

# INVESTOR PRESENTATION

William Blair Growth Stock Conference

June 10, 2020



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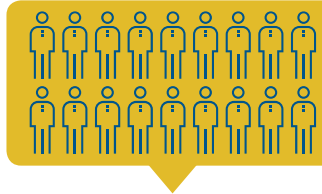
# Trusted Advisor For Transformative Strategic Decisions And Execution



We are a global consultancy that helps our clients drive growth, enhance performance and sustain leadership in the markets they serve. We partner with them to develop strategies and implement solutions that enable the transformative change our clients need to own their future.

**FORMED IN**  
**2002**

With approximately 200 professionals



More than 3,800 professionals with leading expertise



2019 revenue of \$877 million



Headquartered in Chicago with domestic and international offices



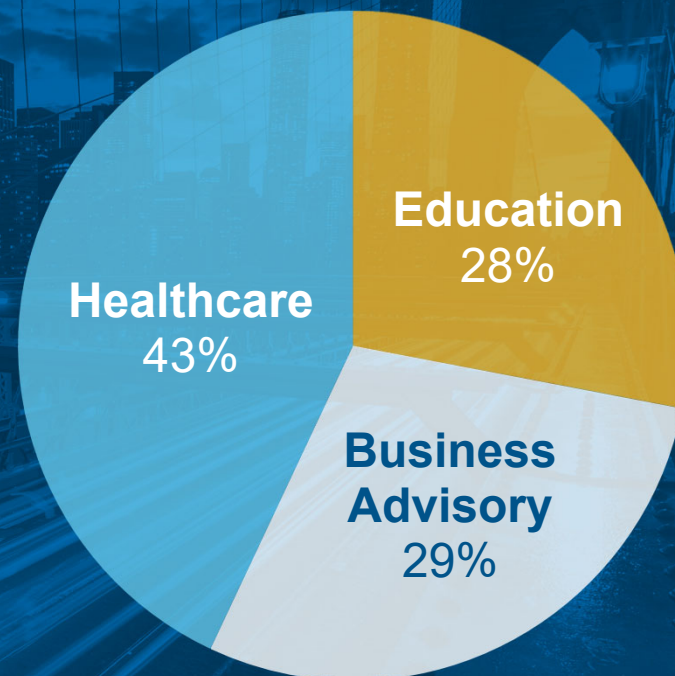
Publicly traded on the NASDAQ since October 2004



Huron served more than 1,800 businesses and institutions, including 350 new clients

**Serve  
industries  
facing  
significant  
disruption  
and/or  
regulatory  
change**

## **Operating Segment Mix**



Segment percentages are based on year-to-date March 2020 revenue results.



# Strategic Priorities To Drive Shareholder Value



ACHIEVE SUSTAINABLE  
ORGANIC GROWTH



DRIVE MARGIN  
EXPANSION



DEPLOY CAPITAL  
STRATEGICALLY



INVEST IN OUR  
PEOPLE

# Execution of our organic growth strategy and disruption taking place in our core markets has positioned Huron for sustainable growth

## Demonstrated Momentum

FY 2019 over FY 2018 Growth

### Companywide Growth

**10%**

Revenue Growth

**60 bps**

Adjusted EBITDA Margin Growth

**32%**

Adjusted EPS Growth

### Segment Growth



#### Healthcare

**9%**

Revenue Growth



#### Education

**16%**

Revenue Growth



#### Business Advisory

**7%**

Revenue Growth

# After the near-term impact of COVID-19 subsides, significant disruption facing our clients and end markets creates opportunities for long term growth



## Healthcare

Financial pressures on U.S. healthcare providers have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and the need for new strategies and care delivery models are viewed as an imperative



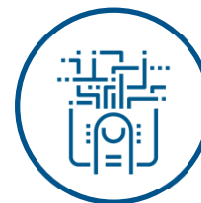
## Education

The changes required for higher education institutions to compete in the “new normal” environment are acute, driving the need for greater operational efficiency and fresh strategic thinking



## Strategy

The disruption and volatility taking place in the market have never been more prevalent, creating conditions that are ripe for renewed strategic planning and increased innovation



## Technology

The digital transformation imperative has never been more important as organizations modernize their operations and meet the new and evolving needs of their consumers



## Operations

The mounting pressures on the broader economy will create opportunity as stressed and distressed businesses strive to stabilize their operations and improve their financial position

## Financial Expectations

### Revenue

After emerging from the near-term financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, we believe we will face market conditions that will support the revenue growth rate we expected for our business prior to the pandemic.

