https://s27.q4cdn.com/187472364/files/doc_news/2021/Discovery-Inc.-Q3-2021-Earnings-Release.pdf

David Zaslav, President and Chief Executive Officer of Discovery said, "We made great strides in the quarter operationally, financially and creatively. The team drove solid momentum in our direct-to-consumer business, which we grew to 20 million paid subscribers at quarter end on the strength of our global brands and fan-favorite content, including the Summer Olympic Games and Shark Week. Additionally, we delivered double-digit growth in both advertising and distribution revenues, as we doubled next generation revenues year over year. This strong performance once again drove very healthy cash flows during the quarter, further strengthening our balance sheet and financial profile. We are very excited about our pending merger with WarnerMedia and the opportunity to bring these two companies together, combining iconic and globally cherished franchises and brands, and positioning us to more efficiently drive global scale across the combined portfolio."

Third-Quarter 2021 Financial Highlights

- Total revenues of \$3,150 million increased 23%, as reported and ex-FX⁽¹⁾, compared to the prior year quarter.
 - U.S. advertising revenues increased 5% and distribution revenues increased 21%; and
 - International advertising revenues increased 28%, or 26% ex-FX, and distribution revenues increased 7%, or 6% ex-FX.
- Net income available to Discovery, Inc. was \$156 million and diluted earnings per share was \$0.24.
- Total Adjusted OIBDA⁽²⁾ was \$726 million.
- Cash provided by operating activities was \$811 million and free cash flow⁽³⁾ was \$705 million.

	Three	Mo	nths End	ed Septemb	er 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,									
Dollars in millions, except per share amounts	2021		2020	% Change	Ex-FX ⁽¹⁾	2021		2020		% Change	Ex-FX ⁽¹⁾				
Total revenue	\$ 3,150	\$	2,561	23 %	23 %	\$	9,004	\$	7,785	16 %	14 %				
Net income available to Discovery, Inc.	\$ 156	\$	300	(48)%		\$	968	\$	948	2 %					
U.S. Networks Adjusted OIBDA	963		951	1 %			2,836		3,029	(6)%					
International Networks Adjusted OIBDA	(79)		127	NM	NM		287		527	(46)%	(43)%				
Total Adjusted OIBDA(4)	\$ 726	\$	954	(24)%	(24)%	\$	2,680	\$	3,194	(16)%	(16)%				
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.24	\$	0.44	(45)%		\$	1.46	\$	1.40	4 %					
Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 811	\$	860	(6)%		\$	1,914	\$	2,186	(12)%					
Free cash flow	\$ 705	\$	787	(10)%		\$	1,641	\$	1,896	(13)%					

Operational Highlights

- Ended Q3 with 20 million DTC Subscribers⁽⁵⁾, an increase of 3 million subscribers since the end of Q2.
- Generated \$425 million of Next Generation Revenues, growth of approximately 100% versus the prior year quarter. (5)
- Recently launched discovery+ in Canada and the Philippines; the app is also now available on Cox Contour TV and Contour Stream Player.
- Finalized multi-year U.S. distribution agreements with DirecTV and Verizon.
- Successfully broadcast the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympic Games, which reached over 372 million people in Europe across TV and digital platforms, and delivered 1.3 billion minutes of Olympics content on our streaming services.

Segment Results U.S. Networks

	Three Mon	nths	Ended Sep	tember 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
Dollars in millions	2021		2020	% Change		2021		2020	% Change		
Advertising	\$ 991	\$	941	5 %	\$	3,090	\$	2,964	4 %		
Distribution	841		696	21 %		2,465		2,143	15 %		
Other	26		22	18 %		82		64	28 %		
Total revenues	\$ 1,858	\$	1,659	12 %	\$	5,637	\$	5,171	9 %		
Costs of revenues, excluding depreciation & amortization	459		445	3 %		1,339		1,334	— %		
Selling, general & administrative ⁽⁶⁾	436		263	66 %		1,462		808	81 %		
Adjusted OIBDA	\$ 963	\$	951	1 %	\$	2,836	\$	3,029	(6)%		

