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TO
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REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

TABLEAU SOFTWARE, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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Large accelerated filer	..	Accelerated filer	..
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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price Per Share	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(2)	Amount of Registration Fee(3)
Class A Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	8,280,000 shares	\$26	\$215,280,000	\$29,365

- (1) Includes an additional 1,080,000 shares that the underwriters have the option to purchase.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Includes the aggregate offering price of the additional shares that the underwriters have the option to purchase.
- (3) The Registrant previously paid \$20,460 of this amount in connection with the initial filing of this Registration Statement.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. These securities may not be sold until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell nor does it seek an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject To Completion. Dated May 6, 2013.

7,200,000 Shares

Class A Common Stock

This is an initial public offering of shares of Class A common stock of Tableau Software, Inc.

We are offering 5,000,000 shares of our Class A common stock. The selling stockholders identified in this prospectus are offering an additional 2,200,000 shares of our Class A common stock. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of the shares being sold by the selling stockholders.

We have two classes of authorized common stock, Class A common stock and Class B common stock. The rights of the holders of Class A common stock and Class B common stock are identical, except with respect to voting and conversion rights. Each share of Class A common stock is entitled to one vote per share. Each share of Class B common stock is entitled to ten votes per share and is convertible into one share of Class A common stock. Outstanding shares of Class B common stock will represent approximately 98.6% of the voting power of our outstanding capital stock immediately following the completion of this offering.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our Class A common stock. It is currently estimated that the initial public offering price per share will be between \$23.00 and \$26.00. We intend to list our Class A common stock on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DATA .

We are an emerging growth company as that term is used in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 and, as such, have elected to comply with certain reduced public company reporting requirements.

See [Risk Factors](#) beginning on page 15 to read about factors you should consider before buying shares of our Class A common stock.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus. Any recommendation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Per Share	Total
Initial public offering price	\$	\$
Underwriting discount	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to Tableau	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to the selling stockholders	\$	\$

To the extent that the underwriters sell more than 7,200,000 shares of Class A common stock, the underwriters have the option to purchase up to an additional 1,080,000 shares from us at the initial price to the public less the underwriting discount.

The underwriters expect to deliver the shares against payment in New York, New York on _____, 2013.

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

Credit Suisse

UBS Investment Bank

Morgan Stanley

J.P. Morgan

BMO Capital Markets

JMP Securities

Prospectus dated _____, 2013.

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Neither we, the selling stockholders nor the underwriters have authorized anyone to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this prospectus or in any free writing prospectuses we have prepared. Neither we, the selling stockholders nor the underwriters take responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. This prospectus is an offer to sell only the shares offered hereby, and only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information contained in this prospectus is current only as of its date.

Persons who come into possession of this prospectus and any applicable free writing prospectus we have prepared in jurisdictions outside the United States are required to inform themselves about and to observe any restrictions in this offering and the distribution of this prospectus and any such free writing prospectus applicable to that jurisdiction.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus and does not contain all of the information that you should consider in making your investment decision. Before investing in our Class A common stock, you should read the entire prospectus carefully, including the sections titled Risk Factors and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. Unless the context suggests otherwise, references in this prospectus to Tableau, the company, we, us and our refer to Tableau Software, Inc. and, where appropriate, its subsidiaries.

Company Overview

Our mission is to help people see and understand data.

Our software products put the power of data into the hands of everyday people, allowing a broad population of business users to engage with their data, ask questions, solve problems and create value.

Based on innovative core technologies originally developed at Stanford University, our products dramatically reduce the complexity, inflexibility and expense associated with traditional business intelligence applications. We aim to make our products easy to use, ubiquitous and as deeply-rooted in the workplace as spreadsheets are today.

Our software is designed for anyone with data and questions. We are democratizing the use of business analytics software by allowing people to access information, perform analysis and share results without assistance from technical specialists. By putting powerful, self-service analytical technology directly into the hands of people who make decisions with data, we seek to accelerate the pace of informed and intelligent decision making. This enables our customers to create better workplaces, with happier employees who are empowered to more fully express their ingenuity and creativity.

Our products are used by people of diverse skill levels across all kinds of organizations, including Fortune 500 corporations, small and medium-sized businesses, government agencies, universities, research institutions and non-profits. Organizations employ our products in a broad range of use cases such as increasing sales, streamlining operations, improving customer service, managing investments, assessing quality and safety, studying and treating diseases, completing academic research, addressing environmental problems and improving education. Our products are flexible and capable enough to help a single user on a laptop analyze data from a simple spreadsheet, or to enable thousands of users across an enterprise to execute complex queries against massive databases.

Underpinning our innovative products is a set of technology advances that spans the domains of sophisticated computer graphics, human-computer interaction and high performance database systems. These technology innovations include VizQL and our Hybrid Data Architecture:

VizQL Our breakthrough visual query language, VizQL, translates drag-and-drop actions into data queries and then expresses that information visually. VizQL unifies the formerly disparate tasks of query and visualization and allows users to transform questions into pictures without the need for software scripts, chart wizards or dialogue boxes that inhibit speed and flexibility. This capability is designed to enable a more intuitive, creative and engaging experience for our

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users. VizQL can deliver dramatic gains in people's ability to see and understand data, and we believe it represents a foundational advancement in the field of analytics.

Hybrid Data Architecture Our Hybrid Data Architecture combines the power and flexibility of our Live Query and In-Memory Data Engines. Our Live Query Engine allows users to instantaneously connect to large volumes of data in its existing format and location, reducing the need for time-consuming data transformation processes that only technical specialists can perform. In addition, this capability allows customers to leverage investments in their existing data platforms and to capitalize on the capabilities of high performance databases. Our In-Memory Data Engine enables users to import large amounts of data into our own in-memory database. Using advanced algorithms and data compression techniques, our in-memory technology facilitates quick query responses on up to hundreds of millions of rows of data. Our Hybrid Data Architecture enables these data engines to work in harmony, allowing users the flexibility to access and analyze data from diverse sources and locations, while optimizing speed and performance for each source.

Our distribution strategy is based on a land and expand business model and is designed to capitalize on the ease of use, low up-front cost and collaborative capabilities of our software. Our products tend to be adopted at a grassroots level within organizations, often beginning with a free trial, and then spread across departments, divisions and geographies via word-of-mouth, the discovery of new use cases and our sales effort. Over time, many of our customers find that the use of our products expands to a broad cross-section of their organizations and that our deployments and use cases become significantly more strategic in nature. Accordingly, we have developed enterprise-class product and service capabilities that allow us to both complement and supplant core, legacy business intelligence deployments.

As of March 31, 2013, we had more than 10,900 customers across a broad array of company sizes and industries and located in over 100 countries. Some of our largest customers include Deere & Company, affiliates of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited, E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, the Federal Aviation Administration, Sears Holdings Corporation and affiliates of Verizon Communications Inc. In addition, we have cultivated strong relationships with technology partners to help us extend the reach of our products. These partners include both traditional database vendors such as International Business Machines Corporation, or IBM, Microsoft Corporation, Oracle Corporation and Teradata Corporation and emerging database vendors such as Cloudera Inc., Google Inc., Greenplum (a division of EMC Corporation) and Vertica (a division of Hewlett-Packard Company).

We have achieved significant growth in recent periods. For the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012, our total revenues were \$34.2 million, \$62.4 million and \$127.7 million, respectively, representing a compound annual growth rate of approximately 93% from 2010 to 2012. For the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013, our total revenues were \$24.7 million and \$40.0 million, respectively, representing a 62% growth over the same period of the prior year. We also generated net income of \$2.7 million, \$3.4 million and \$1.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012, respectively, and have generated positive cash from operating activities on an annual basis in each of those fiscal years. Our net income (loss) for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 was \$1.1 million and \$(4.0) million, respectively, and we generated positive cash flow from operating activities in each of those fiscal quarters. We believe our land and expand business model provides financial visibility as aggregate revenues from subsequent sales of products and maintenance services to our customers have typically been multiples of the revenues we realized from those customers' initial purchases.

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Industry Background

We believe that organizations increasingly regard their data as a critical strategic resource. The remarkable growth in the volume, diversity and accessibility of digital information creates the potential for people to make more informed, timely and intelligent decisions. In today's increasingly competitive environment, we believe that the value of rapid and more informed decision-making continues to grow.

According to International Data Corporation, or IDC, the amount of digital information created, replicated and consumed worldwide will grow exponentially from 0.8 trillion gigabytes in 2010 to 40 trillion gigabytes in 2020. Many organizations are expected to experience a doubling in the volume of data across their enterprises approximately every 24 months, according to IDC, and are investing heavily to scale their data storage and management platforms to accommodate this growth.* These growing volumes of data are also increasingly diverse in terms of their source, format and location. Today, organizations create and manage data across a broad range of platforms, from traditional relational databases, to an array of emerging data platforms to cloud computing platforms.

As a consequence of the increasing richness and volume of data, more and more people are demanding access to information in order to gain insight, solve problems and monitor the performance of their organizations. The growth of cloud computing technologies and the proliferation of connected devices such as tablets and smartphones are enabling users to access information anytime and anywhere. We believe that these trends are accelerating the demand for analytical technology, as more information and engagement provokes more questions and fuels demand for more analysis, answers and value. At the same time, advances in user experience driven by consumer technology companies such as Amazon, Apple, Facebook and Google have raised user expectations regarding intuitive, flexible and convenient access to information.

These factors have created a backdrop of growing data resources, increased user appetite for information and rising expectations for accessibility and ease of use. As a result, many organizations are seeking technology that will allow their people to easily access the right information, answer questions, gain insight and share their findings. These organizations are seeking to empower their employees and to unleash their creativity and problem-solving abilities.

People within organizations have traditionally accessed data via static reports from enterprise applications and business intelligence platforms maintained by IT departments. These systems, predominantly designed and built in the 1990s, are generally heavy, complex, inflexible and expensive. As a result, business users are forced to depend on specialized resources to operate, modify and maintain these systems. The divide between users seeking insight and technical specialists lacking business context introduces inefficiencies and time lags that inhibit the utility and value of these systems. Because most business users lack the time, skills and financial resources necessary to address the limitations of these systems, their adoption has largely been limited to a narrow population of power users with technical expertise and training and to a narrow population of companies.

Faced with these challenges, many knowledge workers today rely on spreadsheets as their primary analytical tool. While spreadsheets are widely available and easier to use than traditional business intelligence platforms, they have a number of limitations. Spreadsheets are not generally designed to facilitate direct and dynamic data access, making the process of importing and updating data manual, cumbersome and error prone. In addition, spreadsheets are not built to accommodate large data sets and offer limited interactive visual capabilities, thereby reducing performance and limiting analytical scope and insight.

* See note 1 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

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Opportunity

The market for traditional business analytics software is large and well established, with IDC estimating an aggregate spending of \$35.1 billion in 2012 in this worldwide market sector. IDC also estimates that the worldwide spending on business intelligence tools alone, a subset of the overall business analytics software market, was \$12.9 billion in 2012.* In addition, organizations also spend billions of dollars on hardware, support and services to implement and maintain traditional business intelligence systems. According to Gartner, Inc., organizations are expected to spend \$81.0 billion on business analytics and related services in 2014.**

According to an August 2012 Forrester Research, Inc., or Forrester, report, Forrester estimated that there will be 615 million information workers globally in 2013 and it predicts that number to grow to 865 million by 2016.*** Additionally, a Forrester survey of information workers conducted in the fourth quarter of 2012 indicated that only 17% of respondents use a data dashboard or business intelligence tools as part of their job.**** Accordingly, we believe a significant percentage of information workers are not accessing business intelligence software, and they instead use alternative approaches to meet their analytical needs.

We believe the limitations of traditional approaches coupled with the demand for business analytics has presented an opportunity to pioneer a new class of business analytics software that addresses, complements and expands the business intelligence market and enhances office productivity tools such as spreadsheets, and that is specifically designed to enable a broad population of users to gain insight from their data.

Our Solution

Product Design Principles

We have pioneered a fundamentally new approach to business analytics. Our software products, Tableau Desktop, Tableau Server and Tableau Public, embody a set of design principles that reflect our values as a company and our mission to help people see and understand data:

Simple Our software is designed to allow everyday business users to answer questions with ease. We have pioneered a number of core technologies that make our products intuitive and easy to use. For example, these innovations allow our users to utilize drag-and-drop gestures to execute queries, seamlessly shift graphical perspectives on their data and easily answer new questions as their thinking progresses. The simplicity of our products allows users to establish functional proficiency quickly and speeds the adoption of our technology.

Fast Our software is designed to access and process large volumes of data rapidly and to enable responsive and agile analysis, allowing users to answer questions with data at the speed of thought. We believe that improvements in speed can increase user engagement with data and enhance the range, quality and timeliness of insights that are developed.

Powerful Our fundamental goal is to allow our users to ask and answer questions with their data. The power to accomplish that goal arises from our ability to marry ease of use with advanced analytical capabilities in a manner that allows our customers to generate useful perspectives on their data. Our products are designed for everyday people but also incorporate

* See note 2 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

** See note 5 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

*** See note 3 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

**** See note 4 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

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advanced features such as predictive analysis that can meet the needs of many advanced users of business analytics products.

Beautiful Impactful and engaging visualization lies at the heart of our software. We have incorporated key elements from the fields of visual perception, psychology and graphic design into our products that empower our users to generate content that is effective and beautiful by default. Beautiful and high quality design allows everyday people to engage in broad, creative thinking and encourages them to share content.

Ubiquitous We seek to make our software accessible to users wherever and whenever they need information and insight. Our software is designed so that users throughout organizations can explore their data and publish findings in a way that can be accessed on a broad range of platforms and devices, including tablets and smartphones.

Product Benefits

When combined with our technology innovations, these product design principles have resulted in products that provide the following benefits for our customers:

Liberation The simplicity and ease of use of our software gives people the power to access, analyze and share data without the assistance of technical specialists. This self-service capability democratizes access to data, expands the potential user population within organizations and reduces training and support costs. We believe that providing the freedom for people to more powerfully and conveniently answer questions empowers employees and drives value for our customers.

Speed Our software is designed to enable people to derive value from their data at an accelerated pace. Due to our focus on ease of use and ease of deployment, our users can quickly gain proficiency in our software and generate results rapidly, without the complication, time investment and frustration often associated with traditional business intelligence products. In addition, because our software is able to connect directly to a broad range of data sources, our users can perform work without having to undertake complex and time-consuming data movement and transformation. Many of our customers have reported that they are able to achieve their desired results with our software more than ten times faster than they can with their existing systems.

Discovery We believe that the human mind is better able to process information, discern trends and identify patterns when presented with information in a visual format. By fundamentally integrating data analysis and visualization, our software allows people to create powerful visualizations and dashboards that can lead to new discoveries. Our software is designed to seamlessly blend, filter and drill down on information, without the distraction of dialogue boxes, wizards and scripts, allowing users to rapidly and iteratively develop greater insight from their data.

Communication and sharing We facilitate more effective communication by empowering people to express themselves creatively and tell better stories with data. The collaborative features of our software are designed to foster more sharing of data and to improve the dissemination of information across and among enterprises. Our focus on designing our products for ubiquity allows users to publish results in a single format that can be consumed anywhere, enabling customers to interact with data readily and conveniently. We believe that our software enables our customers to share more insights and have richer conversations about their information.

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Enterprise grade Our products provide a secure, highly available, enterprise-class platform designed to scale to tens of thousands of users, across desktop, Web and mobile clients, and meet the needs of the largest organizations globally. We have built products that can be installed in minutes without specialized skills and readily integrate with enterprise data, management and security infrastructure. Our products provide enterprise-level security that has passed the stringent requirements of customers in the national defense, financial services and healthcare sectors. We believe our products uniquely blend the benefits of self-service and ease of use with enterprise readiness.

Value Our products are designed to provide an attractive return on investment to our customers. Our self-service product capabilities dramatically reduce IT resources, professional services and support costs typically associated with traditional or competing business intelligence vendors. Our software also has low minimum hardware requirements, which can reduce related capital costs. In addition, our pricing and land and expand business model allow customers to deploy our software without having to make significant upfront economic commitments.

Growth Strategy

Our mission to help people see and understand data presents a broad and momentous market opportunity. We intend to continue to invest in a number of growth initiatives to allow us to pursue our mission aggressively. Our strategies for growth include:

Expand our customer base We believe that we have the opportunity to substantially expand our present base of customer accounts. We are expanding our online and offline marketing efforts to increase our brand awareness. We are also making significant investments in growing both our direct sales teams and indirect sales channels.

Further penetrate our existing customer base Leveraging our land and expand business model, we intend to continue to increase adoption of our products within and across our existing customers, as they expand the number of users and develop new use cases for our products. A Forrester survey of information workers conducted in the fourth quarter of 2012 indicated that 59% of information workers are currently using spreadsheets for work.* We believe this presents an opportunity to extend the reach of our products within our customers. Our sales and marketing strategy and focus on customer success help our customers identify and pursue new use cases within their organizations.

Grow internationally With approximately 17% of our total revenues generated outside the United States and Canada in 2012, we believe there is significant opportunity to grow our international business. Our products currently support eight languages, and we are aggressively expanding our direct sales force and indirect sales channels outside the United States. In addition to our presence in Australia, Canada, England and France, we have recently expanded our international operations to include Germany, Ireland, Japan and Singapore, and we intend to invest in further expanding our footprint in these and other regions.

Relentlessly innovate and advance our products We have sought to rapidly improve the capabilities of our products over time and intend to continue to invest in product innovation and leadership. Building on our foundational technology innovations, including VizQL, we have released eight major versions of our software to date, rapidly expanding and improving our feature set and capabilities. We plan to continue to invest in research and development, including hiring top technical talent, focusing on core technology innovation and maintaining an agile organization that supports rapid release cycles. In particular, we intend to focus on further

* See note 4 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

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developing our cloud and mobile capabilities, expanding our advanced analytical and statistical functionality, adding new visualization formats and expanding the range of data sources and platforms we can address.

Extend our distribution channels and partner ecosystem We plan to continue investing in distribution channels, technology partners and original equipment manufacturer, or OEM, relationships to help us enter and grow in new markets while complementing our direct sales efforts. We are actively growing our indirect channels, particularly in international markets. We intend to continue to invest in technology partnerships that enable us to build and promote complementary capabilities that benefit our customers. We have also recently introduced application programming interfaces, or APIs, to further empower our developer and OEM partner ecosystem to create applications that embed Tableau functionality.

Foster our passionate user community We benefit from a vibrant and engaged user community. We are investing in initiatives to further expand and energize this group, both online, through our online community site and through events such as our annual customer conferences. In addition, Tableau Public, which we launched as a free cloud-based service, has a community of engaged users from media, government, non-profit and other organizations, who are passionate about sharing public data online. We intend to expand these efforts and to seek other means to evangelize our mission and facilitate sharing of best practices and success stories.

Treasure and cultivate our exceptional culture We believe our culture is a core ingredient of our success. Our employees share a passion for our mission, and our mission stands at the top of a list of eight core cultural values that govern our approach to our business. Our other core values include: Teamwork; Product leadership; Using our own products; Respect; Honesty; Simplicity; and Commitment to delighting customers. Our values permeate our organization and drive our identity as a company. For example, we strive to paint virtually all aspects of our business with a brush of simplicity, including product user interfaces, pricing models, business processes and marketing strategies.

Risks Associated with Our Business

Our business is subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, including those highlighted in the section titled "Risk Factors" immediately following this prospectus summary. Some of these risks are:

due to our rapid growth, we have a limited operating history at our current scale, which makes it difficult to evaluate our future prospects and may increase the risk that we will not be successful;

we may not be able to sustain our revenue growth rate or profitability in the future;

if we fail to manage our growth effectively, our business and results of operations will be adversely affected;

we face intense competition, and we may not be able to compete effectively, which could reduce demand for our products and adversely affect our business, growth, revenues and market share;

our success is highly dependent on our ability to penetrate the existing market for business analytics software as well as the growth and expansion of that market;

our future quarterly results of operations may fluctuate significantly due to a wide range of factors, which makes our future results difficult to predict;

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if we are unable to attract new customers and expand sales to existing customers, both domestically and internationally, our growth could be slower than we expect and our business may be harmed; and

economic uncertainties or downturns could materially adversely affect our business.

Corporate Information

We were formed as Tableau Software LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, in 2003 and incorporated as Tableau Software, Inc., a Delaware corporation, in 2004. Our principal executive offices are located at 837 North 34th Street, Suite 200, Seattle, Washington 98103 and our telephone number is (206) 633-3400. Our website address is www.tableausoftware.com. Information contained on or accessible through our website is not a part of this prospectus and should not be relied upon in determining whether to make an investment decision.

Tableau, Tableau Software, VizQL, the Tableau Software logo and other trade names, trademarks or service marks of Tableau appearing in this prospectus are the property of Tableau. Trade names, trademarks and service marks of other companies appearing in this prospectus are the property of their respective holders.

Additionally, we are an emerging growth company as defined in the recently enacted Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act, or the JOBS Act, and therefore we may take advantage of certain exemptions from various public company reporting requirements, including not being required to have our internal control over financial reporting audited by our independent registered public accounting firm pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, or the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports and proxy statements and exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and any golden parachute payments. We may take advantage of these exemptions until we are no longer an emerging growth company. In addition, the JOBS Act provides that an emerging growth company can delay adopting new or revised accounting standards until such time as those standards apply to private companies. We have elected to avail ourselves of this exemption and, therefore, we will not be subject to the same new or revised accounting standards as other public companies that are not emerging growth companies until these standards apply to private companies.

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Class A common stock offered by Tableau	5,000,000 shares
Class A common stock offered by the selling stockholders	2,200,000 shares
Class A common stock to be outstanding after this offering	7,200,000 shares
Class B common stock to be outstanding after this offering	50,314,508 shares
Total Class A and Class B common stock to be outstanding after this offering	57,514,508 shares
Option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock offered by Tableau	1,080,000 shares
Voting rights	We have two classes of authorized common stock: Class A common stock and Class B common stock. The rights of the holders of Class A and Class B common stock are identical, except with respect to voting and conversion rights. The holders of Class A common stock are entitled to one vote per share, and the holders of Class B common stock are entitled to ten votes per share, on all matters that are subject to stockholder vote. The Class B common stock also has certain approval rights for certain corporate actions. Following the completion of this offering, each share of Class B common stock may be converted into one share of Class A common stock at the option of the holder thereof with advance approval of our board of directors, and will be automatically converted into one share of Class A common stock upon transfer thereof, subject to certain exceptions. See the section titled "Description of Capital Stock" for additional information.

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Use of proceeds

We estimate that our net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$111.4 million, based on an assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

We intend to use the net proceeds to us from this offering primarily for general corporate purposes, including working capital, sales and marketing activities, general and administrative matters and capital expenditures. We may also use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering for acquisitions of, or investments in, technologies, solutions or businesses that complement our business, although we have no present commitments or agreements to enter into any such acquisitions or investments. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of shares to be offered by the selling stockholders. See the section titled "Use of Proceeds" for additional information.

Risk factors

See the section titled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 15 and the other information included in this prospectus for a discussion of factors you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in our Class A common stock.

Proposed NYSE symbol

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The number of shares of Class A and Class B common stock to be outstanding upon the completion of this offering is based on no shares of our Class A common stock and 52,514,508 shares of our Class B common stock outstanding as of March 31, 2013, and excludes:

15,160,377 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options as of March 31, 2013 pursuant to our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, or our 2004 Plan, at a weighted-average exercise price of \$5.50 per share;

409,700 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options issued after March 31, 2013 pursuant to our 2004 Plan at a weighted-average exercise price of \$24.50 per share;

54,167 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of a warrant outstanding as of March 31, 2013 at an exercise price of \$0.60 per share;

6,364,714 shares of Class B common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2004 Plan as of March 31, 2013, which shares will cease to become available for future issuance at the time our 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, or our 2013 Plan, becomes effective in connection with this offering;

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6,364,714 shares of Class A common stock to be reserved for future issuance under our 2013 Plan as of March 31, 2013 (assuming that 6,364,714 shares of Class B common stock are reserved for issuance under our 2004 Plan immediately prior to the time our 2013 Plan becomes effective) as well as any automatic increases in the number of shares of Class A common stock reserved for future issuance under this benefit plan; and

2,000,000 shares of Class A common stock to be reserved for issuance under our 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, or our ESPP, to be effective in connection with this offering, as well as any automatic increases in the number of shares of Class A common stock reserved for future issuance under this benefit plan.

In addition, unless we specifically state otherwise, all information in this prospectus assumes:

the filing of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation in Delaware and the adoption of our amended and restated bylaws, each of which will occur upon the completion of this offering;

the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our preferred stock into an aggregate of 17,416,317 shares of Class B common stock immediately prior to the completion of this offering; and

no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase up to an additional 1,080,000 shares of Class A common stock.

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The following tables summarize our consolidated financial and other data. You should read this summary consolidated financial and other data together with the sections titled "Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" as well as our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

We have derived the consolidated statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012 from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have derived the unaudited consolidated statements of operations data for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 and the unaudited consolidated balance sheet data as of March 31, 2013 from our unaudited consolidated financial statements that are included elsewhere in this prospectus. Our unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as our audited consolidated financial statements and, in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments, which consist only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for the fair statement of those unaudited consolidated financial statements. Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results that should be expected in the future, and our interim results are not necessarily indicative of the results that should be expected for the full year or any other period.

	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
(in thousands, except per share data)					
(unaudited)					
Consolidated Statements of Operations Data:					
Revenues					
License	\$ 24,223	\$ 44,414	\$ 89,883	\$ 17,456	\$ 26,426
Maintenance and services	9,938	17,946	37,850	7,229	13,592
Total revenues	34,161	62,360	127,733	24,685	40,018
Cost of revenues					
License	67	213	305	56	176
Maintenance and services	1,271	2,800	10,057	1,615	3,374
Total cost of revenues ⁽¹⁾	1,338	3,013	10,362	1,671	3,550
Gross profit	32,823	59,347	117,371	23,014	36,468
Operating expenses					
Sales and marketing ⁽¹⁾	16,440	30,363	62,333	10,577	23,673
Research and development ⁽¹⁾	9,734	18,387	33,065	6,725	12,941
General and administrative ⁽¹⁾	3,809	6,679	17,715	2,915	5,601
Total operating expenses	29,983	55,429	113,113	20,217	42,215
Operating income (loss)	2,840	3,918	4,258	2,797	(5,747)
Other income (expense), net		(16)	(54)	(11)	(53)
Net income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes	2,840	3,902	4,204	2,786	(5,800)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	102	523	2,777	1,729	(1,765)
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,738	\$ 3,379	\$ 1,427	\$ 1,057	\$ (4,035)
Net income (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders:					
Basic	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.01	\$ (0.12)
Diluted	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.01	\$ (0.12)

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	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(in thousands, except per share data)			(unaudited)	
Weighted average shares used to compute net income (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders:					
Basic	32,163	33,008	33,744	33,398	34,833
Diluted	37,833	39,431	39,652	39,329	34,833
Pro forma net income (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders (unaudited):					
Basic			\$ 0.03		\$ (0.08)
Diluted			\$ 0.03		\$ (0.08)
Pro forma weighted average shares outstanding used to compute pro forma net income (loss) per share (unaudited):					
Basic			51,160		52,249
Diluted			57,068		52,249

	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(in thousands)				
Other Financial Data:					
Non-GAAP operating income (loss) ⁽²⁾	\$ 3,478	\$ 5,366	\$ 11,005	\$ 3,748	\$ (3,248)
Non-GAAP net income (loss) ⁽³⁾	3,376	4,792	6,854	1,885	(1,808)
Free cash flow ⁽⁴⁾	8,207	7,953	7,203	2,849	1,167

(1) Includes stock-based compensation expense as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(in thousands)			(unaudited)	
Cost of revenues	\$ 18	\$ 22	\$ 107	\$ 15	\$ 73
Sales and marketing	256	565	1,394	265	819
Research and development	262	628	2,115	426	1,035
General and administrative	102	233	1,180	245	572
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 638	\$ 1,448	\$ 4,796	\$ 951	\$ 2,499

- (2) Non-GAAP operating income (loss) is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as operating income (loss) excluding stock-based compensation expense and, for 2012, the cash and stock-based expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation. For more information about non-GAAP operating income (loss) and a reconciliation of non-GAAP operating income (loss) to operating income (loss), the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, see the section titled "Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data - Non-GAAP Financial Results."
- (3) Non-GAAP net income (loss) is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as net income (loss) excluding stock-based compensation expense and, for 2012, the cash and stock-based expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation, each net of tax. For more information about non-GAAP net income (loss) and a reconciliation of non-GAAP net income (loss) to net income (loss), the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP, see the section titled "Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data - Non-GAAP Financial Results."
- (4) Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as net cash provided by operating activities less net cash used in investing activities for purchases of property and equipment. For more information about free cash flow and a

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reconciliation of free cash flow to net cash provided by operating activities, the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP, see the section titled Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data Non-GAAP Financial Results.

	As of March 31, 2013		
	Actual	Pro Forma ⁽¹⁾ (in thousands)	Pro Forma As Adjusted ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 40,480	\$ 40,480	\$ 151,833
Working capital	23,375	23,375	134,728
Total assets	89,441	89,441	200,794
Convertible preferred stock	20,031		
Total stockholders' equity	9,492	29,523	140,876

- (1) The pro forma column reflects the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our preferred stock into 17,416,317 shares of our Class B common stock immediately prior to the completion of this offering.
- (2) The pro forma as adjusted column reflects (i) the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our preferred stock into 17,416,317 shares of our Class B common stock immediately prior to the completion of this offering and (ii) the sale by us of 5,000,000 shares of our Class A common stock in this offering at an assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.
- (3) A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share would increase (decrease) the amount of cash and cash equivalents, working capital, total assets and total stockholders' equity by approximately \$4.7 million, assuming the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions. Similarly, each increase (decrease) of 1,000,000 shares in the number of shares of our Class A common stock offered by us would increase (decrease) the amount of cash and cash equivalents, working capital, total assets and total stockholders' equity by approximately \$22.8 million, assuming that the assumed initial public offering price remains the same, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions. The pro forma as adjusted information discussed above is illustrative only and will be adjusted based on the actual initial public offering price and the other terms of this offering determined at pricing.

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RISK FACTORS

Investing in our Class A common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the following risks and all of the other information contained in this prospectus, including our consolidated financial statements and related notes, before investing in our Class A common stock. While we believe that the risks and uncertainties described below are the material risks currently facing us, additional risks that we do not yet know of or that we currently think are immaterial may also arise and materially affect our business. If any of the following risks materialize, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected. In that case, the trading price of our Class A common stock could decline, and you may lose some or all of your investment.

Risks Related to Our Business and Industry

Due to our rapid growth, we have a limited operating history at our current scale, which makes it difficult to evaluate our future prospects and may increase the risk that we will not be successful.

We have been growing rapidly in recent periods, and as a result have a relatively short history operating our business at its current scale. For example, we have significantly increased the number of our employees and have expanded our operations worldwide. Furthermore, we operate in an industry that is characterized by rapid technological innovation, intense competition, changing customer needs and frequent introductions of new products, technologies and services. We have encountered, and will continue to encounter, risks and uncertainties frequently experienced by growing companies in evolving industries. If our assumptions regarding these risks and uncertainties, which we use to plan our business, are incorrect or change in reaction to changes in the market, or if we do not address these risks successfully, our operating and financial results could differ materially from our expectations and our business could suffer.

Our future success will depend in large part on our ability to, among other things:

maintain and expand our business, including our operations and infrastructure to support our growth, both domestically and internationally;

compete with other companies, custom development efforts and open source initiatives that are currently in, or may in the future enter, the market for our software;

expand our customer base, both domestically and internationally;

renew maintenance agreements with, and sell additional products to, existing customers;

improve the performance and capabilities of our software;

hire, integrate, train and retain skilled talent, including members of our direct sales force and software engineers;

maintain high customer satisfaction and ensure quality and timely releases of our products and product enhancements;

maintain, expand and support our indirect sales channels and strategic partner network;

maintain the quality of our website infrastructure to minimize latency when downloading or utilizing our software;

increase market awareness of our products and enhance our brand; and

maintain compliance with applicable governmental regulations and other legal obligations, including those related to intellectual property, international sales and taxation.

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If we fail to address the risks and difficulties that we face, including those associated with the challenges listed above as well as those described elsewhere in this Risk Factors section, our business will be adversely affected and our results of operations will suffer.

We may not be able to sustain our revenue growth rate or profitability in the future.

While we have achieved profitability on an annual basis over the past three years, we have not consistently achieved profitability on a quarterly basis during that same period. For example, we had net losses in the fourth quarter of 2010, the third quarter of 2011, the fourth quarter of 2012 and the first quarter of 2013. We expect expenses to increase substantially in the near term, particularly as we make significant investments in our sales and marketing organization, expand our operations and infrastructure both domestically and internationally and develop new products and new features for and enhancements of our existing products. In addition, in connection with operating as a public company, we will incur additional significant legal, accounting and other expenses that we did not incur as a private company. If our revenues do not increase to offset these increases in our operating expenses, we may not be profitable in future periods.

Moreover, our historical revenue growth should not be considered indicative of our future performance. As we grow our business, we expect our revenue growth rates to slow in future periods due to a number of reasons, which may include slowing demand for our products, increasing competition, a decrease in the growth of our overall market, our failure, for any reason, to continue to capitalize on growth opportunities, the maturation of our business or the decline in the number of organizations into which we have not already expanded.

We have been growing rapidly and expect to continue to invest in our growth for the foreseeable future. If we fail to manage this growth effectively, our business and results of operations will be adversely affected.

We have experienced rapid growth in a relatively short period of time. Our revenues grew from \$34.2 million in 2010 to \$127.7 million in 2012. Our number of full-time employees increased from 188 as of December 31, 2010 to 749 as of December 31, 2012. During this period, we also established operations in a number of countries outside the United States.

We intend to continue to aggressively grow our business. For example, we plan to continue to hire new employees at a rapid pace, particularly in our sales and engineering groups. If we cannot adequately train these new employees, including our direct sales force, our sales may decrease or our customers may lose confidence in the knowledge and capability of our employees. In addition, we are expanding internationally, establishing operations in additional countries outside the United States, and we intend to make direct and substantial investments to continue our international expansion efforts. We must successfully manage our growth to achieve our objectives. Although our business has experienced significant growth in the past, we cannot provide any assurance that our business will continue to grow at the same rate, or at all.

Our ability to effectively manage any significant growth of our business will depend on a number of factors, including our ability to do the following:

effectively recruit, integrate, train and motivate a large number of new employees, including our direct sales force, while retaining existing employees, maintaining the beneficial aspects of our corporate culture and effectively executing our business plan;

satisfy existing customers and attract new customers;

successfully introduce new products and enhancements;

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continue to improve our operational, financial and management controls;

protect and further develop our strategic assets, including our intellectual property rights; and

make sound business decisions in light of the scrutiny associated with operating as a public company.

These activities will require significant capital expenditures and allocation of valuable management and employee resources, and our growth will continue to place significant demands on our management and our operational and financial infrastructure.

Our future financial performance and our ability to execute on our business plan will depend, in part, on our ability to effectively manage any future growth. There are no guarantees we will be able to do so in an efficient or timely manner, or at all. In particular, any failure to successfully implement systems enhancements and improvements will likely negatively impact our ability to manage our expected growth, ensure uninterrupted operation of key business systems and comply with the rules and regulations that are applicable to public reporting companies. Moreover, if we do not effectively manage the growth of our business and operations, the quality of our software could suffer, which could negatively affect our brand, results of operations and overall business.

We face intense competition, and we may not be able to compete effectively, which could reduce demand for our products and adversely affect our business, growth, revenues and market share.

The market for our products is intensely and increasingly competitive and subject to rapidly changing technology and evolving standards. In addition, many companies in our target market are offering, or may soon offer, products and services that may compete with our products.