### Margins

We believe we will emerge from the near-term financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic positioned to continue steady adjusted EBITDA margin expansion toward our long-term mid-teen target.

### Balance Sheet

We began 2020 with a strong financial position, and we believe we have sufficient balance sheet flexibility to manage our business through the near-term scenarios provided in the *Appendix* of this presentation.

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# APPENDIX





# **Q1 SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS**



# Overview of Supplemental Materials

Given the continuous evolution of the global COVID-19 pandemic and the current level of volatility in the economy, we wanted to provide additional detail about how we believe these factors could impact Huron across various scenarios, understanding that the individual factors within each case provided may evolve at a different pace.

These supplemental materials provide complementary information to the commentary provided on the Company's Q1 2020 earnings webcast held on April 30, 2020. The information included in these supplemental materials should be reviewed in conjunction with the transcript and/or recording from the Company's most recent earnings webcast and not on a standalone basis.

# Scenario #1 – Base Case Considerations

## Base Case Assumptions

The U.S. economy begins to stabilize in the third and fourth quarters of 2020, and the re-opening of the U.S. economy is slow and uneven due to sporadic resurgences of COVID-19.

## Anticipated Market Conditions

### Healthcare:

- As the U.S. healthcare industry begins to stabilize, healthcare providers will recover at an uneven pace as some regional providers remain focused on emergency response for a longer duration in 2020 while others begin to transition to address financial shortfalls.

### Education:

- Higher education institutions face a myriad of strategic, financial and operational pressures that persist through the Fall term, exacerbating uncertainty related to revenue shortfalls and negative returns for endowments.

### Across Industries:

- Demand will increase for services focused on supporting distressed businesses as clients look to raise capital, reorganize and restructure operations beginning in Q2.
- There is continued pressure for digital transformation and technology-enabled operations as businesses rethink how work gets done in a post-pandemic environment and how they engage customers in response to the evolving competitive landscape.
- Clients begin recovery and delay strategy-focused projects until Q4 2020 or 2021 as they begin to consider operating in the “new normal” and in an increasingly competitive environment.

## Near-term Impacts on Huron

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Significant Q2 and/or Q3 2020 declines in utilization in the Healthcare and Education segments and in our strategy-focused practices within the Business Advisory segment.</li> <li>Steady utilization throughout 2020 in our ES&amp;A (technology) and Business Advisory (restructuring and turnaround) practices.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sales pipeline conversion and companywide utilization begins to recover in Q4 2020 with an expectation that demand returns to pre-COVID-19 levels in early 2021.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lost revenue during Q2 to Q4 2020 is partially offset (roughly 50% of the revenue shortfall) by decreased spending, inclusive of discretionary bonus pool adjustments, reductions in travel and meeting expense, and declines in capital investments.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher interest expense due to the draw down of the revolver.</li> <li>Higher effective tax rate due to lower pre-tax income.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Net leverage ratio, as defined in our senior bank agreement, adjusted to include cash on hand, peaks around 3.0x trailing twelve month adjusted EBITDA during 2020.</li> <li>Free Cash Flow is positive over the last three quarters of 2020.</li> </ul> |
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# Scenario #2 – Optimistic Case Considerations

## Optimistic Case Assumptions

The U.S. economy begins to stabilize in the second quarter of 2020 as social distancing guidelines are relaxed and new cases of COVID-19 significantly decline across the majority of the United States.

## Anticipated Market Conditions

### Healthcare:

- U.S. healthcare providers remain focused on COVID-19 response through Q2 and emerge in the back half of 2020 facing severe financial pressures. As providers move into recovery, they begin to address the need to evolve their strategies and care delivery models to position themselves to best compete in a post-pandemic environment.

### Education:

- Higher education institutions remain focused on triaging immediate operational issues and financial pressures in Q2 but emerge in the back half of 2020 facing significant economic pressures and a more challenged business model.

### Across Industries:

- Demand will increase for services focused on supporting distressed businesses as clients look to raise capital, reorganize and restructure operations beginning in Q2.
- There is continued pressure for digital transformation and technology-enabled operations as businesses rethink how work gets done in a post-pandemic environment and how they engage customers in response to the evolving competitive landscape.
- Clients begin recovery and strategy-focused projects beginning in Q2 or Q3 2020 as they begin to consider operating in the “new normal” and in an increasingly competitive environment.