International Networks

	Three	Mo	nths End	led Septemb	er 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,								
Dollars in millions	2021		2020	% Change	Ex-FX		2021		2020	% Change	Ex-FX			
Advertising	\$ 467	\$	365	28 %	26 %	\$	1,420	\$	1,017	40 %	32 %			
Distribution	538		503	7 %	6 %		1,592		1,504	6 %	4 %			
Other	290		34	NM	NM		363		87	NM	NM			
Total revenues	\$ 1,295	\$	902	44 %	43 %	\$	3,375	\$	2,608	29 %	25 %			
Costs of revenues, excluding depreciation & amortization	1,072		554	94 %	92 %		2,218		1,389	60 %	52 %			
Selling, general & administrative ⁽⁶⁾	302		221	37 %	32 %		870		692	26 %	19 %			
Adjusted OIBDA	\$ (79)	\$	127	NM	NM	\$	287	\$	527	(46)%	(43)%			

Other

Interest Rate Derivative Contracts

In anticipation of the proposed transaction with WarnerMedia, the Company executed various interest rate derivative contracts with a total notional value of \$15 billion during the third quarter. The objective of these contracts is to partially mitigate interest rate risk associated with the expected issuance of future debt to finance the cash portion of the proposed WarnerMedia transaction. The contracts did not receive hedging designation for accounting purposes. As such, changes in the fair value of the derivative contracts are recognized in "Other income (expense), net" in the consolidated statements of operations, which could create volatility in "Net income" in the coming quarters until the closing of the proposed transaction with WarnerMedia. The financial impact during the third quarter was \$106 million.

	Thr	ee Months En	ded S	eptember 30,	Nin	e Months End	ded September 30,		
		2021		2020		2021		2020	
Revenues:									
Advertising	\$	1,458	\$	1,306	\$	4,510	\$	3,981	
Distribution		1,379		1,199		4,057		3,647	
Other		313		56		437		157	
Total revenues		3,150		2,561		9,004		7,785	
Costs and expenses:									
Costs of revenues, excluding depreciation and amortization		1,529		1,003		3,553		2,731	
Selling, general and administrative		944		633		2,947		1,913	
Depreciation and amortization		341		341		1,043		1,001	
Impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets		_		_		_		38	
Restructuring and other charges		7		53		29		75	
Gain on disposition		_				(72)		_	
Total costs and expenses		2,821		2,030		7,500		5,758	
Operating income		329		531		1,504		2,027	
Interest expense, net		(159)		(161)		(479)		(485	
Loss on extinguishment of debt		(6)		(5)		(10)		(76	
Loss from equity investees, net		(9)		(18)		(20)		(62	
Other income (expense), net		78		(28)		255		(92	
Income before income taxes		233		319		1,250		1,312	
Income tax (expense) benefit		(36)		11		(144)		(275	
Net income		197		330		1,106		1,037	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(32)		(29)		(116)		(82	
Net income attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests		(9)		(1)		(22)		(7	
Net income available to Discovery, Inc.	\$	156	\$	300	\$	968	\$	948	
Net income per share available to Discovery, Inc. Series A, I and C common stockholders:	3								
Basic	\$	0.24	\$	0.44	\$	1.47	\$	1.40	
Diluted	\$	0.24	\$	0.44	\$	1.46	\$	1.40	
Weighted average shares outstanding:									
Basic		506		505		503		510	
Diluted		663		672		665		677	

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	Septem	ber 30, 2021	Decem	ber 31, 2020
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,116	\$	2,091
Receivables, net		2,462		2,537
Content rights and prepaid license fees, net		254		532
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		824		970
Total current assets		6,656		6,130
Noncurrent content rights, net		3,688		3,439
Property and equipment, net		1,310		1,206
Goodwill		12,957		13,070
Intangible assets, net		6,784		7,640
Other noncurrent assets		2,923		2,602
Total assets	\$	34,318	\$	34,087