Our current primary competitors generally fall into three categories:

large software companies, including suppliers of traditional business intelligence products that provide one or more capabilities that are competitive with our products, such as International Business Machines Corporation, or IBM, Microsoft Corporation, Oracle Corporation and SAP AG;

spreadsheet software providers, such as Microsoft Corporation; and

new and emerging business analytics software companies, such as Qlik Technologies Inc. and TIBCO Spotfire (a subsidiary of TIBCO Software Inc.).

In addition, we may compete with open source initiatives and custom development efforts. We expect competition to increase as other established and emerging companies enter the business analytics software market, as customer requirements evolve and as new products and technologies are introduced. We expect this to be particularly true with respect to our cloud-based initiatives as we and our competitors seek to provide business analytics products based on a SaaS platform. This is a relatively new and evolving area of business analytics solutions, and we anticipate competition to increase based on customer demand for these types of products.

Many of our competitors, particularly the large software companies named above, have longer operating histories, significantly greater financial, technical, marketing, distribution, professional services or other resources and greater name recognition than we do. In addition, many of our competitors have strong relationships with current and potential customers and extensive knowledge of the business analytics industry. As a result, they may be able to respond more quickly to new or emerging technologies and changes in customer requirements, for example by offering a software-as-a-service, or SaaS, based product that competes with our on-premise products or devoting greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their products than we do. Moreover, many of these competitors are bundling their analytics products into larger deals or maintenance renewals,

often at significant discounts. Increased competition may lead to price cuts, alternative pricing

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structures or the introduction of products available for free or a nominal price, fewer customer orders, reduced gross margins, longer sales cycles and loss of market share. We may not be able to compete successfully against current and future competitors, and our business, results of operations and financial condition will be harmed if we fail to meet these competitive pressures.

Our ability to compete successfully in our market depends on a number of factors, both within and outside of our control. Some of these factors include ease and speed of product deployment and use, discovery and visualization capabilities, analytical and statistical capabilities, performance and scalability, the quality and reliability of our customer service and support, total cost of ownership, return on investment and brand recognition. Any failure by us to compete successfully in any one of these or other areas may reduce the demand for our products, as well as adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Moreover, current and future competitors may also make strategic acquisitions or establish cooperative relationships among themselves or with others. By doing so, these competitors may increase their ability to meet the needs of our customers or potential customers. In addition, our current or prospective indirect sales channel partners may establish cooperative relationships with our current or future competitors. These relationships may limit our ability to sell or certify our products through specific distributors, technology providers, database companies and distribution channels and allow our competitors to rapidly gain significant market share. These developments could limit our ability to obtain revenues from existing and new customers and to maintain maintenance and support revenues from our existing and new customers. If we are unable to compete successfully against current and future competitors, our business, results of operations and financial condition would be harmed.

Our success is highly dependent on our ability to penetrate the existing market for business analytics software as well as the growth and expansion of that market.

Although the overall market for business analytics software is well-established, the market for business analytics software like ours is relatively new, rapidly evolving and unproven. Our future success will depend in large part on our ability to penetrate the existing market for business analytics software, as well as the continued growth and expansion of what we believe to be an emerging market for analytics solutions that are faster, easier to adopt, easier to use and more focused on self-service capabilities. It is difficult to predict customer adoption and renewal rates, customer demand for our products, the size, growth rate and expansion of these markets, the entry of competitive products or the success of existing competitive products. Our ability to penetrate the existing market and any expansion of the emerging market depends on a number of factors, including the cost, performance and perceived value associated with our products, as well as customers' willingness to adopt a different approach to data analysis. Furthermore, many potential customers have made significant investments in legacy business analytics software systems and may be unwilling to invest in new software. If we are unable to penetrate the existing market for business analytics software, the emerging market for self-service analytics solutions fails to grow or expand, or either of these markets decreases in size, our business, results of operations and financial condition would be adversely affected.

Our future quarterly results of operations may fluctuate significantly due to a wide range of factors, which makes our future results difficult to predict.

Our revenues and results of operations could vary significantly from quarter to quarter as a result of various factors, many of which are outside of our control, including:

the expansion of our customer base;

the renewal of maintenance agreements with, and sales of additional products to, existing customers;

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the size, timing and terms of our perpetual license sales to both existing and new customers;

the mix of direct sales versus sales through our indirect sales channels;

the timing and growth of our business, in particular through our hiring of new employees and international expansion;

the introduction of products and product enhancements by existing competitors or new entrants into our market, and changes in pricing for products offered by us or our competitors;

customers delaying purchasing decisions in anticipation of new products or product enhancements by us or our competitors or otherwise;

changes in customers' budgets;

customer acceptance of and willingness to pay for new versions of our products;

seasonal variations in our sales, which have generally historically been highest in the fourth quarter of a calendar year and lowest in the first quarter;

seasonal variations related to sales and marketing and other activities, such as expenses related to our annual customer conferences;

our ability to control costs, including our operating expenses;

our ability to hire, train and maintain our direct sales force;

the timing of satisfying revenue recognition criteria, particularly with regard to large transactions;

fluctuations in our effective tax rate; and

general economic and political conditions, both domestically and internationally, as well as economic conditions specifically affecting industries in which our customers operate.

Any one of these or other factors discussed elsewhere in this prospectus may result in fluctuations in our revenues and operating results, meaning that quarter-to-quarter comparisons of our revenues, results of operations and cash flows may not necessarily be indicative of our future performance.

We may not be able to accurately predict our future revenues or results of operations. For example, a large percentage of the revenues we recognize each quarter has been attributable to sales made in the last month of that same quarter. Our license revenues, which are primarily attributable to perpetual licenses, in particular can be impacted by short-term shifts in customer demand. As a result, our ability to forecast revenues on a quarterly or longer-term basis is limited. In addition, we base our current and future expense levels on our operating plans and

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sales forecasts, and our operating expenses are expected to be relatively fixed in the short term. Accordingly, we may not be able to reduce our costs sufficiently to compensate for an unexpected shortfall in revenues, and even a small shortfall in revenues could disproportionately and adversely affect our financial results for that quarter. The variability and unpredictability of these and other factors could result in our failing to meet or exceed financial expectations for a given period.

If we are unable to attract new customers and expand sales to existing customers, both domestically and internationally, our growth could be slower than we expect and our business may be harmed.

Our future growth depends in part upon increasing our customer base. Our ability to achieve significant growth in revenues in the future will depend, in large part, upon the effectiveness of our marketing efforts, both domestically and internationally, and our ability to attract new customers. This

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may be particularly challenging where an organization has already invested substantial personnel and financial resources to integrate traditional business intelligence products into its business, as such organization may be reluctant or unwilling to invest in a new product. If we fail to attract new customers and maintain and expand those customer relationships, our revenues will grow more slowly than expected and our business will be harmed.

Our future growth also depends upon expanding sales of our products to and renewing license and maintenance agreements with existing customers and their organizations. In order for us to improve our operating results, it is important that our existing customers make additional significant purchases of our products. If our customers do not purchase additional licenses or capabilities, our revenues may grow more slowly than expected, may not grow at all or may decline. Additionally, increasing incremental sales to our current customer base requires increasingly sophisticated and costly sales efforts that are targeted at senior management. There can be no assurance that our efforts would result in increased sales to existing customers, or upsells, and additional revenues. If our efforts to upsell to our customers are not successful, our business would suffer. Moreover, while most of our software is licensed and sold under perpetual license agreements, we also enter into term licenses agreements with some of our customers. In addition, all of our maintenance and support agreements are sold on a term basis. In order for us to grow our revenues and increase profitability, it is important that our existing customers renew their maintenance and support agreements and their term licenses, if applicable, when the initial contract term expires. Our customers have no obligation to renew their term licenses or maintenance and support contracts with us after the initial terms have expired. Our customers' renewal rates may decline or fluctuate as a result of a number of factors, including their satisfaction or dissatisfaction with our software or professional services, our pricing or pricing structure, the pricing or capabilities of products or services offered by our competitors, the effects of economic conditions, or reductions in our customers' spending levels. If our customers do not renew their agreements with us, or renew on terms less favorable to us, our revenues may decline.

We derive substantially all of our revenues from a limited number of software products.

We currently derive and expect to continue to derive substantially all of our revenues from our Tableau Desktop and Tableau Server software products. As such, the continued growth in market demand of these software products is critical to our continued success. Demand for our software is affected by a number of factors, including continued market acceptance of our products, the timing of development and release of new products by our competitors, price changes by us or by our competitors, technological change, growth or contraction in the traditional and expanding business analytics market, and general economic conditions and trends. If we are unable to continue to meet customer demands or to achieve more widespread market acceptance of our software, our business, results of operations, financial condition and growth prospects will be materially and adversely affected.

Our success depends on increasing the number and value of enterprise sales transactions, which typically involve a longer sales cycle, greater deployment challenges and additional support and services than sales to individual purchasers of our products.

Growth in our revenues and profitability depends in part on our ability to complete more and larger enterprise sales transactions. As we have continued to invest in our sales team and product capabilities, the number of individual sales orders over \$100,000 has increased from 111 in 2011 to 239 in 2012. These larger transactions may involve significant customer negotiation. Enterprise customers may undertake a significant evaluation process, which can last from several months to a year or longer. For example, in recent periods, excluding renewals, our transactions over \$100,000 have generally taken over three months to close. Any individual transaction may take substantially longer than three months to close. If our sales cycle were to lengthen in this manner, events may occur during this period that affect the size or timing of a purchase or even cause cancellations, which may

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lead to greater unpredictability in our business and results of operations. We will spend substantial time, effort and money on enterprise sales efforts without any assurance that our efforts will produce any sales.

We may also face unexpected deployment challenges with enterprise customers or more complicated installations of our software platform. It may be difficult to deploy our software platform if the customer has unexpected database, hardware or software technology issues. Additional deployment complexities may occur if a customer hires a third party to deploy or implement our products or if one of our indirect sales channel partners leads the implementation of our products. In addition, enterprise customers may demand more configuration and integration services, which increase our upfront investment in sales and deployment efforts, with no guarantee that these customers will increase the scope of their use. As a result of these factors, we must devote a significant amount of sales support and professional services resources to individual customers, increasing the cost and time required to complete sales. Any difficulties or delays in the initial implementation, configuration or integration of our products could cause customers to reject our software or lead to the delay or non-receipt of future orders which would harm our business, results of operations and financial condition.

If our new products and product enhancements do not achieve sufficient market acceptance, our results of operations and competitive position will suffer.

We spend substantial amounts of time and money to research and develop new software and enhanced versions of our existing software to incorporate additional features, improve functionality, function in concert with new technologies or changes to existing technologies and allow our customers to analyze a wide range of data sources. When we develop a new product or an enhanced version of an existing product, we typically incur expenses and expend resources upfront to market, promote and sell the new offering. Therefore, when we develop and introduce new or enhanced products, they must achieve high levels of market acceptance in order to justify the amount of our investment in developing and bringing them to market.

Further, we may make changes to our software that our customers do not find useful. We may also discontinue certain features, begin to charge for certain features that are currently free or increase fees for any of our features or usage of our software. We may also face unexpected problems or challenges in connection with new product or feature introductions.

Our new products or product enhancements, such as our most recent release, Tableau 8.0, and changes to our existing software could fail to attain sufficient market acceptance for many reasons, including:

failure to predict market demand accurately in terms of software functionality and capability or to supply software that meets this demand in a timely fashion;

inability to operate effectively with the technologies, systems or applications of our existing or potential customers;

defects, errors or failures;

negative publicity about their performance or effectiveness;

delays in releasing our new software or enhancements to our existing software to the market;

the introduction or anticipated introduction of competing products by our competitors;

an ineffective sales force;

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poor business conditions for our end-customers, causing them to delay purchases; and

the reluctance of customers to purchase software incorporating open source software.

In addition, because our products are designed to operate on and with a variety of systems, we will need to continuously modify and enhance our products to keep pace with changes in technology. We may not be successful in either developing these modifications and enhancements or in bringing them to market in a timely fashion.

If our new software or enhancements and changes do not achieve adequate acceptance in the market, our competitive position will be impaired, and our revenues could decline. The adverse effect on our results of operations may be particularly acute because of the significant research, development, marketing, sales and other expenses we will have incurred in connection with the new software or enhancements.

We are dependent on the continued services and performance of our senior management and other key personnel, the loss of any of whom could adversely affect our business.

Our future success depends in large part on the continued contributions of our senior management and other key personnel. In particular, the leadership of key management personnel is critical to the successful management of our company, the development of our products, and our strategic direction. We do not maintain key person insurance for any member of our senior management team or any of our other key employees. Our senior management and key personnel are all employed on an at-will basis, which means that they could terminate their employment with us at any time, for any reason and without notice. The loss of any of our key management personnel could significantly delay or prevent the achievement of our development and strategic objectives and adversely affect our business.

If we are unable to attract, integrate and retain additional qualified personnel, including top technical talent, our business could be adversely affected.

Our future success depends in part on our ability to identify, attract, integrate and retain highly skilled technical, managerial, sales and other personnel, including top technical talent from the industry and top research institutions. We face intense competition for qualified individuals from numerous other companies, including other software and technology companies, many of whom have greater financial and other resources than we do. These companies also may provide more diverse opportunities and better chances for career advancement. Some of these characteristics may be more appealing to high-quality candidates than those we have to offer. In addition, new hires often require significant training and, in many cases, take significant time before they achieve full productivity. We may incur significant costs to attract and retain qualified personnel, including significant expenditures related to salaries and benefits and compensation expenses related to equity awards, and we may lose new employees to our competitors or other companies before we realize the benefit of our investment in recruiting and training them. Moreover, new employees may not be or become as productive as we expect, as we may face challenges in adequately or appropriately integrating them into our workforce and culture. In addition, as we move into new geographies, we will need to attract and recruit skilled personnel in those areas. We have little experience with recruiting in geographies outside of the United States, and may face additional challenges in attracting, integrating and retaining international employees. If we are unable to attract, integrate and retain suitably qualified individuals who are capable of meeting our growing technical, operational and managerial requirements, on a timely basis or at all, our business will be adversely affected.

Volatility or lack of positive performance in our stock price may also affect our ability to attract and retain our key employees. Many of our senior management personnel and other key employees have become, or will soon become, vested in a substantial amount of stock or stock options. Employees

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may be more likely to leave us if the shares they own or the shares underlying their vested options have significantly appreciated in value relative to the original purchase prices of the shares or the exercise prices of the options, or, conversely, if the exercise prices of the options that they hold are significantly above the market price of our common stock. If we are unable to appropriately incentivize and retain our employees through equity compensation, or if we need to increase our compensation expenses in order to appropriately incentivize and retain our employees, our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows would be adversely affected.

Our growth depends on being able to expand our direct sales force successfully.

To date, most of our revenues have been attributable to the efforts of our direct sales force in the United States. In order to increase our revenues and profitability, we must increase the size of our direct sales force, both in the United States and internationally, to generate additional revenues from new and existing customers. We intend to substantially further increase our number of direct sales professionals.

We believe that there is significant competition for sales personnel with the skills and technical knowledge that we require. Our ability to achieve significant revenue growth will depend, in large part, on our success in recruiting, training and retaining sufficient numbers of direct sales personnel to support our growth. New hires require significant training and may take significant time before they achieve full productivity. Our recent hires and planned hires may not become productive as quickly as we expect, and we may be unable to hire or retain sufficient numbers of qualified individuals in the markets where we do business or plan to do business. In addition, as we continue to grow rapidly, a large percentage of our sales force will be new to our company and our products, which may adversely affect our sales if we cannot train our sales force quickly or effectively. Attrition rates may increase and we may face integration challenges as we continue to seek to aggressively expand our sales force. If we are unable to hire and train sufficient numbers of effective sales personnel, or the sales personnel are not successful in obtaining new customers or increasing sales to our existing customer base, our business will be adversely affected.

If we cannot maintain our corporate culture as we grow, we could lose the innovation, teamwork, passion and focus on execution that we believe contribute to our success, and our business may be harmed.

We believe that a critical component to our success has been our corporate culture. We have invested substantial time and resources in building our team. As we grow and develop the infrastructure of a public company, we may find it difficult to maintain our corporate culture. Any failure to preserve our culture could negatively affect our future success, including our ability to retain and recruit personnel and effectively focus on and pursue our corporate objectives.

Real or perceived errors, failures or bugs in our software could adversely affect our results of operations and growth prospects.

Because our software is complex, undetected errors, failures or bugs may occur, especially when new versions or updates are released. Our software is often installed and used in large-scale computing environments with different operating systems, system management software, and equipment and networking configurations, which may cause errors or failures of our software or other aspects of the computing environment into which it is deployed. In addition, deployment of our software into computing environments may expose undetected errors, compatibility issues, failures or bugs in our software. Despite testing by us, errors, failures or bugs may not be found in our software until it is released to our customers. Moreover, our customers could incorrectly implement or inadvertently misuse our software, which could result in customer dissatisfaction and adversely impact the perceived utility of our products as well as our brand. Any of these real or perceived errors, compatibility issues, failures or bugs in our software could result in negative publicity, reputational harm, loss of or delay in

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market acceptance of our software, loss of competitive position or claims by customers for losses sustained by them. In such an event, we may be required, or may choose, for customer relations or other reasons, to expend additional resources in order to help correct the problem. Alleviating any of these problems could require significant expenditures of our capital and other resources and could cause interruptions, delays or cessation of our licensing, which could cause us to lose existing or potential customers and could adversely affect our results of operations and growth prospects.

Interruptions or performance problems associated with our technology and infrastructure may adversely affect our business and results of operations.

We have in the past experienced, and may in the future experience, performance issues due to a variety of factors, including infrastructure changes, human or software errors, website or third-party hosting disruptions or capacity constraints due to a number of potential causes including technical failures, natural disasters or fraud or security attacks. If our security is compromised, our website is unavailable or our users are unable to download our software within a reasonable amount of time or at all, our business could be negatively affected. In particular, Tableau Public may be especially vulnerable to interruptions or performance problems. In some instances, we may not be able to identify the cause or causes of these performance problems within an acceptable period of time. It may become increasingly difficult to maintain and improve our website performance, especially during peak usage times and as our software becomes more complex and our user traffic increases. We expect to continue to make significant investments to maintain and improve website performance and to enable rapid releases of new features and applications for our software. To the extent that we do not effectively address capacity constraints, upgrade our systems as needed and continually develop our technology and network architecture to accommodate actual and anticipated changes in technology, our business and results of operations may be adversely affected.

In addition, we rely on SaaS technologies from third parties in order to operate critical functions of our business, including financial management services from NetSuite Inc. and customer relationship management services from salesforce.com, inc. If these services become unavailable due to extended outages or interruptions or because they are no longer available on commercially reasonable terms or prices, our expenses could increase, our ability to manage our finances could be interrupted and our processes for managing sales of our software and supporting our customers could be impaired until equivalent services, if available, are identified, obtained and implemented, all of which could adversely affect our business.

Our products use third-party software and services that may be difficult to replace or cause errors or failures of our products that could lead to a loss of customers or harm to our reputation and our operating results.

We license third-party software and depend on services from various third parties for use in our products. In the future, this software or these services may not be available to us on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. Any loss of the right to use any of the software or services could result in decreased functionality of our products until equivalent technology is either developed by us or, if available from another provider, is identified, obtained and integrated, which could harm our business. In addition, any errors or defects in or failures of the third-party software or services could result in errors or defects in our products or cause our products to fail, which could harm our business and be costly to correct. Many of these providers attempt to impose limitations on their liability for such errors, defects or failures, and if enforceable, we may have additional liability to our customers or third-party providers that could harm our reputation and increase our operating costs.

We will need to maintain our relationships with third-party software and service providers, and to obtain software and services from such providers that do not contain any errors or defects. Any failure

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to do so could adversely impact our ability to deliver effective products to our customers and could harm our operating results.

If customers demand products that provide business analytics via a software-as-a-service business model, our business could be adversely affected.

While we do not currently offer a commercial version of our product through a SaaS model, we are investing in the development of Tableau Online, our cloud-based service (currently in development) that will provide our software's core capabilities as a commercial SaaS offering. A SaaS business model can require a vendor to undertake substantial capital investments and develop related sales and support resources and personnel. In recent years, we believe that companies have begun to expect that key software be provided through a SaaS model, and customers may eventually require that we provide our product via a SaaS deployment. Although we plan to leverage the investments we have already made in Tableau Public to finalize this product, we anticipate using our current cash or future cash flows to fund further development of this product, and we may encounter difficulties that cause our costs to exceed our current expectations. Moreover, to commercially provide this product at scale, we will need to make additional investments in related infrastructure such as server farms, data centers, network bandwidth and technical operations personnel. All of these investments will negatively affect our operating results. Even if we make these investments, we may be unsuccessful in implementing a SaaS business model. Moreover, sales of a potential future SaaS offering by our competitors could adversely affect sales of our existing products. In addition, the change to a SaaS model would result in changes in the manner in which we recognize revenues. Changes in revenue recognition would affect our operating results and could have an adverse effect on our business operations and financial results.

Our success depends on our ability to maintain and expand our indirect sales channels.

Historically, we have used indirect sales channel partners, such as original equipment manufacturers, technology partners, systems integrators and resellers, to a limited degree. Indirect sales channel partners are becoming an increasingly important aspect of our business, particularly with regard to enterprise and international sales. Our future growth in revenues and profitability depends in part on our ability to identify, establish and retain successful channel partner relationships in the United States and internationally, which will take significant time and resources and involve significant risk.

We cannot be certain that we will be able to identify suitable indirect sales channel partners. To the extent we do identify such partners, we will need to negotiate the terms of a commercial agreement with them under which the partner would distribute our products. We cannot be certain that we will be able to negotiate commercially-attractive terms with any channel partner, if at all. In addition, all channel partners must be trained to distribute our products. In order to develop and expand our distribution channel, we must develop and improve our processes for channel partner introduction and training.

We also cannot be certain that we will be able to maintain successful relationships with any channel partners. These channel partners may not have an exclusive relationship with us, and may offer customers the products of several different companies, including products that compete with ours. With or without an exclusive relationship, we cannot be certain that they will prioritize or provide adequate resources for selling our products. A lack of support by any of our channel partners may harm our ability to develop, market, sell or support our products, as well as harm our brand. There can be no assurance that our channel partners will comply with the terms of our commercial agreements with them or will continue to work with us when our commercial agreements with them expire or are up for renewal. If we are unable to maintain our relationships with these channel partners, or these channel partners fail to live up to their contractual obligations, our business, results of operations and financial condition could be harmed.

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Our long-term growth depends in part on being able to expand internationally on a profitable basis.

Historically, we have generated a substantial majority of our revenues from customers inside the United States and Canada. For example, approximately 83% of our total revenues in 2012 was derived from sales within the United States and Canada. We have begun to expand internationally and plan to continue to expand our international operations as part of our growth strategy. Expanding our international operations will subject us to a variety of risks and challenges, including:

increased management, travel, infrastructure and legal compliance costs associated with having multiple international operations;

management communication and integration problems resulting from geographic dispersion and language and cultural differences;

sales and customer service challenges associated with operating in different countries;

increased reliance on indirect sales channel partners outside the United States;

longer payment cycles and difficulties in collecting accounts receivable or satisfying revenue recognition criteria, especially in emerging markets;

increased financial accounting and reporting burdens and complexities;

general economic or political conditions in each country or region;

economic uncertainty around the world and adverse effects arising from economic interdependencies across countries and regions;

compliance with foreign laws and regulations and the risks and costs of non-compliance with such laws and regulations;

compliance with laws and regulations for foreign operations, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the U.K. Bribery Act, import and export control laws, tariffs, trade barriers, economic sanctions and other regulatory or contractual limitations on our ability to sell our software in certain foreign markets, and the risks and costs of non-compliance;

heightened risks of unfair or corrupt business practices in certain geographies and of improper or fraudulent sales arrangements that may impact financial results and result in restatements of financial statements and irregularities in financial statements;

fluctuations in currency exchange rates and related effects on our results of operations;

difficulties in repatriating or transferring funds from or converting currencies in certain countries;

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the need for localized software and licensing programs;

reduced protection for intellectual property rights in certain countries and practical difficulties and costs of enforcing rights abroad;
and

compliance with the laws of numerous foreign taxing jurisdictions and overlapping of different tax regimes.

Any of these risks could adversely affect our international operations, reduce our international revenues or increase our operating costs, adversely affecting our business, results of operations and financial condition and growth prospects.

For example, compliance with laws and regulations applicable to our international operations increases our cost of doing business in foreign jurisdictions. We may be unable to keep current with changes in government requirements as they change from time to time. Failure to comply with these regulations could have adverse effects on our business. In addition, in many foreign countries it is

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common for others to engage in business practices that are prohibited by our internal policies and procedures or U.S. laws and regulations applicable to us. We have not historically had formal policies with respect to these laws and regulations, and have only recently begun to implement compliance procedures designed to prevent violations of these laws and regulations. There can be no assurance that all of our employees, contractors, indirect sales channel partners and agents will comply with the formal policies we will implement, or applicable laws and regulations. Violations of laws or key control policies by our employees, contractors, channel partners or agents could result in delays in revenue recognition, financial reporting misstatements, fines, penalties, or the prohibition of the importation or exportation of our software and services and could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

Our business is highly dependent upon our brand recognition and reputation, and the failure to maintain or enhance our brand recognition or reputation would likely adversely affect our business and results of operations.

We believe that maintaining and enhancing the Tableau brand identity and our reputation are critical to our relationships with our customers and channel partners and to our ability to attract new customers and channel partners. We also believe that the importance of our brand recognition and reputation will continue to increase as competition in our market continues to develop. Our success in this area will depend on a wide range of factors, some of which are beyond our control, including the following:

the efficacy of our marketing efforts;

our ability to continue to offer high-quality, innovative and error- and bug-free products;

our ability to retain existing customers and obtain new customers;

our ability to maintain high customer satisfaction;

the quality and perceived value of our products;

our ability to successfully differentiate our products from those of our competitors;

actions of our competitors and other third parties;

our ability to provide customer support and professional services;

any misuse or perceived misuse of our products;

positive or negative publicity;

interruptions, delays or attacks on our website; and

litigation- or regulatory-related developments.

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Our brand promotion activities may not be successful or yield increased revenues.

Independent industry analysts often provide reviews of our products, as well as those of our competitors, and perception of our products in the marketplace may be significantly influenced by these reviews. If these reviews are negative, or less positive as compared to those of our competitors' products and services, our brand may be adversely affected.

Furthermore, negative publicity, whether or not justified, relating to events or activities attributed to us, our employees, our partners or others associated with any of these parties, may tarnish our reputation and reduce the value of our brand. Damage to our reputation and loss of brand equity may reduce demand for our products and have an adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition. Moreover, any attempts to rebuild our reputation and restore the value of our brand may be costly and time consuming, and such efforts may not ultimately be successful.

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Economic uncertainties or downturns could materially adversely affect our business.

Current or future economic uncertainties or downturns could adversely affect our business and results of operations. Negative conditions in the general economy both in the United States and abroad, including conditions resulting from changes in gross domestic product growth, the continued sovereign debt crisis, financial and credit market fluctuations, political deadlock, natural catastrophes, warfare and terrorist attacks on the United States, Europe, the Asia Pacific region or elsewhere, could cause a decrease in business investments, including corporate spending on business analytics software in general and negatively affect the rate of growth of our business.

General worldwide economic conditions have experienced a significant downturn and continue to remain unstable. These conditions make it extremely difficult for our customers and us to forecast and plan future business activities accurately, and they could cause our customers to reevaluate their decisions to purchase our products, which could delay and lengthen our sales cycles or result in cancellations of planned purchases. Furthermore, during challenging economic times our customers may tighten their budgets and face issues in gaining timely access to sufficient credit, which could result in an impairment of their ability to make timely payments to us. In turn, we may be required to increase our allowance for doubtful accounts, which would adversely affect our financial results.

To the extent purchases of our software are perceived by customers and potential customers to be discretionary, our revenues may be disproportionately affected by delays or reductions in general information technology spending. Also, customers may choose to develop in-house software as an alternative to using our products. Moreover, competitors may respond to market conditions by lowering prices and attempting to lure away our customers. In addition, the increased pace of consolidation in certain industries may result in reduced overall spending on our software.

We cannot predict the timing, strength or duration of any economic slowdown, instability or recovery, generally or within any particular industry. If the economic conditions of the general economy or industries in which we operate do not improve, or worsen from present levels, our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows could be adversely affected.

If currency exchange rates fluctuate substantially in the future, the results of our operations, which are reported in U.S. dollars, could be adversely affected.

As we continue to expand our international operations, we become more exposed to the effects of fluctuations in currency exchange rates. Although we expect an increasing number of sales contracts to be denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar in the future, our sales contracts have historically been denominated in U.S. dollars, and therefore substantially all of our revenues have not been subject to foreign currency risk. However, a strengthening of the U.S. dollar could increase the real cost of our software to our customers outside of the United States, which could adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. In addition, we incur expenses for employee compensation and other operating expenses at our non-U.S. locations in the local currency. Fluctuations in the exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and other currencies could result in the dollar equivalent of such expenses being higher. This could have a negative impact on our reported results of operations. Although we may in the future decide to undertake foreign exchange hedging transactions to cover a portion of our foreign currency exchange exposure, we currently do not hedge our exposure to foreign currency exchange risks.

Failure to protect our intellectual property rights could adversely affect our business.

Our success depends, in part, on our ability to protect proprietary methods and technologies that we develop or license under patent and other intellectual property laws of the United States, so that we can prevent others from using our inventions and proprietary information. If we fail to protect our

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intellectual property rights adequately, our competitors might gain access to our technology, and our business might be adversely affected. However, defending our intellectual property rights might entail significant expenses. Any of our patent rights, copyrights, trademarks or other intellectual property rights may be challenged by others, weakened or invalidated through administrative process or litigation.

As of March 31, 2013, we had ten issued U.S. patents covering our technology and 11 patent applications pending for examination in the United States. The patents that we own or license from others (including those that have issued or may issue in the future) may not provide us with any competitive advantages or may be challenged by third parties, and our patent applications may never be granted.

Additionally, the process of obtaining patent protection is expensive and time-consuming, and we may not be able to prosecute all necessary or desirable patent applications at a reasonable cost or in a timely manner. Even if issued, there can be no assurance that these patents will adequately protect our intellectual property, as the legal standards relating to the validity, enforceability and scope of protection of patent and other intellectual property rights are uncertain.

Any patents that are issued may subsequently be invalidated or otherwise limited, allowing other companies to develop offerings that compete with ours, which could adversely affect our competitive business position, business prospects and financial condition. In addition, issuance of a patent does not guarantee that we have a right to practice the patented invention. Patent applications in the United States are typically not published until 18 months after filing or, in some cases, not at all, and publications of discoveries in industry-related literature lag behind actual discoveries. We cannot be certain that third parties do not have blocking patents that could be used to prevent us from marketing or practicing our patented software or technology.

Effective patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret protection may not be available to us in every country in which our software is available. The laws of some foreign countries may not be as protective of intellectual property rights as those in the United States (in particular, some foreign jurisdictions do not permit patent protection for software), and mechanisms for enforcement of intellectual property rights may be inadequate. Additional uncertainty may result from changes to intellectual property legislation enacted in the United States, including the recent America Invents Act, and other national governments and from interpretations of the intellectual property laws of the United States and other countries by applicable courts and agencies. Accordingly, despite our efforts, we may be unable to prevent third parties from infringing upon or misappropriating our intellectual property.

We rely in part on trade secrets, proprietary know-how and other confidential information to maintain our competitive position. Although we endeavor to enter into non-disclosure agreements with our employees, licensees and others who may have access to this information, we cannot assure you that these agreements or other steps we have taken will prevent unauthorized use, disclosure or reverse engineering of our technology. Moreover, third parties may independently develop technologies or products that compete with ours, and we may be unable to prevent this competition.

We might be required to spend significant resources to monitor and protect our intellectual property rights. We may initiate claims or litigation against third parties for infringement of our proprietary rights or to establish the validity of our proprietary rights. Litigation also puts our patents at risk of being invalidated or interpreted narrowly and our patent applications at risk of not issuing. Additionally, we may provoke third parties to assert counterclaims against us. We may not prevail in any lawsuits that we initiate, and the damages or other remedies awarded, if any, may not be commercially viable. Any litigation, whether or not resolved in our favor, could result in significant expense to us and divert the efforts of our technical and management personnel, which may adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

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We may be subject to intellectual property rights claims by third parties, which are extremely costly to defend, could require us to pay significant damages and could limit our ability to use certain technologies.

Companies in the software and technology industries, including some of our current and potential competitors, own large numbers of patents, copyrights, trademarks and trade secrets and frequently enter into litigation based on allegations of infringement or other violations of intellectual property rights. In addition, many of these companies have the capability to dedicate substantially greater resources to enforce their intellectual property rights and to defend claims that may be brought against them. The litigation may involve patent holding companies or other adverse patent owners that have no relevant product revenues and against which our patents may therefore provide little or no deterrence. We have received, and may in the future receive, notices that claim we have misappropriated, misused, or infringed other parties' intellectual property rights, and, to the extent we gain greater market visibility, we face a higher risk of being the subject of intellectual property infringement claims, which is not uncommon with respect to the business analytics software market.

There may be third-party intellectual property rights, including issued or pending patents that cover significant aspects of our technologies or business methods. Any intellectual property claims, with or without merit, could be very time-consuming, could be expensive to settle or litigate and could divert our management's attention and other resources. These claims could also subject us to significant liability for damages, potentially including treble damages if we are found to have willfully infringed patents or copyrights. These claims could also result in our having to stop using technology found to be in violation of a third party's rights. We might be required to seek a license for the intellectual property, which may not be available on reasonable terms or at all. Even if a license were available, we could be required to pay significant royalties, which would increase our operating expenses. As a result, we may be required to develop alternative non-infringing technology, which could require significant effort and expense. If we cannot license or develop technology for any infringing aspect of our business, we would be forced to limit or stop sales of our software and may be unable to compete effectively. Any of these results would adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Our use of open source software could negatively affect our ability to sell our software and subject us to possible litigation.

We use open source software in our software and expect to continue to use open source software in the future. We may face claims from others claiming ownership of, or seeking to enforce the license terms applicable to such open source software, including by demanding release of the open source software, derivative works or our proprietary source code that was developed using such software. These claims could also result in litigation, require us to purchase a costly license or require us to devote additional research and development resources to change our software, any of which would have a negative effect on our business and results of operations. In addition, if the license terms for the open source code change, we may be forced to re-engineer our software or incur additional costs. Finally, we cannot assure you that we have not incorporated open source software into our software in a manner that may subject our proprietary software to an open source license that requires disclosure, to customers or the public, of the source code to such proprietary software. Any such disclosure would have a negative effect on our business and the value of our software.

We may be subject to litigation for a variety of claims, which could adversely affect our results of operations, harm our reputation or otherwise negatively impact our business.

In addition to intellectual property litigation, we may be subject to other claims arising from our normal business activities. These may include claims, suits, and proceedings involving labor and

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employment, wage and hour, commercial and other matters. The outcome of any litigation, regardless of its merits, is inherently uncertain. Any claims and lawsuits, and the disposition of such claims and lawsuits, could be time-consuming and expensive to resolve, divert management attention and resources, and lead to attempts on the part of other parties to pursue similar claims. Any adverse determination related to litigation could adversely affect our results of operations, harm our reputation or otherwise negatively impact our business. In addition, depending on the nature and timing of any such dispute, a resolution of a legal matter could materially affect our future results of operations, our cash flows or both.

Our success depends in part on maintaining and increasing our sales to customers in the public sector.

We derive a portion of our revenues from contracts with federal, state, local and foreign governments and agencies, and we believe that the success and growth of our business will continue to depend on our successful procurement of government contracts. Selling to government entities can be highly competitive, expensive and time consuming, often requiring significant upfront time and expense without any assurance that our efforts will produce any sales. Factors that could impede our ability to maintain or increase the amount of revenues derived from government contracts include:

changes in fiscal or contracting policies;

decreases in available government funding;

changes in government programs or applicable requirements;

the adoption of new laws or regulations or changes to existing laws or regulations;

potential delays or changes in the government appropriations or other funding authorization processes;

governments and governmental agencies requiring contractual terms that are unfavorable to us, such as most-favored-nation pricing provisions; and

delays in the payment of our invoices by government payment offices.

