UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: April 28, 2020 (Date of earliest event reported)

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-27275 (Commission File Number) 04-3432319 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

145 Broadway Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 444-3000

	owing provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below	5 5	iling obligation of the registrant under any of the
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 und	ler the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)	
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under	the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)	
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to	Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17	7 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to	Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17	7 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Seci	urities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the	Act:	
	Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
	Common Stock, \$.01 par value	AKAM	Nasdaq Global Select Market
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 28, 2020, Akamai Technologies, Inc. announced its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2020. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information provided under this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit relating to Item 2.02 shall be deemed to be furnished, and not filed:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release Dated April 28, 2020

SIGNATURES

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

Dated: April 28, 2020 AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

/s/ Edward McGowan

Edward McGowan Chief Financial Officer

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AKAMAI REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2020 FINANCIAL RESULTS

First quarter revenue of \$764 million, up 8% year-over-year and up 9% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Cloud Security Solutions revenue grew 26% year-over-year and 28% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

GAAP EPS of \$0.75, up 15% year-over-year, and non-GAAP EPS* of \$1.20, up 9% year-over-year

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. – April 28, 2020 – Akamai (NASDAQ: AKAM), the intelligent edge platform for securing and delivering digital experiences, today reported financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2020.

"During these unprecedented times, I am very proud of how Akamai employees continue to support our customers, our communities, and each other, and my heart goes out to those most deeply impacted by the COVID-19 crisis," said Dr. Tom Leighton, CEO of Akamai. "We achieved excellent results in the first quarter driven by continued strength in our security solutions and stronger than expected traffic growth. Akamai's Intelligent Edge Platform is uniquely positioned to help the Internet scale quickly and is a lifeline for organizations and people around the globe during this challenging time."

Akamai delivered the following financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2020:

Revenue: Revenue was \$764 million, an 8% increase over first quarter 2019 revenue of \$707 million and a 9% increase when adjusted for foreign exchange.*

Revenue by Division (1):

- Web Division revenue was \$406 million, up 8% year-over-year and up 10% when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Media and Carrier Division revenue was \$358 million, up 8% year-over-year and up 9% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Revenue from Cloud Security Solutions (2):

Cloud Security Solutions revenue was \$240 million, up 26% year-over-year and up 28% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Revenue from Internet Platform Customers (3):

- Revenue from Internet Platform Customers was \$45 million, down 5% year-over-year and when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers was \$720 million, up 9% year-over-year and up 10% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Revenue by Geography:

- U.S. revenue was \$429 million, up 3% year-over-year
- International revenue was \$335 million, up 16% year-over-year and up 19% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Income from operations: GAAP income from operations was \$152 million, a 13% increase from first quarter 2019. GAAP operating margin for the first quarter was 20%, up 1 percentage point from the same period last year.

Non-GAAP income from operations* was \$230 million, a 9% increase from first quarter 2019. Non-GAAP operating margin* for the first quarter was 30%, consistent with the same period last year.

Net income: GAAP net income was \$123 million, a 15% increase from first quarter 2019. Non-GAAP net income* was \$196 million, an 8% increase from first quarter 2019.

EPS: GAAP EPS was \$0.75 per diluted share, a 15% increase from first quarter 2019 and a 19% increase when adjusted for foreign exchange.* Non-GAAP EPS was \$1.20 per diluted share, a 9% increase from first quarter 2019 and an 11% increase when adjusted for foreign exchange.*

Adjusted EBITDA*: Adjusted EBITDA was \$327 million, a 9% increase from first quarter 2019. Adjusted EBITDA margin* for the first quarter was 43%, up 1 percentage point from the same period last year.

Supplemental cash information: Cash from operations for the first quarter of 2020 was \$223 million, or 29% of revenue. Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities was \$2.2 billion as of March 31, 2020.

Share repurchases: Akamai spent \$81 million in the first quarter of 2020 to repurchase 0.9 million shares of its common stock at an average price of \$92.45 per share. The Company had 162 million shares of common stock outstanding as of March 31, 2020.