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities \$ 2,361 Deferred revenues 625 Current portion of debt 349	\$ 2,190 557
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Current portion of debt349	335
Total current liabilities 3,335	3,082
Noncurrent portion of debt 14,436	15,069
Deferred income taxes 1,248	1,534
Other noncurrent liabilities 1,901	2,019
Total liabilities 20,920	21,704
Commitments and contingencies	
Redeemable noncontrolling interests 358	383
Equity:	
Discovery, Inc. stockholders' equity:	
Series A-1 convertible preferred stock: \$0.01 par value; 8 shares authorized, issued and outstanding	_
Series C-1 convertible preferred stock: \$0.01 par value; 6 shares authorized; 4 and 5 shares issued and outstanding	_
Series A common stock: \$0.01 par value; 1,700 shares authorized; 170 and 163 shares issued; and 169 and 162 shares outstanding	2
Series B convertible common stock: \$0.01 par value; 100 shares authorized; 7 shares issued and outstanding	_
Series C common stock: \$0.01 par value; 2,000 shares authorized; 559 and 547 shares issued; and 330 and 318 shares outstanding	5
Additional paid-in capital 11,043	10,809
Treasury stock, at cost: 230 shares (8,244)	(8,244)
Retained earnings 9,522	8,543
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (717)	(651)
Total Discovery, Inc. stockholders' equity 11,611	10,464
Noncontrolling interests 1,429	1,536
Total equity 13,040	12,000
Total liabilities and equity \$ 34,318	\$ 34,087

	2021	2020
Operating Activities		
Net income	\$ 1,106 \$	1,037
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:		
Content rights amortization and impairment	2,735	2,118
Depreciation and amortization	1,043	1,001
Deferred income taxes	(502)	(198)
Share-based compensation expense	134	62
Gain on disposition	(72)	_
Equity in losses of equity method investee companies, including cash distributions	57	96
Gain on sale of investments	(20)	_
Loss on extinguishment of debt	10	76
Impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets	_	38
Other, net	(147)	34
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions and dispositions:		
Receivables, net	44	156
Content rights and payables, net	(2,578)	(2,100)
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, deferred revenues and other noncurrent liabilities	124	(166)
Foreign currency, prepaid expenses and other assets, net	(20)	32
Cash provided by operating activities	1,914	2,186
nvesting Activities Purchases of property and equipment	(273)	(29
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments and dissolution of joint venture	498	(29
nvestments in and advances to equity investments	(137)	(14
Payments for) proceeds from derivative instruments, net	(102)	(1-
Purchases of investments		(2:
	(103)	`
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	97	(2
Other investing activities, net	 87	(5)
Cash used in investing activities Financing Activities	(30)	(55
	(574)	(2,19
Principal repayments of debt, including premiums to par value and discount payment Borrowings from debt, net of discount and issuance costs	(574)	1,91
Distributions to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	(221)	
	(231)	(2)
Purchase of redeemable noncontrolling interests	(31)	(7)
Repurchases of stock	_	(74
	_	(50
Borrowings under revolving credit facility	25	5(
Other financing activities, net	25	(1)
Cash used in financing activities	(811)	(1,2
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	(69)	44
Net change in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	1,004	4(

2,122

3,126

1,552

1,956

Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period

Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period

	 Three Months Ended September 30,								Mo	nths End	nded September 30,				
	2021		2020	(\$ Change	% Change		2021		2020	(\$ Change	% Change		
Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 811	\$	860	\$	(49)	(6)%	\$	1,914	\$	2,186	\$	(272)	(12)%		
Purchases of property and equipment	(106)		(73)		(33)	(45)%		(273)		(290)		17	6 %		
Free cash flow	\$ 705	\$	787	\$	(82)	(10)%	\$	1,641	\$	1,896	\$	(255)	(13)%		