## Near-term Impacts on Huron

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Significant Q2 2020 declines in utilization in the Healthcare and Education segments and in our strategy-focused practices within the Business Advisory segment.</li> <li>Steady utilization throughout 2020 in our ES&amp;A (technology) and Business Advisory (restructuring and turnaround) practices.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sales pipeline conversion and companywide utilization begins to recover in the second half of Q3 and returning to near normal levels in Q4, with an expectation that 2021 demand is similar to pre-COVID-19 expectations for 2020.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lost revenue during Q2 to Q4 2020 is partially offset (roughly 50% of the revenue shortfall) by decreased spending, inclusive of discretionary bonus pool adjustments, reductions in travel and meeting expense, and declines in capital investments.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher interest expense due to the draw down of the revolver.</li> <li>Higher effective tax rate due to lower pre-tax income.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Net leverage ratio, as defined in our senior bank agreement, adjusted to include cash on hand, peaks around 2.5x trailing twelve month adjusted EBITDA during 2020.</li> <li>Free Cash Flow is positive over the last three quarters of 2020.</li> </ul> |
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# Scenario #3 – Pessimistic Case Considerations

## Pessimistic Case Assumptions

The U.S. economy begins to stabilize in 2021 as the re-opening of the U.S. economy is hindered by significant resurgences of COVID-19 throughout 2020.

## Anticipated Market Conditions

### Healthcare:

- U.S. healthcare providers remain focused on emergency response to the pandemic for the remainder of 2020 with a reduced focus on financial recovery until 2021.

### Education:

- Higher education institutions face a myriad of strategic, financial and operational pressures that persist through the Fall term, exacerbating uncertainty related to the timing of a future recovery as well as revenue shortfalls and negative returns for endowments.

### Across Industries:

- Demand will increase for services focused on supporting distressed businesses as clients look to raise capital, reorganize and restructure operations beginning in Q2.
- There is continued pressure for digital transformation and technology-enabled operations as businesses rethink how work gets done in a post-pandemic environment and how they engage customers in response to the evolving competitive landscape; however, extreme financial pressures delay spending.
- Clients begin recovery and delay strategy-focused projects until 2021 as they begin to consider operating in the “new normal” and in an increasingly competitive environment.

