

Corporate and Financial Facts

Walmart serves customers more than 200 million times per week at 10,130 retail units in 27 countries.

We employ more than 2 million associates globally, including approximately 1.4 million in the United States. Walmart is one of the largest private employers in the U.S. and Canada.

For the fiscal year ended January 2012, Walmart increased net sales by 5.9% to \$443.9 billion and returned \$11.3 billion to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases. Walmart ranked first on the 2011 *FORTUNE 500* list of the world's largest companies by revenue.

Leadership

Walmart's [board of directors](#) is led by Chairman Rob Walton. In 2009, [Mike Duke](#) became the company's fourth president and CEO.

U.S. Operations

Walmart was founded by [Sam Walton](#) in 1962 with the opening of the first Walmart store in Rogers, Ark. The company incorporated as Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. in 1969 and was first publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange in 1972.

In 1983, we opened the first [Sam's Club](#) membership warehouse and in 1988 opened the first Walmart supercenter, which features a complete grocery department in addition to general merchandise.

Today in the U.S., [Walmart](#) operates more than 4,400 retail facilities, including Walmart stores and Sam's Club warehouses. For fiscal year 2012, Walmart U.S. net sales were more than \$264 billion, and Sam's Club net sales were more than \$53 billion.

[Walmart.com](#) is dedicated to supporting a seamless shopping experience whether customers are online, in stores or on their mobile devices. Customers can save more with free shipping options to stores or to home through options such as Site to Store, Pick Up Today and Home Free.

Walmart International

[Walmart International](#) operates more than 5,600 retail units in 26 countries outside the U.S. In fiscal year 2012, Walmart International net sales exceeded \$125 billion.

We've created stores with different styles and formats to fit in with local customer needs and customs. More than 90% of our international stores operate under a banner other than Walmart.