The occurrence of any of the foregoing could cause governments and governmental agencies to delay or refrain from purchasing our software in the future or otherwise have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Further, to increase our sales to customers in the public sector, we must comply with laws and regulations relating to the formation, administration, performance and pricing of contracts with the public sector, including U.S. federal, state and local governmental bodies, which affect how we and our channel partners do business in connection with governmental agencies. These laws and regulations may impose added costs on our business, and failure to comply with these laws and regulations or other applicable requirements, including non-compliance in the past, could lead to claims for damages from our channel partners or government customers, penalties, termination of contracts, loss of intellectual property rights and temporary suspension or permanent debarment from government contracting. Any such damages, penalties, disruptions or limitations in our ability to do business with the public sector could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Future acquisitions could disrupt our business and adversely affect our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

We may choose to expand by making acquisitions that could be material to our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. Our ability as an organization to successfully acquire

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and integrate technologies or businesses is unproven. Acquisitions involve many risks, including the following:

an acquisition may negatively affect our results of operations, financial condition or cash flows because it may require us to incur charges or assume substantial debt or other liabilities, may cause adverse tax consequences or unfavorable accounting treatment, may expose us to claims and disputes by third parties, including intellectual property claims and disputes, or may not generate sufficient financial return to offset additional costs and expenses related to the acquisition;

we may encounter difficulties or unforeseen expenditures in integrating the business, technologies, products, personnel or operations of any company that we acquire, particularly if key personnel of the acquired company decide not to work for us;

an acquisition may disrupt our ongoing business, divert resources, increase our expenses and distract our management;

an acquisition may result in a delay or reduction of customer purchases for both us and the company we acquired due to customer uncertainty about continuity and effectiveness of service from either company;

we may encounter difficulties in, or may be unable to, successfully sell any acquired products;

an acquisition may involve the entry into geographic or business markets in which we have little or no prior experience or where competitors have stronger market positions;

challenges inherent in effectively managing an increased number of employees in diverse locations;

the potential strain on our financial and managerial controls and reporting systems and procedures;

potential known and unknown liabilities associated with an acquired company;

our use of cash to pay for acquisitions would limit other potential uses for our cash;

if we incur debt to fund such acquisitions, such debt may subject us to material restrictions on our ability to conduct our business as well as financial maintenance covenants;

the risk of impairment charges related to potential write-downs of acquired assets or goodwill in future acquisitions;

to the extent that we issue a significant amount of equity or convertible debt securities in connection with future acquisitions, existing stockholders may be diluted and earnings per share may decrease; and

managing the varying intellectual property protection strategies and other activities of an acquired company.

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We may not succeed in addressing these or other risks or any other problems encountered in connection with the integration of any acquired business. The inability to integrate successfully the business, technologies, products, personnel or operations of any acquired business, or any significant delay in achieving integration, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

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We may require additional capital to fund our business and support our growth, and our inability to generate and obtain such capital on acceptable terms, or at all, could harm our business, operating results, financial condition and prospects.

We intend to continue to make substantial investments to fund our business and support our growth. In addition, we may require additional funds to respond to business challenges, including the need to develop new features or enhance our software, improve our operating infrastructure or acquire or develop complementary businesses and technologies. As a result, in addition to the revenues we generate from our business and the proceeds from this offering, we may need to engage in equity or debt financings to provide the funds required for these and other business endeavors. If we raise additional funds through future issuances of equity or convertible debt securities, our existing stockholders could suffer significant dilution, and any new equity securities we issue could have rights, preferences and privileges superior to those of holders of our common stock. Any debt financing that we may secure in the future could involve restrictive covenants relating to our capital raising activities and other financial and operational matters, which may make it more difficult for us to obtain additional capital and to pursue business opportunities, including potential acquisitions. We may not be able to obtain such additional financing on terms favorable to us, if at all. If we are unable to obtain adequate financing or financing on terms satisfactory to us when we require it, our ability to continue to support our business growth and to respond to business challenges could be significantly impaired, and our business may be adversely affected. In addition, our inability to generate or obtain the financial resources needed may require us to delay, scale back, or eliminate some or all of our operations, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, financial condition and prospects.

In addition, the recent global financial crisis which included, among other things, significant reductions in available capital and liquidity from banks and other providers of credit and substantial reductions or fluctuations in equity and currency values worldwide, may make it difficult for us to raise additional capital or obtain additional credit, when needed, on acceptable terms or at all.

Governmental export or import controls could limit our ability to compete in foreign markets and subject us to liability if we violate them.

Our products are subject to U.S. export controls, and we incorporate encryption technology into certain of our products. These products and the underlying technology may be exported only with the required export authorizations, including by license, a license exception or other appropriate government authorizations. U.S. export controls may require submission of an encryption registration, product classification and annual or semi-annual reports. Governmental regulation of encryption technology and regulation of imports or exports of encryption products, or our failure to obtain required import or export authorization for our products, when applicable, could harm our international sales and adversely affect our revenues. Compliance with applicable regulatory requirements regarding the export of our products, including with respect to new releases of our software, may create delays in the introduction of our product releases in international markets, prevent our customers with international operations from deploying our products or, in some cases, prevent the export of our products to some countries altogether. Furthermore, U.S. export control laws and economic sanctions prohibit the shipment of certain products and services to countries, governments and persons targeted by U.S. sanctions. If we fail to comply with export and import regulations and such economic sanctions, we may be fined or other penalties could be imposed, including a denial of certain export privileges. Moreover, any new export or import restrictions, new legislation or shifting approaches in the enforcement or scope of existing regulations, or in the countries, persons or technologies targeted by such regulations, could result in decreased use of our products by, or in our decreased ability to export or sell our products to, existing or potential customers with international operations. Any decreased use of our products or limitation on our ability to export or sell our products would likely adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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We may have additional tax liabilities, which could harm our business, operating results, financial condition and prospects.

Significant judgments and estimates are required in determining the provision for income taxes and other tax liabilities. Our tax expense may be impacted if our intercompany transactions, which are required to be computed on an arm's-length basis, are challenged and successfully disputed by the tax authorities. Also, our tax expense could be impacted depending on the applicability of withholding taxes and indirect tax on software licenses and related intercompany transactions in certain jurisdictions. In determining the adequacy of income taxes, we assess the likelihood of adverse outcomes that could result if our tax positions were challenged by the Internal Revenue Service, or IRS, and other tax authorities. The tax authorities in the United States and other countries where we do business regularly examine our income and other tax returns. The ultimate outcome of these examinations cannot be predicted with certainty. Should the IRS or other tax authorities assess additional taxes as a result of examinations, we may be required to record charges to operations that could have a material impact on the results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

Determining our income tax rate is complex and subject to uncertainty.

The computation of provision for income tax is complex, as it is based on the laws of numerous taxing jurisdictions and requires significant judgment on the application of complicated rules governing accounting for tax provisions under GAAP. Provision for income tax for interim quarters is based on a forecast of our U.S. and non-U.S. effective tax rates for the year, which includes forward looking financial projections, including the expectations of profit and loss by jurisdiction, and contains numerous assumptions. Various items cannot be accurately forecasted and future events may be treated as discrete to the period in which they occur. Our provision for income tax can be materially impacted, for example, by the geographical mix of our profits and losses, changes in our business, such as internal restructuring and acquisitions, changes in tax laws and accounting guidance and other regulatory, legislative or judicial developments, tax audit determinations, changes in our uncertain tax positions, changes in our intent and capacity to permanently reinvest foreign earnings, changes to our transfer pricing practices, tax deductions attributed to equity compensation and changes in our need for a valuation allowance for deferred tax assets. For these reasons, our actual income taxes may be materially different than our provision for income tax.

The enactment of legislation implementing changes in the U.S. taxation of international business activities or the adoption of other tax reform policies could materially impact our financial position and results of operations.

Recent changes to U.S. tax laws, including limitations on the ability of taxpayers to claim and utilize foreign tax credits, as well as changes to U.S. tax laws that may be enacted in the future, could impact the tax treatment of our foreign earnings. Due to expansion of our international business activities, any changes in the U.S. taxation of such activities may increase our worldwide effective tax rate and adversely affect our financial position and results of operations.

Our international operations subject us to potentially adverse tax consequences.

We generally conduct our international operations through wholly-owned subsidiaries, branches and representative offices and report our taxable income in various jurisdictions worldwide based upon our business operations in those jurisdictions. In December 2012, we more closely aligned our corporate structure with our international expansion, establishing a wholly-owned subsidiary in Ireland to provide order processing, technical and administrative support to all of our international operations, except for Canada and Japan, and transferring ownership of our Germany, Singapore and United Kingdom subsidiaries to this Irish entity. Such intercompany relationships are subject to complex transfer pricing regulations administered by taxing authorities in various jurisdictions. The relevant

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taxing authorities may disagree with our determinations as to the income and expenses attributable to specific jurisdictions. If such a disagreement were to occur, and our position were not sustained, we could be required to pay additional taxes, interest and penalties, which could result in one-time tax charges, higher effective tax rates, reduced cash flows and lower overall profitability of our operations.

Natural or man-made disasters and other similar events may significantly disrupt our business, and negatively impact our results of operations and financial condition.

Any of our facilities may be harmed or rendered inoperable by natural or man-made disasters, including earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, wildfires, floods, nuclear disasters, acts of terrorism or other criminal activities, infectious disease outbreaks, and power outages, which may render it difficult or impossible for us to operate our business for some period of time. For example, we host our Tableau Public product from a data center located in the San Francisco Bay Area, a region known for seismic activity. Our facilities would likely be costly to repair or replace, and any such efforts would likely require substantial time. Any disruptions in our operations could negatively impact our business and results of operations, and harm our reputation. In addition, we may not carry business insurance or may not carry sufficient business insurance to compensate for losses that may occur. Any such losses or damages could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. In addition, the facilities of significant customers or major strategic partners may be harmed or rendered inoperable by such natural or man-made disasters, which may cause disruptions, difficulties or material adverse effects on our business.

The forecasts of market growth included in this prospectus may prove to be inaccurate, and even if the market in which we compete achieves the forecasted growth, we cannot assure you our business will grow at similar rates, if at all.

Growth forecasts are subject to significant uncertainty and are based on assumptions and estimates which may not prove to be accurate. The forecasts in this prospectus relating to the expected growth in the business analytics software market may prove to be inaccurate. For more information regarding the forecasts of market growth included in this prospectus, see the section titled "Market, Industry and Other Data."

Changes in financial accounting standards may cause adverse and unexpected revenue fluctuations and impact our reported results of operations.

A change in accounting standards or practices could harm our operating results and may even affect our reporting of transactions completed before the change is effective. New accounting pronouncements and varying interpretations of accounting pronouncements have occurred and may occur in the future. Changes to existing rules or the questioning of current practices may harm our operating results or the way we conduct our business.

Risks Related to this Offering and Ownership of Our Class A Common Stock

There has been no prior market for our Class A common stock. An active market may not develop or be sustainable and investors may not be able to resell their shares at or above the initial public offering price.

There has been no public market for our Class A common stock prior to this offering. The initial public offering price for our Class A common stock will be determined through negotiations between the underwriters and us and may vary from the market price of our Class A common stock following the completion of this offering. If you purchase shares of our Class A common stock in this offering, you may not be able to resell those shares at or above the initial public offering price. An active or liquid market in our Class A common stock may not develop upon completion of this offering or, if it does develop, it may not be sustainable.

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Our stock price may be volatile or may decline regardless of our operating performance, resulting in substantial losses for investors purchasing shares in this offering.

The initial public offering price for the shares of our Class A common stock sold in this offering will be determined by negotiation between the representatives of the underwriters and us. This price may not reflect the market price of our Class A common stock following the completion of this offering. In addition, we expect the market price of our Class A common stock may be volatile for the foreseeable future. The market price of our common stock may fluctuate significantly in response to numerous factors, many of which are beyond our control, including the factors listed below and other factors described in this Risk Factors section:

actual or anticipated fluctuations in our results of operations;

the financial projections we may provide to the public, any changes in these projections or our failure to meet these projections;

failure of securities analysts to initiate or maintain coverage of our company, changes in financial estimates by any securities analysts who follow our company, or our failure to meet these estimates or the expectations of investors;

ratings changes by any securities analysts who follow our company;

announcements by us or our competitors of significant technical innovations, acquisitions, strategic partnerships, joint ventures or capital commitments;

changes in operating performance and stock market valuations of other technology companies generally, or those in our industry in particular;

price and volume fluctuations in the overall stock market, including as a result of trends in the economy as a whole;

changes in our board of directors or management;

sales of large blocks of our Class A common stock, including sales by our executive officers, directors and significant stockholders;

lawsuits threatened or filed against us;

short sales, hedging and other derivative transactions involving our capital stock;

general economic conditions in the United States and abroad; and

other events or factors, including those resulting from war, incidents of terrorism or responses to these events.

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In addition, stock markets have experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations that have affected and continue to affect the market prices of equity securities of many technology companies. Stock prices of many technology companies have fluctuated in a manner unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of those companies. In the past, stockholders have instituted securities class action litigation following periods of market volatility. If we were to become involved in securities litigation, it could subject us to substantial costs, divert resources and the attention of management from our business and adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Substantial future sales of shares of our Class A common stock could cause the market price of our Class A common stock to decline.

Sales of a substantial number of shares of our Class A common stock in the public market following the completion of this offering, or the perception that these sales might occur, could depress the market price of our Class A common stock and could impair our ability to raise capital through the

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sale of additional equity securities. We are unable to predict the effect that such sales may have on the prevailing market price of our common stock.

All of our executive officers, senior management and directors and substantially all of the holders of all of our capital stock are subject to lock-up agreements that restrict the stockholders' ability to transfer shares of our capital stock. The selling stockholders and our other significant holders are subject to these restrictions for 180 days from the date of this prospectus and all other stockholders are subject to these restrictions for 170 days from the date of this prospectus. Subject to certain exceptions, the lock-up agreements limit the number of shares of capital stock that may be sold immediately following this initial public offering. Subject to certain limitations, as of March 31, 2013, approximately 45,903,793 shares (assuming the sale of 2,200,000 shares of Class A common stock by the selling stockholders) and 4,410,715 shares of Class A common stock issuable upon conversion of outstanding Class B common stock will become eligible for sale upon expiration of the 180-day lock-up period and 170-day lock-up period, respectively. Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC may, in their sole discretion, permit our stockholders who are subject to these lock-up agreements to sell shares prior to the expiration of the lock-up agreements.

In addition, as of March 31, 2013, there were 15,160,377 shares of Class B common stock subject to outstanding options. We intend to register all of the shares of Class A common stock issuable upon conversion of the shares of Class B common stock issuable upon exercise of outstanding options, and upon exercise of settlement of any options or other equity incentives we may grant in the future, for public resale under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act. Accordingly, these shares will be able to be freely sold in the public market upon issuance as permitted by any applicable vesting requirements, subject to the lock-up agreements described above. The shares of Class A common stock issuable upon conversion of these shares will become eligible for sale in the public market to the extent such options or the warrant are exercised, subject to the lock-up agreements described above and compliance with applicable securities laws.

Holders of 23,138,175 shares of Class B common stock, including 17,416,317 shares issuable upon conversion of outstanding preferred stock as of March 31, 2013 and without giving effect to the sale of shares in this offering by the selling stockholders, have rights, subject to some conditions, to require us to file registration statements for the public resale of the Class A common stock issuable upon conversion of such shares or to include such shares in registration statements that we may file for Tableau or other stockholders.

Purchasers in this offering will experience immediate and substantial dilution in the book value of their investment.

The initial public offering price of our Class A common stock will be substantially higher than the pro forma net tangible book value per share of our Class A and Class B common stock outstanding immediately following the completion of this offering. Therefore, if you purchase shares of our Class A common stock in this offering at an assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, you will experience immediate dilution of \$22.07 per share, the difference between the price per share you pay for our Class A common stock and its pro forma net tangible book value per share as of March 31, 2013, after giving effect to the issuance of shares of our Class A common stock in this offering. This dilution is due in large part to the fact that our earlier investors paid substantially less than the initial public offering price when they purchased their shares of common stock. In addition, we have issued options and a warrant to acquire our Class B common stock at prices significantly below the initial public offering price. To the extent outstanding options and the warrant are ultimately exercised, there will be further dilution to investors purchasing our Class A common stock in this offering. In addition, if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares from us or if we issue additional equity securities, you will experience additional dilution.

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Future sales and issuances of our capital stock or rights to purchase capital stock could result in additional dilution of the percentage ownership of our stockholders and could cause our stock price to decline.

We may issue additional securities following the completion of this offering. Future sales and issuances of our capital stock or rights to purchase our capital stock could result in substantial dilution to our existing stockholders. We may sell Class A common stock, convertible securities and other equity securities in one or more transactions at prices and in a manner as we may determine from time to time. If we sell any such securities in subsequent transactions, investors may be materially diluted. New investors in such subsequent transactions could gain rights, preferences and privileges senior to those of holders of our Class A common stock.

If securities or Industry analysts do not publish research or reports about our business, or publish negative reports about our business, our share price and trading volume could decline.

The trading market for our Class A common stock will depend in part on the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us or our business, our market and our competitors. We do not have any control over these analysts. If one or more of the analysts who cover us downgrade our shares or change their opinion of our shares, our share price would likely decline. If one or more of these analysts cease coverage of our company or fail to regularly publish reports on us, we could lose visibility in the financial markets, which could cause our share price or trading volume to decline.

We may invest or spend the proceeds of this offering in ways with which you may not agree or in ways that may not yield a return.

We currently intend to use the net proceeds to us from this offering primarily for general corporate purposes, including working capital, sales and marketing activities, general and administrative matters and capital expenditures. We may also use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering for the acquisition of, or investment in, technologies, solutions or businesses that complement our business, although we have no present commitments or agreements to enter into any such acquisition or investment. Our management will have considerable discretion in the application of the net proceeds, and you will not have the opportunity, as part of your investment decision, to assess whether the proceeds are being used appropriately. The net proceeds may be used for purposes that do not increase the value of our business, which could cause the price of our stock to decline.

The dual class structure of our common stock and the existing ownership of capital stock by our executive officers, directors and their affiliates have the effect of concentrating voting control with our executive officers, directors and their affiliates for the foreseeable future, which will limit your ability to influence corporate matters.

Our Class B common stock has ten votes per share and our Class A common stock, which is the stock we are offering in this initial public offering, has one vote per share. Our existing stockholders, all of which hold shares of Class B common stock, will collectively beneficially own shares representing approximately 98.6% of the voting power of our outstanding capital stock following the completion of this offering. Our executive officers and directors and their affiliates, which include funds affiliated with New Enterprise Associates, will collectively beneficially own shares representing approximately 85.7% of the voting power of our outstanding capital stock following this offering. Consequently, the holders of Class B common stock collectively will continue to be able to control all matters submitted to our stockholders for approval even if their stock holdings represent less than 50% of the outstanding shares of our common stock. This concentrated control will limit your ability to influence corporate matters for the foreseeable future. For example, these stockholders will be able to control elections of directors, amendments of our certificate of incorporation or bylaws, increases to the number of shares

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available for issuance under our equity incentive plans or adoption of new equity incentive plans, and approval of any merger or sale of assets for the foreseeable future. This control may adversely affect the market price of our Class A common stock.

Future transfers by holders of Class B common stock will generally result in those shares converting to Class A common stock, which will have the effect, over time, of increasing the relative voting power of those holders of Class B common stock who retain their shares in the long term, which may include our executive officers and directors and their affiliates.

We are an emerging growth company and we cannot be certain if the reduced disclosure requirements applicable to emerging growth companies will make our Class A common stock less attractive to investors.

We are an emerging growth company, as defined in the JOBS Act, and we may take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not emerging growth companies including, but not limited to, not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports and proxy statements, and exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and stockholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved. We will remain an emerging growth company for up to five years, although we will cease to be an emerging growth company upon the earliest of (i) the last day of the fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of this offering, (ii) the last day of the first fiscal year in which our annual gross revenues are \$1 billion or more, (iii) the date on which we have, during the previous rolling three-year period, issued more than \$1 billion in non-convertible debt securities or (iv) the date on which we are deemed to be a large accelerated filer as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act. We cannot predict if investors will find our Class A common stock less attractive or our company less comparable to certain other public companies because we will rely on these exemptions. For example, if we do not adopt a new or revised accounting standard, our future financial results may not be as comparable to the financial results of certain other companies in our industry that adopted such standards. If some investors find our common stock less attractive as a result, there may be a less active trading market for our Class A common stock and our stock price may be more volatile.

The requirements of being a public company may strain our resources, divert management's attention and affect our ability to attract and retain additional executive management and qualified board members.

As a public company, we will be subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, the Dodd-Frank Act, the listing requirements of the New York Stock Exchange and other applicable securities rules and regulations. Compliance with these rules and regulations will increase our legal and financial compliance costs, make some activities more difficult, time-consuming or costly and increase demand on our systems and resources, particularly after we are no longer an emerging growth company. The Exchange Act requires, among other things, that we file annual, quarterly and current reports with respect to our business and results of operations. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires, among other things, that we maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting. In order to maintain and, if required, improve our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting to meet this standard, significant resources and management oversight may be required. As a result, management's attention may be diverted from other business concerns, which could adversely affect our business and results of operations. Although we have already hired additional employees to comply with these requirements, we may need to hire more employees in the future or engage outside consultants, which will increase our costs and expenses.

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In addition, changing laws, regulations and standards relating to corporate governance and public disclosure are creating uncertainty for public companies, increasing legal and financial compliance costs and making some activities more time consuming. These laws, regulations and standards are subject to varying interpretations, in many cases due to their lack of specificity, and, as a result, their application in practice may evolve over time as new guidance is provided by regulatory and governing bodies. This could result in continuing uncertainty regarding compliance matters and higher costs necessitated by ongoing revisions to disclosure and governance practices. We intend to invest resources to comply with evolving laws, regulations and standards, and this investment may result in increased general and administrative expenses and a diversion of management's time and attention from revenue-generating activities to compliance activities. If our efforts to comply with new laws, regulations and standards differ from the activities intended by regulatory or governing bodies due to ambiguities related to their application and practice, regulatory authorities may initiate legal proceedings against us and our business may be adversely affected.

We also expect that being a public company and these new rules and regulations will make it more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance, and we may be required to accept reduced coverage or incur substantially higher costs to obtain coverage. These factors could also make it more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified members of our board of directors, particularly to serve on our audit committee and compensation committee, and qualified executive officers.

As a result of disclosure of information in this prospectus and in filings required of a public company, our business and financial condition will become more visible, which we believe may result in threatened or actual litigation, including by competitors and other third parties. If such claims are successful, our business and results of operations could be adversely affected, and even if the claims do not result in litigation or are resolved in our favor, these claims, and the time and resources necessary to resolve them, could divert the resources of our management and adversely affect our business and results of operations.

As a result of becoming a public company, we will be obligated to develop and maintain proper and effective internal control over financial reporting. If we fail to do so in a timely manner, or our internal control over financial reporting is not determined to be effective, this may adversely affect investor confidence in our company and, as a result, the value of our Class A common stock.

We will be required, pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, to furnish a report by management on, among other things, the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting for the first fiscal year beginning after the effective date of this offering. This assessment will need to include disclosure of any material weaknesses identified by our management in our internal control over financial reporting, as well as a statement that our independent registered public accounting firm has issued an opinion on our internal control over financial reporting, provided that our independent registered public accounting firm will not be required to attest to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting until our first annual report required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, following the later of the date we are deemed to be an accelerated filer or a large accelerated filer, each as defined in the Exchange Act, or the date we are no longer an emerging growth company, as defined in the JOBS Act. We will be required to disclose changes made in our internal control and procedures on a quarterly basis. To comply with the requirements of being a public company, we may need to undertake various actions, such as implementing new internal controls and procedures and hiring accounting or internal audit staff.

We are in the early stages of the costly and challenging process of compiling the system and processing documentation necessary to perform the evaluation needed to comply with Section 404. We may not be able to complete our evaluation, testing and any required remediation in a timely fashion. During the evaluation and testing process, if we identify one or more material weaknesses in

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our internal control over financial reporting, we will be unable to assert that our internal control over financial reporting is effective.

If we are unable to assert that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, or if our independent registered public accounting firm is unable to express an opinion on the effectiveness of our internal control, we could lose investor confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports, which would cause the price of our common stock to decline, and we may be subject to investigation or sanctions by the SEC.

We do not intend to pay dividends for the foreseeable future.

We have never declared or paid any cash dividends on our Class A or Class B common stock and do not intend to pay any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. We anticipate that we will retain all of our future earnings for use in the development of our business and for general corporate purposes. Any determination to pay dividends in the future will be at the discretion of our board of directors. Accordingly, investors must rely on sales of their Class A common stock after price appreciation, which may never occur, as the only way to realize any future gains on their investments.

Anti-takeover provisions in our charter documents and under Delaware law could make an acquisition of our company more difficult, limit attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our current management and limit the market price of our common stock.

Provisions in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, as will be amended and restated upon completion of this offering, may have the effect of delaying or preventing a change of control or changes in our management. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws include provisions that:

establish a classified board of directors so that not all members of our board of directors are elected at one time;

permit the board of directors to establish the number of directors and fill any vacancies and newly-created directorships;

provide that directors may only be removed for cause;

require super-majority voting to amend some provisions in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws;

authorize the issuance of blank check preferred stock that our board of directors could use to implement a stockholder rights plan;

eliminate the ability of our stockholders to call special meetings of stockholders;

prohibit stockholder action by written consent, which requires all stockholder actions to be taken at a meeting of our stockholders;

provide that the board of directors is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal our bylaws; and

establish advance notice requirements for nominations for election to our board of directors or for proposing matters that can be acted upon by stockholders at annual stockholder meetings.

These provisions may frustrate or prevent any attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our current management by making it more difficult for stockholders to replace members of our board of directors, which is responsible for appointing the members of our management. In addition, because we are incorporated in Delaware, we are governed by the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law,

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which generally prohibits a Delaware corporation from engaging in any of a broad range of business combinations with any holder of at least 15% of our capital stock for a period of three years following the date on which the stockholder became a 15% stockholder.

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SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, including the sections titled Prospectus Summary, Risk Factors, Use of Proceeds, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Business, contains forward-looking statements. In some cases you can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as believe, may, will, estimate, continue, anticipate, intend, could, would, project, negative or plural of these words or similar expressions. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements concerning the following:

the anticipated benefits associated with the use of our products;

our ability to continue to increase adoption of our products by our existing customers;

our ability to expand our customer base and the business analytics market;

potential benefits associated with our land and expand business model, including potential for a degree of financial visibility;

industry and technology trends;

economic and financial conditions;

future investments in our business, including in our technology, sales and marketing, and infrastructure;

the efficacy of our sales and marketing efforts;

our plans to continue to innovate and advance our products and bring them to market in a timely manner;

our ability to effectively scale and adapt our technology;

the effects of increased competition and our ability to compete effectively;

our ability to effectively manage our growth;

our plans to continue to expand internationally;

our plans to continue to foster our user community and maintain our culture;

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our ability to attract and retain qualified employees and key personnel;

our ability to maintain and expand our distribution channels and partner ecosystem;

our ability to maintain, protect and enhance our brand and intellectual property;

our financial performance, including our revenues, cost of revenues, gross profit and gross margin, operating expenses, ability to continue to generate positive cash flow and ability to sustain profitability;

the effects of seasonal trends on our results of operations;

trends with respect to our time to close transactions;

our ability to realize the intended tax benefits of our corporate structure and intercompany arrangements;

costs associated with defending intellectual property infringement and other claims;

our ability to comply with laws and regulations;

our plans for the Tableau Foundation;

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our plans with respect to our customer conferences; and

our future capital requirements and estimates regarding the sufficiency of our cash resources.

These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including those described in the section titled Risk Factors. Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risks emerge from time to time. It is not possible for our management to predict all risks, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements we may make. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this prospectus may not occur and actual results could differ materially and adversely from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements.

You should not rely upon forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. We cannot guarantee that the future results, levels of activity, performance or events and circumstances reflected in the forward-looking statements will be achieved or occur. Moreover, except as required by law, neither we nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason after the date of this prospectus to conform these statements to actual results or to changes in our expectations.

You should read this prospectus and the documents that we reference in this prospectus and that we have also filed with the SEC as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part with the understanding that our actual future results, levels of activity, performance and events and circumstances may be materially different from what we expect.

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MARKET, INDUSTRY AND OTHER DATA

Unless otherwise indicated, information contained in this prospectus concerning our industry and the market in which we operate, including our market position, market opportunity and market size, is based on information from various sources, on assumptions that we have made based on such data and other similar sources and on our knowledge of the markets for our products. These data involve a number of assumptions and limitations, and you are cautioned not to give undue weight to such estimates.

We have not independently verified any third-party information. While we believe the market position, market opportunity and market size information included in this prospectus is generally reliable, such information is inherently imprecise. In addition, projections, assumptions and estimates of our future performance and the future performance of the industry in which we operate is necessarily subject to a high degree of uncertainty and risk due to a variety of factors, including those described in the section titled **Risk Factors** and elsewhere in this prospectus. These and other factors could cause results to differ materially from those expressed in the estimates made by the independent parties and by us.

The following reports described herein represent data, research opinion or viewpoints published as part of a syndicated subscription service by each of the respective publishers thereof and are not representations of fact. Such reports speak as of their respective original publication dates (and not as of the date of this prospectus) and the opinions expressed in such reports are subject to change without notice.

The industry publications, reports, surveys and forecasts containing the market and industry data cited in this prospectus are provided below:

1. IDC Digital Universe Study, sponsored by EMC Corporation, December 2012.
2. IDC, Market Analysis: Worldwide Business Analytics Software 2012-2016 Forecast and 2011 Vendor Shares, Doc# 235494, June 2012.
3. Forrester Research, Inc., Info Workers Will Erase The Boundary Between Enterprise and Consumer Technologies, August 30, 2012.
4. Forrester Research, Inc., Forrsights Workforce Employee Survey, Q4 2012.
5. Gartner, Inc., High-Tech Tuesday Webinar: BI and Analytics Market Trends, 2020 Vision, December 19, 2012.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that we will receive net proceeds from the sale of Class A common stock offered by us of approximately \$111.4 million, based upon an assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. If the underwriters option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock is exercised in full, we estimate that we will receive additional net proceeds of approximately \$24.6 million, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of Class A common stock by the selling stockholders.

Each \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share would increase (decrease) the net proceeds to us from this offering by approximately \$4.7 million, assuming the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions. Similarly, each increase (decrease) of 1,000,000 shares in the number of shares of Class A common stock offered by us would increase (decrease) the net proceeds to us from this offering by approximately \$22.8 million, assuming that the assumed initial public offering price remains the same, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions.

The principal purposes of this offering are to increase our capitalization and financial flexibility, increase our visibility in the marketplace and create a public market for our Class A common stock. As of the date of this prospectus, we cannot specify with certainty all of the particular uses for the net proceeds to us from this offering. However, we currently intend to use the net proceeds to us from this offering primarily for general corporate purposes, including working capital, sales and marketing activities, general and administrative matters and capital expenditures. We may also use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering for the acquisition of, or investment in, technologies, solutions or businesses that complement our business, although we have no present commitments or agreements to enter into any such acquisitions or investments. We will have broad discretion over the uses of the net proceeds from this offering. Pending these uses, we intend to invest the net proceeds from this offering in short-term, investment-grade interest-bearing securities such as money market funds, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and obligations of the U.S. government and government agencies.

DIVIDEND POLICY

We have never declared or paid, and do not anticipate declaring or paying, any cash dividends on our capital stock. Any future determination as to the declaration and payment of dividends, if any, will be at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on then existing conditions, including our financial condition, operating results, contractual restrictions, capital requirements, business prospects and other factors our board of directors may deem relevant.

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The following table sets forth our cash and cash equivalents and capitalization as of March 31, 2013:

on an actual basis;

on a pro forma basis, giving effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of preferred stock into 17,416,317 shares of Class B common stock immediately prior to the completion of this offering and the filing and effectiveness of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation in Delaware; and

on a pro forma as adjusted basis to reflect, in addition to the pro forma adjustments set forth above, the sale by us of 5,000,000 shares of Class A common stock in this offering at an assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, and the sale of _____ shares of Class A common stock by the selling stockholders.

You should read the information in this table together with the section titled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	As of March 31, 2013		
	Actual	Pro Forma (in thousands, except	Pro Forma As Adjusted ⁽¹⁾
	share and per share data)		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 40,480	\$ 40,480	\$ 151,833
Convertible preferred stock:			
Series A convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value, 10,831,164 shares authorized, 10,831,164 shares issued and outstanding, actual; no shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding, pro forma and pro forma as adjusted	5,024		
Series B convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value, 7,000,000 shares authorized, 6,585,153 shares issued and outstanding, actual; no shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding, pro forma and pro forma as adjusted	15,007		
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value, no shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding, actual; 10,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding, pro forma and pro forma as adjusted			
Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 75,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding, actual; 750,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding, pro forma; 750,000,000 shares authorized, 7,200,000 shares issued and outstanding, pro forma as adjusted			1
Class B common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 75,000,000 shares authorized, actual, pro forma and pro forma as adjusted; 35,098,191 shares issued and outstanding, actual; 52,514,508 shares issued and outstanding, pro forma; 50,314,508 shares issued and outstanding, pro forma as adjusted	4	5	5
Additional paid-in capital	15,292	35,322	146,674
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(11)	(11)	(11)
Accumulated deficit	(5,793)	(5,793)	(5,793)

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Total stockholders' equity	9,492	29,523	140,876
Total capitalization	\$ 29,523	\$ 29,523	\$ 140,876

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- (1) Each \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share would increase (decrease) each of cash and cash equivalents, additional paid-in capital, total stockholders' equity and total capitalization by approximately \$4.7 million, assuming the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions. Similarly, each increase (decrease) of 1,000,000 shares in the number of shares of our Class A common stock offered by us would increase (decrease) cash and cash equivalents, additional paid-in capital, total stockholders' equity and total capitalization by approximately \$22.8 million, assuming the assumed initial public offering price remains the same, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions. The pro forma as adjusted information discussed above is illustrative only and will be adjusted based on the actual initial public offering price and other terms of this offering determined at pricing. The outstanding share information in the table above is based on no shares of our Class A common stock and 52,514,508 shares of our Class B common stock outstanding as of March 31, 2013, and excludes:

15,160,377 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options as of March 31, 2013 pursuant to our 2004 Plan at a weighted-average exercise price of \$5.50 per share;

409,700 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options issued after March 31, 2013 pursuant to our 2004 Plan at a weighted-average exercise price of \$24.50 per share;

54,167 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of a warrant outstanding as of March 31, 2013 at an exercise price of \$0.60 per share;

6,364,714 shares of Class B common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2004 Plan as of March 31, 2013, which shares will cease to become available for future issuance at the time our 2013 Plan becomes effective in connection with this offering;

6,364,714 shares of Class A common stock to be reserved for future issuance under our 2013 Plan as of March 31, 2013 (assuming that 6,364,714 shares of Class B common stock are reserved for issuance under our 2004 Plan immediately prior to the time our 2013 Plan becomes effective) as well as any automatic increases in the number of shares of Class A common stock reserved for future issuance under this benefit plan; and

2,000,000 shares of Class A common stock to be reserved for future issuance under our ESPP to be effective in connection with this offering, as well as any automatic increases in the number of shares of Class A common stock reserved for future issuance under this benefit plan.

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If you invest in our Class A common stock, your interest will be diluted to the extent of the difference between the initial public offering price per share of our Class A common stock and the pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share of our common stock immediately after the completion of this offering. The pro forma net tangible book value of our common stock as of March 31, 2013 was \$28.1 million, or \$0.54 per share. Pro forma net tangible book value per share represents our total tangible assets less our total liabilities, divided by the number of outstanding shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock, after giving effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of preferred stock into 17,416,317 shares of Class B common stock immediately prior to the completion of this offering.