## Near-term Impacts on Huron

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Significant declines in utilization for the remainder of 2020 in the Healthcare and Education segments and in our strategy-focused practices within the Business Advisory segment.</li> <li>Declines in utilization in the second half of 2020 in our ES&amp;A (technology) practice.</li> <li>Steady utilization throughout 2020 in our Business Advisory (restructuring and turnaround) practice.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sales pipeline conversion and companywide utilization begins to recover in 2021 and pre-COVID-19 revenue growth expectations are not achieved until later in 2021 or 2022.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lost revenue during Q2 to Q4 2020 is partially offset (roughly 50% of the revenue shortfall) with the go-forward cost structure being reevaluated in light of 2021 expectations.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher interest expense due to the draw down of the revolver.</li> <li>Higher effective tax rate due to lower pre-tax income.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Net leverage ratio, as defined in our senior bank agreement, adjusted to include cash on hand, peaks above 3.0x trailing twelve month adjusted EBITDA during 2020.</li> <li>Free Cash Flow is positive over the last three quarters of 2020.</li> </ul> |
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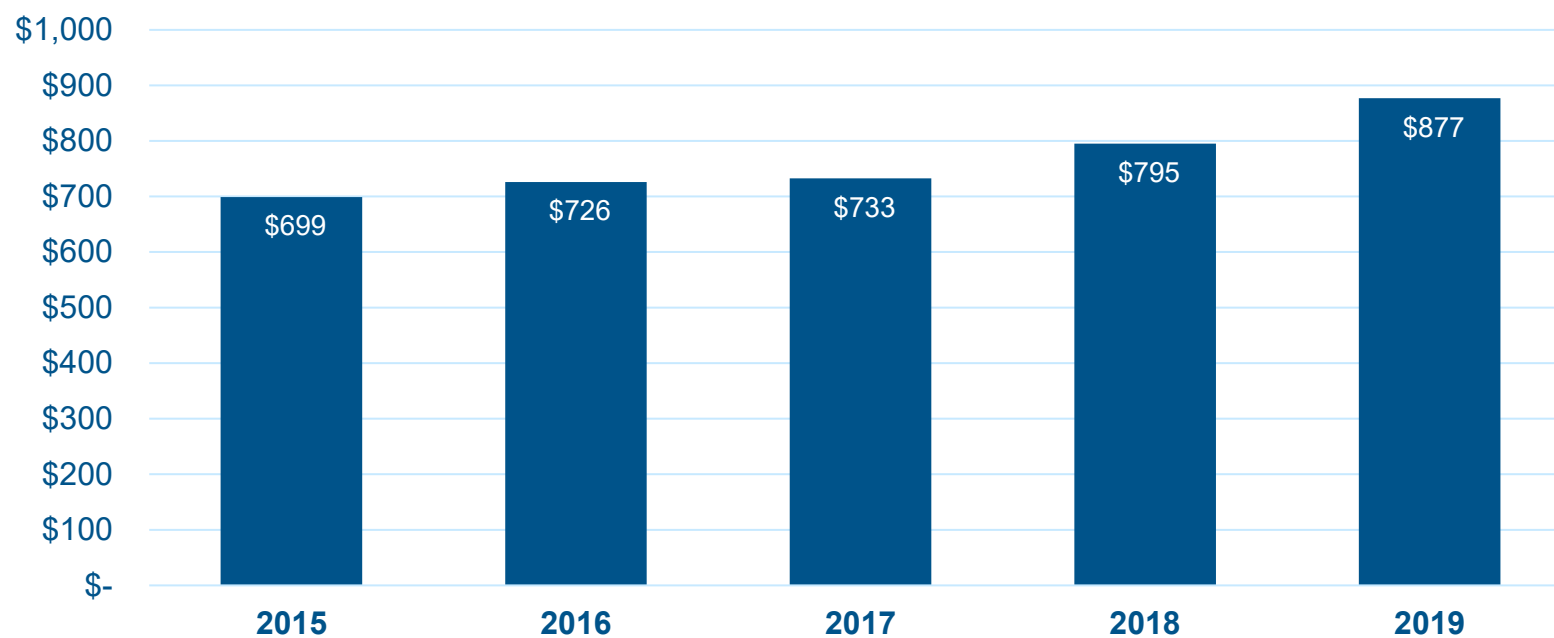




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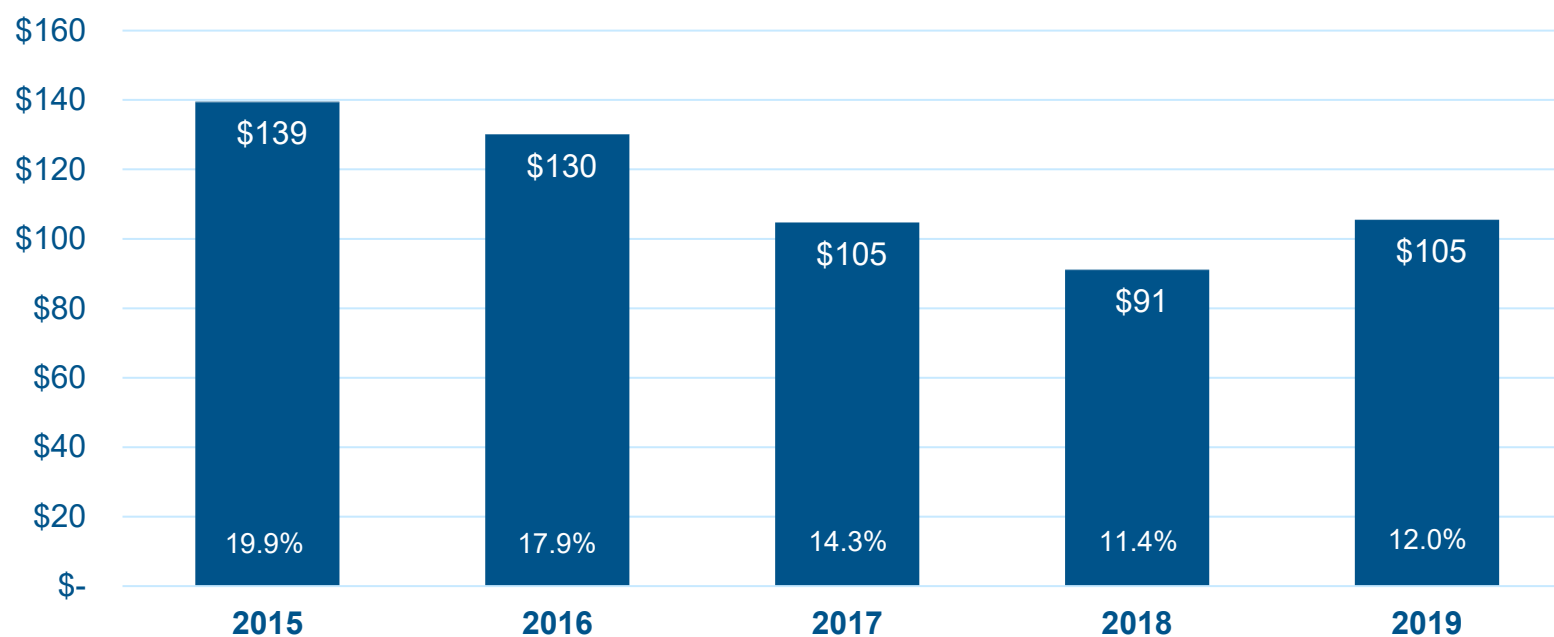
# Revenue trend

