £135m, the directors have undertaken a going concern review for the entity and have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis which the directors consider to be appropriate for the following reasons.

The Company is dependent on John Wiley & Sons Inc. ('the Parent') in providing ongoing financial support for the period of at least 12 months from signing of the financial statements. The Parent has confirmed that it will continue to make funds available as are needed by the Company for at least 12 months from date of signing the financial statements. It is the Parent company's intent to continue to support the UK market as demonstrated through the UK business performance and the acquisitions by the Company (see note 17).

The directors have therefore assessed John Wiley & Sons Inc's ('parent'), intent, ability and economic rationale to provide support for a period of 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The directors have assessed the cashflow forecasts of the Parent for the period which indicate that the Parent company will have sufficient funds, through its cash in hand and undrawn revolving credit facilities to support John Wiley & Sons Limited, the cash position at 31 October 2023 was \$83m and there have been no significant changes since that date. Based on the above assessment the directors are confident that with this support the Company will be able to meet its liabilities as they fall due. As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no absolute certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so.

Consequently, the directors are confident that the Company will have sufficient funds to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Changes in accounting policy

None of the standards, interpretations and amendments effective for the first time from 1 May 2022 have had a material effect on the financial statements.

The accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the previous financial year.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Revenue recognition

Recognition

Turnover represents the invoiced value, net of Value Added Tax, of goods and services provided to customers net of discounts and returns.

Our journal publishing areas provide scientific, technical, medical, and scholarly journals in both print and electronic format, as well as related content and services. Book product categories include Scientific, Technical and Medical (STM), Professional, and Education Publishing in digital and print formats through multiple channels.

Journal subscriptions

In journal subscriptions there are generally two performance obligations; a licence with a stand-ready promise to provide access to new content for one year and a perpetual licence for access to historical journal content. The transaction price consists of fixed consideration, generally collected in advance.

We allocate revenue to the stand-ready promise to provide access to new content for one year based on its observable standalone selling price which is generally the contractually stated price and the revenue for new content is recognized over one year as we have a continuous stand-ready obligation to provide the right of access to additional intellectual property. The allocation of revenue to the perpetual licenses for access to historical journal content is done using the expected cost plus a margin approach as permitted by the revenue standard. Revenue is recognized at the point in time when access to historical content is initially granted.

Licensing, Reprints, Backfiles, Other

Within licensing, the revenue derived from these contracts is primarily comprised of minimum guarantees and sales or usage-based royalty agreements. Our intellectual property is considered to be functional intellectual property. Due to the stand-ready promise to provide updates during the subscription period, which is generally an annual period, revenue for the minimum guarantee is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the agreement. For our sales or usage-based royalty agreements, we recognize revenue in the period of usage based on the amounts earned.

Reprints contracts generally contain a single performance obligation which is the delivery of printed articles. Revenue is recognized at the time of delivery of the printed articles.

For Backfiles, the performance obligation is the granting of a functional intellectual property license. Revenue is recognized at the time the functional intellectual property license is granted.

Other includes our Article Select offering, whereby we have a single performance obligation to our customers to give access to an article through the purchase of a token. The customer redeems the token for access to the article for a 24-hour period. The customer purchases the tokens with an upfront cash payment. Revenue is recognized when access to the article is provided.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Open access

Under the Author-Funded Access model, we have a signed contract with the customer that contains enforceable rights. The Author-Funded Access model in a typical model includes an over-time single performance obligation that combines a promise to host the customer's content on our open access platform, and a promise to provide an article processing charge (APC) at a discount to eligible users who are defined in the contract, in exchange for an upfront payment. Enforceable right to payment occurs over time as we fulfil our obligation to provide a discount to eligible users, as defined, on future APCs. Therefore, the upfront payment is recorded as a contract liability and revenue is recognized over time.

Books

Book sales are generally made on a returnable basis with certain restrictions. Each book is represented by an International Standard Book Number (ISBN), with each ISBN representing a performance obligation. Each ISBN has an observable stand-alone selling price. Revenue is recognised at the point when control of product transfers, which for print is upon shipment or for digital when fulfilment of the products has been rendered. We provide for estimated future returns on sales made during the year based on historical return experience and current market trends. Associated with the estimated sales return reserve, we also include a related reduction in inventory and royalty cost as a result of the expected returns.

Tax

The tax credit/expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the profit or loss account, except that a change attributable to an item of income or expense recognised as other comprehensive income is also recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted to substantively enacted by the reporting date in the countries where the company operates and generates taxable income.

Deferred tax is provided on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not provided for: the initial recognition of goodwill; the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit other than in a business combination, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilised.

Tangible assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Depreciation

Depreciation is charged on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful economic life, as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold Buildings	40 years
Leasehold Improvements	5-20% (or the life of the relevant lease)
Furniture and fixtures	10-15%
Plant & Equipment	10-33%
Motor vehicles	20-25%

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each balance sheet date.

Investment property

Investment properties are properties which are held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciations or for both. A freehold building currently held to earn rental income is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of 40 years.

Operating lease receipts are recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease, adjusted for any lease incentives included in the lease agreement.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets including Publishing Rights and Goodwill are measured on initial recognition at cost. Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. All intangible assets are depreciated over their estimated useful economic life of up to 15 years.

Product Development Amortisation

Product Development Assets are stated at cost, net of amortisation and any provision for impairment. Amortisation is calculated using the double declining basis over 3 years (66.7% year 1, 22.2% year 2, 11.1% year 3), which reflects the expected sales cycles of the Company for book assets and between 3 and 7 years for all other types.

Stock

Stocks of finished goods are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and sale. Provision is made for obsolete, slow-moving, or defective items where appropriate.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Interest bearing borrowings

Interest-bearing loans and borrowings are initially recognised at fair value less attributable fees. These fees are then amortised through the profit and loss account on an effective interest rate basis over the expected life of the loan (or over the contractual term where there is no clear indication that a shorter life is appropriate). Subsequent to initial recognition interest bearing borrowings are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. If the Company subsequently determines that the expected life has changed, the resulting adjustment to the effective interest rate calculation is recognised as a gain or loss on re-measurement and presented separately in the income statement in accordance with IFRS 9.

Provisions

A provision is recognised in the balance sheet when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, that can be reliably measured, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects risks specific to the liability.

Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the cash or other resources received or receivable, net of the direct costs of issuing the equity instruments. If payment is deferred and the time value of money is material, the initial measurement is on a present value basis.

Dividends

Dividend distribution to the Company's shareholders is recognised as a liability in the Company's financial statements in the period in which the dividends are approved by the Company's shareholders.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Leases

Definition

At the inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

Initial recognition and measurement

The Company recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term, unless the lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset to the Company by the end of the lease term or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Company will exercise a purchase option. In that case the right-of-use asset will be depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset, which is determined on the same basis as those of property and equipment. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Company's incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise
- lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Company is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option
- penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Company is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Subsequent measurement

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, there is a change in the Company's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Company changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension, or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, to the extent that the right-of-use asset is reduced to nil, with any further adjustment required from the remeasurement being recorded in profit or loss.

The Company presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in 'property, plant and equipment' and lease liabilities in 'loans and borrowings' in the balance sheet.

Short term and low value leases

The Company has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets and short-term leases. The Company recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Sub leases

At inception or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Company allocates the consideration in the contract applying IFRS 15.

When the Company acts as a lessor, it determines at lease inception whether each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease.

To classify each lease, the Company makes an overall assessment of whether the lease transfers substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying asset. If this is the case, then the lease is a finance lease; if not, then it is an operating lease. As part of this assessment, the Company considers certain indicators such as whether the lease is for the major part of the economic life of the asset.

When the Company is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for its interests in the head lease and the sub-lease separately. It assesses the lease classification of a sub-lease with reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease, not with reference to the underlying asset.

The Company applies the derecognition and impairment requirements in IFRS 9 to the net investment in the lease (see the financial instruments note). The Company further regularly reviews estimated unguaranteed residual values used in calculating the gross investment in the lease.

The Company recognises lease payments received under operating leases as income on a straight-line basis over the lease term as part of 'other operating income'.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Defined contribution pension obligation

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which the Company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognised as an expense in the profit and loss account in the periods during which services are rendered by employees.

Defined benefit pension obligation

A defined benefit plan is a post-employment benefit plan other than a defined contribution plan. The Company's net obligation in respect of defined benefit pension plans (and other post-employment benefits) is calculated (separately for each plan) by estimating the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods; that benefit is discounted to determine its present value, and the fair value of any plan assets (at bid price) (and any unrecognised past service costs) are deducted. The liability discount rate is the yield at the balance sheet date on AA credit rated bonds denominated in the currency in which they are paid and having maturity dates approximating to the terms of the Company's obligations. The calculation is performed by a qualified actuary using the projected unit credit method. When the calculation results in a benefit to the Company, the recognised asset is limited to (the total of any unrecognised past service costs and) the present value of benefits available in the form of any future refunds from the plan, reductions in future contributions to the plan or on settlement of the plan and takes into account the adverse effect of any minimum funding requirements.

When the benefits of a plan are improved, the portion of the increased benefit relating to past service by employees is recognised as an expense in the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the average period until the benefits become vested. To the extent that the benefits vest immediately, the expense is recognised immediately in the income statement.

In respect of actuarial gains and losses that arise, the Company recognises them in the period they occur directly into equity through the statement of comprehensive income.

A number of the employees of the Company continue to participate in the John Wiley & Sons Limited Retirement Benefits Scheme, a scheme that is in place for the employees of the group headed by Wiley Europe Limited, the Company's immediate holding company. Wiley Europe Limited has confirmed its commitment to the scheme and that it will remain a defined benefit scheme. However, it has closed the scheme to future accrual.

Short-term benefits

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid under short-term cash bonus or profit-sharing plans if the Company has a constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Share based payments

The share option plans allow certain employees to acquire shares in the ultimate parent undertaking, John Wiley & Sons Inc. The Company is charged by that parent undertaking for the benefit of these grants, a cost which is reflected in the Company's profit and loss account.

The grant date fair value of share-based payments awards granted to employees is recognised as an employee expense, with a corresponding increase in equity in the parent company where the shares are issued, over the period in which the employees become unconditionally entitled to the awards. The fair value of the awards granted is measured using an option valuation model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the awards were granted. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of awards for which the related service and non-market vesting conditions are expected to be met, such that the amount ultimately recognised as an expense is based on the number of awards that do meet the related service and non-market performance conditions at the vesting date. For share-based payment awards with non-vesting conditions, the grant date fair value of the share-based payment is measured to reflect such conditions and there is no true-up for differences between expected and actual outcomes.

Financial instruments

Classification and measurement

Financial instruments issued by the Company are treated as equity only to the extent that they meet the following two conditions:

- (a) they include no contractual obligations upon the Company to deliver cash or other financial assets or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another party under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the Company; and
- (b) where the instrument will or may be settled in the Company's own equity instruments, it is either a non-derivative that includes no obligation to deliver a variable number of the Company's own equity instruments or is a derivative that will be settled by the Company's exchanging a fixed amount of cash or other financial assets for a fixed number of its own equity instruments.

To the extent that this definition is not met, the proceeds of issue are classified as a financial liability. Where the instrument so classified takes the legal form of the Company's own shares, the amounts presented in these financial statements for called up share capital and share premium account exclude amounts in relation to those shares.

Derivative financial instruments

The Company does not hold any derivative financial instruments.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Non-derivative financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise investments in equity, debtors, creditors, cash and cash equivalents and loans:

Investments in equity

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost, less provision for impairment. The carrying amount of the Company's investments in subsidiaries is reviewed annually to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the investment's recoverable amount is estimated. If the carrying value of the investment exceeds the recoverable amount, the investment is considered to be impaired and is written down to the recoverable amount. The impairment loss is recognised in the profit and loss account.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price plus attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

The Company measures all expected credit losses for debtor balances held at the reporting date based on an expected loss model which includes historical experience, current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts.

Creditors

Trade and other creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price less attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)

Impairment of financial assets

A financial asset not carried at fair value through profit or loss is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is objective evidence that it is impaired. A financial asset is impaired if objective evidence indicates that a loss event has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset, and that the loss event had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset that can be estimated reliably.

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured at amortised cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. For financial instruments measured at cost less impairment, an impairment is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the best estimate of the amount that the Company would receive for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date. Interest on the impaired asset continues to be recognised through the unwinding of the discount. When a subsequent event causes the amount of impairment loss to decrease, the decrease in impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss.

The Company measures all expected credit losses for debtor balances held at the reporting date based on an expected loss model which includes historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts.

Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amount of the Company's investments is reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair values less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or groups of assets (the "cash-generating unit").

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its CGU exceeds its estimated recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss.

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3 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements require management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the balance sheet date.

Investments

A key area is the value of the Company's investments in other group subsidiaries. These are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether a significant change in the operating or macroeconomic environment has occurred. In these circumstances, impairment testing is performed. Should the evaluation indicate impairment, an impairment loss is recognised and the asset is written down to its estimated fair value based on the discounted future cash flows. The carrying value of investments in subsidiaries at 30 April 2023 is £353m.

Defined benefit pension scheme

The Company has an obligation to pay pension benefits to certain employees. The cost of these benefits and the present value of the obligation depend on a number of factors, including life expectancy, salary increases, asset valuations and the discount rate on corporate bonds. Management estimates these factors in determining the net pension obligation in the balance sheet. The assumptions reflect historical experience and current trends. The carrying value of the pension liability at 30 April 2023 is £18m.

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4 Turnover

The analysis of the Company's turnover for the year from continuing operations is as follows:

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Sale of goods	37,239	49,832
Rendering of services	338,235	318,092
	<u>375,474</u>	<u>367,924</u>

By activity	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Subscriptions services	151,656	159,036
Advertising services	2,414	3,731
Publishing services	163,638	135,967
Distribution services	4,812	4,454
Journal reprint sales	1,974	2,380
Book sales	33,119	44,301
e-Book Sales	17,861	18,055
	<u>375,474</u>	<u>367,924</u>

By geographical market	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
United Kingdom	65,340	74,280
Continental Europe	81,435	84,114
Africa	6,173	5,449
United States & Americas	123,826	113,137
Rest of the World	98,700	90,944
	<u>375,474</u>	<u>367,924</u>

For the year ended April 30, 2023, the Company recognised as revenue substantially all of the current contract liability balance at April 30, 2022.

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5 Auditor's remuneration

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Audit of these financial statements	120	100

6 Other operating income

The analysis of the Company's other operating income for the year is as follows:

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Rental Income	<u>639</u>	<u>697</u>

7 Operating profit

Arrived at after charging/(crediting)

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Depreciation expense	2,069	2,157
Depreciation expense on investment property	62	62
Amortisation expense of intangible assets	6,764	6,982
Amortisation expense of right-of-use assets	6,686	2,228
Operating lease expense - property	279	68
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	<u>(30)</u>	<u>(75)</u>

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8 Interest receivable and similar income

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Interest income on bank deposits	49	-
Interest on amounts receivable from group undertakings	4,067	3,148
	<u>4,116</u>	<u>3,148</u>

9 Interest payable and similar expenses

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Interest on bank overdrafts and borrowings	3,417	2,597
Interest payable to group undertakings	2,576	2,063
Net finance charges on pension liability	669	587
Interest expense on leases - Property	513	609
	<u>7,175</u>	<u>5,856</u>

10 Staff numbers and costs

The aggregate payroll costs (including directors' remuneration) were as follows:

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Wages and salaries	50,545	48,284
Social security costs	6,796	6,258
Pension costs	3,465	3,360
Share-based payment expenses	1,626	1,614
	<u>62,432</u>	<u>59,516</u>

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10 Staff numbers and costs (continued)

The average number of persons employed by the Company (including directors) during the year, analysed by category was as follows:

	2023	2022
	No.	No.
Production and editorial	657	625
Administration	186	196
Marketing and promotion	196	200
Distribution and customer service	131	135
	<u>1,170</u>	<u>1,156</u>

11 Directors' remuneration

The directors' remuneration for the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Remuneration	<u>243</u>	<u>390</u>

During the year the number of directors who were receiving benefits and share incentives was as follows:

	2023	2022
	No.	No.
Received or were entitled to receive shares under long term incentive schemes	2	3
Exercised share options	2	3
Accruing benefits under defined benefit pension scheme	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

The aggregate of emoluments and amounts receivable under long term incentive schemes of the highest paid director was £123k (2022: £169k). This director is a member of a defined benefit scheme, under which their accrued pension at the year-end was £nil (2022: £nil).

One of the three Directors is not paid by the Company. They receive a notional amount of £11k per year (2022: £11k) which is paid by companies within the group that their employment contract is with.

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12 Income tax

Tax charged in the profit and loss account

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Current taxation		
UK corporation tax	17,487	17,587
UK corporation tax adjustment to prior periods	705	(251)
	<u>18,192</u>	<u>17,336</u>
Deferred taxation		
Arising from origination and reversal of temporary differences	1,567	1,463
Arising from changes in tax rates and laws	443	(1,072)
Arising from previously unrecognised tax loss, tax credit or temporary difference of prior periods	(16)	(475)
Total deferred taxation	<u>1,994</u>	<u>(84)</u>
Tax expense in the profit and loss account	<u>20,186</u>	<u>17,252</u>

The standard rate for UK corporation tax used for the year was 19% until 31 March 2023, at which point the rate changed to 25% (2022 - 19%).

The deferred tax for the year has been calculated at 19% (2022 - 19%).

The differences are reconciled below:

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Profit before tax	<u>13,205</u>	<u>122,196</u>
Corporation tax at standard rate	2,574	23,217
Increase/(decrease) in current tax from adjustment for prior periods	689	(726)
Decrease from effect of revenues exempt from taxation	(9,582)	(4,391)
Increase from effect of expenses not deductible in determining taxable profit	26,062	224
Deferred tax credit relating to changes in tax rates or laws	<u>443</u>	<u>(1,072)</u>
Total tax charge	<u>20,186</u>	<u>17,252</u>

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12 Income tax (continued)

Income tax recognised in other comprehensive income

	2023 £ 000	2022 £ 000
Actuarial gains and losses on defined benefit pensions plans	247	(472)
Total tax recognised directly in equity	<u>247</u>	<u>(472)</u>

Deferred tax

Deferred tax assets and liabilities

	Asset £ 000
2023	
Tangible fixed asset	158
Employee benefits	<u>4,655</u>
	<u>4,813</u>
2022	
Tangible fixed asset	236
Employee benefits	<u>6,819</u>
	<u>7,055</u>

There are no temporary differences associated with subsidiaries, jointly controlled entities and associates for which deferred tax liabilities have not been recognised. There are no temporary differences, unused tax losses and tax credits for which no deferred tax asset is recognised.

Deferred tax movement during the year:

	At 1 May 2022 £ 000	Recognised in income £ 000	Recognised in other comprehensive income £ 000	At 30 April 2023 £ 000
Tangible fixed asset	236	(77)	-	159
Employee benefits	<u>6,819</u>	<u>(1,917)</u>	<u>(247)</u>	<u>4,655</u>
	<u>7,055</u>	<u>(1,994)</u>	<u>(247)</u>	<u>4,814</u>

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12 Income tax (continued)

Deferred tax movement during the prior year:

	At 1 May 2021	Recognised in income	Recognised in other comprehensive income	At 30 April 2022
	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000
Tangible fixed asset	302	(66)	-	236
Employee benefits	6,646	(300)	473	6,819
	<u>6,948</u>	<u>(366)</u>	<u>473</u>	<u>7,055</u>

Factors that may affect future tax charges

An increase in the UK corporation tax rate from 19% to 25% (effective 1 April 2023) was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. This will increase the company's future current tax charge accordingly.

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13 Intangible assets

	Product Development Assets £ 000	Goodwill £ 000	Publishing Rights £ 000	Total £ 000
Cost				
At 1 May 2022	81,751	714	88,553	171,018
Additions	2,627	-	191	2,818
Disposals	(40)	-	-	(40)
At 30 April 2023	84,338	714	88,744	173,796
Amortisation				
At 1 May 2022	78,613	714	68,908	148,235
Amortisation charge	3,060	-	3,704	6,764
Disposals	(35)	-	-	(35)
At 30 April 2023	81,638	714	72,612	154,964
Net book value				
At 30 April 2023	2,700	-	16,132	18,832
At 30 April 2022	3,138	-	19,645	22,783

Amortisation charge

The amortisation charge is recognised in the following line items in the income statement:

	2023	2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Editorial costs (Publishing Rights)	3,704	3,903
Cost of sale (Product Development assets)	3,060	3,079
	6,764	6,982

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14 Tangible assets

	Freehold Land and buildings £ 000	Leasehold improvements £ 000	Furniture, fittings and equipment £ 000	Motor vehicles £ 000	Total £ 000
Cost					
At 1 May 2022	12,711	9,505	15,611	557	38,384
Additions	23	344	1,303	24	1,694
Disposals	(63)	(146)	(711)	(172)	(1,092)
At 30 April 2023	<u>12,671</u>	<u>9,703</u>	<u>16,203</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>38,986</u>
Depreciation					
At 1 May 2022	7,024	7,377	13,007	388	27,796
Charge for the year	282	474	1,245	69	2,070
Disposals	(63)	(146)	(711)	(155)	(1,075)
At 30 April 2023	<u>7,243</u>	<u>7,705</u>	<u>13,541</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>28,789</u>
Net book value					
At 30 April 2023	<u>5,428</u>	<u>1,998</u>	<u>2,662</u>	<u>109</u>	<u>10,197</u>
At 30 April 2022	<u>5,687</u>	<u>2,128</u>	<u>2,604</u>	<u>169</u>	<u>10,588</u>

Land and buildings

The net book value of land and buildings comprises:

	£'000	£'000
	2023	2022
Freehold	<u>5,428</u>	<u>5,687</u>

Of this amount, £2.0m relates to Land which is not depreciated.

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15 Right of use assets

	Leasehold Property £ 000
Cost	
At 1 May 2022	18,264
Additions	1,034
At 30 April 2023	19,298
Depreciation	
At 1 May 2022	6,448
Charge for the year	2,686
At 30 April 2023	9,134
Net book value	
At 30 April 2023	10,164
At 30 April 2022	11,816

Amounts recognised in profit and loss

The following amounts have been recognised in profit or loss for which the Company is a lessee:

	30 April 2023	30 April 2022
	£'000	£'000
Interest expense on lease liabilities	(513)	(609)
Expenses relating to short-term leases & low value assets	(32)	(13)
Income from subleasing right-of-use assets (excluding investment properties)	194	223
	(351)	(399)

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16 Investment properties

	30 April 2023 £ 000
Cost	
At 1 May 2022	4,154
At 30 April 2023	4,154
Depreciation	
At 1 May 2022	1,912
Depreciation charge	63
At 30 April 2023	1,975
Net book value	
At 30 April 2023	2,179
Fair value at 30 April 2023	4,350

Rental Income

During the year rental income of £639k (2022: £697k) was included in other operating income.

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17 Fixed asset investments

	30 April 2023
	£ 000
Subsidiaries	
Cost or valuation	
At 1 May 2022	535,892
Return of capital	<u>(48,075)</u>
At 30 April 2023	<u>487,817</u>
Impairment	<u>135,014</u>
At 30 April 2023	<u>135,014</u>
Net book value	
At 30 April 2023	<u>352,803</u>
At 30 April 2022	<u>535,892</u>

During the year, the Company completed a return of capital with a subsidiary company, Southampton Topco Limited.

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17 Fixed asset investments (continued)

Details of the subsidiaries as at 30 April 2023 are as follows (* interests held indirectly):

Name of subsidiary	Principal activity	Registered office	Holding	Proportion of ownership interest and voting rights held	
				2023	2022
Atypon Systems Limited UK	Publishing	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary	100%	100%
Atypon Publishing Technology Services MEPE (Greece)	Publishing	Marinou Antypa 80, Neo Irakleio 14121 Greece	Ordinary	100%	100%
Atypon Systems CRO	Publishing	Škrétova 490, 120 00 Praha 2 Czech	Ordinary	100%	100%
John Wiley and Sons South Africa (Pty) Limited	Publishing	The Colosseum, Office 40 and 41, Century Way, Century City, 7441 South Africa	Ordinary	100%	100%
John Wiley & Sons Singapore Pte Limited	Publishing	1 Fusionopolis Walk, #07-01 Solaris, 138628 Singapore	Ordinary	100%	100%
J Wiley Limited	Publishing	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary	90%	90%
Wiley Information & Technology (Shanghai) Co Limited	Publishing	Unit A, 15th Floor, Shinmay Union Square Office Building Phase II., 506 Shang Cheng Road, China Singapore	Ordinary*	100%	100%

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17 Fixed asset investments (continued)

Name of subsidiary	Principal activity	Registered office	Holding	Proportion of ownership interest and voting rights held	
				2023	2022
E Learning SAS	Online Learning Provider	4 rue du port aux vins, 92150 Suresnes France	Ordinary	100%	100%
John Wiley & Sons Commercial Services Co Limited	Publishing	Room 803(805-808), Floor 8, Sun Palace, No. 12A, Taiyanggong Middle Road Chaoyang District, Beijing, P.R. China Postal code 100028 China	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Crossknowledge Group Limited	Online Learning Provider	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Digital SK Solucoes em Midiatizacao Ltda EPP	Online Learning Provider	Rua Mariano Torres 729, Centro, CEP 80060-000, Curitiba, Paraná Brazil	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Epistema Sarl	Online Learning Provider	Greenside 5 – Bât 6-2e etage – 400, Avenue Roumanille – 06410 Biot France	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Mohive AS	Online Learning Provider	C/O Athene Accounting AS, Postboks 4691, Nydalen, 0405 Oslo Norway	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Crossknowledge GmbH	Online Learning Provider	Im Zollhafen 18, 50678 Koln Germany	Ordinary*	100%	100%

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17 Fixed asset investments (continued)

Name of subsidiary	Principal activity	Registered office	Holding	Proportion of ownership interest and voting rights held	
				2023	2022
Wiley Crossknowledge Netherlands BV	Online Learning Provider	Hugo de Grootlaan 11, 's-Hertogenbosch , 5223 LB Netherlands	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Verlag Helvetica Chimica Acta AG	Publishing	Seehofstrasse 6, 8024 Zürich Switzerland	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Wiley Fachverlag GmbH	Publishing	Boschstraße 12, 69469, Weinheim Germany	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Wilhelm Ernst & Sohn Verlag fuer Architektur und technische Wissenschaften GmbH & Co	Publishing	Boschstraße 12, 69469, Weinheim Germany	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Madgex Holdings Limited	Recruitment Services	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary	100%	100%
Madgex Limited	Recruitment Services	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Madgex Two Limited	Recruitment Services	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary*	100%	100%

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17 Fixed asset investments (continued)

Name of subsidiary	Principal activity	Registered office	Holding	Proportion of ownership interest and voting rights held	
				2023	2022
MThree Consulting Australia Pty Ltd	Technology & Consulting	Bates Cosgrave, Ground Floor, 123 Walker Street, North Sydney, NSW 2060 Australia	Ordinary*	100%	100%
MThree Corporate Consulting Ltd (Hong Kong)	Technology & Consulting	Rooms 2702-3 27/F Bank of East Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai Hong Kong	Ordinary*	100%	100%
MThree Corporate Consulting Ltd (Singapore) Pte Ltd	Technology & Consulting	30 Cecil Street #19-08, Prudential Tower, 049712 Singapore	Ordinary*	100%	100%
MThree Corporate Consulting (China) Ltd	Technology & Consulting	1176, 99 Fucheng Road, Pilot Free Trade Zone, Shanghai China	Ordinary*	100%	100%
MThree Corporate Consulting	Technology & Consulting	111 River Street, Hoboken, New Jersey 07030, USA	Ordinary*	100%	100%
MThree Corporate Consulting (SA) Pty Ltd	Technology & Consulting	lass House Office Park, Building 3, 309 Umhlanga Rocks Drive, LA Lucia Ridge, 4319, South Africa	Ordinary*	100%	100%
MThree Corporate Consulting Spolka z ograniczona	Technology & Consulting	Pl. Pisudskiego, Warsaw, 00-078, Poland	Ordinary*	100%	100%

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17 Fixed asset investments (continued)

Name of subsidiary	Principal activity	Registered office	Holding	Proportion of ownership interest and voting rights held	
				2023	2022
MThree SAS	Technology & Consulting	46 Rue Saint-Antoine, 75004 Paris, France	Ordinary*	100%	100%
MThree Corporate Consulting GmbH	Technology & Consulting	Thum-und-Taxis-Platz 6, 60313, Frankfurt, Germany	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Seirbhisi Teicneolaíochta MThree Consulting Teoranta	Technology & Consulting	3rd Floor, Kilmore House, Park Lane, Spencer Dock, Dublin 1, D01YE64 Ireland	Ordinary*	100%	100%
MThree Corporate Consulting Limited	Technology & Consulting	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Mthree Corporate Consulting Kft	Technology & Consulting	1082 Budapest, Futó utca 37-45. (Spaces Corvin Towers) ép.437. irodahelyiség Hungary	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Southampton Bidco Limited	Technology & Consulting	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary	100%	100%
Southampton Midco 2 Limited	Technology & Consulting	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary*	100%	100%

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17 Fixed asset investments (continued)

Name of subsidiary	Principal activity	Registered office	Holding	Proportion of ownership interest and voting rights held	
				2023	2022
Southampton Midco 1 Limited	Technology & Consulting	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary*	100%	100%
Southampton Topco Limited	Technology & Consulting	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary	100%	100%
Hindawi Limited	Academic Publishing	The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 8SQ UK	Ordinary	100%	100%
Hindawi RO SRL	Software Development	Piata Voievozilor nr. 10 Iasi Romania	Ordinary*	100%	100%

18 Stocks

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Work in progress	484	1,157
Finished goods and goods for resale	<u>3,962</u>	<u>4,327</u>
	<u>4,446</u>	<u>5,484</u>

Raw materials, consumables and changes in finished goods and work in progress recognised as cost of sales in the year amounted to £10.9m (2022: £11.2m).

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19 Debtors

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Trade debtors	29,304	41,488
Amounts owed by group undertakings	187,706	186,712
VAT Receivable	6,692	7,615
Income tax asset	10,297	8,701
Deferred tax assets (see note 12)	4,813	7,055
Prepayments and accrued income	16,340	17,498
	<u>255,152</u>	<u>269,069</u>

For further detail on the Company's deferred tax please refer to the disclosure note 12.

All debtor balances undergo a detailed review on a quarterly basis. The Company has a prudent policy for providing for outstanding balances - historically, this has always been adequate to cover any receivables that become uncollectable. The Company has not had a significant bad debt expense in recent years. Amounts provided for have adequately covered the periodic formal write off of bad debts.

We measure all expected credit losses for debtor balances held at the reporting date based on an expected loss model which includes historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts.

The Company's exposure and management of credit risks related to trade receivables is further disclosed in note 31 "Financial instruments".

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19 Debtors (continued)

Set out below is the movement in the allowance for expected credit losses of trade receivables:

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
As at 1 May	1,865	1,996
Movement in provision for expected credit losses	(354)	180
Write-off	(558)	(311)
As at 30 April	953	1,865

20 Cash at bank and in hand

	30 April 2023	30 April 2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Cash at bank	5,951	4,232

21 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	30 April 2023	30 April 2022
	£ 000	£ 000
Bank loans and overdrafts	98,278	140,609
Lease liabilities (see note 25)	3,350	3,162
Trade creditors	8,735	7,493
Accrued expenses	47,826	48,775
Amounts owed to group undertakings	102,075	164,940
Social security and other taxes	465	518
Other tax liability	820	840
Contract liabilities	85,664	108,765
	347,213	475,102

The company's exposure to market and liquidity risks, including maturity analysis, related to trade and other creditors is disclosed in note 31 'Financial Instruments'.

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21 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (continued)

Contract Liabilities

For the year ended April 30, 2023, the Company has recognised as revenue substantially all of the current contract liability balance at April 30, 2022.

When consideration is received, or such consideration is unconditionally due, from a customer prior to transferring goods or services to the customer under the terms of a contract, a contract liability is recorded. Contract liabilities are recognized as revenue when, or as, control of the products or services are transferred to the customer and all revenue recognition criteria have been met.

22 Interest bearing amounts owed to group undertakings

This note provides information about the contractual terms of the Company's interest-bearing loans and borrowings, which are measured at amortised cost.

Terms and debt repayment schedule

	Currency	Nominal interest rate	Nominal interest rate	Year of maturity	Face & Carrying amount	Face & Carrying amount
		2023	2022		2023	2022
		%	%		£000	£000
J Wiley Limited	GBP	2.5	2.5	On demand	77,900	75,847
Wiley Distribution Services Limited	GBP	2.5	2.5	On demand	1,222	1,979
CKG Limited	GBP	2.5	2.5	On demand	5,156	5,147
Wiley VCH GMBH	EUR	1.08% + lower of 0% or EURIBOR	1.08% + lower of 0% or EURIBOR	2025	7,543	2,539
					91,821	85,512

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23 Interest bearing bank loans and overdrafts

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Current loans and borrowings		
Bank borrowings	<u>98,278</u>	<u>140,609</u>

Bank borrowings represent an external credit facility with the Bank of America. This facility is a revolving credit agreement on a rolling 30 day basis. The interest rates as at 30 April 2023 are as follows:

GBP 5.2574%
EUR 4.095%

The Company's exposure to market and liquidity risk; including maturity analysis, in respect of loans and borrowings is disclosed in the financial risk management and impairment note.

24 Provision for liabilities

	Dilapidations £ 000
At 1 May 2022	1,976
Accretion	<u>65</u>
At 30 April 2023	<u>2,041</u>
Non-current liabilities	<u>2,041</u>

The provision relates to dilapidation provisions for the Oxford office and European Distribution Centre leased properties.

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25 Leases

Leases included in creditors

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Current portion of lease liabilities	3,350	3,162
Long term lease liabilities	<u>8,215</u>	<u>10,505</u>

Leases as a lessor

The Company owns a freehold building which is no longer required for staffing purposes. This is currently being leased to multiple companies, generally under 5-year terms with one exception being a 15-year term. The lease agreements do not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and so continue to be classed as an operating lease with the rental income being recognised in the profit and loss account on a straight-lined basis.

The following table sets out a maturity analysis of all lease payments to be received, showing the undiscounted lease payments to be received after the reporting date:

	30 April 2023 £'000
Less than one year	675
Between one and two years	637
Between two and three years	607
Between three and four years	226
Between four and five years	-
	<u>2,145</u>

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26 Pension and other schemes

Defined contribution pension scheme

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the period represents contributions payable by the Company to the scheme and amounted to £3.5m (2022: £3.3m). At year end, contributions amounting to £0.5m (2022: £0.5m) were payable to the scheme and are included in creditors.

Defined benefit pension schemes

Approved defined benefit scheme

A number of the employees of the Company participate in the John Wiley & Sons Limited Retirement Benefits Scheme, a scheme that is in place for the employees of the group headed by Wiley Europe Limited, the Company's immediate parent company. The scheme was closed to new entrants from 30 April 2003. The pension contribution for the year by the Company was £8m (2022: £8m).

The Company operates a defined benefit plan in the UK which is a final salary plan and provides benefits linked to salary at retirement or earlier date of leaving service.

The scheme ceased accrual on 30 April 2015, but active members retain a link to their final pensionable salary on retirement or on leaving the Company if earlier.

The Scheme operates under the pensions legislation and regulation of the UK applicable as at the reporting date. The Pensions Act 2004 requires that every pension scheme is subject to a Statutory Funding Objective such that it has sufficient and appropriate assets to cover its Technical Provisions. Technical Provisions are described as the amount required, based on an actuarial calculation, to make provision for the pension scheme's liabilities.

Trustees have the primary responsibility for governance of the Scheme. Benefit payments are from Trustee-administered funds and Scheme assets are held in Trusts which are governed by UK regulation. Responsibility for governance of the Scheme, including investment decisions and contribution rates, with the Trustees who are required to consult with the Company. The Trustee Board is comprised of representatives of the Company and members in accordance with the Trust Deed and Rules.

The Scheme closed to future accrual and is only funded by employer contributions. The funding requirements are based on the pension fund's actuarial measurement framework set out in the funding policies of the Scheme. The funding of the Scheme is based on a separate actuarial valuation for funding purposes for which the assumptions may differ from the assumptions above.

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26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

The scheme was most recently valued on 30 April 2020. The assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results of the valuation were that salaries would increase by 3.00% per annum, pensions in payment would increase in line with the Retail Price Index within the range of 0% - 5% per annum, return on scheme investment pre- retirement was 5.40% per annum and the return on the scheme investment post retirement would be 2.24% per annum. The assumptions used by the actuary for accounting purposes are the best estimates chosen from a range of possible actuarial assumptions.

At the date of the latest actuarial valuation, the market value of the group scheme assets (excluding deposits relating to additional voluntary contributions) was £349.5m and the actuarial value of the assets was sufficient to cover 80.8% of the benefits that had accrued to members after allowing for expected future increases in earnings.

The valuation at 30 April 2020 has been updated by the actuary on an FRS 101 basis as at 30 April 2023.

The split of the John Wiley & Sons Limited Retirement Benefits Scheme liabilities is:

Active members 10.18%
Deferred members 57.60%
Pensioners 32.22%

Risks

Changes in bond yields

A decrease in corporate bond yields will increase the value placed on the Scheme liabilities, although this will be partially offset by an increase in the value of the Scheme's bond holdings.

Inflation risk

The majority of benefits are linked to inflation and so increases in expected inflation will lead to higher liabilities (although in most cases there are caps in place which protect against inflation higher than 5% p.a.).

Longevity

Increases in life expectancy will increase the Scheme liabilities. The inflation-linkage of the benefits also means that inflationary increases result in a higher sensitivity to increases in life expectancy.

Asset Volatility

The Scheme liabilities are calculated using a discount rate set with reference to corporate bond yields; if Scheme assets underperform this yield, this will create a deficit.

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26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

Reconciliation of scheme assets and liabilities to assets and liabilities recognised

The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Fair value of scheme assets	232,933	343,534
Present value of scheme liabilities	(238,504)	(339,683)
	(5,571)	3,851
Effect of asset ceiling	-	(3,851)
Additional liabilities in respect of recovery plan	(10,278)	(23,585)
Pension liability	(15,849)	(23,585)

Scheme assets

Changes in the fair value of scheme assets are as follows:

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Fair value at start of year	343,534	369,149
Interest income	10,147	7,029
Return on plan assets, excluding amounts included in interest income/(expense)	(121,614)	(34,288)
Employer contributions	8,000	8,000
Benefits paid	(7,134)	(6,356)
Fair value at end of year	232,933	343,534

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26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

Analysis of assets

The major categories of scheme assets are as follows:

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Cash and cash equivalents	16,883	1,059
Equity instruments	70,319	127,575
Multi asset funds	44,676	69,983
LDI	84,340	102,020
Absolute Return Bond Fund	16,715	42,897
	<u>232,933</u>	<u>343,534</u>

Every defined benefit scheme aims to have sufficient assets to cover its liability to its members. This has led to the John Wiley & Sons Limited Defined Benefit Scheme to adopt some liability driven investment (LDI) strategies. Under an LDI approach, 30% of the total pension scheme's assets are invested to match the sensitivity of its liabilities to these factors. This means that if interest rates or inflation expectations change, asset and liability values rise or fall together, and the funding level of the pension scheme should be less volatile.

The equity value for the John Wiley & Sons Limited Retirements Benefits Scheme can be split into:

UK Equity	4.69%
European Equity	14.86%
US Equity	55.20%
Japanese Equity	6.62%
Pacific Rim Equity	5.02%
Emerging Markets	13.61%

The pension scheme has not invested in any of the Company's own financial instruments or in properties or other assets used by the Company.

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26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

Scheme liabilities

Changes in the present value of scheme liabilities are as follows:

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Present value at start of year	339,683	392,540
Actuarial gains and losses arising from changes in demographic assumptions	(53)	(118)
Actuarial gains and losses arising from changes in financial assumptions	(113,034)	(55,611)
Experience losses on obligations	9,126	1,830
Interest cost	9,916	7,398
Benefits paid	(7,134)	(6,356)
Present value at end of year	<u>238,504</u>	<u>339,683</u>

Principal actuarial assumptions

The significant actuarial assumptions used to determine the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the balance sheet date are as follows:

	30 April 2023 %	30 April 2022 %
Discount rate	4.90	2.95
Future Salary Increase	3.00	3.00
RPI Inflation	3.20	3.55
CPI Inflation	2.90	3.20
Pension increases (RPI 5% max)	3.10	3.35
Pension increases (RPI min 3%, 5% max)	3.65	3.80
Pension increases (RPI 2.5% max)	2.15	2.20
Pension increases (CPI 3% max)	<u>2.35</u>	<u>2.45</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

Post retirement mortality assumptions

The assumptions relating to longevity underlying the pension liabilities at the balance sheet date are based on standard actuarial mortality tables and include an allowance for future improvements in longevity.

The post retirement mortality assumptions are 90% of S3PMA (light) for males and 95% of S3PFA (light) for females with mortality improvements based on the CMI 2021 projection table, rebased to 2016 with long term improvement rates of 1.50% p.a. and 1.25% p.a. in respect of males and females respectively with parameter A of 0.75% p.a. and w2020 and w2021 of 0%.

The mortality improvements assumptions have been updated since last year where the mortality improvements were based on the CMI 2020 projection table, rebased to 2016 with long term improvement rates of 1.50% p.a. and 1.25% p.a. in respect of males and females respectively with parameter A of 0.75% p.a. and w2020 of 0%.

The assumptions are equivalent to expecting a 65-year-old to live for a number of years as follows:

	30 April 2023 Years	30 April 2022 Years
Current UK pensioners at retirement age - male	24.50	24.40
Current UK pensioners at retirement age - female	25.50	25.50
Future UK pensioners at retirement age - male	26.10	26.00
Future UK pensioners at retirement age - female	<u>26.90</u>	<u>26.90</u>

Amounts recognised in the income statement

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Amounts recognised in operating profit		
Recognised in arriving at operating profit	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Amounts recognised in finance income or costs		
Net interest	(231)	369
Interest cost/(income) on adjustment of the asset	<u>809</u>	<u>153</u>
Recognised in other finance cost	<u>578</u>	<u>522</u>
Total recognised in the income statement	<u>578</u>	<u>522</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

Amounts taken to the Statement of Comprehensive Income

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Actuarial gains and losses arising from changes in demographic assumptions	53	118
Actuarial gains and losses arising from changes in financial assumptions	113,034	55,611
Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments	(9,126)	(1,830)
Return on plan assets, excluding amounts included in interest income/(expense)	(121,614)	(34,288)
Changes in effect of the asset ceiling/recovery plan	17,968	(19,237)
Amounts recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income	315	374

Sensitivity analysis

A sensitivity analysis for the principal assumptions used to measure scheme liabilities is set out below:

	30 April 2023 - 0.1% £ 000
Adjustment to discount rate	19,821
Present value of total obligation	
	30 April 2023 - 0.1% £ 000
Adjustment to rate of inflation	(9,689)
Present value of total obligation	
	30 April 2023 - 0.1% £ 000
Adjustment to rate of salary growth	(1,998)
Present value of total obligation	
	30 April 2023 - 1 Year £ 000
Adjustment to mortality age rating assumption	5,604
Present value of total obligation	

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

The sensitivity analysis is based on a change in an assumption while holding all other assumptions constant. However, changing the inflation assumption includes the affected change in the pension increase assumptions used. In practice, it is unlikely that an assumption will change without affecting other assumptions, and changes in some of the assumptions may be correlated. When calculating the sensitivity of the defined benefit obligation to significant actuarial assumptions the same method (present value of the defined benefit obligation calculated with the projected unit method at the end of the reporting period) has been applied as when calculating the pension liability recognised within the Balance Sheet. The methods and types of assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analysis did not change compared to the previous period.

The impact of changing the assumption in the opposite direction shown would change the results but by a similar amount in the opposite direction.

Funding policy

The Scheme is closed to future accrual and is only funded by employer contributions. The funding requirements are based on the pension fund's actuarial measurement framework set out in the funding policies of the Scheme. The funding of the Scheme is based on a separate actuarial valuation for funding purposes for which the assumptions may differ from the assumptions above.

The Company expects to contribute approximately £8m to its defined benefit plan in the next financial year. The existing agreed recovery plan covers future payments.

Unapproved defined benefit scheme

The Scheme operates under certain pensions legislation and regulation of the UK current at the date of the Actuary report.

The Company operates an Unfunded Unapproved scheme in the UK for five former senior employees which is a final salary scheme and provides benefits linked to salary at retirement or earlier date of leaving service.

The Scheme ceased accrual on 30 June 2015, but active members retain a link to their final pensionable salary on retirement or on leaving the Company if earlier.

Contributions payable to the pension scheme at the end of the year are £Nil (2022 - £Nil).

The expected contributions to the plan for the next reporting period are £113k.

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26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

The scheme was most recently valued on 30 April 2020. The assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results of the valuation were that salaries would increase by 3.00% per annum, pensions in payment would increase in line with the Retail Price Index within the range of 0% - 5% per annum, return on scheme investment pre- retirement was 5.40% per annum and the return on the scheme investment post retirement would be 2.24% per annum. The assumptions used by the actuary are the best estimates chosen from a range of possible actuarial assumptions which, due to the timescale covered, may not necessarily be borne out in practice.

The pension benefits paid for the year by the group were £104k (2022: £205k).

The valuation at 30 April 2020 has been updated by the actuary on an FRS 101 basis as at 30 April 2023.

The split of the Unfunded Unapproved Scheme liabilities is:

Active members 0%
Deferred members 60%
Pensioners 40%

Risks

Changes in bond yields

A decrease in corporate bond yields will increase the value placed on the Scheme liabilities and as the Scheme is unfunded this increase will not be offset by any change in asset values.

