To the extent that it is available, STORES gathers performance data from the annual reports of publicly traded retail companies. For some Top 100 companies, STORES has made sales estimates, which are indicated on the charts.

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1	Wal-Mart	Bentonville, Ark.	\$378,799,000	8.6%	\$12,731,000	12.8%	7,262	7.1%
	Consumer uncertainty, rising price leadership strategy	commodity prices, cloud	dy - if not contradictor	ry - economic fo	orecasts play to Wal	-Mart's strengt	h, including	its
2	Home Depot	Atlanta	77,349,000	-2.1	4,395,000	-23.7	2,234	4.1
	Has already taken a \$586 mi and store improvements	llion charge this year an	d will close 15 stores	, yet CEO Blak	e is planning ahead,	plowing mone	y into new s	ystems
3	CVS Caremark	Woonsocket, R.I.	76,329,500	74.2	2,622,800	93.6	6,301	1.5
	Merger costs have already st this year	hown up while the integr	ation benefits are tak	ring a little long	er; stores showing n	ice same-store	increases s	so far
4	Kroger	Cincinnati	70,235,000	6.2	1,180,500	5.9	3,662	0.1
	Makes particularly good use marketing specialist Dunnhui		noppers with promotic	ons, says Wall	Street analysts, and	benefits from	advice from	relevance
5	Costco	Issaquah, Wash.	64,400,155	7.1	1,082,772	-1.9	520	6.6
	Has been used as anchor te bargains	nant in shopping center	s abandoned by dep	artment stores	; fuel centers drawi	ng traffic en ro	ute to warel	house
6	Target	Minneapolis	63,367,000	6.5	2,849,000	2.2	1,591	7.0
	Target president Gregg Stei last resort"	nhafel admits the comp	any is "seeing more	inflation," but	says passing along	price increase	es will be "a	matter of
7	Walgreen	Deerfield, III.	53,762,000	13.4	2,041,300	16.6	5,997	9.8
	Willing to experiment: launch in-store clinics	ed Casual Gear clothing	collection; also acqu	uired specialty p	oharmacies, health s	services provid	ers and is o <sub>l</sub>	pening
8	Sears Holdings	Hoffman Estates, III.	50,703,000	-4.4	826,000	-44.6	3,800	0.0
	Hasn't turned corner yet, but yet to pay off	not for lack of trying diff	erent things; national	economy hasn	i't helped, but many	of the compan	y's maneuve	ers have
9	Lowe's	Mooresville, N.C.	48,283,000	2.9	2,809,000	-9.5	1,525	10.9
	Like rival Home Depot, Lowe greater Toronto	's is slowing expansion i	by delaying openings	of 20 stores, th	hough it did move in	to Canada with	three units	in
10	SUPERVALU	Eden Prairie, Minn.	44,048,000	17.8	593,000	31.2	2,474	-0.2
	Rolling out private-label Wild to 250-300 items	Harvest organic and na	tural foods to all divis	ions, priced 15	% under similar nan	ne brands; line	pegged to g	row
11	Safeway	Pleasanton, Calif.	42,286,000	5.2	888,400	2.0	1,743	-1.0
	Capital spending of more that testing stage	an \$1.7 billion this year	includes 20-25 new l	Lifestyle stores	s, 250-255 retrofits p	olus c-store-siz	ed format ir	1
<b>12</b>	Best Buy	Minneapolis	40,023,000	11.4	1,407,000	2.2	1,314	11.3
	With strong foothold in China 11 countries	, Best Buy jumped into I	Europe with May dea	l to partner with	Carphone Wareho	use, operator o	f 2,200 store	es in
13	Macy's	Cincinnati	26,313,000	-2.4	893,000	-10.3	853	-37.3
	With more demanding and di in every store	scriminating consumers	, surviving takes cons	stant innovation	and localization; pl	ans proceed to	put an FAO	Schwarz
14		Camp Hill, Pa.	24,326,846	39.8	(1,078,990)	N.A.	5,029	51.0
	Increased in size by more the raises concerns	an 50% and nearing end	of integrating former	Eckerd/Brooks	s Pharmacy units, bu	ut highly levera	ged position	