Revenues from Continuing Operations *(in millions)*



# Adjusted EBITDA trend

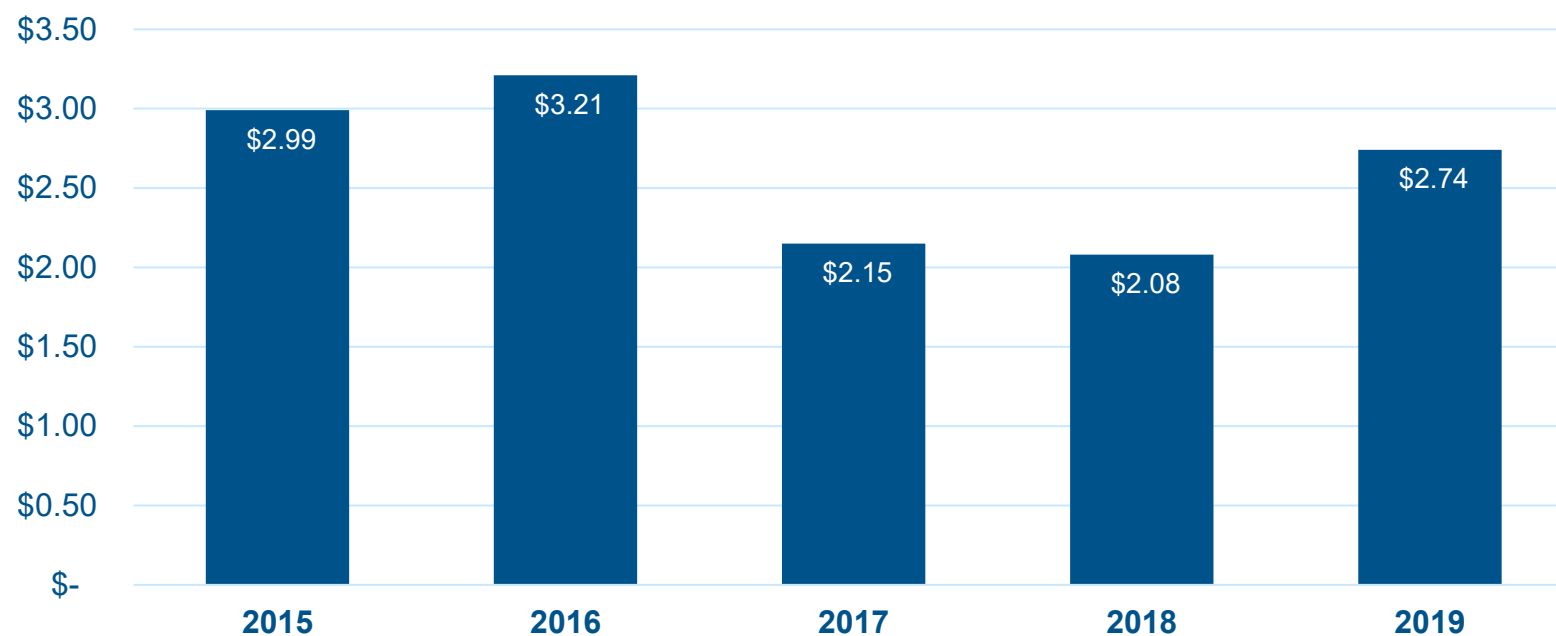
Adjusted EBITDA (in millions) and Adjusted EBITDA Margins from Continuing Operations



+ See accompanying appendix for a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA, which is a non-GAAP measure, to the most comparable GAAP measure.