Inflation risk

The majority of benefits are linked to inflation and so increases in expected inflation will lead to higher liabilities (although in most cases there are caps in place which protect against inflation higher than 5% p.a.).

Longevity

Increases in life expectancy will increase Scheme liabilities. The inflation-linkage of the benefits also means that inflationary increases result in a higher sensitivity to increases in life expectancy.

Reconciliation of scheme assets and liabilities to assets and liabilities recognised

The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Present value of scheme liabilities	<u>(2,305)</u>	<u>(2,996)</u>

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26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

Scheme liabilities

Changes in the present value of scheme liabilities are as follows:

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Present value at start of year	2,996	3,541
Actuarial gains and losses arising from changes in demographic assumptions	78	23
Actuarial gains and losses arising from changes in financial assumptions	(752)	(427)
Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments	-	(1)
Interest cost	87	65
Benefits paid	(104)	(205)
Present value at end of year	<u>2,305</u>	<u>2,996</u>

Principal actuarial assumptions

The significant actuarial assumptions used to determine the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the balance sheet date are as follows:

	30 April 2023 %	30 April 2022 %
Discount rate	4.90	2.95
RPI Inflation	3.20	3.55
CPI Inflation	2.90	3.20
Pension increases (RPI 5% max)	3.10	3.35
Pension increases (RPI min 3%, 5% max)	3.65	3.80
Pension increases (RPI 2.5% max)	<u>2.15</u>	<u>2.20</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

Post retirement mortality assumptions

The assumptions relating to longevity underlying the pension liabilities at the balance sheet date are based on standard actuarial mortality tables and include an allowance for future improvements in longevity.

The post retirement mortality assumptions are 90% of S3PMA (light) for males and 95% of S3PFA (light) for females with mortality improvements based on the CMI 2021 projection table, rebased to 2016 with long term improvement rates of 1.50% p.a. and 1.25% p.a. in respect of males and females respectively with parameter A of 0.75% p.a. and w2020 and w2021 of 0%.

The mortality improvements assumptions have been updated since last year where the mortality improvements were based on the CMI 2020 projection table, rebased to 2016 with long term improvement rates of 1.50% p.a. and 1.25% p.a. in respect of males and females respectively and parameter A of 0.75% p.a. and w2020 of 0%.

The assumptions are equivalent to expecting a 65-year-old to live for a number of years as follows:

	30 April 2023 Years	30 April 2022 Years
Current UK pensioners at retirement age - male	24.50	24.40
Current UK pensioners at retirement age - female	25.50	25.50
Future UK pensioners at retirement age - male	26.10	26.00
Future UK pensioners at retirement age - female	26.90	26.90

Amounts recognised in the income statement

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Amounts recognised in operating profit		
Recognised in arriving at operating profit	-	-
Amounts recognised in finance income or costs		
Net interest	87	65
Total recognised in the profit and loss account	87	65

The total amount recognised in the statement of other comprehensive income in respect of actuarial gain is £674k (2022: £405k gain).

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

26 Pension and other schemes (continued)

Sensitivity analysis

A sensitivity analysis for the principal assumptions used to measure scheme liabilities is set out below:

	30 April 2023
	- 0.1%
Adjustment to discount rate	£ 000
Present value of total obligation	<u>152</u>
	30 April 2023
	- 0.1%
Adjustment to rate of inflation	£ 000
Present value of total obligation	<u>(71)</u>
	30 April 2023
	- 1 Year
Adjustment to mortality age rating assumption	£ 000
Present value of total obligation	<u>67</u>

There are no longer active members in the Unapproved Scheme.

The above sensitivity analysis is based on a change in an assumption while holding all other assumptions constant. However, changing the inflation assumption includes the affected change in the pension increase assumptions used. In practice, it is unlikely that an assumption will change without affecting other assumptions, and changes in some of the assumptions may be correlated. When calculating the sensitivity of the defined benefit obligation to significant actuarial assumptions the same method (present value of the defined benefit obligation calculated with the projected unit method at the end of the reporting year) has been applied as when calculating the pension liability recognised within the Balance Sheet.

The impact of changing the assumption in the opposite direction shown would change the results but by a similar amount in the opposite direction.

The Scheme is an Unfunded, Unapproved Scheme and therefore does not hold any assets.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

27 Share-based payments

Stock options

Under the Key Employee Stock Plan ("the Plan"), qualified employees are eligible to receive awards that may include stock options and restricted stock awards in the ultimate parent undertaking, John Wiley & Sons Inc.

Under the terms of the stock option plan the exercise price of stock options granted under the plan may not be less than 100% of the fair market value of the stock at the date of the grant. Options are exercisable, over a maximum period of 10 years from the date of grant, and generally vest 50% on the fourth and fifth anniversary date after the award is granted. For options from the year ended April 2016, options vest 25% per year on April 30. All options are settled in the form of equity and the number outstanding at the end of the year was 14,060.

The weighted average share price at the date of exercise of share options exercised during the year was \$49.55 (2022: \$49.55).

The options outstanding at the year end have an exercise price in the range of \$39.53 to \$59.70 and a weighted average contractual life of 12.87 years

Restricted shares

The Company may also grant restricted shares to key employees in connection with their employment. For the years ended April 30, 2015 and prior, restricted performance shares vest 50% on the first and second anniversary date after the award is earned. For the years ended April 30, 2016 and 2017, restricted performance shares vest 50% on June 30 following the end of the three-year performance cycle and 50% on April 30 of the following year. Beginning in the year ended April 30, 2018, restricted performance share units vest 100% on June 30 following the end of the three-year performance cycle. All shares are settled in the form of equity and the number outstanding at the end of the year was 177,154.

The weighted average share price at the date of exercise of share options exercised during the year was \$44.90 (2022: \$58.38).

The options outstanding at the year end have an exercise price in the range of \$32.99 to \$66.05 and a weighted average contractual life of 21.04 years

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

28 Share capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid shares

	30 April 2023		30 April 2022	
	No. 000	£ 000	No. 000	£ 000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	524	524	524	524

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company.

Share premium is the amount paid for shares in excess of their nominal value.

29 Dividends

	30 April 2023 £ 000	30 April 2022 £ 000
Interim dividend (£109.55 per ordinary share (2022: £nil))	57,406	-

30 Commitments

Capital commitments

The total amount contracted for but not provided in the financial statements was £nil (2022 - £nil).

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

31 Financial instruments

This note presents information about the Company's exposure to financial risks and management of capital.

The fair value of cash and cash equivalents is estimated at its carrying amount.

Trade and other debtors are carried at recoverable amount, less provisions for any amounts where recovery is doubtful. As the balances are expected to be short term, no discounting of value is appropriate.

Trade and other creditors are payable on demand and therefore their fair value is deemed to approximate carrying value.

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost, less provision for impairment.

Liquidity risk

The liquidity risk is that the Company will not be able to meet its obligations as they fall due. The journal publishing business results in the Company holding significant cash balances and therefore being able to meet its short-term obligations. A letter of support has also been provided by John Wiley & Sons Inc., the parent company, giving an undertaking that it will continue to make available such funds as are needed by the Company for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements.

Credit risk

In the journal publishing business, which is subscription based, cash is collected in advance either direct from subscribers or through the use of a subscription agent. Subscriptions are principally remitted between the months of December and April resulting in year-end exposure being minimal. The Wiley group also mitigates exposure by ensuring no one subscription agent accounts for more than approximately 10% of the consolidated annual revenue.

Non-journal debtor balances undergo a detailed review on a quarterly basis. The Company has a prudent policy for providing for outstanding balances - historically, this has always been adequate to cover any receivables that become uncollectable.

Interest rate risk

Our interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subject to risk from changes in interest rates. Notwithstanding our efforts to foresee and mitigate the effects of changes in external market or fiscal circumstances, we cannot predict with certainty changes in interest rates, inflation, or other related factors affecting our business, financial position, and results of operations.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

31 Financial instruments (continued)

Market risk

As the Company has multi-currency trading, results are exposed to foreign currency exchange rate volatility. The Company cannot predict with certainty changes in currency rates affecting its business. However, as the Company has both multi-currency customers and suppliers there are opportunities for natural hedging to reduce this risk.

The main currencies held are as follows:

30 April 2023	JPY	AUD	DKK	EUR	SGD	USD	ZAR	JOD	Other	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cash & cash equivalents	-	-	-	988	290	681	-	653	-	2,612
Intercompany balances	(42)	562	(2,907)	(11,171)	(841)	(516)	71	2,004	(814)	(13,654)
Other	-	(938)	29	28,180	(163)	1,015	-	-	47	28,170
Balance sheet exposure	(42)	(376)	(2,878)	17,997	(714)	1,180	71	2,657	(767)	17,128

30 April 2022	JPY	AUD	DKK	EUR	SGD	USD	ZAR	JOD	Other	Total
	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cash & cash equivalents	-	-	-	264	196	696	-	427	20	1,603
Intercompany balances	(590)	277	(515)	(9,106)	(937)	2,777	687	1,942	(555)	(6,020)
Other	(1)	(587)	29	36,912	(201)	2,228	-	-	(42)	38,338
Balance sheet exposure	(591)	(310)	(486)	28,070	(942)	5,701	687	2,369	(577)	33,921

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2023 (continued)

31 Financial instruments (continued)

Sensitivity analysis

A 1 percent weakening of the following currencies against GBP at 30 April would have increased (decreased) profit or loss by the amounts shown below. This calculation assumes that the change occurred at the balance sheet date and had been applied to risk exposures existing at that date.

This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular other exchange rates and interest rates, remain constant.

Profit or Loss

	2023	2022
	£000	£000
Japanese Yen	6	6
Australian Dollar	3	3
Canadian Dollar	6	6
Swiss Francs	3	3
Danish Krona	5	5
Euro	(291)	(278)
Singapore Dollar	10	9
US Dollar	(57)	(56)
South African Rand	(6)	(7)
Jordanian Dollar	(24)	(20)
Other	(3)	(3)
	<u>(348)</u>	<u>(332)</u>

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32 Related party transactions

During the year, the Company entered into transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries. The Company has taken advantage of the exemption under para 8 (k) FRS 101 not to disclose transactions with such fellow wholly owned subsidiaries.

Transactions with the Groups pension scheme are disclosed in note 26.

33 Parent and ultimate parent undertaking

The Company's immediate parent is Wiley Heyden Limited. Its business address is The Atrium, Southern Gate, Chichester, PO19 8SQ.

The ultimate parent is John Wiley & Sons Inc.

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by John Wiley & Sons Inc., incorporated in the State of New York, USA. The consolidated financial statements of this group are available at the principal place of business of John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 111 River Street, Hoboken, New Jersey 07030, USA.

34 Non-adjusting events after the financial period

On 11 October 2023 the Company paid a dividend of £3.9m to its immediate parent company, Wiley Heyden Limited.

In January 2024, the Company entered into a definitive agreement to dispose its holding in the MThree Group of Companies for an estimated total consideration of \$41m.

There were no other significant events since the end of the financial year.

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

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

For the fiscal year ended: April 30 , 2023

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____
Commission file number 001-11507

JOHN WILEY & SONS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

New York	13-5593032
State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization	I.R.S. Employer Identification No.
111 River Street , Hoboken , NJ	07030
Address of principal executive offices	Zip Code

(201) 748-6000

Registrant's telephone number including area code

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
Class A Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	WLY	New York Stock Exchange
Class B Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	WLYB	New York Stock Exchange

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

None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes ☒
No ☐

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.
Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate by check mark 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 ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer,” “smaller reporting company,” and “emerging growth company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer ☒

Non-accelerated filer ☐

Accelerated filer ☐

Smaller reporting company ☐

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management’s assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report. ☒

If securities are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act, indicate by check mark whether the financial statements of the registrant included in the filing reflect the correction of an error to previously issued financial statements. ☐

Indicate by check mark whether any of those error corrections are restatements that required a recovery analysis of incentive-based compensation received by any of the registrant’s executive officers during the relevant recovery period pursuant to §240.10D-1(b). ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, computed by reference to the closing price as of the last business day of the registrant’s most recently completed second fiscal quarter, October 31, 2022, was approximately \$ 1,821 million. The registrant has no non-voting common stock.

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant’s Class A and Class B Common Stock as of May 31, 2023 was 46,255,091 and 9,026,142 respectively.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant’s definitive proxy statement for use in connection with its annual meeting of stockholders scheduled to be held on September 28, 2023, are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-Looking Statements “Safe Harbor” Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995:

This report contains “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 concerning our business, consolidated financial condition and results of operations. The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) encourages companies to disclose forward-looking information so that investors can better understand a company’s prospects and make informed investment decisions. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, many of which are outside our control, which could cause actual results to differ materially from these statements. Therefore, you should not rely on any of these forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements can be identified by such words as “anticipates,” “believes,” “plan,” “assumes,” “could,” “should,” “estimates,” “expects,” “intends,” “potential,” “seek,” “predict,” “may,” “will” and similar references to future periods. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this report regarding our strategies, prospects, financial condition, operations, costs, plans and objectives are forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements include, among others, statements we make regarding our fiscal year 2024 outlook, anticipated restructuring charges and savings, operations, performance, and financial condition. Reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements, as actual results may differ materially from those described in any forward-looking statements. Any such forward-looking statements are based upon many assumptions and estimates that are inherently subject to uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond our control, and are subject to change based on many important factors. Such factors include, but are not limited to (i) the level of investment by Wiley in new technologies and products; (ii) subscriber renewal rates for our journals; (iii) the financial stability and liquidity of journal subscription agents; (iv) the consolidation of book wholesalers and retail accounts; (v) the market position and financial stability of key retailers; (vi) the seasonal nature of our educational business and the impact of the used book market; (vii) worldwide economic and political conditions; (viii) our ability to protect our copyrights and other intellectual property worldwide; (ix) our ability to successfully integrate acquired operations and realize expected opportunities; (x) the ability to realize operating savings over time and in fiscal year 2024 in connection with our multiyear Business Optimization Program and our Fiscal Year 2023 Restructuring Program; and (xi) other factors detailed from time to time in our filings with the SEC. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any such forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

Please refer to Part I, Item 1A, “Risk Factors,” of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for important factors that we believe could cause actual results to differ materially from those in our forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement made by us in this report is based only on information currently available to us and speaks only as of the date on which it is made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures:

We present financial information that conforms to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the United States of America (US GAAP). We also present financial information that does not conform to US GAAP, which we refer to as non-GAAP.

In this report, we may present the following non-GAAP performance measures:

- Adjusted Earnings Per Share (Adjusted EPS);
- Free Cash Flow less Product Development Spending;
- Adjusted Revenue;
- Adjusted Contribution to Profit and margin;
- Adjusted Operating Income and margin;
- Adjusted Income Before Taxes;
- Adjusted Income Tax Provision;
- Adjusted Effective Tax Rate;
- EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and margin;
- Organic revenue; and
- Results on a constant currency basis.

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Management uses these non-GAAP performance measures as supplemental indicators of our operating performance and financial position as well as for internal reporting and forecasting purposes, when publicly providing our outlook, to evaluate our performance and calculate incentive compensation. We present these non-GAAP performance measures in addition to US GAAP financial results because we believe that these non-GAAP performance measures provide useful information to certain investors and financial analysts for operational trends and comparisons over time. The use of these non-GAAP performance measures may also provide a consistent basis to evaluate operating profitability and performance trends by excluding items that we do not consider to be controllable activities for this purpose.

The performance metric used by our chief operating decision maker to evaluate performance of our reportable segments is Adjusted Contribution to Profit. We present both Adjusted Contribution to Profit and Adjusted EBITDA for each of our reportable segments as we believe Adjusted EBITDA provides additional useful information to certain investors and financial analysts for operational trends and comparisons over time. It removes the impact of depreciation and amortization expense, as well as presents a consistent basis to evaluate operating profitability and compare our financial performance to that of our peer companies and competitors.

For example:

- Adjusted EPS, Adjusted Revenue, Adjusted Contribution to Profit, Adjusted Operating Income, Adjusted Income Before Taxes, Adjusted Income Tax Provision, Adjusted Effective Tax Rate, Adjusted EBITDA, and organic revenue (excluding acquisitions) provide a more comparable basis to analyze operating results and earnings and are measures commonly used by shareholders to measure our performance.
- Free Cash Flow less Product Development Spending helps assess our ability, over the long term, to create value for our shareholders as it represents cash available to repay debt, pay common stock dividends, and fund share repurchases and acquisitions.
- Results on a constant currency basis remove distortion from the effects of foreign currency movements to provide better comparability of our business trends from period to period. We measure our performance excluding the impact of foreign currency (or at constant currency), which means that we apply the same foreign currency exchange rates for the current and equivalent prior period.

In addition, we have historically provided these or similar non-GAAP performance measures and understand that some investors and financial analysts find this information helpful in analyzing our operating margins and net income, and in comparing our financial performance to that of our peer companies and competitors. Based on interactions with investors, we also believe that our non-GAAP performance measures are regarded as useful to our investors as supplemental to our US GAAP financial results, and that there is no confusion regarding the adjustments to our operating performance to our investors due to the comprehensive nature of our disclosures. We have not provided our fiscal year 2024 outlook for the most directly comparable US GAAP financial measures, as they are not available without unreasonable effort due to the high variability, complexity, and low visibility with respect to certain items, including restructuring charges and credits, gains and losses on foreign currency, and other gains and losses. These items are uncertain, depend on various factors, and could be material to our consolidated results computed in accordance with US GAAP.

Non-GAAP performance measures do not have standardized meanings prescribed by US GAAP and therefore may not be comparable to the calculation of similar measures used by other companies and should not be viewed as alternatives to measures of financial results under US GAAP. The adjusted metrics have limitations as analytical tools, and should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, US GAAP information. It does not purport to represent any similarly titled US GAAP information and is not an indicator of our performance under US GAAP. Non-GAAP financial metrics that we present may not be comparable with similarly titled measures used by others. Investors are cautioned against placing undue reliance on these non-GAAP measures.

PART I

Item 1. Business

The Company, founded in 1807, was incorporated in the state of New York on January 15, 1904. Throughout this report, when we refer to “Wiley,” the “Company,” “we,” “our,” or “us,” we are referring to John Wiley & Sons, Inc. and all of our subsidiaries, except where the context indicates otherwise.

Please refer to Part II, Item 8, “Financial Statements and Supplementary Data,” for financial information about the Company and its subsidiaries, which is incorporated herein by reference. Also, when we cross reference to a “Note,” we are referring to our “Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements,” in Part II, Item 8, “Financial Statements and Supplementary Data” unless the context indicates otherwise.

Wiley is a global leader in scientific research and career-connected education, unlocking human potential by enabling discovery, powering education, and shaping workforces. For over 200 years, Wiley has fueled the world’s knowledge ecosystem. Today, our high-impact content, platforms, and services help researchers, learners, institutions, and corporations achieve their goals in an ever-changing world. Wiley is a predominantly digital company with approximately 85% of revenue generated by digital products and tech-enabled services. For the year ended April 30, 2023, approximately 57% of our revenue is recurring which includes revenue that is contractually obligated or set to recur with a high degree of certainty.

We have reorganized our Education lines of business into two new customer-centric segments. The Academic segment addresses the university customer group and includes Academic Publishing and University Services. The Talent segment addresses the corporate customer group and is focused on delivering training, sourcing, and upskilling solutions. Prior period segment results have been revised to the new segment presentation. There were no changes to our consolidated financial results. Our new segment reporting structure consists of three reportable segments, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments:

- Research includes Research Publishing and Research Solutions, and no changes were made as a result of this realignment;
- Academic includes the Academic Publishing and University Services lines. Academic Publishing is the combination of the former Education Publishing line and professional publishing offerings;
- Talent is the combination of the former Talent Development line, and our assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings.

Through the Research segment, we provide peer-reviewed scientific, technical, and medical (STM) publishing, content platforms, and related services to academic, corporate, and government customers, academic societies, and individual researchers. The Academic segment provides scientific, professional, and education print and digital books, digital courseware, and test preparation services, as well as engages in the comprehensive management of online degree programs for universities. The Talent segment services include sourcing, training, and preparing aspiring students and professionals to meet the skill needs of today’s technology careers and placing them with large companies and government agencies. It also includes assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings. Our operations are primarily located in the United States (US), United Kingdom (UK), India, Sri Lanka, and Germany. In the year ended April 30, 2023, approximately 45% of our consolidated revenue was from outside the US.

Wiley’s business strategies are tightly aligned with long term growth trends, including open research, career-connected education, and workforce optimization. Research strategies include driving publishing output to meet the global demand for peer-reviewed research and expanding platform and service offerings for corporations and societies. Education strategies include expanding online degree programs and driving online enrollment for university partners, scaling digital content and courseware, and expanding IT talent placement and reskilling programs for corporate partners.

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Business Segments

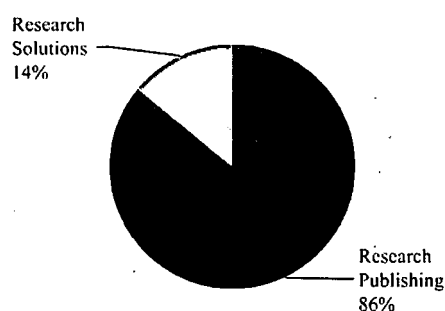
We report financial information for the following reportable segments, as well as a Corporate expense category, which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments:

- Research
- Academic
- Talent

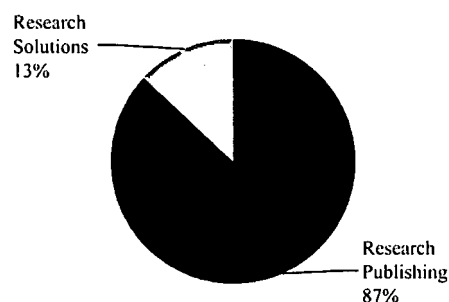
Research:

Research's mission is to support researchers, professionals and learners in the discovery and use of research knowledge to help them achieve their goals. Research provides scientific, technical, medical, and scholarly journals, as well as related content and services, to academic, corporate, and government libraries, learned societies, and individual researchers and other professionals. Journal publishing categories include the physical sciences and engineering, health sciences, social sciences and humanities, and life sciences. Research also includes Atypon Systems, Inc. (Atypon), a publishing software and service provider that enables scholarly and professional societies and publishers to deliver, host, enhance, market, and manage their content on the web through the *Literatum*™ platform. Research customers include academic, corporate, government, and public libraries, funders of research, researchers, scientists, clinicians, engineers and technologists, scholarly and professional societies, and students and professors. Research products are sold and distributed globally through multiple channels, including research libraries and library consortia, independent subscription agents, direct sales to professional society members, and other customers. Publishing centers include Australia, China, Germany, India, the UK, and the US. Research revenue accounted for approximately 54% of our consolidated revenue in the year ended April 30, 2023, with a 34.9% Adjusted EBITDA margin. See Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the section "Segment Operating Results" of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for further details. Approximately 95% of Research revenue is generated by digital and online products, and services.

Research revenue by product type includes Research Publishing and Research Solutions. The graphs below present revenue by product type for the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022:



2023



2022

Key growth strategies for the Research segment include evolving and developing new licensing models for our institutional customers (“pay to read and publish”), developing new open access journals and revenue streams (“pay to publish”), focusing resources on high-growth and emerging markets, and developing new digital products, services, and workflow solutions to meet the needs of researchers, authors, societies, and corporate customers.

Research Publishing

Research Publishing generates the majority of its revenue from contracts with its customers in the following revenue streams:

- Journal Subscriptions (“pay to read”), Open Access (“pay to publish”), and Transformational Models (“pay to read and publish”); and
- Licensing, Backfiles, and Other.

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Journal Subscriptions, Open Access, and Transformational Models

As of April 30, 2023, we publish over 1,900 academic research journals. We sell journal subscriptions directly to thousands of research institutions worldwide through our sales representatives, indirectly through independent subscription agents, through promotional campaigns, and through memberships in professional societies for those journals that are sponsored by societies. Journal subscriptions are primarily licensed through contracts for digital content available online through our *Wiley Online Library* platform. Contracts are negotiated by us directly with customers or their subscription agents. Subscription periods typically cover calendar years. Subscription revenue is generally collected in advance. Approximately 53% of Journal Subscription revenue is derived from publishing rights owned by Wiley. Long-term publishing alliances also play a major role in Research Publishing's success. Approximately 47% of Journal Subscriptions revenue is derived from publication rights that are owned by professional societies and other publishing partners such as charitable organizations or research institutions, and are published by us pursuant to long-term contracts or owned jointly with such entities. These alliances bring mutual benefit: The partners gain Wiley's publishing, marketing, sales, and distribution expertise, while Wiley benefits from being affiliated with prestigious organizations and their members. Societies that sponsor or own such journals generally receive a royalty and/or other financial consideration. We may procure editorial services from such societies on a prenegotiated fee basis. We also enter into agreements with outside independent editors of journals that define their editorial duties and the fees and expenses for their services. Contributors of articles to our journal portfolio transfer publication rights to us or a professional society, as applicable. We publish the journals of many prestigious societies, including the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the American Anthropological Association, the American Geophysical Union, and the German Chemical Society.

Wiley Online Library, which is delivered through our *Literatum* platform, provides the user with intuitive navigation, enhanced discoverability, expanded functionality, and a range of personalization options. Access to abstracts is free and full content is accessible through licensing agreements or as individual article purchases. Large portions of the content are provided free or at nominal cost to developing nations through partnerships with certain nonprofit organizations. Our online publishing platforms provide revenue growth opportunities through new applications and business models, online advertising, deeper market penetration, and individual sales and pay-per-view options.

Wiley's performance in the 2021 release of Clarivate Analytics' Journal Citation Reports (JCR) remains strong, maintaining its top 3 position in terms of citations received and sits in 4th place for journals indexed and articles published. Wiley has 7% of titles, 8% of articles, and 11% of citations.

A total of 1,540 Wiley journals were included in the reports. Wiley journals ranked #1 in 19 categories across 17 of its titles and achieved 270 top-10 category rankings.

The annual JCR are one of the most widely used sources of citation metrics used to analyze the performance of peer-reviewed journals. The most famous of these metrics, the Impact Factor, is based on the frequency with which an average article is cited in the JCR report year. Alongside other metrics, this makes it an important tool for evaluating a journal's impact on ongoing research.

Under the Open Access business model, accepted research articles are published subject to payment of Article Publication Charges (APCs) and then all open articles are immediately free to access online. Contributors of open access articles retain many rights and typically license their work under terms that permit reuse.

Open Access offers authors choices in how to share and disseminate their work, and it serves the needs of researchers who may be required by their research funder to make articles freely accessible without embargo. APCs are typically paid by the individual author or by the author's funder, and payments are often mediated by the author's institution. We provide specific workflows and infrastructure to authors, funders, and institutions to support the requirements of Open Access.

We offer two Open Access publishing models. The first of these is *Hybrid Open Access* where authors publishing in the majority of our paid subscription journals, after article acceptance, are offered the opportunity to make their individual research article openly available online.

The second offering of the Open Access model is a growing portfolio of fully open access journals, also known as *Gold Open Access Journals*. All Open Access articles are subject to the same rigorous peer-review process applied to our subscription-based journals. As with our subscription portfolio, a number of the *Gold Open Access Journals* are published under contract for, or in partnership with, prestigious societies, including the American Geophysical Union, the American Heart Association, the European Molecular Biology Organization, and the British Ecological Society. The Open Access portfolio spans life, physical, medical, and social sciences and includes a choice of high impact journals and broad-scope titles that offer

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Transformational agreements (“read and publish”), are an innovative model that blends Journal Subscription and Open Access offerings. Essentially, for a single fee, a national or regional consortium of libraries pays for and receives full read access to our journal portfolio and the ability to publish under an open access arrangement. Like subscriptions, transformational agreements involve recurring revenue under multiyear contracts. Transformational models accelerate the transition to open access while maintaining subscription access.

Licensing, Backfiles, and Other

Licensing, Backfiles, and Other includes backfile sales, the licensing of publishing rights, and individual article sales. A backfile license provides access to a historical collection of Wiley journals, generally for a one-time fee. We also engage with international publishers and receive licensing revenue from reproductions, translations, and other digital uses of our content. Through the *Article Select* and *PayPerView* programs, we provide fee-based access to non-subscribed journal articles, content, book chapters, and major reference work articles. The Research Publishing business is also a provider of content and services in evidence-based medicine (EBM). Through our alliance with The Cochrane Collaboration, we publish *The Cochrane Library*, a premier source of high-quality independent evidence to inform healthcare decision-making. EBM facilitates the effective management of patients through clinical expertise informed by best practice evidence that is derived from medical literature.

Research Solutions

Research Solutions is principally comprised of our Atypon platforms business and our corporate and society services offerings, including advertising, career-centers, knowledge hubs, databases, consulting, and reprints.

Atypon Platforms and Services

Literatum, our online publishing platform for societies and other research publishers, delivers integrated access to more than 10 million articles from approximately 2,100 publishers and societies, as well as over 27,000 online books and hundreds of multivolume reference works, laboratory protocols and databases.

Corporate and Society Service Offerings

Corporate and society service offerings include advertising, spectroscopy software and spectral databases, and job board software and career center services, which includes the products and services from our acquisition of Madgex Holdings Limited (Madgex) and Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc.’s Informatics products (Informatics). In addition, it also includes product and service offerings related to recent acquisitions such as J&J Editorial Services, LLC. (J&J) on October 1, 2021, and the e JournalPress business (EJP) on November 30, 2021. J&J is a publishing services company providing expert offerings in editorial operations, production, copyediting, system support and consulting. EJP is a technology platform company with an established journal submission and peer-review management system.

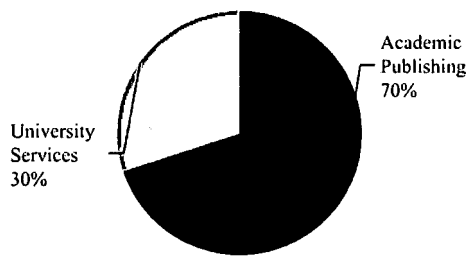
We generate advertising revenue from print and online journal subscription and controlled circulation products, our online publishing platform, *Literatum*, online events such as webinars and virtual conferences, community interest websites such as *analyticalscience.wiley.com*, and other websites. Journal and article reprints are primarily used by pharmaceutical companies and other industries for marketing and promotional purposes.

Academic:

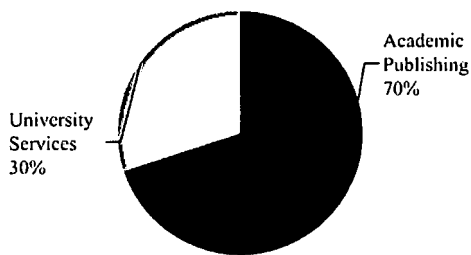
Our Academic segment includes Academic Publishing and University Services, whose products and services include scientific, professional, and education print and digital books, and digital courseware to support libraries, corporations, students, professionals, and researchers, as well as online program management or OPM services for higher education institutions. Communities served include business, finance, accounting, management, leadership, computer science, data science, technology, behavioral health, engineering and architecture, mathematics, science and medicine, and education. Products are developed for worldwide distribution through multiple channels, including brick-and-mortar and online retailers, libraries, colleges and universities, corporations, direct-to-consumer, distributor networks, and through other channels. Publishing centers include Australia, Germany, India, the UK, and the US. Academic accounted for approximately 34% of our consolidated revenue in the year ended April 30, 2023, with a 21.4% Adjusted EBITDA margin. See Part II, Item 7, “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” in the section “Segment Operating Results” of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for further details. Approximately 65% of Academic revenue is from digital and online products and services.

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Academic revenue by product type includes Academic Publishing and University Services. The graphs below present revenue by product type for the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022:



2023



2022

Key strategies for the Academic business include developing high-impact, career-aligned courseware, products, brands, franchises, and solutions to meet the evolving needs of global learners and university partners while expanding global discoverability and distribution. We continue to implement strategies to efficiently and effectively manage print revenue declines while driving growth in our digital lines of business.

Book sales for Academic Publishing are generally made on a returnable basis with certain restrictions. We provide for estimated future returns on sales made during the year based on historical return experience and current market trends.

Materials for book publications are obtained from authors throughout most of the world, utilizing the efforts of a best-in-class internal editorial staff, external editorial support, and advisory boards. Most materials originate by the authors themselves or as the result of suggestions or solicitations by editors. We enter into agreements with authors that state the terms and conditions under which the materials will be published, the name in which the copyright will be registered, the basis for any royalties, and other matters. Author compensation models include royalties, which vary depending on the nature of the product and work-for-hire. We may make advance royalty payments against future royalties to authors of certain publications. Royalty advances are reviewed for recoverability and a reserve for loss is maintained, if appropriate.

We continue to add new titles, revise existing titles, and discontinue the sale of others in the normal course of our business. We also create adaptations of original content for specific markets based on customer demand. Our general practice is to revise our textbooks every 3-5 years, as warranted, and to revise other titles as appropriate. Subscription-based products are updated on a more frequent basis.

We generally contract independent printers and binderies globally for their services, using a variety of suppliers and materials to

support our range of needs.

We have an agreement to outsource our US-based book distribution operations to Cengage Learning, with the continued aim of improving efficiency in our distribution activities and moving to a more variable cost model. As of April 30, 2023, we had one global warehousing and distribution facility remaining, which is in the UK.

Academic Publishing

Academic Publishing generates the majority of its revenue from contracts with its customers in the following revenue streams:

- Print and Digital Publishing
- Digital Courseware
- Test Preparation and Certification
- Licensing and Other

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Print and Digital Publishing

Education textbooks, related supplementary material, and digital products are sold primarily to bookstores and online retailers serving both for-profit and nonprofit educational institutions (primarily colleges and universities), and direct-to-students. We employ sales representatives who call on faculty responsible for selecting books to be used in courses and on the bookstores that serve such institutions and their students. The textbook business is seasonal, with the majority of textbook sales occurring during the July-through-October and December-through-February periods. There are various channels to drive affordability for print and digital materials within the higher education market, including used, rental, and inclusive access.

STM books (Reference) are sold and distributed globally in digital and print formats through multiple channels, including research libraries and library consortia, independent subscription agents, direct sales to professional society members, bookstores, online booksellers, and other customers.

Professional books, which include business and finance, technology, professional development for educators, and other professional categories, as well as the *For Dummies*® brand, are sold to brick-and-mortar and online retailers, wholesalers who supply such bookstores, college bookstores, individual practitioners, corporations, and government agencies. We employ sales representatives who call upon independent bookstores, national and regional chain bookstores, wholesalers, and corporations globally. Sales of professional books also result from direct marketing outreach, conferences, and other industry-relevant outreach.

We also promote active and growing custom professional and education publishing programs. Professional organizations use our custom professional publications for marketing outreach. This outreach includes customized digital and print books written for a specific customer and includes custom cover art, such as imprints, messages, and slogans. More specific are customized *For Dummies*® publications, which leverage the power of this well-known brand to meet the specific information needs of a wide range of organizations around the world.

We develop content in a digital format that can be used for both digital and print products, resulting in productivity and efficiency savings and enabling print-on-demand delivery. Book content is available online through *Wiley Online Library* (delivered through our *Literatum* platform), *WileyPLUS*, *zyBooks*®, *alta*™, and other proprietary platforms. Digital books are delivered to intermediaries, including Amazon, Apple, and Google, for sale to individuals in various industry-standard formats. These are now the preferred deliverable for licensees of all types, including foreign language publishers. Digital books are also licensed to libraries through aggregators. Specialized formats for digital textbooks go to distributors servicing the academic market, and digital book collections are sold by subscription through independent third-party aggregators servicing distinct communities. Custom deliverables are provided to corporations, institutions, and associations to educate their employees, generate leads for their products, and extend their brands. Digital content is also used to create online articles, mobile apps, newsletters, and promotional collateral. Continually reusing content improves margins, speeds delivery, and helps satisfy a wide range of evolving customer needs. Our online presence not only enables us to deliver content online, but also to sell more books. The growth of online booksellers benefits us because they provide unlimited virtual “shelf space” for our entire backlist. Publishing alliances and franchise products are important to our strategy. Education and STM publishing alliance partners include IEEE, American Institute of Chemical Engineers, and many others. The ability to join Wiley’s product development, sales, marketing, distribution, and technology with a partner’s content, technology, and/or brand name has contributed to our success.

Digital Courseware

We offer high-quality online learning solutions, including *WileyPLUS*, a research-based online environment for effective teaching and learning that is integrated with a complete digital textbook. *WileyPLUS* improves student learning through instant feedback, personalized learning plans, and self-evaluation tools, as well as a full range of course-oriented activities, including online planning, presentations, study, homework, and testing. In selected courses, *WileyPLUS* includes a personalized adaptive learning component.

The highly interactive *zyBooks* platform enables learners to learn by doing while allowing professors to be more efficient and devote more time to teaching. The platform maximizes learner engagement and retention through demonstration and hands-on learning experiences using interactive question sets, animations, tools, and embedded labs. The *zyBooks* platform will become an essential component of Wiley’s differentiated digital learning experience and, when combined with *alta*’s adaptive learning technology and *WileyPLUS*, powers high-impact education across Wiley’s Academic segment.

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Test Preparation and Certification

The Test Preparation and Certification business represents learning solutions, training activities, and print and digital formats that are delivered to customers directly through online digital delivery platforms, bookstores, online booksellers, and other customers. Products include CPAExcel®, a modular, digital platform comprised of online self-study, videos, mobile apps, and sophisticated planning tools to help professionals prepare for the CPA exam, and test preparation products for the GMAT™, ACT®, CFA®, CMA®, CIA®, CMT®, FRM®, FINRA®, Banking, and PMP® exams. In the last quarter of fiscal year 2023 we sold a portion of our test preparation and certification products referred to as Wiley's Efficient Learning test prep portfolio which focused on test prep for finance, accounting and business certifications. See Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further details.

Licensing and Other

Licensing and distribution services are made available to other publishers under agency arrangements. We also engage in co-publishing titles with international publishers and receive licensing revenue from photocopies, reproductions, translations, and digital uses of our content and use of the Knewton® adaptive engine. Wiley also realizes advertising revenue from branded websites (e.g., Dummies.com) and online applications.

University Services

Our University Services business offers institutions and their students a rich portfolio of education technology and student and faculty support services, allowing the institutions to reach more students online with their own quality academic programs.

Many of Wiley's client institutions are regional state universities or small liberal arts colleges. Our resources, expertise and innovations meaningfully impact their ability to increase access to their programs online, as many students now seek these types of flexible offerings. University Services provides institutions with a bespoke suite of services that each institution has determined it needs to serve students, including market research, marketing and recruitment, program development, online platform technology, student retention support, instructional design, faculty development and support, and access to the Engage Learning Management System, which facilitates the online education experience. Graduate degree programs include Business Administration, Finance, Accounting, Healthcare, Engineering, Communications, and others. Revenue is derived from pre-negotiated contracts with institutions that provide for a share of revenue generated after students have enrolled and demonstrated initial persistence. While the majority of our contracts are revenue-share arrangements, we also offer the opportunity to contract on a fee-for-service basis, unlike many other third-party online providers. As of April 30, 2023, the University Services business had 64 university partners under contract.

Talent:

Our Talent segment consists of talent development (Wiley Edge, formerly mthree) for professionals and businesses, assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings. Our key growth strategy includes bridging the IT skills gap through talent development for corporations around the world. Talent accounted for approximately 12% of our consolidated revenue in the year ended April 30, 2023, with a 21.1% Adjusted EBITDA margin. See Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the section "Segment Operating Results" of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for further details. Talent generated 98% of its revenue from digital and online products and services.

On January 1, 2020, Wiley acquired mthree, a talent placement provider that addresses the IT skills gap by finding, training, and placing job-ready technology talent in roles with leading corporations worldwide. In late May 2022, Wiley renamed mthree as Wiley Edge. Wiley Edge sources, trains, and prepares aspiring students and professionals to meet the skill needs of today's technology and banking services careers, and then places them with some of the world's largest financial institutions, technology companies, and government agencies. Wiley Edge also works with its clients to retrain and retain existing employees so they can continue to meet the changing demands of today's technology landscape. In fiscal year 2023, Wiley Edge signed 15 new corporate clients and expanded into new industry verticals beyond financial services, such as technology and consumer goods.

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Our assessments (corporate training) offerings include high-demand soft-skills training solutions that are delivered to organizational clients through online digital delivery platforms, either directly or through an authorized distributor network of independent consultants, trainers, and coaches. Wiley's branded assessment solutions include Everything DiSC®, The Five Behaviors® based on Patrick Lencioni's perennial bestseller *The Five Dysfunctions of a Team*, and Leadership Practices Inventory® from Kouzes and Posner's bestselling *The Leadership Challenge*®, as well as PXT Select™, a pre-hire selection tool. Our solutions help organizations hire and develop effective managers, leaders, and teams.

We also offer online learning and training solutions for global corporations and small and medium-sized enterprises, which are sold on a subscription or fee basis. Learning experiences, formats and modules on topics such as leadership development, value creation, client orientation, change management, and corporate strategy are delivered on a cloud-based CrossKnowledge Learning Management System (LMS) platform that hosts more than 20,000 content assets (videos, digital learning modules, written files, etc.) in 18 languages. Its offering includes a collaborative e-learning publishing and program creation system. In addition, learning experiences, content, and LMS offerings are continuously refreshed and expanded to serve a wider variety of customer needs. These digital learning solutions are either sold directly to corporate customers or through our global partners' network.

Fiscal Year 2024 Dispositions, Segment Realignment, and Restructuring

On June 1, 2023, Wiley's Board of Directors approved a plan to dispose of certain education businesses. Those businesses are University Services (formerly Online Program Management) in our Academic segment, and Wiley Edge (formerly Talent Development) and CrossKnowledge in our Talent segment. These dispositions are expected to be completed in fiscal year 2024, and will be reported as held for sale in the first quarter of fiscal year 2024. In fiscal year 2023, these businesses, combined with the two dispositions disclosed in Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" generated approximately \$393 million of revenue (approximately 19% of our consolidated revenue) and \$43 million of Adjusted EBITDA (approximately 10% of our consolidated Adjusted EBITDA). We are evaluating the financial statement impact of these planned dispositions. During fiscal year 2024, it is anticipated that additional restructuring actions will be undertaken to rightsize the Company's expenses. The timing of much of these restructuring actions will be influenced by the completion of the dispositions. The amount of such charges has not yet been determined.

In the first quarter of fiscal year 2024, we are realigning our segments. Our new segment structure will consist of two reportable segments which includes (1) Research (no change) and (2) Learning, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments. Research will continue to have reporting lines of Research Publishing and Research Solutions. Learning will include reporting lines of Academic (education publishing) and Professional (professional publishing and assessments).

Human Capital

As of April 30, 2023, we employed approximately 8,800 colleagues, including 1,800 placement candidates in the Wiley Edge product offering, on a full-time equivalent basis worldwide.

We view our colleagues as one of our most significant assets and investments to deliver on our mission to unlock human potential and to champion and advocate for our customers who want to make impacts in their fields, their workplaces, and their lives, through knowledge creation, use and dissemination. Our success depends on our ability to develop, attract, reward, and retain a diverse population of talented, qualified, and highly skilled colleagues at all levels of our organization and across our global workforce so that they can deliver on our promise to our customers to clear the way to their successes. This includes programs, policies, and initiatives that promote diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI); talent acquisition; ongoing employee learning and development; competitive compensation and benefits; health and well-being; and emphasis on employee satisfaction and engagement.

Our culture differentiates us as an organization and our core values define how we work together. We ask colleagues to embody our three values—Learning Champion, Needle Mover, and Courageous Teammate—and assess their performance against these in addition to what they achieve against their goals. These values define who we are as a company and what we stand for.

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Our human capital metrics summary (excluding placement candidates in Wiley Edge) as of April 30, 2023:

CATEGORY		METRIC	
EMPLOYEES	By Region	Americas	48 %
		APAC	20 %
		EMEA	32 %
DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION	Global Gender Representation	% Female Colleagues	59 %
		% Female Senior Leaders (Vice President and Above)	43 %
	US Person of Color (POC) Representation*	% POC	27 %
		% POC Senior Leaders (Vice President and Above)	19 %

* US POC includes employees who self-identify as Hispanic or Latino, Black or African American, Asian, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, Other, or two or more races.

Health & Well-Being

Safeguarding and promoting colleague well-being is central to what we do, as it is critical we provide tools and resources to help colleagues be healthy, and an environment that allows us to be at our best. We support our colleagues in maintaining their physical, emotional, social, and financial well-being through working practices, education, and benefit programs.

Our recently implemented post pandemic hybrid work model provides the majority of our colleagues the flexibility to work remotely at least some of the time. The hybrid work model is intended to support colleague health and well-being, while maintaining a culture of innovation and collaboration.

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Through our DEI strategy, we are operationalizing critical priorities. We are focused on four DEI Strategic Pillars—Fostering an Inclusive Community, Enhancing our Foundation, Understanding our People, and Creating Impact Through our Business.

These pillars reflect our DEI near-term priorities to propel a sustainable, inclusive organization that embodies diversity and equity throughout our policies, programs, and processes, and fosters an inclusive culture that celebrates the unique contributions of our colleagues and supports human connectivity. In addition, we develop partnerships and launch pilot programs to support communities that are underrepresented in higher education, the workforce, and the field of publishing.

Our Employee Resource Groups help amplify our DEI priorities through learning, community engagement, and allyship and advocacy. As a member of the CEO Action for Diversity and Inclusion, Wiley demonstrates its commitment to sustained, concrete actions that advance diversity and inclusive thinking, behavior, and business practices in the workplace.

Careers & Engagement

Investment in colleague development and growth for current and future roles is central to our culture. Our goal is to provide colleagues with learning opportunities and experiences at every stage of their journey at Wiley. We help colleagues upskill and thrive by leveraging the power of our internal products and tapping into our external partnerships. We focus on delivering quality curated resources, customized learning paths, and comprehensive development programs. We offer interactive development programs that allow our colleagues to share lessons learned, adopt best practices, and have interactive opportunities with their peers. Through our Champion Your Career program, our colleagues get practical advice on updating their resumes and honing their interviewing skills, and have career conversations with our Talent team. Leveraging Wiley's Everything DiSC assessment tools and resources, our colleagues can better understand themselves and others, creating a common language that makes interactions more collaborative and effective.