After giving effect to (i) the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of preferred stock into 17,416,317 shares of Class B common stock immediately prior to the completion of this offering and (ii) receipt of the net proceeds from our sale of 5,000,000 shares of Class A common stock at an assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value as of March 31, 2013 would have been approximately \$139.5 million, or \$2.43 per share. This represents an immediate increase in pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value of \$1.89 per share to our existing stockholders and an immediate dilution of \$22.07 per share to investors purchasing Class A common stock in this offering.

The following table illustrates this dilution per share of common stock to new investors:

Assumed initial public offering price per share	\$ 24.50
Pro forma net tangible book value per share as of March 31, 2013	\$ 0.54
Increase in pro forma net tangible book value per share attributable to new investors purchasing shares in this offering	1.89
Pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share after giving effect to this offering	2.43
Dilution in pro forma net tangible book value per share to new investors in this offering	\$ 22.07

Each \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share would increase (decrease) the pro forma net tangible book value, as adjusted to give effect to this offering, by \$0.08 per share and the dilution to new investors by \$0.92 per share, assuming that the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions. Similarly, each increase (decrease) of 1,000,000 shares in the number of shares of Class A common stock offered by us would increase (decrease) the pro forma net tangible book value, as adjusted to give effect to this offering, by approximately \$0.35 per share and the dilution to new investors by \$(0.35) per share, assuming the assumed initial public offering price remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions. If the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock in full, the pro forma net tangible book value per share, as adjusted to give effect to this offering, would be \$2.80 per share, and the dilution in pro forma net tangible book value per share to investors in this offering would be \$21.70 per share.

The table below summarizes as of March 31, 2013, on a pro forma as adjusted basis described above, the number of shares of our Class A and Class B common stock, the total consideration and the average price per share (i) paid to us by our existing stockholders and (ii) to be paid by new

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investors purchasing our Class A common stock in this offering at an assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, before deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

	Shares Purchased		Total Consideration		Average Price Per Share
	Number	Percent	Amount	Percent	
Existing stockholders	52,514,508	91.3%	\$ 22,369,612	15.4%	\$ 0.43
New investors	5,000,000	8.7	122,500,000	84.6	\$ 24.50
Total	57,514,508	100.0%	\$ 144,869,612	100.0%	

Sales by the selling stockholders in this offering will cause the number of shares held by existing stockholders to be reduced to 50,314,508 shares, or 87.5% of the total number of shares of our common stock outstanding following the completion of this offering, and will increase the number of shares held by new investors to 7,200,000 shares, or 12.5% of the total number of shares outstanding following the completion of this offering.

The total number of shares of our Class A and Class B common stock reflected in the discussion and tables above is based on no shares of our Class A common stock and 52,514,508 shares of our Class B common stock outstanding as of March 31, 2013, and excludes:

15,160,377 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options as of March 31, 2013 pursuant to our 2004 Plan at a weighted-average exercise price of \$5.50 per share;

409,700 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options issued after March 31, 2013 pursuant to our 2004 Plan at a weighted-average exercise price of \$24.50 per share;

54,167 shares of Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of a warrant outstanding as of March 31, 2013 at an exercise price of \$0.60 per share;

6,364,714 shares of Class B common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2004 Plan as of March 31, 2013, which shares will cease to become available for future issuance at the time our 2013 Plan becomes effective in connection with this offering;

6,364,714 shares of Class A common stock to be reserved for future issuance under our 2013 Plan as of March 31, 2013 (assuming that 6,364,714 shares of Class B common stock are reserved for issuance under our 2004 Plan immediately prior to the time our 2013 Plan becomes effective) as well as any automatic increases in the number of shares of Class A common stock reserved for future issuance under this benefit plan; and

2,000,000 shares of Class A common stock to be reserved for future issuance under our ESPP to be effective in connection with this offering, as well as any automatic increases in the number of shares of Class A common stock reserved for future issuance under this benefit plan.

To the extent that any outstanding options are exercised, new options are issued under our stock-based compensation plans or we issue additional shares of common stock in the future, there will be further dilution to investors participating in this offering. If all outstanding options under our 2004 Plan as of March 31, 2013 were exercised, then our existing stockholders, including the holders of these options, would own 90.1% and our new investors would own 9.9% of the total number of shares of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock outstanding upon the completion of this offering.

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The following selected consolidated financial and other data should be read in conjunction with the section titled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" as well as our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have derived the consolidated statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012 and the consolidated balance sheets data as of December 31, 2011 and 2012 from our audited consolidated financial statements that are included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have derived the consolidated statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2009 and consolidated balance sheets data as of December 31, 2008, 2009 and 2010 from our audited consolidated financial statements that are not included in this prospectus. We have derived the unaudited consolidated statements of operations data for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 and the unaudited consolidated balance sheet data as of March 31, 2013 from our unaudited consolidated financial statements that are included elsewhere in this prospectus. Our unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as our audited consolidated financial statements and, in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments, which consist only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for the fair statement of those unaudited consolidated financial statements. Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected in the future, and our interim results are not necessarily indicative of the results that should be expected for the full year or any other period.

	2008	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013	
		(in thousands, except per share data)						(unaudited)
Consolidated Statements of Operations Data:								
Revenues								
License	\$ 8,769	\$ 11,684	\$ 24,223	\$ 44,414	\$ 89,883	\$ 17,456	\$ 26,426	
Maintenance and services	4,428	6,446	9,938	17,946	37,850	7,229	13,592	
Total revenues	13,197	18,130	34,161	62,360	127,733	24,685	40,018	
Cost of revenues								
License	39	98	67	213	305	56	176	
Maintenance and services	808	1,069	1,271	2,800	10,057	1,615	3,374	
Total cost of revenues ⁽¹⁾	847	1,167	1,338	3,013	10,362	1,671	3,550	
Gross profit	12,350	16,963	32,823	59,347	117,371	23,014	36,468	
Operating expenses								
Sales and marketing ⁽¹⁾	5,658	7,920	16,440	30,363	62,333	10,577	23,673	
Research and development ⁽¹⁾	3,469	4,019	9,734	18,387	33,065	6,725	12,941	
General and administrative ⁽¹⁾	4,257	5,615	3,809	6,679	17,715	2,915	5,601	
Total operating expenses	13,384	17,554	29,983	55,429	113,113	20,217	42,215	
Operating income (loss)	(1,034)	(591)	2,840	3,918	4,258	2,797	(5,747)	
Other income (expense), net	119	5		(16)	(54)	(11)	(53)	
Net income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes	(915)	(586)	2,840	3,902	4,204	2,786	(5,800)	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes			102	523	2,777	1,729	(1,765)	
Net income (loss)	\$ (915)	\$ (586)	\$ 2,738	\$ 3,379	\$ 1,427	\$ 1,057	\$ (4,035)	
Net income (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders:								
Basic	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.01	\$ (0.12)	
Diluted	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.01	\$ (0.12)	

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	2008	Year Ended December 31,				Three Months Ended March 31,	
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
(in thousands, except per share data)							
(unaudited)							
Weighted average shares used to compute net income (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders:							
Basic	32,053	31,495	32,163	33,008	33,744	33,398	34,833
Diluted	32,053	31,495	37,833	39,431	39,652	39,329	34,833
Pro forma net income (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders (unaudited):							
Basic					\$ 0.03		\$ (0.08)
Diluted					\$ 0.03		\$ (0.08)
Pro forma weighted average shares outstanding used to compute pro forma net income (loss) per share (unaudited):							
Basic					51,160		52,549
Diluted					57,068		52,549

	2008	Year Ended December 31,				Three Months Ended March 31,	
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
(in thousands)							
Other Financial Data:							
Non-GAAP operating income (loss)	\$ (855)	\$ (120)	\$ 3,478	\$ 5,366	\$ 11,005	\$ 3,748	\$ (3,248)
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	(736)	(115)	3,376	4,792	6,854	1,885	(1,808)
Free cash flow	193	(286)	8,207	7,953	7,203	2,849	1,167

(1) Includes stock-based compensation expense as follows:

	2008	Year Ended December 31,				Three Months Ended March 31,	
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
(in thousands)							
(unaudited)							
Cost of revenues	\$ 12	\$ 29	\$ 18	\$ 22	\$ 107	\$ 15	\$ 73
Sales and marketing	68	204	256	565	1,394	265	819
Research and development	68	167	262	628	2,115	426	1,035
General and administrative	31	71	102	233	1,180	245	572
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 179	\$ 471	\$ 638	\$ 1,448	\$ 4,796	\$ 951	\$ 2,499

	2008	As of December 31,				As of March 31,	
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
(in thousands)							
(unaudited)							
Consolidated Balance Sheets Data:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,820	\$ 14,072	\$ 22,611	\$ 30,223	\$ 39,302	\$ 40,480	

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Working capital	10,502	9,982	13,193	17,181	24,231	23,375
Total assets	16,716	18,863	29,771	51,277	86,992	89,441
Total stockholders' equity (deficit)	(8,544)	(8,598)	(4,890)	(277)	9,943	9,492

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We believe that the use of non-GAAP operating income (loss), non-GAAP net income (loss) and free cash flow is helpful to our investors. These measures, which we refer to as our non-GAAP financial measures, are not prepared in accordance with GAAP. We calculate non-GAAP operating income (loss) as operating income (loss) excluding stock-based compensation expense and, in 2012, the cash and stock-based expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation. We calculate non-GAAP net income (loss) as net income (loss) excluding stock-based compensation expense and, in 2012, the cash and stock-based expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation, each net of tax. Because of varying available valuation methodologies, subjective assumptions and the variety of equity instruments that can impact a company's non-cash expenses, we believe that providing non-GAAP financial measures that exclude stock-based compensation expense and, in 2012, the expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation allow for more meaningful comparisons between our operating results from period to period. We calculate free cash flow as net cash provided by operating activities less net cash used in investing activities for purchases of property and equipment. We consider free cash flow to be a liquidity measure that provides useful information to management and investors about the amount of cash generated by our business that can be used for strategic opportunities, including investing in our business, making strategic acquisitions and strengthening our balance sheet. All of our non-GAAP financial measures are important tools for financial and operational decision making and for evaluating our own operating results over different periods of time.

Our non-GAAP financial measures may not provide information that is directly comparable to that provided by other companies in our industry, as other companies in our industry may calculate non-GAAP financial results differently, particularly related to non-recurring, unusual items. In addition, there are limitations in using non-GAAP financial measures because the non-GAAP financial measures are not prepared in accordance with GAAP, may be different from non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies and exclude expenses that may have a material impact on our reported financial results. Further, stock-based compensation expense has been and will continue to be for the foreseeable future a significant recurring expense in our business and an important part of the compensation provided to our employees. The presentation of non-GAAP financial information is not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for the directly comparable financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. We urge our investors to review the reconciliation of our non-GAAP financial measures to the comparable GAAP financial measures included below, and not to rely on any single financial measure to evaluate our business.

The following table reflects the reconciliation of operating income (loss) to non-GAAP operating income (loss):

	Year Ended December 31,					Three Months Ended	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(in thousands)						
Operating income (loss)	\$ (1,034)	\$ (591)	\$ 2,840	\$ 3,918	\$ 4,258	\$ 2,797	\$ (5,747)
Excluding:							
Stock-based compensation expense	179	471	638	1,448	4,796	951	2,499
Funding of the Tableau Foundation					1,951		
Non-GAAP operating income (loss)	\$ (855)	\$ (120)	\$ 3,478	\$ 5,366	\$ 11,005	\$ 3,748	\$ (3,248)

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The following table reflects the reconciliation of net income (loss) to non-GAAP net income (loss):

	2008	Year Ended December 31,				Three Months	
		2009	2010	2011	2012	Ended March 31,	2013
	(in thousands)						
Net income (loss)	\$ (915)	\$ (586)	\$ 2,738	\$ 3,379	\$ 1,427	\$ 1,057	\$ (4,035)
Excluding:							
Stock-based compensation expense, net of tax	179	471	638	1,413	4,207	828	2,227
Funding of the Tableau Foundation, net of tax					1,220		
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$ (736)	\$ (115)	\$ 3,376	\$ 4,792	\$ 6,854	\$ 1,885	\$ (1,808)

The following table reflects the reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities to free cash flow:

	2008	Year Ended December 31,				Three Months	
		2009	2010	2011	2012	Ended March 31,	2013
	(in thousands)						
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 721	\$ 491	\$ 10,376	\$ 12,883	\$ 14,239	\$ 4,448	\$ 4,205
Excluding: Purchases of property and equipment	528	777	2,169	4,930	7,036	1,599	3,038
Free cash flow	\$ 193	\$ (286)	\$ 8,207	\$ 7,953	\$ 7,203	\$ 2,849	\$ 1,167

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF
FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

You should read the following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus. The following discussion contains forward-looking statements that reflect our plans, estimates and beliefs. Our actual results could differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to these differences include those discussed below and elsewhere in this prospectus, particularly in the section titled Risk Factors.

Overview

Our mission is to help people see and understand data. Our software products put the power of data into the hands of everyday people, allowing a broad population of business users to engage with their data, ask questions, solve problems and create value. Based on innovative core technologies originally developed at Stanford University, our products dramatically reduce the complexity, inflexibility and expense associated with traditional business intelligence applications. We currently offer three products, Tableau Desktop, a self-service analytics product for anyone with data, Tableau Server, a business intelligence platform for organizations, and Tableau Public, a free cloud-based platform for analyzing and sharing public data.

We have sought to rapidly improve the capabilities of our products over time and intend to continue to invest in product innovation and leadership. We were founded in January 2003 and we introduced Tableau Desktop in December 2003, our first version of Tableau Server in March 2007 and our first version of Tableau Public in February 2010. Building on our foundational technology innovations, we have released eight major versions of our software, each expanding and improving our products' capabilities. Our most recent release, Tableau 8.0, includes several new features including Web and mobile authoring, free form dashboards, forecasting, integration with enterprise applications such as salesforce.com and Google Analytics and application programming interfaces, or APIs.

Our products are used by people of diverse skill levels across all kinds of organizations, including Fortune 500 corporations, small and medium-sized businesses, government agencies, universities, research institutions and non-profits. As of March 31, 2013, we had over 12,000 customer accounts located in over 100 different countries. We define a customer account as a purchaser of our products. Customer accounts are typically organizations. In some cases, organizations will have multiple groups purchasing our software, which we count as discrete customer accounts. As of March 31, 2013, we had more than 10,900 customers. When we calculate the number of customers, we consolidate customer accounts that are affiliated with the same parent organization.

Our distribution strategy is based on a land and expand business model and is designed to capitalize on the ease of use, low up-front cost and collaborative capabilities of our software. To facilitate rapid adoption of our products, we provide fully-functional free trial versions of our products on our website and have created a simple pricing model. After an initial trial or purchase, which is often made to target a specific business need at a grassroots level within an organization, the use of our products often spreads across departments, divisions and geographies, via word-of-mouth, discovery of new use cases and our sales efforts.

We generate revenues primarily in the form of license fees and related maintenance and services fees. License revenues reflect the revenues recognized from sales of licenses to new customer accounts and additional licenses to existing customer accounts. License fees include perpetual and term license fees. Perpetual licenses comprised more than 90% of our license revenues for the year ended December 31, 2012. Maintenance and services revenues reflect the revenues recognized

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from fees paid for maintenance services (including support and unspecified upgrades and enhancements when and if they are available) and, to a lesser extent, for training and professional services that help our customers maximize the benefits from using our products. A substantial majority of our maintenance and services revenues to date has been attributable to revenues from maintenance agreements. When purchasing a perpetual license, a customer also typically purchases one year of maintenance service and has the opportunity to purchase maintenance service annually thereafter. We expect maintenance and services revenues to become a larger percentage of our total revenues as our customer base grows.

Our direct sales approach includes inside sales teams and field sales teams. We also sell our products through indirect sales channels including technology vendors, resellers, original equipment manufacturers, or OEMs, and independent software vendors, or ISVs. We view these partners as an extension of our team, playing an integral role in our growth. As of March 31, 2013, less than 10% of our sales team focused on indirect sales channels. We plan to continue to invest in our partner programs to help us enter and grow in new markets while complementing our direct sales efforts. Sales through indirect channels have historically varied from quarter to quarter, and comprised less than 25% of total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012 and for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013.

With approximately 17% of our total revenues from customers located outside the United States and Canada in 2012, we believe there is significant opportunity to expand our international business. Our products currently support eight languages and we are aggressively expanding our direct sales force and indirect sales channels outside the United States. In addition to our presence in Australia, Canada, England and France, in 2012, we opened sales offices in Germany, Japan and Singapore. In December 2012, we more closely aligned our corporate structure with our international expansion, establishing a wholly-owned subsidiary in Ireland to provide order processing, technical and administrative support to all of our international operations, except for Canada and Japan, and transferring ownership of our Germany, Singapore and United Kingdom subsidiaries to this Irish entity. We expect this corporate structure to result in a higher near-term effective tax rate while providing worldwide tax efficiencies in the long term. We intend to invest in further expanding our worldwide footprint.

Our quarterly results reflect seasonality in the sale of our products and services. Historically, we believe a pattern of increased license sales in the fourth fiscal quarter as a result of industry buying patterns has positively impacted total revenues in that period, which has resulted in low or negative sequential revenue growth in the first quarter as compared to the prior quarter.

We have been growing rapidly in recent periods. Our total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012 were \$34.2 million, \$62.4 million and \$127.7 million, respectively. Our total revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 were \$24.7 million and \$40.0 million, respectively. We increased the total number of customer accounts that had purchased our products from 5,300 as of December 31, 2010 to over 12,000 as of March 31, 2013. During these periods, we significantly increased the size of our workforce, particularly in our sales and marketing and research and development organizations, expanded internationally and invested in our operational infrastructure to support our growth. Our full-time employee base grew from 188 as of December 31, 2010 to 834 as of March 31, 2013. As a result of our significant investments in growth, our net income did not grow in a manner commensurate with our total revenues. Our net income for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012 was \$2.7 million, \$3.4 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. Our net income (loss) for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 was \$1.1 million and \$(4.0) million, respectively.

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Factors Affecting Our Performance

We believe that our performance and future success are dependent upon a number of factors, including our ability to continue to expand and further penetrate our customer base, innovate and enhance our products, and invest in our infrastructure. While each of these areas presents significant opportunities for us, they also pose significant risks and challenges that we must successfully address. See the section titled Risk Factors.

Invest in Expansion and Further Penetration of Our Customer Base

Our performance depends on our ability to continue to attract new customers and to increase adoption of our products within our existing customers, both domestically and internationally. Our ability to increase adoption amongst existing customers is particularly important in light of our land and expand business model. We believe the existing market for business analytics software is underserved. We believe that we have an addressable market that is substantially larger than the market for traditional business analytics software. As a result, we believe we have the opportunity to substantially expand our customer base and to increase adoption of our products within and across our existing customers.

In order to expand and further penetrate our customer base, we have made and plan to continue to make significant investments in expanding our direct sales teams and indirect sales channels, and increasing our brand awareness. For example, we have grown our sales and marketing team from 74 full-time employees as of December 31, 2010 to 360 full-time employees as of March 31, 2013, and plan to continue to significantly increase the size of this team domestically and internationally, particularly in the near term. We also intend to expand our online and offline marketing efforts to increase our brand awareness.

Invest in Innovation and Advancement of Our Products

Our performance is also significantly dependent on the investments we make in our research and development efforts, and in our ability to continue to innovate, improve functionality, adapt to new technologies or changes to existing technologies, and allow our customers to analyze data from a large and expanding range of data stores. Our investments in this area include growing our research and development team from 61 full-time employees as of December 31, 2010 to 227 full-time employees as of March 31, 2013. We intend to continue to invest in product innovation and leadership, including hiring top technical talent, focusing on core technology innovation and maintaining an agile organization that supports rapid release cycles. One area of focus in the near term is Tableau Online, our cloud-based service (currently in development). Although we plan to leverage the investments we have already made in Tableau Public to finalize this product for commercial sale, some additional investments will need to be made, such as those related to self-service administration capabilities, data automation, billing and fulfillment, and reporting. We do not expect to realize revenues from all of these development initiatives in the near term.

Invest in Infrastructure

We have made and expect to continue to make substantial investments in our infrastructure in connection with enhancing and expanding our operations domestically and internationally. For example, in December 2012, we invested in a reorganization of our corporate structure to more closely align it with our international expansion, including the establishment of a wholly-owned subsidiary in Ireland. Also in 2012, we opened sales offices in Germany, Japan and Singapore. We expect to continue to open new sales offices internationally and domestically. Our international expansion efforts have resulted and will result in increased costs and are subject to a variety of risks, including those associated with communication and integration problems resulting from geographic dispersion and language and cultural differences, and compliance with laws of multiple countries. Moreover, the

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investments we have made and will make in our international reorganization may not result in our expected benefits. In addition, if Tableau Online is commercially successful, we expect to make additional investments in related infrastructure such as server farms, data centers, network bandwidth and technical operations personnel; however, we currently expect to rely on our current cash on hand and cash generated from our operations to fund these investments. These costs could adversely affect our operating results. We also expect to make additional investments in our infrastructure as we continue to transition to operation as a public company.

Mix and Timing of Sales

Our land and expand business model results in a wide variety of sales transaction sizes, ranging from a single Tableau Desktop order of \$1,000-\$2,000 to Tableau Desktop and Tableau Server orders of over \$1.0 million. As we have continued to invest in our sales team and product capabilities, the number of individual sales orders over \$100,000 has increased from 111 in 2011 to 239 in 2012. The time it takes to close a transaction, defined as the time between when a sales opportunity is entered in our customer relationship management system until when a license agreement relating to that opportunity is signed with the customer, generally varies with the size of the transaction. Excluding renewals, in recent periods, our transactions over \$100,000 have generally taken over three months to close, whereas transactions of less than \$100,000 have generally taken fewer than three months to close.

Certain Key Financial Metrics

The following table summarizes certain of our key financial metrics:

	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(in thousands)				
Non-GAAP operating income (loss)	\$ 3,478	\$ 5,366	\$ 11,005	\$ 3,748	\$ (3,248)
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	3,376	4,792	6,854	1,885	(1,808)
Free cash flow	8,207	7,953	7,203	2,849	1,167

Non-GAAP Operating Income (Loss)

Non-GAAP operating income (loss) is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as operating income (loss) excluding stock-based compensation expense and, in 2012, the cash and stock-based expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation. Non-GAAP operating income (loss) increased substantially from 2010 to 2012 as a result of increased domestic and international demand for our products and services from new and existing customers, offset in part by increased operating expenses attributable to increased headcount. Non-GAAP operating income (loss) decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2013 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2012, as a result of increased operating expenses attributable to increased headcount, offset in part by increased domestic and international demand for our products and services from new and existing customers. For more information about non-GAAP operating income (loss) and a reconciliation of non-GAAP operating income (loss) to operating income (loss), the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP, see the section titled Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data Non-GAAP Financial Results.

Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss)

Non-GAAP net income (loss) is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as net income (loss) excluding stock-based compensation expense and, in 2012, the cash and stock-based expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation, each net of tax. Non-GAAP net income (loss)

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increased from 2010 to 2012 as a result of increases in non-GAAP operating income (loss), offset in part by increases in our provision for income taxes. Non-GAAP income (loss) decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2013 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2012, as a result of increased operating expenses attributable to increased headcount, offset in part by increased domestic and international demand for our products and services from new and existing customers and a tax benefit in the three months ended March 31, 2013 compared to a provision in the three months ended March 31, 2012. For more information about non-GAAP net income (loss) and a reconciliation of non-GAAP net income (loss) to net income (loss), the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP, see the section titled Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data Non-GAAP Financial Results.

Free Cash Flow

Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as net cash provided by operating activities less net cash used in investing activities for purchases of property and equipment. Although net cash provided by operating activities increased from \$10.4 million in 2010 to \$14.2 million in 2012, free cash flow decreased during that period as a result of significant increases in purchases of property and equipment from 2010 to 2012 to support our increased headcount and build-out of operational infrastructure. Free cash flow decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2013, as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2012 as a result of significant increases in purchases of property and equipment to support our increased headcount and build-out of operational infrastructure. For more information about free cash flow and a reconciliation of free cash flow to net cash provided by operating activities, the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP, see the section titled Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data Non-GAAP Financial Results.

Components of Operating Results***Revenues***

License revenues. License revenues reflect the revenues recognized from sales of licenses to new customers and additional licenses to existing customers. More than 90% of our license revenues for the year ended December 31, 2012 and for the three months ended March 31, 2013 resulted from perpetual licenses, under which we generally recognize the license fee portion of the arrangement upfront, assuming all revenue recognition criteria are satisfied. In each of the past three years, as well as in each of the three month periods ended March 31, 2012 and 2013, our existing customer accounts in aggregate have generated at least as much perpetual license revenues as they had in the previous year. In the future, we expect this buying pattern to moderate with the continued growth of our customer base. In addition, a small number of customers have purchased term licenses, under which we recognize the license fee ratably, on a straight-line basis, over the term of the license. To date, we have not derived a significant amount of revenues from term licenses. We may introduce additional subscription-based products in the future.

Maintenance and services revenues. Maintenance and services revenues consist of revenues from maintenance agreements and, to a lesser extent, professional services and training. A substantial majority of our maintenance and services revenues to date has been attributable to revenues from maintenance agreements. When purchasing a perpetual license, a customer also typically purchases one year of maintenance, and has the opportunity to purchase maintenance annually thereafter. We currently charge approximately 25% of the price of the perpetual license for each year of maintenance service, although this price may vary with regard to large enterprise sales. We measure the aggregate perpetual license maintenance renewal rate for our customers in a 12-month period of time, based on a dollar renewal rate for contracts expiring during that time period. Our maintenance renewal rate is measured three months after the 12-month period ends to account for

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late renewals. Our aggregate maintenance renewal rate for each of the 12-month periods ended December 31, 2011 and 2012 has been over 90%.

When a term license is purchased, maintenance service is typically bundled with the license for the term of the license period. Customers with maintenance agreements are entitled to receive support and unspecified upgrades and enhancements if and when they become available during the maintenance term. We recognize the revenues associated with maintenance agreements ratably, on a straight-line basis, over the associated maintenance term. In arrangements involving a term license, we recognize both the license and maintenance revenues ratably, on a straight-line basis, over the contract term. Term license revenues are included in License revenues on our consolidated statement of operations. We also have a professional services organization focused on both training and assisting our customers to fully leverage the use of our products. We recognize the revenues associated with these professional services on a time and materials basis as we deliver the services or provide the training.

We expect maintenance and services revenues to become a larger percentage of our total revenues as our customer base grows.

Cost of Revenues

Cost of license revenues. Cost of license revenues primarily consists of referral fees paid to third parties.

Cost of maintenance and services revenues. Cost of maintenance and services revenues includes salaries, benefits and stock-based compensation expense associated with our technical support and services organization, as well as allocated overhead. Allocated overhead includes overhead costs for depreciation of equipment, facilities (consisting of leasehold improvements and rent) and technical operations (including costs for compensation of our personnel and costs associated with our infrastructure). We recognize expenses related to our technical support and services organization as they are incurred. We expect the cost of maintenance and services revenues to increase as a percentage of maintenance and services revenues due to increased investment in our technical support and services organization to support our expanding customer base.

We expect that the cost of revenues will increase as a percentage of total revenues as we expand our technical support capabilities worldwide and seek to expand our product and service offerings.

Gross Profit and Gross Margin

Gross profit is total revenues less total cost of revenues. Gross margin is gross profit expressed as a percentage of total revenues. We expect that our gross margin may fluctuate from period to period as a result of changes in product and services mix, direct and indirect sales mix and the introduction of new products by us or our competitors.

Operating Expenses

Our operating expenses are classified into three categories: sales and marketing, research and development, and general and administrative. For each category, the largest component is personnel costs, which include salaries, employee benefit costs, bonuses, commissions, as applicable, and stock-based compensation expense.

Sales and marketing. Sales and marketing expenses primarily consist of personnel-related costs attributable to our sales and marketing personnel, commissions earned by our sales personnel,

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marketing, travel and facility related costs and allocated overhead. We expect sales and marketing expenses to significantly increase, both in absolute dollars and as a percentage of total revenues, in 2013 as compared to 2012 primarily due to our planned growth in our sales and marketing organization, both domestically and internationally. We expect sales and marketing expenses to be our largest category of operating expenses as we continue to expand our business.

Research and development. Research and development expenses primarily consist of personnel-related costs attributable to our research and development personnel and allocated overhead. We have devoted our product development efforts primarily to develop new products, incorporate additional features, improve functionality and adapt to new technologies or changes to existing technologies. We expect that our research and development expenses will continue to increase, both in absolute dollars and as a percentage of total revenues, in 2013 as compared to 2012 as we increase our research and development headcount to further strengthen our software and invest in the development of our products.

General and administrative. General and administrative expenses primarily consist of personnel-related costs attributable to our executive, finance, legal, human resources and administrative personnel, legal, accounting and other professional services fees, other corporate expenses and allocated overhead. In 2012, general and administrative expenses included cash and stock-based expenses associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation. We have recently incurred additional expenses due to expanding our operations and preparing for our initial public offering, and will continue to incur additional expenses associated with being a publicly traded company, including higher legal, corporate insurance and accounting expenses, and the additional costs of achieving and maintaining compliance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and other regulations. We also expect that general and administrative expenses will continue to increase, both in absolute dollars and as a percentage of total revenues, in 2013 as compared to 2012 as we further expand our operations, particularly internationally.

Other Income (Expense), Net

Other income (expense), net consists primarily of gains and losses on foreign currency transactions and interest income on our cash and cash equivalents balances.

Provision for Income Taxes

Provision for income taxes is based on the amount of our taxable income and enacted federal, state and foreign tax rates, as adjusted for allowable credits and deductions. Our provision for income taxes consists of federal, state and foreign taxes. As of December 31, 2012, we had fully utilized all available federal net operating loss and research and development tax credits.

We generally conduct our international operations through wholly-owned subsidiaries, branches and representative offices and report our taxable income in various jurisdictions worldwide based upon our business operations in those jurisdictions. Our corporate structure and intercompany arrangements align with the international expansion of our business activities, and would provide us with worldwide tax efficiencies in the long term. The application of the tax laws of various jurisdictions, including the United States, to our international business activities is subject to interpretation. The taxing authorities of the jurisdictions in which we operate may challenge our methodologies for valuing developed technology or intercompany arrangements, including our transfer pricing, or determine the manner in which we operate our business is not consistent with the manner in which we report our income to the jurisdictions. If such a disagreement were to occur, and our positions were not sustained, we could be required to pay additional taxes, interest and penalties, resulting in higher effective tax rates, reduced cash flows and lower overall profitability of our operations.

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Our income tax provision may be significantly affected by changes to our estimates for taxes in jurisdictions in which we operate and other estimates utilized in determining our global effective tax rate. Actual results may also differ from our estimates based on changes in tax laws and economic conditions. Such changes could have a substantial impact on the income tax provision and effective income tax rate.

In addition, we are subject to the continuous examinations of our income tax returns by different tax authorities. We regularly assess the likelihood of adverse outcomes resulting from these examinations to determine the adequacy of our provision for income taxes.

Common Stock Fair Value Reassessment

The initial public offering price range was in excess of the previously determined fair values of our common stock. As a result, we retrospectively reassessed the historical assumptions used in our determination of the fair value of our common stock for option awards made since December 2012, as well as to the common shares donated to the Tableau Foundation on December 31, 2012. This reassessment resulted in revisions to our previously issued financial statements. For further information, see [Offering Price and Fair Value Reassessment](#) on page 85 and Note 14 to our consolidated financial statements on pages F-26 and F-27.

Results of Operations

The following tables set forth our results of operations for the periods presented and as a percentage of our total revenues for those periods. The period-to-period comparison of financial results is not necessarily indicative of financial results to be achieved in future periods.

	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended	
	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(in thousands)			(unaudited)	
Consolidated Statements of Operations Data:					
Revenues					
License	\$ 24,223	\$ 44,414	\$ 89,883	\$ 17,456	\$ 26,426
Maintenance and services	9,938	17,946	37,850	7,229	13,592
Total revenues	34,161	62,360	127,733	24,685	40,018
Cost of revenues					
License	67	213	305	56	176
Maintenance and services	1,271	2,800	10,057	1,615	3,374
Total cost of revenues	1,338	3,013	10,362	1,671	3,550
Gross profit	32,823	59,347	117,371	23,014	36,468
Operating expenses					
Sales and marketing	16,440	30,363	62,333	10,577	23,673
Research and development	9,734	18,387	33,065	6,725	12,941
General and administrative	3,809	6,679	17,715	2,915	5,601
Total operating expenses	29,983	55,429	113,113	20,217	42,215
Operating income (loss)	2,840	3,918	4,558	2,797	(5,747)
Other income (expense), net		(16)	(54)	(11)	(53)
Net income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes	2,840	3,902	4,204	2,786	(5,800)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	102	523	2,777	1,729	(1,765)

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Net income (loss)	\$ 2,738	\$ 3,379	\$ 1,427	\$ 1,057	\$ (4,035)
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	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(as a percentage of total revenues)			(unaudited)	
Consolidated Statements of Operations Data:					
Revenues					
License	70.9%	71.2%	70.4%	70.7%	66.0%
Maintenance and services	29.1	28.8	29.6	29.3	34.0
Total revenues	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cost of revenues					
License	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4
Maintenance and services	3.7	4.5	7.9	6.6	8.5
Total cost of revenues	3.9	4.8	8.1	6.8	8.9
Gross profit	96.1	95.2	91.9	93.2	91.1
Operating expenses					
Sales and marketing	48.1	48.7	48.8	42.8	59.2
Research and development	28.5	29.5	25.9	27.2	32.3
General and administrative	11.2	10.7	13.9	11.9	14.0
Total operating expenses	87.8	88.9	88.6	81.9	105.5
Operating income (loss)	8.3	6.3	3.3	11.3	(14.4)
Other income (expense), net	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	(0.1)
Net income (loss) before provision for income taxes	8.3	6.3	3.3	11.3	(14.5)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	0.3	0.9	2.2	7.0	(4.4)
Net income (loss)	8.0%	5.4%	1.1%	4.3%	(10.1)%

Comparison of Three Months Ended March 31, 2012 and 2013**Revenues**

	Three Months Ended March 31,		% change
	2012	2013	
(dollars in thousands)			
(unaudited)			
Revenues			
License	\$ 17,456	\$ 26,426	51.4%
Maintenance and services	7,229	13,592	88.0%

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Total revenues	\$ 24,685	\$ 40,018	62.1%
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**Three Months Ended
March 31,
2012 2013
(as a percentage of
total revenues)**

(unaudited)

Revenues			
License	70.7%	66.0%	
Maintenance and services	29.3	34.0	
Total revenues	100.0%	100.0%	

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Total revenues increased \$15.3 million from \$24.7 million in the three months ended March 31, 2012 to \$40.0 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013, with 51% and 88% year-over-year growth in license and maintenance and services revenues, respectively. Total revenues growth was attributable to the increased demand for our products and services from new and existing customers. For example, our total customer accounts increased 41% from approximately 8,500 customer accounts as of March 31, 2012 to approximately 12,000 customer accounts as of March 31, 2013. License revenues increased \$9.0 million from the three months ended March 31, 2012 to the three months ended March 31, 2013 as we continued to increase sales both domestically and internationally. The increase in license revenues was a direct result of our investment in our products and in our sales and marketing efforts. The substantial majority of our license revenues was attributable to sales of perpetual licenses. Of the revenues from perpetual license sales recognized in the three months ended March 31, 2013, 27% was attributable to perpetual license sales to new customer accounts gained in 2013 and 73% was attributable to perpetual license sales to customer accounts existing on or before December 31, 2012. The increase in maintenance and services revenues was primarily due to increases in sales of maintenance agreements resulting from the growth of our customer base. Total revenues derived from our customer accounts outside of the United States and Canada increased slightly as a percentage of total revenues, from 17% in the three months ended March 31, 2012 to 19% in the three months ended March 31, 2013.