15	Publix	Lakeland, Fla.	23,000,000	6.0	1,200,000	9.1	928	3.3
	Charlie Jenkins, 68-year-old count and profits	nephew of founder Geo	ge W. Jenkins, stepp	oed down earlie	r this year; oversaw	period of grow	rth in both st	ore
16	McDonald's	Oak Brook, III.	22,786,600	9.1	2,395,100	-32.4	31,377	1.1
	Shed Boston Market and fine in the coffee wars	-tuned operations from	Europe to China; wor	n kids' vote in U	I.S. and now vying w	vith Starbucks	and Dunkin'	Donuts
17	Ahold USA (e)	Chantilly, Va.	21,000,000	-12.5	N.A.	N.A.	830	0.4
	Price-cutting is in at Stop & departments	Shop, Giant et al. as Si	KUs are also reduce	d; remodels in	clude upgrading pro	oduce and oth	er perishabl	es
18	JCPenney	Plano, Texas	19,860,000	-0.2	1,111,000	-3.6	1,067	3.3
_	JCP has "excellent financial t this period	lexibility," says top man	Myron Ullman, and ri	ivals include "10	0 to 20 companies [t	hat will] find it	difficult" to g	et through
19	Staples	Framingham, Mass.	19,372,682	6.7	995,670	2.3	2,000	5.3
_	With U.S. growth stymied by supplier Corporate Express	Federal Trade Commiss	ion concerns, Staple	s made sweete	er bids until deal was	was sealed fo	r Dutch offic	e goods
20	TJX	Framingham, Mass.	18,647,126	7.1	771,750	4.6	2,563	3.9
	Still shaking off after-effects of	of security breach in its a	payment card technol	logy system: sta	arted '08 with positiv	e same-store i	esults in all	

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Meijer (#28) touts its environmentally-friendly natural and organic credentials while expanding to nine new locations this year

Rank	Company Comment	Headquarters	2007 Revenues (000)	Y/Y Change	2007 Earnings (000)	Y/Y Change	No. of Stores	Y/Y Change
24	Delhaize America <sup>(e)</sup>	Salisbury, N.C.	\$18,200,000	5.5%	N.A.	N.A.	1,585	2.7%
<b>4</b> I	Hannaford's data security bi Sweetbay chain	• *						
22	Kohl's Times are tough when Kohl's Channel	Menomonee Falls, Wis cuts store openings to 2		5.6 112 in '07; diffei	1,083,900 rentiating with Vera	-2.2 Wang, Bobby F	929 Flay, Fila Spo	13.7 ort and Food
23	<b>Gap</b> New CEO Glenn Murphy triestion	San Francisco s righting ship that has to	15,763,000 ended to list under fo	-1.0 rmer skippers;	833,000 Banana Republic la	7.1 unches standa	3,167 Ione BR Mor	1.1 nogram loca
24	Office Depot Showdown at annual meeting Reliance Retail	Delray Beach, Fla. g gave management son	15,527,537 ne room — and time	3.4 — to breathe; r	395,615 moved into India as	-21.4 majority partne	1,600 r in joint ven	6.2 nture with
25	Amazon.com Digital downloads for MP3 pla	Seattle ayers, Kindle e-books re	14,835,000 ader keeps things hu	38.5 mming and, sa	476,000 ys CFO Tom Szkuta	150.5 nk, new and im	0 proved offer	N.A. ings are
26	Toys "R" Us <sup>(e)</sup> A long way from being a subs	Wayne, N.J. sidiary of Interstate Depa	13,794,000 artment Stores and a	5.7 long road to re	153,000 covery under private	40.4 e ownership, bu	1,553 It the improv	9.0 vement can
27	H.E.B. (e) Another convert to price-cuttivs. supercenters	San Antonio ng, rolling out "Big Savir	13,400,000 ngs Start Here" initiati	4.7 ve on thousand	N.A. ds of SKUs; H.E.B. H	N.A. Plus stores inno	310 ovate and co	2.0 ompete
28	Meijer <sup>(e)</sup> Midwestern supercenter open	Grand Rapids, Mich. rator touts its environme.	13,300,000 ntally-friendly, natural	4.3 I and organic ci	N.A. redentials while expa	N.A. anding to nine	183 new location	4.6 as this year
29	<b>7-Eleven</b> (e) Changing from operator to fra beverage	Dallas anchisor while moving al	13,000,000 head with food offerin	-13.3 ngs by testing 9	N.A. 0-second pizzas, Pł	N.A. nilly cheese ste	6,100 aks and a S	-12.9 Iurpuccino