- * See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for definitions
- (1) Revenue by Division A customer-focused reporting view that reflects revenue from customers that are managed by the division
- (2) Revenue from Cloud Security Solutions A product-focused reporting view that reflects revenue from Cloud Security Solutions separately from all other solution categories
- (3) Revenue from Internet Platform Customers Revenue from six customers that are large Internet platform companies: Amazon, Apple, Facebook, Google, Microsoft and Netflix

Quarterly Conference Call

Akamai will host a conference call today at 4:30 p.m. ET that can be accessed through 1-844-578-9671 (or 1-508-637-5655 for international calls) and using passcode 9227959. A live webcast of the call may be accessed at www.akamai.com in the Investor section. In addition, a replay of the call will be available for two weeks following the conference by calling 1-855-859-2056 (or 1-404-537-3406 for international calls) and using passcode 9227959. The archived webcast of this event may be accessed through the Akamai website.

About Akamai

Akamai secures and delivers digital experiences for the world's largest companies. Akamai's intelligent edge platform surrounds everything, from the enterprise to the cloud, so customers and their businesses can be fast, smart and secure. Top brands globally rely on Akamai to help them realize competitive advantage through agile solutions that extend the power of their multi-cloud architectures. Akamai keeps decisions, apps and experiences closer to users than anyone – and attacks and threats far away. Akamai's portfolio of edge security, web and mobile performance, enterprise access and video delivery solutions is supported by unmatched customer service, analytics and 24/7/365 monitoring. To learn why the world's top brands trust Akamai, visit www.akamai.com, blogs.akamai.com, or @Akamai on Twitter.

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)	March 31, 2020	D	ecember 31, 2019
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 384,103	\$	393,745
Marketable securities	865,168		1,143,249
Accounts receivable, net	613,809		551,943
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	151,504		142,676
Total current assets	2,014,584		2,231,613
Marketable securities	961,150		835,384
Property and equipment, net	1,180,550		1,152,153
Operating lease right-of-use assets	738,176		758,450
Acquired intangible assets, net	205,486		179,431
Goodwill	1,594,197		1,600,265
Deferred income tax assets	80,037		76,528
Other assets	173,776		173,062
Total assets	\$ 6,947,956	\$	7,006,886
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 114,100	\$	138,946
Accrued expenses	265,442		334,861
Deferred revenue	99,101		71,223
Operating lease liabilities	141,876		139,463
Other current liabilities	9,728		8,843
Total current liabilities	630,247		693,336
Deferred revenue	4,182		4,368
Deferred income tax liabilities	29,049		29,187
Convertible senior notes	1,856,287		1,839,791
Operating lease liabilities	673,029		692,181
Other liabilities	82,944		90,065
Total liabilities	 3,275,738		3,348,928
Total stockholders' equity	3,672,218		3,657,958
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 6,947,956	\$	7,006,886

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

		Three Months Ended																						
(in thousands, except per share data)		March 31, 2020		·		•		,		·		·		· ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					•]	March 31, 2019
Revenue	\$	6	764,302	\$	772,123	\$	706,508																	
Costs and operating expenses:																								
Cost of revenue (1)(2)			268,582		257,750		240,743																	
Research and development (1)			71,224		68,898		66,141																	
Sales and marketing (1)			123,786		140,243		126,276																	
General and administrative (1) (2)			127,361		149,926		122,835																	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets			10,434		9,710		9,599																	
Restructuring charge			10,585		10,274		6,389																	
Total costs and operating expenses	_		611,972		636,801		571,983																	
Income from operations			152,330		135,322		134,525																	
Interest income			7,043		11,402		8,635																	
Interest expense			(17,205)		(16,675)		(12,116)																	
Other (expense) income, net			(4,108)		(609)		511																	
Income before provision for income taxes	_		138,060		129,440		131,555																	
Provision for income taxes			(14,292)		(10,632)		(24,425)																	
(Loss) income from equity method investment			(622)		292		_																	
Net income	\$	5	123,146	\$	119,100	\$	107,130																	
Net income per share:																								
Basic	\$	6	0.76	\$	0.74	\$	0.66																	
Diluted	\$	5	0.75	\$	0.73	\$	0.65																	
Shares used in per share calculations:																								
Basic			161,992		161,737		163,236																	
Diluted			163,684		163,930		164,787																	

⁽¹⁾ Includes stock-based compensation (see supplemental table for figures)(2) Includes depreciation and amortization (see supplemental table for figures)