Cost of Revenues and Gross Margin

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2012	2013	% change
	(dollars in thousands)		
	(unaudited)		
Cost of revenues			
License	\$ 56	\$ 176	214.3%
Maintenance and services	1,615	3,374	108.9%
Total cost of revenues	\$ 1,671	\$ 3,550	112.4%

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2012	2013	
	(as a percentage of total revenues)		
	(unaudited)		
Gross margin			
License	99.7%	99.3%	
Maintenance and services	77.7%	75.2%	
Total gross margin	93.2%	91.1%	

Total cost of revenues increased \$1.9 million from \$1.7 million in the three months ended March 31, 2012 to \$3.6 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013. This increase was primarily due to the increased cost of providing maintenance and services to our expanding customer base. The \$1.8 million increase in cost of maintenance and services revenues from the three months ended March 31, 2012 to the three months ended March 31, 2013 was primarily related to an increase in compensation expense of \$1.2 million due to increased headcount, \$0.3 million in facilities and allocated overhead costs and \$0.2 million in additional travel and entertainment costs. Our total number of technical support and services headcount increased from 40 employees as of March 31, 2012 to 82 employees as of March 31, 2013. Total gross margin decreased by approximately 2 percentage points from the three months ended March 31, 2012 to the three months ended March 31, 2013 primarily due to increased investment in our technical support and services organization for personnel and other costs to support our expanding customer base.

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	Three Months Ended March 31, 2012 2013 (dollars in thousands)		% change
	(unaudited)		
Operating expenses			
Sales and marketing	\$ 10,577	\$ 23,673	123.8%
Research and development	6,725	12,941	92.4%
General and administrative	2,915	5,601	92.1%
Total operating expenses	\$ 20,217	\$ 42,215	108.8%

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2012 2013 (as a percentage of total revenues)	
	(unaudited)	
Operating expenses		
Sales and marketing	42.8%	59.2%
Research and development	27.2	32.3
General and administrative	11.9	14.0
Total operating expenses	81.9%	105.5%

Sales and Marketing

Sales and marketing expenses increased \$13.1 million from \$10.6 million in the three months ended March 31, 2012 to \$23.7 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013. This increase was primarily due to an increase in compensation expense of \$9.1 million resulting from increased sales headcount as we expanded our sales organization both domestically and internationally, as well as commissions on increased customer orders. Our total number of sales and marketing headcount increased from 164 employees as of March 31, 2012 to 360 employees as of March 31, 2013. The remainder of the increase was primarily attributable to a \$1.5 million increase in facilities and allocated overhead cost, \$1.1 million in additional marketing costs and \$1.0 million in additional travel and entertainment costs.

Research and Development

Research and development expenses increased \$6.2 million from \$6.7 million in the three months ended March 31, 2012 to \$12.9 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013. This increase was primarily due to an increase in compensation expenses of \$5.1 million resulting from increased headcount as part of our focus on further developing and enhancing our products and \$0.8 million in facilities and allocated overhead costs. Our total number of research and development headcount increased from 123 employees as of March 31, 2012 to 227 employees as of March 31, 2013.

General and Administrative

General and administrative expenses increased \$2.7 million from \$2.9 million in the three months ended March 31, 2012 to \$5.6 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013. This increase was primarily due to an increase in compensation expenses of \$1.2 million resulting from increased headcount to support our overall growth. Our total number of general and administrative headcount increased from 34 employees as of March 31, 2012 to 63 employees as of March 31, 2013. The

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remainder of the increase was primarily attributable to \$1.1 million in accounting, legal and recruiting expenses to support growth in our business.

Other Income (Expense), Net

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2012	2013
	(dollars in thousands) (unaudited)	
Other income (expense), net	\$ (11)	\$ (53)

Other income (expense), net increased due to expenses associated with foreign currency exchange transactions.

Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2012	2013
	(dollars in thousands) (unaudited)	
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$ 1,729	\$ (1,765)
Effective tax rate	62%	30%
Period specific items	\$	\$ (1,248)

For the three months ended March 31, 2013, our effective tax rate was 30% inclusive of \$1.2 million net favorable period specific item primarily related to the retroactive reinstatement of the U.S. research and development credit by the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012.

Comparison of Years Ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012**Revenues**

	Year Ended December 31,			2010 to 2011 % change	2011 to 2012 % change
	2010	2011	2012		
	(dollars in thousands)				
Revenues					
License	\$ 24,223	\$ 44,414	\$ 89,883	83.4%	102.4%
Maintenance and services	9,938	17,946	37,850	80.6%	110.9%
Total revenues	\$ 34,161	\$ 62,360	\$ 127,733	82.5%	104.8%

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2010	2011	2012
	(as a percentage of total revenues)		
Revenues			
License	70.9%	71.2%	70.4%
Maintenance and services	29.1	28.8	29.6

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Total revenues	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
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Year ended December 31, 2012 compared to year ended December 31, 2011. Total revenues increased \$65.4 million from \$62.4 million in 2011 to \$127.7 million in 2012, with 102% and 111% year-over-year growth in license and maintenance and services revenues, respectively. Total revenues growth was attributable to the increased demand for our products and services from new and existing customers. For example, our total customer accounts increased 41% from approximately 7,700 customer accounts as of December 31, 2011 to approximately 11,000 customer accounts as of December 31, 2012. License revenues increased \$45.5 million year over year as we continued to increase sales both domestically and internationally. The increase in license revenues was a direct result of our investment in our products and in our sales and marketing efforts, which increased significantly in 2012 compared to 2011, as further described below. In 2012, more than 90% of our license revenues resulted from perpetual licenses. Of the revenues from perpetual license sales recognized in 2012, 36% was attributable to perpetual license sales to new customer accounts gained in 2012 and 64% was attributable to perpetual license sales to customer accounts existing on or before December 31, 2011. The increase in maintenance and services revenues was primarily due to increases in sales of maintenance agreements. Total revenues derived from our customer accounts outside of the United States and Canada increased slightly as a percentage of total revenues, from 16% in 2011 to 17% in 2012.

Year ended December 31, 2011 compared to year ended December 31, 2010. Total revenues increased \$28.2 million from \$34.2 million in 2010 to \$62.4 million in 2011, with 83% and 81% year-over-year growth in license and maintenance and services revenues, respectively. Total revenues growth was attributable to increased demand for our products and services from existing and new customers. For example, our total number of customer accounts increased 45% from approximately 5,300 customer accounts as of December 31, 2010 to approximately 7,700 customer accounts as of December 31, 2011. License revenues increased \$20.2 million year over year as we continued to increase sales both domestically and internationally. The increase in license revenues was a direct result of our continued investment in our products and in our sales and marketing efforts, which increased significantly in 2011 compared to 2010, as further described below. The majority of our license revenues were attributable to sales of perpetual licenses. Of the revenues from perpetual license sales recognized in 2011, 41% was attributable to perpetual license sales to new customer accounts gained in 2011 and 59% was attributable to perpetual license sales to customer accounts existing on or before December 31, 2010. The increase in maintenance and services revenues was primarily due to increases in sales of maintenance agreements. Total revenues derived from customer accounts outside of the United States and Canada increased slightly as a percentage of total revenues, from 15% in 2010 to 16% in 2011.

Cost of Revenues and Gross Margin

	Year Ended December 31,			2010 to 2011 % change	2011 to 2012 % change
	2010	2011	2012		
	(dollars in thousands)				
Cost of revenues					
License	\$ 67	\$ 213	\$ 305	217.9%	43.2%
Maintenance and services	1,271	2,800	10,057	120.3%	259.2%
Total cost of revenues	\$ 1,338	\$ 3,013	\$ 10,362	125.2%	243.9%

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2010	2011	2012
	(as a percentage of revenues)		
Gross margin			
License	99.7%	99.5%	99.7%
Maintenance and services	87.2%	84.4%	73.4%
Total gross margin	96.1%	95.2%	91.9%

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Year ended December 31, 2012 compared to year ended December 31, 2011. Total cost of revenues increased \$7.3 million from \$3.0 million in 2011 to \$10.4 million in 2012. This increase was primarily due to the increased cost of providing maintenance and services to our expanding customer base. The \$7.3 million increase in cost of maintenance and services revenues from 2011 to 2012 was primarily related to an increase in compensation expense of \$4.1 million due to increased headcount, \$1.6 million in facilities and allocated overhead costs and \$0.8 million in professional service fees. Our total number of technical support and services headcount increased from 25 employees as of December 31, 2011 to 76 employees as of December 31, 2012. Total gross margin decreased by approximately three percentage points from 2011 to 2012 primarily due to increased investment in our technical support and services organization for personnel and other costs to support our expanded customer base.

Year ended December 31, 2011 compared to year ended December 31, 2010. Total cost of revenues increased \$1.7 million from \$1.3 million in 2010 to \$3.0 million in 2011. This increase was primarily due to the increased cost of providing maintenance and services to our expanding customer base. The \$1.5 million increase in cost of maintenance and services revenues from 2010 to 2011 was primarily related to \$0.6 million in facilities and allocated overhead expense as well as an increase in compensation and associated overhead expense of \$0.5 million due to increased headcount. Our total number of technical support and services headcount increased from 11 employees as of December 31, 2010 to 25 employees as of December 31, 2011. Total gross margin decreased by approximately one percentage point from 2010 to 2011 primarily due to increased investment in our technical support and services organization for personnel and other costs to support our expanded customer base.

Operating Expenses

	2010	Year Ended December 31, 2011		2012	2010 to 2011 % change	2011 to 2012 % change
		(dollars in thousands)				
Operating expenses						
Sales and marketing	\$ 16,440	\$ 30,363	\$ 62,333		84.7%	105.3%
Research and development	9,734	18,387	33,065		88.9%	79.8%
General and administrative	3,809	6,679	17,715		75.3%	165.2%
Total operating expenses	\$ 29,983	\$ 55,429	\$ 113,113		84.9%	104.1%

	2010	Year Ended December 31, 2011		2012
		(as a percentage of total revenues)		
Operating expenses				
Sales and marketing	48.1%	48.7%	48.8%	
Research and development	28.5	29.5	25.9	
General and administrative	11.2	10.7	13.9	
Total operating expenses	87.8%	88.9%	88.6%	

Sales and Marketing

Year ended December 31, 2012 compared to year ended December 31, 2011. Sales and marketing expenses increased \$32.0 million from \$30.4 million in 2011 to \$62.3 million in 2012. This increase was primarily due to an increase in compensation expense of \$22.2 million resulting from increased sales headcount as we expanded our sales organization both domestically and internationally, as well as commissions on increased customer orders. Our sales and marketing

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headcount increased from 137 employees as of December 31, 2011 to 321 employees as of December 31, 2012. The remainder of the increase was primarily attributable to \$3.0 million in additional marketing costs, \$2.9 million in additional travel and entertainment costs, and \$2.4 million in additional facilities and allocated overhead costs in 2012 as compared to 2011.

Year ended December 31, 2011 compared to year ended December 31, 2010. Sales and marketing expenses increased \$13.9 million from \$16.4 million in 2010 to \$30.4 million in 2011. This increase was primarily due to an increase in compensation expense of \$8.5 million resulting from increased sales headcount as we expanded our sales organization, as well as commissions on increased customer orders. Our sales and marketing headcount increased from 74 employees as of December 31, 2010 to 137 employees as of December 31, 2011. The remainder of the increase was primarily attributable to \$2.1 million additional marketing costs, \$1.9 million in facilities and allocated overhead costs and \$0.9 million for additional travel and entertainment costs in 2011 as compared to 2010.

Research and Development

Year ended December 31, 2012 compared to year ended December 31, 2011. Research and development expenses increased \$14.7 million from \$18.4 million in 2011 to \$33.1 million in 2012. This increase was primarily due to an increase in compensation expenses of \$12.2 million resulting from increased headcount as part of our focus on further developing and enhancing our products and \$1.9 million in facilities and allocated overhead costs. Our research and development headcount increased from 108 employees as of December 31, 2011 to 205 employees as of December 31, 2012.

Year ended December 31, 2011 compared to year ended December 31, 2010. Research and development expenses increased \$8.7 million from \$9.7 million in 2010 to \$18.4 million in 2011. This increase was primarily due to an increase in compensation expenses of \$7.0 million resulting from increased headcount as part of our focus on further developing and enhancing our products and \$1.1 million in facilities and allocated overhead costs. Our research and development headcount increased from 61 employees as of December 31, 2010 to 108 employees as of December 31, 2011.

General and Administrative

Year ended December 31, 2012 compared to year ended December 31, 2011. General and administrative expenses increased \$11.0 million from \$6.7 million in 2011 to \$17.7 million in 2012. This increase was primarily attributable to an increase in compensation expenses of \$4.4 million resulting from increased headcount to support our overall growth. Our general and administrative headcount increased from 36 employees as of December 31, 2011 to 59 employees as of December 31, 2012. The increase was also attributable to \$1.8 million in accounting, legal and recruiting expenses to support growth in our business, \$1.2 million in facilities and allocated overhead costs, and additional costs incurred in preparation for our initial public offering. The remainder of the increase was primarily related to the establishment of a donor-advised charitable foundation operating as the Tableau Foundation.

Year ended December 31, 2011 compared to year ended December 31, 2010. General and administrative expenses increased \$2.9 million from \$3.8 million in 2010 to \$6.7 million in 2011. This increase was primarily due to an increase in compensation expenses of \$1.4 million resulting from increased headcount to support our overall growth. Our general and administrative headcount increased from 19 employees as of December 31, 2010 to 36 employees as of December 31, 2011. The remainder of the increase was primarily attributable to professional services fees of \$0.7 million related primarily to the use of independent contractors.

Table of Contents**Other Income (Expense), Net**

	2010	Year Ended December 31, 2011	2012
	(dollars in thousands)		
Other income (expense), net	\$	\$ (16)	\$ (54)
Other income (expense), net increased due to expenses associated with foreign currency exchange transactions.			

Provision for Income Taxes

	2010	Year Ended December 31, 2011	2012	2010 to 2011 % change	2011 to 2012 % change
	(dollars in thousands)				
Provision for income taxes	\$ 102	\$ 523	\$ 2,777	412.7%	431.0%
Effective income tax rate	3.6%	13.4%	66.1%	272.2%	393.3%

Year ended December 31, 2012 compared to year ended December 31, 2011. Our provision for income taxes and effective income tax rate both increased from 2011 to 2012, as a result of the release of the valuation allowance in 2011, increased non-deductible stock-based compensation expense in 2012 and the expiration of the federal research and development tax credit at the end of 2011. The provision for income tax also increased as a result of the growth in net income before provision for income taxes in 2012. As of December 31, 2012, we had fully utilized all available federal net operating loss and research and development tax credits.

Year ended December 31, 2011 compared to year ended December 31, 2010. For periods prior to 2011, we had established a full valuation allowance on our net deferred income tax assets. This valuation allowance was released in 2011. Our provision for income taxes increased due to the increase in pre-tax income and as a result of our release of the valuation allowance on our deferred income tax assets.

Quarterly Results of Operations

The following tables set forth selected unaudited quarterly statements of operations data for the nine quarters ended March 31, 2013, as well as the percentage that each line item represents of total revenues. The information for each of these quarters has been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus and, in the opinion of management, includes all adjustments, which include only normal recurring adjustments, necessary for the fair statement of our consolidated results of operations for these periods. This data should be read

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in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. Our quarterly results of operations will vary in the future. These quarterly operating results are not necessarily indicative of our operating results for any future period.

	Three Months Ended								
	Mar. 31, 2011	Jun. 30, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Dec. 31, 2011	Mar. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012	Sept. 30, 2012	Dec. 31, 2012	Mar. 31, 2013
(in thousands)									
Consolidated Statements of Operations									
Data:									
Revenues									
License	\$ 7,266	\$ 9,574	\$ 10,286	\$ 17,288	\$ 17,456	\$ 20,239	\$ 22,112	\$ 30,076	\$ 26,426
Maintenance and services	3,310	4,095	4,677	5,864	7,229	8,877	10,014	11,730	13,592
Total revenues	10,576	13,669	14,963	23,152	24,685	29,116	32,126	41,806	40,018
Cost of revenues									
License	6	94	37	76	56	93	21	135	176
Maintenance and services	464	633	763	940	1,615	2,406	2,788	3,248	3,374
Total cost of revenues ⁽¹⁾	470	727	800	1,016	1,671	2,499	2,809	3,383	3,550
Gross profit	10,106	12,942	14,163	22,136	23,014	26,617	29,317	38,423	36,468
Operating expenses									
Sales and marketing ⁽¹⁾	5,036	6,268	7,495	11,564	10,577	12,983	15,565	23,208	23,673
Research and development ⁽¹⁾	3,681	4,374	4,969	5,363	6,725	7,493	8,488	10,359	12,941
General and administrative ⁽¹⁾	1,350	1,447	1,832	2,050	2,915	3,340	4,278	7,182	5,601
Total operating expenses	10,067	12,089	14,296	18,977	20,217	23,816	28,331	40,749	42,215
Operating income (loss)	39	853	(133)	3,159	2,797	2,801	986	(2,326)	(5,747)
Other income (expense), net	(5)		(12)	1	(11)	(16)	(22)	(5)	(53)
Net income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes	34	853	(145)	3,160	2,786	2,785	964	(2,331)	(5,800)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	28	42	16	437	1,729	1,726	597	(1,275)	(1,765)
Net income (loss)	\$ 6	\$ 811	\$ (161)	\$ 2,723	\$ 1,057	\$ 1,059	\$ 367	\$ (1,056)	\$ (4,035)

(1) Includes stock-based compensation expense as follows:

	Three Months Ended								
	Mar. 31, 2011	Jun. 30, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Dec. 31, 2011	Mar. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012	Sept. 30, 2012	Dec. 31, 2012	Mar. 31, 2013
(in thousands)									
Cost of revenues	\$ 5	\$ 6	\$ 5	\$ 6	\$ 15	\$ 23	\$ 28	\$ 41	\$ 73
Sales and marketing	102	151	151	161	265	318	350	461	819
Research and development	121	169	166	172	426	488	531	670	1,035
General and administrative	42	56	58	77	245	276	288	371	572
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 270	\$ 382	\$ 380	\$ 416	\$ 951	\$ 1,105	\$ 1,197	\$ 1,543	\$ 2,499

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	Three Months Ended								
	Mar. 31, 2011	Jun. 30, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Dec. 31, 2011	Mar. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012	Sept. 30, 2012	Dec. 31, 2012	Mar. 31, 2013
	(as a percentage of total revenues)								
Revenues									
License	68.7%	70.0%	68.7%	74.7%	70.7%	69.5%	68.8%	71.9%	66.0%
Maintenance and services	31.3	30.0	31.3	25.3	29.3	30.5	31.2	28.1	34.0
Total revenues	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cost of revenues									
License	0.1	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.4
Maintenance and services	4.3	4.6	5.1	4.1	6.6	8.3	8.6	7.8	8.5
Total cost of revenues	4.4	5.3	5.3	4.4	6.8	8.6	8.7	8.1	8.9
Gross profit	95.6	94.7	94.7	95.6	93.2	91.4	91.3	91.9	91.1
Operating expenses									
Sales and marketing	47.6	45.9	50.1	49.9	42.8	44.6	48.4	55.5	59.2
Research and development	34.8	32.0	33.2	23.2	27.2	25.7	26.4	24.8	32.3
General and administrative	12.8	10.6	12.3	8.9	11.9	11.5	13.4	17.2	14.0
Total operating expenses	95.2	88.5	95.6	82.0	81.9	81.8	88.2	97.5	105.5
Operating income (loss)	0.4	6.2	(0.9)	13.6	11.3	9.6	3.1	(5.6)	(14.4)
Other income (expense), net	(0.1)		(0.1)				(0.1)		(0.1)
Net income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes	0.3	6.2	(1.0)	13.6	11.3	9.6	3.0	(5.6)	(14.5)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	0.2	0.3	0.1	1.8	7.0	6.0	1.9	(3.1)	(4.4)
Net income (loss)	0.1%	5.9%	(1.1)%	11.8%	4.3%	3.6%	1.1%	(2.5)%	(10.1)%

	Three Months Ended								
	Mar. 31, 2011	Jun. 30, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Dec. 31, 2011	Mar. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012	Sept. 30, 2012	Dec. 31, 2012	Mar. 31, 2013
	(in thousands)								
Other Financial Data:									
Non-GAAP operating income (loss) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 309	\$ 1,235	\$ 247	\$ 3,575	\$ 3,748	\$ 3,906	\$ 2,183	\$ 1,168	\$ (3,248)
Non-GAAP net income (loss) ⁽²⁾	274	1,183	209	3,126	1,885	2,025	1,423	1,521	(1,808)
Free cash flow ⁽³⁾	(1,346)	1,356	1,493	6,450	2,849	1,888	5,117	(2,651)	1,167

- (1) Non-GAAP operating income (loss) is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as operating income (loss) excluding stock-based compensation expense and, in the quarter ended December 31, 2012, the cash and stock-based expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation. For more information about non-GAAP operating income (loss), see the section titled [Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data Non-GAAP Financial Results](#).
- (2) Non-GAAP net income (loss) is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as net income (loss) excluding stock-based compensation expense and, in the quarter ended December 31, 2012, the cash and stock-based expense associated with our funding of the Tableau Foundation, each net of tax. For more information about non-GAAP net income (loss), see the section titled [Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data Non-GAAP Financial Results](#).
- (3) Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure that we calculate as net cash provided by (used in) operating activities less net cash used in investing activities for purchases of property and equipment. For more information about free cash flow, see the section titled [Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data Non-GAAP Financial Results](#).

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The following table reflects the reconciliation of operating income (loss) to non-GAAP operating income (loss):

	Three Months Ended								
	Mar. 31, 2011	Jun. 30, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Dec. 31, 2011	Mar. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012	Sept. 30, 2012	Dec. 31, 2012	Mar. 31, 2013
Operating income (loss)	\$ 39	\$ 853	\$ (133)	\$ 3,159	\$ 2,797	\$ 2,801	\$ 986	\$ (2,326)	\$ (5,747)
Excluding:									
Stock-based compensation expense	270	382	380	416	951	1,105	1,197	1,543	2,499
Funding of the Tableau Foundation								1,951	
Non-GAAP operating income (loss)	\$ 309	\$ 1,235	\$ 247	\$ 3,575	\$ 3,748	\$ 3,906	\$ 2,183	\$ 1,168	\$ (3,248)

The following table reflects the reconciliation of net income (loss) to non-GAAP net income (loss):

	Three Months Ended								
	Mar. 31, 2011	Jun. 30, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Dec. 31, 2011	Mar. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012	Sept. 30, 2012	Dec. 31, 2012	Mar. 31, 2013
Net income (loss)	\$ 6	\$ 811	\$ (161)	\$ 2,723	\$ 1,057	\$ 1,059	\$ 367	\$ (1,056)	\$ (4,035)
Excluding:									
Stock-based compensation expense, net of tax	268	372	370	403	828	966	1,056	1,357	2,227
Funding of the Tableau Foundation, net of tax								1,220	
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$ 274	\$ 1,183	\$ 209	\$ 3,126	\$ 1,885	\$ 2,025	\$ 1,423	\$ 1,521	\$ (1,808)

The following table reflects the reconciliation of net cash provided by (used in) operating activities to free cash flow:

	Three Months Ended								
	Mar. 31, 2011	Jun. 30, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Dec. 31, 2011	Mar. 31, 2012	Jun. 30, 2012	Sept. 30, 2012	Dec. 31, 2012	Mar. 31, 2013
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (216)	\$ 3,220	\$ 2,352	\$ 7,527	\$ 4,448	\$ 3,525	\$ 7,342	\$ (1,076)	\$ 4,205
Excluding: Purchases of property and equipment	1,130	1,864	859	1,077	1,599	1,637	2,225	1,575	3,038
Free cash flow	\$ (1,346)	\$ 1,356	\$ 1,493	\$ 6,450	\$ 2,849	\$ 1,888	\$ 5,117	\$ (2,651)	\$ 1,167

Seasonality and Quarterly Trends

Seasonality. Our quarterly results reflect seasonality in the sale of our products and services. Historically, we believe a pattern of increased license sales in the fourth fiscal quarter as a result of seasonal buying patterns has positively impacted total revenues in that period, which has resulted in low or negative sequential revenue growth in the first quarter as compared to the prior quarter. For example, our total revenues in the first quarter of 2013 decreased when compared to total revenues for

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the fourth quarter of 2012. We expect this seasonality to continue in future years and beyond. Such seasonality has resulted in a decrease in quarterly revenues from the fourth quarter of a fiscal year to the first quarter of the subsequent fiscal year. Our gross margins and operating income (losses) have also been affected by these historical trends because the majority of our expenses are relatively fixed in the short term. In addition, sales and marketing expenses typically increase towards the end of the year with respect to year-end commissions and to the timing of our U.S. Tableau Customer Conference, which was held in the fourth quarter of 2011 and 2012 and is scheduled to be held in the third quarter of 2013.

We may have backlog consisting of product license orders that have not yet been fulfilled or invoiced, or maintenance and service orders that have not yet been performed. Historically, our backlog has varied from quarter to quarter and has been immaterial to our total revenues.

Quarterly revenues. Our quarterly revenues increased sequentially quarter over quarter for substantially all periods presented above, reflecting increased demand for our products and services from new and existing customers. We cannot assure you that this pattern of sequential revenue growth will continue. As noted above, the seasonality of our business has resulted in total revenues for the first quarter of 2013 being less than total revenues for the fourth quarter of 2012. In addition, the placement of large customer orders can significantly impact our quarterly revenues, resulting in low sequential revenue growth or a sequential decrease in quarterly revenues. As a result, we believe that comparisons of revenues for a given quarter to revenues for the corresponding quarter in the prior fiscal year are generally more meaningful than comparisons of revenues for sequential quarters.

Quarterly cost of revenues. Our quarterly cost of revenues increased sequentially quarter over quarter for all periods presented above, primarily due to the increased cost of providing maintenance and services to our expanding customer base.

Quarterly operating expenses. Total operating expenses have increased sequentially quarter over quarter for all periods presented above, primarily due to the continued addition of personnel in connection with the expansion of our business. This addition of headcount has generally contributed to quarterly sequential increases in operating expenses.

Sales and marketing expenses generally increased sequentially quarter over quarter for the periods presented above, primarily due to increases in headcount-related expenses from continued hiring to support sales growth, increased marketing programs and increased commissions in alignment with sales growth. Sales and marketing expenses are typically higher during the second half of each year as the result of year-end sales commission and our U.S. Tableau Customer Conference, which was held in the fourth quarter of 2011 and 2012 and is scheduled to be held in the third quarter of 2013.

Research and development expenses increased sequentially quarter over quarter for all periods presented above, primarily due to increases in headcount-related expenses from continued hiring to develop and enhance our products.

General and administrative expenses increased sequentially quarter over quarter for all periods presented above, primarily due to increases in headcount-related expenses, as well as increased consulting and professional services fees related to accounting, legal and recruiting activities to support growth in our business, and additional costs incurred in preparation for our initial public offering. General and administrative expenses for the fourth quarter of 2012 include \$2.0 million of expense for the funding of the Tableau Foundation.

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Since our inception, we have financed our operations primarily through cash flows generated by operations and to a lesser extent the sale of preferred stock. We have not sold shares of our preferred stock since 2008. As of March 31, 2013, we had cash and cash equivalents totaling \$40.5 million, net accounts receivable of \$28.0 million and \$23.4 million of working capital.

The following tables show our cash and cash equivalents and our cash flows from operating activities, investing activities and financing activities for the stated periods:

	As of December 31,		As of
	2011	2012	March 31,
	(in thousands)		2013
			(unaudited)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 30,223	\$ 39,302	\$ 40,480

	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended	
	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(in thousands)			(unaudited)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 10,376	\$ 12,883	\$ 14,239	\$ 4,448	\$ 4,205
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,169)	(4,930)	(7,036)	(1,599)	(3,038)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	332	(341)	1,876	106	45
Effect of exchange rates					(34)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,539	\$ 7,612	\$ 9,079	\$ 2,955	\$ 1,178

Cash and Cash Equivalents

As of March 31, 2013, our cash and cash equivalents were held for working capital purposes, a majority of which was held in cash deposits and money market funds. We intend to increase our capital expenditures to support the growth in our business and operations. We believe that our existing cash and cash equivalents, together with cash generated from operations, will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash needs for at least the next 12 months. Our future capital requirements will depend on many factors including our growth rate, the timing and extent of spending to support research and development efforts, the continued expansion of sales and marketing activities, the introduction of new and enhanced software and services offerings, and the continued market acceptance of our products.

Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$4.2 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013, as a result of net loss of \$4.0 million, stock-based compensation expense and other non-cash charges of \$3.8 million and a net change of \$4.4 million in our operating assets and liabilities. The increase in our operating assets and liabilities was primarily attributable to a \$5.6 million increase in deferred revenue and a \$2.6 million decrease in accounts receivable, partially offset by a \$2.5 million increase in income taxes receivable. The increase in deferred revenue was primarily due to increased sales of maintenance and services. The increase in income taxes receivable was primarily related to our tax benefit in the first quarter of 2013.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$4.4 million in the three months ended March 31, 2012, as a result of net income of \$1.1 million, stock-based compensation expense and other non-cash charges of \$1.7 million and a net change of \$1.7 million in our operating assets and liabilities. The

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increase in our operating assets and liabilities was primarily attributable to a \$2.8 million increase in deferred revenue partially offset by a \$1.5 million increase in accounts receivable. The increase in deferred revenue was primarily due to increased maintenance agreement sales. The increase in accounts receivable was primarily due to increased license and maintenance agreement sales.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$14.2 million in the year ended December 31, 2012, as a result of net income of \$1.4 million, which included depreciation, stock-based compensation expense and other non-cash charges of \$9.4 million, and a net change of \$3.3 million in our operating assets and liabilities. The increase in our operating assets and liabilities was primarily attributable to a \$15.4 million increase in deferred revenue and a \$8.2 million increase in accrued liabilities, partially offset by a \$17.6 million increase in accounts receivable. The increase in deferred revenue was primarily due to increased maintenance agreement sales. The increase in accounts receivable was primarily due to increased license and maintenance agreement sales. The increase in accrued liabilities was due to the growth in our business and increased headcount.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$12.9 million in the year ended December 31, 2011, as a result of net income of \$3.4 million, which included depreciation, stock-based compensation expense and other non-cash charges of \$3.9 million, and a net increase of \$5.6 million in our operating assets and liabilities. The increase in our operating assets and liabilities was primarily attributable to a \$10.5 million increase in deferred revenue and a \$5.3 million increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities, partially offset by a \$9.4 million increase in accounts receivable. The increase in deferred revenue was primarily due to increased maintenance agreement sales. The increase in accounts receivable was primarily due to increased license and maintenance agreement sales. The increase in accrued liabilities was due to the growth in our business and increased headcount.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$10.4 million in the year ended December 31, 2010, as a result of net income of \$2.7 million, which included depreciation, stock-based compensation expense and other non-cash charges of \$1.6 million, and a net increase of \$6.0 million in our operating assets and liabilities. The net increase in our operating assets and liabilities was primarily attributable to a \$3.8 million increase in deferred revenue and a \$3.3 million increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities, partially offset by a \$1.1 million increase in accounts receivable. The increase in deferred revenue and accounts receivable was primarily due to increased sales. The increase in accrued liabilities was primarily due to the growth in our business and increased headcount.

Investing Activities

Cash outflows for investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 were \$1.6 million and \$3.0 million, respectively. The cash used was primarily attributable to capital expenditures to support the growth of our business, including hardware and software and office equipment and leasehold improvements.

Cash outflows for investing activities for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012 were \$2.2 million, \$4.9 million and \$7.0 million, respectively. The cash used was primarily attributable to capital expenditures to support the growth of our business, including hardware and software and office equipment and leasehold improvements.

Financing Activities

Cash inflows from our financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 were \$0.1 million and \$0.0 million, respectively. The cash provided primarily was attributable to proceeds from the exercise of stock options offset by deferred public offering costs.

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Cash inflows (outflows) from our financing activities for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012 were \$0.3 million, \$(0.3) million and \$1.9 million, respectively. The cash provided primarily was attributable to proceeds from the exercise of stock options. For 2011, cash outflows were attributable to cash paid to repurchase shares of our common stock and payments on capital lease obligations.

Commitments

Our principal commitments primarily consist of obligations under leases for office space. As of December 31, 2012, the future non-cancelable minimum lease payments under these obligations were as follows:

	Total	Payments Due by Period			More than 5 years
		Less than 1 year	1-3 years (in thousands)	3-5 years	
Operating lease obligations	\$ 8,469	\$ 3,261	\$ 4,550	\$ 658	\$

Subsequent to December 31, 2012, in March 2013, we signed an additional office lease which will commence in May 2013. The total minimum lease payments are approximately \$0.5 million per year for five years.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

During the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 and the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012, we did not have any relationships with unconsolidated organizations or financial partnerships, such as structured finance or special purpose entities, that would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP. The preparation of consolidated financial statements also requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, costs and expenses and related disclosures. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ significantly from the estimates made by our management. To the extent that there are differences between our estimates and actual results, our future financial statement presentation, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows will be affected. We believe that the accounting policies discussed below are critical to understanding our historical and future performance, as these policies relate to the more significant areas involving management's judgments and estimates.

Critical accounting policies and estimates are those that we consider the most important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations because they require our most difficult, subjective or complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of the matters that are inherently uncertain.

Revenue Recognition

We generate revenues primarily in the form of software license fees and related maintenance and services fees. License fees include perpetual and term license fees. Maintenance and services

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primarily consist of fees for maintenance services (including support and unspecified upgrades and enhancements when and if they are available), training and professional services that are not essential to functionality of our software.

We recognize revenues when all of the following conditions are met:

there is persuasive evidence of an arrangement;

the software or services have been delivered to the customer;

the amount of fees to be paid by the customer is fixed or determinable; and

the collection of the related fees is probable.

We use click-through end user license agreements, signed agreements and purchase orders as evidence of an arrangement. We deliver all of our software electronically. Electronic delivery occurs when we provide the customer with access to the software and license key via a secure portal. We assess whether the fee is fixed or determinable at the outset of the arrangement. We typically offer payment terms due 30 days from delivery of software. We assess collectability based on a number of factors such as collection history and creditworthiness of the customer. If we determine that collectability is not probable, revenues are deferred until collectability becomes probable, generally upon receipt of cash.

Substantially all of our software licenses are perpetual licenses sold in multiple-element arrangements that include maintenance and may also include professional services and training.

Vendor specific objective evidence, or VSOE, of the fair value is not available for these perpetual software licenses as they are never sold without maintenance. VSOE of the fair value generally exists for all undelivered elements and any services are not essential to the functionality of the delivered software. We account for delivered software licenses under the residual method.

Maintenance agreements consist of fees for providing software updates on a when and if available basis and technical support for software products for an initial term, typically one year. We have established VSOE of the fair value of maintenance on perpetual licenses based on stated substantive renewal rates or the price when sold on a standalone basis. Stated renewal rates are considered to be substantive if they are at least 15% of the actual price charged for the software license. VSOE of the fair value for standalone sales is considered to have been established when a substantial majority of individual sales transactions within the previous 12-month period falls within a reasonably narrow range, which we have defined to be plus or minus 15% of the median sales price of actual standalone sales transactions.

License arrangements may include professional services and training. In determining whether professional services and training revenues should be accounted for separately from license revenues, we evaluate:

whether such services are considered essential to the functionality of the software using factors such as the nature of the software products;

whether they are ready for use by the customer upon receipt;

the nature of the services, which typically do not involve significant customization to or development of the underlying software code;

the availability of services from other vendors;

whether the timing of payments for license revenues is coincident with performance of services; and

whether milestones or acceptance criteria exist that affect the realizability of the software license fee.

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Revenues related to training are billed on a fixed fee basis and accordingly recognized as training services are delivered. Payments received in advance of services performed are deferred and recognized when the related services are performed.