30	PTC (e) Rapidly growing joint venture year	Knoxville, Tenn. of Pilot Corp. and Mara	12,500,000 thon Oil sells more th	5.9 an 4.5 billion g	N.A. allons of petroleum	N.A. products and \$	323 300 million i	13.3 in fast food a
31	Alimentation CoucheTarde(s) Adds business wherever it ca		12,087,400 involves operating 25	19.0 52 convenience	196,400 stores in New Engl	0.1 and, Mid-Atlan	5,513 tic states for	8.2 Trving Oil
32	Circuit City Carl Icahn, Blockbuster and cing some stores into "The Cit		11,743,691 rol; still expanding its	-5.5 online presend	(319,897) e and service initiati	N.A. ives through fir	1,472 edog.com a	27.8 nd remodel-
33	Yum Brands Parent of KFC, Taco Bell, Piz declined 3%	Louisville, Ky. za Hut, A&W and Long	10,416,000 John Silver's has gro	8.9 wn franchised (	909,000 units 13% over past	10.3 five years; con	35,000 npany-owne	1.2 d units
34	Limited Brands Shed a lot of apparel with Lin	Columbus, Ohio nited, Express chains an	10,134,205 d now down to Victor	-5.0 ria's Secret ling	717,972 erie, plus beauty go	6.4 ods in VS, Bati	2,926 h & Body Wo	-23.0 orks
35	Dollar General A full year under private equit store layouts	Goodlettsville, Tenn. ty ownership has brough	9,495,246 t many changes, ran	3.5 ging from exec	(12,816) utive shake-ups to r	N.A. etrenching exp	8,222 ansion plans	2.8 s and altering
36	Starbucks With Howard Schultz back at	Seattle helm, Starbucks has be	9,411,497 en introducing new p	20.9 roducts, closin	672,638 g old stores and pus	19.2 hing all the but	15,011 tons to see	20.7 what works
37	OfficeMax Slower sales blamed on state plan"	Naperville, III. of the economy as cha	9,081,962 irman/CEO Sam Dun	1.3 ecan assures, "	207,373 We continue to adva	126.1 Ince the strateg	976 gies of our tu	6.8 Irnaround
38	BJ's Wholesale Club Exited pharmacy business, b gains	Natick, Mass. ut as a value retailer, be	9,005,002 nefitting from consun	6.2 ner concerns al	122,861 bout rising prices ev	70.6 en as groceries	177 s, gasoline d	2.9 Irive sales
39	Valero Largest North American refine Antonio	San Antonio er bought 72 c-stores an	8,884,000 ad fueling kiosks from	7.9 Albertsons this	N.A. s spring; introduced	N.A. Road Runner s	953 store concep	-1.4 ot in San
40	Nordstrom Shed Façonnable last year at Big Apple	Seattle nd keeps plowing ahead	8,828,000 regardless of econo	3.1 my, planning 4-	715,000 5 new stores a year	5.5 through 2015;	157 may even h	-17.8 nead to the

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Apple (#52) keeps wowing customers wherever they open — no cookie-cutter here — while iTunes, though barely 5 years old, is now the largest music retailer in the world

	Company Comment	Headquarters	2007 Revenues (000)	Y/Y Change	2007 Earnings (000)	Y/Y Change	No. of Stores	Y/Y Change
1	Army Air Force Exchange		\$8,700,000	-2.4%	\$426,600	27.1%	3,100	0.0%
	New leader Brig. Gen Thurgo aging technology	od's five strategies for "	Winning the Future" i	include getting l	back to basics, drivii	ng supply chair	n productivity	and lever
2	Giant Eagle (e)	Pittsburgh	7,400,000	3.9	N.A.	N.A.	223	1.4
	Another supermarket and c-strollbacks	tore operator making sa	vvy use of gasoline t	o keep consum	ers coming back for	bonus promot	ions and in-s	store price
3	QVC	West Chester, Pa.	7,397,000	4.6	N.A.	N.A.	0	N.A.
	Reaches 93 million homes, but Now broadcasting in HD	ut only about 10% buy s	omething; there's a o	core of loyal dev	otees and 95% of s	ales come fron	n repeat cus	tomers.