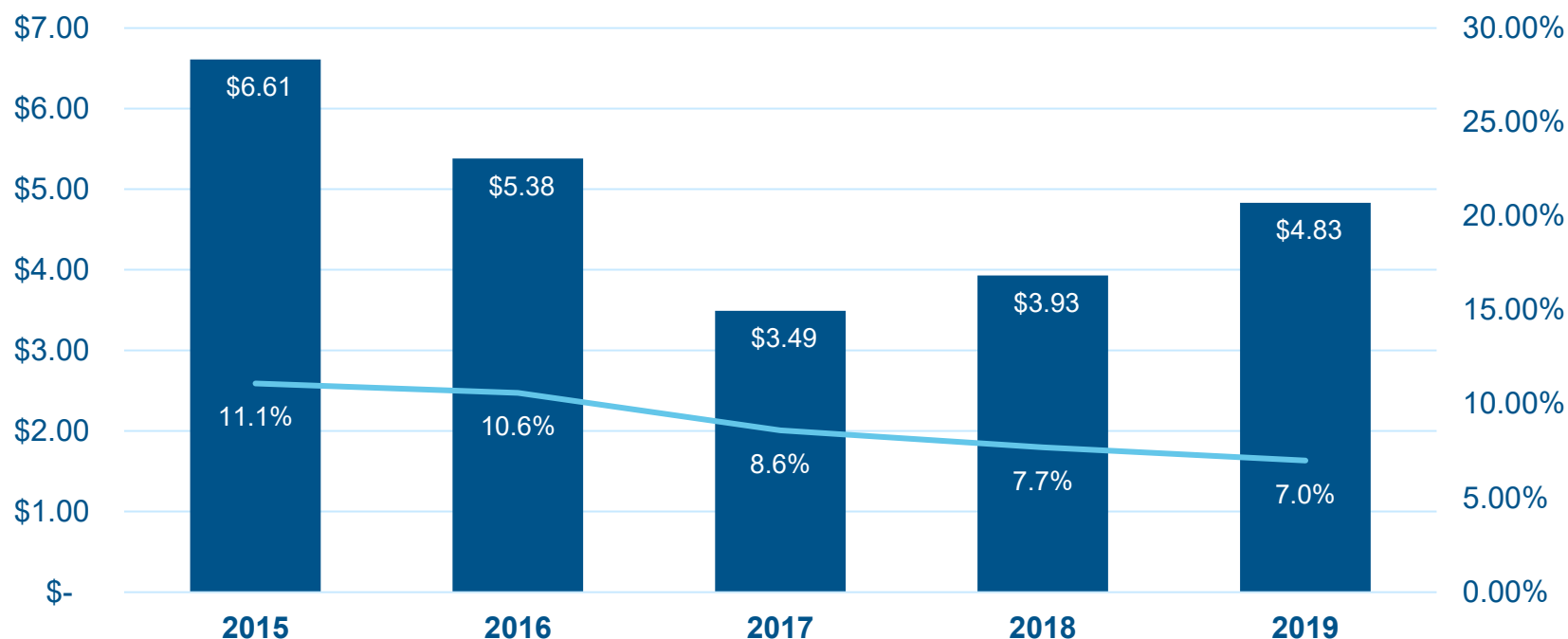
# Adjusted EPS trend

## Adjusted Diluted Earnings per Share from Continuing Operations



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## Free Cash Flow Per Share & Free Cash Flow Yield



Free cash flow is defined as cash from operations minus capital expenditures. Free cash flow yield is defined as free cash flow per diluted share divided by end of period stock price. See accompanying appendix for a reconciliation of free cash flow, which is a non-GAAP measure, to the most comparable GAAP measure.