To date, professional services have not been considered essential to the functionality of the software. The VSOE of the fair value of our professional services and training is based on the price for these same services when they are sold separately. Revenues related to professional services and training are billed on a time and materials basis and, accordingly, are recognized as the services or training are performed.

When software is licensed for a specified term, fees for support and maintenance are generally bundled with the license fee over the entire term of the contract. In these cases, we do not have VSOE of the fair value for maintenance. Revenues related to term license fees are recognized ratably over the contract term beginning on the date the customer has access to the software license key and continuing through the end of the contract term.

We do not offer refunds and therefore have not recorded any sales return allowance for any of the periods presented. Upon a periodic review of outstanding accounts receivable, amounts that are deemed to be uncollectible are written off against the allowance for doubtful accounts.

We account for taxes collected from customers and remitted to governmental authorities on a net basis and exclude them from revenues.

Stock-Based Compensation

Compensation expense related to stock-based transactions, including employee, consultant, and non-employee director stock option awards, is measured and recognized in the financial statements based on fair value. The fair value of each option award is estimated on the grant date using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The stock-based compensation expense, net of forfeitures, is recognized using a straight-line basis over the requisite service periods of the awards, which are generally four years. All of our stock-based awards have been for Class B common stock. We expect that all stock-based awards made after the date of our initial public offering will be for Class A common stock. All references to common stock in this *Stock-Based Compensation* section are to our Class A common stock and Class B common stock, as applicable.

Key assumptions. Our Black-Scholes option-pricing model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the fair value of the underlying common stock, the expected volatility of the price of our common stock, the expected term of the option, risk-free interest rates and the expected dividend yield of our common stock. These estimates involve inherent uncertainties and the application of management's judgment. If factors change and different assumptions are used, our stock-based compensation expense could be materially different in the future. These assumptions are estimated as follows:

Fair value of our common stock Because our stock was not publicly traded prior to our initial public offering, we estimated the fair value of our common stock, as discussed in *Common stock valuations* below. Upon the completion of our initial public offering, our common stock will be valued by reference to the publicly-traded price of our Class A common stock.

Expected volatility As we do not have a significant trading history for our common stock, the expected stock price volatility for our common stock was estimated by taking the average historic price volatility for industry peers based on daily price observations over a period equivalent to the expected term of the stock option grants. We did not rely on implied volatilities

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of traded options in our industry peers' common stock because the volume of activity was relatively low. We intend to continue to consistently apply this process using the same or similar public companies until a sufficient amount of historical information regarding the volatility of our own common stock share price becomes available.

Expected term The expected term represents the period that our stock-based awards are expected to be outstanding. As we do not have sufficient historical experience for determining the expected term of the stock option awards granted, we have based our actual experience adjusted for expected employee exercise activity.

Risk-free interest rate The risk-free interest rate is based on the yields of U.S. Treasury securities with maturities similar to the expected term of the options for each option group.

Dividend yield We have never declared or paid any cash dividends and do not presently plan to pay cash dividends in the foreseeable future. Consequently, we used an expected dividend yield of zero.

The following table presents the weighted-average assumptions used to estimate the fair value of options granted during the periods presented:

	Year Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended
	2010	2011	2012	March 31, 2013 (unaudited)
Expected volatility	50.3%	52.1%	49.0%	47.4%
Expected term (in years)	5	5	5	5
Risk-free interest rate	1.79%	1.55%	0.69%	0.80%
Dividend yield	None	None	None	None

In addition to the assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, the amount of stock option expense we recognize in our consolidated statements of operations includes an estimate of stock option forfeitures. We estimate our forfeiture rate based on an analysis of our actual forfeitures and will continue to evaluate the appropriateness of the forfeiture rate based on actual forfeiture experience, analysis of employee turnover and other factors. Changes in the estimated forfeiture rate can have a significant impact on our stock-based compensation expense as the cumulative effect of adjusting the rate is recognized in the period the forfeiture estimate is changed. If a revised forfeiture rate is higher than the previously estimated forfeiture rate, an adjustment is made that will result in a decrease to the stock-based compensation expense recognized in the financial statements. If a revised forfeiture rate is lower than the previously estimated forfeiture rate, an adjustment is made that will result in an increase to the stock-based compensation expense recognized in our financial statements.

Common stock valuations. The fair value of the common stock underlying our stock options was determined by our board of directors, which intended all options granted to be exercisable at a

price per share not less than the per share fair value of our common stock underlying those options on the date of grant. The valuations of our common stock were determined in accordance with the guidelines outlined in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Practice Aid, *Valuation of Privately-Held-Company Equity Securities Issued as Compensation*. The assumptions we used in the valuation model are based on future expectations combined with management judgment. In the absence of a public trading market, our board of directors, with input from management, exercised significant judgment and considered numerous objective and subjective factors to determine the fair value of our common stock as of the date of each option grant, including the following factors:

contemporaneous valuations performed by independent third-party specialists;

the rights, preferences, and privileges of our convertible preferred stock relative to those of our common stock;

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lack of marketability of our common stock;

actual operating and financial performance;

our stage of development;

current business conditions and projections;

hiring of key personnel and the experience of our management;

risk inherent to the development of our products and services;

trends and developments in our industry;

the market performance of comparable publicly traded companies;

likelihood of achieving a liquidity event, such as an initial public offering or a merger or acquisition of our company given prevailing market conditions; and

U.S. and global economic and capital market conditions.

In valuing our common stock, our board of directors determined the equity value of our business generally using the income approach and the market comparable approach valuation methods. The income approach estimates value based on the expectation of future cash flows that a company will generate such as cash earnings, cost savings, tax deductions, and the proceeds from disposition of assets. These future cash flows are discounted to their present values using a discount rate derived from an analysis of the cost of capital of comparable publicly traded companies in our industry or similar lines of business as of each valuation date and is adjusted to reflect the risks inherent in our cash flows.

The market comparable approach estimates value based on a comparison of the subject company to comparable public companies in a similar line of business. We selected other enterprise software public companies for the purposes of this approach based on their operational area of business intelligence software and similarity of business model, being primarily license-based rather than software-as-a-service. Our peer group companies have been consistent from the beginning of 2012, other than the addition of a business intelligence enterprise software company that went public earlier in the year, which we added in the fourth quarter of 2012. While we believe that this group of comparable companies was appropriate, investors may not view this group of companies as similar enough to us. Therefore, had a different set of peer companies been used, a different valuation may have resulted. From the comparable companies, a representative market value multiple was determined based on the subject company's operating results to the value of the subject company. In our valuations, the multiple of the comparable companies was determined using a ratio of the market value of invested capital less cash to each of the trailing 12 months' total revenues and forecasted future total revenues. Each of these revenue multiples was weighted equally. As some of the comparable companies were significantly larger and had different rates of revenue growth and profitability than us, we generally selected multiples that were above the mean of these selected companies to make adjustment for our historical and expected higher rates of revenue growth.

In some cases, we also considered the amount of time between the valuation date and the grant date to determine whether to use the latest common stock valuation determined pursuant to one of the methods described above or a straight-line calculation between the two valuation dates. This determination included an evaluation of whether the subsequent valuation indicated that any significant change in valuation had occurred between the previous valuation and the grant date.

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Once we determined an equity value, we utilized the option-pricing method, or OPM, to allocate the equity value to each of our classes of stock. OPM values each equity class by creating a series of call options on our equity value, with exercise prices based on the liquidation preferences, participation

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rights, and strike prices of derivatives. This method is generally preferred when future outcomes are difficult to predict and dissolution or liquidation is not imminent. The estimated value based on the income and market approach is then discounted by a non-marketability factor, or DLOM, due to the fact that stockholders of private companies do not have access to trading markets similar to those enjoyed by stockholders of public companies, which impacts liquidity.

In connection with the preparation of our financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012, we re-evaluated our estimate of fair value of our common stock for financial reporting purposes as a result of our rapidly improving financial performance and prospects, our evolving belief that an initial public offering was increasingly viable and the generally improving conditions in the capital markets in the fourth quarter of 2012. As a result of our re-evaluation, we determined that, solely for financial reporting purposes, the fair value of our common stock was higher than the fair market values determined in good faith by our board of directors for each of the option grant dates from February through September 2012. In our re-evaluation for financial reporting purposes, we re-assessed certain assumptions that were used in our contemporaneous valuations. As a result, we retroactively adjusted the fair value per common share as of each such grant date during 2012 based on the progress of our business at each relevant date.

We granted the following stock option awards between January 1, 2012 and the date of this prospectus:

Option Grant Dates	Number of Shares Subject to Options Granted	Common Stock Fair Value Per Common Share for Financial Reporting Purposes	Exercise Price	Intrinsic Value Per Underlying Common Share
February 29, 2012	3,000,440	\$ 7.65	\$ 7.17	\$ 0.48
May 23, 2012	373,750	8.15	7.19	0.96
September 5, 2012	600,650	8.47	7.47	1.00
December 4, 2012	732,950	11.89	9.30	2.59
December 10, 2012	2,911,250	11.89	9.30	2.59
February 28, 2013	534,450	18.23	14.95	3.28
March 15, 2013	80,000	19.13	14.98	4.15
May 1, 2013	409,700	24.50	24.50	

Based upon the assumed initial public offering price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, the aggregate intrinsic value of options outstanding as of March 31, 2013 was approximately \$288.0 million, of which approximately \$157.3 million related to vested options and approximately \$130.7 million related to unvested options.

We believe we applied a reasonable valuation method to determine the stock option exercise prices on the respective stock option grant dates. A combination of factors led to changes in the fair value of our common stock. Certain of the significant factors considered by our board of directors to determine the fair value per share of our common stock for purposes of calculating stock-based compensation costs during this period included:

February 2012. On February 29, 2012, we granted stock options with an exercise price of \$7.17 per share. During this period, the U.S. economy and overall financial markets continued to recover. We continued to experience revenue growth as our products gained more market awareness and market share. In the first quarter of 2012, we added a new member to our board of directors and a General Counsel to our management team. Our board of directors considered the financial performance and market conditions in determining the fair value of our common stock, concurrent with a contemporaneous third-party valuation of our common stock as of January 31, 2012 that was prepared using a combination of the market and income approach, each weighted at 50%. The market

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approach took into consideration the peer group revenue multiples. The mean peer group blended revenue multiple was 3.1x in February 2012. The blended revenue multiple selected was 5.5x which, taking into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, was above the upper quartile peer group revenue multiples. The income approach also took into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, and then discounted it to a present value using a discount rate that reflected our then-current cost of capital. The discount rate applied to our cash flows was 14%. Our enterprise value was determined using the market and income approach. Our common stock price derived from this valuation reflected a DLOM of 25%. Our board of directors determined that no significant value-generating events had taken place between the January 31, 2012 valuation and the February 29, 2012 grant date. In connection with our preparation of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012, for financial reporting purposes, we subsequently revised the valuation analysis of our common stock by reducing the DLOM from 25% to 20% and determined the fair value of our common stock to be \$7.65 per share.

May 2012. On May 23, 2012, we granted stock options with an exercise price of \$7.19 per share. During this period, we continued to see growth in the U.S. economy and improvement in the financial markets. We continued to experience revenue growth as our products gained more market awareness, generating \$24.7 million in total revenues for the quarter ended March 31, 2012 as compared to \$23.2 million for the quarter ended December 31, 2011. Our board of directors considered our recent performance and market conditions to help determine the value of our common stock and considered a contemporaneous third-party valuation of our common stock as of April 30, 2012 that was prepared using a combination of the market and income approaches, each weighted at 50%. The mean peer group blended revenue multiple increased slightly from 3.1x in February 2012 to 3.5x in May 2012. The blended revenue multiple selected was 5.3x which, taking into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, was above the upper quartile peer group revenue multiples. The income approach also took into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, and then discounted it to a present value using a discount rate that reflected our then-current cost of capital. The discount rate applied to our cash flows was 14%. The enterprise value was determined using the market and income approach. Our common stock price derived from this valuation reflected a DLOM of 25%. Our board of directors determined that no significant value-generating events had taken place between the April 30, 2012 valuation and the May 23, 2012 grant date. In connection with our preparation of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012, for financial reporting purposes, we subsequently revised the valuation analysis of our common stock by reducing the DLOM from 25% to 15% and determined the fair value of our common stock to be \$8.15 per share.

September 2012. On September 5, 2012, we granted stock options with an exercise price of \$7.47 per share. In the third quarter of 2012, we added a new independent member to our board of directors. Between May 2012 and September 2012, we continued to experience revenue growth as our products gained more market awareness even though the financial markets started to show some weakness. We generated \$29.1 million in total revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 2012 as compared to \$24.7 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2012. Our board of directors considered our recent performance and market conditions to help determine the value of our common stock and considered a contemporaneous third-party valuation of our common stock as of August 15, 2012 that was prepared using a combination of the market and income approach, each weighted at 50%. The mean peer group blended revenue multiple decreased slightly at 3.2x in September 2012 from 3.5x in May 2012. There was no increase in the aggregate valuations of the peer group companies during this period. The blended revenue multiple selected was 4.3x which, taking into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, was above the upper quartile peer group revenue multiples. The income approach also took into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, and then discounted it to a present value using an appropriate discount rate that reflected our then current cost of capital. The discount rate applied to our cash flows was 17%. The enterprise value was determined using the market and income

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approach. Our common stock price derived from this valuation reflected a DLOM of 25%. In September 2012, we granted stock options with an exercise price of \$7.47 per share. Our board of directors determined that no significant value-generating events had taken place between the August 15, 2012 valuation and the September 5, 2012 grant date. In connection with our preparation of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012, for financial reporting purposes, we subsequently revised the valuation analysis of our common stock by reducing the DLOM from 25% to 15% and determined the fair value of our common stock to be \$8.47 per share.

December 2012. On December 4, 2012 and December 10, 2012, we granted stock options with an exercise price of \$9.30 per share. In the fourth quarter of 2012, we added a new independent member to our board of directors. In addition, we began discussions with investment banks in preparation for a potential initial public offering of our Class A common stock. Our board of directors considered our recent financial performance, market conditions, changes in our business and the increased probability of an initial public offering in determining the fair value of our common stock. In addition, the board of directors considered a contemporaneous third-party valuation of our common stock as of November 15, 2012 that was prepared using a combination of the market and income approach, each weighted at 50%. The mean peer group blended revenue multiple increased from 3.2x in September 2012 to 3.6x in December 2012; however, the third quartile peer group blended revenue multiple decreased from 4.0x in September 2012 to 3.5x in December 2012. The blended revenue multiple selected was 4.2x which, taking into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, was above the upper quartile peer group revenue multiples. The income approach also took into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, and then discounted it to a present value using a discount rate that reflected our then-current cost of capital. The discount rate applied to our cash flows was 16%. The enterprise value was determined using the market and income approach. Our common stock price derived from this valuation reflected a DLOM of 10%. The DLOM was reduced from prior periods due to the factors listed above moving towards a potential initial public offering. Our board of directors determined that no significant value-generating events had taken place between the November 15, 2012 valuation and the December 4, 2012 and December 10, 2012 grant dates.

As more fully described under **Offering Price and Fair Value Reassessment** below, on May 1, 2013, we retrospectively reassessed the fair value of our common stock for the December 4, 2012 and December 10, 2012 grants for financial reporting purposes to be \$11.89 per share (after application of the 10% DLOM).

On December 31, 2012, we donated 150,000 shares of Class B common stock to fund the Tableau Foundation, a donor-advised charitable fund, pursuant to board of directors approval obtained on December 4, 2012. For financial reporting purposes, we considered our recent financial performance, generally improving overall market conditions in the capital markets, changes in our business and the increased probability of an initial public offering in determining the fair value of our common stock on December 31, 2012. Based on this evaluation, we determined that value-generating events had taken place between our December 10, 2012 stock option grant date and December 31, 2012, including our better than expected operating results and particularly strong revenue generation during that period. Consequently, continuing to apply the DLOM of 10% we utilized in connection with our grants made earlier that month and described above, we determined the fair value of our common stock to be \$10.76 and recorded a corresponding stock-based expense of \$1.6 million as of December 31, 2012. This value approximated the straight-line growth in our enterprise value from December 2012 to February 2013.

As more fully described under **Offering Price and Fair Value Reassessment** below, on May 1, 2013, we retrospectively reassessed the fair value of our common stock for the December 31, 2012 donation for financial reporting purposes to be \$12.34 per share (after application of the 10% DLOM).

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February 2013. On February 28, 2013, we granted stock options with an exercise price of \$14.95 per share. We continued to make progress toward an initial public offering with the initial submission of our registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission in February 2013. In addition, our total revenues continued to grow in line with our expectations and we were named a business intelligence and analytics leader for the first time in a market research report by a third party research and advisory firm. During the period between this grant and our last option grant in December 2012, the U.S. economy continued to grow and capital markets continued to improve. Our board of directors considered our recent financial performance, market conditions and the increased probability of an initial public offering in determining the fair value of our common stock and considered a contemporaneous third-party valuation of our common stock as of February 22, 2013 that was prepared using a combination of the market and income approach, each weighted at 50%. The mean peer group blended revenue multiple was increased from 3.6x in December 2012 to 3.7x at February 2013. The blended revenue multiple selected was 4.6x which, taking into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, was above the upper quartile peer group revenue multiples. The income approach also took into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, and then discounted it to a present value using a discount rate that reflected our then-current cost of capital. The discount rate applied to our cash flows was 13%. The enterprise value was determined using the market and income approach. Our common stock price derived from this valuation reflected a DLOM of 5%. The DLOM was reduced from prior periods due to the increased probability of an initial public offering. Our board of directors determined that no significant value-generating events had taken place between the February 22, 2013 valuation and the February 28, 2013 grant date.

As more fully described under **Offering Price and Fair Value Reassessment** below, on May 1, 2013, we retrospectively reassessed the fair value of our common stock for the February 28, 2013 grant for financial reporting purposes to be \$18.23 per share (after application of the 5% DLOM).

March 2013. On March 15, 2013, we granted stock options with an exercise price of \$14.98 per share. Our board of directors considered our recent financial performance and market conditions in determining the fair value of our common stock and considered a contemporaneous third-party valuation of our common stock as of March 13, 2013 that was prepared using a combination of the market and income approach, each weighted at 50%. The mean peer group blended revenue multiple increased from 3.7x at February 2013 to 3.8x at March 2013. The blended revenue multiple selected was 4.6x which, taking into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, was above the upper quartile peer group revenue multiples. The income approach also took into consideration the forecast of our expected future financial performance, and then discounted it to a present value using a discount rate that reflected our then-current cost of capital. The discount rate applied to our cash flows was 13%. The enterprise value was determined using the market and income approach. Our common stock price derived from this valuation reflected a DLOM of 5%. Our board of directors determined that no significant value-generating events had taken place between the March 13, 2013 valuation and the March 15, 2013 grant date.

As more fully described under **Offering Price and Fair Value Reassessment** below, on May 1, 2013, we retrospectively reassessed the fair value of our common stock for the March 15, 2013 grant for financial reporting purposes to be \$19.13 per share (after application of the 5% DLOM).

May 2013. On May 1, 2013, we granted stock options with an exercise price of \$24.50 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus. Our board of directors believed that the \$24.50 amount reflected its current best estimate of the fair value of our common stock. The future stock-based compensation expense related to these stock options is estimated to be approximately \$3.5 million in the aggregate and will be recognized over the four-year service period.

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Offering Price and Fair Value Reassessment.

In connection with a consultation with the underwriters, on May 1, 2013, we determined the initial public offering price range would be \$23.00 to \$26.00 per share. We believe the difference between (1) the historical fair values of our common stock for the December 2012, February 2013 and March 2013 grants, as well as the December 2012 stock donation, as determined by our board of directors, and (2) the midpoint of the initial public offering price range (\$24.50 per share) is a result of the following factors:

Differences in the valuation methodologies, assumptions and inputs used to inform the determination of an initial public offering price range compared to the valuation methodologies, assumptions and inputs used in the historical valuations considered by our board of directors.

The consideration of our growth prospects and recent financial, trading and market statistics of a set of high-growth technology companies, discussed between us and the underwriters as compared to the prior analysis applied and different set of comparable companies used by the prior valuation analysis. Overall, the companies considered in determining the initial public offering price range had significantly higher relative valuations than the comparable companies used in our board of directors' historical valuation analysis.

The initial public offering price range necessarily assumes that the initial public offering has occurred and a public market for our common stock has been created, and therefore excludes any marketability or illiquidity discount for our common stock, which discounts were appropriately taken into account in our board of directors' historical fair value determinations.

In light of the differences between the historical fair values of our common stock for recent grants and the initial public offering price range, in order to determine the appropriate stock-based expense for equity awards subsequent to December 1, 2012, on May 1, 2013 we retrospectively reassessed the assumptions used in our contemporaneous valuations that were used to assist our board of directors historically in its determination of the fair values for equity awards made in December 2012, February 2013 and March 2013, as well as the December 2012 stock donation. The reassessed common stock fair values for financial reporting purposes were determined using solely the market comparable approach as that was the similar approach used in connection with determining the initial public offering price range. However, given the fact that the high-growth public technology companies utilized in determining the initial public offering price range were the main factors causing the differences between the historical fair values of our common stock for recent grants and the initial public offering price range, we revised our comparable company group in the market comparable approach to include nearly all of these additional high-growth technology companies.

As a consequence of this retrospective reassessment of the fair values for financial reporting purposes, we have determined that the fair values of our common stock as of December 4, 2012, December 10, 2012, December 31, 2012, February 28, 2013 and March 15, 2013 are \$11.89, \$11.89, \$12.34, \$18.23 and \$19.13 per share, respectively (following adjustment due to the applicable DLOMs). Incremental unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to the retrospective reassessment of fair value totaled \$7.7 million. We recorded incremental stock-based expense of approximately \$0.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 and the three months ended March 31, 2013 and have revised the financial statements for the quarter and the year ended December 31, 2012 and the three months ended March 31, 2013 accordingly.

Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method in accordance with authoritative guidance for income taxes. Deferred tax assets are recognized for deductible temporary differences, net operating loss carryforwards, and credit carryforwards if it is more likely than not that the

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tax benefits will be realized. We considered future taxable income and ongoing prudent and feasible tax planning strategies in assessing the need for a valuation allowance. If we determine we would not be able to realize all or part of our net deferred tax assets in the future, we record a valuation allowance on such net deferred tax assets with an offset to expense in the period such determination is made.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States and in numerous foreign jurisdictions. While we believe the positions we have taken are appropriate, we record reserves for taxes to address potential exposures involving tax positions that we believe could be challenged by taxing authorities. We record a benefit on a tax position when we determine that it is more likely than not that the position is sustainable upon examination, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes, based on the technical merits of the position. For tax positions that are more likely than not to be sustained, we measure the tax position at the largest amount of benefit that has a greater than 50 percent likelihood of being realized when it is effectively settled. We review the tax reserves as circumstances warrant and adjust the reserves as events occur that affect our potential liability for additional taxes. We follow the applicable guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition with respect to tax positions. We reflect interest and penalties related to income tax liabilities as a component of income tax expense.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk

We are exposed to financial market risks, primarily changes in interest rates. Market risk is the potential loss arising from adverse changes in market rates and prices.

Interest Rate Risk

We had cash and cash equivalents of \$40.5 million as of March 31, 2013. We hold our cash and cash equivalents for working capital purposes. Our cash and cash equivalents are held in cash deposits and money market funds. Due to the short-term nature of these instruments, we believe that we do not have any material exposure to changes in the fair value of our investment portfolio as a result of changes in interest rates. Declines in interest rates, however, would reduce future interest income.

Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

Our results of operations and cash flows are subject to fluctuations due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates. All of our revenues are generated in U.S. dollars. Our expenses are generally denominated in the currencies in which our operations are located, which is primarily in the United States and to a lesser extent in Europe and Asia. Our results of operations and cash flows are, therefore, subject to fluctuations due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates and may be adversely affected in the future due to changes in foreign exchange rates. Currently, the portion of our results of operations and cash flows denominated in foreign currency is immaterial and therefore, the effect of a hypothetical 10% change in foreign currency exchange rates applicable to our business would not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements. To date, we have not engaged in any foreign currency hedging strategies. As our international operations grow, we plan to generate revenues in foreign currencies and we will continue to reassess our approach to manage our risk relating to fluctuations in currency rates.

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Inflation

We do not believe that inflation had a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations in the last three fiscal years. If our costs were to become subject to significant inflationary pressures, we may not be able to fully offset such higher costs through price increases. Our inability or failure to do so could harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

We have reviewed recent accounting pronouncements and concluded that they are either not applicable to our business or that no material effect is expected on the consolidated financial statements as a result of their future adoption.

As an emerging growth company, the JOBS Act allows us to delay adoption of new or revised accounting pronouncements applicable to public companies until such pronouncements are made applicable to private companies. As a result, our financial statements may not be comparable to the financial statements of issuers who are required to comply with the effective dated for new or revised accounting standards that are applicable to public companies.

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BUSINESS

Overview

Our mission is to help people see and understand data.

Our software products put the power of data into the hands of everyday people, allowing a broad population of business users to engage with their data, ask questions, solve problems and create value.

Based on innovative core technologies originally developed at Stanford University, our products dramatically reduce the complexity, inflexibility and expense associated with traditional business intelligence applications. We aim to make our products easy to use, ubiquitous and as deeply-rooted in the workplace as spreadsheets are today.

Our software is designed for anyone with data and questions. We are democratizing the use of business analytics software by allowing people to access information, perform analysis and share results without assistance from technical specialists. By putting powerful, self-service analytical technology directly into the hands of people who make decisions with data, we seek to accelerate the pace of informed and intelligent decision making. This enables our customers to create better workplaces, with happier employees who are empowered to more fully express their ingenuity and creativity.

Our products are used by people of diverse skill levels across all kinds of organizations, including Fortune 500 corporations, small and medium-sized businesses, government agencies, universities, research institutions and non-profits. Organizations employ our products in a broad range of use cases such as increasing sales, streamlining operations, improving customer service, managing investments, assessing quality and safety, studying and treating diseases, completing academic research, addressing environmental problems and improving education. Our products are flexible and capable enough to help a single user on a laptop analyze data from a simple spreadsheet, or to enable thousands of users across an enterprise to execute complex queries against massive databases.

Underpinning our innovative products is a set of technology advances that spans the domains of sophisticated computer graphics, human-computer interaction and high performance database systems. These technology innovations include VizQL and our Hybrid Data Architecture:

VizQL Our breakthrough visual query language, VizQL, translates drag-and-drop actions into data queries and then expresses that information visually. VizQL unifies the formerly disparate tasks of query and visualization and allows users to transform questions into pictures without the need for software scripts, chart wizards or dialogue boxes that inhibit speed and flexibility. This capability is designed to enable a more intuitive, creative and engaging experience for our users. VizQL can deliver dramatic gains in people's ability to see and understand data, and we believe it represents a foundational advancement in the field of analytics.

Hybrid Data Architecture Our Hybrid Data Architecture combines the power and flexibility of our Live Query and In-Memory Data Engines. Our Live Query Engine allows users to instantaneously connect to large volumes of data in its existing format and location, reducing the need for time-consuming data transformation processes that only technical specialists can perform. In addition, this capability allows customers to leverage investments in their existing data platforms and to capitalize on the capabilities of high performance databases. Our In-Memory Data Engine enables users to import large amounts of data into our own in-memory database. Using advanced algorithms and data compression techniques, our in-memory technology facilitates quick query responses on up to hundreds of millions of rows of data. Our Hybrid Data Architecture enables these data engines to work in harmony, allowing users the flexibility to access and analyze data from diverse sources and locations, while optimizing speed and performance for each source.

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Our distribution strategy is based on a land and expand business model and is designed to capitalize on the ease of use, low up-front cost and collaborative capabilities of our software. Our products tend to be adopted at a grassroots level within organizations, often beginning with a free trial, and then spread across departments, divisions and geographies via word-of-mouth and the discovery of new use cases. Over time, many of our customers find that the use of our products expands to a broad cross-section of their organizations and that our deployments and use cases become significantly more strategic in nature. Accordingly, we have developed enterprise-class product and service capabilities that allow us to both complement and supplant core, legacy business intelligence deployments.

As of March 31, 2013, we had more than 10,900 customers across a broad array of company sizes and industries and located in over 100 countries. Some of our largest customers include Deere & Company, affiliates of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited, E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, the Federal Aviation Administration, Sears Holdings Corporation and affiliates of Verizon Communications Inc. In addition, we have cultivated strong relationships with technology partners to help us extend the reach of our products. These partners include both traditional database vendors such as International Business Machines Corporation, or IBM, Microsoft Corporation, Oracle Corporation and Teradata Corporation and emerging database vendors such as Cloudera Inc., Google Inc., Greenplum (a division of EMC Corporation) and Vertica (a division of Hewlett-Packard Company).

We have achieved significant growth in recent periods. For the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012, our total revenues were \$34.2 million, \$62.4 million and \$127.7 million, respectively, representing a compound annual growth rate of approximately 93% from 2010 to 2012. For the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013, our total revenues were \$24.7 million and \$40.0 million, respectively. We also generated net income of \$2.7 million, \$3.4 million and \$1.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012, respectively, and have generated positive cash from operations on an annual basis in each of those fiscal years. Our net income (loss) for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2013 was \$1.1 million and \$(4.0) million, respectively, and we generated positive cash flow from operating activities in each of those fiscal quarters. We believe our land and expand business model provides financial visibility as aggregate revenues from subsequent sales of products and maintenance services to our customers have typically been multiples of the revenues we realized from those customers' initial purchases.

Industry Background

We believe that organizations increasingly regard their data as a critical strategic resource. The remarkable growth in the volume, diversity and accessibility of digital information creates the potential for people to make more informed, timely and intelligent decisions. And, in today's increasingly competitive environment, we believe that the value of rapid and more informed decision-making continues to grow.

According to International Data Corporation, or IDC, the amount of digital information created, replicated and consumed worldwide will grow exponentially from 0.8 trillion gigabytes in 2010 to 40 trillion gigabytes in 2020, as data from interactive applications and websites, enterprise software and connected devices multiplies. Many organizations are expected to experience a doubling in the volume of data across their enterprises approximately every 24 months, according to IDC, and are investing heavily to scale their data storage and management platforms to accommodate this growth.* These growing volumes of data are also increasingly diverse in terms of their source, format and location. Today, organizations create and manage data across a broad range of platforms, from traditional relational databases, to an array of emerging data platforms such as EMC Greenplum, Teradata Aster and Cloudera, to applications such as salesforce.com, NetSuite and Google Analytics, to cloud computing platforms such as Amazon Web Services and Microsoft Azure.

* See note 1 in the section titled "Market, Industry and Other Data."

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As a consequence of the increasing richness and volume of data, more and more people are demanding access to information in order to gain insight, solve problems and monitor the performance of their organizations. The growth of cloud computing technologies and the proliferation of connected devices such as tablets and smartphones are enabling users to access information anytime and anywhere. We believe that these trends are accelerating the demand for analytical technology, as more information and engagement provokes more questions and fuels demand for more analysis, answers and value. At the same time, advances in user experience driven by consumer technology companies such as Amazon, Apple, Facebook and Google have raised user expectations regarding intuitive, flexible and convenient access to information.

These factors have created a backdrop of growing data resources, increased user appetite for information and rising expectations for accessibility and ease of use. As a result, many organizations are seeking technology that will allow their people to easily access the right information, answer questions, gain insight and share their findings. These organizations are seeking to empower their employees and to unleash their creativity and problem-solving abilities.

Traditional Approaches

People within organizations have traditionally accessed data via static reports from enterprise applications and business intelligence platforms maintained by IT departments. These systems, predominantly designed and built in the 1990s, have largely failed to fulfill the promise of empowering people to make rapid and informed decisions with their data. The following characteristics have limited the proliferation and effectiveness of these systems:

Heavy Traditional business intelligence systems have complicated, multi-layered architectures that reflect their heritage in prior eras of enterprise computing. In many cases, these systems have evolved from code written decades ago, are encumbered by support for legacy requirements and incorporate bolt-on features from numerous product acquisitions. In addition, these systems often require organizations to make significant investments in high-end hardware and storage components.

Complex Traditional business intelligence platforms have complex user interfaces that require time-consuming, multi-step processes to perform routine tasks such as connecting to data sources or creating dashboards and graphs. Users often need to develop programming skills and sophisticated knowledge to utilize these systems.

Inflexible Traditional business intelligence systems require companies to define, structure and populate underlying data models prior to enabling users to perform analyses. Once established, these rigid data constructs are difficult and time-consuming to adjust, limiting users' abilities to perform ad hoc analysis and seek dynamic, real-time perspectives on their data.

Expensive Most business intelligence software projects are costly and require large budgets. These projects typically require substantial initial spending on software licenses and systems alone. Further, these systems typically require investments in customization, professional services, specialized staffing, training and support, which often significantly exceed the initial license costs.

The weight, complexity, inflexibility and expense of traditional business intelligence systems introduce a number of problems for companies seeking to adopt these tools:

Dependence Business users must rely on specialized resources to operate, modify and maintain these systems. The divide between users seeking insight and technical specialists lacking business context creates inefficiencies and frustrations.

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Delay The slow pace of change inhibits the utility and value of business intelligence as users find that rapidly changing business conditions outpace the ability to adapt existing reports, data models and analytical approaches.

Limited adoption Because most business users lack the time, skills and financial resources necessary to address the limitations of these systems, their use has largely been confined to a narrow population of power users with technical expertise and training, and to a narrow population of companies.

Faced with these challenges, many knowledge workers today rely on spreadsheets as their primary analytical tool. While spreadsheets are widely available and easier to use than traditional business intelligence platforms, they have a number of limitations. Spreadsheets are not generally designed to facilitate direct and dynamic data access, making the process of importing and updating data manual, cumbersome and error prone. In addition, spreadsheets are not designed to accommodate very large data sets and offer limited interactive visual capabilities, thereby reducing performance and limiting analytical scope and insight. Spreadsheets are often widely shared and edited by various parties, resulting in difficulties maintaining version control and the accuracy of information. Finally, spreadsheets lack sophisticated workflow auditing and data security features, which can result in data leakage and compliance problems.

Opportunity

The market for traditional business analytics software is large and well established, with IDC estimating an aggregate spending of \$35.1 billion in 2012 in this worldwide market sector. IDC also estimates that the worldwide spending on business intelligence tools alone, a subset of the overall business analytics software market, was \$12.9 billion in 2012.* In addition, organizations also spend billions of dollars on hardware, support and services to implement and maintain traditional business intelligence systems. According to Gartner, Inc., organizations are expected to spend \$81.0 billion on business analytics and related services in 2014.**

According to an August 2012 Forrester Research, Inc., or Forrester, report, Forrester estimated that there will be 615 million information workers globally in 2013 and it predicts that number to grow to 865 million by 2016.*** Additionally, a Forrester survey of information workers conducted in the fourth quarter of 2012 indicated that only 17% of respondents use a data dashboard or business intelligence tools as part of their job.**** Accordingly, we believe a significant percentage of information workers are not accessing business intelligence software, and they instead use alternative approaches to meet their analytical needs.

We believe the limitations of traditional approaches coupled with the demand for business analytics has presented an opportunity to pioneer a new class of business analytics software that addresses, complements and expands the business intelligence market and enhances office productivity tools such as spreadsheets, and that is specifically designed to enable a broad population of users to gain insight from their data.

* See note 2 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

** See note 5 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

*** See note 3 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

**** See note 4 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

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Our Solution

Product Design Principles

We have pioneered a fundamentally new approach to business analytics. Our software products, Tableau Desktop, Tableau Server and Tableau Public, embody a set of design principles that reflect our values as a company and our mission to help people see and understand data:

Simple Our software is designed to allow everyday business users to answer questions with ease. We have pioneered a number of core technologies that make our products intuitive and easy to use. For example, our proprietary VizQL language unifies data query and visualization, significantly simplifying the analytical process. VizQL and our other innovations allow our users to utilize drag-and-drop gestures to execute queries, seamlessly shift graphical perspectives on their data and easily answer new questions as their thinking progresses. The simplicity of our products allows users to establish functional proficiency quickly and speeds the adoption of our technology.