4	Dillard's	Little Rock, Ark.	7,370,800	-5.6	53,800	-78.1	326	-0.6
	Less-than-stellar results amid	sluggish consumer spe	ending has attracted a	attention of activ	vist investors willing	to engage in p	roxy battles	
5	Menard <sup>(e)</sup>	Eau Claire, Wis.	7,300,000	2.8	N.A.	N.A.	215	2.4
•	Chain has been buying land a	around stores to develop	residences and crea	ate a ready-mad	de customer base a	mong contracto	ors, then DIY	consume
6	Winn-Dixie	Jacksonville, Fla.	7,201,161	1.0	300,594	N.A.	520	-3.5
U	Remodeled stores enjoy a 12 Florida							
7	GameStop	Grapevine, Texas	7,093,962	33.4	288,291	82.2	5,264	10.2
•	Ups and downs in economy, of last year	consumer spending and	oil prices don't have	much effect on	game sales, as ind	icated by 25%	same-store	gain
8	Bed Bath & Beyond	Union, N.J.	7,048,942	6.5	562,808	-5.3	971	19.0
	Opened first of a dozen plann to more units	ed Canadian stores in L	December, though cu	tting back this y	vear's store opening	s in U.S. to 50-	-55; adding f	ine china
9	Love's (e)	Oklahoma City	7,000,000	4.3	N.A.	N.A.	200	11.
-	Parent Musket building new foreseeable future	uel terminal in Fort Wort	h, Texas; travel stop	and country sto	ore chain plans on a	dding 15 locati	ons a year fo	or
0	The Pantry	Sanford, N.C.	6,911,163	15.9	26,732	-70.0	1,644	10.
	Kangaroo Express is the majo also fell	or brand for company th	at has had it rough o	f late after being	g on the wrong side	of gasoline he	dges; store o	comps
1	Family Dollar	Matthews, N.C.	6,834,305	6.9	242,854	27.1	6,400	4.9
	Really moved into the food-se home goods	elling arena with c-store-	sized "supercenters,	" balancing higl	ner-margin grocery p	oroducts with n	nerchandise	like
2	Apple Stores/iTunes	Cupertino, Calif.	6,611,000	28.7	N.A.	N.A.	197	10.
	Apple Stores keep wowing corretailer in the world	nsumers wherever they	open — no cookie d	utter here — w	hile iTunes, though I	barely 5 years	old, now larg	gest music
3	Whole Foods Markets	Austin, Texas	6,591,773	17.6	182,740	-10.3	269	43.
<b>.</b>	Acquiring Wild Oats is one thi				· ·			
1	Trader Joe's (e)	Monrovia, Calif.	6,500,000	30.0	N.A.	N.A.	280	9.8
•	Product offerings are limited, elsewhere	prices are good but not	terrific yet loyal custo	omer base keep	s coming back for s	ervice and iten	ns that are h	ard to find
5	A&P	Montvale, N.J.	6,401,130	19.2	(160,680)	N.A.	447	10.
	With Pathmark acquired and graphic banner"	operating territory reduc	ed, chairman Christia	an Haub says c	ompany has becom	e "format-drive	n" rather tha	n a "geo-
6	Dell Retail	Round Rock, Texas	6,224,000	-12.0	N.A.	N.A.	0	N.A
	Pursuing dual strategies by se	elling direct to consume	rs as well as through	select retailers	, including Wal-Mart	and, this year,	Australia's	Officewor