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Through our Pay@Wiley journey, we enhanced our colleague and manager understanding of pay through our education programs, and raised transparency by sharing segment in range and publishing our first global equitable pay study. We introduced Achievers, our recognition platform that was designed so our colleagues can recognize each other to create a culture of recognition and celebrate success.

We conduct our Talent Review annually, focusing on high-performing and high-potential talent, diversity, and succession for our most critical roles. We are committed to identifying, growing, and retaining top talent and ensuring we have the right skills for the future. We establish key development action planning opportunities for each colleague to build bench strength and review development progress and mobility regularly.

Environment

We continue our journey to support the sustainability of our planet. We believe environmental responsibility and business objectives are fundamentally connected and essential to our operations. This is why we are acting now to protect the environment by making informed choices and limiting our impact on natural resources.

For the fourth consecutive year, we are a CarbonNeutral® certified company across our global operations, in accordance with the CarbonNeutral Protocol. Our locations use 100% renewable energy through green tariffs and energy attribute certificates (EACs). Most of our global office real estate is leased and, whenever possible, we work with property owners to optimize sustainability.

This year, we furthered our commitment by setting a science-based target with the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi). We set a near and long-term company-wide emissions target, including being net zero by 2040. We are responding to the SBTi's urgent call for corporate climate action by aligning with 1.5°C and net-zero through the Business Ambition for 1.5°C campaign.

We also work with publishing partners, where possible, to reduce print production and consumption, reduce excess inventory through print-on-demand, and encourage digital consumption of our products. We begun implementing measures to ensure our subcontractors who assist us in providing material aspects of the products and services are held to the same high standards as we hold ourselves.

In July 2022, we submitted to Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) Climate for the first time. We continue to track and trace our paper usage and submitted a CDP Forests disclosure for the second year. Our commitment to sustainably sourced paper is supported by our Paper Selection and Use Policy. We continually evaluate climate and environmental reporting and plan to expand our disclosures in the coming years.

Our partnership with Trees for the Future continues. We plant a tree for every copy of a journal we actively stop printing, up to one million trees, resulting in more than 600,000 trees to date.

We are always seeking opportunities to improve environmental performance. We comply with environmental laws and regulations, thoughtfully investing resources toward managing environmental affairs and raising awareness of global environmental issues through education and research.

Financial Information About Business Segments

The information set forth in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in Note 3, "Revenue Recognition, Contracts with Customers," and Note 20, "Segment Information," of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of this Annual Report on Form 10-K are incorporated herein by reference.

Available Information

Our investor site is investors.wiley.com. Our internet address is www.wiley.com. We make available, free of charge, on or through our investors.wiley.com website, our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports that we file or furnish pursuant to Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities

Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file these materials with, or furnish them to, the SEC. The information contained on, or that may be accessed through our website is not incorporated by reference into, and is not a part of, this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors

Introduction

The risks described below should be carefully considered before making an investment decision. You should carefully consider all the information set forth in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, including the following risk factors, before deciding to invest in any of our securities. This Annual Report on Form 10-K also contains, or may incorporate by reference, forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. See the “Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-Looking Statements,” immediately preceding Part I of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The risks below are not the only risk factors we face. Additional risks not currently known to us or that we presently deem insignificant could impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations. Our businesses, consolidated financial position, and results of operations could be materially adversely affected by any of these risks. The trading price of our securities could decline due to any of these risks, and investors may lose all or part of their investment.

Strategic Risks

We may not be able to realize the expected benefits of our growth strategies, which are described in Item 1. Business, including successfully integrating acquisitions, which could adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Our growth strategy includes business acquisitions, including knowledge-enabled services, which complement our existing businesses. Acquisitions may have a substantial impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations. Acquisitions involve risks and uncertainties, including difficulties in integrating acquired operations and in realizing expected opportunities, cost synergies, diversions of management resources, loss of key employees, challenges with respect to operating new businesses, and other uncertainties.

We have announced our intent to explore the sale of certain of our businesses, and such proposed divestitures may introduce significant risks and uncertainties.

We have initiated a strategic review of our non-core education businesses which could result in the future divestiture of certain assets or businesses that no longer fit with our strategic direction or growth targets. Divestitures involve significant risks and uncertainties that could adversely affect our business, consolidated financial position and consolidated results of operations. These include, among others, the inability to find potential buyers on favorable terms, disruption to our business and/or diversion of management attention from other business concerns, the potential loss of key employees, difficulties in separating the operations of the divested business, and retention of certain liabilities related to the divested business. Significant time and expenses could be incurred to divest these non-core businesses which may adversely affect operations as dispositions may require our continued financial involvement, such as through transition service agreements, guarantees, and indemnities or other current or contingent financial obligations and liabilities.

The demand for digital and lower cost books could impact our sales volumes and pricing in an adverse way.

A common trend facing each of our businesses is the digitization of content and proliferation of distribution channels through the Internet and other electronic means, which are replacing traditional print formats. This trend towards digital content has also created contraction in the print book retail market which increases the risk of bankruptcy for certain retail customers, potentially leading to the disruption of short-term product supply to consumers, as well as potential bad debt write-offs. New distribution channels, such as digital formats, the Internet, online retailers, and growing delivery platforms (e.g., tablets and e-readers), combined with the concentration of retailer power, present both risks and opportunities to our traditional publishing models, potentially impacting both sales volumes and pricing.

As the market has shifted to digital products, customer expectations for lower-priced products have increased due to customer awareness of reductions in production costs and the availability of free or low-cost digital content and products. As a result, there has been pressure to sell digital versions of products at prices below their print versions. Increased customer demand for lower prices could reduce our revenue.

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We publish educational content for undergraduate, graduate, and advanced placement students, lifelong learners, and, in Australia, for secondary school students. Due to growing student demand for less expensive textbooks, many college bookstores, online retailers, and other entities, offer used or rental textbooks to students at lower prices than new textbooks. The Internet has made the used and rental textbook markets more efficient and has significantly increased student access to used and rental textbooks. Further expansion of the used and rental textbook markets could further adversely affect our sales of print textbooks, subsequently affecting our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

A reduction in enrollment at colleges and universities could adversely affect the demand for our higher education products.

Enrollment in US colleges and universities can be adversely affected by many factors, including changes in government and private student loan and grant programs, uncertainty about current and future economic conditions, increases in tuition, general decreases in family income and net worth, and record low unemployment due to an active job market. In addition, enrollment levels at colleges and universities outside the US are influenced by global and local economic factors, local political conditions, and other factors that make predicting foreign enrollment levels difficult. Reductions in expected levels of enrollment at colleges and universities both within and outside the US could adversely affect demand for our higher education offerings, which could adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

If we are unable to retain key talent and other colleagues, our consolidated financial condition or results of operations may be adversely affected.

The Company and industry are highly dependent on the loyal engagement of key leaders and colleagues. Loss of talent due to inadequate skills and career path development or maintaining competitive salaries and benefits could have a significant impact on Company performance.

We are highly dependent on the continued services of key talent who have in-depth market and business knowledge and/or key relationships with business partners. The loss of the services of key talent for any reason and our inability to replace them with suitable candidates quickly or at all, as well as any negative market perception resulting from such loss, could have a material adverse effect on our business, consolidated financial position, and results of operations.

We have a significant investment in our colleagues around the world. We offer competitive salaries and benefits in order to attract and retain the highly skilled workforce needed to sustain and develop new products and services required for growth. Employment costs are affected by competitive market conditions for qualified individuals and factors such as healthcare and retirement benefit costs.

The competitive pressures we face in our business, as well as our ability to retain our business relationships with our authors and professional societies, could adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

The contribution of authors and their professional societies is one of the more important elements of the highly competitive publishing business. Success and continued growth depend greatly on developing new products and the means to deliver them in an environment of rapid technological change. Attracting new authors and professional societies while retaining our existing business relationships is critical to our success. If we are unable to retain our existing business relationships with authors and professional societies, this could have an adverse impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

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Information Technology Systems and Cybersecurity Risks

Our company is highly dependent on information technology systems and their business management and customer-facing capabilities critical for the long-term competitive sustainability of the business. If we fail to innovate in response to rapidly evolving technological and market developments, our competitive position may be negatively impacted.

We must continue to invest in technology and other innovations to adapt and add value to our products and services to remain competitive. This is particularly true in the current environment, where investment in new technology is ongoing and there are rapid changes in the products competitors are offering, the products our customers are seeking, and our sales and distribution channels. In some cases, investments will take the form of internal development; in others, they may take the form of an acquisition. There are uncertainties whenever developing or acquiring new products and services, and it is often possible that such new products and services may not be launched, or, if launched, may not be profitable or as profitable as existing products and services. If we are unable to introduce new technologies, products, and services, our ability to be profitable may be adversely affected.

In addition, our ability to effectively compete, may be affected by our ability to anticipate and respond effectively to the opportunity and threat presented by new technology disruption and developments, including generative artificial intelligence (GAI). We may be exposed to competitive risks related to the adoption and application of new technologies by established market participants or new entrants, and others.

We cannot predict the effect of technological changes on our business. Failure to keep pace with these technological developments or otherwise bring to market products that reflect these technologies could have a material adverse impact on our overall business and results of operations. We may not be successful in anticipating or responding to these developments on a timely and cost-effective basis. Additionally, the effort to gain technological expertise and develop new technologies in our business requires us to incur significant expenses. If we cannot offer new technologies as quickly as our competitors, or if our competitors develop more cost-effective technologies or product offerings, we could experience a material adverse effect on our operating results, growth and financial condition.

We may be susceptible to information technology risks that may adversely impact our business, consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Information technology is a key part of our business strategy and operations. As a business strategy, Wiley's technology enables us to provide customers with new and enhanced products and services and is critical to our success in migrating from print to digital business models. Information technology is also a fundamental component of all our business processes, collecting and reporting business data, and communicating internally and externally with customers, suppliers, employees, and others. We face technological risks associated with digital products and service delivery in our businesses, including with respect to information technology capability, reliability, security, enterprise resource planning, system implementations, and upgrades. Across our businesses, we hold personal data, including that of employees and customers. Failures of our information technology systems and products (including operational failure, natural disaster, computer virus, or cyberattacks) could interrupt the availability of our digital products and services, result in corruption or loss of data or breach in security, and result in liability or reputational damage to our brands and/or adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Management has designed and implemented policies, processes, and controls to mitigate risks of information technology failure and to provide security from unauthorized access to our systems. In addition, we have disaster recovery plans in place to maintain business continuity for our key financial systems. While key financial systems have backup and tested disaster recovery systems, other applications and services have limited backup and recovery procedures which may delay or prevent recovery in case of disaster. The size and complexity of our information technology and information security systems, and those of our third-party vendors with whom we contract, make such systems potentially vulnerable to cyberattacks common to most industries from inadvertent or intentional actions by employees, vendors, or malicious third parties. While we have taken steps to address these risks, there can be no assurance that a system failure, disruption, or data security breach would not adversely affect our business and could have an adverse impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

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We are continually improving and upgrading our computer systems and software. We have implemented a global Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system as part of a multiyear plan to integrate and upgrade our operational and financial systems and processes. We have also implemented record-to-report, purchase-to-pay, and several other business processes within all locations. We implemented order-to-cash for certain businesses and have continued to roll out additional processes and functionality of the ERP system in phases. Implementation of an ERP system involves risks and uncertainties. Any disruptions, delays, or deficiencies in the design or implementation of a new system could result in increased costs, disruptions in operations, or delays in the collection of cash from our customers, as well as having an adverse effect on our ability to timely report our financial results, all of which could materially adversely affect our business, consolidated financial position, and results of operations. We currently use out of support systems for order management for certain businesses. While we have contingency support available, any major disruptions, while unlikely, may require longer remediation time. This could impact our ability to process and fulfill orders for those businesses. We currently use a legacy platform with limited support for order management of the global Academic business. Any defects and disruptions in the legacy systems which cannot be addressed in a timely manner could impact our ability to process orders and reconcile financial statements.

Cyber risk and the failure to maintain the integrity of our operational or security systems or infrastructure, or those of third parties with which we do business, could have a material adverse effect on our business, consolidated financial condition, and results of operations.

The cybersecurity risks we face range from cyberattacks common to most industries, such as the development and deployment of malicious software to gain access to our networks and attempt to steal confidential information, launch distributed denial of service attacks, or attempt other coordinated disruptions, to more advanced threats that target us because of our prominence in the global research and advisory field. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, most of our employees continue to work remotely, at least some of the time, which magnifies the importance of the integrity of our remote access security measures.

Like many multinational corporations, we, and some third parties upon which we rely, have experienced cyberattacks on our computer systems and networks in the past and may experience them in the future, likely with more frequency and sophistication and involving a broader range of devices and modes of attack, all of which will increase the difficulty of detecting and successfully defending against them. To date, none have resulted in any material adverse impact to our business, operations, products, services, or customers. Wiley has invested heavily in Cybersecurity tools and resources to keep our systems safe. We have implemented various security controls to meet our security obligations, while also defending against constantly evolving security threats. Our security controls help to secure our information systems, including our computer systems, intranet, proprietary websites, email and other telecommunications and data networks, and we scrutinize the security of outsourced website(s) and service providers prior to retaining their services. However, the security measures implemented by us or by our outside service providers may not be effective, and our systems (and those of our outside service providers) may be vulnerable to theft, loss, damage and interruption from a number of potential sources and events, including unauthorized access or security breaches, cyber-attacks, computer viruses, power loss, or other disruptive events.

The security compliance landscape continues to evolve, requiring us to stay apprised of changes in cybersecurity, privacy laws and regulations, such as the European Union General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA), the Brazilian General Data Protection Law (LGPD), the Chinese Cybersecurity, Data Security and Personal Information Protection laws (PIPL). The United Kingdom ceased to be an EU Member State on January 31, 2020, but enacted the UK data protection law. It is unclear how UK data protection laws will continue to develop; however, contractual clauses have been established regulating data transfers to and from the United Kingdom. Some countries also are considering or have enacted legislation requiring local storage and processing of data that could increase the cost and complexity of delivering our services.

In addition, to new and proposed data protection laws, we also stay apprised and adopt certain security standards required by our clients, such as International Organization for Standardization (ISO), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) and Center for Internet Security (CIS). Recent well-publicized security breaches at other companies have led to enhanced government and regulatory scrutiny of the measures taken by companies to protect against cyberattacks and may in the future result in heightened cybersecurity requirements, including additional regulatory expectations for oversight of vendors and service providers.

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A cyberattack could cause delays in initiating or completing sales, impede delivery of our products and services to our clients, disrupt other critical client-facing or business processes, or dislocate our critical internal functions. Additionally, any material breaches or other technology-related catastrophe, or media reports of perceived security vulnerabilities to our systems or those of our third parties, even if no breach has been attempted or has occurred, could cause us to experience reputational harm, loss of customers and revenue, fines, regulatory actions and scrutiny, sanctions or other statutory penalties, litigation, liability for failure to safeguard our customers information, or financial losses that are either not insured against or not fully covered through any insurance maintained by us.

Operational Risks

We may not realize the anticipated cost savings and benefits from, or our business may be disrupted by, our business transformation and restructuring efforts.

We continue to transform our business from a traditional publishing model to a global provider of content-enabled solutions with a focus on digital products and services. We have made several acquisitions over the past few years that represent examples of strategic initiatives that were implemented as part of our business transformation. We will continue to explore opportunities to develop new business models and enhance the efficiency of our organizational structure. The rapid pace and scope of change increases the risk that not all our strategic initiatives will deliver the expected benefits within the anticipated timeframes. In addition, these efforts may disrupt our business activities, which could adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

We continue to restructure and realign our cost base with current and anticipated future market conditions, including our Business Optimization Program and Fiscal Year 2023 Restructuring Program. Significant risks associated with these actions that may impair our ability to achieve the anticipated cost savings or that may disrupt our business, include delays in the implementation of anticipated workforce reductions in highly regulated locations outside of the US, decreases in employee morale, the failure to meet operational targets due to the loss of key employees, and disruptions of third parties to whom we have outsourced business functions. In addition, our ability to achieve the anticipated cost savings and other benefits from these actions within the expected timeframe is subject to many estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions are subject to significant economic, competitive, and other uncertainties, some of which are beyond our control. If these estimates and assumptions are incorrect, if we experience delays, or if other unforeseen events occur, our business and consolidated financial position and results of operations could be adversely affected.

We may not realize the anticipated cost savings and processing efficiencies associated with the outsourcing of certain business processes.

We have outsourced certain business functions, principally in technology, content management, printing, warehousing, fulfillment, distribution, returns processing, and certain other transactional processing functions, to third-party service providers to achieve cost savings and efficiencies. If these third-party service providers do not perform effectively, we may not be able to achieve the anticipated cost savings, and depending on the function involved, we may experience business disruption or processing inefficiencies, all with potential adverse effects on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Challenges and uncertainties associated with operating in certain global markets has a higher risk due to political instability, economic volatility, crime, terrorism, corruption, social and ethnic unrest, and other factors, which may adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

We sell our products to customers in certain sanctioned and previously sanctioned developing markets in accordance with such restrictions. While sales in these markets are not material to our consolidated financial position and results of operations, adverse developments related to the risks associated with these markets may cause actual results to differ from historical and forecasted future consolidated operating results.

We have certain technology development operations in Sri Lanka, and previously in Russia, related to software development and architecture, digital content production, and system testing services. Due to the political instability within these regions, there is the potential for future government embargos and sanctions, which could disrupt our operations in these areas. While we have developed business continuity plans to address these issues, further adverse developments in the region could have a

material impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

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In February 2022, the Russian Federation and Belarus commenced a military action with Ukraine. As a result, the United States, as well as other nations, instituted economic sanctions against Russia and Belarus. The impact of this action and related sanctions on the world economy is not currently determinable but the impact of this conflict has not been material to our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

In the third quarter of fiscal year 2023, due to the political instability and military actions between Russia and Ukraine, we made the decision to close our operations in Russia, which primarily consists of technology development resources. We are substantially complete with this closure as of April 30, 2023, except for the formal liquidation of our Russian legal entity, which we expect to complete in fiscal year 2024. This action did not materially impact our overall operations. Prior to the closure, the net assets of our Russian operations were not material to our overall consolidated financial position. We have customers in Russia, primarily for our Research offerings, which are not material to our overall consolidated results of operations. We do not have operations in Ukraine or Belarus, and the business conducted in those countries is also not material to our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

In our Research segment, approximately 32% of the articles we published in 2022 included a China based author. This compares to the industry percentage which is approximately 30% of articles published in 2022 which included a China based author. Any restrictions on exporting intellectual property could adversely affect our business and consolidated financial position and results of operations. Chinese governments and institutions are producing early warning lists of journals published by non-Chinese publishers that have high proportions of Chinese content which could have an impact on future article volumes.

In our journal publishing business, we have a trade concentration and credit risk related to subscription agents, and in our book business the industry has a concentration of customers in national, regional, and online bookstore chains. Changes in the financial position and liquidity of our subscription agents and customers could adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

In the journal publishing business, subscriptions are primarily sourced through journal subscription agents who, acting as agents for library customers, facilitate ordering by consolidating the subscription orders/billings of each subscriber with various publishers. Cash is generally collected in advance from subscribers by the subscription agents and is principally remitted to us between the months of December and April. Although at fiscal year-end we had minimal credit risk exposure to these agents, future calendar year subscription receipts from these agents are highly dependent on their financial condition and liquidity.

Subscription agents account for approximately 15% of total annual consolidated revenue and no one agent accounts for more than 10% of total annual consolidated revenue.

Our book business is not dependent upon a single customer; however, the industry is concentrated in national, regional, and online bookstore chains. Although no book customer accounts for more than 6% of total consolidated revenue and 10% of accounts receivable at April 30, 2023, the top 10 book customers account for approximately 10% of total consolidated revenue and approximately 20% of accounts receivable at April 30, 2023.

In our Research business, a lack of integrity in our published research could adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

We publish research authored by individuals outside our Company. The integrity of that research could be compromised due to the manipulation, misrepresentation and misconduct by those individuals or other outsiders involved in the publishing process. This activity could adversely impact our open access publishing and article output by causing us to potentially pause publication, retract articles, or halt publication of a journal, which could adversely impact our business and consolidated financial position and results of operations.

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Financial Risks

Changes in global economic conditions could impact our ability to borrow funds and meet our future financing needs.

Changes in global financial markets have not had, nor do we anticipate they will have, a significant impact on our liquidity. Due to our significant operating cash flow, financial assets, access to capital markets, and available lines of credit and revolving credit agreements, we continue to believe that we have the ability to meet our financing needs for the foreseeable future. As market conditions change, we will continue to monitor our liquidity position. However, there can be no assurance that our liquidity or our consolidated financial position and results of operations will not be adversely affected by possible future changes in global financial markets and global economic conditions. Unprecedented market conditions including illiquid credit markets, volatile equity markets, dramatic fluctuations in foreign currency and interest rates, and economic recession, could affect future results.

Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates could materially impact our consolidated financial condition and results of operations.

Non-US revenues, as well as our substantial non-US net assets, expose our consolidated results to volatility from changes in foreign currency exchange rates. The percentage of consolidated revenue for the year ended April 30, 2023 recognized in the following currencies (on an equivalent US dollar basis) were approximately: 57% US dollar, 24% British pound sterling, 10% euro, and 9% other currencies. In addition, our interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subject to risk from changes in interest rates. We may, from time to time, use derivative instruments to hedge such risks. Notwithstanding our efforts to foresee and mitigate the effects of changes in external market or fiscal circumstances, we cannot predict with certainty changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates, inflation, or other related factors affecting our business, consolidated financial position, and results of operations.

We may not be able to mitigate the impact of inflation and cost increases, which could have an adverse impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

From time to time, we experience cost increases reflecting, in part, general inflationary factors. There is no guarantee that we can increase selling prices or reduce costs to fully mitigate the effect of inflation on our costs, which may adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

As a result of acquisitions, we have and may record a significant amount of goodwill and other identifiable intangible assets and we may never realize the full carrying value of these assets.

As a result of acquisitions, we recorded a significant amount of goodwill and other identifiable intangible assets. At April 30, 2023, we had \$1,204.1 million of goodwill and \$854.8 million of intangible assets, of which \$121.9 million are indefinite-lived intangible assets, on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. The intangible assets are principally composed of content and publishing rights, customer relationships, brands and trademarks, and developed technology. Failure to achieve business objectives and financial projections could result in an asset impairment, which would result in a noncash charge to our consolidated results of operations. Goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives are tested for impairment on an annual basis and when events or changes in circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred. Intangible assets with definite lives, which were \$732.9 million at April 30, 2023, are tested for impairment only when events or changes in circumstances indicate that an impairment may have occurred. Determining whether an impairment exists can be difficult as a result of increased uncertainty and current market dynamics and requires management to make significant estimates and judgments. A noncash intangible asset impairment charge could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position and results of operations. See Note 11, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets" for further information related to goodwill and intangible assets, and the impairment charges recorded in the year ended April 30, 2023.

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Changes in pension costs and related funding requirements may impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

We provide defined benefit pension plans for certain employees worldwide. Our Board of Directors approved amendments to the US, Canada, and UK defined benefit plans that froze the future accumulation of benefits effective June 30, 2013, December 31, 2015, and April 30, 2015, respectively. The retirement benefit pension plan in Russia was discontinued on February 28, 2023 and we retain no further obligations for retirement benefits in Russia. The funding requirements and costs of these plans are dependent upon various factors, including the actual return on plan assets, discount rates, plan participant population demographics, and changes in global pension regulations. Changes in these factors affect our plan funding, consolidated financial position, and results of operations.

Legal, Regulatory, and Compliance Risks

Changes in laws, tariffs, and regulations, including regulations related to open access, could adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

We maintain operations in Asia, Australia, Canada, Europe, South America, the Middle East, and the US. The conduct of our business, including the sourcing of content, distribution, sales, marketing, and advertising, is subject to various laws and regulations administered by governments around the world. Changes in laws, regulations, or government policies, including tax regulations and accounting standards, may adversely affect our future consolidated financial position and results of operations.

The scientific research publishing industry generates much of its revenue from paid customer subscriptions to online and print journal content. There is interest within government, academic, and library communities for such journal content to be made available for free immediately or following a period of embargo after publication, referred to as open access. For instance, certain governments and privately held funding bodies have implemented mandates that require journal articles derived from government-funded research to be made available to the public at no cost immediately or after an embargo period. Open access can be achieved in two ways: Green, which enables authors to publish articles in subscription-based journals and self-archive the author accepted version of the article for free public use after any embargo period; and Gold, which enables authors to publish their articles in journals that provide immediate free access to the final version of the article on the publisher's website, and elsewhere under permissive licensing terms, following payment or waiver of an APC. These mandates have the potential to put pressure on subscription-based publications. If such regulations are widely implemented, our consolidated financial position and results of operations could be adversely affected.

To date, many of the governments and national research councils that have taken a position on open access have favored the Green model and have generally specified embargo periods of twelve months. The publishing community generally takes the view that this period should be sufficient to protect subscription revenues, provided that publishers' platforms offer sufficient added value to the article. Governments in Europe have been more supportive of the Gold model, which thus far is generating incremental revenue for publishers with active open access programs. Many institutions have signed on to the business model which combines the purchasing of subscription content with the purchase of open access publishing for affiliated authors. This development removes an element of risk by fixing revenues from that market, provided that the terms, price, and rate of transition negotiated are acceptable.

On January 31, 2020, the UK exited the European Union (EU), an action referred to as Brexit. The uncertainty concerning the UK's legal, political, and economic relationship with the EU after Brexit may be a source of instability in the international markets, create significant currency fluctuations, and/or otherwise adversely affect trading agreements or similar cross-border cooperation arrangements (whether economic, tax, fiscal, legal, regulatory, or otherwise) beyond the date of Brexit.

Additional Brexit-related impacts on our business could include potential inventory shortages in the UK, increased regulatory burdens and costs to comply with UK-specific regulations, and higher transportation costs for our products coming into and out of the UK. Any of these effects, among others, could materially and adversely affect our business and consolidated financial position and results of operations.

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Changes in global and local tax laws and regulations in, and the distribution of income among, jurisdictions in which the Company operates could have a material impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

We are subject to tax laws in the jurisdictions where we conduct business, including the US and many foreign jurisdictions. Wiley's future results of operations could be adversely affected by changes in the effective tax rate as a result of a change in the mix of earnings in countries with differing statutory tax rates, changes in the valuation of deferred tax assets and liabilities, the result of audits of previously filed tax returns, or changes in liabilities for uncertain tax positions, the cost of repatriation, or changes in tax laws and regulations and the interpretations thereof in the jurisdictions where we operate.

A number of international legislative and regulatory bodies have proposed legislation and begun investigations of the tax practices of multinational companies and, in the European union, the tax policies of certain European Union member states. One of these efforts has been led by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), which has finalized recommendations to revise corporate tax, transfer pricing, and tax treaty provisions in member countries. On December 15, 2022, European Union member states unanimously adopted the Minimum Tax Directive ensuring a global minimum level of taxation for multinational companies. Member states have until December 31, 2023, to transpose the Minimum Tax Directive into national legislation. The enactment of this and the heightened interest in and taxation of large multinational companies increase tax uncertainty and could ultimately have a material effect on our effective tax rate, income tax expense, net income, or cash flows.

On August 16, 2022, the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 was enacted into law in the United States, which, among other things, created a new corporate alternative minimum tax of 15% for certain corporations and a 1% excise tax on stock repurchases made by publicly traded US companies after December 31, 2022. In addition, there are proposals to increase the rate and otherwise change US tax laws, which could significantly increase the Company's tax rate. Given the unpredictability of possible further changes to, and the potential interdependency of, the United States or foreign tax laws and regulations, it is difficult to predict the cumulative effect of such laws and regulations on Wiley's results of operations.

We are also subject to potential taxes in jurisdictions where we have sales even though we do not have a physical presence. These potential taxes could have a material impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations as substantially all our taxable income is earned outside the US. In addition, we are subject to examination by tax authorities and although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, the final determination of tax audits could be materially different from our historical income tax provisions and accruals and could have a material impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Our intellectual property rights may not be protected, which could adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

A substantial portion of our publications are protected by copyright, held either in our name, in the name of the author of the work, or in the name of a sponsoring professional society. Such copyrights protect our exclusive right to publish the work in many countries abroad for specified periods, in most cases, the author's life plus 70 years. Our ability to continue to achieve our expected results depends, in part, upon our ability to protect our intellectual property rights. Our consolidated financial position and results of operations may be adversely affected by lack of legal and/or technological protections for its intellectual property in some jurisdictions and markets.

A disruption or loss of data sources could limit our collection and use of certain kinds of information, which could adversely impact our communication with our customers.

Several of our businesses rely extensively upon content and data from external sources. Data is obtained from public records, governmental authorities, customers, and other information companies, including competitors. Legal regulations, such as the EU's GDPR, relating to Internet communications, privacy and data protection, e-commerce, information governance, and use of public records, are becoming more prevalent worldwide. The disruption or loss of data sources, either because of changes in the law or because data suppliers decide not to supply them, may impose limits on our collection and use of certain kinds of information about individuals and our ability to communicate such information effectively with our customers. In addition, GDPR imposes a strict data protection compliance regime with severe penalties of up to 4% of worldwide revenue or €20 million, whichever is greater.

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If we fail to maintain proper and effective internal controls, our ability to produce accurate financial statements on a timely basis could be impaired.

We are subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (Sarbanes-Oxley Act) and the rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires, among other things, that we maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting. We are required to perform system and process evaluations and testing of our internal control over financial reporting to allow management to report on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. This may require us to incur substantial additional professional fees and internal costs to further expand our accounting and finance functions and expend significant management efforts.

We may in the future discover material weaknesses in our system of internal financial and accounting controls and procedures that could result in a material misstatement of our financial statements. In addition, our internal control over financial reporting will not prevent or detect all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be met. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that misstatements due to errors or fraud will not occur, or that all control issues and instances of fraud will be detected.

If we are not able to comply with the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act in a timely manner, or if we are unable to maintain proper and effective internal controls, we may not be able to produce timely and accurate financial statements. If that were to happen, the market price of our stock could decline and we could be subject to sanctions or investigations by the SEC or other regulatory authorities.

General Risks

Global economic, market, public health and geopolitical conditions or other events could negatively impact our consolidated financial positions and results of operations.

We are exposed to risks and uncertainties caused by factors beyond our control, including global economic, public health and geopolitical conditions. These include economic weakness, softness in consumer and corporate spending, uncertainty and volatility, including the potential for a recession; a competitive labor market and evolving workforce expectations; inflation, rising interest rates; public health crisis, including pandemics; financial stability of the banking industry, and political and sociopolitical uncertainties and conflicts. These factors may result in declines and/or volatility in our results or stock price. Our general business strategy may be adversely affected by any such economic downturn, volatile business environment or continued unpredictable and unstable market conditions. Our business could also be impacted by volatility caused by geopolitical events, such as the conflict in Ukraine. In addition, the actual or perceived effects of a disease outbreak, epidemic, pandemic or similar widespread public health concern, such as COVID-19, could also materially and adversely affect our results. The future impact that global economic, public health and geopolitical conditions will have on our business operations and financial results is uncertain and will depend on numerous evolving factors and developments that we are not able to reliably predict or mitigate. It is also possible that these conditions may impact other risks discussed in this section.

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The trading price of the shares of our common stock may fluctuate materially, and investors of our common stock could incur substantial losses.

Our stock price may fluctuate materially. The stock market in general has experienced significant volatility that has often been unrelated to the operating performance of companies. As a result of this volatility, investors may not be able to sell their common stock at or above the price paid for the shares. The market price for our common stock may be influenced by many factors, including:

- Actual or anticipated changes in our consolidated operating results;
- Variances between actual consolidated operating results and the expectations of securities analysts, investors, and the financial community;
- Changes in financial estimates by us or by any securities analysts who might cover our stock;
- Conditions or trends in our industry, the stock market, or the economy;
- The level of demand for our stock, the stock market price, and volume fluctuations of comparable companies;
- Announcements by us or our competitors of new product or service offerings, significant acquisitions, strategic partnerships, or divestitures;
- Announcements of investigations or regulatory scrutiny of our operations or lawsuits filed against us;
- Capital commitments;
- Investors' general perception of the Company and our business;
- Recruitment or departure of key personnel; and
- Sales of our common stock, including sales by our directors and officers or specific stockholders.

Adverse publicity could negatively impact our reputation, which could adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Our professional customers worldwide rely upon many of our publications to perform their jobs. It is imperative that we consistently demonstrate our ability to maintain the integrity of the information included in our publications. Adverse publicity, whether valid or not, may reduce demand for our publications and adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

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Item 2. Properties

We occupy office, warehouse, and distribution facilities in various parts of the world, as listed below (excluding those locations with less than 10,000 square feet of floor area, none of which is considered material property).

Due to the increased use of virtual work arrangements for post-pandemic operations and our various restructuring programs, we exited certain leased office space, subleased certain office spaces, and reduced occupancy at other facilities. In Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" see Note 7, "Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)," of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for details of these restructuring programs.

All of the current buildings and the equipment owned or leased are believed to be in good operating condition and are suitable for the conduct of our business.

Location	Purpose	Owned or Leased	Approx. Sq. Ft.
United States:			
New Jersey	Corporate Headquarters	Leased	294,000
Indiana	Office	Leased	42,000
California	Offices	Leased	21,000
Massachusetts	Office	Leased	26,000
Florida	Office	Leased	58,000
Minnesota	Office	Leased	28,000
North Carolina	Office	Leased	12,000
International:			
England	Distribution Centers	Leased	298,000
	Offices	Leased	85,000
	Offices	Owned	70,000
France	Offices	Leased	17,000
Germany	Office	Owned	104,000
	Office	Leased	14,000
Jordan	Office	Leased	24,000
China	Offices	Leased	40,000
India	Distribution Centers	Leased	12,000
	Office	Leased	25,000
Greece	Office	Leased	11,000
Brazil	Office	Leased	12,000
Sri Lanka	Office	Leased	38,000

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

The information set forth in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in Note 16, "Commitment and Contingencies," of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements is incorporated herein by reference.

We are involved in routine litigation in the ordinary course of our business. In the opinion of management, the ultimate resolution of all pending litigation will not have a material effect upon our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

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Information About Our Executive Officers

Set forth below are the current executive officers of the Company.

Name, Current and Former Positions	Age	First Elected to Current Position
<u>BRIAN A. NAPACK</u> President and Chief Executive Officer and Director March 2012 – Senior Advisor, Providence Equity Partners LLC	61	December 2017
<u>CHRISTINA VAN TASSELL</u> Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer November 2017 – Chief Financial Officer – Dow Jones & Company, Inc.	52	October 2021
<u>DEIRDRE SILVER</u> Executive Vice President, General Counsel August 2015 – Associate General Counsel, Senior Vice President of Legal, Research	55	February 2020
<u>JAMES FLYNN</u> Executive Vice President and General Manager, Research July 2018 – Chief Product Officer, Research, Wiley May 2015 – Senior Vice President and Managing Director, Research Publishing, Wiley	52	September 2021
<u>CHRISTOPHER F. CARIDI</u> Senior Vice President, Global Corporate Controller, and Chief Accounting Officer June 2020 – SVP, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller, Teladoc Health, Inc. March 2017 – SVP, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller, John Wiley & Sons March 2014 – Vice President, Finance, Thomson Reuters	57	October 2020
<u>KEVIN MONACO</u> Senior Vice President, Treasurer and Tax October 2009 – SVP, Finance, Treasurer, and Investor Relations, Coty Inc.	59	October 2018
<u>AREF MATIN</u> Executive Vice President, Chief Technology Officer February 2015 – Executive Vice President, Chief Technology Officer, Ascend Learning July 2012 – Executive Vice President, Chief Technology Officer, Pearson Learning Technologies & Pearson Higher Education	64	May 2018
<u>MATTHEW LEAVY</u> Executive Vice President and General Manager, Academic September 2018 – SVP, Business Development January 2018 – Principal Leavy Consulting LLC August 2013 – Managing Director Global Managed Services, Pearson plc	55	September 2019
<u>DANIELLE MCMAHAN</u> Executive Vice President, Chief People & Operations Officer June 2017 – Chief Human Resources Officer, York Risk Services Group July 2014 – VP, Global Talent, American Express	48	November 2019
<u>TODD ZIPPER</u> Executive Vice President and General Manager, Talent November 2018 – Co-President, Wiley Education Services January 2015 – President and CEO, The Learning House, Inc	46	June 2020
<u>SHARI HOFFER</u> Executive Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer May 2017 – SVP Marketing	52	December 2021

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PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Our Class A and Class B shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols WLY and WLYB, respectively.

On a quarterly basis, the Board of Directors considers the payment of cash dividends based upon its review of earnings, our financial position, and other relevant factors. As of May 31, 2023, the approximate number of holders of our Class A and Class B Common Stock were 672 and 44, respectively, based on the holders of record.

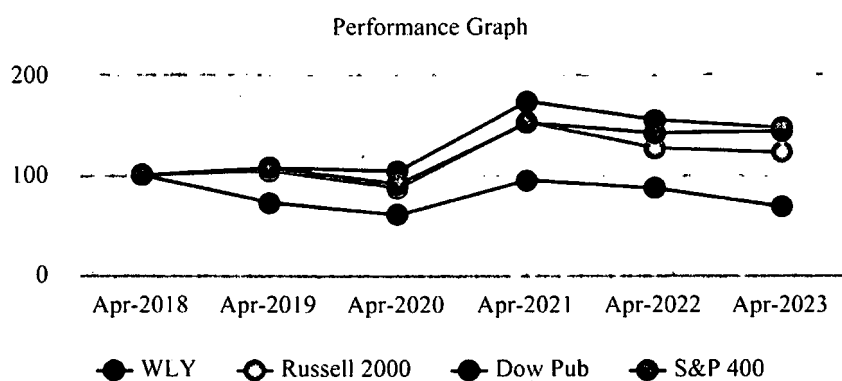
During the year ended April 30, 2020, our Board of Directors approved an additional share repurchase program of \$200 million of Class A or B Common Stock. As of April 30, 2023, we had authorization from our Board of Directors to purchase up to \$162.5 million that was remaining under this program.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2023, we made the following purchases of Class A and Class B Common Stock under the publicly announced stock repurchase program.

	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of a Publicly Announced Program	Maximum Number of Shares that May Be Purchased Under the Program	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under Additional Plans or Programs (Dollars in Millions)
February 2023	—	\$ —	—	—	\$ 173.5
March 2023	151	36.97	151	—	167.9
April 2023	141	38.37	141	—	162.5
Total	<u>292</u>	<u>\$ 37.64</u>	<u>292</u>	—	<u>\$ 162.5</u>

Performance Graph

The below graph provides an indicator of the cumulative total return to shareholders of the Company's Class A Common Stock as compared with the cumulative total return on the Russell 2000, the Dow Jones Publishing Index and the S&P 400 Midcap, for the period from April 30, 2018 to April 30, 2023. The Company has elected to use the Russell 2000 Index and the S&P 400 Midcap index as its broad equity market indices because it is currently included in these indices. Cumulative total return assumes \$100.00 invested on April 30, 2018 and reinvestment of dividends throughout the period.



	April 30, 2018	April 30, 2019	April 30, 2020	April 30, 2021	April 30, 2022	April 30, 2023
WLY	\$ 100.00	\$ 71.81	\$ 60.24	\$ 94.44	\$ 86.54	\$ 67.90
Russell 2000	\$ 100.00	\$ 104.57	\$ 87.41	\$ 152.86	\$ 127.04	\$ 122.36
Dow Pub	\$ 100.00	\$ 106.96	\$ 104.62	\$ 174.28	\$ 154.93	\$ 146.55
S&P 400	\$ 100.00	\$ 106.98	\$ 90.97	\$ 152.73	\$ 141.95	\$ 143.77

Item 6. [Reserved]

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Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The information in our Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (MD&A) should be read together with our Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes set forth in Part II, Item 8, as well as the discussion included in Part I, Item 1, "Business," "Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-Looking Statements "Safe Harbor" Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995" and "Non-GAAP Financial Measures," along with Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors," of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. All amounts and percentages are approximate due to rounding and all dollars are in thousands, except per share amounts or where otherwise noted. When we cross-reference to a "Note," we are referring to our "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements," in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" unless the context indicates otherwise.

Overview

Wiley is a global leader in scientific research and career-connected education, unlocking human potential by enabling discovery, powering education, and shaping workforces. For over 200 years, Wiley has fueled the world's knowledge ecosystem. Today, our high-impact content, platforms, and services help researchers, learners, institutions, and corporations achieve their goals in an ever-changing world. Wiley is a predominantly digital company with approximately 85% of revenue for the year ended April 30, 2023 generated by digital products and tech-enabled services. For the year ended April 30, 2023, approximately 57% of our revenue is recurring which includes revenue that is contractually obligated or set to recur with a high degree of certainty.

We have reorganized our Education lines of business into two new customer-centric segments. The Academic segment addresses the university customer group and includes Academic Publishing and University Services. The Talent segment addresses the corporate customer group and will be focused on delivering training, sourcing, and upskilling solutions. Prior period segment results have been revised to the new segment presentation. There were no changes to our consolidated financial results. Our new segment reporting structure consists of three reportable segments, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments:

- Research includes Research Publishing and Research Solutions, and no changes were made as a result of this realignment;
- Academic includes the Academic Publishing and University Services lines. Academic Publishing is the combination of the former Education Publishing line and professional publishing offerings;
- Talent is the combination of the former Talent Development line, and our assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings.

Through the Research segment, we provide peer-reviewed STM publishing, content platforms, and related services to academic, corporate, and government customers, academic societies, and individual researchers. The Academic segment provides scientific, professional, and education print and digital books, digital courseware, and test preparation services, as well as engages in the comprehensive management of online degree programs for universities. The Talent segment services include sourcing, training, and preparing aspiring students and professionals to meet the skill needs of today's technology careers and placing them with large companies and government agencies. It also includes assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings.

Wiley's business strategies are tightly aligned with long term growth trends, including open research, career-connected education, and workforce optimization. Research strategies include driving publishing output to meet the global demand for peer-reviewed research and expanding platform and service offerings for corporations and societies. Education strategies include expanding online degree programs and driving online enrollment for university partners, scaling digital content and courseware, and expanding IT talent placement and reskilling programs for corporate partners.

Wiley has announced for fiscal year 2024 strategic actions that will focus Wiley on its strongest and most profitable businesses and large market opportunities in Research and Learning. We are divesting non-core education businesses, including University Services (known as online program management), Wiley Edge (formerly Talent Development) and CrossKnowledge. These assets will be reported as businesses held for sale starting in the first quarter of fiscal year 2024. We will be streamlining our organization and rightsizing our cost structure to reflect these portfolio actions. In addition, we will be changing our reportable segments for fiscal year 2024 reporting. These actions and our fiscal year 2024 transition year outlook are described further

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Consolidated Results of Operations

FISCAL YEAR 2023 AS COMPARED TO FISCAL YEAR 2022 SUMMARY RESULTS

SUMMARY

- **US GAAP Results:** Revenue of \$2,019.9 million (-3% compared with the prior year), Operating income of \$55.9 million (-\$163.4 million compared with the prior year), and EPS of \$0.31 (-\$2.31 compared with prior year). US GAAP earnings performance primarily due to \$99.8 million (\$1.77 per share) of non-cash goodwill impairment in Education Services/University Services and restructuring charges totaling \$49.4 million (\$0.66 per share).
- **Adjusted Results (at constant currency compared with the prior year) :** Revenue of \$2,019.9 million (flat compared with the prior year), Adjusted EBITDA of \$422.0 million (-2% compared with the prior year), and Adjusted EPS of \$3.84 (-8% compared with the prior year).
- **Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities** of \$277.1 million (\$-62.0 million compared with the prior year) and **Free Cash Flow** of \$173.0 million (\$-50.3 million compared with the prior year).

Revenue:

Revenue for the year ended April 30, 2023 decreased \$63.0 million, or 3%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, revenue was flat as compared with the prior year including contributions from acquisitions. Excluding the contributions from acquisitions, revenue decreased 1% on a constant currency basis.

See the “Segment Operating Results” below for additional details on each segment’s revenue and Adjusted EBITDA performance .

Cost of Sales:

Cost of sales for the year ended April 30, 2023 decreased \$8.1 million, or 1% as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, cost of sales increased 2% as compared with the prior year. This increase was primarily due to higher employee costs to support the growth in placements in the Talent segment, partially offset by lower royalty costs.

Operating and Administrative Expenses:

Operating and administrative expenses for the year ended April 30, 2023 decreased \$42.2 million, or 4%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, operating and administrative expenses were flat as compared with the prior year primarily reflecting higher technology related costs, travel and entertainment costs, and a \$3.7 million charge related to the settlement of a litigation matter related to consideration for a previous acquisition. These were offset by lower professional fees, employment costs and facility related costs.

Impairment of Goodwill:

We recorded an impairment of goodwill in the year ended April 30, 2023 of \$99.8 million. T his charge is reflected in the Impairment of goodwill in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

In accordance with applicable accounting standards, we were required to test goodwill for impairment immediately before and after our segment realignment. Prior to the realignment, we concluded that the fair value of the Education Services reporting unit was below its carrying value, which resulted in a pretax non-cash goodwill impairment of \$31.0 million. Education Services was adversely impacted by market conditions and headwinds for online degree programs. This has led to a decline in projected student enrollments from existing partners, pricing pressures and revenue share concessions, and a decline in new partner additions over both the short-term and long-term, which adversely impacted forecasted revenue growth and operating cash flows. This was partially offset by projected growth in talent placements, partially due to expansion into new regions and the addition of new corporate clients, which are forecasted to have a positive impact on revenue growth and operating cash flows.