Fast Our software is designed to access and process large volumes of data rapidly and to enable responsive and agile analysis, allowing users to answer questions with data at the speed of thought. We believe that improvements in speed can increase user engagement with data and enhance the range, quality and timeliness of insights that are developed.

Powerful Our fundamental goal is to allow our users to ask and answer questions with their data. The power to accomplish that goal arises from our ability to marry ease of use with advanced analytical capabilities in a manner that allows our customers to generate useful perspectives on their data. For example, our products allow users to create integrated visualizations combining data from a number of disparate sources with only a few clicks. Traditionally, integrating data sources in this manner has required complex and time-consuming data preparation. Our products also incorporate advanced features such as predictive analysis that can meet the needs of many advanced users of business analytics products.

Beautiful Impactful and engaging visualization lies at the heart of our software. The powerful graphical capabilities in our software allow people to display their data in a broad variety of visualization formats, and experiment with alternate formats seamlessly to find the best way to answer their questions and reveal the stories within their data. We have incorporated key elements from the fields of visual perception, psychology and graphic design into our products that empower our users to generate content that is effective and beautiful by default. Beautiful and high quality design allows everyday people to engage in broad, creative thinking and encourages them to share content.

Ubiquitous We seek to make our software accessible to users wherever and whenever they need information and insight. Our software is designed so that users throughout organizations can explore their data and publish findings in a way that can be accessed on a broad range of platforms and devices, including tablets and smartphones. With a focus on bringing powerful analytics to more people and increasing exposure for our products, we launched Tableau Public in 2010, a free cloud-based service that allows people to publish interactive visualizations and dashboards on the Web.

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Product Benefits

When combined with our technology innovations, these product design principles have resulted in products that provide the following benefits for our customers:

Liberation The simplicity and ease of use of our software gives people the power to access, analyze and share data without the assistance of technical specialists. This self-service capability democratizes access to data, expands the potential user population within organizations and reduces training and support costs. We believe that providing the freedom for people to more powerfully and conveniently answer questions empowers employees and drives value for our customers.

Speed Our software is designed to enable people to derive value from their data at an accelerated pace. Due to our focus on ease of use and ease of deployment, our users can quickly gain proficiency in our software and generate results rapidly, without the complication, time investment and frustration often associated with traditional business intelligence products. In addition, because our software is able to connect directly to a broad range of data sources, our users can perform work without having to undertake complex and time-consuming data movement and transformation. Many of our customers have reported that they are able to achieve their desired results with our software more than ten times faster than they can with their existing systems.

Discovery We believe that the human mind is better able to process information, discern trends and identify patterns when presented with information in a visual format. By fundamentally integrating data analysis and visualization, our software allows people to create powerful visualizations and dashboards that can lead to new discoveries. Our software is designed to seamlessly blend, filter and drill down on information, without the distraction of dialogue boxes, wizards and scripts, allowing users to rapidly and iteratively develop greater insight from their data.

Communication and sharing We facilitate more effective communication by empowering people to express themselves creatively and tell better stories with data. The collaborative features of our software are designed to foster more sharing of data and to improve the dissemination of information across and among enterprises. Our focus on designing our products for ubiquity allows users to publish results in a single format that can be consumed anywhere, enabling customers to interact with data readily and conveniently. We believe that our software enables our customers to share more insights and have richer conversations about their information.

Enterprise grade Our products provide a secure, highly available, enterprise-class platform designed to scale to tens of thousands of users, across desktop, Web and mobile clients, and meet the needs of the largest organizations globally. We have built products that can be installed in minutes without specialized skills and readily integrate with enterprise data, management and security infrastructure. Our products provide enterprise-level security that has passed the stringent requirements of customers in the national defense, financial services and healthcare sectors. We believe our products uniquely blend the benefits of self-service and ease of use with enterprise readiness.

Value Our products are designed to provide an attractive return on investment to our customers. Our self-service product capabilities dramatically reduce IT resources, professional services and support costs typically associated with traditional or competing business intelligence vendors. Our software also has low minimum hardware requirements, which can reduce related capital costs. In addition, our pricing and land and expand business model allow customers to deploy our software without having to make significant upfront economic commitments.

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Growth Strategy

Our mission to help people see and understand data presents a broad and momentous market opportunity. We intend to continue to invest in a number of growth initiatives to allow us to pursue our mission aggressively. Our strategies for growth include:

Expand our customer base We believe the market for analytics and business intelligence software is considerably underserved and, as a result, we have the opportunity to substantially expand our present base of over 12,000 customer accounts. We are expanding our online and offline marketing efforts to increase our brand awareness. We are also making significant investments in growing both our direct sales teams and indirect sales channels.

Further penetrate our existing customer base Leveraging our land and expand business model, we intend to continue to increase adoption of our products within and across our existing customers, as they expand the number of users and develop new use cases for our products. A Forrester survey of information workers conducted in the fourth quarter of 2012 indicated that 59% of information workers are currently using spreadsheets for work.* We believe this presents an opportunity to extend the reach of our products within our customers. Our sales and marketing strategy and focus on customer success help our customers identify and pursue new use cases within their organizations. As this expansion occurs, we believe that our products will also increasingly supplant incumbent legacy platforms to become the standard platform for analytics and business intelligence for our customers.

Grow internationally With approximately 17% of our total revenues generated outside the United States and Canada in 2012, we believe there is significant opportunity to grow our international business. Our products currently support eight languages, and we are aggressively expanding our direct sales force and indirect sales channels outside the United States. In addition to our presence in Australia, Canada, England and France, we have recently expanded our international operations to include Germany, Ireland, Japan and Singapore, and we intend to invest in further expanding our footprint in these and other regions.

Relentlessly innovate and advance our products We have sought to rapidly improve the capabilities of our products over time and intend to continue to invest in product innovation and leadership. Building on our foundational technology innovations, including VizQL, we have released eight major versions of our software to date, rapidly expanding and improving our feature set and capabilities. Our most recent release, Tableau 8.0, added many new features including Web and mobile authoring, statistical forecasting, free form dashboards, integration with applications like salesforce.com and Google Analytics, and APIs. We plan to continue to invest in research and development, including hiring top technical talent, focusing on core technology innovation and maintaining an agile organization that supports rapid release cycles. In particular, we intend to focus on further developing our cloud and mobile capabilities, expanding our advanced analytical and statistical functionality and continuing to expand the range of visualization formats and data sources and platforms we can address.

Extend our distribution channels and partner ecosystem We plan to continue investing in distribution channels, technology partners and OEM relationships to help us enter and grow in new markets while complementing our direct sales efforts. We are actively growing our indirect channels, particularly in international markets. Our most important technology partnerships are with market-leading database vendors, such as IBM, Microsoft, Oracle and Teradata, and emerging database vendors, such as Cloudera, EMC Greenplum, HP Vertica and Google, with which we have collaborated to develop high performance and optimized connectivity to a broad group of popular data stores. We intend to continue to invest in technology partnerships that enable us to build and promote complementary capabilities that benefit our customers. We

* See note 4 in the section titled Market, Industry and Other Data.

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have also recently introduced APIs to further empower our developer and OEM partner ecosystem to create applications that embed Tableau functionality.

Foster our passionate user community We benefit from a vibrant and engaged user community. We are investing in initiatives to further expand and energize this group, both online, through our online community site and through events such as our annual customer conferences, including our U.S. Tableau Customer Conference which has grown from approximately 180 attendees in 2008 to more than 2,000 attendees in 2012. In addition, Tableau Public, which we launched as a free cloud-based service, has a community of engaged users from media, government, non-profit and other organizations, who are passionate about sharing public data online. We intend to expand these efforts and to seek other means to evangelize our mission and facilitate sharing of best practices and success stories.

Treasure and cultivate our exceptional culture We believe our culture is a core ingredient of our success. Our employees share a passion for our mission, and our mission stands at the top of a list of eight core cultural values that govern our approach to our business. Our other core values include: Teamwork; Product leadership; Using our own products; Respect; Honesty; Simplicity; and Commitment to delighting customers. Our values permeate our organization and drive our identity as a company. For example, we strive to paint virtually all aspects of our business with a brush of simplicity, including product user interfaces, pricing models, business processes and marketing strategies. Our culture is consistently cited in employee surveys as a key reason for their satisfaction with Tableau and we have been publicly recognized as one of the best workplaces in the State of Washington.

Products

Our products help people see and understand data. They offer the power and flexibility required to serve a broad range of use cases, from answering questions with small spreadsheets to completing enterprise business intelligence projects involving massive volumes of data. We currently offer three products: Tableau Desktop, a self-service, powerful analytics product for anyone with data, Tableau Server, a business intelligence platform for organizations, and Tableau Public, a free cloud-based platform for analyzing and sharing public data.

Tableau Desktop

Tableau Desktop helps knowledge workers make sense of the many kinds of data they encounter every day. The defining capability of Tableau Desktop is the interactive experience it provides for exploring and analyzing data. By fundamentally integrating data analysis and visualization, our products provide a visual window into data trapped in spreadsheets and databases, fostering greater engagement with data and allowing people to better answer questions, develop insights and solve problems. The result is a self-service analytics environment that empowers people to access and analyze data independently and at a rapid pace.

Tableau Desktop's key capabilities include:

Visual analytics Tableau Desktop empowers people to ask sophisticated questions by composing drag-and-drop pictures of their data. Tableau Desktop's easy-to-use interface is built on VizQL, which is capable of describing thousands of easily understood visual presentations of data including tables, maps, time series, dashboards and tables of graphs. The combination of a sophisticated language with a simple user interface means users can explore many different perspectives of their data. We believe being able to quickly view data from different perspectives inspires creative thinking and helps people find the right view to answer a question.

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Analytical depth An important aspect of Tableau Desktop is its ability to marry powerful visualization with deep analytics. Users can filter and sort their data, create sophisticated calculations, drill into underlying information, define sets and cohorts, perform statistical analysis and derive correlations between diverse data sets with agility and relative ease. For example, with a few clicks, users can generate sophisticated forecasting models. This combination of simplicity and usefulness, of ease of use and analytical depth, is what makes it possible for Tableau Desktop to empower a whole new group of people to become data analysts.

Data access Tableau Desktop lets people access and query a large number of common data sources, from traditional database systems like Oracle and SQL Server, to innovative new data stores like SAP HANA and Teradata Aster, to Web applications like salesforce.com and Google Analytics, to spreadsheets and files, to newly emerging data sources like Hadoop and NoSQL databases. Users can connect to these data sources with a few clicks, without any scripting or programming.

Live query Tableau Desktop translates users' interactions into live queries. As people use the drag-and-drop interface to examine information, they are automatically generating sophisticated queries against their database. Tableau Desktop can generate queries in a range of query languages including Structured Query Language, or SQL, Multidimensional Expressions, or MDX, and Salesforce Object Query Language, or SOQL. Each query is optimized for the target platform and its unique performance and analytical characteristics. This live query approach allows customers to leverage their investments in database infrastructure and enables them to take advantage of query-optimized databases.

In-memory query Tableau Desktop contains an in-memory data engine that can be used for rapid analysis. Many business users have data that is not stored in a database, and many databases are not set-up to support interactive and analytical queries. In these cases, users can import the data into Tableau Desktop's in-memory data engine. This data engine is designed to support analytical queries on hundreds of millions of rows of data with responses rendered in seconds.

Data integration Many questions require combining data from multiple sources. Tableau Desktop provides a number of ways for people to combine data without requiring a typical data loading and transformation project. A Tableau workbook can connect to many different data sources, with each source independently leveraging either a live query or in-memory approach. Users can then combine the data in single dashboard, visualization, filter or calculation using our Data Blending functionality. This approach can greatly extend the scope and depth of questions a person can answer.

Sharing and presentation Tableau Desktop allows users to author and distribute visualizations and dashboards with the ease expected of everyday office tools like spreadsheets. Content created in Tableau Desktop can be embedded in documents and presentations, or the workbooks can be distributed for viewing by people who have Tableau Desktop or Tableau Reader, a free product to view and interact with visualizations built in Tableau Desktop. Alternately, users can publish their workbooks to Tableau Server enabling others in the organization to access them using a web browser.

Tableau Server

Tableau Server is a powerful business intelligence platform with enterprise-class data management, scalability and security. The collaborative features of Tableau Server are designed to foster more sharing of data to improve the dissemination of information across an organization and promote improved decision-making.

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Tableau Server's key capabilities include:

Shared content Tableau Server provides an easy-to-navigate repository of shared visualizations and dashboards within an organization. After users of Tableau Desktop create and publish their work to Tableau Server, any other user with appropriate security credentials can view and interact with it using a Web browser or mobile application. These viewers can also edit the work and republish it back to the server. The ability to publish dashboards and easily share impactful visual analysis increases awareness of business data and promotes improved decision-making. In addition, allowing others to interact with an analysis gives them deeper understanding of the information which leads to an improved grasp on the problem and hence greater confidence in the solution.

Shared data Just as Tableau Server is a platform for shared analysis, it is also a platform for shared data. Organizations can use Tableau Server to centrally manage enterprise data sources and metadata enabling knowledge sharing, efficiency, data consistency and security. Business users or IT professionals can create rich data models, containing calculations, hierarchies, field aliases, sets and groups of interest, and publish them to Tableau Server to be shared across an organization. Others can use these models as a starting point while extending them to meet their own specific analytical needs. While centralized data models are not a pre-requisite for analysis in Tableau, they provide flexibility and increased productivity while maintaining control and security of data.

Universal access We have designed Tableau Server to enable seamless sharing of content across desktop, mobile and Web clients. Once users author and publish analytical content to the server, people across an organization can consume it on different browsers and devices. Further, Tableau Server automatically detects the access device being used and adapts the content to take advantage of the device's capabilities including native touch experience, form factor and security. Tableau Server allows users to actively subscribe to content for automatic delivery on their devices or pull content on demand.

Integration Tableau Server offers APIs that help developers, customers and partners embed and control our software from portals, websites and other enterprise applications. Our APIs can also be used to construct in-memory databases, upload content and add users to the server programmatically. In addition to APIs, we also offer command line utilities to automate management tasks, and data upload tools to move data rapidly into Tableau Server.

Scalability Tableau Server's distributed multi-tier architecture allows it to scale to tens of thousands of users, across desktop, Web and mobile clients, meeting the needs of some of the largest organizations globally.

Security Tableau Server provides a robust security model that encompasses authentication, data and network security. Tableau Server is also built on a multi-tenant architecture that allows administrators to logically partition a single system across user populations, providing for separation of content.

Administration We believe the ease of administering a system is tremendously important to its adoption. While Tableau Server's management interface is designed to be simple enough for a line-of-business user, we also provide APIs to allow administrators to automate routine management processes. After the initial setup, many of our customers have reported that they spend little time on Tableau Server administration.

Tableau Public

Tableau Public is a free cloud-based offering that is available for anyone to use with public data. This offering allows users of diverse backgrounds, from bloggers and journalists to researchers to

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government workers, to easily visualize public data on their websites. People who visit these websites can interact with the visualizations and share them via social media.

Using Tableau Public, data can be transformed into interactive graphs, dashboards and maps for the world to see on the Web. For example, a blogger focused on economic issues may want to blog about changes in the U.S. unemployment rate. Using Tableau Public, the blogger can quickly build an interactive visualization using data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and embed it in his blog. Every time the blog is viewed, Tableau Public serves up the data as a dynamic visualization.

Since its launch in 2010, Tableau Public has been used by thousands of people to make public data easy to see and understand. People have used the product to visualize and share data about government budgets, school performance, economic policy, sports statistics and box office trends. Visualizations from Tableau Public have been embedded in numerous websites including the Wall Street Journal, the Guardian, Huffington Post, La Nacion, New Scientist, Gizmodo, City of Eugene (Oregon), the Washington Post, the Irish Times and the Arkansas Department of Education. For organizations that want to publish visualization to the public Web, but protect the underlying data assets among other benefits, we offer a subscription service, Tableau Public Premium.

Tableau Public enables us to test new product features and engage in user research as well as generate greater awareness of Tableau and increase community engagement.

In addition to offering most of the features of Tableau Desktop and Tableau Server, Tableau Public offers the following capabilities:

Web scale Tableau Public meets the massive performance requirements of serving dynamic content on top tier websites including media channels, social media and other consumer internet services. Through a combination of proprietary software and optimized hardware we have designed a highly scalable, multi-tenant, online infrastructure that is based at a secure third party Web hosting facility. Since its launch, our Tableau Public service has served approximately 100 million views worldwide.

Social reach Anyone viewing or interacting with a Tableau Public visualization can share it on Facebook or Twitter. The ease of social sharing has facilitated greater conversations around data on Tableau Public.

Technology

Our powerful and easy-to-use products are built on a foundation of proprietary technologies. Key among these are VizQL, our Live Query Engine and In-Memory Data Engine, which work together in harmony to create our Hybrid Data Architecture.

Visual Query Language (VizQL) for Databases

At the heart of Tableau's products is our proprietary and breakthrough technology called VizQL. VizQL is a visual query language for data that simultaneously describes how to query data and how to present it visually. VizQL can deliver dramatic gains in people's ability to see and understand data and we believe is unique in several important aspects:

Extensibility and flexibility VizQL is a computer language for describing pictures of data, including tables, graphs, charts, maps, time series and tables of visualizations. VizQL unifies these different visual representations into a single framework. Conventional component architectures that underlie reporting packages and charting wizards contain a fixed number of computer procedures, one for each type of picture. VizQL, in contrast, is a language for

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creating pictures. Each type of picture is a different statement in the language. The extensibility and flexibility of VizQL makes it possible to create a virtually unlimited number of visualizations.

Transforms database records to graphical representations VizQL statements define the mapping from records returned from a database to graphical marks on a screen. Some fields in the record control the geometric properties of the mark, including position, size and orientation while other fields control visual attributes like color, transparency and shape.

Declarative language VizQL is a declarative language like other database languages, including SQL. The advantage of a declarative language is that the user describes what picture should be created, not how to make it. The user need not be aware of underlying implementation as query, analysis and rendering operations run behind the scenes. The result is a portable and more scalable system.

Defines and controls queries VizQL procedures define both the resulting picture and the database query. Our Live Query Engine generates efficient queries for external databases of many types from many vendors. VizQL also controls execution of our optimized In-Memory Data Engine to perform calculations in real time.

Optimized VizQL's interpreter is optimized for interactive use, enabling visualization and drawing of large data sets. VizQL is specifically designed to take advantage of modern computer graphics hardware, such as the fast rendering chips developed for gaming that are standard on personal computers.

The initial development of VizQL began at Stanford University in 1999. Stanford University has granted us an exclusive license to commercialize the software and related patents resulting from that research. The software and related patents generally relate to three subject areas: (1) architecture for creating table-based visualizations from relational databases; (2) graphical user interface for creating specification for table-based visualizations; and (3) an environment for rapid development of interactive visualizations. Our license from Stanford University is exclusive in all fields, worldwide and sublicensable. The license agreement provides for Tableau to own all improvements to and derivative works of the software that it develops. The license agreement also provides for enforcement of the licensed patents against alleged infringers. If Stanford University and Tableau agree to jointly enforce the licensed patents against an alleged infringer, the parties equally share the costs and the recovery or settlement for such enforcement. If Stanford University and Tableau do not agree to jointly enforce the licensed patents against an alleged infringer, Stanford University and Tableau will each have the right to enforce the licensed patents against the alleged infringer. If Tableau files such a suit in a United States court, Stanford University joins such suit only for standing purposes, and Tableau wins an award of damages for, or receives a settlement payment for, infringement of a United States licensed patent, Tableau would retain that award or settlement payment and would be required to negotiate in good faith with Stanford University to compensate it for its expenses in connection with the suit. If Stanford University files such a suit in a United States court, Tableau joins such suit only for standing purposes, and Stanford University wins an award of damages for, or receives a settlement payment for, infringement of a United States licensed patent, Stanford University would retain that award or settlement payment. The license agreement does not expire and can be terminated by Stanford University only if Tableau breaches the agreement and does not remedy the breach within thirty days after receiving written notice of the alleged breach from Stanford University. We have invested substantial research and development in VizQL since obtaining these rights. We have also obtained additional patents related to our core VizQL technology.

Live Query Engine

We have developed a Live Query Engine that interprets abstract queries generated by VizQL into syntax understandable by popular database systems. For instance, our Live Query Engine can compile

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VizQL statements into optimized SQL and MDX syntax understandable by database systems made by Microsoft, Oracle, IBM, EMC, SAP, Teradata and many other database vendors. As a result, our technology provides customers with a way to increase the accessibility, usability and performance of their databases. It also gives them a uniform user interface for interacting with databases of diverse vendors, formats and sizes.

It is common for traditional business intelligence products to import data from the organization's database systems. In contrast, Tableau's Live Query Engine enables people to query databases without having to first import the data into our products. Queries generated by our Live Query Engine are interpreted and run by the database, with only the results of each query rendered. This approach offers many advantages for customers:

Data consistency Copying data can cause people to work with out-of-date information. Further, each copy of the data may represent information at different times leading to inconsistency. With our Live Query Engine, customers do not need to create additional copies of their data.

Avoids data movement Moving and loading data is often time consuming and expensive. With Live Query Engine, our customers do not need to move data in order to use our products.

Scalability Many database vendors provide massively parallel implementations of databases that provide scalable data access to large data sets. These systems can scale in various ways including scaling the number of tables in the database, the number of records in each table, the number of columns in each record, the number of users and the number of active queries. These systems also provide powerful computation capabilities for very large data volumes. Our Live Query Engine allows businesses to leverage their investment in scalable data infrastructure.

Security Transferring data out of a database causes customers to lose the security and permissions models associated with that data. Using our Live Query Engine, customers can leverage the security and permissions models specified in their database systems.

Flexibility The database industry consists of multiple vendors with competitively differentiated products. Our Live Query Engine enables our customers to choose the appropriate technology for their business.

We focus on ensuring our software is compatible with popular database platforms and that our live query technology works with the most recent releases of those platforms. Our Live Query Engine is compatible with 29 data sources, including those from the top five database vendors in the world.

We have also pioneered connectors to emerging Big Data and cloud technologies. We connect to open-source Hadoop databases, proprietary MapReduce technologies and cloud data warehouses like Google BigQuery. We also connect to column stores, databases designed to process unstructured data, and Web applications such as salesforce.com and Google Analytics. We believe the size of the data that our customers analyze continues to grow. We will continue to develop our live query technology with the goal of empowering our users to have complete access to any data stored anywhere.

In-Memory Data Engine

We have also developed a fast In-Memory Data Engine that allows people to analyze large amounts of data independently of database systems. This option is valuable to our customers as it enables them to overcome the following challenges:

Lack of databases Much of the world's data is not stored in databases. For instance, data is commonly stored in text files, spreadsheets, logs or other formats.

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Limited performance In addition, much of the world's data is stored in databases that are too slow for interactive analysis or reporting. For these situations, we have developed an In-Memory Data Engine, with the following unique combination of attributes that enable fast calculations:

Column-based storage Our In-Memory Data Engine is based on a column-oriented format which is able to reduce input/output on analytical workloads. It employs a simple disk based representation of data that leverages the operating systems' management of virtual memory.

Compressed data representation Our technology utilizes compression aimed to keep the memory footprint as small as possible.

Optimization for in-memory analytics Our In-Memory Data Engine is optimized for analyzing data in random access memory, or RAM. For example, leveraging RAM-based indices our technology is more efficient than those using disk-based indices.

Architecture aware algorithms Our technology is designed to achieve high-throughput on modern processors. Key algorithms, such as grouping and aggregation, are designed to be cache and multi-core aware and adaptive to different hardware characteristics. By importing data into our In-Memory Data engine, our customers can get many of the benefits of a fast database without the complication, cost and delay of a new investment in databases systems. Our In-Memory Data Engine is designed to be used on commodity hardware such as personal computers, laptops and servers that are common in companies today.

Hybrid Data Architecture

We have designed our Live Query Engine and In-Memory Data Engine to work in harmony. This hybrid approach gives customers flexibility and power. For instance, customers can use our In-Memory Data Engine to import a sample of data from a large database, and then after designing an initial visualization that answers a question, run the visualization against the entire database using the live query option. As another example of the hybrid approach, customers can integrate live data with in-memory data in a single visualization or dashboard. Both of these examples can be achieved by business users without any programming or scripting.

Customers

Our software is designed for anyone with data and questions. Our customers range from the largest corporations in the world to sole proprietors. Tableau's ease of installation and maintenance provides the flexibility to be deployed by individuals, departments or as an enterprise-wide system. We provide our products to organizations in various industries, including business services, energy and telecommunications, financial services, Internet, life sciences and healthcare, manufacturing and technology, media and entertainment, public sector and education, and retail, consumer and distribution.

We have grown our customer accounts from approximately 5,300 as of December 31, 2010 to approximately 12,000 as of March 31, 2013, located in more than 100 countries. We define a customer account as a purchaser of our products. Customer accounts are typically organizations. In some cases, organizations will have multiple groups purchasing our software, which we count as discrete customer accounts. As of March 31, 2013, we had more than 10,900 customers. When we calculate the number of customers, we consolidate customer accounts that are affiliated with the same parent organization. No customer represented more than 5% of our total revenues in 2010, 2011 or 2012 or for the three months ended March 31, 2012 or 2013.

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The following table provides a representative list of some of our largest customers during 2011 and 2012 by industry category:

Business Services	Energy/Telecommunications	Financial Services
Deloitte Consulting	AREVA	Associated Banc-Corp
HAVI Group, LP	InterOil	Irish Life
Huegin	T-Mobile USA	Rabobank
Lend Lease	Verizon	RBC Wealth Management
Syncapse	XO Communications	RenaissanceRe
Internet	Life Sciences/Healthcare	Manufacturing/Technology
AOL	GlaxoSmithKline	Citrix
LinkedIn	Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare	Deere & Company
Pandora	Seattle Children's Hospital	DuPont
Zillow	U.C. Irvine Medical Center	Lafarge
Zulily	UnitedHealth Group	SpaceX
Media/Entertainment	Public Sector/Education	Retail/Consumer/Distribution
Activision Blizzard	Aspire Public Schools	American Airlines
BBC Worldwide	Cornell University	NIKE
Big Fish Games	Duke University	Norfolk Southern
Discovery Communications	Federal Aviation Administration	Sears Holdings Corporation
Rosetta Stone	U.S. Army	SUPERVALU

Customer Case Studies

The following case studies are a few examples of how some of our largest customers have selected, deployed and benefited from our software.

Deloitte

Deloitte Consulting LLP sought a way to incorporate faster analytics and visualization into its Strategy & Operations practice. Their objective was to enable Deloitte professionals to provide their clients, including C-level decision makers, better insights into their businesses. Our software was selected in 2012 based on several pilots and significant adoption by individual consultants within the organization.

As of December 2012, Tableau Desktop was deployed for use by 3,000 Deloitte consultants. These consultants use our software to more rapidly and more efficiently analyze many types of data, including customer, finance, workforce, risk and supply chain data. Deloitte has informed us that the resulting analysis and visualizations that are incorporated in client deliverables help its clients make critical business decisions and that other groups within Deloitte continue to enhance their analytics practices with our products.

LinkedIn

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LinkedIn Corporation, the world's largest professional network, has amassed tremendous volumes of data since its launch in 2003. The business analytics team within LinkedIn's finance department sought a solution to analyze this data and empower internal business teams to make more data-driven decisions. They sought an analytics solution that would be easy, fast and scalable.

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Tableau Server and Tableau Desktop were initially implemented by LinkedIn's business analytics team in August 2011 to create dashboards for the company's sales and marketing organization. LinkedIn has reported that they use our products to identify sales leads based on information from disparate sources, replacing a time-consuming approach that required manually pulling data from around 25 different sources. In one example provided by LinkedIn, a salesperson closed as many deals in two weeks as he had closed in the previous several months primarily as a result of using our software. Hundreds of people in LinkedIn's sales and marketing organization now use Tableau on a regular basis.

In response to the initial success with our products in boosting sales productivity, requests for analysis using our software has expanded rapidly across the organization. The operations, product management and development organizations at LinkedIn reportedly now also use Tableau dashboards to support data-driven business decisions.

Norfolk Southern

The supply chain consulting team at Norfolk Southern Corporation, a leading North American transportation provider, needed a faster way to respond to ad hoc analysis requests from both internal and external clients. With over ten terabytes of data from internal systems, radio-frequency identification data and third-party information, the Norfolk Southern team required a solution that would let them easily access and analyze data from diverse data stores. Norfolk Southern stated that Tableau Desktop was selected in December 2008 for its visualization capabilities, easy dashboard creation and flexibility to connect to data sources live or using in-memory extracts.

Norfolk Southern uses our software to analyze data for a wide range of business needs. Example use cases include determining the best transportation mode to move automobiles among distribution centers and optimizing use of specialty railcars to maximize capacity. Norfolk Southern reports that with the use of our software, the time per day required for the team to assess utilization of railcars dropped from an average of two hours to a few minutes, resulting in a total time savings of approximately 95 hours per week.

The initial Tableau dashboards created by Norfolk Southern's supply chain consulting team led to new requests from its marketing, ecommerce, operations, research, transportation, mechanical and automotive teams, and by December 31, 2012, six other departments were using the software. In May 2011, in response to expanding demand, Norfolk Southern implemented Tableau Server. Norfolk Southern stated that, as of December 31, 2012, it supported browser-based and mobile access to our software for more than 500 people throughout the company.

Irish Life

Irish Life, Ireland's largest provider of pensions and life assurance, sought a business intelligence platform that would make it easy for everyone in the organization to work with data, reducing the reliance on its IT business intelligence team and increasing the ability of individuals to answer their own questions with data. After evaluating alternative business intelligence options, the IT department selected our software as its enterprise-wide business intelligence and data discovery platform. Irish Life has stated that some of the key factors in the decision to adopt our solution included our products' ease of use for business users, compatibility with existing data infrastructure and flexibility to connect live to data stores or utilize in-memory data extracts.

Irish Life initially installed Tableau Server in August 2011 and by the end of October 2011, use of Tableau dashboards had spread to the executive team. By the end of December 2011, dashboards were in use by all general managers across Irish Life's core business units. Irish Life reported that this

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trend continued through December 31, 2012, when business users were building dashboards and reports that in turn were utilized by approximately 300 people.

Irish Life has reported that our products have enabled it to transition to a more data-centric organization, enabling easier analysis of trends and patterns and substantial time savings. For example, Irish Life's customer service team was able to eliminate a weekly task that required several days of work and replace it with a single Tableau dashboard that updates in minutes.

Hanesbrands

Hanesbrands, Inc., a global consumer goods company, required a solution that would let them make better use of data in day-to-day and strategic business decisions. Hanesbrands' business intelligence and analytics team implemented Tableau Server and Tableau Desktop in August 2011. Today, in addition to dashboards being used by the executive team, over 1,000 people at the company access Tableau dashboards. Additionally, the software is used within Hanesbrands' marketing, sales, retail, finance, supply chain, shipping, category management and research departments.

According to Hanesbrands, the impact of rapidly visualizing and interacting with data has been significant. For example, Hanesbrands uses our software to visualize their demand forecasts to achieve closer alignment of inventory to sales. In one instance, they were able to reduce finished goods inventory for certain products by more than 10% by using our software in their planning process. Hanesbrands also reports that using Tableau software, they can generate their data visualizations and dashboards in approximately 1/20th of the time required by their traditional business intelligence systems and that they are producing new insights that were not previously possible.

Seattle Children's Hospital

Seattle Children's Hospital, recognized by *U.S. News and World Report* as one of the top ten children's hospitals in the United States, sought a business intelligence solution that would enable individuals throughout the organization to analyze and visualize data. The director of knowledge management and the head of surgical services had heard of Tableau and downloaded Tableau Desktop on a free trial basis. Based on their positive impressions from the trial, the two attended a Tableau Customer Conference in August 2010. Upon their return, our products were selected and deployed as the enterprise-wide business intelligence standard in October 2010. Tableau's visualization and interactive capabilities, breadth of data connectors and ease of use were top contributors to Seattle Children's Hospital's selection.

Today, people in Seattle Children's Hospital's supply chain, nursing, operations and surgical services organizations are using our software to solve business needs and improve patient care. Data analysts, business managers and financial analysts as well as clinicians, doctors and researchers at Seattle Children's Hospital use our software. According to Seattle Children's Hospital, as a result of their use of our software, analytics projects that had not previously been addressed due to the lack of bandwidth within the IT department are now moving forward and the hospital has realized millions of dollars in supply chain savings due to timely, more detailed insight.

Cornell University

The college deans at Cornell University needed better insight into key performance indicators, or KPIs. In 2007, the KPI team selected Tableau Desktop and Server because of its ease of use and compelling visual analytics. Cornell's KPI team estimates that our software has allowed them to produce approximately ten times the KPI views of its previous business intelligence tool in about half the time and with approximately half the staff.

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Use of our software has expanded significantly since then. Today, our software is used in administrative and academic departments across Cornell. According to Cornell, over 1,300 people, including deans, vice presidents, academic chairs, college officers, directors, administrators and data scientists, use Tableau Server to view dashboards and interactive reports. For example, 200 alumni officers access Tableau Server from their office or mobile platform to support outreach strategies and fundraising; and 300 graduate school staff, administrative assistants, faculty and deans access Tableau Server to obtain graduate student admissions, enrollment and degree information.

Support and Services

Our products are designed for our customers able to deploy and use them on their own. However, we offer several programs to enable our customers to maximize their experience and success with our products.

Maintenance and Support

Our maintenance and support services provide access to new releases of our software in addition to technical support services. Our technical support team also fields how-to inquiries from customers related to specific product functionality.

We offer multiple levels of technical support services to our customers from our offices in Seattle, Washington; Kirkland, Washington; and Richmond, United Kingdom. We offer our highest support level, including a dedicated phone number, to address critical issues, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, year-round. In addition, we offer a variety of support tools on our website including a knowledge base, product documentation guides, release notes and drivers. We have also developed an extensive online support community, which includes forums and user groups that is intended to enable our customers to learn and to connect with each other.

Training

In order to enable our customers to be self-reliant, we offer free online training to customers on our website, including hundreds of hours of training videos, sample visualizations and best practice articles.

We also provide a variety of fee-based product training options ranging from instructor-led courses in a traditional classroom setting to online courses. These training courses are designed to deepen understanding of specific aspects of our products and range from a single day to a week in length.

Professional Services

We have also invested in a professional services organization to help our customers maximize their benefits from using our products. Our professional services are generally intended to accelerate the analytics process rather than focus on installation and configuration of our software, as we believe most of our customers are able to deploy our products without assistance. These services are delivered either in person or remotely, and we tailor our services engagements to a customer's specific needs.

Tableau Community

We have built a strong and growing community of users and partners that help us evangelize our mission. The purpose of our community is to give customer and prospects opportunities to connect and

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share their experiences and ideas, and to allow them to provide valuable feedback on our products that helps us prioritize product enhancements.

Our online community currently offers:

knowledge bases, forums and repositories that help users learn about topics of interest, ask questions and share insights;

groups, a mechanism that allows users to connect based on geographical location or industry affiliation;

ideas, an avenue to share product suggestions;

Viz Talk, designed to let users share and discuss interesting data visualizations;

blogs; and

news.

We also organize events to engage with our customers and foster our user community. Our seminal event is our annual U.S. Tableau Customer Conference, which has grown rapidly in the last several years, from approximately 180 attendees in 2008 to over 2,000 attendees in 2012. At this event, our customers have the opportunity to network and connect, learn best practices, attend training sessions, and present their questions and suggestions directly to our software developers, executives and other employees. Based on the positive feedback and demand for this conference, we expanded this offering internationally with our 2011 and 2012 Tableau European Customer Conferences. We also intend to begin hosting conferences in other regions around the world. Finally, many of our customers form local user groups that meet periodically to discuss and share experiences using our products.