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Three Months Ended					
(in thousands)		March 31, 2020	De	cember 31, 2019		March 31, 2019
Cash flows from operating activities:					_	
Net income	\$	123,146	\$	119,100	\$	107,130
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization		116,208		115,800		108,205
Stock-based compensation		47,493		46,878		45,305
(Benefit) provision for deferred income taxes		(2,888)		(23,648)		8,982
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs		15,633		15,096		11,618
Other non-cash reconciling items, net		12,052		4,750		(121)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions:						
Accounts receivable		(73,913)		(26,327)		(43,766)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(10,434)		23,352		(13,029)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(27,458)		38,210		(85,366)
Deferred revenue		26,989		(30,261)		29,286
Other current liabilities		928		4,620		(9,473)
Other non-current assets and liabilities		(4,513)		(5,430)		2,079
Net cash provided by operating activities		223,243		282,140		160,850
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Cash received (paid) for business acquisitions, net of cash acquired		106		(43,920)		(121,464)
Cash paid for asset acquisition		(36,376)		_		_
Cash paid for equity method investment		_		_		(40,213)
Purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs		(215,429)		(133,666)		(142,429)
Purchases of short- and long-term marketable securities		(389,779)		(616,585)		(10,625)
Proceeds from sales and maturities of short- and long-term marketable securities		530,816		205,903		548,037
Other non-current assets and liabilities		(76)		(1,496)		2,935
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities		(110,738)		(589,764)		236,241
Cash flows from financing activities:						
Repayment of convertible senior notes		_		_		(690,000)
Proceeds from the issuance of common stock under stock plans		19,546		13,908		19,774
Employee taxes paid related to net share settlement of stock-based awards		(50,835)		(14,150)		(38,639)
Repurchases of common stock		(80,550)		(42,731)		(34,872)
Other non-current assets and liabilities		_		_		(1,558)
Net cash used in financing activities		(111,839)		(42,973)		(745,295)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(8,983)		5,116		1,601
Net decrease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(8,317)		(345,481)		(346,603)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period		394,146		739,627		1,036,987
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	\$	385,829	\$	394,146	\$	690,384

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA – REVENUE BY DIVISION

	Three Months Ended					
(in thousands)		March 31, 2020	Γ	December 31, 2019 (1)		March 31, 2019 ⁽¹⁾
Web Division	\$	405,995	\$	416,830	\$	374,202
Media and Carrier Division		358,307		355,293		332,306
Total revenue	\$	764,302	\$	772,123	\$	706,508
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:						
Web Division		8 %		9 %		7 %
Media and Carrier Division		8		8		5
Total revenue		8 %		8 %		6 %
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates $^{(2)}$:						
Web Division		10 %		9 %		9 %
Media and Carrier Division		9		8		7
Total revenue		9 %		9 %		8 %

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA – REVENUE FROM CLOUD SECURITY SOLUTIONS

(in thousands)		March 31, December 31, 2020 2019		,		March 31, 2019
Cloud Security Solutions	\$	240,300	\$	237,913	\$	190,093
CDN and other solutions		524,002		534,210		516,415
Total revenue	\$	764,302	\$	772,123	\$	706,508
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:						
Cloud Security Solutions		26 %		29 %		27 %
CDN and other solutions		1		1		_
Total revenue		8 %		8 %		6 %
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates $^{(2)}$:						
Cloud Security Solutions		28 %		29 %		29 %
CDN and other solutions		2		1		2
Total revenue		9 %		9 %		8 %

⁽¹⁾ As of January 1, 2020, Akamai reassigned some of its customers between the Media and Carrier Division and the Web Division and revised historical results in order to reflect the most recent categorization and to provide a comparable view for all periods presented. As the purchasing patterns and required account expertise of customers change over time, Akamai may reassign a customer's division from one to another.

(2) See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for a definition.

