

# NORDSTROM

## Nordstrom September Same-Store Sales Increase 4.1 Percent

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SEATTLE, Oct. 6 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Nordstrom, Inc. (NYSE: JWN) today reported preliminary sales of \$636.7 million for the five-week period ending October 1, 2005, an increase of 6.4 percent compared to sales of \$598.4 million for the five-week period ending October 2, 2004. Same-store sales increased 4.1 percent(1).

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Preliminary quarter-to-date sales of \$1.1 billion increased 7.7 percent compared to sales of \$1.0 billion in 2004. Quarter-to-date same-store sales increased 5.7 percent.

Preliminary year-to-date sales of \$4.9 billion increased 7.8 percent compared to sales of \$4.5 billion in 2004. Year-to-date same-store sales increased 6.1 percent.

During the month of September, Nordstrom opened two new stores; The Shops at La Cantera in San Antonio, Texas on September 16th and at The Irvine Spectrum in Irvine, Calif. on September 30th. The final opening of the year will be on November 11th in Dallas, Texas at NorthPark Center.

### SALES RECORDING

To hear Nordstrom's prerecorded September sales message, please dial +1-402-220-6036. This recording will be available for one week.

### SALES SUMMARY

(unaudited; \$ in millions)

	Total Sales		Same-store Sales(1)			
	Fiscal 2005	Fiscal 2004	Percent Increase	Total Retail	Full-line Stores	Rack Stores
September	\$636.7	\$598.4	6.4%	4.1%	3.3%	10.6%
Quarter-to-date	\$1,109.8	\$1,030.2	7.7%	5.7%	5.4%	10.8%
Year-to-date	\$4,870.7	\$4,519.1	7.8%	6.1%	5.0%	15.3%

### Number of stores

Full-line	97	93
Rack and other	57	56
International		
Faconnable		
boutiques	32	31
Total	186	180

### Gross square

footage	19,858,000	19,289,000
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### FUTURE REPORTING DATES

Nordstrom's financial release calendar for the next several months is currently planned as follows:

October Sales Release	Thurs., Nov. 3, 2005
Third Quarter Earnings	Thurs., Nov. 17, 2005
November Sales Release	Thurs., Dec. 1, 2005
December Sales Release	Thurs., Jan. 5, 2005

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 154 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 97 full-line stores, 49 Nordstrom Racks, five Faconnable boutiques, one free-standing shoe store, and two clearance stores. Nordstrom also operates 32 international Faconnable boutiques in Europe. Additionally, Nordstrom serves customers through its online presence at <http://www.nordstrom.com> and through its catalogs. Nordstrom, Inc. is publicly traded on the NYSE under the symbol JWN.

(1)Effective February 2005, Nordstrom Direct sales, which include catalog and Internet, are included in Total Retail same-store sales. To serve as a basis for comparison, as this was not the case last year, a presentation of 2004 monthly, quarterly and full-year same-store sales that includes Nordstrom Direct is available on the Investor Relations homepage of our website under Recent Reports.

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