# **RECONCILIATIONS OF NON- GAAP MEASURES TO COMPARABLE GAAP MEASURES**

# Reconciliations Of Non-GAAP Measures To Comparable GAAP Measures

In evaluating the company's financial performance and outlook, management uses EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenues, adjusted net income from continuing operations, and adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations, which are non-GAAP measures. Management uses these non-GAAP financial measures to gain an understanding of the company's comparative operating performance (when comparing such results with previous periods or forecasts). These non-GAAP financial measures are used by management in their financial and operating decision making because management believes they reflect the company's ongoing business in a manner that allows for meaningful period-to-period comparisons. Management also uses these non-GAAP financial measures when publicly providing their business outlook, for internal management purposes, and as a basis for evaluating potential acquisitions and dispositions. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating Huron's current operating performance and future prospects in the same manner as management does, if they so choose, and in comparing in a consistent manner Huron's current financial results with Huron's past financial results. Investors should recognize that these non-GAAP measures might not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. These measures should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for or superior to, any measure of performance, cash flows or liquidity prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

# Reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

Reconciliation of net income (loss) from continuing operations to adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) (in millions)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Revenues	\$ 699	\$ 726	\$ 733	\$ 795	\$ 877
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 62	\$ 40	\$ (170)	\$ 14	\$ 42
Add back:					
Income tax expense (benefit)	22	20	(52)	11	11
Interest expense, net of interest income	18	16	19	19	16
Depreciation and amortization	42	46	49	39	34
EBITDA	144	122	(154)	83	102
Add back:					
Restructuring charges	3	10	6	4	2
Litigation and other (gains) / losses, net	(9)	(2)	1	(2)	(1)
Goodwill impairment charges	-	-	253	-	-
Other nonoperating expense (income), net	-	-	(1)	6	-
Transaction-related expenses	-	-	-	-	3
Foreign currency transaction losses (gains), net	1	-	(0)	0	0
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 139	\$ 130	\$ 105	\$ 91	\$ 105
Adjusted EBITDA %	19.9%	17.9%	14.3%	11.4%	12.0%

# Reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

Reconciliation of net income (loss) from continuing operations to adjusted net income from continuing operations (in millions, except earnings per share)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Net income (loss) from continuing operations</b>	\$ 62	\$ 40	\$ (171)	\$ 14	\$ 42
<b>Weighted average shares – diluted</b>	23	21	21	22	23
<b>Diluted earnings (loss) per share (EPS) from continuing operations</b>	\$ 2.74	\$ 1.84	\$ (7.95)	\$ 0.63	\$ 1.87
<b>Add back:</b>					
<b>Restructuring charges</b>	3	10	6	4	2
<b>Litigation and other (gains) / losses, net</b>	(9)	(2)	1	(2)	(1)
<b>Transaction-related expense</b>	-	-	-	-	3
<b>Amortization of intangible assets</b>	28	33	35	24	18
<b>Goodwill impairment charges</b>	-	-	253	-	-
<b>Non-cash interest on convertible notes</b>	7	7	8	8	6
<b>Loss (gain) on sale of businesses</b>	-	-	(1)	6	-
<b>Other nonoperating expense (income), net</b>	-	-	(0)	-	0
<b>Tax effect<sup>(1)</sup></b>	(12)	(19)	(83)	(8)	(8)
<b>Total adjustments, net of tax</b>	1	29	220	32	20
<b>Net tax benefit related to "check-the-box" election</b>	(12)	-	(3)	-	(1)
<b>Adjusted net income from continuing operations</b>	\$ 67	\$ 69	\$ 47	\$ 46	\$ 62
<b>Weighted average shares - diluted</b>	23	21	22	22	23
<b>Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations</b>	\$ 2.99	\$ 3.21	\$ 2.15	\$ 2.08	\$ 2.74

(1) In 2017 and 2018, tax effect includes \$9 million and \$2 million, respectively, of tax expense related to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017.

# Reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

## Reconciliation of cash from operating activities to free cash flow *(in millions)*

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Cash from operating activities</b>	\$ 168	\$ 129	\$ 100	\$ 102	\$ 132
<b>Less: Capital expenditures</b>	(19)	(14)	(25)	(15)	(23)
<b>Free cash flow</b>	\$ 149	\$ 115	\$ 75	\$ 87	\$ 109
<b>Weighted average shares - diluted</b>	23	21	22	22	23
<b>Free cash flow per share</b>	\$ 6.61	\$ 5.38	\$ 3.49	\$ 3.93	\$ 4.83
<b>End of period stock price</b>	\$ 59.40	\$ 50.65	\$ 40.45	\$ 51.31	\$ 68.72
<b>Free cash flow yield</b>	11.1%	10.6%	8.6%	7.7%	7.0%