7	AutoZone	Memphis, Tenn.	6,169,804	3.7	595,672	4.6	4,056	3.
	Financier Edward S. Lampert	, who also controls Sear	rs and Kmart, keeps	increasing his h	oldings in chain witi	h about 15% sl	hare of auto	aftermark
8	Travel Centers of America	Westlake, Ohio	6,166,157	28.9	123,356	297.5	189	15.2
_	Units offer fuel centers, full- a food court	nd quick-service eaterie		heavy truck ma			on's to Monr	oe, Mich.,
9	Albertsons (e)	Boise, Idaho	6,000,000	-20.0	N.A.	N.A.	325	-17.7
	Scrapped discount card for even New Mexico	veryday low prices; inve	stor-owners selling s	tores piecemea	I — 17 in Colorado,	23 in Oklahom	a; bought ei	ght stores
n	Ross Stores	Pleasanton, Calif.	5,975,212	7.3	261,051	8.0	838	5.1
J	Something of a contrarian per							

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Controlled growth hasn't hurt Wegman's (#78) and may add to mystique as communities lobby company to build locally, as just happened in Westwood Station, Mass.

Kank	Company Comment	Headquarters	2007 Revenues (000)	Y/Y Change	2007 Earnings (000)	Y/Y Change	No. of Stores	Y/Y Change
1	Verizon Wireless	Basking Ridge, N.J.	\$5,866,000	11.8%	N.A.	N.A.	2,400	7.6%
•	Expanding its store-within-a-sconsumers	store approach by adding	ı seven Atlanta-area	locations insid	e BJ's Wholesale Cl	ubs to its netw	ork serving (	55 million
2	Hy-Vee (e)	West Des Moines, Iowa	5,600,000	6.2	N.A.	N.A.	222	-1.3
_	Adopted Hannaford's widely- healthier	praised rating system cal	led the Overall Nutri	tional Quality li	ndex, which highligh	ts products tha	nt are consid	ered
3	Darden Restaurants	Orlando	5,567,100	4.0	201,400	-40.4	1,397	-2.1
	Red Lobster, Olive Garden pain first six months	arent bought Longhorn S	teakhouse and Capi	tal Grille a year	r ago and says "cost	synergies" sa	ved \$10 milli	on
4	Blockbuster	Dallas	5,542,400	0.4	(85,100)	N.A.	7,800	N.A
_	Under CEO Jim Keyes, renta with Netflix	ls make up only about ha	alf of total revenues a	and games hav	re become major col	ntributor; Total	Access now	competiti
5	Foot Locker	New York	5,437,000	-5.4	53,000	-78.9	3,785	-4.0
•	Low-profile and casual footwood. 3% for year	ear slumped last year, res	sulting in over-inven	oried positions	; heavy markdowns	hurt gross mai	rgin, with coi	mps down
6	Barnes & Noble	New York	5,410,828	2.8	135,799	-9.8	798	0.6
	With online book sales still or thrilled	nly about 7% of total, B&l	N hasn't moved awa	y from bricks-a	nd-mortar model, the	ough some Wa	ll Street inve	estors arei
7	Longs Drug Stores	Walnut Creek, Calif.	5,262,565	3.2	96,201	29.2	510	0.2
	After rightsizing and redrawing locations		ooks for 5%-7% reve	nue growth this	s year while adding I	20-30 stores a	nd remodelir	ng up to 40
8	RaceTrac Petroleum (e)		5,000,000	5.3	N.A.	N.A.	525	0.0
	Locations, all of which are co	mpany owned, feature 20	0 to 24 fueling position	ons and a 4,00	0-sqft. convenience	e store with mo	ore than 4,00	00 SKUs
9	Advance Auto Parts	Roanoke, Va.	4,844,404	4.9	238,317	3.0	3,261	5.8
_	DIY segment still growing but leased	professional customers	have seen their bus	ness slow; bull	king up with new loc	ations, three-q	uarters of wl	hich are
0	Casey's General Stores	Ankeny, Iowa	4,827,087	19.8	84,891	37.2	1,468	-0.03
	A good year in calendar 2007 country	, but prospects for this ye	ear aren't as bright;	c-store operation	on is one of largest p	ourveyors of fre	esh-baked pi	zza in the