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After the realignment, we concluded that the fair value of the University Services reporting unit within the Academic segment was below its carrying value, which resulted in an additional pretax non-cash goodwill impairment of \$68.8 million. University Services was adversely impacted by market conditions and headwinds for online degree programs, which lead to a decline in projected enrollments from existing partners, pricing pressures and revenue share concessions, and a decline in new partner additions over both the short-term and long-term which adversely impacted forecasted revenue growth and operating cash flows.

See Note 11, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets" for details on these charges.

Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits):

Fiscal Year 2023 Restructuring Program

In May 2022, the Company initiated a global program to restructure and align our cost base with current and anticipated future market conditions. This program includes severance related charges for the elimination of certain positions, the exit of certain leased office space which began in the first quarter of fiscal year 2023 and the reduction of our occupancy at other facilities. We are reducing our real estate square footage occupancy by approximately 22%. We realized \$35 million in savings from actions starting in fiscal year 2023.

In the three months ended January 31, 2023, due to the political instability and military actions between Russia and Ukraine, we made the decision to close our operations in Russia which primarily consisted of technology development resources. We were substantially complete with our closure as of April 30, 2023, except for the formal liquidation of our Russian legal entity, which we expect to complete in our fiscal year 2024.

For the year ended April 30, 2023, we recorded pretax restructuring charges of \$48.9 million related to this program, which includes \$8.3 million related to the closure of our operations in Russia as described above. These charges are reflected in Restructuring and related charges (credits) on our Consolidated Statements of Income. This restructuring charge primarily reflects the following charges:

- Severance charges of \$25.8 million for the elimination of certain positions;
- Impairment charges of \$12.7 million, which included the impairment of operating lease right-of-use (ROU) assets of \$7.6 million related to certain leases that will be subleased, and the related property and equipment of \$5.1 million;
- Acceleration of expense of \$2.1 million, which included the acceleration of rent expense associated with operating lease ROU assets of \$0.9 million related to certain leases that will be abandoned or terminated and the related depreciation and amortization of property and equipment of \$1.2 million;
- Ongoing facility-related costs with previously vacated properties that resulted in additional restructuring charges of \$4.2 million; and
- Consulting, relocation and other costs of \$4.1 million.

These actions are anticipated to yield annualized cost savings estimated to be approximately \$70 million. We anticipate ongoing facility-related costs associated with certain properties to result in additional restructuring charges in future periods.

See Note 7, "Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)" for more details on these charges.

Business Optimization Program

For the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022, we recorded pretax restructuring charges of \$0.5 million and credits of \$1.4 million, respectively, related to this program.

These charges (credits) are reflected in Restructuring and related charges (credits) in the Consolidated Statements of Income. See Note 7, "Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)" for more details on these charges (credits).

For the impact of our restructuring programs on diluted earnings per share, see the section below, "Diluted Earnings per Share (EPS)."

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Amortization of Intangible Assets:

Amortization of intangible assets was \$84.9 million for the year ended April 30, 2023, and was flat as compared to the prior year. On a constant currency basis, amortization of intangible assets increased 3% as compared with the prior year primarily due to the acceleration of expense of \$4.6 million related to the discontinued use of the mthree trademark.

On January 1, 2020, Wiley acquired mthree, a talent placement provider that addresses the IT skills gap by finding, training, and placing job-ready technology talent in roles with leading corporations worldwide. Its results of operations are included in our Talent segment. In late May 2022, Wiley renamed the mthree talent development solution to Wiley Edge and discontinued use of the mthree trademark during the three months ended July 31, 2022. As a result of these actions, we determined that a revision of the useful life was warranted, and the intangible asset was fully amortized over its remaining useful life resulting in accelerated amortization expense of \$4.6 million in the three months ended July 31, 2022.

Operating Income, Adjusted Operating Income (OI) and Adjusted EBITDA:

Operating income for the year ended April 30, 2023, decreased \$163.4 million, or 75% as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, operating income decreased 76% as compared with the prior year. The decrease was primarily due to the impairment of goodwill in the three months ended January 31, 2023 as described above, an increase in restructuring charges and, to a lesser extent, higher cost of sales.

Adjusted OI on a constant currency basis and excluding restructuring charges (credits), impairment of goodwill, legal settlement, and the accelerated amortization of an intangible asset, decreased 3% as compared with the prior year primarily due to an increase in cost of sales as described above, partially offset by lower operating and administrative expenses.

Adjusted EBITDA on a constant currency basis and excluding restructuring charges (credits), decreased 2% as compared with the prior year primarily due to a decrease in Adjusted OI.

Adjusted OI

Below is a reconciliation of our consolidated US GAAP Operating Income to Non-GAAP Adjusted OI:

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2023	2022
Operating Income	\$ 55,890	\$ 219,276
Adjustments:		
Restructuring charges (credits)	49,389	(1,427)
Impairment of goodwill	99,800	—
Legal settlement ⁽¹⁾	3,671	—
Accelerated amortization of an intangible asset ⁽²⁾	4,594	—
Non-GAAP Adjusted Operating Income	\$ 213,344	\$ 217,849

- (1) We settled a litigation matter related to consideration for a previous acquisition for \$3.7 million during the three months ended January 31, 2023. This amount is reflected in Operating and administrative expenses on our Consolidated Statements of Income.
- (2) As described above, we determined that a revision of the useful life of the mthree trademark was warranted, and the intangible asset was fully amortized over its remaining useful life resulting in accelerated amortization expense of \$4.6 million in the three months ended July 31, 2022.

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Adjusted EBITDA

Below is a reconciliation of our consolidated US GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA:

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2023	2022
Net Income	\$ 17,233	\$ 148,309
Interest expense	37,745	19,802
Provision for income taxes	15,867	61,352
Depreciation and amortization	213,253	215,170
Non-GAAP EBITDA	284,098	444,633
Impairment of goodwill	99,800	—
Legal settlement	3,671	—
Restructuring and related charges (credits)	49,389	(1,427)
Foreign exchange (gains) losses on intercompany transactions, including the write off of certain cumulative translation adjustments	(894)	3,192
Gain on sale of businesses and certain assets	(10,177)	(3,694)
Other income, net	(3,884)	(9,685)
Non-GAAP Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 422,003</u>	<u>\$ 433,019</u>

Interest Expense:

Interest expense for the year ended April 30, 2023, was \$37.7 million compared with the prior year of \$19.8 million. This increase was primarily due to a higher weighted average effective interest rate.

Foreign Exchange Transaction Gains (Losses):

Foreign exchange transaction gains were \$0.9 million for the year ended April 30, 2023, and were primarily due to the write off of the \$1.1 million cumulative translation adjustment in earnings since the Russia entity was deemed substantially liquidated. As described above, we were substantially complete with our exit from Russia as of April 30, 2023.

Foreign exchange transaction losses were \$3.2 million for the year ended April 30, 2022, and were primarily due to losses on our foreign currency denominated third-party and, to a lesser extent, intercompany accounts receivable and payable balances due to the impact of the change in average foreign exchange rates as compared to the US dollar.

Gain on Sale of Businesses and Certain Assets:

The pretax gain on sale of businesses for the year ended April 30, 2023, was \$10.2 million. As part of our ongoing initiatives to simplify our portfolio and focus our attention on strategic growth areas, we have completed two dispositions during the year ended April 30, 2023. Both were included in our Academic segment. On February 28, 2023, we completed the sale of Wiley's Efficient Learning test prep portfolio business. In addition, on March 31, 2023, we completed the sale of our advancement courses business. Neither disposition constituted a strategic shift, and the impact on our overall operations and financial results was not material. Accordingly, the operations associated with the dispositions are not reported in discontinued operations. See Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" for more details on these divestitures.

The gain on sale of certain assets for the year ended April 30, 2022, was due to the sale of our world languages product portfolio which was included in our Academic segment and resulted in a pretax gain of approximately \$3.7 million.

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Other Income, Net:

Other income, net was \$3.9 million for the year ended April 30, 2023, a decrease of \$5.8 million, or 60%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, other income, net decreased 51%. This decrease was primarily due to lower pension income for our defined benefit plans, partially offset by a decrease in donations and pledges to humanitarian organizations to provide aid to those impacted by the crisis in Ukraine, and a curtailment and settlement credit due to the wind up of the Russia pension plan of \$1.8 million.

Provision for Income Taxes:

Below is a reconciliation of our US GAAP Income Before Taxes to Non-GAAP Adjusted Income Before Taxes:

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2023	2022
US GAAP Income Before Taxes	\$ 33,100	\$ 209,661
Pretax Impact of Adjustments:		
Impairment of goodwill	99,800	—
Legal settlement	3,671	—
Pension income related to the wind up of the Russia plan	(1,750)	—
Restructuring and related charges (credits)	49,389	(1,427)
Foreign exchange losses on intercompany transactions, including the write off of certain cumulative translation adjustments	457	1,513
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	89,177	89,346
Gain on sale of businesses and certain assets	(10,177)	(3,694)
Non-GAAP Adjusted Income Before Taxes	\$ 263,667	\$ 295,399

Below is a reconciliation of our US GAAP Income Tax Provision to Non-GAAP Adjusted Income Tax Provision, including our US GAAP Effective Tax Rate and our Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate:

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2023	2022
US GAAP Income Tax Provision	\$ 15,867	\$ 61,352
Income Tax Impact of Adjustments ⁽¹⁾ :		
Legal settlement	716	—
Pension income related to the wind up of the Russia plan	(437)	—
Restructuring and related charges (credits)	12,151	(260)
Foreign exchange losses on intercompany transactions, including the write off of certain cumulative translation adjustments	132	597
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	20,183	20,816
Gain on sale of businesses and certain assets	(3,860)	(922)
Income Tax Adjustments		
Impact of increase in UK statutory rate on deferred tax balances ⁽²⁾	2,370	(21,415)
Non-GAAP Adjusted Income Tax Provision	\$ 47,122	\$ 60,168
US GAAP Effective Tax Rate	47.9 %	29.3 %
Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate	17.9 %	20.4 %

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- (1) For the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022, substantially all of the tax impact was from deferred taxes.
- (2) In the three months ended July 31, 2021, the UK enacted legislation that increased its statutory rate from 19% to 25% effective April 1, 2023. This resulted in a \$21.4 million non-cash deferred tax expense from the re-measurement of the Company's applicable UK net deferred tax liabilities during the three months ended July 31, 2021. These adjustments impacted deferred taxes. For the year ended April 30, 2023, we recorded a \$2.4 million non-cash deferred tax benefit related to pensions due to the UK statutory rate change. These adjustments impacted deferred taxes.

The effective tax rate was 47.9% for the year ended April 30, 2023, compared to 29.3% for the year ended April 30, 2022. Our rate for the year ended April 30, 2023, was higher due to the rate differential with respect to certain restructuring charges, the impairment of non-deductible goodwill resulting from the segment realignment described in Note 11, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets," offset by a benefit of \$2.4 million relating to the effect of the increase in the UK statutory tax rate on UK pensions. On June 10, 2021, the UK increased its statutory corporate tax rate from 19% to 25% effective April 1, 2023. The 29.3% effective tax rate for the year ended April 30, 2022, was increased by a similar \$21.4 million nonrecurring, noncash US GAAP deferred tax expense relating to the UK statutory tax rate increase described above.

Excluding the UK rate change, the tax implications of certain restructuring and related actions, and other unusual items, the Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate for the year ended April 30, 2023, was 17.9%. The Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate for the year ended April 30, 2022, excluding the impact of the UK statutory rate change, was 20.4%. The decrease in the Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate before these items was primarily due to a more favorable mix of earnings by jurisdiction for the year ended April 30, 2023.

Diluted Earnings Per Share (EPS):

Diluted earnings per share for the year ended April 30, 2023, was \$0.31 per share compared to \$2.62 per share in the prior year. This decrease was due to lower operating income and, to a lesser extent, higher interest expense and lower other income. These were partially offset by a lower provision for income taxes and, to a lesser extent, an increase in the gain on sale of businesses and certain assets, and foreign exchange transaction gains.

Below is a reconciliation of our US GAAP EPS to Non-GAAP Adjusted EPS. The amount of the pretax and the related income tax impact for the adjustments included in the table below are presented in the section above, "Provision for Income Taxes."

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2023	2022
US GAAP EPS	\$ 0.31	\$ 2.62
Adjustments:		
Impairment of goodwill	1.77	—
Legal settlement	0.05	—
Pension income related to the wind up of the Russia plan	(0.02)	—
Restructuring and related charges (credits)	0.66	(0.02)
Foreign exchange losses on intercompany transactions, including the write off of certain cumulative translation adjustments	0.01	0.02
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	1.21	1.21
Gain on sale of businesses and certain assets	(0.11)	(0.05)
Income tax adjustments	(0.04)	0.38
Non-GAAP Adjusted EPS	\$ 3.84	\$ 4.16

On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EPS decreased 8% primarily due to an increase in interest expense, lower pension income, and lower Adjusted OI. These were partially offset by a lower provision for income taxes.

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SEGMENT OPERATING RESULTS:

RESEARCH	Year Ended April 30,		% Change Favorable (Unfavorable)	Constant Currency % Change Favorable (Unfavorable)
	2023	2022		
Revenue:				
Research Publishing ⁽¹⁾	\$ 926,773	\$ 963,715	(4)%	(1)%
Research Solutions ⁽¹⁾	153,538	147,628	4 %	7 %
Total Research	1,080,311	1,111,343	(3)%	—%
Cost of Sales	286,361	300,373	5 %	2 %
Operating Expenses	463,731	468,012	1 %	(4)%
Amortization of Intangibles	46,235	47,731	3 %	(1)%
Restructuring Charges (see Note 7)	2,182	238	#	#
Contribution to Profit	281,802	294,989	(4)%	(4)%
Restructuring Charges (see Note 7)	2,182	238	#	#
Adjusted Contribution to Profit	283,984	295,227	(4)%	(3)%
Depreciation and Amortization	93,008	94,899	2 %	(1)%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 376,992	\$ 390,126	(3)%	(2)%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	34.9 %	35.1 %		

Not meaningful

- (1) As previously announced in May 2022, our revenue by product type previously referred to as Research Platforms was changed to Research Solutions. Research Solutions includes infrastructure and publishing services that help societies and corporations thrive in a complex knowledge ecosystem. In addition to Platforms (Atypon), certain product offerings such as corporate sales which included the recent acquisitions of Madgex Holdings Limited (Madgex), and Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc.'s Informatics products (Informatics) that were previously included in Research Publishing moved to Research Solutions to align with our strategic focus. Research Solutions also includes product offerings related to certain recent acquisitions such as J&J, and EJP. Prior period results have been revised to the new presentation. There were no changes to the total Research segment or our consolidated financial results. The revenue reclassified was \$93.3 million and \$80.3 million for the years ended April 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Revenue:

Research revenue for the year ended April 30, 2023 decreased \$31.0 million, or 3%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, revenue was flat as compared with the prior year. Excluding revenue from acquisitions, organic revenue decreased 1% on a constant currency basis. This decrease was primarily due to lower article volume in Research Publishing, notably in Hindawi, and to a lesser extent corporate spending headwinds in Research Solutions. Starting in the three months ended January 31, 2023, open access publishing was adversely impacted by the publishing pause in a Hindawi special issues program. The program was suspended temporarily due to the presence in certain special issues of compromised articles. As a result, Hindawi revenue for the year ended April 30, 2023 decreased \$3.0 million on a constant currency basis as compared with the prior year. We have closed four Hindawi journals and retracted over 1,700 articles. We expect a decrease in fiscal year 2024 revenue of \$30 to \$35 million due to this disruption.

Excluding Hindawi, Wiley's Research revenue for the year ended April 30, 2023 on a constant currency basis was flat as compared with the prior year. Open access article output was flat for the year ended April 30, 2023, as compared with the prior year. Excluding Hindawi, open access article output growth was approximately 6% for the year ended April 30, 2023.

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Adjusted EBITDA:

On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EBITDA decreased 2% as compared with the prior year. This decrease was primarily due to investments to optimize and scale publishing and solutions, higher employment costs and, to a lesser extent, travel and entertainment costs due to the resumption of in-person activities. These were partially offset by lower royalty costs largely due to the product mix. We expect a decrease in fiscal year 2024 Adjusted EBITDA of \$25 to \$30 million due to the Hindawi disruption as described above.

	Year Ended April 30,		% Change Favorable (Unfavorable)	Constant Currency % Change Favorable (Unfavorable)
	2023	2022		
ACADEMIC:				
Revenue:				
Academic Publishing	\$ 481,752	\$ 531,705	(9)%	(7)%
University Services	208,656	227,407	(8)%	(8)%
Total Academic Revenue	690,408	759,112	(9)%	(7)%
Cost of Sales	286,647	309,220	7 %	6 %
Operating Expenses	312,159	333,098	6 %	4 %
Impairment of Goodwill (see Note 11)	99,800	—	#	#
Amortization of Intangibles	23,323	25,547	9 %	9 %
Restructuring Charges (Credits) (see Note 7)	10,366	(470)	#	#
Contribution to Profit	(41,887)	91,717	#	#
Restructuring Charges (Credits) (see Note 7)	10,366	(470)	#	#
Impairment of Goodwill (see Note 11)	99,800	—	#	#
Adjusted Contribution to Profit	68,279	91,247	(25)%	(23)%
Depreciation and Amortization	79,741	81,721	2 %	1 %
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 148,020	\$ 172,968	(14)%	(13)%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	21.4 %	22.8 %		

Not meaningful

Revenue:

Academic revenue decreased \$68.7 million, or 9%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, revenue decreased 7% as compared with prior year. Excluding revenue from acquisitions, organic revenue decreased 8% on a constant currency basis. This decrease was primarily due to a decrease in Academic Publishing due to a decline in print, partially offset by an increase in digital courseware. University Services revenue decreased primarily due to continued online enrollment challenges, and lower tuition share in services. For the year ended April 30, 2023, University Services experienced a 5% decline in online enrollment.

Adjusted EBITDA:

On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EBITDA decreased 13% as compared with the prior year. This decrease was primarily due to lower revenues and, to a lesser extent, inflationary impacts on inventory, and higher technology and distribution costs. These were partially offset by expense savings from restructuring activities, and lower annual incentive compensation.

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	Year Ended April 30,		% Change Favorable (Unfavorable)	Constant Currency % Change Favorable (Unfavorable)
	2023	2022		
TALENT:				
Total Talent Revenue	\$ 249,181	\$ 212,473	17 %	24 %
Cost of Sales	119,533	91,065	(31)%	(40)%
Operating Expenses	86,032	85,891	—%	(5)%
Amortization of Intangibles	15,203	11,558	(32)%	(35)%
Restructuring Charges (see Note 7)	3,009	23	#	#
Contribution to Profit	25,404	23,936	6 %	10 %
Restructuring Charges (see Note 7)	3,009	23	#	#
Accelerated Amortization of an Intangible Asset	4,594	—	#	#
Adjusted Contribution to Profit	33,007	23,959	38 %	41 %
Depreciation and Amortization	19,448	21,997	12 %	7 %
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 52,455</u>	<u>\$ 45,956</u>	<u>14 %</u>	<u>18 %</u>
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	21.1 %	21.6 %		

Not meaningful

Revenue:

Talent revenue increased \$36.7 million, or 17%, as compared with the prior year on a reported basis. On a constant currency basis, revenue increased 24% as compared with prior year. This increase was primarily due to double-digit growth in placements and, to a lesser extent, an increase in assessments (corporate training), partially offset by a decrease in corporate learning. For the year ended April 30, 2023, we delivered approximately 18% growth in talent placements in talent development (Wiley Edge).

Adjusted EBITDA:

On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EBITDA increased 18% as compared with the prior year. This was due to revenue, partially offset by increased inflationary impacts on placements, and investments to scale talent development (Wiley Edge).

CORPORATE EXPENSES:

Corporate expenses for the year ended April 30, 2023, increased \$18.1 million, or 9%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis and excluding restructuring charges (credits) and a legal settlement, these expenses decreased 7% as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EBITDA decreased 8% as compared with the prior year. This was primarily due to lower employee related costs, including lower annual incentive compensation for fiscal year 2023.

FISCAL YEAR 2022 AS COMPARED TO FISCAL YEAR 2021 SUMMARY RESULTS

Revenue:

Revenue for the year ended April 30, 2022, increased \$141.4 million, or 7%, as compared with the prior year on a reported and on a constant currency basis including contributions from acquisitions. Excluding the contributions from acquisitions, revenue increased 5% on a constant currency basis.

See the “Segment Operating Results” below for additional details on each segment’s revenue and Adjusted EBITDA performance .

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Cost of Sales:

Cost of sales for the year ended April 30, 2022, increased \$75.3 million, or 12%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, cost of sales increased 11% as compared with the prior year. This increase was primarily due to higher employee costs and, to a lesser extent, higher student acquisition costs in Academic and increased royalty costs in Research.

Operating and Administrative Expenses:

Operating and administrative expenses for the year ended April 30, 2022, increased \$56.9 million, or 6%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, operating and administrative expenses increased 5% as compared with the prior year primarily reflecting higher editorial costs due to additional resources to support investments in growth, technology costs to support growth initiatives, higher advertising and marketing costs and, to a lesser extent, higher employee-related costs.

Restructuring and Related (Credits) Charges:

For the years ended April 30, 2022 and 2021, we recorded pretax restructuring credits of \$1.4 million and charges of \$33.3 million, respectively primarily related to our Business Optimization Program.

In November 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the Company's successful transition to a virtual work environment, we increased use of virtual work arrangements for postpandemic operations. As a result, we expanded the scope of the Business Optimization Program to include the exit of certain leased office space beginning in the third quarter of fiscal year 2021, and the reduction of our occupancy at other facilities. We are reducing our real estate square footage occupancy by approximately 12%. These actions resulted in a pretax restructuring charge of \$18.3 million in the year ended April 30, 2021.

In addition, we also incurred ongoing facility-related costs associated with certain properties that resulted in additional restructuring charges of \$1.8 million and \$3.7 million in the years ended April 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

We anticipate ongoing facility-related costs associated with certain properties to result in additional restructuring charges in future periods.

These (credits) charges are reflected in Restructuring and related (credits) charges in the Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss). See Note 7, "Restructuring and Related (Credits) Charges" for more details on these (credits) charges.

For the impact of our restructuring program on diluted earnings per share, see the section below, "Diluted Earnings per Share (EPS)."

Amortization of Intangible Assets:

Amortization of intangible assets was \$84.8 million for the year ended April 30, 2022, an increase of \$10.2 million, or 14%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis, amortization of intangible assets increased 13% as compared with the prior year primarily due to the intangibles acquired as part of the Hindawi acquisition completed in fiscal year 2021 and, to a lesser extent, other acquisitions completed in fiscal year 2022, partially offset by the completion of amortization of certain acquired intangible assets. See Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" for more details on our acquisitions.

Operating Income, Adjusted Operating Income (OI) and Adjusted EBITDA:

Operating income for the year ended April 30, 2022 increased \$33.8 million, or 18% as compared with the prior year on a reported and on a constant currency basis. The increase was primarily due to the increase in revenue and, to a lesser extent, lower restructuring charges, partially offset by an increase in cost of sales and operating and administrative expenses.

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Adjusted OI on a constant currency basis and excluding restructuring (credits) charges decreased 1% as compared with the prior year primarily due to an increase in cost of sales, operating and administrative expenses and, to a lesser extent, amortization of intangible assets, partially offset by higher revenues as described above.

Adjusted EBITDA on a constant currency basis and excluding restructuring (credits) charges, increased 3%, as compared with the prior year primarily due to revenue performance, partially offset by an increase in operating and administrative expenses, and cost of sales.

Adjusted OI

Below is a reconciliation of our consolidated US GAAP Operating Income to Non-GAAP Adjusted OI:

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2022	2021
US GAAP Operating Income	\$ 219,276	\$ 185,511
Adjustments:		
Restructuring and related (credits) charges	(1,427)	33,310
Non-GAAP Adjusted OI	\$ 217,849	\$ 218,821

Adjusted EBITDA

Below is a reconciliation of our consolidated US GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA:

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2022	2021
Net Income	\$ 148,309	\$ 148,256
Interest expense	19,802	18,383
Provision for income taxes	61,352	27,656
Depreciation and amortization	215,170	200,189
Non-GAAP EBITDA	444,633	394,484
Restructuring and related (credits) charges	(1,427)	33,310
Foreign exchange transaction losses	3,192	7,977
Gain on sale of certain assets	(3,694)	—
Other income, net	(9,685)	(16,761)
Non-GAAP Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 433,019	\$ 419,010

Interest Expense:

Interest expense for the year ended April 30, 2022 was \$19.8 million compared with the prior year of \$18.4 million. This increase was due to a higher average debt balance outstanding, which included borrowings for the funding of acquisitions and, to a lesser extent, higher weighted average effective interest rate.

Foreign Exchange Transaction Losses:

Foreign exchange transaction losses were \$3.2 million for the year ended April 30, 2022 and were primarily due to losses on our foreign currency denominated third-party and, to a lesser extent, intercompany accounts receivable and payable balances due to the impact of the change in average foreign exchange rates as compared to the US dollar.

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Foreign exchange transaction losses were \$8.0 million for the year ended April 30, 2021 and were due to the unfavorable impact of the changes in exchange rates on US dollar cash balances held in the UK to fund the acquisition of Hindawi and the net impact of changes in average foreign exchange rates as compared to the US dollar on our third-party accounts receivable and payable balances.

Gain on Sale of Certain Assets:

The gain on the sale of certain assets is due to the sale of our world languages product portfolio which was included in our Academic segment and resulted in a pretax gain of approximately \$3.7 million during the year ended April 30, 2022.

Other Income, Net:

Other income, net was \$9.7 million for the year ended April 30, 2022, a decrease of \$7.1 million, or 42%, as compared with the prior year. This decrease was primarily due to \$3 million in donations and pledges made in the year ended April 30, 2022 to humanitarian organizations to provide aid to those impacted by the crisis in Ukraine.

Provision for Income Taxes:

Below is a reconciliation of our US GAAP Income Before Taxes to Non-GAAP Adjusted Income Before Taxes:

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2022	2021
US GAAP Income Before Taxes	\$ 209,661	\$ 175,912
Pretax Impact of Adjustments:		
Restructuring and related (credits) charges	(1,427)	33,310
Foreign exchange losses (gains) on intercompany transactions	1,513	(1,457)
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	89,346	79,421
Gain on sale of certain assets	(3,694)	—
Non-GAAP Adjusted Income Before Taxes	\$ 295,399	\$ 287,186

Below is a reconciliation of our US GAAP Income Tax Provision to Non-GAAP Adjusted Income Tax Provision, including our US GAAP Effective Tax Rate and our Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate:

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2022	2021
US GAAP Income Tax Provision	\$ 61,352	\$ 27,656
Income Tax Impact of Adjustments ⁽¹⁾ :		
Restructuring and related (credits) charges	(260)	8,065
Foreign exchange losses (gains) on intercompany transactions	597	(363)
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	20,816	18,511
Gain on sale of certain assets	(922)	—
Income Tax Adjustments:		
Impact of increase in UK statutory rate on deferred tax balances ⁽²⁾	(21,415)	(3,511)
Impact of US CARES Act ⁽³⁾	—	13,998
Impact of change in certain US state tax rates in 2021 ⁽²⁾	—	(3,225)
Non-GAAP Adjusted Income Tax Provision	\$ 60,168	\$ 61,131
US GAAP Effective Tax Rate	29.3 %	15.7 %
Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate	20.4 %	21.3 %

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- (1) For the year ended April 30, 2022, substantially all of the tax impact was from deferred taxes. For the year ended April 30, 2021, except for the \$8.4 million current tax impact from the US CARES Act noted below, substantially all of the tax impact was from deferred taxes.
- (2) These adjustments impacted deferred taxes in the years ended April 30, 2022 and 2021.
- (3) The tax impact was \$8.4 million from current taxes and \$5.6 million from deferred taxes in the year ended April 30, 2021.

The effective tax rate was 29.3% for the year ended April 30, 2022, compared to 15.7% for the year ended April 30, 2021. Our effective tax rate for the year ended April 30, 2022, was increased by \$21.4 million due to an increase in the UK statutory rate during the three months ended July 31, 2021. On June 10, 2021, the UK announced an increase to its statutory corporate income tax rate from 19% to 25% effective April 1, 2023, resulting in this nonrecurring, noncash US GAAP deferred tax expense. The 15.7% tax expense rate for the year ended April 30, 2021, benefited by \$14.0 million from provisions in the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act (the CARES Act) and certain regulations issued in late July 2020, which enabled us to carry certain net operating losses back to a year with a higher statutory tax rate.

Excluding the expense from the UK rate change, the Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate for the year ended April 30, 2022, was 20.4%. The Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate for the year ended April 30, 2021, excluding the impact of the UK statutory rate change, the CARES Act, and state tax expense from rate changes, was 21.3%. The Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate before these items decreased because the year ended April 30, 2021, included US state tax expenses from our expanded presence due to employees working in additional locations given the COVID-19 pandemic.

Diluted Earnings Per Share (EPS):

Diluted earnings per share for the year ended April 30, 2022 was \$2.62 per share compared to \$2.63 per share in the prior year. This decrease was due to a higher weighted average number of common shares outstanding in the year ended April 30, 2022 as net income was flat compared to the year ended April 30, 2021. Net income was flat as higher operating income and, to a lesser extent, lower foreign exchange losses and the gain on sale of certain assets were offset by higher provision for income taxes and, to a lesser extent, lower other income, net.

Below is a reconciliation of our US GAAP EPS to Non-GAAP Adjusted EPS. The amount of the pretax and the related income tax impact for the adjustments included in the table below are presented in the section above, "Provision for Income Taxes."

	Year Ended April 30,	
	2022	2021
US GAAP EPS	\$ 2.62	\$ 2.63
Adjustments:		
Restructuring and related (credits) charges	(0.02)	0.44
Foreign exchange losses (gains) on intercompany transactions	0.02	(0.02)
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	1.21	1.08
Gain on sale of certain assets	(0.05)	—
Income tax adjustments	0.38	(0.13)
Non-GAAP Adjusted EPS	\$ 4.16	\$ 4.00

On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EPS increased 1% primarily due to a lower Non-GAAP Adjusted Effective Tax Rate, partially offset by lower Other income, net and, to a lesser extent, lower Adjusted OI.

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SEGMENT OPERATING RESULTS:

	Year Ended April 30,		% Change Favorable (Unfavorable)	Constant Currency % Change Favorable (Unfavorable)
RESEARCH:	2022	2021		
Revenue:				
Research Publishing ⁽¹⁾	\$ 963,715	\$ 892,176	8 %	8 %
Research Solutions ⁽¹⁾	147,628	123,173	20 %	20 %
Total Research Revenue	1,111,343	1,015,349	9 %	9 %
Cost of Sales	300,373	275,377	(9)%	(8)%
Operating Expenses	468,012	429,916	(9)%	(9)%
Amortization of Intangible Assets	47,731	37,033	(29)%	(28)%
Restructuring Charges (Credits) (see Note 7)	238	(36)	#	#
Contribution to Profit	294,989	273,059	8 %	9 %
Restructuring Charges (Credits) (see Note 7)	238	(36)	#	#
Adjusted Contribution to Profit	295,227	273,023	8 %	9 %
Depreciation and Amortization	94,899	83,866	(13)%	(13)%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 390,126	\$ 356,889	9 %	10 %
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	35.1 %	35.1 %		

Not meaningful

- (1) As previously announced in May 2022, our revenue by product type previously referred to as Research Platforms was changed to Research Solutions. Research Solutions includes infrastructure and publishing services that help societies and corporations thrive in a complex knowledge ecosystem. In addition to Platforms (Atypen), certain product offerings such as corporate sales which included the recent acquisitions of Madgex Holdings Limited (Madgex), and Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc.'s Informatics products (Informatics) that were previously included in Research Publishing moved to Research Solutions to align with our strategic focus. Research Solutions also includes product offerings related to certain recent acquisitions such as J&J, and EJP. Prior period results have been revised to the new presentation. There were no changes to the total Research segment or our consolidated financial results. The revenue reclassified was \$93.3 million and \$80.3 million for the years ended April 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Revenue:

Research revenue for the year ended April 30, 2022 increased \$96.0 million, or 9%, as compared with the prior year on a reported and constant currency basis. Excluding revenue from acquisitions, organic revenue increased 5% on a constant currency basis. This increase was primarily due to an increase in publishing and, to a lesser extent corporate solutions. Research Publishing has continued growth due to Transformational Agreements (read and publish). Excluding the impact from acquisitions, Open Access article output growth was approximately 27% for the year ended April 30, 2022 as compared with the prior year.

Adjusted EBITDA:

On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EBITDA increased 10% as compared with the prior year. This increase was primarily due to higher revenue, partially offset by higher editorial costs due to additional resources to support investments in growth, which includes the impact of the acquisition of Hindawi and, to a lesser extent, higher cost of sales including the incremental

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	Year Ended April 30,		% Change Favorable (Unfavorable)	Constant Currency % Change Favorable (Unfavorable)
	2022	2021		
ACADEMIC:				
Revenue:				
Academic Publishing	\$ 531,705	\$ 538,643	(1)%	(2)%
University Services	227,407	230,371	(1)%	(1)%
Total Academic Revenue	759,112	769,014	(1)%	(2)%
Cost of Sales	309,220	294,365	(5)%	(5)%
Operating Expenses	333,098	333,858	—%	1 %
Amortization of Intangible Assets	25,547	23,786	(7)%	(7)%
Restructuring (Credits) Charges (see Note 7)	(470)	3,457	#	#
Contribution to Profit	91,717	113,548	(19)%	(20)%
Restructuring (Credits) Charges (see Note 7)	(470)	3,457	#	#
Adjusted Contribution to Profit	91,247	117,005	(22)%	(23)%
Depreciation and Amortization	81,721	77,823	(5)%	(5)%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 172,968	\$ 194,828	(11)%	(12)%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	22.8 %	25.3 %		

Not meaningful

Revenue:

Academic revenue decreased \$9.9 million, or 1%, as compared with the prior year on a reported basis. On a constant currency basis, revenue decreased 2% as compared with prior year. Excluding revenue from acquisitions, organic revenue decreased 2% on a constant currency basis. This decrease was due to Academic Publishing due to a decrease in education publishing due to lower US college enrollment and some easing of prior year COVID-19-related favorability for courseware and content and, to a lesser extent, test preparation. This was partially offset by an increase in professional publishing. This decrease was also due to University Services due to a decrease in student enrollments. For the year ended April 30, 2022, University Services experienced an 8% decrease in online enrollment.

Adjusted EBITDA:

On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EBITDA decreased 12% as compared with the prior year. This decrease was due to lower revenue, higher student acquisition costs in University Services, and higher print product costs. This was partially offset by lower operating expenses.

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TALENT:	Year Ended April 30,		% Change Favorable (Unfavorable)	Constant Currency % Change Favorable (Unfavorable)
	2022	2021		
Total Talent Revenue	\$ 212,473	\$ 157,138	35 %	35 %
Cost of Sales	91,065	55,593	(64)%	(63)%
Operating Expenses	85,891	91,833	6 %	6 %
Amortization of Intangible Assets	11,558	13,866	17 %	17 %
Restructuring Charges (see Note 7)	23	577	(96)%	(96)%
Contribution to Profit	23,936	(4,731)	#	#
Restructuring Charges (see Note 7)	23	577	(96)%	(96)%
Adjusted Contribution to Profit	23,959	(4,154)	#	#
Depreciation and Amortization	21,997	23,828	8 %	7 %
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 45,956	\$ 19,674	#	#
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	21.6 %	12.5 %		

Not meaningful

Revenue:

Talent revenue increased \$55.3 million, or 35%, as compared with the prior year on a reported and constant currency basis. This increase was primarily due to an increase in placements in talent development (Wiley Edge) and, to a lesser extent, driven by a strong recovery in assessments (corporate training) from prior year COVID-19 lockdown impacts. For the year ended April 30, 2022, we delivered approximately 112% growth in IT talent placements in talent development (Wiley Edge).

Adjusted EBITDA:

On a constant currency basis, Adjusted EBITDA increased \$26.3 million as compared with the prior year. This was due to an increase in revenue, partially offset by higher employee-related costs due to increased investments to accelerate growth in talent development (Wiley Edge).

CORPORATE EXPENSES:

Corporate expenses for the year ended April 30, 2022 decreased \$5.0 million, or 3%, as compared with the prior year. On a constant currency basis and excluding restructuring (credits) charges, these expenses increased 16% as compared with the prior year. This was primarily due to higher employee-related costs, marketing costs and, to a lesser extent, technology-related spending.

FISCAL YEAR 2024 TRANSITION YEAR OUTLOOK

Wiley has announced strategic actions that will focus Wiley on its strongest and most profitable businesses and large market opportunities in Research and Learning. We are divesting non-core education businesses, including University Services (known as online program management), Wiley Edge (formerly Talent Development) and CrossKnowledge. These assets will be reported as businesses held for sale starting in the first quarter of fiscal year 2024. We will be streamlining our organization and rightsizing our cost structure to reflect these portfolio actions. The benefits of these actions will be realized in fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026.

Wiley's fiscal year 2024 outlook excludes businesses held for sale: University Services, Wiley Edge (Talent Development), and CrossKnowledge, as well as those businesses sold in fiscal year 2023 (test prep and advancement courses). Collectively, these businesses generated \$393 million of revenue (19% of our consolidated revenue) and \$43 million of Adjusted EBITDA (10% of our consolidated Adjusted EBITDA) in fiscal year 2023.

Wiley's go-forward reporting structure will consist of two reportable segments: (1) Research and (2) Learning, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments. Research is unchanged with reporting lines of Research Publishing and Research Solutions. Learning will include reporting lines of Academic (education publishing) and Professional (professional publishing and assessments). Wiley will begin to report on this structure in the first quarter of fiscal year 2024.

(amounts in millions, except Adjusted EPS)

Metric	Fiscal Year 2023 All Company	Fiscal Year 2023 Ex-Divestitures	Fiscal Year 2024 Outlook Ex-Divestitures
Adjusted Revenue ⁽¹⁾	\$2,020	\$1,627	\$1,580 to \$1,630
Research		\$1,080	Flat (+3% ex-Hindawi)
Learning		\$547	Down low single digits
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$422	\$379	\$305 to \$330
Adjusted EPS ⁽¹⁾	\$3.84	\$3.48	\$2.05 to \$2.40

- (1) Wiley's fiscal year 2024 outlook ("Adjusted Revenue," "Adjusted EBITDA," and "Adjusted EPS") exclude businesses held for sale, including University Services, Wiley Edge (formerly Talent Development), and CrossKnowledge, as well as those sold in fiscal year 2023, Test Prep and Advancement Courses.

Fiscal Year 2024 Transition Year Outlook

- **Adjusted Revenue** – Projected year-over-year performance excluding divestitures primarily due to the Hindawi special issues publishing pause and continued softness in consumer and corporate spending. Research revenue is expected to be flat. Excluding Hindawi, our base business is anticipated to grow 3% driven by open access and solutions. In Learning, we are anticipating a low-single decline. We expect steadier market conditions in professional publishing than we saw in fiscal year 2023, but enrollment and print demand remain constrained in higher education, offsetting a modest growth expectation in our professional line. Note, this is a new metric defined as revenue adjusted to exclude businesses held for sale or sold.
- **Adjusted EBITDA** – Projected year-over-year decline excluding divestitures primarily due to projected revenue performance, notably Hindawi, particularly in the first half of the year, and to a lesser extent the Learning revenue decline. Other contributors include higher employment costs, notably a standard reset of incentive compensation after fiscal year 2023 underperformance (\$30 million of Adjusted EBITDA impact) and wage inflation (\$20 million of Adjusted EBITDA impact). Wiley is implementing its multi-year business optimization program by expanding its scope to drive operating efficiency and modernization while reducing corporate overhead. Wiley's Adjusted EBITDA margin for its go-forward business is projected to be 19-20%, down from 23.3% in fiscal year 2023. The Company expects to more than recover its fiscal 2023 margin of 23.3% as it exits fiscal year 2024 and progress from there in fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026.
- **Adjusted EPS** – Projected year-over-year decline excluding divestitures due to lower projected Adjusted EBITDA, and further impacted by \$0.42 of non-operational items including a higher tax rate (-\$0.21/share), pension expense

(-\$0.11/share), and interest expense (-\$0.10/share). Our Adjusted Effective Tax Rate is expected to rise from 17.9% in fiscal year 2023 to approximately 25% in fiscal year 2024. Wiley's higher tax rate is primarily due to a less favorable mix of earnings by country and an increase in the UK statutory rate. Wiley froze its US and UK pension programs in 2015, and they are approximately 90% funded.

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Wiley is not providing a Free Cash Flow outlook due to the uncertainty around both the timing of divestitures and the size and scope of restructuring payments.

In August 2022, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) issued guidance for US federal agencies to make federally funded research freely available starting no later than December 31, 2025, without an embargo. For reference, approximately 10% of Wiley's published articles today are funded by US federal departments impacted by this guidance, and approximately 27% of those articles are already open access. Wiley has been working for several years with the OSTP and other stakeholders around the world to support the orderly transition to open research. This new guidance is aligned with Wiley's stated strategy and mission and is supported by the growth the Company is seeing in open research publishing. Wiley supports multiple publishing models to execute against the industry's shared objective of unlocking access to scientific research and improving the efficiency of peer review and publication. Those models include journal subscriptions ("pay to read"), transformational agreements ("pay to read and publish"), and open access ("pay to publish"). In the past three years, our open access revenues, including from transformational agreements, have increased from less than 9% of total Research Publishing revenues to approximately 32% today. Based on our assessment of the guidance, we do not believe it will have a material financial impact on our Company.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES:

Principal Sources of Liquidity

We believe that our operating cash flow, together with our revolving credit facilities and other available debt financing, will be adequate to meet our operating, investing, and financing needs in the foreseeable future. Operating cash flow provides the primary source of cash to fund operating needs and capital expenditures. Excess operating cash is used to fund shareholder dividends. Other discretionary uses of cash flow include share repurchases and acquisitions to complement our portfolio of businesses. As necessary, we may supplement operating cash flow with debt to fund these activities. The overall cash position of the Company reflects our durable business results and a global cash management strategy that considers liquidity management, economic factors and tax considerations. Our cash and cash equivalents are maintained at a number of financial institutions. To mitigate the risk of uninsured balances, we select financial institutions based on their credit ratings and financial strength, and we perform ongoing evaluations of these institutions to limit our concentration risk exposure to any financial institution.

As of April 30, 2023, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$106.7 million, of which approximately \$104.6 million, or 98%, was located outside the US. Maintenance of these cash and cash equivalent balances outside the US does not have a material impact on the liquidity or capital resources of our operations. We intend to repatriate earnings from our non-US subsidiaries, and to the extent we repatriate these funds to the US, we will be required to pay income taxes in various US state and local jurisdictions and applicable non-US withholding or similar taxes in the periods in which such repatriation occurs. Accordingly, as of April 30, 2023, we have recorded an approximately \$2.8 million deferred tax liability related to the estimated taxes that would be incurred upon repatriating certain non-US earnings to the US.

On November 30, 2022, we entered into the second amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (collectively, the Amended and Restated CA). See Note 14, "Debt and Available Credit Facilities" for more details on the amendment. The Amended and Restated CA provided for senior unsecured credit facilities comprised of a (i) five-year revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount up to \$1.115 billion, (ii) a five-year term loan A facility consisting of \$200 million, and (iii) \$185 million aggregate principal amount revolving credit facility through May 2024.

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As of April 30, 2023, we had approximately \$748.3 million of debt outstanding, net of unamortized issuance costs of \$0.7 million, and approximately \$749.5 million of unused borrowing capacity under our Amended and Restated CA and other facilities. Our Amended and Restated CA contains certain restrictive covenants related to our consolidated leverage ratio and interest coverage ratio, which we were in compliance with as of April 30, 2023.

Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments

A summary of contractual obligations and commercial commitments, excluding unrecognized tax benefits further described in Note 13, "Income Taxes," of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, as of April 30, 2023 is as follows:

	Payments Due by Period (in millions)				
	Total	Within Year 1	2-3 Years	4-5 Years	After 5 Years
Total debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 749.0	\$ 5.0	\$ 35.0	\$ 709.0	\$ —
Interest on debt ⁽²⁾	164.3	33.9	74.4	56.0	—
Non-cancellable leases	171.5	26.5	48.5	32.3	64.2
Minimum royalty obligations	385.5	98.1	147.5	93.6	46.3
Other operating commitments	85.2	51.4	33.7	0.1	—
Total	\$ 1,555.5	\$ 214.9	\$ 339.1	\$ 891.0	\$ 110.5

(1) Total debt is exclusive of unamortized issuance costs of \$0.7 million.

(2) Interest on debt includes the effect of our interest rate swap agreements and the estimated future interest payments on our unhedged variable rate debt, assuming that the interest rates as of April 30, 2023 remain constant until the maturity of the debt.

Analysis of Historical Cash Flow

The following table shows the changes in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows:

	Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 277,071	\$ 339,100	\$ 359,923
Net cash used in investing activities	(98,398)	(194,024)	(433,154)
Net cash used in financing activities	(168,568)	(131,638)	(47,086)
Effect of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	\$ (3,570)	\$ (7,070)	\$ 11,629

Cash flow from operations is seasonally a use of cash in the first half of Wiley's fiscal year principally due to the timing of collections for annual journal subscriptions, which typically occurs in the beginning of the second half of our fiscal year.

Free cash flow less product development spending helps assess our ability, over the long term, to create value for our shareholders, as it represents cash available to repay debt, pay common dividends, and fund share repurchases, and acquisitions. Below are the details of Free cash flow less product development spending.