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA – REVENUE FROM INTERNET PLATFORM CUSTOMERS

	Three Months Ended					
(in thousands)		March 31, December 31, 2020 2019				March 31, 2019
Revenue from Internet Platform Customers	\$	44,702	\$	51,927	\$	47,086
Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers		719,600		720,196		659,422
Total revenue	\$	764,302	\$	772,123	\$	706,508
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:			-			
Revenue from Internet Platform Customers		(5)%		20 %		6 %
Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers		9		7		6
Total revenue		8 %		8 %		6 %
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates $^{(1)}$:						
Revenue from Internet Platform Customers		(5)%		20 %		6 %
Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers		10		8		8
Total revenue		9 %		9 %		8 %

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA – REVENUE BY GEOGRAPHY

	Three Months Ended					
(in thousands)		March 31, December 31, 2020 2019				March 31, 2019
U.S.	\$	428,930	\$	446,036	\$	418,200
International		335,372		326,087		288,308
Total revenue	\$	764,302	\$	772,123	\$	706,508
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:						
U.S.		3 %		3 %		(1)%
International		16		17		17
Total revenue		8 %		8 %		6 %
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates $^{(1)}$:						
U.S.		3 %		3 %		(1)%
International		19		18		24
Total revenue		9 %		9 %		8 %

⁽¹⁾ See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for a definition.

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL OPERATING EXPENSE DATA

	Three Months Ended					
(in thousands)	March 31, 2020		mber 31, 2019		March 31, 2019	
General and administrative expenses:						
Payroll and related costs \$	48,599	\$	48,984	\$	49,651	
Stock-based compensation	13,957		12,808		12,628	
Depreciation and amortization	20,465		22,167		18,373	
Facilities-related costs	24,672		27,196		21,023	
Provision for doubtful accounts	2,199		(414)		800	
Acquisition-related costs	76		726		451	
Legal settlements	_		10,000		_	
License of patent	_		_		(4,403)	
Professional fees and other expenses	17,393		28,459		24,312	
Total general and administrative expenses	127,361	\$	149,926	\$	122,835	
General and administrative expenses–functional (1):						
Global functions \$	47,866	\$	51,416	\$	49,468	
As a percentage of revenue	6 %		7 %		7 %	
Infrastructure	77,220		88,198		72,327	
As a percentage of revenue	10 %		11 %		10 %	
Other	2,275		10,312		1,040	
Total general and administrative expenses	127,361	\$	149,926	\$	122,835	
As a percentage of revenue	17 %		19 %		17 %	
Stock-based compensation:						
Cost of revenue \$	5,736	\$	5,562	\$	5,569	
Research and development	12,065		12,742		12,057	
Sales and marketing	15,735		15,766		15,051	
General and administrative	13,957		12,808		12,628	
Total stock-based compensation \$	47,493	\$	46,878	\$	45,305	

⁽¹⁾ Global functions expense includes payroll, stock-based compensation and other employee-related costs for administrative functions, including finance, purchasing, order entry, human resources, legal, information technology and executive personnel, as well as third-party professional service fees. Infrastructure expense includes payroll, stock-based compensation and other employee-related costs for our network infrastructure functions, as well as facility rent expense, depreciation and amortization of facility and TT-related assets, software and software-related costs, business insurance and taxes. Our network infrastructure function is responsible for network planning, sourcing, architecture evaluation and platform security. Other expense includes acquisition-related costs, provision for doubtful accounts, the license of a patent, legal settlements and transformation costs.

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

	Three Months Ended											
		March 31,		March 31, 2020		*		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		ecember 31, 2019		March 31, 2019
(in thousands, except end of period statistics)		2020		2013		2013						
Depreciation and amortization:												
Network-related depreciation	\$	36,397	\$	34,186	\$	30,168						
Capitalized internal-use software development amortization		40,769		41,501		41,257						
Other depreciation and amortization		20,019		21,703		17,948						
Depreciation of property and equipment		97,185		97,390		89,373						
Capitalized stock-based compensation amortization		7,631		7,747		8,095						
Capitalized interest expense amortization		958		953		1,138						
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		10,434		9,710		9,599						
Total depreciation and amortization	\$	116,208	\$	115,800	\$	108,205						
Capital expenditures, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense (1)(2):												
Purchases of property and equipment	\$	84,799	\$	122,560	\$	80,335						
Capitalized internal-use software development costs		50,909		50,497		49,485						
Total capital expenditures, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense	\$	135,708	\$	173,057	\$	129,820						
End of period statistics:												
Number of employees		7,742		7,724		7,462						

⁽¹⁾ Capital expenditures presented in this table are reported on an accrual basis, which differs from the cash-basis presentation in the statements of cash flows. The primary difference between the two is the change in purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs accrued for, but not paid, at period end.

(2) See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for a definition.