1	Luxottica Retail (e)	Cincinnati	4,700,000	-1.8	N.A.	N.A.	5,700	-5.0
	Exploiting its unique niche ma	arketing tactics like outfitt	ing Robert Downey	Jr. with frames	as Tony Stark in this	s summer's "Iro	on Man" mov	⁄ie
2	PetSmart	Phoenix	4,672,656	10.4	258,684	39.8	1,008	11.0
	Looking to increase service e belly rub	nd of business 20% this	year, including "dog	gy day camp" a	nd boarding accomi	modations with	bedtime tre	at and
3	Big Lots	Columbus, Ohio	4,656,302	-1.8	158,461	27.7	1,353	-1.6
	Some 40 units being retrofitte as does furniture	ed this year with merchan	dising plan that calls	for more good	ls on the floor; cons	umables get a	big emphasi	S,
4	Save Mart <sup>(e)</sup>	Modesto, Calif.	4,550,000	-4.2	N.A.	N.A.	248	-4.6
	Converted former Albertsons circulars	stores to Lucky brand; b	oth Save Mart and L	ucky websites	now offer consumer	s savings via ii	nteractive we	ekly
5	Quik Trip <sup>(e)</sup>	Tulsa, Okla.	4,500,000	5.9	N.A.	N.A.	480	4.3
	QT Kitchens produce rolls an	d doughnuts for stores, i	ncluding 100,000-sq	ft. facility ope	ned in Belton, Mo., I	ast year to sup	plement Tul	sa bakery
6	Neiman Marcus Group	Dallas	4,390,076	8.9	111,932	97.7	62	5.1
	With a fiscal year that ends the	nis month, company antic	ipates hard landing	after upbeat fir	st half; continues to	grow Last Call	chain of out	let stores
7	Brinker International Chili's brand active with new	Dallas	4,376,904	5.4	230,049	8.3	1,801	11.0
	Pepper Dining		willo dolling illul	pro sompany-		to manorite		9,
8	Wegman's <sup>(e)</sup>	Rochester, N.Y.	4,300,000	4.9	N.A.	N.A.	72	0.0
_	Controlled growth hasn't hurt	and may add to mystiqu	e as communities lo	bby company to	o build locally, as jus	t happened in	Westwood S	Station, Ma
9	RadioShack	Fort Worth, Texas	4,251,700	-11.0	236,800	222.6	6,150	2.5
<u> </u>	Sprint Nextel's woes spilled of							
0	Dollar Tree Stores	Chesapeake, Va.	4,242,600	6.9	201,300	4.8	3,411	6.0
_	CEO Bob Sasser says compa	any is "relevant for these	challenging times."	with strong sale	es of aroceries. HBC	and party sup	nlies holster	ina sales

Abercrombie & Fitch (#89) is sailing along on good demographics, appealing merchandise and fast-growing non-store sales; it is cutting store openings back to about 100 this year

Rank	Company Comment	Headquarters	2007 Revenues (000)	Y/Y Change	2007 Earnings (000)	Y/Y Change	No. of Stores	Y/Y Change
<u>81</u>	AT&T Wireless	Atlanta	\$4,006,000	6.9%	N.A.	N.A.	2,200	4.8%
•	Though handsets, accessorie	es, memory cards and of	ther merchandise are	only a sideline	to phone services,	it adds up to b	ig retail busir	ness
82	Williams-Sonoma	San Francisco	3,944,934	5.8	195,757	-6.3	600	2.0
UZ.	Hit hard last year, as many ho and catalog channels	ome goods retailers wer	e, company began to	review how it	allocated resources	and synergies	between sto	re
83	Roundy's (e)	Milwaukee, Wis.	3,900,000	2.6	N.A.	N.A.	164	1.2
	Private equity owners had An	nerica's Dairyland-domir	nant grocer on selling	block, but the	anticipated herd of p	ootential buyer.	s failed to ma	aterialize
84	Sheetz (e)	Altoona, Pa.	3,900,000	4.0	N.A.	N.A.	340	3.0
•	Industry stalwart on the leading	ng edge of technologica	l and other innovation	ns; continues to	expand into South	and Midwest fr	rom Mid-Atla	ntic base
85	Dick's Sporting Goods	Pittsburgh	3,888,422	24.9	155,036	37.7	434	20.9
	Busy on many fronts, adding into South Florida	Reebok apparel chainw	ride, buying 15 Chick	's Sporting God	ods stores in Southe	rn California aı	nd pushing	