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Free Cash Flow Less Product Development Spending:

	Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 277,071	\$ 339,100	\$ 359,923
Less: Additions to technology, property and equipment	(81,155)	(88,843)	(77,407)
Less: Product development spending	(22,958)	(27,015)	(25,954)
Free cash flow less product development spending	<u>\$ 172,958</u>	<u>\$ 223,242</u>	<u>\$ 256,562</u>

Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities

2023 compared to 2022

The following is a summary of the \$62.0 million change in Net cash provided by operating activities for the year ended April 30, 2023, as compared with the year ended April 30, 2022 (amounts in millions).

Net cash provided by operating activities – Year ended April 30, 2022	\$ 339.1
Net income adjusted for items to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities, which would include such noncash items as depreciation and amortization, impairment of goodwill, restructuring and related charges (credits), and the change in deferred taxes	(27.8)
<u>Working capital changes:</u>	
Accounts receivable, net and contract liabilities	6.6
Accounts payable and accrued royalties	6.5
Changes in other assets and liabilities	(47.3)
Net cash provided by operating activities – Year ended April 30, 2023	<u>\$ 277.1</u>

The favorable change in accounts receivable, net and contract liabilities was primarily due to the timing of collections and billings with customers.

The favorable change in accounts payable and accrued royalties was due to the timing of payments.

The unfavorable changes in other assets and liabilities noted in the table above was primarily due to higher restructuring payments in fiscal year 2023, and lower employee related costs due to lower annual incentive compensation for fiscal year 2023.

Our negative working capital (current assets less current liabilities) was \$354.3 million and \$418.6 million as of April 30, 2023 and April 30, 2022, respectively. The primary driver of the negative working capital is the benefit realized from unearned contract liabilities related to subscriptions for which cash has been collected in advance. The contract liabilities will be recognized as income when the products are shipped or made available online to the customers over the term of the subscription. Current liabilities as of April 30, 2023 and as of April 30, 2022 include contract liabilities of \$504.7 million and \$538.1 million, respectively, primarily related to deferred subscription revenue for which cash was collected in advance.

Cash collected in advance for subscriptions is used by us for a number of purposes, including funding operations, capital expenditures, acquisitions, debt repayments, dividend payments, and share repurchases.

2022 compared to 2021

The following is a summary of the \$20.8 million change in Net cash provided by operating activities for the year ended April 30, 2022 as compared with the year ended April 30, 2021 (amounts in millions).

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Net cash provided by operating activities – Year ended April 30, 2021	\$ 359.9
Net income adjusted for items to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities, which would include such noncash items as depreciation and amortization and the change in deferred taxes	(16.3)
Working capital changes:	
Accounts payable and accrued royalties	47.5
Accounts receivable, net and contract liabilities	(23.3)
Changes in other assets and liabilities	(28.7)
Net cash provided by operating activities – Year ended April 30, 2022	\$ 339.1

The favorable change in accounts payable and accrued royalties was due to the timing of payments.

The unfavorable change in accounts receivable, net and contract liabilities was primarily the result of sales growth, as well as the timing of billings and collections with customers.

The unfavorable changes in other assets and liabilities noted in the table above was primarily due to an increase in employee-related costs, including payments due to higher annual incentive compensation payments in fiscal year 2022, partially offset by a favorable change in income taxes, and a decrease in restructuring payments.

Our negative working capital (current assets less current liabilities) was \$418.6 million and \$462.7 million as of April 30, 2022 and April 30, 2021, respectively. The primary driver of the negative working capital is the benefit realized from unearned contract liabilities related to subscriptions for which cash has been collected in advance. The contract liabilities will be recognized as income when the products are shipped or made available online to the customers over the term of the subscription. Current liabilities as of April 30, 2022 and as of April 30, 2021 include contract liabilities of \$538.1 million and \$545.4 million, respectively, primarily related to deferred subscription revenue for which cash was collected in advance.

Cash collected in advance for subscriptions is used by us for a number of purposes, including funding operations, capital expenditures, acquisitions, debt repayments, dividend payments, and share repurchases.

Net Cash Used In Investing Activities

2023 Compared to 2022

Net cash used in investing activities in the year ended April 30, 2023 was \$98.4 million compared to \$194.0 million in the prior year. The decrease in cash used in investing activities was primarily due to a decrease of \$68.4 million in cash used to acquire businesses. Additionally, cash proceeds related to the sale of businesses and certain assets increased \$12.2 million. See Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" for more information related to the acquisitions and divestitures that occurred in the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022. For additions of technology, property, and equipment and product development spending decreased \$7.7 million and \$4.1 million, respectively.

2022 Compared to 2021

Net cash used in investing activities in the year ended April 30, 2022 was \$194.0 million compared to \$433.2 million in the prior year. The decrease in cash used in investing activities was due to a decrease of \$224.2 million in cash used to acquire businesses. See Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" for more information related to the acquisitions that occurred in the years ended April 30, 2022 and 2021. Additionally, cash outflows for the acquisitions of publication rights and other activities decreased \$24.0 million. This was partially offset by an increase of \$11.4 million for additions of technology, property, and equipment.

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Net Cash Used In Financing Activities

2023 Compared to 2022

Net cash used in financing activities in the year ended April 30, 2023 was \$168.6 million compared to \$131.6 million in the year ended April 30, 2022. This change was primarily due to an increase in net debt repayments of \$27.9 million and, to a lesser extent, a \$5.0 million increase in cash used for purchases of treasury shares, and \$4.5 million of cash used for costs related to the second amendment of the Amended and Restated CA.

2022 Compared to 2021

Net cash used in financing activities was \$131.6 million in the year ended April 30, 2022 compared to net cash used of \$47.1 million in the year ended April 30, 2021. This change was primarily due to net debt repayments of \$11.0 million in the year ended April 30, 2022 compared with net debt borrowings of \$30.7 million in the year ended April 30, 2021 and, to a lesser extent, a \$24.7 million change from book overdrafts, and a \$14.2 million increase in cash used for purchases of treasury shares.

Dividends and Share Repurchases

In the year ended April 30, 2023, we increased our quarterly dividend to shareholders to \$1.39 per share annualized versus \$1.38 per share annualized in the prior year.

In the year ended April 30, 2022, we increased our quarterly dividend to shareholders to \$1.38 per share annualized versus \$1.37 per share annualized in the prior year.

During the year ended April 30, 2020, our Board of Directors approved an additional share repurchase program of \$200 million of Class A or B Common Stock. As of April 30, 2023, we had authorization from our Board of Directors to purchase up to \$162.5 million that was remaining under this program. During the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022, we purchased \$35.0 million and \$2.5 million, respectively, under this program. No share repurchases were made under this program during the year ended April 30, 2021. The share repurchase program described above is in addition to the share repurchase program approved by our Board of Directors during the year ended April 30, 2017 of four million shares of Class A or B Common Stock. As of April 30, 2022, no additional shares were remaining under this program for purchase.

The following table summarizes the shares repurchased of Class A and B Common Stock (shares in thousands):

	Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Shares repurchased – Class A	831	542	308
Shares repurchased – Class B	1	2	2
Average Price – Class A and Class B	\$ 42.07	\$ 55.14	\$ 50.93

RECENTLY ISSUED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, ACCOUNTING GUIDANCE, AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

We are subject to numerous recently issued statements of financial accounting standards, accounting guidance, and disclosure requirements. The information set forth in Part II, Item 8, “Financial Statements and Supplementary Data” in Note 2, “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Recently Issued and Recently Adopted Accounting Standards,” of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated by reference and describes these new accounting standards.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES:

The preparation of our Consolidated Financial Statements and related disclosures in conformity with US GAAP requires our management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements, and revenue and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates include, among other items, sales return reserves, allocation of acquisition purchase price to assets acquired and liabilities assumed, goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets, intangible assets with definite lives and other long-lived assets, and retirement plans. We review these estimates and assumptions periodically using historical experience and other factors and reflect the effects of any revisions on the Consolidated Financial Statements in the period we determine any revisions to be necessary. Actual results could differ from those estimates, which could affect the reported results. In Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Recently Issued and Recently Adopted Accounting Standards" of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements includes a summary of the significant accounting policies and methods used in preparation of our Consolidated Financial Statements. Set forth below is a discussion of our more critical accounting policies and methods.

Revenue Recognition:

In Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data," see Note 3, "Revenue Recognition, Contracts with Customers," of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for details of our revenue recognition policy.

Sales Return Reserves:

In Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data," see Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Recently Issued, and Recently Adopted Accounting Standards" in the section "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for details of our sales return reserves.

A one percent change in the estimated sales return rate could affect net income by approximately \$2.6 million. A change in the pattern or trends in returns could also affect the estimated allowance.

Allocation of Acquisition Purchase Price to Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed :

In connection with acquisitions, we allocate the cost of the acquisition to the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed based on the estimates of fair value for such items, including intangible assets. The excess of the purchase consideration over the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recorded as goodwill. The determination of the acquisition date fair value of the assets acquired, and liabilities assumed, requires us to make significant estimates and assumptions, such as, if applicable, forecasted revenue growth rates and operating cash flows, royalty rates, customer attrition rates, obsolescence rates of developed technology, and discount rates. We may use a third-party valuation consultant to assist in the determination of such estimates.

In Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data," see Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for details of our acquisitions.

Goodwill and Indefinite-lived Intangible Assets:

Goodwill is reviewed for possible impairment at least annually on a reporting unit level during the fourth quarter of each year. Our annual impairment assessment date is February 1. A review of goodwill may be initiated before or after conducting the annual analysis if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of goodwill may no longer be recoverable.

A reporting unit is the operating segment unless, at businesses one level below that operating segment— the "component" level, discrete financial information is prepared and regularly reviewed by management, and the component has economic characteristics that are different from the economic characteristics of the other components of the operating segment, in which case the component is the reporting unit.

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As part of the annual impairment test, we may elect to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. In a qualitative assessment, we would consider the macroeconomic conditions, including any deterioration of general conditions and industry and market conditions, including any deterioration in the environment where the reporting unit operates, increased competition, changes in the products/services and regulatory and political developments, cost of doing business, overall financial performance, including any declining cash flows and performance in relation to planned revenues and earnings in past periods, other relevant reporting unit specific facts, such as changes in management or key personnel or pending litigation, and events affecting the reporting unit, including changes in the carrying value of net assets.

If the results of our qualitative assessment indicate it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, we are required to perform a quantitative assessment to determine the fair value of the reporting unit.

Alternatively, if an optional qualitative goodwill impairment assessment is not performed, we may perform a quantitative assessment. Under the quantitative assessment, we compare the fair value of each reporting unit to its carrying value, including the goodwill allocated to the reporting unit. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeded its carrying value, there would be no indication of impairment. If the fair value of the reporting unit were less than the carrying value, an impairment charge would be recognized for the difference.

We derive an estimate of fair values for each of our reporting units using a combination of an income approach and a market approach, each based on an applicable weighting. We assess the applicable weighting based on such factors as current market conditions and the quality and reliability of the data. Absent an indication of fair value from a potential buyer or similar specific transactions, we believe that the use of these methods provides a reasonable estimate of a reporting unit's fair value.

Fair value computed by these methods is arrived at using a number of key assumptions including forecasted revenues and related growth rates, forecasted operating cash flows, the discount rate, and the selection of relevant market multiples of comparable publicly-traded companies with similar characteristics to the reporting unit. There are inherent uncertainties, however, related to these factors and to our judgment in applying them to this analysis. We believe that the combination of these methods provides a reasonable approach to estimate the fair value of our reporting units. Assumptions for sales, net earnings, and cash flows for each reporting unit were consistent among these methods.

Fiscal Year 2023 and 2022 Annual Goodwill Impairment Test

As of February 1, 2023, we completed a quantitative assessment for our annual goodwill impairment test for our University Services reporting unit. We concluded that the fair value of the reporting unit was above the carrying value and, therefore, there was no indication of impairment. For our other reporting units, we performed a qualitative assessment by reporting unit as of February 1, 2023. This assessment included consideration of key factors including macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors, financial performance, and other relevant entity and reporting unit-specific events. Based on our qualitative assessment, we determined it was not more likely than not that the fair value of any reporting unit was less than its carrying amount. As such, it was not necessary to perform a quantitative test. There have been no significant events or circumstances affecting the valuation of goodwill subsequent to the qualitative assessment performed as of February 1, 2023.

As of February 1, 2022, we completed a quantitative assessment for our annual goodwill impairment test for our reporting units. We concluded that the fair values of our reporting units were above their carrying values and, therefore, there was no indication of impairment.

Income Approach Used to Determine Fair Values

The income approach is based upon the present value of expected cash flows. Expected cash flows are converted to present value using factors that consider the timing and risk of the future cash flows. The estimate of cash flows used is prepared on an unleveraged debt-free basis. We use a discount rate that reflects a market-derived weighted average cost of capital. We believe that this approach is appropriate because it provides a fair value estimate based upon the reporting unit's expected long-term operating and cash flow performance. The projections are based upon our best estimates of forecasted economic and market conditions over the related period including growth rates, expected changes in forecasted operating cash flows, and cash expenditures. Other estimates and assumptions include terminal value long-term growth rates, provisions for income taxes,

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Changes in any of these assumptions could materially impact the estimated fair value of our reporting units. As noted below, the University Services reporting unit incurred an interim goodwill impairment. If the University Services reporting unit fair value decreases further in future periods, we could potentially have an additional impairment which would be limited to the remaining allocated goodwill of approximately \$11 million as of April 30, 2023. Our forecasts take into account the near and long-term expected business performance, considering the long-term market conditions and business trends within the reporting units. However, changes in these assumptions may impact our ability to recover the allocated goodwill in the future. For further discussion of the factors that could result in a change in our assumptions, see “Risk Factors” in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Market Approach Used to Determine Fair Values

The market approach estimates the fair value of the reporting unit by applying multiples of operating performance measures to the reporting unit’s operating performance (the Guideline Public Company Method). These multiples are derived from comparable publicly-traded companies with similar investment characteristics to the reporting unit, and such comparable data are reviewed and updated as needed annually. We believe that this approach is appropriate because it provides a fair value estimate using multiples from entities with operations and economic characteristics comparable to our reporting units and Wiley.

The key estimates and assumptions that are used to determine fair value under this market approach include current and forward 12-month revenue and EBITDA results, as applicable, and the selection of the relevant multiples to be applied. Under the Guideline Public Company Method, a control premium, or an amount that a buyer is usually willing to pay over the current market price of a publicly traded company is considered, and applied to the calculated equity values to adjust the public trading value upward for a 100% ownership interest, where applicable.

In order to assess the reasonableness of the calculated fair values of our reporting units, we also compare the sum of the reporting units’ fair values to our market capitalization and calculate an implied control premium (the excess of the sum of the reporting units’ fair values over the market capitalization). We evaluate the control premium by comparing it to control premiums of recent comparable market transactions. If the implied control premium is not reasonable in light of these recent transactions, we will reevaluate our fair value estimates of the reporting units by adjusting the discount rates and/or other assumptions.

If our assumptions and related estimates change in the future, or if we change our reporting unit structure or other events and circumstances change (such as a sustained decrease in the price of our common stock, a decline in current market multiples, a significant adverse change in legal factors or business climates, an adverse action or assessment by a regulator, heightened competition, strategic decisions made in response to economic or competitive conditions, or a more-likely-than-not expectation that a reporting unit or a significant portion of a reporting unit will be sold or disposed of), we may be required to record impairment charges in future periods. Any impairment charges that we may take in the future could be material to our consolidated results of operations and financial condition.

Fiscal Year 2023 Segment Realignment Goodwill Impairment Test

In the third quarter of fiscal year 2023, we began to operate under a new organizational structure, which resulted in a change in our composition of our reportable segments, which resulted in a change in our reporting units. See Note 20, “Segment Information,” for more details. The Academic reportable segment includes two reporting units, Academic Publishing and University Services, and the Talent reportable segment includes two reporting units, Talent Development and Professional Learning. No changes were made to the Research reportable segment. As a result of this realignment, we are required to test goodwill for impairment immediately before and after the realignment. Since there were no changes to the Research reportable segment, no interim impairment test of the Research reportable segment goodwill was required.

We estimated the fair value of the reporting units using a weighting of fair values derived from an income and a market approach. Under the income approach, we determined the fair value of a reporting unit based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. Cash flow projections are based on our best estimates of forecasted economic and market conditions over the period including growth rates, expected changes in operating cash flows. The discount rate used is based on a weighted average cost of capital adjusted for the relevant risk associated with the characteristics of the business and the projected cash flows. The market approach estimates fair value based on market multiples of current and forward 12-month revenue or EBITDA, as applicable, derived from comparable publicly traded companies with similar operating and investment characteristics as the

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Goodwill Impairment Before Realignment

Prior to the realignment, we concluded that the fair value of the Academic & Professional Learning reporting unit was above its carrying value. Therefore, there was no indication of impairment. The carrying value of the Education Services reporting unit was above its fair value which resulted in a pretax non-cash goodwill impairment of \$31.0 million. This charge is reflected in Impairment of goodwill in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Education Services was adversely impacted by market conditions and headwinds for online degree programs. This has led to a decline in projected student enrollments from existing partners, pricing pressures and revenue share concessions, and a decline in new partner additions over both the short-term and long-term, which adversely impacted forecasted revenue growth and operating cash flows. This was partially offset by projected growth in talent placements, partially due to expansion into new regions and the addition of new corporate clients, which are forecasted to have a positive impact on revenue growth and operating cash flows.

The key assumptions underlying the estimate of the fair value of the Education Services reporting unit included the following:

- Future cash flow assumptions – the projections for future cash flows utilized in the model were derived from historical experience and assumptions regarding future growth and profitability of the reporting unit. These projections include forecasted revenues and related growth rates, and forecasted operating cash flows, and are consistent with our operating budget and strategic plan. We applied a compounded annual growth rate of approximately 8.5% for forecasted sales in our projected cash flows through fiscal year 2036. Beyond the forecasted period, a terminal value was determined using a perpetuity growth rate of 3.0% to reflect our estimate of stable and perpetual growth.
- Discount rate based on the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) – the WACC is the rate used to discount the reporting unit's estimated future cash flows. The WACC is calculated based on a proportionate weighting of the cost of debt and equity. The cost of equity is based on a capital asset pricing model and includes a company-specific risk premium to capture the perceived risks and uncertainties associated with the reporting unit's projected cash flows. The cost of debt component is calculated based on the after-tax cost of debt of Moody's Baa-rated corporate bonds. The cost of debt and equity is weighted based on the debt to market capitalization ratio of publicly traded companies with similarities to the Education Services reporting unit. The WACC applied to the Education Services reporting unit was 15%.
- Valuation Multiples – for the Guideline Public Company Method, we applied relevant current and forward 12-month revenue multiples based on an evaluation of multiples of publicly-traded companies with similarities to the Education Services reporting unit. The multiples applied ranged from 1.1x to 1.2x revenue.

The following hypothetical changes in the valuation of the Education Services reporting unit would have impacted the goodwill impairment as follows (absent of any related impact in discount rates applies):

- A hypothetical 1% increase to revenue growth and EBITDA margins would have reduced the impairment charge by approximately \$30 million.
- A hypothetical 1% decrease to revenue growth and EBITDA margins would have increased the impairment charge by approximately \$25 million.

Prior to performing the goodwill impairment test for Education Services, we also evaluated the recoverability of long-lived assets of the reporting unit. The carrying value of the long-lived assets that were tested for impairment was approximately \$467.0 million. When indicators of impairment are present, we test definite lived and long-lived assets for recoverability by comparing the carrying value of an asset group to an estimate of the future undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset group. We considered the lower-than-expected revenue and forecasted operating cash flows over a sustained period of time, and downward revisions to our cash flow forecasts for this reporting unit to be indicators of impairment for their long-lived assets. Based on the results of the recoverability test, we determined that the undiscounted cash flows of the asset group of the Education Services reporting unit exceeded the carrying value. Therefore, there was no impairment.

Goodwill Impairment After Realignment

After the realignment, we concluded that the fair value of the Academic Publishing, Talent Development and Professional Learning reporting units were above their carrying values. Therefore, there was no indication of impairment. The carrying value

of the University Services reporting unit was above its fair value which resulted in a pretax non-cash goodwill impairment of \$68.8 million. This charge is reflected in Impairment of goodwill in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

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University Services was adversely impacted by market conditions and headwinds for online degree programs which led to a decline in projected enrollments from existing partners, pricing pressures and revenue share concessions, and a decline in new partner additions over both the short-term and long-term which adversely impacted forecasted revenue growth and operating cash flows.

The key assumptions underlying the estimate of the fair value of the University Services reporting unit included the following:

- Future cash flow assumptions – the projections for future cash flows utilized in the model were derived from historical experience and assumptions regarding future growth and profitability of the reporting unit. These projections include forecasted revenues and related growth rates, and forecasted operating cash flows, and are consistent with our operating budget and strategic plan. We applied a compounded annual growth rate of approximately 3.7% for forecasted sales in our projected cash flows through fiscal year 2036. Beyond the forecasted period, a terminal value was determined using a perpetuity growth rate of 3.0% to reflect our estimate of stable and perpetual growth.
- Discount rate based on the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) – the WACC is the rate used to discount the reporting unit's estimated future cash flows. The WACC is calculated based on a proportionate weighting of the cost of debt and equity. The cost of equity is based on a capital asset pricing model and includes a company-specific risk premium to capture the perceived risks and uncertainties associated with the reporting unit's projected cash flows. The cost of debt component is calculated based on the after-tax cost of debt of Moody's Baa-rated corporate bonds. The cost of debt and equity is weighted based on the debt to market capitalization ratio of publicly traded companies with similarities to the University Services reporting unit. The WACC applied to the University Services reporting unit was 11.0%.
- Valuation Multiples – for the Guideline Public Company Method, we applied relevant current and forward 12-month EBITDA multiples based on an evaluation of multiples of publicly-traded companies with similarities to the University Services reporting unit. The multiples applied ranged from 6.0x to 7.0x EBITDA.

The following hypothetical changes in the valuation of the University Services reporting unit would have impacted the goodwill impairment as follows (absent of any related impact in discount rates applies):

- A hypothetical 1% increase to revenue growth and EBITDA margins would have reduced the impairment charge by approximately \$15 million.
- A hypothetical 1% decrease to revenue growth and EBITDA margins would have increased the impairment charge by approximately \$12 million.

Prior to performing the goodwill impairment test for University Services, we also evaluated the recoverability of long-lived assets of the reporting unit. The carrying value of the long-lived assets that were tested for impairment was approximately \$326.0 million. When indicators of impairment are present, we test definite lived and long-lived assets for recoverability by comparing the carrying value of an asset group to an estimate of the future undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset group. We considered the lower-than-expected revenue and forecasted operating cash flows over a sustained period of time, and downward revisions to our cash flow forecasts for this reporting unit to be indicators of impairment for their long-lived assets. Based on the results of the recoverability test, we determined that the undiscounted cash flows of the asset group of the University Services reporting unit exceeded the carrying value. Therefore, there was no impairment.

Fiscal Year 2023 and 2022 Annual Indefinite-lived Intangible Impairment Test

We also review our indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment annually, which consists of brands and trademarks and certain acquired publishing rights.

For fiscal year 2023, we performed a qualitative assessment for our annual indefinite-lived intangible assets impairment test. This assessment included consideration of key factors including macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors, financial performance, and other relevant entity and reporting unit-specific events. Based on our qualitative assessment, we determined it was not more likely than not that the fair value of any indefinite-lived intangible asset was less than its carrying amount. As such, it was not necessary to perform a quantitative test.

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For fiscal year 2022, we estimated the fair value of these indefinite-lived intangible assets using a relief from royalty method under an income approach. The key assumptions for this method were revenue projections, a royalty rate as determined by management in consultation with valuation experts, and a discount rate. We concluded that the fair values of these indefinite-lived intangible assets were above their carrying values and therefore, there was no indication of impairment.

Intangible Assets with Definite Lives and Other Long-Lived Assets:

See Note 2, “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Recently Issued, and Recently Adopted Accounting Standards,” in the section “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for details of definite lived intangible assets and other long-lived assets.

Retirement Plans:

We provide defined benefit pension plans for certain employees worldwide. Our Board of Directors approved amendments to the US, Canada, and UK defined benefit plans that froze the future accumulation of benefits effective June 30, 2013, December 31, 2015, and April 30, 2015, respectively. Under the amendments, no new employees will be permitted to enter these plans and no additional benefits for current participants for future services will be accrued after the effective dates of the amendments.

The accounting for benefit plans is highly dependent on assumptions concerning the outcome of future events and circumstances, including discount rates, long-term return rates on pension plan assets, healthcare cost trends, compensation increases, and other factors. In determining such assumptions, we consult with outside actuaries and other advisors.

The discount rates for the US, Canada, and UK pension plans are based on the derivation of a single-equivalent discount rate using a standard spot rate curve and the timing of expected benefit payments as of the balance sheet date. The spot rate curves are based upon portfolios of corporate bonds rated at Aa or above by a respected rating agency. The discount rate for Germany is based on the expected benefit payments for the sample mixed population plan. The expected long-term rates of return on pension plan assets are estimated using forecasted returns for the asset classifications within the asset portfolio, and a composite return assumption range is determined using a weighted average based on each plan's target asset allocation percentage. Salary growth and healthcare cost trend assumptions are based on our historical experience and future outlook. While we believe that the assumptions used in these calculations are reasonable, differences in actual experience or changes in assumptions could materially affect the expense and liabilities related to our defined benefit pension plans. A hypothetical one percent increase in the discount rate would increase net income and decrease the accrued pension liability by approximately \$1.2 million and \$76.2 million, respectively. A one percent decrease in the discount rate would decrease net income and increase the accrued pension liability by approximately \$0.3 million and \$89.2 million, respectively. A one percent change in the expected long-term rate of return would affect net income by approximately \$5.1 million.

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Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are exposed to market risk primarily related to interest rates, foreign exchange, and credit risk. It is our policy to monitor these exposures, and to use derivative financial investments and/or insurance contracts from time to time to reduce fluctuations in earnings and cash flows when it is deemed appropriate to do so. We do not use derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

Interest Rates:

From time to time, we may use interest rate swaps, collars, or options to manage our exposure to fluctuations in interest rates. It is management's intention that the notional amount of interest rate swaps be less than the variable rate loans outstanding during the life of the derivatives.

The information set forth in Note 15, "Derivative Instruments and Activities," of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements under the caption "Interest Rate Contracts," is incorporated herein by reference.

On an annual basis, a hypothetical 1% change in interest rates for the \$249.1 million of unhedged variable rate debt as of April 30, 2023 would affect net income and cash flow by approximately \$2 million.

Foreign Exchange Rates:

Fluctuations in the currencies of countries where we operate outside the US may have a significant impact on financial results. We are primarily exposed to movements in British pound sterling, euros, Canadian and Australian dollars, and certain currencies in Asia. The statements of financial position of non-US business units are translated into US dollars using period-end exchange rates for assets and liabilities and the Statements of Income are translated into US dollars using weighted-average exchange rates for revenues and expenses. The percentage of consolidated revenue for the year ended April 30, 2023 recognized in the following currencies (on an equivalent US dollar basis) were approximately: 57% US dollar, 24% British pound sterling, 10% euro, and 9% other currencies.

Our significant investments in non-US businesses are exposed to foreign currency risk. Adjustments resulting from translating assets and liabilities are reported as a separate component of Total Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss, Net of Tax within Shareholders' Equity under the caption Foreign currency translation adjustment. During the year ended April 30, 2023, we recorded foreign currency translation gains in Total accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax of approximately \$3.2 million primarily as a result of the fluctuations of the US dollar relative to the euro and the British pound sterling, partially offset by fluctuations of the US dollar relative to the Australian dollar. During the year ended April 30, 2022, we recorded foreign currency translation (losses) in Total accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax of approximately \$(71.6) million primarily as a result of the fluctuations of the US dollar relative to the British pound sterling and, to a lesser extent, the euro. During the year ended April 30, 2021, we recorded foreign currency translation gains in Total accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax of approximately \$82.8 million, primarily as a result of the fluctuations of the US dollar relative to the British pound sterling and, to a lesser extent, the euro.

Exchange rate gains or losses related to foreign currency transactions are recognized as transaction gains or losses on the Consolidated Statements of Income as incurred. Under certain circumstances, we may enter into derivative financial instruments in the form of foreign currency forward contracts to hedge against specific transactions, including intercompany purchases and loans.

The information set forth in Note 15, "Derivative Instruments and Activities," of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements under the caption "Foreign Currency Contracts," is incorporated herein by reference.

Customer Credit Risk:

In the journal publishing business, subscriptions are primarily sourced through journal subscription agents who, acting as agents for library customers, facilitate ordering by consolidating the subscription orders/billings of each subscriber with various publishers. Cash is generally collected in advance from subscribers by the subscription agents and is principally remitted to us

between the months of December and April. Although at fiscal year-end we had minimal credit risk exposure to these agents, future calendar year subscription receipts from these agents are highly dependent on their financial condition and liquidity. Subscription agents account for approximately 15% of total annual consolidated revenue, and no one agent accounts for more than 10% of total annual consolidated revenue.

Our book business is not dependent upon a single customer; however, the industry is concentrated in national, regional, and online bookstore chains. Although no book customer accounts for more than 6% of total consolidated revenue and 10% of accounts receivable at April 30, 2023, the top 10 book customers account for approximately 10% of total consolidated revenue and approximately 20% of accounts receivable at April 30, 2023.

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Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The following Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes are filed as part of this report.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors
John Wiley & Sons, Inc.:

Opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive (loss) income, cash flows, and shareholders' equity for each of the years in the three-year period ended April 30, 2023, and the related notes and financial statement schedule II (collectively, the consolidated financial statements). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended April 30, 2023, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of April 30, 2023, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission, and our report dated June 26, 2023 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Basis for Opinion

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Critical Audit Matters

The critical audit matters communicated below are matters arising from the current period audit of the consolidated financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the consolidated financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matters below, providing separate opinions on the critical audit matters or on the accounts or disclosures to which they relate.

Evaluation of the sufficiency of audit evidence over certain subscriber and publishing revenue

As discussed in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company generated revenue of \$926.7 million from Research Publishing Products, including Journal Subscriptions, and \$481.8 million from Academic Publishing Products, including Print and Digital Publishing, for the year ended April 30, 2023. The Company uses multiple information technology (IT) systems to record revenue.

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We identified the evaluation of the sufficiency of audit evidence over certain Journal Subscription and Print and Digital Publishing revenue as a critical audit matter. Evaluating the sufficiency of audit evidence obtained involved IT professionals with specialized skills and knowledge and required especially subjective auditor judgment because of the multiple revenue recognition processes, IT applications, and data interfaces.

The following are the primary procedures we performed to address this critical audit matter. We performed risk assessment procedures and applied auditor judgment to determine the nature and extent of procedures to be performed over certain Journal Subscription and Print and Digital Publishing revenue, including the determination of the IT systems where those procedures were to be performed based on the nature of the information processed by those systems. We evaluated the design and tested the operating effectiveness of certain internal controls over the related revenue recognition processes. We involved IT professionals with specialized skills and knowledge, who assisted in testing 1) certain general IT controls, and 2) certain application controls within those revenue recognition process, including the interface of relevant revenue data between different IT systems used therein. To assess certain Journal Subscription and Print and Digital Publishing revenue recognized during a portion of the year, we selected a sample and traced the recorded amounts for specific transactions back to underlying documentation. Based on this assessment and prior year revenue, we also developed an expectation of certain Journal Subscription and Print and Digital Publishing revenue recorded for the remainder of the year and compared such expectation to the revenue recorded in the consolidated financial statements. Additionally, for other Journal Subscription and Print and Digital Publishing revenue recognized during the year, we selected a sample and traced the recorded amounts for specific transactions back to underlying documentation. We evaluated the sufficiency of audit evidence obtained over revenue by assessing the results of procedures performed.

Assessment of fair value of the Education Services and University Services reporting units

As discussed in Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements, in the third quarter of the year ended April 30, 2023, the Company realigned its prior Academic & Professional Learning and Education Services segments into two new customer-centric segments, Academic and Talent. As a result of this change, the Company was required to test goodwill for impairment immediately before and after the realignment. Evaluating goodwill for impairment involves comparing the fair values of the Education Services reporting unit before realignment, and University Services reporting unit after realignment to their respective carrying values. The Company used a combination of an income approach and a market approach to estimate the fair value of its reporting units, which requires the Company to make key assumptions regarding forecasted revenues and related growth rates, forecasted operating cash flows, the discount rates, and the selection of relevant market multiples of comparable publicly traded companies with similar characteristics to each of these reporting units. The Company concluded that the fair values of the Education Services reporting unit pre-realignment and University Services reporting unit post-realignment were below their carrying values and an aggregated impairment loss of \$99.8 million was recognized.

We identified the assessment of the fair value of the Education Services and University Services reporting units as a critical audit matter. Testing the Company's key assumptions described above that were used to estimate the fair value of the Education Services and University Services reporting units, involved a high degree of auditor judgment as changes to those assumptions could have had a significant effect on the Company's assessment of the fair value.

The following are the primary procedures we performed to address this critical audit matter. We tested certain internal controls over the Company's goodwill impairment process, including controls related to the development of the key assumptions. We evaluated (1) the revenue growth rates used by the Company to determine forecasted revenues, and (2) forecasted operating cash flows, by comparing them to industry, market and economic reports, and historical results of the Education Services and University Services reporting units. We performed a sensitivity analysis to assess the impact of possible changes to the key assumptions on the measurement date fair value for the Education Services and University Services reporting units. We involved valuation professionals with specialized skills and knowledge, who assisted in:

- evaluating the discount rates by comparing them to (1) a weighted average cost of capital that was independently developed using publicly available market data, including for comparable entities, (2) discount rates used in previous impairment analyses of the Education Services reporting unit, and (3) discount rates utilized in historical acquisitions of the Education Services and University Services reporting units,

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- evaluating the long-term revenue growth rates used in the impairment tests by comparing against economic data and information specific to the respective reporting units, including projected long-term nominal and gross domestic product growth, inflation, as well as industry and forecasted growth for guideline public companies,
- evaluating selected market multiples of comparable publicly traded companies with similar characteristics to the reporting units, and
- developing independent estimated fair values of the Education Services and University Services reporting units using the Company's cash flow forecasts, and independently developed discount rates, long-term revenue growth rates under the income approach, and market multiples under the market approach, and then comparing them to the Company's fair value estimates.

/s/ KPMG LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2002.

New York, New York

June 26, 2023

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors
John Wiley & Sons, Inc.:

Opinion on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

We have audited John Wiley & Sons, Inc. and subsidiaries' (the Company) internal control over financial reporting as of April 30, 2023, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of April 30, 2023, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated statements of financial position of the Company as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive (loss) income, cash flows, and shareholders' equity for each of the years in the three-year period ended April 30, 2023, and the related notes and financial statement schedule II (collectively, the consolidated financial statements), and our report dated June 26, 2023 expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements.

Basis for Opinion

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ KPMG LLP

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John Wiley & Sons, Inc. and Subsidiaries
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
In thousands

	April 30,	
	2023	2022
Assets:		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 106,714	\$ 100,397
Accounts receivable, net	310,121	331,960
Inventories, net	30,733	36,585
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	93,711	81,924
Total current assets	541,279	550,866
Technology, property, and equipment, net	247,149	271,572
Intangible assets, net	854,794	931,429
Goodwill	1,204,050	1,302,142
Operating lease right-of-use assets	91,197	111,719
Other non-current assets	170,341	193,967
Total assets	\$ 3,108,810	\$ 3,361,695
Liabilities and shareholders' equity:		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 84,325	\$ 77,438
Accrued royalties	113,423	101,596
Short-term portion of long-term debt	5,000	18,750
Contract liabilities	504,695	538,126
Accrued employment costs	80,458	117,121
Short-term portion of operating lease liabilities	19,673	20,576
Other accrued liabilities	87,979	95,812
Total current liabilities	895,553	969,419
Long-term debt	743,292	768,277
Accrued pension liability	86,304	78,622
Deferred income tax liabilities	144,042	180,065
Operating lease liabilities	115,540	132,541
Other long-term liabilities	79,052	90,502
Total liabilities	2,063,783	2,219,426
Shareholders' equity		
Preferred stock, \$ 1 par value: Authorized – 2 million, Issued – 0	—	—
Class A common stock, \$ 1 par value: Authorized – 180 million, Issued – 70,231 and 70,226 as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively	70,231	70,226
Class B common stock, \$ 1 par value: Authorized – 72 million, Issued – 12,951 and 12,956 as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively	12,951	12,956
Additional paid-in capital	469,802	459,297
Retained earnings	1,860,872	1,921,160
Accumulated other comprehensive loss:		
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(326,346)	(329,566)
Unamortized retirement costs, net of tax	(206,806)	(182,226)
Unrealized gain on interest rate swaps, net of tax	4,250	3,646
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	(528,902)	(508,146)
Less: treasury shares at cost (Class A – 23,983 and 23,515 as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, Class B – 3,925 and 3,924 as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively)	(839,927)	(813,224)
Total shareholders' equity	1,045,027	1,142,269
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 3,108,810	\$ 3,361,695

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

John Wiley & Sons, Inc. and Subsidiaries
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
Dollars in thousands, except per share information

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Revenue, net	\$ 2,019,900	\$ 2,082,928	\$ 1,941,501
Costs and expenses			
Cost of sales	692,541	700,658	625,335
Operating and administrative expenses	1,037,399	1,079,585	1,022,660
Impairment of goodwill	99,800	—	—
Restructuring and related charges (credits)	49,389	(1,427)	33,310
Amortization of intangible assets	84,881	84,836	74,685
Total costs and expenses	1,964,010	1,863,652	1,755,990
Operating income	55,890	219,276	185,511
Interest expense	(37,745)	(19,802)	(18,383)
Foreign exchange transaction gains (losses)	894	(3,192)	(7,977)
Gain on sale of businesses and certain assets	10,177	3,694	—
Other income, net	3,884	9,685	16,761
Income before taxes	33,100	209,661	175,912
Provision for income taxes	15,867	61,352	27,656
Net income	\$ 17,233	\$ 148,309	\$ 148,256
Earnings per share:			
Basic	\$ 0.31	\$ 2.66	\$ 2.65
Diluted	\$ 0.31	\$ 2.62	\$ 2.63
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:			
Basic	55,558	55,759	55,930
Diluted	56,355	56,598	56,461

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME
Dollars in thousands

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Net income	\$ 17,233	\$ 148,309	\$ 148,256
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Foreign currency translation adjustment	3,220	(71,625)	82,762
Unamortized retirement costs, net of tax benefit (expense) of \$ 5,967 , \$(13,440), and \$(2,103), respectively	(24,580)	45,920	(226)
Unrealized gain on interest rate swaps, net of tax (expense) of \$(393), \$(2,787), and \$(657), respectively	604	8,349	2,171
Total other comprehensive (loss) income	(20,756)	(17,356)	84,707
Comprehensive (loss) income	\$ (3,523)	\$ 130,953	\$ 232,963

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

For the Years Ended April 30,			
	2023	2022	2021
Operating activities			
Net income	\$ 17,233	\$ 148,309	\$ 148,256
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Impairment of goodwill	99,800	—	—
Amortization of intangible assets	84,881	84,836	74,685
Amortization of product development assets	32,366	35,162	34,365
Depreciation and amortization of technology, property, and equipment	96,006	95,172	91,139
Restructuring and related charges (credits)	49,389	(1,427)	33,310
Stock-based compensation expense	26,504	25,705	21,982
Employee retirement plan expense	26,956	19,146	12,975
Foreign exchange transaction (gains) losses	(894)	3,192	7,977
Gain on sale of businesses and certain assets	(10,217)	(3,694)	—
Other noncash (credits) charges	(6,319)	37,128	35,138
Changes in operating assets and liabilities			
Accounts receivable, net	26,757	(26,318)	(7,263)
Inventories, net	(522)	2,311	7,842
Accounts payable and accrued royalties	22,908	16,373	(31,121)
Contract liabilities	(36,529)	9,973	14,164
Restructuring payments	(26,599)	(5,911)	(19,667)
Other accrued liabilities	(48,787)	(13,476)	28,142
Employee retirement plan contributions	(45,985)	(46,729)	(40,676)
Operating lease liabilities	(26,919)	(29,737)	(32,344)
Other	(2,958)	(10,915)	(18,981)
Net cash provided by operating activities	277,071	339,100	359,923
Investing activities			
Product development spending	(22,958)	(27,015)	(25,954)
Additions to technology, property, and equipment	(81,155)	(88,843)	(77,407)
Businesses acquired in purchase transactions, net of cash acquired	(7,292)	(75,703)	(299,942)
Proceeds related to the sale of businesses and certain assets	15,585	3,375	—
Acquisitions of publication rights and other	(2,578)	(5,838)	(29,851)
Net cash used in investing activities	(98,398)	(194,024)	(433,154)
Financing activities			
Repayments of long-term debt	(1,044,205)	(661,873)	(562,752)
Borrowings of long-term debt	1,005,271	650,877	593,405
Payment of debt issuance costs	(4,493)	—	—
Purchases of treasury shares	(35,000)	(30,000)	(15,765)
Change in book overdrafts	(4,841)	(6,327)	18,398
Cash dividends	(77,298)	(77,205)	(76,938)
Impact of tax withholding on stock-based compensation and other	(8,002)	(7,110)	(3,434)
Net cash used in financing activities	(168,568)	(131,638)	(47,086)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	(3,570)	(7,070)	11,629
Cash reconciliation:			
Cash and cash equivalents	100,397	93,795	202,464
Restricted cash included in Prepaid expenses and other current assets	330	564	583
Balance at beginning of year	100,727	94,359	203,047
Increase/(decrease) for year	6,535	6,368	(108,688)
Cash and cash equivalents	106,714	100,397	93,795
Restricted cash included in Prepaid expenses and other current assets	548	330	564
Balance at end of year	\$ 107,262	\$ 100,727	\$ 94,359
Cash paid during the year for:			
Interest	€ 26,130	€ 17,824	€ 17,171

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
Dollars in thousands

	Class A common stock	Class B common stock	Additional paid-in capital	Retained earnings	Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	Treasury stock	Total shareholders' equity
Balance at April 30, 2020	\$ 70,166	\$ 13,016	\$ 431,680	\$ 1,780,129	\$ (575,497)	\$ 785,870	\$ 933,624
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, net of tax	—	—	—	(1,390)	—	—	(1,390)
Restricted shares issued under stock-based compensation plans	—	—	(10,206)	1	—	10,454	249
Impact of tax withholding on stock-based compensation and other	—	—	902	—	—	(4,336)	(3,434)
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	21,982	—	—	—	21,982
Purchases of treasury shares	—	—	—	—	—	(15,765)	(15,765)
Class A common stock dividends (\$ 1.37 per share)	—	—	—	(67,614)	—	—	(67,614)
Class B common stock dividends (\$ 1.37 per share)	—	—	—	(9,324)	—	—	(9,324)
Common stock class conversions	42	(42)	—	—	—	—	—
Comprehensive income, net of tax	—	—	—	148,256	84,707	—	232,963
Balance at April 30, 2021	\$ 70,208	\$ 12,974	\$ 444,358	\$ 1,850,058	\$ (490,790)	\$ 795,517	\$ 1,091,291
Restricted shares issued under stock-based compensation plans	—	—	(12,578)	(2)	—	12,854	274
Issuance of Class A common stock related to the acquisition of a business	—	—	—	—	—	7,363	7,363
Impact of tax withholding on stock-based compensation and other	—	—	814	—	—	(7,924)	(7,110)
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	26,703	—	—	—	26,703
Purchases of treasury shares	—	—	—	—	—	(30,000)	(30,000)
Class A common stock dividends (\$ 1.38 per share)	—	—	—	(64,724)	—	—	(64,724)
Class B common stock dividends (\$ 1.38 per share)	—	—	—	(12,481)	—	—	(12,481)
Common stock class conversions	18	(18)	—	—	—	—	—
Comprehensive income, net of tax	—	—	—	148,309	(17,356)	—	130,953
Balance at April 30, 2022	\$ 70,226	\$ 12,956	\$ 459,297	\$ 1,921,160	\$ (508,146)	\$ 813,224	\$ 1,142,269
Restricted shares issued under stock-based compensation plans	—	—	(16,152)	3	—	16,436	287
Impact of tax withholding on stock-based compensation and other	—	—	137	—	—	(8,139)	(8,002)
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	26,520	—	—	—	26,520

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Note 1 – Description of Business

The Company, founded in 1807, was incorporated in the state of New York on January 15, 1904. Throughout this report, when we refer to “Wiley,” the “Company,” “we,” “our,” or “us,” we are referring to John Wiley & Sons, Inc. and all our subsidiaries, except where the context indicates otherwise.

Wiley is a global leader in scientific research and career-connected education, unlocking human potential by enabling discovery, powering education, and shaping workforces. We have reorganized our Education lines of business into two new customer-centric segments. The Academic segment addresses the university customer group and includes Academic Publishing and University Services. The Talent segment addresses the corporate customer group and is focused on delivering training, sourcing, and upskilling solutions. Prior period segment results have been revised to the new segment presentation. There were no changes to our consolidated financial results. Our new segment reporting structure consists of three reportable segments, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments:

- Research includes Research Publishing and Research Solutions, and no changes were made as a result of this realignment;
- Academic includes the Academic Publishing and University Services lines. Academic Publishing is the combination of the former Education Publishing line and professional publishing offerings;
- Talent is the combination of the former Talent Development line, and our assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings.