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP INCOME FROM OPERATIONS, NET INCOME AND GAAP TO NON-GAAP NET INCOME PER DILUTED SHARE

	Three Months Ended							
(in thousands)]	March 31, 2020	De	ecember 31, 2019		March 31, 2019		
Income from operations	\$	152,330	\$	135,322	\$	134,525		
GAAP operating margin		20 %		18 %		19 %		
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		10,434		9,710		9,599		
Stock-based compensation		47,493		46,878		45,305		
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense		8,589		8,700		9,233		
Restructuring charge		10,585		10,274		6,389		
Acquisition-related costs		76		726		451		
Legal settlements		_		10,000		_		
Transformation costs		_		_		4,191		
Operating adjustments	_	77,177		86,288		75,168		
Non-GAAP income from operations	\$	229,507	\$	221,610	\$	209,693		
Non-GAAP operating margin		30 %		29 %	_	30 %		
Net income	\$	123,146	\$	119,100	\$	107,130		
Operating adjustments (from above)		77,177		86,288		75,168		
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs		15,633		15,096		11,618		
Loss (gain) on investments		_		500		(690)		
Loss (income) from equity method investment		622		(292)		_		
Income tax-effect of above non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items		(20,445)		(19,099)		(12,304)		
Non-GAAP net income	\$	196,133	\$	201,593	\$	180,922		
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GAAP net income per diluted share	\$	0.75	\$	0.73	\$	0.65		
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		0.06		0.06		0.06		
Stock-based compensation		0.29		0.29		0.27		
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense		0.05		0.05		0.06		
Restructuring charge		0.06		0.06		0.04		
Acquisition-related costs		_		_		_		
Legal settlements		_		0.06		_		
Transformation costs		_		_		0.03		
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs		0.10		0.09		0.07		
Loss (gain) on investments		_		_		_		
Loss (income) from equity method investment						_		
Income tax effect of above non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items		(0.12)		(0.12)		(0.07)		
Non-GAAP net income per diluted share	\$	1.20	\$	1.23	\$	1.10		
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Shares used in diluted per share calculations		163,684		163,930		164,787		

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED EBITDA

	Three Months Ended						
(in thousands)		March 31, 2020		December 31, 2019		March 31, 2019	
Net income	\$	123,146	\$	119,100	\$	107,130	
Interest income		(7,043)		(11,402)		(8,635)	
Provision for income taxes		14,292		10,632		24,425	
Depreciation and amortization		97,185		97,390		89,373	
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense		8,589		8,700		9,233	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		10,434		9,710		9,599	
Stock-based compensation		47,493		46,878		45,305	
Restructuring charge		10,585		10,274		6,389	
Acquisition-related costs		76		726		451	
Legal settlements		_		10,000		_	
Transformation costs		_		_		4,191	
Interest expense		17,205		16,675		12,116	
Loss (gain) on investments		_		500		(690)	
Loss (income) from equity method investment		622		(292)		_	
Other expense, net		4,108		109		179	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	326,692	\$	319,000	\$	299,066	
Adjusted EBITDA margin		43 %		41 %		42 %	

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to providing financial measurements based on generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (GAAP), Akamai provides additional financial metrics that are not prepared in accordance with GAAP (non-GAAP). Management uses non-GAAP financial measures, in addition to GAAP financial measures, to understand and compare operating results across accounting periods, for financial and operational decision making, for planning and forecasting purposes, to measure executive compensation and to evaluate Akamai's financial performance. These non-GAAP financial measures are non-GAAP income from operations, non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP net income per share, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA margin, capital expenditures and impact of foreign currency exchange rates, as discussed below.

Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures reflect Akamai's ongoing business in a manner that allows for meaningful comparisons and analysis of trends in the business, as they facilitate comparing financial results across accounting periods and to those of peer companies. Management also believes that these non-GAAP financial measures enable investors to evaluate Akamai's operating results and future prospects in the same manner as management. These non-GAAP financial measures may exclude expenses and gains that may be unusual in nature, infrequent or not reflective of Akamai's ongoing operating results.

The non-GAAP financial measures do not replace the presentation of Akamai's GAAP financial results and should only be used as a supplement to, not as a substitute for, Akamai's financial results presented in accordance with GAAP. Akamai has provided a reconciliation of each non-GAAP financial measure used in its financial reporting and investor presentations to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. This reconciliation captioned "Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures" can be found on the Investor Relations section of Akamai's website.