86	Michaels Stores	Irving, Texas	3,862,000	0.5	(32,000)	N.A.	1,136	3.4
	Stepping back from niche ma new president/COO brings re			ost of Star Wh	olesale to focus on N	Michaels and A	aron Bros. u	nits;
87	Belks	Charlotte, N.C.	3,824,800	3.8	95,700	-47.4	307	-0.6
	Integration of 25 Parisian stor	res acquired from Saks	took its toll, but comp	any is pushing	ahead with eight sto	ore openings in	the works fo	or this year
88	Borders Group	Ann Arbor, Mich.	3,820,900	2.6	(157,400)	N.A.	1,111	-3.5
	Newest stores include a Digit	al Center for entertainm	ent downloads as we	ll as creation o	f CDs and photo bo	oks, either leat	her-bound oi	electronic
89	Abercrombie & Fitch	New Albany, Ohio	3,749,847	13.0	475,697	12.7	1,028	8.9
	Sailing along on good demog	raphics, appealing merc	chandise and fast-gro	wing non-store	sales; cutting store	openings back	to about 10	0 this year
90	Stater Bros.	San Bernardino, Calif.	3,674,427	4.7	49,395	89.5	164	1.2
<b>J</b>	With much ballyhoo, opened	new headquarters and 2	2.1-million-sqft. distr	ibution center	in San Bernardino; n	ow ready to cl	ose eight old	er DCs
91	Aldi (e)	Batavia, III.	3,600,000	12.5	N.A.	N.A.	850	3.7
	Building warehouse in Dentor all the way	n, Texas, to support Sou	ıthwest expansion; al	so growing in I	New England and Flo	orida, touting e	veryday low	prices
92	The Bon-Ton Stores	York, Pa.	3,467,659	0.3	11,562	-75.3	279	-0.4
_	Building private labels acquire	ed from Saks in Norther	n Division transactior	, including U.S	. license for Laura A	shley; also tinl	kering with st	ore formats
93	Raley's <sup>(e)</sup>	West Sacramento, Ca	lif. 3,400,000	0.0	N.A.	N.A.	130	1.6
	Shedding "sleepy" reputation, units	initiatives include rollou	ıt of private label orga	anic line, Peet's	s coffee kiosks in 10	0 stores and se	ell-off of New	Mexico
94	Berkshire-Hathaway Retail	Omaha, Neb.	3,397,000	1.9	N.A.	N.A.	557	0.4
<b>5 T</b>	Helzberg Diamonds extending the Red Sox shine	g its reach among the je	welers in this corpora	ate amalgamat	ion while Jordan's F	urniture makes	hay as	
95	Burlington Coat Factory	Burlington, N.J.	3,393,000	-0.3	N.A.	N.A.	397	4.7
	Making a big move in Puerto Value City locations	Rico that includes occup	bying former Pueblo	supermarkets;	back on the mainlan	d, is converting	g former	
96	Bass Pro Shops (e)	Springfield, Mo.	3,350,000	4.7	N.A.	N.A.	49	4.3
	U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service s a little each year	ays fishing has been de	clining in popularity f	or more than a	decade, but Bass P	ro Shops mana	ages to grow	
97	Wawa <sup>(e)</sup>	Wawa, Pa.	3,300,000	1.5	N.A.	N.A.	575	3.6
	Has gone back to the future a payment cards	and, after a six-month te	st, is asking fuel cust	omers to pay o	ash and offers a dis	count to those	who eschew	
98	Harris Teeter	Charlotte, N.C.	3,299,377	12.9	154,083	20.7	164	7.9
	Added 19 new units last year and natural items	and 15 are on the sche	dule for this year; clic	king with early	and wide introduction	on of house-bra	anded organi	ic
99	Saks	New York	3,282,640	11.7	47,473	-11.7	102	-38.2
	Store is rejuvenated and the texpressing interest	turnaround is attracting	more than just well-h	eeled custome	rs; Icelandic retailer	Bauger Group	is among the	ose
	IACI Retail	St. Petersburg, Fla.	3,180,771	1.7	87,486	107.5	0	N.A.
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