Through the Research segment, we provide peer-reviewed STM publishing, content, platforms, and related services to academic, corporate, and government customers, academic societies, and individual researchers. The Academic segment provides scientific, professional, and education print and digital books, digital courseware, and test preparation services, as well as engages in the comprehensive management of online degree programs for universities. The Talent segment services include sourcing, training, and preparing aspiring students and professionals to meet the skill needs of today’s technology careers and placing them with large companies and government agencies. It also includes assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings. We have operations primarily located in the US, UK, India, Sri Lanka, and Germany.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Recently Issued, and Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation:

Our Consolidated Financial Statements include all the accounts of the Company and our subsidiaries. We have eliminated all intercompany transactions and balances in consolidation. All amounts are in thousands, except per share amounts, and approximate due to rounding.

Reclassifications:

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year’s presentation.

Use of Estimates:

The preparation of our Consolidated Financial Statements and related disclosures in conformity with US GAAP requires our management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements, and revenue and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates include, among other items, sales return reserves, allocation of acquisition purchase price to assets acquired and liabilities assumed, goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets, intangible assets with definite lives and other long-lived assets, and retirement plans. We review these estimates and assumptions periodically using historical experience and other

factors and reflect the effects of any revisions on the Consolidated Financial Statements in the period we determine any revisions to be necessary. Actual results could differ from those estimates, which could affect the reported results.

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Book Overdrafts:

Under our cash management system, a book overdraft balance exists for our primary disbursement accounts. This overdraft represents uncleared checks in excess of cash balances in individual bank accounts. Our funds are transferred from other existing bank account balances or from lines of credit as needed to fund checks presented for payment. As of April 30, 2023 and 2022, book overdrafts of \$ 14.6 million and \$ 19.4 million, respectively, were included in Accounts payable on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position.

Revenue Recognition:

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognized using a five-step model consisting of the following: (1) identify the contract with a customer, (2) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (3) determine the transaction price, (4) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract, and (5) recognize revenue when (or as) we satisfy a performance obligation. Performance obligations are satisfied when we transfer control of a good or service to a customer, which can occur over time or at a point in time. The amount of revenue recognized is based on the consideration to which we expect to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services, including the expected value of variable consideration. The customer's ability and intent to pay the transaction price is assessed in determining whether a contract exists with the customer. If collectability of substantially all the consideration in a contract is not probable, consideration received is not recognized as revenue unless the consideration is nonrefundable, and we no longer have an obligation to transfer additional goods or services to the customer, or collectability becomes probable.

See Note 3, "Revenue Recognition, Contracts with Customers," for further details of our revenue recognition policy.

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents consist of highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase and are stated at cost, which approximates market value, because of the short-term maturity of the instruments.

Allowance for Credit Losses:

We are exposed to credit losses through our accounts receivable with customers. Accounts receivable, net, is stated at amortized cost net of provision for credit losses. Our methodology to measure the provision for credit losses requires an estimation of loss rates based upon historical loss experience adjusted for factors that are relevant to determining the expected collectability of accounts receivable such as, delinquency trends, aging behavior of receivables, credit and liquidity indicators for industry groups, customer classes or individual customers, and reasonable and supportable forecasts of the economic and geopolitical conditions that may exist through the contractual life of the asset. Our provision for credit losses is reviewed and revised periodically. Our accounts receivable is evaluated on a pool basis that is based on customer groups with similar risk characteristics. This includes consideration of the following factors to develop these pools: size of the customer, industry, geographical location, historical risk, and types of services or products sold.

Our customers' ability to pay is assessed through our internal credit review processes. Based on the value of credit extended, we assess our customers' credit by reviewing the total expected receivable exposure, expected timing of payments, and the customers' established credit rating. In determining customer creditworthiness, we assess our customers' credit utilizing different resources including third-party validations and/or our own assessment through analysis of the customers' financial statements and review of trade/bank references. We also consider contract terms and conditions, country and geopolitical risk, and the customers' mix of products purchased in our evaluation. A credit limit is established for each customer based on the outcome of this review. Credit limits are periodically reviewed for existing customers and whenever an increase in the credit limit is being considered. When necessary, we utilize collection agencies and legal counsel to pursue recovery of defaulted receivables. We write off receivables only when deemed no longer collectible.

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The following table presents the change in provision for credit losses, which is presented net in Accounts receivable on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position for the period indicated:

	Provision for Credit Losses
Balance as of April 30, 2022	\$ 21,221
Current period provision	347
Amounts written off, less recoveries	(2,592)
Foreign exchange translation adjustments and other	(314)
Balance as of April 30, 2023	\$ 18,662

Sales Return Reserves:

The process that we use to determine our sales returns and the related reserve provision charged against revenue, is based on applying an estimated return rate to current year returnable print book sales. This rate is based upon an analysis of actual historical return experience in the various markets and geographic regions in which we do business. We collect, maintain, and analyze significant amounts of sales returns data for large volumes of homogeneous transactions. This allows us to make reasonable estimates of the amount of future returns. All available data is utilized to identify the returns by market and to which fiscal year the sales returns apply. This enables management to track the returns in detail and identify and react to trends occurring in the marketplace, with the objective of being able to make the most informed judgments possible in setting reserve rates. Associated with the estimated sales return reserves, we also include a related increase to inventory and a reduction to accrued royalties as a result of the expected returns. Print book sales return reserves amounted to a net liability balance of \$ 14.4 million and \$ 19.4 million as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The reserves are reflected in the following accounts of the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position as of April 30:

	2023	2022
Increase in Inventories, net	\$ 6,923	\$ 7,820
Decrease in Accrued royalties	(3,240)	(3,893)
Increase in Contract liabilities	24,582	31,135
Print book sales return reserve net liability balance	\$ (14,419)	\$ (19,422)

Inventories:

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost or net realizable value. US book inventories aggregating \$ 16.6 million and \$ 20.6 million at April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, are valued using the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. All other inventories are valued using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. Finished goods not recorded at LIFO have been recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value.

Product Development Assets:

Product development assets consist of book composition costs and other product development costs and were included in Other non-current assets on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. Costs associated with developing a book for publication are expensed until the product is determined to be commercially viable. Book composition costs represent the costs incurred to bring an edited commercial manuscript to publication, which include typesetting, proofreading, design, illustration costs, and digital formatting. Book composition costs are capitalized and are generally amortized on a double-declining basis over their estimated useful lives, ranging from 1 to 3 years. Other product development costs represent the costs incurred in developing software, platforms, and digital content to be sold and licensed to third parties. Other product development costs are capitalized and amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. As of April 30, 2023, the weighted average estimated useful life of other product development costs was approximately 6 years.

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Royalty Advances:

Royalty advances are capitalized and, upon publication, are expensed as royalties earned based on sales of the published works. Royalty advances are reviewed for recoverability and a reserve for loss is maintained, if appropriate.

Shipping and Handling Costs:

Costs incurred for third party shipping and handling are primarily reflected in Operating and administrative expenses on the Consolidated Statements of Income. We incurred \$ 27.1 million, \$ 29.0 million, and \$ 27.8 million in shipping and handling costs in the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively.

Advertising and Marketing Costs:

Advertising and marketing costs are expensed as incurred. These costs are reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Income as follows:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Advertising and marketing costs	\$ 93,385	\$ 100,572	\$ 93,646
Cost of sales ⁽¹⁾	55,907	62,889	56,956
Operating and administrative expenses	37,478	37,683	36,690

- (1) This includes certain advertising and marketing costs incurred by our Academic business to fulfill performance obligations from contracts with educational institutions.

Technology, Property, and Equipment:

Technology, property, and equipment is recorded at cost, except for property and equipment that have been impaired, for which we reduce the carrying amount to the estimated fair value at the impairment date. Major renewals and improvements are capitalized, while maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred.

Technology, property, and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method based upon the following estimated useful lives: Computer Software – 3 to 10 years; Computer Hardware – 3 to 5 years; Buildings and Leasehold Improvements – the lesser of the estimated useful life of the asset up to 40 years or the duration of the lease; Furniture, Fixtures, and Warehouse Equipment – 5 to 10 years.

Costs incurred for computer software internally developed or obtained for internal use are capitalized during the application development stage and expensed as incurred during the preliminary project and post-implementation stages. Costs incurred during the application development stage include costs of materials, services, and payroll and payroll-related costs for employees who are directly associated with the software project. Such costs are amortized over the expected useful life of the related software, which is generally 3 to 5 years. Costs related to the investment in our Enterprise Resource Planning and related systems are amortized over an expected useful life of 10 years. Maintenance, training, and upgrade costs that do not result in additional functionality are expensed as incurred.

Allocation of Acquisition Purchase Price to Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed:

In connection with acquisitions, we allocate the cost of the acquisition to the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed based on the estimates of fair value for such items, including intangible assets and technology acquired. The excess of the purchase consideration over the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recorded as goodwill. The determination of the acquisition-date fair value of the assets acquired, and liabilities assumed, requires us to make significant estimates and assumptions, such as forecasted revenue growth rates and operating cash flows, royalty rates, customer attrition rates, obsolescence rates of developed technology, and discount rates. We may use a third-party valuation consultant to assist in the

determination of such estimates.

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Goodwill and Indefinite-lived Intangible Assets:

Goodwill represents the excess of the aggregate of the following: (1) consideration transferred, (2) the fair value of any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree, and (3) if the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition-date fair value of our previously held equity interest in the acquiree over the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed.

Indefinite-lived intangible assets primarily consist of brands and trademarks, and publishing rights, and are typically characterized by intellectual property with a long and well-established revenue stream resulting from strong and well-established imprint/brand recognition in the market.

We use the acquisition method of accounting for all business combinations and do not amortize goodwill or intangible assets with indefinite useful lives. Goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for possible impairment annually during the fourth quarter of each fiscal year, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired.

See Note 11, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets" for further details of our policy.

Intangible Assets with Definite Lives and Other Long-Lived Assets:

Definite-lived intangible assets principally consist of content and publishing rights, customer relationships, developed technology, brands and trademarks, and covenants not to compete agreements, and are amortized over their estimated useful lives. The most significant factors in determining the estimated lives of these intangibles are the history and longevity, combined with the strength and pattern of projected cash flows.

Intangible assets with definite lives as of April 30, 2023 are amortized on a straight-line basis over the following weighted average estimated useful lives: content and publishing rights – 27 years, customer relationships – 16 years, developed technology – 7 years, brands and trademarks – 15 years, and covenants not to compete agreements – 5 years.

Assets with definite lives are evaluated for impairment upon a significant change in the operating or macroeconomic environment. In these circumstances, if an evaluation of the projected undiscounted cash flows indicates impairment, the asset is written down to its estimated fair value based on the discounted future cash flows.

Leases:

We have contractual obligations as a lessee with respect to offices, warehouses and distribution centers, automobiles, and office equipment. See Note 12, "Operating Leases" for further details of our policy.

Employee Benefit Plans:

We provide various defined benefit plans to our employees. We use actuarial assumptions to calculate pension and benefit costs as well as pension assets and liabilities included in the consolidated financial statements. See Note 17, "Retirement Plans" for further details of our policy.

Income Taxes:

Income taxes are recorded using the asset and liability method. Under this method, deferred income taxes are recognized for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. Deferred taxes are measured using rates the Company expects to apply to taxable income in years in which those temporary differences are expected to reverse. The financial effect of changes in tax laws or rates is accounted for in the period of enactment. Future tax benefits are recognized to the extent that the realization of such benefits is more likely than not. Valuation allowances are established when management determines that it is more likely than not that some or all of a deferred tax asset will not be realized.

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From time to time, the Company engages in transactions in which the tax consequences may be subject to uncertainty. Judgment is required in assessing and estimating the tax consequences of these transactions. The Company prepares and files tax returns based on its interpretation of tax laws and regulations. In the normal course of business, the Company's tax returns are subject to examination by various taxing authorities. Such examinations may result in future tax and interest assessments by these taxing authorities.

In determining the Company's tax provision for financial reporting purposes, the Company establishes a reserve for uncertain tax positions, unless such positions are determined to be more likely than not of being sustained upon examination based on their technical merits, including the resolution of any appeals or litigation processes. The Company includes interest and, where appropriate, penalties as a component of income tax expense. There is judgment involved in determining whether positions taken on the Company's tax returns are more likely than not of being sustained, which involve the use of estimates and assumptions with respect to the potential outcome of positions taken on tax returns that may be reviewed by tax authorities.

Derivative Financial Instruments:

From time to time, we enter into foreign exchange forward and interest rate swap contracts as a hedge against foreign currency asset and liability commitments, changes in interest rates, and anticipated transaction exposures, including intercompany purchases. All derivatives are recognized as assets or liabilities and measured at fair value. Derivatives that are not determined to be effective hedges are adjusted to fair value with a corresponding adjustment to earnings. We do not use financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

Foreign Currency Gains/Losses:

We maintain operations in many non-US locations. Assets and liabilities are translated into US dollars using end-of-period exchange rates and revenues, and expenses are translated into US dollars using weighted average rates. Our significant investments in non-US businesses are exposed to foreign currency risk. Foreign currency translation adjustments are reported as a separate component of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss within Shareholders' Equity. Foreign currency transaction gains or losses are recognized on the Consolidated Statements of Income as incurred.

Stock-Based Compensation:

We recognize stock-based compensation expense based on the fair value of the stock-based awards on the grant date, reduced by an estimate for future forfeited awards. As such, stock-based compensation expense is only recognized for those awards that are expected to ultimately vest. The fair value of stock-based awards is recognized in net income generally on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period. Stock-based compensation expense associated with performance-based stock awards is based on actual financial results for targets established up to three years in advance, or less. The cumulative effect on current and prior periods of a change in the estimated number of performance share awards, or estimated forfeiture rate, is recognized as an adjustment to earnings in the period of the revision. If actual results differ significantly from estimates, our stock-based compensation expense and Consolidated Statements of Income could be impacted. The grant date fair value for stock options is estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The determination of the assumptions used in the Black-Scholes model include the expected life of an option, the expected volatility of our common stock over the estimated life of the option, a risk-free interest rate, and the expected dividend yield. Judgment was also required in estimating the amount of stock-based awards that may be forfeited.

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Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

Reference Rate Reform

In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, "Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848), Facilitation of the Effects of Reference Rate Reform on Financial Reporting." In January 2021, the FASB clarified the scope of that guidance with the issuance of ASU 2021-01, "Reference Rate Reform: Scope." These ASUs provide optional guidance for a limited period of time to ease the burden in accounting for (or recognizing the effects of) reference rate reform on financial reporting. This would apply to companies meeting certain criteria that have contracts, hedging relationships, and other transactions that reference LIBOR or another reference rate expected to be discontinued because of reference rate reform. In December 2022, the FASB issued ASU 2022-06, "Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848): Deferral of the Sunset Date of Topic 848," which extended the date to December 31, 2024. This standard was effective for us immediately and may be applied prospectively to contract modifications made and hedging relationships entered into or evaluated on or before December 31, 2024. On November 30, 2022, we amended the Amended and Restated CA (as defined in Note 14, "Debt and Available Credit Facilities") and as a result we amended our outstanding interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges to change the rates from LIBOR-based rates to SOFR-based rates. We applied ASU 2020-04 at the time of modification, and there was no impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements. The future impact of this ASU on our consolidated financial statements will be based on any future contract modifications.

Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, "Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326), Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments," and issued subsequent amendments to the initial guidance thereafter. ASU 2016-13 requires entities to measure all expected credit losses for most financial assets held at the reporting date based on an expected loss model which includes historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts. Entities will now use forward-looking information to better form their credit loss estimates. ASU 2016-13 also required enhanced disclosures to help financial statement users better understand significant estimates and judgments used in estimating credit losses.

We adopted the new standard on May 1, 2020, with a cumulative effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the year of adoption. The adoption of ASU 2016-13 primarily impacted our trade receivables, specifically our allowance for doubtful accounts. The adoption of the standard did not have an impact on our Consolidated Statements of Income, or our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. See above under the caption "Allowance for Credit Losses" for a discussion of our policy.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards

Accounting for Contract Assets and Contract Liabilities from Contracts with Customers

In October 2021, the FASB issued ASU 2021-08, "Business Combinations (Topic 805): Accounting for Contract Assets and Contract Liabilities from Contracts with Customers." This ASU requires that an acquirer recognize, and measure, contract assets and contract liabilities acquired in a business combination in accordance with ASC 606 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" (Topic 606) as if it had originated the contracts. Generally, this would result in an acquirer recognizing and measuring the acquired contract assets and contract liabilities consistent with how they were recognized and measured in the acquiree's financial statements if the acquiree prepared financial statements in accordance with US GAAP. This standard is effective for us on May 1, 2023, including interim periods within the fiscal year. The standard is applied prospectively to business combinations occurring on or after the effective date of the amendments. The impact will be based on future business combinations after we adopt the standard.

Note 3 —Revenue Recognition, Contracts with Customers

Disaggregation of Revenue

As described in Note 1, "Description of Business", we have reorganized our Education lines of business into two new customer-centric segments. Our new segment reporting structure consists of three reportable segments which includes Research (no changes), Academic, and Talent, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments. Prior period segment results have been revised to the new segment presentation. There were no changes to our consolidated financial results. As a result of this realignment, we were required to test goodwill for impairment immediately before and after the realignment. See Note 11, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets" for more details on the interim goodwill impairment test and the impairment charges. See also Note 20, "Segment Information," for more details regarding our reportable segments.

The following tables present our revenue from contracts with customers disaggregated by segment and product type.

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Research:			
Research Publishing ⁽¹⁾	\$ 926,773	\$ 963,715	\$ 892,176
Research Solutions ⁽¹⁾	153,538	147,628	123,173
Total Research	<u>1,080,311</u>	<u>1,111,343</u>	<u>1,015,349</u>
Academic:			
Academic Publishing	481,752	531,705	538,643
University Services	208,656	227,407	230,371
Total Academic	<u>690,408</u>	<u>759,112</u>	<u>769,014</u>
Talent	<u>249,181</u>	<u>212,473</u>	<u>157,138</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 2,019,900</u>	<u>\$ 2,082,928</u>	<u>\$ 1,941,501</u>

- (1) As previously announced, in May 2022 our revenue by product type previously referred to as Research Platforms was changed to Research Solutions. Research Solutions includes infrastructure and publishing services that help societies and corporations thrive in a complex knowledge ecosystem. In addition to Platforms (Atypon), certain product offerings such as corporate sales which included the recent acquisitions of Madgex Holdings Limited (Madgex), and Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc.'s Informatics products (Informatics) that were previously included in Research Publishing moved to Research Solutions to align with our strategic focus. Research Solutions also includes product offerings related to certain recent acquisitions such as J&J, and EJP. Prior period results have been revised to the new presentation. There were no changes to the total Research segment or our consolidated financial results. The revenue reclassified to Research Solutions was \$ 93.3 million and \$ 80.3 million for the years ended April 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

The following information describes our disaggregation of revenue by segment and product type. Overall, the majority of our revenue is recognized over time.

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Research

Research customers include academic, corporate, government, and public libraries, funders of research, researchers, scientists, clinicians, engineers and technologists, scholarly and professional societies, and students and professors. Research products are sold and distributed globally through multiple channels, including research libraries and library consortia, independent subscription agents, direct sales to researchers and professional society members, and other customers. Publishing centers include Australia, China, Germany, India, the UK, and the US. The majority of revenue generated from Research products is recognized over time. Total Research revenue was \$ 1,080.3 million in the year ended April 30, 2023.

We disaggregated revenue by Research Publishing and Research Solutions to reflect the different type of products and services provided.

Research Publishing Products

Research Publishing products provide scientific, technical, medical, and scholarly journals, as well as related content and services, to academic, corporate, and government libraries, learned societies, and individual researchers and other professionals. Research Publishing revenue was \$ 926.8 million in the year ended April 30, 2023, and the majority is recognized over time.

In the year ended April 30, 2023, Research Publishing products generated approximately 86 % of its revenue from contracts with its customers from Journal Subscriptions (pay to read), Open Access (pay to publish), and Transformational Agreements (read and publish), and the remainder from Licensing, Backfiles, and Other.

Journal Subscriptions, Open Access, and Transformational Models

Journal subscription contracts are negotiated by us directly with customers or their subscription agents. Subscription periods typically cover calendar years. In a typical journal subscription sale, there is a written agreement between us and our customer that covers multiple years. However, we typically account for these agreements as one-year contracts because our enforceable rights under the agreements are subject to an annual confirmation and negotiation process with the customer.

In journal subscriptions, there are generally two performance obligations: a functional intellectual property license with a stand-ready obligation to provide access to new content for one year, which includes online hosting of the content, and a functional intellectual property perpetual license for access to historical journal content, which also includes online hosting of the content. The transaction price consists of fixed consideration. Journal subscription revenue is generally collected in advance when the annual license is granted and no significant financing component exists.

The total transaction price is allocated to each performance obligation based on its relative standalone selling price. We allocate revenue to the stand-ready obligation to provide access to new content for one year based on its observable standalone selling price which is generally the contractually stated price, and the revenue for new content is recognized over one year as we have a continuous stand-ready obligation to provide the right of access to additional intellectual property. The allocation of revenue to the perpetual licenses for access to historical journal content is done using the expected cost plus a margin approach as permitted by the revenue standard. Revenue is recognized at the point in time when access to historical content is initially granted.

Under the Open Access business model, we have a signed contract with the customer that contains enforceable rights. The Open Access business model in a typical model includes an over-time single performance obligation that combines a promise to host the customer's content on our open access platform, and a promise to provide an Article Publication Charge (APC) at a discount to eligible users who are defined in the contract, in exchange for an upfront payment. Enforceable right to payment occurs over time as we fulfill our obligation to provide a discount to eligible users, as defined, on future APCs. Therefore, the upfront payment is recorded as a contract liability and revenue is recognized over time.

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Transformational agreements (read and publish) are the innovative new model that blends journal subscription and open access offerings. Essentially, for a single fee, a national or regional consortium of libraries pays for and receives full read access to our journal portfolio and the ability to publish under an open access arrangement. Like subscriptions, transformational deals involve recurring revenue under multiyear contracts. Unlike subscriptions, some transformational agreements also allow for further upside depending on how much publishing volume we generate. Transformational models accelerate the transition to open access while maintaining subscription access.

Starting in calendar year 2022, we signed transformational agreements that generally include three performance obligations: (1) a functional intellectual property license with a stand-ready obligation to provide access to new content for one year, which includes online hosting of the content, (2) a functional intellectual property perpetual license for access to historical journal content, which also includes online hosting of the content, and (3) a publishing entitlement that generally allows for a fixed number of articles to be published in hybrid open access journals each contract year. In addition, some of these transformational agreements also include another performance obligation that includes the promise to provide an APC at a discount in gold open access journals and is recognized over time.

Starting in calendar year 2023, we expanded our transformational agreements to include a model that generally includes four performance obligations. The publishing entitlement was expanded to include an additional performance obligation which provided the ability to publish in gold open access journals, as well as in hybrid open access journals as described above. The transaction price consists of fixed consideration and is allocated to the publishing entitlement performance obligation based on its observable standalone selling price, the residual approach for the license to access new content, and the expected cost plus a margin approach for the perpetual license. The revenue for the publishing entitlement and the license to access new content is generally recognized straight-line over the contract year due to the stand-ready obligations. The revenue for the perpetual license is recognized at the point in time when access to historical content is initially granted. Cash is generally collected in advance.

In January 2019, Wiley announced a contractual arrangement in support of open access, a countrywide partnership agreement with Projekt DEAL, a representative of nearly 700 academic institutions in Germany. This three-year agreement, which was extended for two years, provides all Projekt DEAL institutions with access to read Wiley's academic journals back to the year 1997, and researchers at Projekt DEAL institutions can publish articles open access in Wiley's journals. The partnership will better support institutions and researchers in advancing open science, driving discovery, and developing and disseminating knowledge. Projekt DEAL includes multiple performance obligations, which include a stand-ready obligation to provide access to new content, perpetual license for access to historical journal content, and accepting articles to be hosted on our open access platform. We are compensated primarily through a fee per article published and a consolidated access fee. The consideration for Projekt DEAL consists of fixed and variable consideration. We allocated the total consideration to the fixed and variable components based on its relative standalone selling prices for each performance obligation.

Licensing, Backfiles, and Other

Within licensing, the revenue derived from these contracts is primarily comprised of advance payments, including minimum guarantees and sales- or usage-based royalty agreements. Our intellectual property is considered to be functional intellectual property. Due to the stand-ready obligation to provide updates during the subscription period, which is generally an annual period, revenue for the minimum guarantee is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the agreement. For our sales- or usage-based royalty agreements, we recognize revenue in the period of usage based on the amounts earned. We record revenue under these arrangements for the amounts due and not yet reported to us based on estimates of the sales or usage of these customers and pursuant to the terms of the contracts. We also have certain licenses whereby we receive a non-refundable minimum guarantee against a volume-based royalty throughout the term of the agreement. We recognize volume-based royalty income only when cumulative consideration exceeds the minimum guarantee.

For Backfiles, the performance obligation is the granting of a functional intellectual property license. Revenue is recognized at the time the functional intellectual property license is granted.

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Other includes our Article Select offering, whereby we have a single performance obligation to our customers to give access to an article through the purchase of a token. The customer redeems the token for access to the article for a 24-hour period. The customer purchases the tokens with an upfront cash payment. Revenue is recognized when access to the article is provided. In addition, we also provide subscriptions to certain databases in evidence-based medicine (EBM). These subscriptions generally include a functional intellectual property license with a stand-ready promise to provide access to new content for one year. Revenue is generally recognized straight-line over the contract year due to the stand-ready obligations.

Research Solutions Products and Services

Research Solutions revenue was \$ 153.5 million in the year ended April 30, 2023 and the majority is recognized over time. In the year ended April 30, 2023, Research Solutions products and services generated approximately 68 % of their revenue from contracts with their customers from corporate and society offerings and 32 % from Atypon platforms and services.

Corporate and Society Service Offerings

Corporate and society service offerings includes advertising, spectroscopy software and spectral databases, and job board software and career center services, which includes the products and services from our acquisition of Madgex and Informatics. In addition, it also includes product and service offerings related to recent acquisitions such as J&J and the EJP business. J&J is a publishing services company providing expert offerings in editorial operations, production, copyediting, system support and consulting. EJP is a technology platform company with an established journal submission and peer-review management system.

We generate advertising revenue from print and online journal subscription products, our online publishing platform, *Literatum*, online events such as webinars and virtual conferences, community interest websites such as *spectroscopyNOW.com*, and other websites. Journal and article reprints are primarily used by pharmaceutical companies and other industries for marketing and promotional purposes.

Generally these product and service offerings can include either a single or multiple performance obligations, and have a mix of revenue recognized at a point in time and over time.

Atypon Platforms and Services

Atypon is a publishing software and service provider that enables scholarly and professional societies and publishers to deliver, host, enhance, market, and manage their content on the web through the *Literatum*™ platform. Atypon services primarily includes a single performance obligation for the implementation and hosting of subscription services. The transaction price is fixed which may include price escalators that are fixed increases per year, and therefore, revenue is recognized upon the initiation of the subscription period and recognized on a straight-line basis over the time of the contractual period. The duration of these contracts is generally multiyear ranging from 2 to 5 years.

Academic

Total Academic revenue was \$ 690.4 million in the year ended April 30, 2023. We disaggregated revenue by type of products provided. Academic products are Academic Publishing and University Services.

Academic Publishing Products

Academic Publishing products revenue was \$ 481.8 million in the year ended April 30, 2023. Products and services include scientific, professional, and education print and digital books, digital courseware, and test preparation services to libraries, corporations, students, professionals, and researchers. Communities served include business, finance, accounting, workplace learning, management, leadership, technology, behavioral health, engineering/architecture, science and medicine, and education. Products are developed for worldwide distribution through multiple channels, including chain and online booksellers, libraries, colleges and universities, corporations, direct to consumer, web sites, distributor networks and other online applications. Publishing centers include Australia, Germany, India, the UK, and the US.

In the year ended April 30, 2023, Academic Publishing products generated approximately 67 % of their revenue from contracts

with their customers for print and digital publishing, which is recognized at a point in time. Digital Courseware products generate approximately 19 % of their revenue from contracts with their customers which is recognized over time. The remainder of their revenues were from Test Preparation and Certification, and Licensing and Other, which has a mix of revenue recognized at a point in time and over time.

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Print and Digital Publishing

Our performance obligations as they relate to print and digital publishing are primarily book products delivered in both print and digital form which could include single or multiple performance obligations based on the number of print or digital books purchased. Each is represented by an International Standard Book Number (ISBN), with each ISBN representing a performance obligation. Each ISBN has an observable stand-alone selling price as Wiley sells the books separately.

This revenue stream also includes variable consideration as it relates to discounts and returns for both print and digital books. Discounts are identifiable by performance obligation and therefore are applied at the point of sale by performance obligation. The process that we use to determine our sales returns and the related reserve provision charged against revenue, is based on applying an estimated return rate to current year returnable print book sales. This rate is based upon an analysis of actual historical return experience in the various markets and geographic regions in which we do business. We collect, maintain, and analyze significant amounts of sales returns data for large volumes of homogeneous transactions. This allows us to make reasonable estimates of the amount of future returns. All available data is utilized to identify the returns by market and to which fiscal year the sales returns apply. This enables management to track the returns in detail and identify and react to trends occurring in the marketplace, with the objective of being able to make the most informed judgments possible in setting reserve rates. Associated with the estimated sales return reserves, we also include a related increase to inventory and reduction to accrued royalties as a result of the expected returns.

As it relates to print and digital books, revenue is recognized at the point when control of the product transfers, which for print is upon shipment or for digital when fulfillment of the products has been rendered.

Digital Courseware Products

Courseware customers purchase access codes to utilize the product. This could include single or multiple performance obligations based on the number of course ISBNs purchased. Revenue is recognized over time in the period from when the access codes are activated over the applicable semester term to which such product relates.

Test Preparation and Certification Products

Test Preparation and Certification contracts are generally three-year agreements. This revenue stream includes multiple performance obligations as it relates to the online and printed course materials, including such items as textbooks, ebooks, video lectures, flashcards, study guides, and test banks. The transaction price is fixed; however, discounts are offered and returns of certain products are allowed. We allocate revenue to each performance obligation based on its relative standalone selling price. This standalone selling price is generally based upon the observable selling prices where the product is sold separately to customers. Depending on the performance obligation, revenue is recognized at the time the product is delivered and control has passed to the customer or over time due to our stand-ready obligation to provide updates to the customer.

In the three months ended April 30, 2023, we sold a portion of our test preparation and certification products referred to as Wiley's Efficient Learning test prep portfolio which focused on test prep for finance, accounting and business certifications. See Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" for further details.

Licensing and Other

Revenue derived from our licensing contracts is primarily comprised of advance payments and sales- or usage-based royalties. Revenue for advance payments is recognized at the point in time that the functional intellectual property license is granted. For sales- or usage-based royalties, we record revenue under these arrangements for the amounts due and not yet reported to us based on estimates of the sales or usage of these customers and pursuant to the terms of the contracts.

University Services

University Services revenue was \$ 208.7 million in the year ended April 30, 2023 and is mainly recognized over time. Our University Services business offers institutions and their students a rich portfolio of education technology and student and faculty support services, allowing the institutions to reach more students online with their own quality academic programs.

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University Services provides institutions with a bespoke suite of services that each institution has determined it needs to serve students, including market research, marketing and recruitment, program development, online platform technology, student retention support, instructional design, faculty development and support, and access to the Engage Learning Management System, which facilitates the online education experience. Graduate degree programs include Business Administration, Finance, Accounting, Healthcare, Engineering, Communications, and others.

Revenue is derived from pre-negotiated contracts with institutions that provide for a share of revenue generated after students have enrolled and demonstrated initial persistence. While the majority of our contracts are revenue-share arrangements, we also offer the opportunity to contract on a fee-for-service basis. As of April 30, 2023, the University Services business had 64 university partners under contract. The University Services revenue-share contracts are generally multiyear agreements ranging from a period of 7 to 10 years, with some having optional renewal periods. These optional renewal periods are not a material right and are not considered a separate performance obligation.

University Services revenue-share contracts include a single performance obligation for the services provided because of the integrated technology and services our institutional clients need to attract, enroll, educate, and support students. Consideration is variable since it is based on the number of students enrolled in a program. We begin to recognize revenue at the start of the delivery of the class within a semester overtime, which is also when the variable consideration contingency is resolved.

Talent

Talent revenue was \$ 249.2 million in the year ended April 30, 2023. Our Talent segment consists of talent development (Wiley Edge, formerly mthree) for professionals and businesses, assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings.

Talent development includes Wiley Edge which sources, trains, and prepares aspiring students and professionals to meet the skill needs of today's technology careers, and then places them with some of the world's largest financial institutions, technology companies, and government agencies. Wiley Edge also works with its clients to retrain and retain existing employees so they can continue to meet the changing demands of today's technology landscape. Wiley Edge revenue is recognized at the point in time the services are provided to its customers.

Talent services also includes assessments (corporate training) for high-demand soft-skills training solutions that are delivered to organizational clients through online digital delivery platforms, either directly or through an authorized distributor network of independent consultants, trainers, and coaches. This corporate training product offering includes multiple performance obligations. This includes a performance obligation that includes an annual membership which includes the right to purchase products and services, access to the platform, support, and training. This performance obligation is recognized over time as we have an obligation to stand-ready for the customer's use of the services. In addition, there are performance obligations for the assessments and related products or services which are recognized at a point in time when the assessment, product, or service is provided or delivered. The transaction price is allocated to each performance obligation based on its observable standalone selling price which is generally the contractually stated price for the performance obligation related to the annual membership, and for the other performance obligations based on its relative observable selling price when sold separately. In addition, customers' unexercised rights for situations where we have received a nonrefundable payment for a customer to receive an assessment and the customer is not expected to exercise such right, we will recognize such "breakage" amounts as revenue in proportion to the pattern of rights exercised by the customer, which is generally one year.

In addition, Talent services includes corporate learning online learning and training solutions for global corporations, universities, and small and medium-sized enterprises sold on a subscription or fee basis. The transaction price for these corporate learning services consists of fixed consideration that is determined at the beginning of each year and received at the same time. There are multiple performance obligations, which include the licenses to learning content and the learning application. Revenue is recognized over time as we have a continuous obligation to provide the right of access to the intellectual property which includes the licenses and learning applications.

Accounts Receivable, net and Contract Liability Balances

When consideration is received, or such consideration is unconditionally due, from a customer prior to transferring goods or services to the customer under the terms of a contract, a contract liability is recorded. Contract liabilities are recognized as

revenue when, or as, control of the products or services are transferred to the customer and all revenue recognition criteria have been met.

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The following table provides information about accounts receivable, net and contract liabilities from contracts with customers.

	<u>April 30, 2023</u>	<u>April 30, 2022</u>	<u>Increase/ (Decrease)</u>
Balances from contracts with customers:			
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 310,121	\$ 331,960	\$ (21,839)
Contract liabilities ⁽¹⁾	504,695	538,126	(33,431)
Contract liabilities (included in Other long-term liabilities)	\$ 17,426	\$ 19,072	\$ (1,646)

(1) The sales return reserve recorded in Contract liabilities is \$ 24.6 million and \$ 31.1 million as of April 30, 2023 and April 30, 2022, respectively. See Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Recently Issued, and Recently Adopted Accounting Standards" for further details of the sales return reserve.

For the year ended April 30, 2023, we estimate that we recognized as revenue substantially all of the current contract liability balance at April 30, 2022.

The decrease in contract liabilities, excluding the sales return reserve, was primarily driven by revenue earned on journal subscription agreements, transformational agreements, and open access and, to a lesser extent, the impact of foreign exchange. This was partially offset by an increase due to renewals of journal subscription agreements, transformational agreements, and open access.

Remaining Performance Obligations included in Contract Liability

As of April 30, 2023, the aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations is approximately \$ 522.1 million, which includes the sales return reserve of \$ 24.6 million. Excluding the sales return reserve, we expect that approximately \$ 480.1 million will be recognized in the next twelve months with the remaining \$ 17.4 million to be recognized thereafter.

Assets Recognized for the Costs to Fulfill a Contract

Costs to fulfill a contract are directly related to a contract that will be used to satisfy a performance obligation in the future and are expected to be recovered. These costs are amortized on a systematic basis that is consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods or services to which the asset relates. These types of costs are incurred in the following product types: (1) Research Solutions services, which includes customer specific implementation costs per the terms of the contract and (2) University Services, which includes customer specific costs to develop courses per the terms of the contract.

Our assets associated with incremental costs to fulfill a contract were \$ 10.6 million and \$ 10.9 million at April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and are included within Other non-current assets on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. We recorded amortization expense of \$ 4.5 million, \$ 5.2 million, and \$ 5.1 million in the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively, related to these assets within Cost of sales on the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Sales and value-added taxes are excluded from revenues. Shipping and handling costs, which are primarily incurred within the Academic segment, occur before the transfer of control of the related goods. Therefore, in accordance with the revenue standard, it is not considered a promised service to the customer and would be considered a cost to fulfill our promise to transfer the goods. Costs incurred for third-party shipping and handling are primarily reflected in Operating and administrative expenses on the Consolidated Statements of Income. We incurred \$ 27.1 million, \$ 29.0 million, and \$ 27.8 million in shipping and handling costs in the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively.

Note 4 – Acquisitions and Divestitures

Acquisitions

Pro forma financial information related to these acquisitions has not been provided as it is not material to our consolidated

results of operations.

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Fiscal Year 2023

On November 1, 2022, we completed the acquisition of an immaterial business included in our Academic segment. The fair value of consideration transferred was \$ 6.1 million, which included \$ 5.2 million of cash at the acquisition date and \$ 0.9 million to be paid after the acquisition date. The acquisition was accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting. We recorded the preliminary aggregate excess purchase price over identifiable net tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed, which included a preliminary allocation of \$ 3.9 million of goodwill allocated to the Academic segment and \$ 3.7 million of intangible assets subject to amortization.

The allocation of the total consideration transferred to the assets acquired, including intangible assets and goodwill, and the liabilities assumed could be revised as a result of additional information obtained due to tax related matters and contingencies and certain assets and liabilities, including receivables and payables, but such amounts will be finalized within the measurement period, which will not exceed one year from the acquisition date.

Fiscal Year 2022

XYZ Media

On December 29, 2021, we completed the acquisition of certain assets of XYZ Media Inc. (XYZ Media). XYZ Media is a company that generates leads for higher education institutions. The results of XYZ Media are included in our Academic segment results. The fair value of consideration transferred at the date of acquisition was \$ 45.4 million, which included \$ 38.0 million of cash and approximately 129 thousand shares of Wiley Class A common stock, or approximately \$ 7.4 million. We financed the payment of the cash consideration with a combination of cash on hand and borrowings under our Amended and Restated CA (as defined below in Note 14, "Debt and Available Credit Facilities").

The XYZ Media acquisition was accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting. The excess purchase price over identifiable net tangible and intangible assets acquired, and liabilities assumed, has been recorded to Goodwill in our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. Goodwill represents synergies and economies of scale expected from the combination of services. We recorded the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed on the acquisition date. The goodwill will be deductible for tax purposes. The acquisition related costs to acquire XYZ Media were expensed when incurred and were approximately \$ 0.1 million for the year ended April 30, 2022. Such costs were allocated to the Academic segment and are reflected in Operating and administrative expenses on the Consolidated Statements of Income for the year ended April 30, 2022.

XYZ Media's incremental revenue and operating loss included in our Academic segment results for the year ended April 30, 2023 was \$ 6.9 million and \$(3.1) million, respectively. XYZ Media's revenue and operating loss included in our Academic segment results for the year ended April 30, 2022 was \$ 3.6 million and \$(1.5) million, respectively.

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During the year ended April 30, 2023, no revisions were made to the allocation of the consideration transferred to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The following table summarizes the consideration transferred to acquire XYZ Media and the final allocation of the purchase price among the assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

	Final Allocation
Total consideration transferred	\$ 45,363
Assets:	
Current assets	913
Intangible assets, net	22,711
Goodwill	22,226
Other non-current assets	46
Total assets	\$ 45,896
Liabilities:	
Current liabilities	533
Total liabilities	\$ 533

The following table summarizes the identifiable intangible assets acquired and their weighted-average useful life at the date of acquisition.

	Fair Value	Weighted-Average Useful Life (in Years)
Developed technology	\$ 20,930	7
Customer relationships	1,340	6
Covenants not to compete	323	5
Tradename	118	1
Total	\$ 22,711	

The allocation of the total consideration transferred to the assets acquired, including intangible assets and goodwill, and the liabilities assumed was finalized during the three months ended January 31, 2023.

Other Acquisitions in Fiscal Year 2022

On November 30, 2021, we acquired the assets of the eJournalPress (EJP) business from Precision Computer Works, Inc. EJP is a technology platform company with an established journal submission and peer review management system. The results of EJP are included in our Research segment results.

On October 1, 2021, we completed the acquisition of certain assets of J&J Editorial Services, LLC. (J&J). J&J is a publishing services company providing expert offerings in editorial operations, production, copyediting, system support, and consulting. The results of J&J are included in our Research segment results.

We also completed in the year ended April 30, 2022 the acquisition of two immaterial businesses included in our Research segment and the acquisition of one immaterial business in our Talent segment.

The aggregate fair value of consideration transferred for these other acquisitions was approximately \$ 41.2 million during the year ended April 30, 2022. This included \$ 36.2 million of cash paid at the acquisition dates and \$ 5.0 million of additional cash to be paid after the acquisition dates, of which \$ 2.0 million was paid in the year ended April 30, 2023. The fair value of the cash consideration transferred, net of \$ 1.2 million of cash acquired was approximately \$ 34.9 million.

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These other acquisitions were accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting as of their respective acquisition dates.

Associated with these other acquisitions, the aggregate excess purchase price over identifiable net tangible and intangible assets acquired, and liabilities assumed of \$ 24.8 million has been recorded to Goodwill on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position as of April 30, 2022 and \$ 15.6 million of intangible assets subject to amortization have been recorded, including developed technology, customer relationships, trademarks, covenants not to compete, and content that is being amortized over weighted-average useful lives of 4 , 8 , 2 , 4 , and 4 years, respectively. The fair value assessed for the majority of the tangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed approximated their carrying value. Goodwill represents synergies and economies of scale expected from the combination of services. Goodwill of \$ 24.8 million has been allocated to the Research segment and none has been allocated to the Talent segment. Approximately \$ 18.7 million of the goodwill will be deductible for tax purposes, and \$ 6.1 million will not be deductible for tax purposes. The aggregate acquisition related costs to acquire these other acquisitions was expensed when incurred and was approximately \$ 0.5 million for the year ended April 30, 2022. Such costs were allocated to the Research segment and are reflected in Operating and administrative expenses on the Consolidated Statements of Income for the year ended April 30, 2022.

The incremental revenue for the years ended April 30, 2023 and April 30, 2022 related to these other acquisitions was approximately \$ 9.5 million and \$ 8.1 million, respectively.

During the year ended April 30, 2023, the allocation of the total consideration transferred to the assets acquired, including intangible assets and goodwill, and the liabilities assumed was finalized for all of these other acquisitions.

Divestitures

As part of our ongoing initiatives to simplify our portfolio and focus our attention on strategic growth areas, we have completed two dispositions during the year ended April 30, 2023. Both were included in our Academic segment.

On February 28, 2023, we completed the sale of Wiley's Efficient Learning test prep portfolio business. In addition, on March 31, 2023, we completed the sale of our advancement courses business.

Neither dispositions constituted a strategic shift, and the impact on our overall operations and financial results was not material. Accordingly, the operations associated with the dispositions are not reported in discontinued operations. The selling price for both dispositions was \$ 16.5 million, which included \$ 15.5 million of cash received net of transaction costs at the date of disposition, and \$ 1.0 million to be received after the disposition date. The pretax gain on sale of \$ 10.2 million, after accounting for the assets sold, liabilities transferred upon sale and transaction costs, is included in Gain on sale of businesses and certain assets in our Consolidated Statements of Income for the year ended April 30, 2023. As a result of the closing of the transactions, we derecognized net assets of \$ 6.4 million, including goodwill of \$ 5.3 million and intangible assets of \$ 2.4 million.

Note 5 – Reconciliation of Weighted Average Shares Outstanding

A reconciliation of the shares used in the computation of earnings per share follows (shares in thousands):

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Weighted average shares outstanding	55,558	55,759	55,931
Less: Unvested restricted shares	—	—	(1)
Shares used for basic earnings per share	55,558	55,759	55,930
Dilutive effect of unvested restricted stock units and other stock awards	797	839	531
Shares used for diluted earnings per share	56,355	56,598	56,461
Antidilutive options to purchase Class A common shares, restricted shares, warrants to purchase Class A common shares and contingently issuable restricted stock which are excluded from the table above	393	772	982

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The shares associated with performance-based stock awards (PSU) are considered contingently issuable shares and will be included in the diluted weighted average number of common shares outstanding when they have met the performance conditions, and when their effect is dilutive.

We included contingently issuable shares using the treasury stock method for certain PSU in the diluted weighted average number of common shares outstanding based on the number of contingently issuable shares that would be issued assuming the end of our reporting period was the end of the relevant PSU contingency period.

Note 6 – Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

Changes in Accumulated other comprehensive loss by component, net of tax, for the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 were as follows:

	Foreign Currency Translation	Unamortized Retirement Costs	Interest Rate Swaps	Total
Balance at April 30, 2020	\$ (340,703)	\$ (227,920)	\$ (6,874)	\$ (575,497)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	82,762	(6,273)	(639)	75,850
Amounts reclassified from Accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	6,047	2,810	8,857
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	82,762	(226)	2,171	84,707
Balance at April 30, 2021	\$ (257,941)	\$ (228,146)	\$ (4,703)	\$ (490,790)
Other comprehensive (loss) income before reclassifications	(71,625)	40,247	5,165	(26,213)
Amounts reclassified from Accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	5,673	3,184	8,857
Total other comprehensive (loss) income	(71,625)	45,920	8,349	(17,356)
Balance at April 30, 2022	\$ (329,566)	\$ (182,226)	\$ 3,646	\$ (508,146)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	3,220	(29,053)	4,385	(21,448)
Amounts reclassified from Accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	4,473	(3,781)	692
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	3,220	(24,580)	604	(20,756)
Balance at April 30, 2023	\$ (326,346)	\$ (206,806)	\$ 4,250	\$ (528,902)

For the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021, pretax actuarial losses included in Unamortized Retirement Costs of approximately \$ 6.0 million, \$ 7.2 million, and \$ 7.8 million, respectively, were amortized from Accumulated other comprehensive loss and recognized as pension and post-retirement benefit (expense) primarily in Operating and administrative expenses and Other income, net on our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Our policy for releasing the income tax effects from accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income is to release when the corresponding pretax accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income items are reclassified to earnings.