The non-GAAP adjustments, and Akamai's basis for excluding them from non-GAAP financial measures, are outlined below:

- **Amortization of acquired intangible assets** Akamai has incurred amortization of intangible assets, included in its GAAP financial statements, related to various acquisitions Akamai has made. The amount of an acquisition's purchase price allocated to intangible assets and term of its related amortization can vary significantly and are unique to each acquisition; therefore, Akamai excludes amortization of acquired intangible assets from its non-GAAP financial measures to provide investors with a consistent basis for comparing pre- and post-acquisition operating results.
- Stock-based compensation and amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation Although stock-based compensation is an important aspect of the compensation paid to Akamai's employees, the grant date fair value varies based on the stock price at the time of grant, varying valuation methodologies, subjective assumptions and the variety of award types. This makes the comparison of Akamai's current financial results to previous and future periods difficult to interpret; therefore, Akamai believes it is useful to exclude stock-based compensation and amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation from its non-GAAP financial measures in order to highlight the performance of Akamai's core business and to be consistent with the way many investors evaluate its performance and compare its operating results to peer companies.
- Acquisition-related costs Acquisition-related costs include transaction fees, advisory fees, due diligence costs and other direct costs associated with
 strategic activities. In addition, subsequent adjustments to Akamai's initial estimated amounts of contingent consideration and indemnification
 associated with specific acquisitions are included within acquisition-related costs. These amounts are impacted by the timing and size of the
 acquisitions. Akamai excludes acquisition-related costs from its non-GAAP financial measures to provide a useful comparison of Akamai's operating
 results to prior periods and to its peer companies because such amounts vary significantly based on the magnitude of the acquisition transactions and
 do not reflect Akamai's core operations.
- Restructuring charges Akamai has incurred restructuring charges that are included in its GAAP financial statements, primarily related to
 workforce reductions and charges associated with exiting facility lease commitments. Akamai excludes these items from its non-GAAP financial
 measures when evaluating its continuing business performance as such items vary significantly based on the magnitude of the restructuring action and
 do not reflect expected future operating expenses. In addition, these charges do not necessarily provide meaningful insight into the fundamentals of
 current or past operations of its business.
- Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs and amortization of capitalized interest expense In August 2019, Akamai issued \$1,150 million of convertible senior notes due 2027 with a coupon interest rate of 0.375%. In May 2018, Akamai issued \$1,150 million of convertible senior notes due 2025 with a coupon interest rate of 0.125%. In February

2014, Akamai issued \$690 million of convertible senior notes due 2019 with a coupon interest rate of 0%. The imputed interest rates of these convertible senior notes were 3.10%, 4.26% and 3.20%, respectively. This is a result of the debt discounts recorded for the conversion features that are required to be separately accounted for as equity under GAAP, thereby reducing the carrying value of the convertible debt instruments. The debt discounts are amortized as interest expense together with the issuance costs of the debt. The interest expense excluded from Akamai's non-GAAP results is comprised of these non-cash components and is excluded from management's assessment of the company's operating performance because management believes the non-cash expense is not representative of ongoing operating performance.

- Gains and losses on investments Akamai has recorded gains and losses from the disposition, changes to fair value and impairment of certain investments. Akamai believes excluding these amounts from its non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors as the types of events giving rise to them are not representative of Akamai's core business operations and ongoing operating performance.
- **Legal settlements** Akamai has incurred losses related to the settlement of legal matters. Akamai believes excluding these amounts from its non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors as the types of events giving rise to them are not representative of Akamai's core business operations.
- Transformation costs Akamai has incurred professional services fees associated with internal transformation programs designed to improve its operating margins and that are part of a planned program intended to significantly change the manner in which business in conducted. Akamai believes excluding these amounts from its non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors as the types of events and activities giving rise to them occur infrequently and are not representative of Akamai's core business operations and ongoing operating performance.
- **Income and losses from equity method investment** Akamai records income or losses on its share of earnings and losses of its equity method investment. Akamai excludes such income and losses because it lacks control over the operations of the investment and the related income and losses are not representative of its core business operations.
- Income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items The non-GAAP adjustments described above are reported on a pretax basis. The income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments is the difference between GAAP and non-GAAP income tax expense. Non-GAAP income tax expense is computed on non-GAAP pre-tax income (GAAP pre-tax income adjusted for non-GAAP adjustments) and excludes certain discrete tax items (such as recording or releasing of valuation allowances), if any. Akamai believes that applying the non-GAAP adjustments and their related income tax effect allows Akamai to highlight income attributable to its core operations.

Akamai's definitions of its non-GAAP financial measures are outlined below:

Non-GAAP income from operations – GAAP income from operations adjusted for the following items: amortization of acquired intangible assets; stockbased compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized interest expense; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; gains and losses on legal settlements; transformation costs; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Non-GAAP operating margin – Non-GAAP income from operations stated as a percentage of revenue.

Non-GAAP net income – GAAP net income adjusted for the following tax-affected items: amortization of acquired intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; gains and losses on legal settlements; transformation costs; amortization of debt discount and issuance costs; amortization of capitalized interest expense; certain gains and losses on investments; income and losses from equity method investment; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Non-GAAP net income per share – Non-GAAP net income divided by basic weighted average or diluted common shares outstanding. Basic weighted average shares outstanding are those used in GAAP net income per share calculations. Diluted weighted average shares outstanding are adjusted in non-GAAP per share calculations for the shares that would be delivered to Akamai pursuant to the note hedge transactions entered into in connection with the issuances of \$1,150 million of convertible senior notes due 2027 and 2025. Under GAAP, shares delivered under hedge transactions are not considered offsetting shares in the fully-diluted share calculation until they are delivered. However, the company would receive a benefit from the note hedge transactions and would not allow the dilution to occur, so management believes that adjusting for this benefit provides a meaningful view of operating performance. With respect to the convertible senior notes due in each of 2027 and 2025, unless and until Akamai's weighted average stock price is greater than \$116.18 and \$95.10, respectively, the initial conversion price, there will be no difference between GAAP and non-GAAP diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

Adjusted EBITDA – GAAP net income excluding the following items: interest income; income taxes; depreciation and amortization of tangible and intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; gains and losses on legal settlements; transformation costs; foreign exchange gains and losses; interest expense; amortization of capitalized interest expense; certain gains and losses on investments; income and losses on equity method investment; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Adjusted EBITDA margin – Adjusted EBITDA stated as a percentage of revenue.

Capital expenditures, or capex, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense — Purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs presented on an accrual basis, which differs from the cash-basis presentation included in the statements of cash flows. The primary difference between the two is the change in purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs accrued for, but not paid, at period end versus prior periods.

Impact of Foreign Currency Exchange Rate – Revenue and earnings from international operations have historically been an important contributor to Akamai's financial results. Consequently, Akamai's financial results have been impacted, and management expects they will continue to be impacted, by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. For example, when the local currencies of our foreign subsidiaries weaken, our consolidated results stated in U.S. dollars are negatively impacted. Because exchange rates are a meaningful factor in understanding period-to-period comparisons, management believes the presentation of the impact of foreign currency exchange rates on revenue and earnings enhances the understanding of our financial results and evaluation of performance in comparison to prior periods. The dollar impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates presented is calculated by translating current period results using monthly average foreign currency exchange rates from the comparative period and comparing them to the reported amount. The percentage change at constant currency presented is calculated by comparing the prior period amounts as reported and the current period amounts translated using the same monthly average foreign currency exchange rates from the comparative period.

Akamai Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act

This release and/or our quarterly earnings conference call scheduled for later today contain information about future expectations, plans and prospects of Akamai's management that constitute forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions under The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements about expected future financial performance. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors including, but not limited to, inability to continue to generate cash at the same level as prior years; change in stock price; failure of our investments in innovation to generate solutions that are accepted in the market; inability to increase our revenue at the same rate as in the past and keep our expenses from increasing at a greater rate than our revenues; delay in developing or failure to develop new service offerings or functionalities, and if developed, lack of market acceptance of such service offerings and functionalities or failure of such solutions to operate as expected, and other factors that are discussed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and other documents periodically filed with the SEC.

In addition, the statements in this press release and on such call represent Akamai's expectations and beliefs as of the date of this press release. Akamai anticipates that subsequent events and developments may cause these expectations and beliefs to change. However, while Akamai may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, it specifically disclaims any obligation to do so. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing Akamai's expectations or beliefs as of any date subsequent to the date of this press release.