Note 7 – Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)

Fiscal Year 2023 Restructuring Program

In May 2022, the Company initiated a global program to restructure and align our cost base with current and anticipated future market conditions (Fiscal Year 2023 Restructuring Program). This program includes severance related charges for the elimination of certain positions, the exit of certain leased office space, and the reduction of our occupancy at other facilities. We are reducing our real estate square footage occupancy by approximately 22 %.

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The following tables summarize the pretax restructuring charges related to this program:

	For the Year Ended April 30, 2023
Charges by Segment:	
Research	\$ 2,413
Academic	10,335
Talent	3,255
Corporate Expenses	32,879
Total Restructuring and Related Charges	\$ 48,882
Charges by Activity:	
Severance and termination benefits	\$ 25,827
Impairment of operating lease ROU assets and property and equipment	12,696
Acceleration of expense related to operating lease ROU assets and property and equipment	2,140
Facility related charges, net	4,150
Consulting costs	2,285
Other activities	1,784
Total Restructuring and Related Charges	\$ 48,882

The impairment charges of \$ 12.7 million for the year ended April 30, 2023 included the impairment of operating lease ROU assets of \$ 7.6 million related to certain leases that will be subleased, and the related property and equipment of \$ 5.1 million described further below. These charges were recorded in corporate expenses.

The acceleration of expense of \$ 2.1 million for the year ended April 30, 2023 included the acceleration of rent expense associated with operating lease ROU assets of \$ 0.9 million related to certain leases that will be abandoned or terminated, and the related depreciation and amortization of property and equipment of \$ 1.2 million.

Due to the actions taken above, we tested the operating lease ROU assets and the related property and equipment for those being subleased for recoverability by comparing the carrying value of the asset group to an estimate of the future undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset group. Based on the results of the recoverability test, we determined that the undiscounted cash flows of the asset groups were below the carrying values. Therefore, there was an indication of impairment. We then determined the fair value of the asset groups by utilizing the present value of the estimated future cash flows attributable to the assets. The fair value of these operating lease ROU assets and the property and equipment immediately subsequent to the impairment was \$ 12.1 million and was categorized as Level 3 within the FASB ASC Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements" fair value hierarchy.

In addition, we also incurred ongoing facility-related costs associated with certain properties that resulted in additional restructuring charges of \$ 4.2 million in the year ended April 30, 2023. We also incurred consulting costs of \$ 2.3 million and other activities of \$ 1.8 million in the year ended April 30, 2023.

In the three months ended January 31, 2023, due to the political instability and military actions between Russia and Ukraine, we made the decision to close our operations in Russia which primarily consists of technology development resources. We were substantially complete with our closure as of April 30, 2023, except for the formal liquidation of the Russian legal entity, which we expect to complete in fiscal year 2024. Since we were substantially liquidated as of April 30, 2023, we wrote off the \$ 1.1 million cumulative translation adjustment gain in earnings. This is reflected in Foreign exchange transaction gains (losses) in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Included in the table above are restructuring charges for the year ended April 30, 2023 of \$ 8.3 million, related to these actions, and include the following:

- Severance charges of \$ 6.8 million for the elimination of certain positions;
- Relocation and other charges of \$ 1.1 million primarily for positions that will remain with the Company but will be in another geographic location; and
- Acceleration of depreciation and amortization of property and equipment of \$ 0.3 million.

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The following table summarizes the activity for the Fiscal Year 2023 Restructuring Program liability for the year ended April 30, 2023:

	April 30, 2022	Charges	Payments	Foreign Translation & Other Adjustments	April 30, 2023
Severance and termination benefits	\$ —	\$ 25,827	\$ (21,247)	\$ (8)	\$ 4,572
Consulting costs	—	2,285	(2,285)	—	—
Other activities	—	1,784	(1,986)	211	9
Total	\$ —	\$ 29,896	\$ (25,518)	\$ 203	\$ 4,581

Approximately \$ 3.8 million of the restructuring liability for accrued severance and termination benefits is reflected in Accrued employment costs and approximately \$ 0.8 million is reflected in Other long-term liabilities on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. The liability for Other activities is reflected in Other accrued liabilities on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position .

Business Optimization Program

Beginning in fiscal year 2020, we initiated a multiyear Business Optimization Program (the Business Optimization Program) to drive efficiency improvement and operating savings.

The following tables summarize the pretax restructuring charges (credits) related to this program:

	For the Years Ended April 30,			Total Charges Incurred to Date
	2023	2022	2021	
Charges (Credits) by Segment:				
Research	\$ (231)	\$ 238	\$ 99	\$ 3,652
Academic	31	(470)	3,457	12,447
Talent	(246)	23	303	4,900
Corporate Expenses	953	(1,218)	29,590	44,343
Total Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)	\$ 507	\$ (1,427)	\$ 33,449	\$ 65,342
Charges (Credits) by Activity:				
Severance and termination benefits	\$ (1,012)	\$ (3,276)	\$ 11,531	\$ 34,107
Impairment of operating lease ROU assets and property and equipment	—	—	14,918	15,079
Acceleration of expense related to operating lease ROU assets and property and equipment	—	—	3,378	3,378
Facility related charges, net	1,519	1,849	3,684	11,038
Other activities	—	—	(62)	1,740
Total Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)	\$ 507	\$ (1,427)	\$ 33,449	\$ 65,342

The credits in severance and termination benefits activities for the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022 primarily reflect changes in the number of headcount reductions and estimates for previously accrued costs.

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In November 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the Company's successful transition to a virtual work environment, we increased use of virtual work arrangements for post-pandemic operations. As a result, we expanded the scope of the Business Optimization Program to include the exit of certain leased office space beginning in the three months ended January 31, 2021, and the reduction of our occupancy at other facilities. These actions resulted in a pretax restructuring charge of \$ 18.3 million in the three months ended January 31, 2021. This restructuring charge primarily reflects the following noncash charges:

- Impairment charges of \$ 14.9 million recorded in our corporate category, which included the impairment of operating lease ROU assets of \$ 10.6 million related to certain leases that will be subleased, and the related property and equipment of \$ 4.3 million described further below, and
- Acceleration of expense of \$ 3.4 million, which included the acceleration of rent expense associated with operating lease ROU assets of \$ 2.9 million related to certain leases that will be abandoned or terminated and the related depreciation and amortization of property and equipment of \$ 0.5 million.

Due to the actions taken above, we tested the operating lease ROU assets and the related property and equipment for those being subleased for recoverability by comparing the carrying value of the asset group to an estimate of the future undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset group. Based on the results of the recoverability test, we determined that the undiscounted cash flows of the asset groups were below the carrying values. Therefore, there was an indication of impairment. We then determined the fair value of the asset groups by utilizing the present value of the estimated future cash flows attributable to the assets. The fair value of these operating lease ROU assets and the property and equipment immediately subsequent to the impairment was \$ 7.5 million and was categorized as Level 3 within the FASB ASC Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements" fair value hierarchy.

In addition, we also incurred ongoing facility related costs associated with certain properties that resulted in additional restructuring charges of \$ 1.5 million, \$ 1.8 million, and \$ 3.7 million in the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 respectively. Facilities related charges, net include sublease income related to those operating leases we had identified in the year ended April 30, 2021 as part of our Business Optimization Program that would be subleased.

The following table summarizes the activity for the Business Optimization Program liability for the year ended April 30, 2023:

	April 30, 2022	(Credits)	Payments	Foreign Translation & Other Adjustments	April 30, 2023
Severance and termination benefits	\$ 2,079	\$ (1,012)	\$ (1,042)	\$ (25)	\$ —
Total	\$ 2,079	\$ (1,012)	\$ (1,042)	\$ (25)	\$ —

Severance and termination benefits were paid in full during the year ended April 30, 2023.

We currently do not anticipate any further material charges related to the Business Optimization Program, except for ongoing facility related charges.

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Note 8 – Inventories

Inventories, net consisted of the following at April 30:

	2023	2022
Finished goods	\$ 29,339	\$ 31,270
Work-in-process	1,031	1,729
Paper and other materials	248	275
Total inventories before estimated sales returns and LIFO reserve	30,618	33,274
Inventory value of estimated sales returns	6,923	7,820
LIFO reserve	(6,808)	(4,509)
Inventories, net	<u>\$ 30,733</u>	<u>\$ 36,585</u>

See Note 2, “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Recently Issued and Recently Adopted Accounting Standards,” under the caption “Sales Return Reserves,” for a discussion of the Inventory value of estimated sales returns.

Finished goods not recorded at LIFO have been recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value, which resulted in a reduction of \$ 13.0 million and \$ 11.2 million as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Note 9 – Product Development Assets

Product development assets, net were included in Other non-current assets on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position and consisted of the following at April 30:

	2023	2022
Book composition costs	\$ 19,067	\$ 20,574
Software costs	11,338	17,479
Content development costs	1,916	3,405
Product development assets, net	<u>\$ 32,321</u>	<u>\$ 41,458</u>

Product development assets include \$ 7.4 million and \$ 4.4 million of work-in-process as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. As of April 30, 2023 and 2022 this is primarily for book composition costs.

Product development assets are net of accumulated amortization of \$ 297.4 million and \$ 269.7 million as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Note 10 – Technology, Property, and Equipment

Technology, property, and equipment, net consisted of the following at April 30:

	2023	2022
Capitalized software	\$ 649,138	\$ 605,503
Computer hardware	57,670	55,386
Buildings and leasehold improvements	89,056	94,861
Furniture, fixtures, and warehouse equipment	34,990	38,816
Land and land improvements	3,316	3,283
Technology, property, and equipment, gross	834,170	797,849
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(587,021)	(526,277)
Technology, property, and equipment, net	<u>\$ 247,149</u>	<u>\$ 271,572</u>

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The following table details our depreciation and amortization expense for technology, property, and equipment, net:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Capitalized software amortization expense	\$ 78,441	\$ 73,847	\$ 69,184
Depreciation and amortization expense, excluding capitalized software	17,565	21,325	21,955
Total depreciation and amortization expense for technology, property and equipment	\$ 96,006	\$ 95,172	\$ 91,139

Technology, property, and equipment includes \$ 0.1 million and \$ 7.2 million of work-in-process as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, for capitalized software.

The net book value of capitalized software costs was \$ 189.3 million and \$ 201.5 million as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Note 11 – Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill

The following table summarizes the activity in goodwill by segment as of April 30:

	2022 ⁽¹⁾	Acquisition ⁽²⁾	Impairment	Divestitures ⁽³⁾	Foreign Translation Adjustment	2023
Research	\$ 610,416	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (687)	\$ 609,729
Academic	442,015	3,878	(99,800)	(5,306)	(89)	340,698
Talent	249,711	—	—	—	3,912	253,623
Total	\$ 1,302,142	\$ 3,878	\$ (99,800)	\$ (5,306)	\$ 3,136	\$ 1,204,050

- (1) The Academic goodwill balance as of April 30, 2022 includes a cumulative pretax noncash goodwill impairment of \$ 110.0 million.
- (2) Refer to Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures," for more information related to the acquisition that occurred in the year ended April 30, 2023.
- (3) Represents the goodwill allocated to the disposition of Wiley's Efficient Learning test prep and advancement courses businesses. Refer to Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures," for more information.

Change in Segment Reporting Structure and New Reporting Units

In the three months ended January 31, 2023, we reorganized our Education lines of business into two new customer-centric segments. Our new segment reporting structure consists of three reportable segments which includes Research (no changes), Academic, and Talent, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments. See Note 20, "Segment Information," for more details. The Academic reportable segment includes two reporting units, Academic Publishing and University Services, and the Talent reportable segment includes two reporting units, Talent Development and Professional Learning.

Due to this realignment, we reallocated goodwill as of April 30, 2022 to our reporting units.

As a result of this realignment, we were required to test goodwill for impairment immediately before and after the realignment. Since there were no changes to the Research reportable segment, no interim impairment test of the Research segment goodwill was required.

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We estimated the fair value of the reporting units using a weighting of fair values derived from an income and a market approach. Fair value computed by these methods is arrived at using a number of key assumptions including forecasted revenues and related growth rates, forecasted operating cash flows, the discount rate, and the selection of relevant market multiples of comparable publicly-traded companies with similar characteristics to the reporting unit. Under the income approach, we determined the fair value of a reporting unit based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. Cash flow projections are based on our best estimates of forecasted economic and market conditions over the period including growth rates, expected changes in operating cash flows. The discount rate used is based on a weighted average cost of capital adjusted for the relevant risk associated with the characteristics of the business and the projected cash flows. The market approach estimates fair value based on market multiples of current and forward 12-month revenue or EBITDA, as applicable, derived from comparable publicly traded companies with similar operating and investment characteristics as the reporting unit.

Goodwill Impairment Before Realignment

Prior to the realignment, we concluded that the fair value of the Academic & Professional Learning reporting unit was above its carrying value. Therefore, there was no indication of impairment. The carrying value of the Education Services reporting unit was above its fair value, which resulted in a pretax non-cash goodwill impairment of \$ 31.0 million. This charge is reflected in Impairment of goodwill in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Education Services was adversely impacted by market conditions and headwinds for online degree programs. This has led to a decline in projected student enrollments from existing partners, pricing pressures and revenue share concessions, and a decline in new partner additions over both the short-term and long-term, which adversely impacted forecasted revenue growth and operating cash flows. This was partially offset by projected growth in talent placements, partially due to expansion into new regions and the addition of new corporate clients, which are forecasted to have a positive impact on revenue growth and operating cash flows.

Prior to performing the goodwill impairment test for Education Services, we also evaluated the recoverability of long-lived assets of the reporting unit. The carrying value of the long-lived assets that were tested for impairment was approximately \$ 467.0 million. When indicators of impairment are present, we test definite lived and long-lived assets for recoverability by comparing the carrying value of an asset group to an estimate of the future undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset group. We considered the lower-than-expected revenue and forecasted operating cash flows over a sustained period of time, and downward revisions to our cash flow forecasts for this reporting unit to be indicators of impairment for their long-lived assets. Based on the results of the recoverability test, we determined that the undiscounted cash flows of the asset group of the Education Services reporting unit exceeded the carrying value. Therefore, there was no impairment.

Goodwill Impairment After Realignment

After the realignment, we concluded that the fair value of the Academic Publishing, Talent Development and Professional Learning reporting units were above their carrying values. Therefore, there was no indication of impairment. The carrying value of the University Services reporting unit was above its fair value, which resulted in a pretax non-cash goodwill impairment of \$ 68.8 million. This charge is reflected in Impairment of goodwill in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

University Services was adversely impacted by market conditions and headwinds for online degree programs which led to a decline in projected enrollments from existing partners, pricing pressures and revenue share concessions, and a decline in new partner additions over both the short-term and long-term which adversely impacted forecasted revenue growth and operating cash flows.

Prior to performing the goodwill impairment test for University Services, we also evaluated the recoverability of long-lived assets of the reporting unit. The carrying value of the long-lived assets that were tested for impairment was approximately \$ 326.0 million. When indicators of impairment are present, we test definite lived and long-lived assets for recoverability by comparing the carrying value of an asset group to an estimate of the future undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset group. We considered the lower-than-expected revenue and forecasted operating cash flows over a sustained period of time, and downward revisions to our cash flow forecasts for this reporting unit to be indicators of impairment for their long-lived assets. Based on the results of the recoverability test, we determined that the undiscounted cash flows of the asset group of the University Services reporting unit exceeded the carrying value. Therefore, there was no impairment.

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Annual Goodwill Impairment Test as of February 1, 2023

As of February 1, 2023, we completed a quantitative assessment for our annual goodwill impairment test for our University Services reporting unit. We concluded that the fair value of the reporting unit was above the carrying value and, therefore, there was no indication of impairment. For our other reporting units, we performed a qualitative assessment by reporting unit as of February 1, 2023. This assessment included consideration of key factors including macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors, financial performance, weighted average cost of capital (WACC), market multiples of current and forward 12-month revenue or EBITDA, as applicable, and other relevant entity and reporting unit-specific events. Based on our qualitative assessment, we determined it was not more likely than not that the fair value of any reporting unit was less than its carrying amount. As such, it was not necessary to perform a quantitative test. There have been no significant events or circumstances affecting the valuation of goodwill subsequent to the qualitative assessment performed as of February 1, 2023.

We estimated the fair value of the University Services reporting unit using a weighting of fair values derived from an income and a market approach. Under the income approach, we determined the fair value of the reporting unit based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. Cash flow projections are based on our best estimates of forecasted economic and market conditions over the period including growth rates, expected changes in operating cash flows. The discount rate used is based on a weighted average cost of capital adjusted for the relevant risk associated with the characteristics of the business and the projected cash flows. The market approach estimates fair value based on market multiples of current and forward 12-month revenue or EBITDA, as applicable, derived from comparable publicly traded companies with similar operating and investment characteristics as the reporting unit.

If the fair value of these reporting units decreases in future periods, we could potentially have an impairment. As noted above, the University Services reporting unit there was an impairment. If the University Services reporting unit fair value decreases further in future periods, we could potentially have an additional impairment. The future occurrence of a potential indicator of impairment, such as a decrease in expected net earnings, changes in assumptions, adverse equity market conditions, a decline in current market multiples, a decline in our common stock price, a significant adverse change in legal factors or business climates, an adverse action or assessment by a regulator, unanticipated competition, strategic decisions made in response to economic or competitive conditions, or a more-likely-than-not expectation that a reporting unit or a significant portion of a reporting unit will be sold or disposed of, could require an interim assessment for some or all of the reporting units before the next required annual assessment.

Annual Goodwill Impairment Test as of February 1, 2022

As of February 1, 2022, we completed a quantitative assessment for our annual goodwill impairment test for our reporting units. We concluded that the fair values of our reporting units were above their carrying values and, therefore, there was no indication of impairment.

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Intangible Assets

Intangible assets, net as of April 30 were as follows:

	2023			2022		
	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net
Intangible assets with definite lives, net ⁽¹⁾:						
Content and publishing rights	\$ 1,100,463	\$ (638,000)	\$ 462,463	\$ 1,099,778	\$ (599,841)	\$ 499,937
Customer relationships	407,289	(189,943)	217,346	409,097	(167,039)	242,058
Developed technology ⁽²⁾	76,154	(30,654)	45,500	72,398	(17,677)	54,721
Brands and trademarks ⁽³⁾	44,230	(36,949)	7,281	47,533	(31,512)	16,021
Covenants not to compete	1,663	(1,363)	300	1,655	(1,262)	393
Total intangible assets with definite lives, net	1,629,799	(896,909)	732,890	1,630,461	(817,331)	813,130
Intangible assets with indefinite lives:						
Brands and trademarks ⁽²⁾	37,000	—	37,000	37,000	—	37,000
Publishing rights	84,904	—	84,904	81,299	—	81,299
Total intangible assets with indefinite lives	121,904	—	121,904	118,299	—	118,299
Total intangible assets, net	\$ 1,751,703	\$ (896,909)	\$ 854,794	\$ 1,748,760	\$ (817,331)	\$ 931,429

- (1) Refer to Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures," for more information related to the acquisitions that occurred in the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022.
- (2) The developed technology balance as of April 30, 2023 and 2022 is presented net of accumulated impairments and write-offs of \$ 2.8 million. The indefinite-lived brands and trademarks balance as of April 30, 2023 and 2022 is net of accumulated impairments of \$ 93.1 million.
- (3) On January 1, 2020, Wiley acquired mthree, a talent placement provider that addresses the IT skills gap by finding, training, and placing job-ready technology talent in roles with leading corporations worldwide. Its results of operations are included in our Talent segment. In late May 2022, Wiley renamed the mthree talent development solution to Wiley Edge and discontinued use of the mthree trademark during the three months ended July 31, 2022. As a result of these actions, we determined that a revision of the useful life was warranted and the intangible asset was fully amortized over its remaining useful life resulting in accelerated amortization expense of \$ 4.6 million in the three months ended July 31, 2022.

Based on the current amount of intangible assets subject to amortization and assuming current foreign exchange rates, the estimated amortization expense for the following years are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Amount
2024	\$ 77,287
2025	70,583
2026	68,077
2027	63,429
2028	57,347
Thereafter	396,167
Total	\$ 732,890

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Annual Indefinite-lived Intangible Impairment Test as of February 1, 2023 and 2022

We also review our indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment annually, which consists of brands and trademarks and certain acquired publishing rights.

For fiscal year 2023, we performed a qualitative assessment for our annual indefinite-lived intangible assets impairment test. This assessment included consideration of key factors including macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors, financial performance, and other relevant entity and reporting unit-specific events. Based on our qualitative assessment, we determined it was not more likely than not that the fair value of any indefinite-lived intangible asset was less than its carrying amount. As such, it was not necessary to perform a quantitative test.

For fiscal year 2022, we estimated the fair value of these indefinite-lived intangible assets using a relief from royalty method under an income approach. The key assumptions for this method were revenue projections, a royalty rate as determined by management in consultation with valuation experts, and a discount rate. We concluded that the fair values of these indefinite-lived intangible assets were above their carrying values and therefore, there was no indication of impairment.

Note 12 – Operating Leases

We have contractual obligations as a lessee with respect to offices, warehouses and distribution centers, automobiles, and office equipment.

We determine if an arrangement is a lease at inception of the contract in accordance with guidance detailed in the lease standard and we perform the lease classification test as of the lease commencement date. ROU assets represent our right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent our obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Operating lease ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term.

The present value of the lease payments is calculated using an incremental borrowing rate, which was determined based on the rate of interest that we would have to pay to borrow an amount equal to the lease payments on a collateralized basis over a similar term. We use an unsecured borrowing rate and risk-adjust that rate to approximate a collateralized rate.

We recognize operating lease expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease payments may be fixed or variable. Only lease payments that are fixed, in-substance fixed or depend on a rate or index are included in determining the lease liability. Variable lease payments include payments made to the lessor for taxes, insurance and maintenance of the leased asset and are recognized as operating costs as incurred.

We apply certain practical expedients allowed by FASB Topic 842, "Leases". Leases that are more than one year in duration are capitalized and recorded on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. Leases with an initial term of 12 months or less are recognized as short term lease operating costs on a straight-line basis over the term. We have also elected to account for the lease and non-lease components as a single component. Some of our leases offer an option to extend the term of such leases. We utilize the reasonably certain threshold criteria in determining which options we will exercise.

For operating leases, the ROU assets and liabilities as of April 30 are presented in our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position as follows:

	2023	2022
Operating lease ROU assets	\$ 91,197	\$ 111,719
Short-term portion of operating lease liabilities	19,673	20,576
Operating lease liabilities, non-current	\$ 115,540	\$ 132,541

During the year ended April 30, 2023, we added \$ 2.4 million to the ROU assets and \$ 2.7 million to the operating lease liabilities due to new leases, as well as modifications and remeasurements to our existing operating leases.

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As a result of the Fiscal Year 2023 Restructuring Program, which included the exit of certain leased office space beginning in the three months ended July 31, 2022, we recorded restructuring charges. These charges included severance, impairment charges and acceleration of expense associated with certain operating lease ROU assets. See Note 7, "Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)" for more information on this program and the charges incurred.

Our total net lease costs were as follows:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Operating lease cost	\$ 18,620	\$ 24,180	\$ 24,862
Variable lease cost	1,326	1,496	2,135
Short-term lease cost	744	187	248
Sublease income	(770)	(945)	(722)
Total net lease cost ⁽¹⁾	\$ 19,920	\$ 24,918	\$ 26,523

Total net lease cost does not include those costs and sublease income included in Restructuring and related charges (1) (credits) on our Consolidated Statements of Income. This includes those operating leases we had identified as part of our restructuring programs that would be subleased. See Note 7, "Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)" for more information on these programs.

Other supplemental information includes the following:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Weighted-average remaining contractual lease term (years)	8	9	9
Weighted-average discount rate	5.95 %	5.84 %	5.89 %
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:			
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 26,919	\$ 29,737	\$ 32,344

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The table below reconciles the undiscounted cash flows for the first five years and total of the remaining years to the operating lease liabilities recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of April 30, 2023:

Fiscal Year	Operating Lease Liabilities
2024	\$ 26,508
2025	25,263
2026	23,225
2027	18,470
2028	13,848
Thereafter	64,186
Total future undiscounted minimum lease payments	171,500
Less: Imputed interest	36,287
Present value of minimum lease payments	135,213
Less: Current portion	19,673
Noncurrent portion	\$ 115,540

Note 13 – Income Taxes

The provisions for income taxes were as follows:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Current Provision			
US – Federal	\$ 2,857	\$ (324)	\$ (6,631)
International	48,694	57,905	43,269
State and local	1,797	221	1,359
Total current provision	\$ 53,348	\$ 57,802	\$ 37,997
Deferred provision (benefit)			
US – Federal	\$ (24,368)	\$ (9,793)	\$ (11,996)
International	(8,705)	15,882	1,175
State and local	(4,408)	(2,539)	480
Total deferred provision (benefit)	\$ (37,481)	\$ 3,550	\$ (10,341)
Total provision	\$ 15,867	\$ 61,352	\$ 27,656

International and United States pretax income were as follows:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
International	\$ 204,055	\$ 256,456	\$ 202,490
United States	(170,955)	(46,795)	(26,578)
Total	\$ 33,100	\$ 209,661	\$ 175,912

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Our effective income tax rate as a percentage of pretax income differed from the US federal statutory rate as shown below:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
US federal statutory rate	21.0 %	21.0 %	21.0 %
Cost (benefit) of higher (lower) taxes on non-US income	(9.2)%	9.7 %	1.1 %
Foreign tax credits related to CARES Act carryback and audit	— %	(11.9)%	12.3 %
Change in valuation allowance	(7.4)%	11.9 %	(12.3)%
State income taxes, net of US federal tax benefit	(7.2)%	(1.0)%	0.8 %
US NOL carryback under CARES Act	— %	— %	(8.0)%
Tax credits and related net benefits	(10.4)%	(0.5)%	(0.5)%
Impairment of goodwill	66.7 %	— %	— %
Other	(5.6)%	0.1 %	1.3 %
Effective income tax rate	47.9 %	29.3 %	15.7 %

The effective tax rate was 47.9 % for the year ended April 30, 2023, compared to 29.3 % for the year ended April 30, 2022. Our US GAAP effective tax rate for the year ended April 30, 2023, was higher primarily due to the rate differential with respect to certain restructuring items, which includes the impairment of non-deductible goodwill resulting from the segment realignment described in Note 11, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets," offset by the release of valuation allowances associated with foreign tax credits, and a more favorable mix of non-US income by jurisdiction. Our US GAAP effective tax rate for the year ended April 30, 2022, included an increase in the UK statutory rate from 19 % to 25 % enacted during the period, which resulted in a \$ 21.4 million noncash, nonrecurring deferred tax expense from the remeasurement of applicable UK net deferred tax liabilities.

Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes:

As of April 30, 2023, and April 30, 2022, the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits were \$ 9.4 million and \$ 8.6 million, respectively, of which \$ 0.3 million and \$ 0.6 million represented accruals for interest and penalties recorded as additional tax expense in accordance with our accounting policy. We recorded net interest expense on reserves for unrecognized and recognized tax benefits of \$ 0.2 million in each of the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022. As of April 30, 2023, and April 30, 2022, the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits that would reduce our income tax provision, if recognized, were approximately \$ 9.4 million and \$ 8.6 million, respectively. We do not expect any significant changes to the unrecognized tax benefits within the next twelve months.

A reconciliation of the unrecognized tax benefits included within the Other long-term liabilities line item on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position is as follows:

	2023	2022
Balance at May 1	\$ 8,592	\$ 9,144
Additions for current year tax positions	1,236	947
Additions for prior year tax positions	533	16
Reductions for prior year tax positions	—	—
Foreign translation adjustment	(24)	(55)
Payments and settlements	—	—
Reductions for lapse of statute of limitations	(916)	(1,460)
Balance at April 30	\$ 9,421	\$ 8,592

Tax Audits:

We file income tax returns in the US and various states and non-US tax jurisdictions. Our major taxing jurisdictions are the United States, the United Kingdom, and Germany. We are no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to fiscal year 2014 in the major jurisdictions in which we are subject to tax.

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Deferred Taxes:

Deferred taxes result from temporary differences in the recognition of revenue and expense for tax and financial reporting purposes.

We believe that it is more likely than not that the results of future operations will generate sufficient taxable income to realize the net deferred tax assets. The significant components of deferred tax assets and liabilities as of April 30 were as follows:

	2023	2022 ⁽¹⁾
Net operating losses	\$ 27,434	\$ 20,847
Reserve for sales returns and doubtful accounts	2,523	3,771
Accrued employee compensation	24,928	26,722
Foreign and federal credits	31,930	34,537
Other accrued expenses	2,513	2,700
Retirement and post-employment benefits	16,880	15,769
Operating lease liabilities	26,631	28,111
Total gross deferred tax assets	\$ 132,839	\$ 132,457
Less valuation allowance	(27,448)	(30,000)
Total deferred tax assets	\$ 105,391	\$ 102,457
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$ (2,927)	\$ (2,684)
Unremitted foreign earnings	(2,835)	(2,685)
Intangible and fixed assets	(216,251)	(249,104)
Right-of-use assets	(16,049)	(19,286)
Total deferred tax liabilities	\$ (238,062)	\$ (273,759)
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$ (132,671)	\$ (171,302)
Reported As		
Deferred tax assets	\$ 11,371	\$ 8,763
Deferred tax liabilities	(144,042)	(180,065)
Net Deferred Tax Liabilities	\$ (132,671)	\$ (171,302)

(1) Prior year amounts were updated to reflect an immaterial correction of previous netting of certain deferred taxes.

The decrease in net deferred taxes was due to the decrease in net deferred tax liabilities, which was primarily attributable to a decrease in intangible and fixed assets. In addition, we had an increase in net deferred tax assets related to net operating losses and retirement and post-employment benefits. We have concluded that, after valuation allowances, it is more likely than not that we will realize substantially all of the net deferred tax assets at April 30, 2023. In assessing the need for a valuation allowance, we take into account related deferred tax liabilities and estimated future reversals of existing temporary differences, future taxable earnings and tax planning strategies to determine which deferred tax assets are more likely than not to be realized in the future. Changes to tax laws, statutory tax rates and future taxable earnings can have an impact on our valuation allowances.

We have provided a \$ 27.4 million valuation allowance as of April 30, 2023, based primarily on the uncertainty of utilizing the tax benefits related to our deferred tax assets for foreign tax credits. This valuation allowance is decreased by approximately \$ 2.6 million from the valuation allowance as of April 30, 2022.

As of April 30, 2023, we have apportioned state net operating loss carryforwards totaling approximately \$ 111 million, with a tax effected value of \$ 6.3 million net of federal benefits. Our state and federal NOLs and credits, to the extent they expire, expire in various amounts over 1 to 20 years.

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We intend to repatriate earnings from our non-US subsidiaries, and to the extent we repatriate these funds to the US, we will be required to pay income taxes in various US state and local jurisdictions and applicable non-US withholding or similar taxes in the periods in which such repatriation occurs. As of April 30, 2023, we have recorded a \$ 2.8 million liability related to the estimated taxes that would be incurred upon repatriating certain non-US earnings to the US.

Note 14 – Debt and Available Credit Facilities

Our total debt outstanding as of April 30 consisted of the amounts set forth in the following table:

	2023	2022
Short-term portion of long-term debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 5,000	\$ 18,750
Term loan A - Amended and Restated CA ⁽²⁾	191,757	204,343
Revolving credit facility - Amended and Restated CA	551,535	563,934
Total long-term debt, less current portion	743,292	768,277
Total debt	<u>\$ 748,292</u>	<u>\$ 787,027</u>

(1) Relates to our term loan A under the Amended and Restated CA.

(2) Amounts are shown net of unamortized issuance costs of \$ 0.7 million as of April 30, 2023 and \$ 0.3 million as of April 30, 2022.

The following table summarizes the scheduled annual maturities for the next five years of our long-term debt, including the short-term portion of long-term debt. This schedule represents the principal portion amount of debt outstanding and therefore excludes unamortized issuance costs.

Fiscal Year	Amount
2024	\$ 5,000
2025	12,500
2026	22,500
2027	35,000
2028	674,035
Total	<u>\$ 749,035</u>

Amended and Restated CA

On November 30, 2022, we entered into the second amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (collectively, the Amended and Restated CA). The Amended and Restated CA as of November 30, 2022 provided for senior unsecured credit facilities comprised of a (i) five-year revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount up to \$ 1.115 billion, (ii) a five-year term loan A facility consisting of \$ 200 million, and (iii) \$ 185 million aggregate principal amount revolving credit facility through May 2024.

Under the terms of the Amended and Restated CA, which can be drawn in multiple currencies, we have the option of borrowing at the following floating interest rates depending on the currency borrowed: (i) at a rate based on the US Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR), the Sterling Overnight Index Average Rate (SONIA) or a EURIBOR-based rate, each rate plus an applicable margin ranging from 0.98 % to 1.50 %, depending on our consolidated net leverage ratio, as defined, or (ii) at the lender's base rate plus an applicable margin ranging from zero to 0.50 %, depending on our consolidated net leverage ratio. With respect to SOFR loans, there is a SOFR adjustment of between 0.10 % and 0.25 % depending on the duration of the loan. The lender's base rate is defined as the highest of (i) the US federal funds effective rate plus a 0.50 % margin, (ii) the Daily SOFR rate, as defined, plus a 1.00 % margin, or (iii) the Bank of America prime lending rate. In addition, we pay a facility fee

for the Amended and Restated CA ranging from 0.15 % to 0.25 % depending on our consolidated net leverage ratio. We also have the option to request an increase in the revolving credit facility by an amount not to exceed \$ 500 million, in minimum increments of \$ 50 million, subject to the approval of the lenders.

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The Amended and Restated CA contains certain customary affirmative and negative covenants, including a financial covenant in the form of a consolidated net leverage ratio and consolidated interest coverage ratio, which we were in compliance with as of April 30, 2023.

In the three months ended January 31, 2023, we incurred \$ 4.5 million of costs related to the second amendment of the Amended and Restated CA which resulted in total costs capitalized of \$ 5.8 million for the Amended and Restated CA. The amount related to the term loan A facility was \$ 0.8 million, consisting of lender fees of \$ 0.8 million recorded as a reduction to Long-term debt and non-lender fees of less than \$ 0.1 million included in Other non-current assets on our Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The amount related to the revolving credit facility of which a portion matures in May 2024 and in November 2027 was \$ 0.2 million and \$ 4.8 million, respectively, all of which is included in Other non-current assets on our Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

In the three months ended January 31, 2023, we incurred a loss of \$(0.2) million on the write-off of unamortized deferred costs in connection with the second amendment of the Amended and Restated CA which is reflected in Other income, net on our Consolidated Statement of Income for the year ended April 30, 2023.

The amortization expense of the costs incurred related to the Amended and Restated CA related to the lender and non-lender fees is recognized over a five-year term for credit commitments that mature in November 2027 and an 18 -month term for credit commitments that mature in May 2024. Total amortization expense was \$ 1.1 million for each of the years ended April 30, 2023 , 2022 , and 2021 and is included in Interest expense on our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Lines of Credit

We have other lines of credit aggregating \$ 1.0 million at various interest rates. There were no outstanding borrowings under these credit lines at April 30, 2023, and 2022.

Our total available lines of credit as of April 30, 2023 were approximately \$ 1.5 billion, of which approximately \$ 0.7 billion was unused. The weighted average interest rates on total debt outstanding during the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022 were 4.05 % and 2.02 %, respectively. As of April 30, 2023 and 2022, the weighted average interest rates for total debt were 4.76 % and 2.55 %, respectively.

Based on estimates of interest rates currently available to us for loans with similar terms and maturities, the fair value of our debt approximates its carrying value.

Note 15 – Derivative Instruments and Activities

From time to time, we enter into forward exchange and interest rate swap contracts as a hedge against foreign currency asset and liability commitments, changes in interest rates, and anticipated transaction exposures, including intercompany sales and purchases. All derivatives are recognized as assets or liabilities and measured at fair value. Derivatives that are not determined to be effective hedges are adjusted to fair value with a corresponding adjustment to earnings. We do not use financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

Interest Rate Contracts

As of April 30, 2023, we had total debt outstanding of \$ 748.3 million, net of unamortized issuance costs of \$ 0.7 million, of which \$ 749.0 million are variable rate loans outstanding under the Amended and Restated CA, which approximated fair value.

As of April 30, 2023 and 2022, the interest rate swap agreements we maintained were designated as fully effective cash flow hedges as defined under FASB ASC Topic 815, "Derivatives and Hedging" (ASC Topic 815). As a result, there was no impact on our Consolidated Statements of Income from changes in the fair value of the interest rate swaps, as they were fully offset by changes in the interest expense on the underlying variable rate debt instruments. Under ASC Topic 815, derivative instruments that are designated as cash flow hedges have changes in their fair value recorded initially within Accumulated other comprehensive loss on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. As interest expense is recognized based on the variable rate loan agreements, the corresponding deferred gain or loss on the interest rate swaps is reclassified from

Accumulated other comprehensive loss to Interest expense on the Consolidated Statements of Income. It is management's intention that the notional amount of interest rate swaps be less than the variable rate loans outstanding during the life of the derivatives.

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The following table summarizes our interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges:

Hedged Item ⁽¹⁾	Date entered into	Nature of Swap	Notional Amount As of April 30,		Fixed Interest Rate	Variable Interest Rate
			2023	2022		
Amended and Restated CA	March 15, 2023	Pay fixed/receive variable	\$ 50,000	\$ —	3.565 %	1-month SOFR reset every month for a 3-year period ending April 15, 2026
Amended and Restated CA	March 14, 2023	Pay fixed/receive variable	50,000	—	4.053 %	1-month SOFR reset every month for a 3-year period ending March 15, 2026
Amended and Restated CA	March 13, 2023	Pay fixed/receive variable	50,000	—	3.720 %	1-month SOFR reset every month for a 3-year period ending March 15, 2026
Amended and Restated CA	December 13, 2022	Pay fixed/receive variable	50,000	—	3.772 %	1-month SOFR reset every month for a 3-year period ending December 15, 2025
Amended and Restated CA	June 16, 2022	Pay fixed/receive variable	100,000	—	3.467 %	1-month SOFR reset every month for a 2-year period ending May 15, 2024 ⁽²⁾
Amended and Restated CA	April 06, 2022	Pay fixed/receive variable	100,000	100,000	2.588 %	1-month SOFR reset every month for a 2-year period ending April 15, 2024 ⁽²⁾
Amended and Restated CA	April 12, 2021	Pay fixed/receive variable	100,000	100,000	0.465 %	1-month SOFR reset every month for a 3-year period ending April 15, 2024 ⁽²⁾
Amended and Restated CA	February 26, 2020	Pay fixed/receive variable	—	100,000	1.168 %	1-month SOFR reset every month for a 3-year period ending March 15, 2023 ⁽²⁾
Amended and Restated CA	August 07, 2019	Pay fixed/receive variable	—	100,000	1.400 %	1-month LIBOR reset every month for a 3-year period ending August 15, 2022
Amended and Restated CA	June 24, 2019	Pay fixed/receive variable	—	100,000	1.650 %	1-month LIBOR reset every month for a 3-year period ending July 15, 2022
			<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ 500,000</u>		

- (1) On November 30, 2022, we entered into the second amendment to our Amended and Restated CA. Refer to Note 14, "Debt and Available Credit Facilities" for more information related to our Amended and Restated CA.
- (2) On November 30, 2022, we amended the Amended and Restated CA (as defined in Note 14, "Debt and Available Credit Facilities") and as a result we amended our outstanding interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges to change the rates from LIBOR-based rates to SOFR-based rates. We applied ASU 2020-04 at the time of modification, and there was no impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements.

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We record the fair value of our interest rate swaps on a recurring basis using Level 2 inputs of quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets. The fair value of the interest rate swaps as of April 30, 2023 was a deferred loss of \$(0.6) million and a deferred gain of \$ 7.8 million. Based on the maturity dates of the contracts, the entire deferred loss as of April 30, 2023 was recorded within Other long-term liabilities, \$ 6.4 million of the deferred gain was recorded within Prepaid expenses and other current assets, and \$ 1.4 million was recorded within Other non-current assets.

The fair value of the interest rate swaps as of April 30, 2022 was a deferred loss of \$(0.2) million and a deferred gain of \$ 5.8 million. Based on the maturity dates of the contracts, the entire deferred loss as of April 30, 2022 was recorded within Other accrued liabilities, \$ 0.9 million of the deferred gain was recorded within Prepaid expenses and other current assets, and \$ 4.9 million was recorded within Other non-current assets.

The pretax gains (losses) that were reclassified from Accumulated other comprehensive loss into Interest expense for the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 were \$ 5.0 million, \$(4.2) million, and \$(3.7) million, respectively. Based on the amount in Accumulated other comprehensive loss at April 30, 2023, approximately \$ 7.2 million, net of tax, would be reclassified into Net income in the next twelve months.

Foreign Currency Contracts

We may enter into forward exchange contracts to manage our exposure on certain foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities. The forward exchange contracts are marked to market through Foreign exchange transaction gains (losses) on our Consolidated Statements of Income and carried at fair value on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. Foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities are remeasured at spot rates in effect on the balance sheet date, with the affects of changes in spot rates reported in Foreign exchange transaction gains (losses) on our Consolidated Statements of Income.

As of April 30, 2023 and 2022, we did not maintain any open forward exchange contracts. In addition, we did not maintain any open forward contracts during the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022.

During the year ended April 30, 2021, to manage foreign currency exposures on an intercompany loan, we entered into one forward exchange contract to sell € 32 million and buy \$ 38.8 million. This forward contract expired on April 15, 2021. We did not designate this forward exchange contract as a hedge under the applicable sections of ASC Topic 815 as the benefits of doing so were not material due to the short-term nature of the contract. The fair value changes in the forward exchange contract substantially mitigated the changes in the value of the applicable foreign currency denominated liability. The fair value of the open forward exchange contract was measured on a recurring basis using Level 2 inputs of quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets. For the year ended April 30, 2021, the loss recognized on this forward contract was \$ 0.8 million and included in Foreign exchange transaction gains (losses) on our Consolidated Statement of Income.

Note 16 – Commitment and Contingencies

Legal Proceedings

We are involved in routine litigation in the ordinary course of our business. A provision for litigation is accrued when information available to us indicates that it is probable a liability has been incurred and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated. Significant judgment may be required to determine both the probability and estimates of loss. When the amount of the loss can only be estimated within a range, the most likely outcome within that range is accrued. If no amount within the range is a better estimate than any other amount, the minimum amount within the range is accrued. When uncertainties exist related to the probable outcome of litigation and/or the amount or range of loss, we do not record a liability, but disclose facts related to the nature of the contingency and possible losses if management considers the information to be material. Reserves for legal defense costs are recognized when incurred. The accruals for loss contingencies and legal costs are reviewed regularly and may be adjusted to reflect updated information on the status of litigation and advice of legal counsel. In the opinion of management, the ultimate resolution of all pending litigation as of April 30, 2023, will not have a material effect upon our consolidated financial condition or results of operations.

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Non-Income Tax Matters

We conduct operations in many tax jurisdictions, and non-income-based taxes, such as sales, use, value-added, goods and services, and other taxes, are assessed on our operations in many jurisdictions. Although we are diligent in collecting and remitting such taxes, there is uncertainty as to the appropriate tax treatment of digital goods and services in many jurisdictions. No assessment has been made, and we have received no indication that an assessment will be made, with respect to such taxes. Therefore, no provisions have been recorded for uncertainties in sales, use, value-added, goods and services, or other indirect tax liabilities in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. Nonetheless, changes in law or interpretation may occur in the future, which may have a material effect on the consolidated results of operations or cash flows in the period in which a new determination is made.

Note 17 – Retirement Plans

We have retirement plans that cover substantially all employees. The plans generally provide for employee retirement between the ages 60 and 65, and benefits based on length of service and compensation, as defined.

Our Board of Directors approved plan amendments that froze the following retirement plans:

- Retirement Plan for the Employees of John Wiley & Sons, Canada was frozen effective December 31, 2015;
- Retirement Plan for the Employees of John Wiley & Sons, Ltd., a UK plan was frozen effective April 30, 2015 and;
- U.S. Employees' Retirement Plan, Supplemental Benefit Plan, and Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, were frozen effective June 30, 2013.

We maintain the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan for certain officers and senior management which provides for the payment of supplemental retirement benefits after the termination of employment for 10 years, or in a lifetime annuity. Under certain circumstances, including a change of control as defined, the payment of such amounts could be accelerated on a present value basis. Future accrued benefits to this plan have been discontinued as noted above.

The components of net pension expense (income) for the defined benefit plans and the weighted average assumptions were as follows:

	For the Years Ended April 30,					
	2023		2022		2021	
	US	Non-US	US	Non-US	US	Non-US
Service cost	\$ —	\$ 796	\$ —	\$ 1,196	\$ —	\$ 1,396
Interest cost	11,242	13,389	9,451	11,148	9,504	8,901
Expected return on plan assets	(9,924)	(23,134)	(12,144)	(28,118)	(11,969)	(26,971)
Amortization of prior service cost	(154)	60	(154)	67	(154)	58
Amortization of net actuarial loss	2,295	3,851	2,617	4,846	3,501	4,516
Curtailment/settlement (credit)	—	(1,828)	—	(39)	—	—
Net pension expense (income)	<u>\$ 3,459</u>	<u>\$ (6,866)</u>	<u>\$ (230)</u>	<u>\$ (10,900)</u>	<u>\$ 882</u>	<u>\$ (12,100)</u>
Discount rate	4.6 %	3.0 %	3.2 %	1.9 %	3.1 %	1.6 %
Rate of compensation increase	N/A	3.1 %	N/A	3.0 %	N/A	3.0 %
Expected return on plan assets	5.0 %	5.5 %	5.3 %	5.5 %	5.8 %	5.7 %

In the year ended April 30, 2023, because of a reduction in force, there was a curtailment credit of \$ 0.3 million related to the retirement allowances for employees of CrossKnowledge, a France Pension Plan, which is reflected in Other income, net on our Consolidated Statements of Income. In addition, in the year ended April 30, 2023 due to the closure of our operations in Russia, there was a curtailment and a settlement credit due to the wind up of the Russia Pension Plan of \$ 1.5 million which is primarily reflected in Other income, net on our Consolidated Statements of Income.

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In the year ended April 30, 2022, because of a reduction in force, there was a curtailment credit of less than \$ 0.1 million related to the Retirement Indemnity Plan for the Employees of Cross Knowledge, a France pension Plan, which is reflected in Restructuring and related charges (credits) in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

The service cost component of net pension expense (income) is reflected in Operating and administrative expenses on our Consolidated Statements of Income. The other components of net pension expense (income) are reported separately from the service cost component and below Operating income. Such amounts are reflected in Other income, net on our Consolidated Statements of Income.

The Recognized Net Actuarial Loss for each fiscal year is calculated using the “corridor method,” which reflects the amortization of the net loss at the beginning of the fiscal year in excess of 10% of the greater of the market value of plan assets or the projected benefit obligation. The amortization period is based on the average expected life of plan participants for plans with all or almost all inactive participants and frozen plans, and on the average remaining working lifetime of active plan participants for all other plans.

We recognize the overfunded or underfunded status of defined benefit postretirement plans, measured as the difference between the fair value of plan assets and the projected benefit obligation, on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. The change in the funded status of the plan is recognized in Accumulated other comprehensive loss on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. Plan assets and obligations are measured at fair value as of our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position date.

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The following table sets forth the changes in, and the status of, our defined benefit plans' assets and benefit obligations:

	2023		2022	
	US	Non-US	US	Non-US
CHANGE IN PLAN ASSETS				
Fair value of plan assets, beginning of year	\$ 204,455	\$ 442,259	\$ 237,129	\$ 523,886
Actual return on plan assets	(5,953)	(133,855)	(21,257)	(37,543)
Employer contributions	3,701	11,600	3,812	12,595
Employee contributions	—	—	—	—
Settlements	—	(394)	—	—
Benefits paid	(15,596)	(10,458)	(15,229)	(10,703)
Foreign currency rate changes	—	(7,097)	—	(45,976)
Fair value, end of year	\$ 186,607	\$ 302,055	\$ 204,455	\$ 442,259
CHANGE IN PROJECTED BENEFIT OBLIGATION				
Benefit obligation, beginning of year	\$ (249,570)	\$ (474,802)	\$ (302,632)	\$ (609,614)
Service cost	—	(796)	—	(1,196)
Interest cost	(11,242)	(13,389)	(9,451)	(11,148)
Actuarial gains	9,328	127,635	47,284	84,746
Benefits paid	15,596	10,458	15,229	10,703
Foreign currency rate changes	—	5,416	—	51,660
Settlements and other	—	2,470	—	47
Benefit obligation, end of year	\$ (235,888)	\$ (343,008)	\$ (249,570)	\$ (474,802)
Underfunded status, end of year	\$ (49,281)	\$ (40,953)	\$ (45,115)	\$ (32,543)
AMOUNTS RECOGNIZED ON THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION				
Noncurrent assets	—	830	—	5,855
Current pension liability	(3,557)	(1,203)	(3,545)	(1,346)
Noncurrent pension liability	(45,724)	(40,580)	(41,570)	(37,052)
Net amount recognized in statement of financial position	\$ (49,281)	\$ (40,953)	\$ (45,115)	\$ (32,543)
AMOUNTS RECOGNIZED IN ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS (BEFORE TAX) CONSIST OF				
Net actuarial losses	\$ (84,367)	\$ (197,701)	\$ (80,114)	\$ (171,274)
Prior service cost gains (losses)	1,792	(1,058)	1,946	(1,165)
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$ (82,575)	\$ (198,759)	\$ (78,168)	\$ (172,439)
Change in accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$ (4,407)	\$ (26,320)	\$ 16,345	\$ 42,818
INFORMATION FOR PENSION PLANS WITH AN ACCUMULATED BENEFIT OBLIGATION IN EXCESS OF PLAN ASSETS				
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 235,888	\$ 35,068	\$ 249,570	\$ 37,801
Fair value of plan assets	\$ 186,607	\$ 496	\$ 204,455	\$ 475
INFORMATION FOR PENSION PLANS WITH A PROJECTED BENEFIT OBLIGATION IN EXCESS OF PLAN ASSETS				
Projected benefit obligation	\$ 235,888	\$ 335,109	\$ 249,570	\$ 38,871
Fair value of plan assets	\$ 186,607	\$ 293,326	\$ 204,455	\$ 475
WEIGHTED AVERAGE ASSUMPTIONS USED IN DETERMINING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES				
Discount rate	5.1 %	4.8 %	4.6 %	3.0 %
Rate of compensation increase	N/A	3.0 %	N/A	3.1 %
Accumulated benefit obligations	\$ (235,888)	\$ (329,329)	\$ (249,570)	\$ (450,037)

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Actuarial gains in the US resulting in a decrease to our projected benefit obligation for the year ended April 30, 2023 were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate. Actuarial gains for the non-US plans, resulting in a decrease to our projected benefit obligation for the year ended April 30, 2023 were primarily due to significant increases in the discount rates.

Actuarial gains in the US resulting in a decrease to our projected benefit obligation for the year ended April 30, 2022 were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate. Actuarial gains in non-US countries resulting in a decrease to our projected benefit obligation for the year ended April 30, 2022 were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate partially offset by an increase in the UK inflation rate.

Pension plan assets/investments:

The investment guidelines for the defined benefit pension plans are established based upon an evaluation of market conditions, plan liabilities, cash requirements for benefit payments, and tolerance for risk. Investment guidelines include the use of actively and passively managed securities. The investment objective is to ensure that funds are available to meet the plans' benefit obligations when they are due. The investment strategy is to invest in high quality and diversified equity and debt securities to achieve our long-term expectation. The plans' risk management practices provide guidance to the investment managers, including guidelines for asset concentration, credit rating, and liquidity. For those plan assets measured at NAV as defined below, a redemption request can be executed within a 7 -day notice. Asset allocation favors a balanced portfolio, with a global aggregated target allocation of approximately 47 % equity securities and 53 % fixed income securities and cash. Due to volatility in the market, the target allocation is not always desirable and asset allocations will fluctuate between acceptable ranges of plus or minus 5 %. We regularly review the investment allocations and periodically rebalance investments to the target allocations. We categorize our pension assets into three levels based upon the assumptions (inputs) used to price the assets. Level 1 provides the most reliable measure of fair value, whereas Level 3 generally requires significant management judgment. The three levels are defined as follows:

- Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets.
- Level 2: Observable inputs other than those included in Level 1. For example, quoted prices for similar assets in active markets or quoted prices for identical assets in inactive markets.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs reflecting assumptions about the inputs used in pricing the asset.

We did not maintain any level 3 assets during the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022. In accordance with ASU 2015-07, "Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820), Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities That Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or Its Equivalent)," certain investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value (NAV) per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient do not have to be classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in the following tables are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented for the total pension benefit plan assets.

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The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, pension plan assets at their fair value as of April 30:

	2023				2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	NAV	Total	Level 1	Level 2	NAV	Total
US Plan Assets								
Global Equity Securities:								
Limited Partnership		\$ 6,537	\$ 73,469	\$ 80,006	\$ 7,477		\$ 77,849	\$ 85,326
Fixed Income Securities:								
Commingled Trust Funds			106,601	106,601			119,129	119,129
Total Assets	\$ 6,537		\$ 180,070	\$ 186,607	\$ 7,477		\$ 196,978	\$ 204,455
Non-US Plan Assets								
Equity securities:								
US equities	\$ —	\$ 48,806		\$ 48,806	\$ —	\$ 48,443		\$ 48,443
Non-US equities	—	39,618		39,618	—	112,162		112,162
Balanced managed funds	—	58,036		58,036	—	94,623		94,623
Fixed income securities:								
Commingled funds	—	133,878		133,878	—	185,192		185,192
Other:								
Real estate/other	—	496		496	—	475		475
Cash and cash equivalents	1,902	19,319		21,221	1,338	26		1,364
Total Non-US plan assets	\$ 1,902	\$ 300,153	\$ —	\$ 302,055	\$ 1,338	\$ 440,921	\$ —	\$ 442,259
Total plan assets	\$ 1,902	\$ 306,690	\$ 180,070	\$ 488,662	\$ 8,815	\$ 440,921	\$ 196,978	\$ 646,714

Expected employer contributions to the defined benefit pension plans in the year ended April 30, 2024 will be approximately \$ 15.5 million, including \$ 11.8 million of minimum amounts required for our non-US plans. From time to time, we may elect to make voluntary contributions to our defined benefit plans to improve their funded status.

Benefit payments to retirees from all defined benefit plans are expected to be the following in the fiscal year indicated:

Fiscal Year	US	Non-US	Total
2024	\$ 15,889	\$ 11,986	\$ 27,875
2025	15,529	14,064	29,593
2026	15,333	13,124	28,457
2027	15,398	13,882	29,280
2028	15,482	14,485	29,967
2029–2033	76,729	86,148	162,877
Total	\$ 154,360	\$ 153,689	\$ 308,049

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Retiree Health Benefits

We provide contributory life insurance and health care benefits, subject to certain dollar limitations, for substantially all of our eligible retired US employees. The retiree health benefit is no longer available for any employee who retires after December 31, 2017. The cost of such benefits is expensed over the years the employee renders service and is not funded in advance. The accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation recognized on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position as of April 30, 2023 and 2022, was \$ 0.7 million and \$ 1.3 million, respectively. Annual credits for these plans were less than \$(0.1) million for the year ended April 30, 2023. Annual credits for these plans were \$(0.1) million for each of the years ended April 30, 2022 and 2021.

Defined Contribution Savings Plans

We have defined contribution savings plans. Our contribution is based on employee contributions and the level of our match. We may make discretionary contributions to all employees as a group. The expense recorded for these plans was approximately \$ 30.7 million, \$ 30.3 million, and \$ 24.3 million in the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively.

Note 18 – S tock-Based Compensation

The Company provides stock-based compensation to its employees and non-employee directors, which may include restricted stock units (RSUs), PSU, and stock options, (collectively, stock-based awards). All equity compensation plans have been approved by shareholders. On September 29, 2022, the Company's shareholders approved the 2022 Omnibus Stock and Long-Term Incentive Plan (the 2022 Plan), which replaced, with respect to new award grants, our 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan and 2018 Director Stock Plan (the Prior Plans) that were previously in effect. Following the approval of the 2022 Plan, no further awards were available to be issued under the Prior Plans, but awards outstanding under the Prior Plans as of that date remain outstanding in accordance with their terms. A total number of 6.2 million shares of our Class A stock was authorized under the 2022 Plan. In addition, any outstanding awards cancelled from the Prior Plans are added to the shares available under the 2022 Plan. As of April 30, 2023, there were approximately 6.3 million securities remaining available for future issuance under the 2022 Plan. We issue treasury shares to fund awards issued under the 2022 Plan.

Stock Option Activity

Under the terms of our stock option plan, the exercise price of stock options granted may not be less than 100 % of the fair market value of the stock at the date of grant. Options are exercisable over a maximum period of ten years from the date of grant.

Options Granted in Fiscal Years 2023 and 2022

During the year ended April 30, 2023, we granted 20,000 stock option awards to other leaders at fair market value on the date of grant. During the year ended April 30, 2022, we granted 300,000 stock option awards. The grants in the year ended April 30, 2022 included 260,000 stock options to our executive leadership team, at a grant price of \$ 63.07 , which was generally 10% above the fair market value at the time of grant, and 40,000 stock options granted to other leaders at fair market value on date of grant. For the options granted in the years ended April 30, 2023 and 2022, such options generally vest 10 %, 20 %, 30 %, and 40 % on April 30, or on each anniversary date after the award is granted. The following table provides the estimated weighted average fair value for options granted during the years ended April 30 using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, and the significant weighted average assumptions used in their determination.

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	2023	2022
Weighted average fair value of options on grant date	\$ 9.24	\$ 11.75
Weighted average assumptions:		
Expected life of options (years)	5.9	6.3
Risk-free interest rate	2.0 %	1.2 %
Expected volatility	32.4 %	30.7 %
Expected dividend yield	3.4 %	2.4 %
Fair value of common stock on grant date	\$ 41.30	\$ 56.51
Exercise price of stock option grant	\$ 41.30	\$ 61.84

Options Granted Prior to Fiscal Year 2022

Prior to the stock options granted in the year ended April 30, 2022, we did not grant any stock option awards since the year ended April 30, 2016. As of April 30, 2019, all outstanding options vested, allowing the participant the right to exercise their awards, and there was no unrecognized share-based compensation expense remaining related to these stock options.

The fair value of the options granted in the year ended April 30, 2016 was \$ 14.77 using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The significant weighted average assumptions used in the fair value determination was the expected life, which represented an estimate of the period of time stock options will be outstanding based on the historical exercise behavior of option recipients. The risk-free interest rate was based on the corresponding US Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of the grant. The expected volatility was based on the historical volatility of our Common Stock price over the estimated life of the option, while the dividend yield was based on the expected dividend payments to be made by us.

As of April 30, 2023, there was \$ 1.7 million of unrecognized share-based compensation cost related to options, which is expected to be recognized over a period up to 4 years, or 2.2 years on a weighted average basis.

A summary of the activity and status of our stock option plans follows during the year ended April 30, 2023:

	Number of Options (in 000's)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)
Outstanding at beginning of year	310	\$ 59.89		
Granted	20	\$ 41.30		
Exercised	(14)	\$ 39.53		
Expired or forfeited	(4)	\$ 48.06		
Outstanding at end of year	312	\$ 59.77	7.6	\$ —
Exercisable at end of year	103	\$ 60.49	6.1	\$ —
Vested and expected to vest in the future at April 30	302	\$ 60.18	7.6	\$ —

The intrinsic value is the difference between our common stock price and the option grant price. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 was \$ 0.1 million, \$ 0.4 million, and \$ 0.2 million, respectively. The total grant date fair value of stock options vested during the year ended April 30, 2023 and 2022 was \$ 0.5 million and \$ 1.3 million, respectively. As noted above, as of April 30, 2019, all outstanding stock options, prior to those granted in the year ended April 30, 2022 vested allowing the participant the right to exercise their awards.

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The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable at April 30, 2023:

Range of Exercise Prices	Options Outstanding			Options Exercisable	
	Number of Options (in 000's)	Weighted Average Remaining Term (in years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of Options (in 000's)	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$ 36.60 to \$ 39.53	13	7.7	\$ 37.26	3	\$ 39.53
\$ 45.99 to \$ 53.79	40	8.7	\$ 51.43	3	\$ 53.24
\$ 55.62 to \$ 63.07	259	7.5	\$ 62.17	97	\$ 61.34
Total/average	312	7.6	\$ 59.77	103	\$ 60.49

Performance-Based and Other Restricted Stock Activity

Under the terms of our long-term incentive plans, performance-based restricted unit awards are payable in restricted shares of our Class A Common Stock upon the achievement of certain three-year or less financial performance-based targets. During each three-year period or less, we adjust compensation expense based upon our best estimate of expected performance. Beginning in the year ended April 30, 2018, restricted performance share units vest 100 % on June 30 following the end of the three-year performance cycle.

We may also grant individual restricted unit awards payable in restricted shares of our Class A Common Stock to key employees in connection with their employment. Starting with the year ended April 30, 2016 grants, restricted shares generally vest ratably 25 % per year.

Under certain circumstances relating to a change of control or termination, as defined, the restrictions would lapse and shares would vest earlier.

Activity for performance-based and other restricted stock awards during the years ended April 30, was as follows (shares in thousands):

	2023		2022		2021
	Restricted Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Value	Restricted Shares	Restricted Shares	Restricted Shares
Nonvested shares at beginning of year	1,274	\$ 49.17	1,280		943
Granted	540	\$ 45.23	658		706
Change in shares due to performance	(44)	\$ 43.29	(3)		118
Vested and issued	(544)	\$ 47.27	(432)		(362)
Forfeited	(153)	\$ 48.39	(229)		(125)
Nonvested shares at end of year	1,073	\$ 48.49	1,274		1,280

For the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021, we recognized stock-based compensation expense (including stock options), on a pretax basis, of \$ 26.5 million, \$ 25.7 million and \$ 22.0 million, respectively.

As of April 30, 2023, there was \$ 30.7 million of unrecognized share-based compensation cost related to performance-based and other restricted stock awards, which is expected to be recognized over a period up to 4 , or 2.3 on a weighted average basis.

Compensation expense for restricted stock awards is measured using the closing market price of our Class A Common Stock at the date of grant. The total grant date value of shares vested during the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 was \$ 25.7 million, \$ 22.0 million, and \$ 17.6 million, respectively.

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President and CEO New Hire Equity Awards

On October 17, 2017, we announced Brian A. Napack as the new President and Chief Executive Officer of Wiley effective December 4, 2017 (the Commencement Date). Upon the Commencement Date, Mr. Napack also became a member of our Board of Directors. In connection with his appointment, Wiley and Mr. Napack entered into an employment offer letter (the Employment Agreement).

The Employment Agreement provides that beginning with the year ended April 30, 2018–2020 performance cycle, eligibility to participate in annual grants under our Executive Long-Term Incentive Program (ELTIP). Targeted long-term incentive for this cycle was equal to 300 % of base salary, or \$ 2.7 million. Sixty percent of the ELTIP value was delivered in the form of target performance share units and forty percent in restricted share units. The grant date fair value for restricted share units was \$ 59.15 per share and included 20,611 restricted share units, which vested 25 % each year starting on April 30, 2018 to April 30, 2021. In addition, there was a performance share unit award with a target of 30,916 units and a grant date fair value of \$ 59.15 . The performance metrics were based on cumulative EBITDA for the year ended April 30, 2018–2020 and cumulative normalized free cash flow for the year ended April 30, 2018–2020.

In addition, the Employment Agreement provided for a sign-on grant of restricted share units, with a grant value of \$ 4.0 million, converted to shares using our Class A closing stock price as of the Commencement Date, and vesting in two equal installments on the first and second anniversaries of the employment date. The grant date fair value for this award was \$ 59.15 per share and included 67,625 units at the date of grant. Grants were subject to forfeiture in the case of voluntary termination prior to vesting and accelerated vesting in the case of earlier termination of employment without Cause, due to death or Disability or Constructive Discharge, or upon a Change in Control (as such terms are defined in the Employment Agreement).

Director Stock Awards

On September 29, 2022, the Company's shareholders approved the 2022 Plan, which replaced, with respect to new award grants, the 2018 Director Stock Plan (the 2018 Plan) that was previously in effect. Under the terms of the 2022 Plan, each nonemployee director is eligible to receive an annual award of restricted shares of our Class A Common Stock equal in value to 100 % of the annual director stock retainer fee, based on the stock price at the close of the New York Stock Exchange on the date of grant. Such restricted shares will vest on the earliest of (i) the day before the next annual meeting of stockholders following the grant, (ii) the nonemployee director's death or disability (as determined by the Governance Committee of the Board of Directors (Governance Committee)), or (iii) a change in control (as defined in the 2022 Plan). The granted shares may not be sold or transferred during the time the nonemployee director remains a director. There were 30,706 , 18,384 , and 28,360 restricted shares awarded under the 2022 Plan, or the 2018 Plan, as the case may be, for the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively. In addition, pursuant to the John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors' 2005 & After Compensation, as amended through September 20, 2022 (Deferred Compensation Plan), each nonemployee director has the option of receiving all or part of the annual retainer in the form of deferred stock and receive dividends in the form of deferred stock. The annual retainers deferred as stock and the dividends received in the form of deferred stock, all pursuant to the Deferred Compensation Plan, are nominal.

Note 19 – Capital Stock and Changes in Capital Accounts

Each share of our Class B Common Stock is convertible into one share of Class A Common Stock. The holders of Class A stock are entitled to elect 30 % of the entire Board of Directors and the holders of Class B stock are entitled to elect the remainder. On all other matters, each share of Class A stock is entitled to one tenth of one vote and each share of Class B stock is entitled to one vote.

Share Repurchases

During the year ended April 30, 2020, our Board of Directors approved an additional share repurchase program of \$ 200 million of Class A or B Common Stock. As of April 30, 2023, we had authorization from our Board of Directors to purchase up to \$ 162.5 million that was remaining under this program.

The share repurchase program described above is in addition to the share repurchase program approved by our Board of

Directors during the year ended April 30, 2017 of four million shares of Class A or B Common Stock. As of April 30, 2022, no additional shares were remaining under this program for purchase.

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The following table summarizes the share repurchases of Class A and B Common Stock during the years ended April 30 (shares in thousands):

	2023	2022	2021
Shares repurchased – Class A	831	542	308
Shares repurchased – Class B	1	2	2
Average price – Class A and Class B	\$ 42.07	\$ 55.14	\$ 50.93

Dividends

The following table summarizes the cash dividends paid during the year ended April 30, 2023:

Date of Declaration by Board of Directors	Quarterly Cash Dividend	Total Dividend	Class of Common Stock	Dividend Paid Date	Shareholders of Record as of Date
June 22, 2022	\$ 0.3475 per common share	\$ 19.4 million	Class A and Class B	July 20, 2022	July 6, 2022
September 29, 2022	\$ 0.3475 per common share	\$ 19.3 million	Class A and Class B	October 26, 2022	October 11, 2022
December 15, 2022	\$ 0.3475 per common share	\$ 19.3 million	Class A and Class B	January 11, 2023	December 27, 2022
March 29, 2023	\$ 0.3475 per common share	\$ 19.2 million	Class A and Class B	April 25, 2023	April 11, 2023

Changes in Common Stock

The following is a summary of changes during the years ended April 30, in shares of our common stock and common stock in treasury (shares in thousands).

Changes in Class A Common Stock:	2023	2022	2021
Number of shares, beginning of year	70,226	70,208	70,166
Common stock class conversions	5	18	42
Number of shares issued, end of year	70,231	70,226	70,208

Changes in Class A Common Stock in treasury:			
Number of shares held, beginning of year	23,515	23,419	23,405
Purchases of treasury shares	831	542	308
Restricted shares issued under stock-based compensation plans – non-PSU Awards	(394)	(323)	(268)
Restricted shares issued under stock-based compensation plans – PSU Awards	(150)	(108)	(88)
Shares issued to directors	—	(2)	(6)
Restricted shares issued from exercise of stock options	(14)	(49)	(60)
Shares issued related to the acquisition of a business	—	(129)	—
Shares withheld for taxes	195	167	129
Other	—	(2)	(1)
Number of shares held, end of year	23,983	23,515	23,419
Number of Class A Common Stock outstanding, end of year	46,248	46,711	46,789

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Changes in Class B Common Stock:	2023	2022	2021
Number of shares, beginning of year	12,956	12,974	13,016
Common stock class conversions	(5)	(18)	(42)
Number of shares issued, end of year	12,951	12,956	12,974

Changes in Class B Common Stock in treasury:			
Number of shares held, beginning of year	3,924	3,922	3,920
Purchases of treasury shares	1	2	2
Number of shares held, end of year	3,925	3,924	3,922
Number of Class B Common Stock outstanding, end of year	9,026	9,032	9,052

Warrants

In connection with the acquisition of The Learning House, Inc. on November 1, 2018, a portion of the fair value of the consideration transferred was \$ 0.6 million of warrants. The warrants were classified as equity and allowed the holder to purchase 400,000 shares of our Class A Common Stock at an exercise price of \$ 90.00 , subject to adjustments. The term of the warrants was three years and expired on November 1, 2021. The fair value of the warrants was determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model.

Note 20 – Segment Information

We have reorganized our Education lines of business into two new customer-centric segments. The Academic segment addresses the university customer group and includes Academic Publishing and University Services. The Talent segment addresses the corporate customer group and will be focused on delivering training, sourcing, and upskilling solutions. Prior period segment results have been revised to the new segment presentation. There were no changes to our consolidated financial results. Our new segment reporting structure consists of three reportable segments, which are listed below, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments:

- Research includes Research Publishing and Research Solutions. No changes were made as a result of this realignment;
- Academic includes the Academic Publishing and University Services lines. Academic Publishing is the combination of the former Education Publishing line and professional publishing offerings;
- Talent is the combination of the former Talent Development line, and our assessments (corporate training) and corporate learning offerings.

We report our segment information in accordance with the provisions of ASC Topic 280, "Segment Reporting." These segments reflect the way our chief operating decision maker evaluates our business performance and manages the operations. The performance metric used by our chief operating decision maker to evaluate performance of our reportable segments is Adjusted Contribution to Profit.

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Segment information is as follows:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Revenue:			
Research	\$ 1,080,311	\$ 1,111,343	\$ 1,015,349
Academic	690,408	759,112	769,014
Talent	249,181	212,473	157,138
Total revenue	\$ 2,019,900	\$ 2,082,928	\$ 1,941,501
Adjusted Contribution to Profit:			
Research	\$ 283,984	\$ 295,227	\$ 273,023
Academic	68,279	91,247	117,005
Talent ⁽¹⁾	33,007	23,959	(4,154)
Total adjusted contribution to profit	\$ 385,270	\$ 410,433	\$ 385,874
Adjusted corporate contribution to profit	(171,926)	(192,584)	(167,053)
Total adjusted operating income	\$ 213,344	\$ 217,849	\$ 218,821
Depreciation and Amortization:			
Research	\$ 93,008	\$ 94,899	\$ 83,866
Academic	79,741	81,721	77,823
Talent ⁽¹⁾	24,042	21,997	23,828
Total depreciation and amortization	\$ 196,791	\$ 198,617	\$ 185,517
Corporate depreciation and amortization	16,462	16,553	14,672
Total depreciation and amortization	\$ 213,253	\$ 215,170	\$ 200,189

- (1) On January 1, 2020, Wiley acquired mthree, a talent placement provider that addresses the IT skills gap by finding, training, and placing job-ready technology talent in roles with leading corporations worldwide. Its results of operations are included in our Talent segment. In late May 2022, Wiley renamed the mthree talent development solution to Wiley Edge and discontinued use of the mthree trademark during the three months ended July 31, 2022. As a result of these actions, we determined that a revision of the useful life was warranted and the intangible asset was fully amortized over its remaining useful life resulting in accelerated amortization expense of \$ 4.6 million in the three months ended July 31, 2022. This amortization expense was an adjustment to the Talent Adjusted contribution to profit. In addition, it was included in Depreciation and amortization in the table above for segment reporting.

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The following table shows a reconciliation of our consolidated US GAAP Operating Income to Non-GAAP Adjusted Operating Income:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
US GAAP Operating Income	\$ 55,890	\$ 219,276	\$ 185,511
Adjustments:			
Restructuring and related charges (credits) ⁽¹⁾	49,389	(1,427)	33,310
Impairment of goodwill ⁽¹⁾	99,800	—	—
Legal settlement ⁽²⁾	3,671	—	—
Accelerated amortization of an intangible asset ⁽³⁾	4,594	—	—
Non-GAAP Adjusted Operating Income	\$ 213,344	\$ 217,849	\$ 218,821

- (1) See Note 7, "Restructuring and Related Charges (Credits)" and Note 11, "Goodwill and Intangible Assets" for these charges by segment.
- (2) In the three months ended January 31, 2023, we settled a litigation matter related to consideration for a previous acquisition for \$ 3.7 million which is included in our Corporate category.
- (3) As described above, this accelerated amortization relates to the mthree trademark.

See Note 3, "Revenue Recognition, Contracts with Customers," for revenue from contracts with customers disaggregated by segment and product type for the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021.

The following tables show assets allocated by reportable segment and by the corporate category as of April 30 as follows:

	2023	2022
Research	\$ 1,521,450	\$ 1,593,297
Academic	870,586	1,023,887
Talent	394,866	413,137
Corporate	321,908	331,374
Total	\$ 3,108,810	\$ 3,361,695

The following tables show product development spending and additions to technology, property, and equipment by reportable segment and by the corporate category:

	For the Years Ended April 30,		
	2023	2022	2021
Research	\$ (29,424)	\$ (30,139)	\$ (24,284)
Academic	(39,069)	(43,580)	(36,831)
Talent	(5,865)	(7,810)	(8,515)
Corporate	(29,755)	(34,329)	(33,731)
Total	\$ (104,113)	\$ (115,858)	\$ (103,361)

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Revenue for the years ended April 30 from external customers is based on the location of the customer, and technology, property and equipment, net by geographic area as of April 30 were as follows:

	Revenue, net			Technology, Property, and Equipment, Net		
	2023	2022	2021	2023	2022	2021
United States	\$ 995,918	\$ 1,011,716	\$ 990,499	\$ 210,547	\$ 232,824	\$ 241,217
China	150,939	140,323	92,305	1,905	2,609	567
United Kingdom	150,601	164,205	145,806	19,664	19,260	19,436
Japan	89,084	94,040	91,957	675	807	234
Canada	83,039	80,640	67,635	61	194	1,067
Australia	79,802	80,993	57,569	196	476	890
Germany	59,867	75,805	78,035	8,333	7,267	8,459
India	43,505	38,279	32,228	814	984	1,012
France	34,260	43,007	45,681	1,977	3,284	4,329
Other Countries	332,885	353,920	339,786	2,977	3,867	5,059
Total	\$ 2,019,900	\$ 2,082,928	\$ 1,941,501	\$ 247,149	\$ 271,572	\$ 282,270

Note 21 – Subsequent Events

Fiscal Year 2024 Dispositions, Segment Realignment, and Restructuring

On June 1, 2023, Wiley's Board of Directors approved a plan to dispose of certain education businesses. Those businesses are University Services (formerly Online Program Management) in our Academic segment, and Wiley Edge (formerly Talent Development) and CrossKnowledge in our Talent segment. These dispositions are expected to be completed in fiscal year 2024, and will be reported as held for sale in the first quarter of fiscal year 2024. In fiscal year 2023, these businesses, combined with the two dispositions disclosed in Note 4, "Acquisitions and Divestitures" generated approximately \$ 393 million of revenue (approximately 19 % of our consolidated revenue) and \$ 43 million of Adjusted EBITDA (approximately 10 % of our consolidated Adjusted EBITDA). We are evaluating the financial statement impact of these planned dispositions.

During fiscal year 2024, it is anticipated that additional restructuring actions will be undertaken to rightsize the Company's expenses. The timing of much of these restructuring actions will be influenced by the completion of the dispositions. The amount of such charges has not yet been determined.

In the first quarter of fiscal year 2024, we are realigning our segments. Our new segment structure will consist of two reportable segments which includes (1) Research (no change) and (2) Learning, as well as a Corporate expense category (no change), which includes certain costs that are not allocated to the reportable segments. Research will continue to have reporting lines of Research Publishing and Research Solutions. Learning will include reporting lines of Academic (education publishing) and Professional (professional publishing and assessments).

Dividend

On June 26, 2023, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$ 0.3500 per share, or approximately \$ 19.3 million, on our Class A and Class B Common Stock. The dividend is payable on July 20, 2023 to shareholders of record on July 6, 2023.

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Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures: The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, together with the Chief Accounting Officer and other members of the Company's management, have conducted an evaluation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on this evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms and (ii) accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2023 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting: Our Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act. Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based upon the framework in Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on their evaluation, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of April 30, 2023.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of April 30, 2023 has been audited by KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which is included herein.

Item 9B. Other Information

None.

Item 9C. Disclosure Regarding Foreign Jurisdictions that Prevent Inspections

Not applicable.

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PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Certain information about our Executive Officers is reported under the caption "Information About Our Executive Officers" in Part I of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The following information will be included in the Company's Proxy Statement for our 2023 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be filed within 120 days of the Company's fiscal year end of April 30, 2023 (2023 Proxy Statement) and is incorporated herein by reference.

- Information about our directors who are standing for reelection and any persons nominated to become directors of the Company is contained under the caption "Election of Director Nominees".
- Information regarding compliance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is incorporated herein by reference to the information set forth under the caption "Delinquent Section 16(a) Reports".
- Information concerning the Company's committees of the Board of Directors, including the audit committee and designated financial experts is contained under the captions "Report of the Audit Committee" and "Committees of the Board of Directors and Certain Other Information concerning the Board".
- Information concerning the Company's code of business conduct and ethics for directors, officers and employees, also known as the "Business Conduct and Ethics Policy" and the "Code of Ethics Policy for Senior Financial Officers" and on Company's "Corporate Governance Principles" are set forth under "Corporate Governance—Key Corporate Governance Documents." All of these documents are publicly available on the Company's Corporate Governance website at <https://www.wiley.com/en-us/corporategovernance>.

Item 11. Executive Compensation

The Information required by this item will be included in the 2023 Proxy Statement under the headers "Directors' Compensation," "Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation," and "Executive Compensation," respectively, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The following information required in this item will be included under the Ownership of Common Stock section in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

- Information on the beneficial ownership reporting for the directors and executive officers is contained under the caption "Stock Ownership of Officers and Directors."
- Information on the beneficial ownership reporting for all other shareholders that own 5% or more of the Company's Class A or Class B Common Stock is contained under the caption "Stock Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners."

The following table summarizes the Company's equity compensation plan information as of April 30, 2023:

Plan Category	Number of Securities to Be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights ⁽¹⁾	Weighted Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans ⁽²⁾
Equity compensation plans approved by shareholders	1,385,361	\$ 59.77	6,279,259

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(1) This amount includes the following awards issued under the 2022 Plan and Prior Plans:

- 312,509 shares issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options with a weighted average exercise price of \$59.77.
- 1,072,852 non-vested performance-based and other restricted stock awards. Since these awards have no exercise price, they are not included in the weighted average exercise price calculation.

(2) Per the terms of the 2022 Plan, a total of 6,200,000 shares shall be authorized for awards granted under the 2022 Plan, less one (1) share for every one (1) share that was subject to an award granted under a Prior Plan after July 13, 2022 and prior to the approval of the 2022 Plan on September 29, 2022 (Effective Date). In addition, after July 13, 2022, if any shares subject to an award under any Prior Plans are forfeited or an award under any Prior Plans expires or is settled for cash, then in each such case the shares subject to such Award or award under any Prior Plan shall be added to the shares available for awards under the Plan, on a one-for-one-basis. After the Effective Date of the 2022 Plan, no awards may be granted under any Prior Plan.

All of the Company's equity compensation plans are approved by shareholders.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

Information on related party transactions and the policies and procedures for reviewing and approving related party transactions will be contained under the caption "Transactions with Related Persons" within the "Corporate Governance" section of the 2023 Proxy Statement and are incorporated herein by reference.

Information on director independence will be contained under the caption "Director Independence" within the "Corporate Governance" section of the 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

Our independent registered public accounting firm is KPMG LLP, New York, NY, Auditor ID: 185

Information required by this item will be contained in the 2023 Proxy Statement under the captions "Audit Committee Matters" and "Audit Committee Report" and is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) Documents filed as a part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:

(1) Financial Statements

See Index to Consolidated Financial Statements and Schedule of this Annual Report on Form 10-K in Part II Item 8.

(2) Financial Statement Schedule

See Schedule II - Valuation and Qualifying Accounts and Reserves - Years Ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The other schedules are omitted as they are not applicable, or the amounts involved are not material.

(3) Exhibits

Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws

- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. July 1, 1992 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2022).
- 3.2 Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 1992).

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- 3.3 Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation dated October 13, 1995 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 1996).
- 3.4 Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation dated as of September 1998 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 1998).
- 3.5 Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation dated as of September 1999 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 1999).
- 3.6 Amended and Restated By-Laws dated as of September 2007 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2018).

Instruments Defining the Rights of Security Holders, Including Indentures

- 4.1 Description of Securities Registered under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A (Amendment No. 1) for the year ended April 30, 2020).

Material Contracts

- 10.1 Form of the Fiscal Year 2023 Executive Annual Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2022). •
- 10.2 Form of the Fiscal Year 2023 Executive Long Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2022). •
- 10.3 Restricted Share Unit Grant Agreement Under the Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, Under the Business Officer Equity Program Pursuant to the 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2022). •
- 10.4 Performance Share Unit Grant Agreement Under the Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, Under the Business Officer Equity Program Pursuant to the 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2022). •
- 10.5 2018 Director Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2019). •
- 10.6 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 2022 Omnibus Stock Plan and Long-Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 2022). •
- 10.7 Amended 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 2014). •
- 10.8 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Director Restricted Share Unit Grant Agreement (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 2022). •
- 10.9 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors' 2005 & After Compensation Amended and Restated as of September 29, 2022 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 2022). •
- 10.10 Second Amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2022, among John Wiley & Sons, Inc., John Wiley & Sons Limited, J Wiley Limited, Wiley Europe Investment Holdings Limited, and Wiley-VCH GmbH, as borrowers, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swing Line Lender, and the other Lenders party thereto, which amends the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of May 30, 2019 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated as of December 6, 2022).

- 10.11 Revised as of November 30, 2022 Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, among John Wiley & Sons, Inc., John Wiley & Sons Limited, J Wiley Limited, Wiley Europe Investment Holdings Limited, and Wiley-VCH GmbH, as borrowers, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swing Line Lender, and the other Lenders party thereto, which amends the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of May 30, 2019 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated as December 6, 2022).
- 10.12 Agreement of the Lease dated as of July 14, 2014 between Hub Properties Trust as Landlord, an independent third party, and John Wiley & Sons, Inc as Tenant (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2014).
- 10.13 2014 Executive Annual Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 2014). •
- 10.14 Form of the Fiscal Year 2022 Executive Long Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.15 Form of the Fiscal Year 2022 Restricted Share Unit Grant Agreement under the Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, under the Business Officer Equity Program, Pursuant to the 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2021). •
- 10.16 Form of the Fiscal Year 2022 Performance Share Unit Grant Agreement, under the Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, Under the Business Officer Equity Program Pursuant to the 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2021). •
- 10.17 Form of the Fiscal Year 2022 Non-Qualified Premium Stock Option Grant Agreement Pursuant to the 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended July 31, 2021). •
- 10.18 Form of the Fiscal Year 2021 Executive Long Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended January 31, 2021). •
- 10.19 Form of the Fiscal Year 2021 Restricted Share Unit Grant Agreement under the Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, under the Business Officer Equity Program, Pursuant to the 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended July 31, 2020). •
- 10.20 Form of the Fiscal Year 2021 Performance Share Unit Grant Agreement, Under the Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, Under the Business Officer Equity Program Pursuant to the 2014 Key Employee Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended January 31, 2021). •
- 10.21 Employment Letter dated October 12, 2017 between Brian A. Napack, President and Chief Executive Officer, and the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended October 31, 2017). •
- 10.22 Employment Letter dated February 5, 2019 between Matthew Kissner, Group Executive, and the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 7, 2019). •
- 10.23 Separation and Release Agreement, dated June 11, 2021 between Matthew S. Kissner, Group Executive Vice President, and the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 17, 2021). •
- 10.24 Transition and Consulting Agreement, dated June 15, 2021 between Matthew S. Kissner, Group Executive Vice President, and the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 17, 2021). •
- 10.25 Employment Letter dated April 20, 2018 between Aref Matin, Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, and the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended July 31, 2020). •

- 10.26 Senior Executive Employment Agreement dated as of October 25, 2021 between Christina Van Tassell and the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated as of October 28, 2021). •
- 10.27 Employment Agreement dated August 7, 2020 between Todd Zipper, Executive Vice President & General Manager, Education Services and the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 2021). •
- 10.28* Employment Agreement dated August 18, 2018 between Matthew Leavy, Senior Vice President, Business Development and the Company. •
- 10.29 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan as Amended and Restated effective as of January 1, 2014 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.30 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Supplemental Benefit Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2014 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.31 Deferred Compensation Plan of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. as Amended and Restated Effective as of January 1, 2016 including amendments through December 31, 2016 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.32 Amendment to the Deferred Compensation Plan of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. effective January 1, 2020 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.33 Amendment to the Deferred Compensation Plan of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. effective January 1, 2022 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended January 31, 2022). •
- 10.34 Amendment to the Employees' Retirement Plan of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. effective October 1, 2016 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.35 Amendment to the Employees' Retirement Plan of John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (IRS model 436 provisions) (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.36 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Employees' Savings Plan Amended and Restated Effective July 1, 2013 including amendments through January 1, 2014 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.37 Amendment to the John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Employees' Savings Plan approved December 19, 2018 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.38 Amendment to the John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Employees' Savings Plan approved September 26, 2019 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.39 Amendment to the John Wiley & Sons, inc. Employees' Savings Plan effective January 1, 2020 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.40 Amendment to the John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Employees' Savings Plan effective September 1, 2020 and January 1, 2021 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2021). •
- 10.41 Amendment to the John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Employees' Savings Plan effective January 1, 2022 (incorporated by reference to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended January 31, 2022). •

Subsidiaries

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21* List of Subsidiaries of the Company.

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

23* Consent of KPMG LLP.

Certifications Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

31.1* Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

31.2* Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

Certifications Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

32.1** Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

32.2** Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

Inline XBRL

101.INS* Inline XBRL Instance Document (the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

101.SCH* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.

101.CAL* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.

101.DEF* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.

101.LAB* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.

101.PRE* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101).

* Filed herewith

** Furnished herewith

● Indicates management compensatory plan, contract, or arrangement

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Item 16. Form 10-K Summary

Not applicable.

(2) Financial Statement Schedule

Schedule II

**JOHN WILEY & SONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED APRIL 30, 2023, 2022, AND 2021
(Dollars in thousands)**

Description	Balance at Beginning of Period	Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principle ⁽¹⁾	Charged to Expenses	Deductions From Reserves and Other ⁽²⁾	Balance at End of Period
Year Ended April 30, 2023					
Allowance for sales returns ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 19,422	\$ —	\$ 24,439	\$ 29,442	\$ 14,419
Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 21,221	\$ —	\$ 347	\$ 2,906	\$ 18,662
Allowance for inventory obsolescence	\$ 11,219	\$ —	\$ 7,222	\$ 5,451	\$ 12,990
Valuation allowance on deferred tax assets ⁽³⁾	\$ 30,000	\$ —	\$ (4,037)	\$ (1,485)	\$ 27,448
Year Ended April 30, 2022					
Allowance for sales returns ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 22,199	\$ —	\$ 29,191	\$ 31,968	\$ 19,422
Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 21,474	\$ —	\$ 4,029	\$ 4,282	\$ 21,221
Allowance for inventory obsolescence	\$ 13,970	\$ —	\$ 6,786	\$ 9,537	\$ 11,219
Valuation allowance on deferred tax assets ⁽³⁾	\$ 4,855	\$ —	\$ 230	\$ (24,915)	\$ 30,000
Year Ended April 30, 2021					
Allowance for sales returns ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 19,642	\$ —	\$ 36,997	\$ 34,440	\$ 22,199
Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 18,335	\$ 1,776	\$ 6,957	\$ 5,594	\$ 21,474
Allowance for inventory obsolescence	\$ 16,067	\$ —	\$ 9,236	\$ 11,333	\$ 13,970
Valuation allowance on deferred tax assets ⁽³⁾	\$ 23,287	\$ —	\$ 3,213	\$ 21,645	\$ 4,855

- (1) See Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Recently Issued, and Recently Adopted Accounting Standards" of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of this Annual Report on Form 10-K regarding the adoption of ASU 2016-13, "Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326), Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments." We adopted the new standard on May 1, 2020, with a cumulative effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the year of adoption.
- (2) Deductions From Reserves and Other for the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 include foreign exchange translation adjustments. Included in Allowance for doubtful accounts are accounts written off, less recoveries. Included in Allowance for inventory obsolescence are items removed from inventory.
- (3) Included in Valuation allowance on deferred tax assets for the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 are valuation allowances related to, and required with respect to, foreign tax credits generated by tax reform enacted in December 2017. In connection with a 5-year loss carryback and a subsequent audit, certain foreign tax credits requiring a valuation allowance were reinstated.

- (4) Allowance for sales returns represents anticipated returns net of a recovery of inventory and royalty costs. The provision is reported as a reduction of gross sales to arrive at revenue and the reserve balance is reported as an increase in Contract liabilities with a corresponding increase in Inventories, net and a reduction in Accrued royalties for the years ended April 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

JOHN WILEY & SONS, INC.
(Company)

Dated: June 26, 2023

By: /s/ Brian A. Napack
Brian A. Napack
President and Chief Executive 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 Company and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signatures</u>	<u>Titles</u>	<u>Dated</u>
<u>/s/ Brian A. Napack</u> Brian A. Napack	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Christina Van Tassell</u> Christina Van Tassell	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Christopher F. Caridi</u> Christopher F. Caridi	Senior Vice President, Global Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Jesse C. Wiley</u> Jesse C. Wiley	Chairman of the Board	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Mari J. Baker</u> Mari J. Baker	Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ George D. Bell</u> George D. Bell	Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Beth A. Birnbaum</u> Beth A. Birnbaum	Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ David C. Dobson</u> David C. Dobson	Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Brian O. Hemphill</u> Brian O. Hemphill	Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Laurie A. Leshin</u> Laurie A. Leshin	Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Raymond W. McDaniel, Jr.</u> Raymond W. McDaniel, Jr.	Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ William J. Pesce</u> William J. Pesce	Director	June 26, 2023
<u>/s/ Inder Singh</u> Inder Singh	Director	June 26, 2023