Culture and Employees

Our culture is fundamental to our success and we embrace and cultivate it with pride. Eight core values define our culture and govern our approach to business. These consist of dedication to our mission, building great products, using our products, teamwork, respect, honesty, simplicity and commitment to delighting our customers.

Our values permeate our organization and drive our identity as a company. For example, we strive to paint virtually all aspects of our business with a brush of simplicity, from product user interfaces to pricing models to internal business processes to marketing strategies. We view our employees as partners in creating a great work environment, and we take a long term approach to their recruitment and development. As a result of our careful hiring choices, we believe our company is populated by smart, respectful people grounded in humility. We have been publicly recognized as one of the best workplaces in the State of Washington.

Our company desires to make an impact on our community, and in December 2012 we established the Tableau Foundation, a donor-advised charitable fund. The focus of the Tableau Foundation will be to encourage the use of facts and analytical reasoning to solve the world's problems. It is also an avenue to support specific employee causes.

As of March 31, 2013, we employed 834 people globally. We also engage temporary employees and consultants. None of our employees is represented by a labor union. We have not experienced any work stoppages, and we consider our relations with our employees to be good.

Sales and Marketing

Our sales and marketing teams collaborate to create market awareness and demand, to build a robust sales pipeline and to ensure customer success that drives revenue growth.

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Sales

Our sales efforts are built on a land and expand sales model that is designed to capitalize on the ease of use, low up-front cost and collaborative capabilities of our software. To facilitate rapid adoption of our products, we provide fully functional free trial versions of our products on our website and have created a simple pricing model with no minimum purchase requirements. After an initial trial or purchase, which is often made to target a specific business need at a grassroots level within an organization, the use of our products often spreads across departments, divisions and geographies, via word-of-mouth, discovery of new use cases and our sales efforts.

Our direct sales approach includes inside sales teams and field sales teams. Our inside sales team, based in regional sales hubs, qualifies and manages accounts throughout the world in a manner in which we can seed new sales at a low cost and expand these accounts over time. Our direct field sales team covers North America; Europe, Middle East and Africa; the Asia Pacific region; and Latin America, and is mainly responsible for lead qualification and account management for large enterprises. All our direct sales teams partner with technical sales representatives who provide pre-sales technical support. We also have a dedicated customer success team responsible for driving renewals of existing contracts.

We also sell our products through indirect sales channels including technology vendors, resellers and OEM and independent software vendor, or ISV, partners. These channels provide additional sales coverage, solution-based selling, services and training throughout the world. Our channel program is led by a dedicated sales team and provides training, certification and sales resources to our partners. As of March 31, 2013, less than 10% of our sales team focused on indirect sales channels. We plan to continue to invest in our partner programs to help us enter and grow in new markets while complementing our direct sales efforts.

Our sales organization also includes professional services and training teams that work with customers of all sizes to support implementations and increase adoption. These efforts include in-person and phone-based engagements, webinars, in-person training and free on-demand training.

Marketing

Our marketing efforts focus on establishing our brand, generating awareness, creating leads and cultivating the Tableau community. The marketing team consists primarily of product marketing, programs, field events, channel marketing, corporate communications and website teams. We leverage both online and offline marketing channels such as events and trade shows, seminars and webinars, third-party analyst reports, whitepapers, case studies, blogs, search engines and email marketing. A central focus for the marketing team is to drive free product trials and encourage use of our free online training, an integral part of our customer acquisition process. Our marketing team is responsible for the logistics of hosting various events, including our annual customer conferences and regional events, as well as providing Web-based community tools and supporting customer-driven user groups.

We believe the simplest way to showcase our products is by using them in live or recorded demonstrations. Our marketing team also promotes Tableau Public to generate awareness. By democratizing access to public data and facilitating sharing of insights online, Tableau Public has rapidly increased community engagement and extended the reach our products. Interest in this service has grown quickly and is demonstrated by the approximately 100 million cumulative Tableau Public page views to date.

Strategic Relationships

We view our partners as an extension of our team, playing an integral role in our development and growth. Our partner programs include technology partnerships, reseller arrangements, and OEM

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and ISV relationships. In addition, we also work closely with system integrators, consulting firms and training partners.

Technology Vendors

Our most important technology partnerships are with data platform vendors. We collaborate with these vendors to build high performance connectivity to their data sources. We have 29 optimized data platform connectors to popular data platforms from vendors such as Cloudera, Inc., International Business Machines Corporation, or IBM, Microsoft Corporation, Oracle Corporation, salesforce.com, inc., SAP AG and Teradata Corporation. In addition, some of our technology partners, such as Teradata Corporation, are resellers of our products.

Resellers/VARs

Most of our indirect sales are through resellers. In certain international markets we rely more heavily on resellers than we do in the United States. Our reseller program is designed to support business growth, help generate new opportunities, optimize customer experience and care, increase profitability and close deals more quickly. We partner with value-added resellers, or VARs, who provide vertical expertise and technical advice in addition to reselling or bundling our software. We qualify our partners carefully to help ensure that each has the necessary capabilities and technical expertise to allow us to deliver even greater value to our customers.

OEMs

We believe that software applications made by other companies can benefit from the analytical capabilities that our products can provide, and we continue to develop relationships with OEM partners that embed our software into their applications. Currently, we have over 30 OEM relationships. These consist of both traditional OEMs that provide a customized version of our products for their applications as well as SaaS-based OEMs that deliver analytics as a service.

Our latest product release, Tableau 8.0, introduced API support, which includes a JavaScript API that enables third-party applications to control the Tableau application and a Data Extract API that allows partners and customers to load data into our products programmatically. We believe these APIs will make it easier to integrate our products with third party products and further advance our partner relationships.

Research and Development

We invest substantial resources in research and development to drive core technology innovation and to bring new products to market. Our research and development organization, with employees located in Seattle, Washington, Kirkland, Washington, Menlo Park, California and Austin, Texas, is primarily responsible for design, development, testing and certification of our products and core technologies. Our mission-driven culture empowers our employees to take ownership and personal pride in building our products. We work hard to create an environment that satisfies our talents and intellectual curiosities while promoting the development of broadly impactful and transformative technologies.

We have historically targeted major product releases on an annual cycle. Since our founding, we have developed eight major versions of our products. In addition, we also provide maintenance releases with bug fixes and incremental functionality, generally on a monthly basis. For example, in the maintenance releases that followed Tableau 7.0, we introduced features such as new data connectors, internationalization (languages) and support for the Android OS. Our release cycles enable us to be responsive to customers by delivering new functionality on a frequent basis. We establish priorities for

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our organization by collaborating closely with our customers, community and employees. We use our products across all business functions at Tableau, from customer support to finance to sales and marketing to human resources, and every employee is encouraged to test and provide feedback.

Our founders conducted the original research that led to the development of VizQL at Stanford University. We actively invest in an internally focused research effort and collaborate with the research and academic community to keep current with cutting edge technologies and help us to stay at the forefront of innovation.

We are focused on hiring the top technical talent in the industry, top engineering programs and research institutions. Our talented engineers and computer scientists are focused on finding simple and elegant solutions to complex problems in information visualization, data analytics, user experience and distributed system design. Over one third of our research and development employees have advanced technical degrees.

Competition

Our current primary competitors generally fall into three categories:

large software companies, including suppliers of traditional business intelligence solutions that provide one or more capabilities that are competitive with our products, such as IBM, Microsoft Corporation, Oracle Corporation and SAP AG;

spreadsheet software providers, such as Microsoft Corporation; and

new and emerging business analytics software companies, such as Qlik Technologies Inc. and TIBCO Spotfire (a subsidiary of TIBCO Software Inc.).

In addition, we may compete with open source initiatives and custom development efforts. We expect competition to increase as other established and emerging companies enter the business analytics market, as customer requirements evolve and as new products and technologies are introduced. We expect this to be particularly true with respect to our cloud-based initiatives as we and our competitors seek to provide business analytics products based on a SaaS platform. This is a relatively new and evolving area of business analytics solutions, and we anticipate competition to increase based on customer demand for these types of products.

Many of our competitors, particularly the large software companies named above, have longer operating histories, significantly greater financial, technical, marketing, distribution or other resources and greater name recognition than we do. In addition, many of our competitors have strong relationships with current and potential customers and extensive knowledge of the business analytics industry. As a result, they may be able to respond more quickly to new or emerging technologies and changes in customer requirements or devote greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their products than us. Moreover, many of these competitors are bundling their analytics products into larger deals or maintenance renewals, often at significant discounts. Increased competition may lead to price cuts or the introduction of products available for free or a nominal price, fewer customer orders, reduced gross margins, longer sales cycles and loss of market share. We may not be able to compete successfully against current and future competitors, and our business, results of operations and financial condition will be harmed if we fail to meet these competitive pressures.

Intellectual Property

We rely on federal, state, common law and international rights, as well as contractual restrictions, to protect our intellectual property. We control access to our proprietary technology by entering into confidentiality and invention assignment agreements with our employees and contractors, and

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confidentiality agreements with third parties, such as service providers, vendors, individuals and entities that may be exploring a business relationship with us.

In addition to these contractual arrangements, we also rely on a combination of trade secrets, copyrights, patents, trademarks, service marks and domain names to protect our intellectual property. We pursue the registration of our copyrights, trademarks, service marks and domain names in the United States and in certain locations outside the United States.

As of March 31, 2013, we had ten issued U.S. patents directed to our technology. We also had 11 pending patent applications in the United States.

We own registered trademarks for Tableau, Tableau Software, VizQL, Show Me! and Data In. Brilliance Out. in the United States, which have various expiration dates unless renewed through customary processes. We also own trademark registrations for Tableau, Tableau Software, VizQL, and Show Me! In Canada; Tableau Software and Show Me! in China and Japan; and Tableau Software, VizQL and Show Me! in the European Union. Such registered trademarks will expire unless renewed at various times in the future.

Despite our efforts to protect our proprietary technology and our intellectual property rights, unauthorized parties may attempt to copy or obtain and use our technology to develop applications with the same functionality as our applications. Policing unauthorized use of our technology and intellectual property rights is difficult.

We expect that software and other applications in our industry may be subject to third-party infringement claims as the number of competitors grows and the functionality of applications in different industry segments overlaps. Any of these third parties might make a claim of infringement against us at any time.

Facilities

Our principal executive offices are located in Seattle, Washington, and we also have offices located in Kirkland, Washington; Menlo Park, California; Austin, Texas; Richmond, United Kingdom; Singapore; Tokyo, Japan; and Dublin, Ireland. We believe that our properties are generally suitable to meet our needs for the foreseeable future. In addition, to the extent we require additional space in the future, we believe that it would be readily available on commercially reasonable terms.

Legal Proceedings

From time to time we may become involved in legal proceedings or be subject to claims arising in the ordinary course of our business. We are not presently a party to any legal proceedings that in the opinion of our management, if determined adversely to us, would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, operating results or cash flows. Regardless of the outcome, litigation can have an adverse impact on us because of defense and settlement costs, diversion of management resources and other factors.

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Our executive officers, other executive management and directors and their respective ages and positions as of March 31, 2013, are as follows:

Name	Age	Position(s)
Executive Officers		
Christian Chabot	41	Chief Executive Officer, Co-founder and Chairman of the Board
Christopher Stolte	40	Chief Development Officer, Co-founder and Director
Thomas Walker	44	Chief Financial Officer
Elissa Fink	49	Chief Marketing Officer
Kelly Wright	42	Executive Vice President, Sales
Keenan Conder	50	Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Other Executive Management		
Patrick Hanrahan	57	Chief Scientist, Co-founder and Director
Andrew Beers	41	Vice President, Product Development
Daniel Jewett	50	Vice President, Product Management
Jay Peir	40	Vice President, Corporate Development
Brian Smith	44	Vice President, Technical Operations
Brett Thompson	41	Vice President, Human Resources
Non-Employee Directors		
Forest Baskett ⁽³⁾	69	Director
Elliott Jurgensen, Jr. ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	68	Director
John McAdam ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	62	Director
Scott Sandell ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	48	Director
Brooke Seawell ⁽²⁾	65	Director

(1) Member of the nominating and corporate governance committee.

(2) Member of the audit committee.

(3) Member of the compensation committee.

(4) Lead independent director.

Executive Officers

Christian Chabot is one of our co-founders and has served as our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of our board of directors since our inception in 2003. Prior to joining us, Mr. Chabot served as an Associate Partner at Softbank Venture Capital, a venture capital firm. Prior to Softbank, Mr. Chabot was the President and co-founder of BeeLine LLC, a visualization software company. He holds an M.B.A. from Stanford University, an M.Sc from the University of Sussex and a B.S. from Stanford University. Mr. Chabot was chosen to serve on our board of directors because he is a co-founder, a significant stockholder and our Chief Executive Officer.

Christopher Stolte is one of our co-founders and has served as a member of our board of directors since our inception in 2003. Dr. Stolte has served as our Chief Development Officer since May 2010, and prior to that served as our Vice President of Engineering. Prior to joining us, Dr. Stolte was the Chief Technology Officer and co-founder of BeeLine LLC. Dr. Stolte holds a Ph.D. in Computer Science from Stanford University and a B.S. from Simon Fraser University. Dr. Stolte was chosen to serve on our board of directors because he is a co-founder, a significant stockholder and, as our Chief Development Officer has a deep understanding of our products and technology.

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Thomas Walker has served as our Chief Financial Officer since July 2008, and prior to that served as our Vice President, Finance and Operations. Prior to joining us, Mr. Walker served as Vice President, Finance and Administration at Beacon Fire and Safety LP, which was subsequently acquired by Cintas Corporation. Mr. Walker has over 20 years of experience in software and publishing, including roles in corporate finance at Time Warner Inc. and IDG Books Worldwide, Inc., which was subsequently acquired by John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Mr. Walker holds an M.B.A. from CUNY Baruch College and a B.S. from Arizona State University.

Elissa Fink has served as our Chief Marketing Officer since August 2011, and prior to that served as our Vice President of Marketing from August 2007 to August 2011. Prior to joining us, Ms. Fink served as Executive Vice President at IXI Corporation, which was subsequently acquired by Equifax Inc. She holds an M.B.A. in Marketing and Decision Systems from the University of Southern California and a B.A. from Santa Clara University.

Kelly Wright has served as our Executive Vice President, Sales since November 2010 and prior to that served as our Vice President of Sales and various other sales leadership positions since joining us in 2005. Prior to joining us, Ms. Wright served as Vice President of Sales at AtHoc, Inc. She holds an M.B.A. from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and a B.A. from Stanford University.

Keenan Conder has served as our Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary since January 2012. Prior to joining us, Mr. Conder served as Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Isilon Systems, Inc., a data storage company, which was subsequently acquired by EMC Corporation, from 2007 to 2012. Mr. Conder previously served as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Expedia, Inc., an online travel company. Mr. Conder received his J.D. from Wake Forest University and holds a B.A. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Other Executive Management

Patrick Hanrahan has served as our Chief Scientist and as a member of our board of directors since our inception in 2003. Dr. Hanrahan is also currently the CANON Professor of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering at Stanford University, where he teaches computer graphics and is researching visualization, image synthesis, and graphics systems and architectures. Dr. Hanrahan is a part-time employee of Tableau, with approximately 20% of his professional time currently dedicated to Tableau. Prior to joining us, Dr. Hanrahan served as senior scientist at Pixar Animation Studios. Prior to joining Stanford, Dr. Hanrahan was an Associate Professor at Princeton University. Dr. Hanrahan holds a Ph.D. in Biophysics and a B.S. from the University of Wisconsin Madison. Dr. Hanrahan was chosen to serve on our board of directors because he is a co-founder, a significant stockholder and, as our Chief Scientist, has a deep understanding of our products and technology.

Andrew Beers has served as our Vice President of Product Development since 2010, and various other leadership positions since joining us in 2004. From 1997 through 2004, he served in a variety of engineering and leadership roles including Director of Engineering at Align Technology, the makers of the Invisalign medical device. He received an M.S. in Computer Science from Stanford University and a B.S. from The State University of New York at Buffalo.

Daniel Jewett has served as our Vice President of Product Management since July 2007. From 2003 to 2007, Mr. Jewett was Vice President of Query, Reporting & Analysis Tools at Hyperion Solutions Corporation. From 1992 to 2003, Mr. Jewett held a number of senior positions at Brio Technology, including Vice President of Business Intelligence Products, and Vice President of Product Management. Mr. Jewett received an M.B.A. from California State University, Long Beach and a B.S. from California State University, Sacramento.

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Jay Peir has served as our Vice President, Corporate Development since November 2011. From 2003 to November 2011, Mr. Peir held a number of key leadership roles at SunPower Corporation, a solar energy company, including Vice President, Corporate Development, Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Peir holds an M.B.A., an M.S. and a B.S. from Stanford University.

Brian Smith has served as our Vice President, Technical Operations since October 2010. Prior to joining us, Mr. Smith was a partner at Digiting, Inc., a software company, from December 2009 to October 2010. From January 2009 to December 2009, Mr. Smith engaged in technical research. From February 1998 to January 2009, Mr. Smith held a number of key leadership roles at Expedia, Inc., including Vice President of Information Technology, General Manager of eCommerce Systems and Director of Platform Engineering. Mr. Smith received an M.B.A. and a B.A. from the University of Washington.

Brett Thompson has served as our Vice President, Human Resources since October 2011. Prior to joining us, Mr. Thompson held several positions as a senior human resources executive at both public and private companies, including serving as a consultant and later Vice President at Classmates.com from December 1999 until it was acquired by United Online, Inc. in November 2004, and Senior Vice President, Human Resources at United Online, Inc. from November 2004 until joining us in October 2011. He holds a B.S. from Utah State University.

Board of Directors

Forest Baskett has served as a member of our board of directors since August 2008. Dr. Baskett has been a General Partner with New Enterprise Associates, Inc., or NEA, a venture capital firm, since 2004, where he focuses on information and energy technology investments. Dr. Baskett joined NEA in 1999. From 1986 to 1999, Dr. Baskett served as Chief Technology Officer and Senior Vice President, Research and Development of Silicon Graphics Inc., or SGI. Prior to joining SGI, he founded and directed the Western Research Laboratory of Digital Equipment Corporation from 1982 to 1986, and was a professor of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering at Stanford University from 1971 to 1982. Dr. Baskett also serves on the boards of Fusion-io, Inc., Audience, Inc. and various private technology companies. Dr. Baskett holds a Ph.D. in Computer Science from the University of Texas at Austin and a B.A. from Rice University. He is also a member of the National Academy of Engineering. Dr. Baskett was chosen to serve on our board of directors due to his extensive experience with a wide range of technology companies and the venture capital industry.

Elliott Jurgensen, Jr. has served as a member of our board of directors since September 2012. Mr. Jurgensen retired from KPMG LLP, an international public accounting firm, in January 2003 after 32 years, including 23 years as an audit partner. During his public accounting career at KPMG, he held a number of leadership positions, including Managing Partner of the Bellevue, Washington office from 1982 to 1991 and Managing Partner of the Seattle, Washington office from 1993 to 2002. Mr. Jurgensen currently serves on the boards of BSquare Corporation and a private company. Mr. Jurgensen previously served on the boards of McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants, Inc. from July 2004 until the company was sold in December 2011 and Isilon Systems, Inc., from April 2006 until the company was sold in December 2010. Mr. Jurgensen has a B.S. from California State University, San Jose. Mr. Jurgensen was chosen to serve on our board of directors due to his substantial financial expertise that includes extensive knowledge of the complex financial and operational issues facing publicly-traded companies and a deep understanding of accounting principles and financial reporting rules and regulations. He also brings professional service expertise, technology industry experience, experience as a public company board member, and sales and marketing experience at KPMG.

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John McAdam has served as a member of our board of directors since December 2012. Mr. McAdam has served as the President and Chief Executive Officer and a member of the board of directors of F5 Networks, Inc., a provider of application delivery networking technology, since July 2000. Prior to joining F5 Networks, Mr. McAdam served as General Manager of the Web server sales business at IBM from September 1999 to July 2000. From January 1995 until August 1999, Mr. McAdam served as the President and Chief Operating Officer of Sequent Computer Systems, Inc., a manufacturer of high-end open systems, which was sold to IBM in September 1999. Mr. McAdam holds a B.S. from the University of Glasgow, Scotland. Mr. McAdam was chosen to serve on our board of directors due to his experience in the technology industry, in particular his experience managing F5 Networks through a period of high growth.

Scott Sandell has served as a member of our board of directors since August 2004. Mr. Sandell is a General Partner at NEA and head of the firm's technology investing practice. Mr. Sandell also leads NEA's investing activities in China. Prior to joining NEA in 1996, Mr. Sandell worked as a product manager for Windows 95 at Microsoft Corporation. Mr. Sandell started his career at the Boston Consulting Group and later joined C-ATS Software, Inc. Mr. Sandell currently serves on the boards of Fusion-io, Inc., Spreadtrum Communications, Inc. and Workday, Inc., in addition to various private companies. He previously served on the boards of NetIQ Corporation, WebExCommunications, Inc. and Data Domain, Inc.. Mr. Sandell is a member of the board of directors of the National Venture Capital Association. Mr. Sandell holds an M.B.A. from Stanford University and an A.B. from Dartmouth College. Mr. Sandell was chosen to serve on our board of directors due to his extensive experience with a wide range of technology companies and the venture capital industry.

Brooke Seawell has served as a member of our board of directors since November 2011. Mr. Seawell has been a Venture Partner with NEA since January 2005. Prior to joining NEA, Mr. Seawell was a Partner with Technology Crossover Ventures, a venture capital firm, from February 2000 to December 2004. Mr. Seawell also served as Executive Vice President of NetDynamics Inc., an application server software company that was acquired by Sun Microsystems, Inc., from 1997 to 1998, and Senior Vice President, Finance and Operations and Chief Financial Officer of Synopsys, an electronic design automation software company, from 1991 to 1997. Mr. Seawell previously served as Vice President, Finance and Production and Chief Financial Officer of Weitek Corporation, a fabless semiconductor company, from 1983 to 1991, and co-founder and Chief Financial Officer of Southwall Technologies, Inc., a complex thin film coatings company, from 1979 to 1983. Mr. Seawell currently serves on the boards of NVIDIA Corporation, Informatica Corporation, Glu Mobile Inc. and various private technology companies. Mr. Seawell also previously served on the Management Board of the Stanford Graduate School of Business. Mr. Seawell holds an M.B.A. from Stanford University and a B.A. from Stanford University. Mr. Seawell was chosen to serve on our board of directors due to his more than 30 years of experience in technology finance and operations, including having served as the chief financial officer of two public companies, his experience in the venture capital industry and his experience as a director of high technology companies.

Each of our officers serves at the discretion of our board of directors. Each of our directors holds office until his successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier resignation or removal. There are no family relationships among any of our directors or executive officers.

Board Composition

Certain members of our board of directors were elected pursuant to the provisions of our voting agreement, as amended. Under the voting agreement, our stockholders that are party to the voting agreement agreed to vote their shares to elect to our board of directors (1) two directors designated by New Enterprise Associates (Dr. Baskett and Mr. Sandell); (2) the person serving as Chief Executive Officer (Mr. Chabot); (3) two individuals designated by the holders of a majority in interest of the shares

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held by our three founders (Dr. Stolte and Dr. Hanrahan); and (4) one individual designated by all other members of our board of directors (Mr. Seawell). The voting agreement will terminate upon the completion of this offering and none of our stockholders will have any special rights regarding the election or designation of members of our board of directors. There is no contractual arrangement by which Mr. Jurgensen or Mr. McAdam were elected to our board of directors.

Our board of directors may establish the authorized number of directors from time to time by resolution. Our board of directors currently consists of eight members. In accordance with our amended and restated certificate of incorporation to be filed upon completion of this offering, our board of directors will be divided into three classes with staggered three-year terms. At each annual general meeting of stockholders, the successors to directors whose terms then expire will be elected to serve from the time of election and qualification until the third annual meeting following election. Our directors will be divided among the three classes as follows:

the Class I directors will be Messrs. Jurgensen, McAdam and Seawell, and their terms will expire at the annual general meeting of stockholders to be held in 2014;

the Class II directors will be Drs. Baskett and Hanrahan and Mr. Sandell, and their terms will expire at the annual general meeting of stockholders to be held in 2015; and

the Class III directors will be Mr. Chabot and Dr. Stolte, and their terms will expire at the annual general meeting of stockholders to be held in 2016.

We expect that any additional directorships resulting from an increase in the number of directors will be distributed among the three classes so that, as nearly as possible, each class will consist of one third of the directors. The division of our board of directors into three classes with staggered three-year terms may delay or prevent a change of our management or a change in control.

Director Independence

Generally, under the listing requirements and rules of the New York Stock Exchange, or the NYSE, independent directors must comprise a majority of a listed company's board of directors within one year of the completion of this offering.

Our board of directors has undertaken a review of its composition, the composition of its committees and the independence of each director. Our board of directors has determined that, other than Mr. Chabot and Drs. Stolte and Hanrahan, by virtue of their positions as Chief Executive Officer, Chief Development Officer and Chief Scientist, respectively, none of our directors has a relationship that would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director and that each is independent as that term is defined under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and the listing requirements and rules of the NYSE. Accordingly, a majority of our directors are independent, as required under applicable NYSE rules. In making this determination, our board of directors considered the current and prior relationships that each non-employee director has with our company and all other facts and circumstances our board of directors deemed relevant in determining their independence, including the beneficial ownership of our capital stock by each non-employee director.

Lead Independent Director

Our board of directors has appointed Mr. Sandell to serve as our lead independent director. As lead independent director, Mr. Sandell presides over periodic meetings of our independent directors, serves as a liaison between our Chairman and the independent directors and performs such additional duties as our board of directors may otherwise determine and delegate.

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Board Committees

Our board of directors has established an audit committee, a compensation committee and a nominating and corporate governance committee. Our board of directors may establish other committees to facilitate the management of our business. The composition and functions of each committee are described below. Members serve on these committees until their resignation or until otherwise determined by our board of directors.

Audit Committee

Our audit committee consists of Messrs. Seawell, Jurgensen and McAdam, each of whom satisfies the independence requirements under the NYSE listing standards and Rule 10A-3(b)(1) of the Exchange Act. The chair of our audit committee is Mr. Seawell. Our board of directors has determined that each of Messrs. Seawell and Jurgensen is an audit committee financial expert within the meaning of SEC regulations. Our board of directors has also determined that each member of our audit committee has the requisite financial expertise required under the applicable requirements of the NYSE. In arriving at this determination, the board of directors has examined each audit committee member's scope of experience and the nature of their employment in the corporate finance sector. The primary functions of this committee include:

reviewing and pre-approving the engagement of our independent registered public accounting firm to perform audit services and any permissible non-audit services;

evaluating the performance of our independent registered public accounting firm and deciding whether to retain their services;

monitoring the rotation of partners on our engagement team of our independent registered public accounting firm;

reviewing our annual and quarterly financial statements and reports and discussing the statements and reports with our independent registered public accounting firm and management, including a review of disclosures under Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ;

considering and approving or disapproving of all related party transactions;

reviewing, with our independent registered public accounting firm and management, significant issues that may arise regarding accounting principles and financial statement presentation, as well as matters concerning the scope, adequacy and effectiveness of our financial controls;

conducting an annual assessment of the performance of the audit committee and its members, and the adequacy of its charter; and

establishing procedures for the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by us regarding financial controls, accounting or auditing matters.

Compensation Committee

Our compensation committee consists of Mr. Jurgensen, Dr. Baskett and Mr. Sandell, each of whom our board of directors has determined to be independent under the NYSE listing standards and the rules and regulations of the SEC, a non-employee director as defined in Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act and an outside director as that term is defined in Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code. The chair of our compensation committee is Mr. Jurgensen. The primary functions of this committee include:

determining the compensation and other terms of employment of our chief executive officer and our other executive officers and reviewing and approving corporate performance goals and objectives relevant to such compensation;

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reviewing and recommending to the full board of directors the compensation of our directors;

evaluating, adopting and administering the equity incentive plans, compensation plans and similar programs advisable for us, as well as modification or termination of existing plans and programs;

establishing policies with respect to equity compensation arrangements;

reviewing with management our disclosures under the caption "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" and recommending to the full board of directors its inclusion in our periodic reports to be filed with the SEC; and

reviewing and evaluating, at least annually, the performance of the compensation committee and the adequacy of its charter.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

Our nominating and corporate governance committee consists of Messrs. McAdam and Sandell, each of whom our board of directors has determined to be independent under the NYSE listing standards. The chair of our nominating and corporate governance committee is Mr. McAdam. The primary functions of this committee include:

reviewing periodically and evaluating director performance on our board of directors and its applicable committees, and recommending to our board of directors and management areas for improvement;

interviewing, evaluating, nominating and recommending individuals for membership on our board of directors;

reviewing and recommending to our board of directors any amendments to our corporate governance policies; and

reviewing and assessing, at least annually, the performance of the nominating and corporate governance committee and the adequacy of its charter.

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

In connection with this offering, our board of directors has adopted a code of business conduct and ethics that applies to all of our employees, officers and directors, including those officers responsible for financial reporting. Upon completion of this offering, our code of business conduct and ethics will be available on our website at www.tableausoftware.com. We intend to disclose any amendments to the code, or any waivers of its requirements, on our website to the extent required by the applicable rules and exchange requirements. The inclusion of our website address in this prospectus does not include or incorporate by reference into this prospectus the information on or accessible through our website.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

None of the members of the compensation committee is currently or has been at any time one of our officers or employees. None of our executive officers currently serves, or has served during the last year, as a member of the board of directors or compensation committee of any entity that has one or more executive officers serving as a member of our board of directors or compensation committee.

Non-Employee Director Compensation

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We do not currently provide any cash compensation to our non-employee directors for their service on our board of directors or committees of our board of directors. Although we do not have a written policy, we generally reimburse our directors for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in attending board of directors and committee meetings. We did not provide any cash

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compensation to our non-employee directors during the year ended December 31, 2012. Although we granted options to certain of our non-employee directors as reflected in the table below, we do not have any established policy with regard to the equity-based compensation of our directors. In addition, in March 2013, we granted to each of Dr. Baskett and Mr. Sandell an option to purchase 40,000 shares of our Class B common stock at an exercise price of \$14.98 per share. All options we have granted to our non-employee directors have a term of four years and vest in 48 monthly installments commencing with the director's appointment to the board of directors; however, if the director's service with us ends due to a change in control, then any unvested options will become vested and exercisable upon such termination.

The following table sets forth information regarding non-cash compensation earned by or paid to our non-employee directors during 2012:

Name	Option Awards ⁽¹⁾	Shares Issuable Upon Exercise of Options Outstanding as of December 31, 2012
Forest Baskett	\$	
Elliott Jurgensen, Jr. ⁽²⁾	238,730	60,000
John McAdam ⁽³⁾	353,375	60,000
Scott Sandell		
Brooke Seawell ⁽⁴⁾	171,589	60,000

- (1) The amounts reported do not reflect the amounts actually received by our non-employee directors. Instead, these amounts reflect the aggregate grant date fair value of each stock option granted to our non-employee directors during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, as computed in accordance with FASB ASC 718. Assumptions used in the calculation of these amounts are included in Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus. As required by SEC rules, the amounts shown exclude the impact of estimated forfeitures related to service-based vesting conditions. Our non-employee directors who have received options will only realize compensation with regard to these options to the extent the trading price of our Class A common stock is greater than the exercise price of such options.
- (2) In connection with Mr. Jurgensen joining the board of directors in September 2012, we awarded Mr. Jurgensen an option to purchase 60,000 shares of our Class B common stock at an exercise price of \$7.47 per share.
- (3) In connection with Mr. McAdam joining the board of directors in December 2012, we awarded Mr. McAdam an option to purchase 60,000 shares of our Class B common stock at an exercise price of \$9.30 per share.
- (4) In connection with Mr. Seawell joining the board of directors in November 2011, we awarded Mr. Seawell an option to purchase 60,000 shares of our Class B common stock at an exercise price of \$6.04 per share.

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The following table sets forth information regarding the compensation awarded to or earned by the executive officers listed below during the year ended December 31, 2012. As an emerging growth company, we have opted to comply with the executive compensation disclosure rules applicable to smaller reporting companies, as such term is defined in the rules promulgated under the Securities Act, which require compensation disclosure for our principal executive officer and the two most highly compensated executive officers other than our principal executive officer. Throughout this prospectus, these three officers are referred to as our named executive officers.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)⁽¹⁾	Option Awards (\$)⁽²⁾	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)⁽³⁾	All Other Compensation (\$)⁽⁴⁾	Total (\$)
Christian Chabot <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>	2012	300,000		2,169,347		33,034	2,502,381
Christopher Stolte <i>Chief Development Officer</i>	2012	300,000		2,169,347		18,343	2,487,690
Thomas Walker <i>Chief Financial Officer</i>	2012	275,000	47,500	1,811,557	27,500	35,506	2,197,063

- (1) The amount reported in the Bonus column for Mr. Walker represents a discretionary bonus for performance in 2012.
- (2) Amounts reported in this column do not reflect the amounts actually received by our named executive officers. Instead, these amounts reflect the aggregate grant date fair value of each stock option granted to the named executive officers during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, as computed in accordance with FASB ASC 718. Assumptions used in the calculation of these amounts are included in the notes to our consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus. As required by SEC rules, the amounts shown exclude the impact of estimated forfeitures related to service-based vesting conditions. Our named executive officers will only realize compensation to the extent the trading price of our Class A common stock is greater than the exercise price of such stock options.
- (3) The amount reported in the Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation column represents a bonus paid to Mr. Walker under our incentive bonus plan for non-sales employees for company-wide performance in 2012. Participants in the bonus plan were entitled to a target bonus of up to 10% of their respective 2012 base salaries. The actual amount of the incentive bonus was determined by our board of directors following the end of the calendar year based on achievement of the corporate goal related to 2012 bookings, and for 2012, bonuses will be paid at 100% of target. Mr. Chabot and Mr. Stolte are not participants in the bonus plan.
- (4) Amounts in this column include personal household expense reimbursements (which amounted to \$25,000 for Mr. Walker), personal and spousal expenses related to a company-sponsored retreat, and tax reimbursements related to that retreat.

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The following table provides information regarding each unexercised stock option to purchase our Class B common stock held by our named executive officers as of December 31, 2012.

Name	Vesting Commencement Date	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Option Awards		Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date
			Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable			
Christian Chabot	1/1/2012	146,623	493,189 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		7.17	2/28/2022
Christopher Stolte	1/1/2012	146,623	493,189 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		7.17	2/28/2022
Thomas Walker	10/11/2005	75,000	(2)		0.18	4/19/2016
	5/1/2006	22,500	(2)		0.18	4/19/2016
	2/7/2007	100,000	(1)		0.18	2/6/2017
	9/1/2007	100,000	(1)		0.24	11/6/2017
	1/1/2009	73,437	1,563 ⁽¹⁾		1.31	2/24/2019
	1/1/2010	40,468	15,032 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		1.50	2/23/2020
	8/4/2010	5,833	4,167 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		1.75	8/3/2020
	1/1/2011	21,562	23,438 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		5.92	3/29/2021
	1/1/2012	22,916	77,084 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		7.17	2/28/2022
	12/7/2012		250,000 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		9.30	12/9/2022

- (1) The shares subject to the stock option vest over a four year period, with 1/48th of the shares vesting each month following the vesting commencement date, subject to continued service with us through each vesting date.
- (2) The shares subject to the stock option vest over a four-year period as follows: 25% of the shares underlying the options vest on the one-year anniversary of the vesting commencement date and thereafter 1/48th of the shares vest each month, subject to continued service with us through each vesting date.
- (3) Option is subject to accelerated vesting upon a qualifying termination of the executive's employment with us following a change in control, as described under Potential Payments and Benefits upon Termination or Change in Control.

Executive Offer Letters and Arrangements

The initial terms and conditions of employment for each of our named executive officers are set forth in written offer letters. In April 2013, we entered into revised employment offer letters with each of our named executive officers setting forth the terms and conditions of such executive's employment with us, the terms of which are described below. In addition, we have entered into change in control severance agreements with each of our executive officers, the terms of which were approved by our board of directors. Each of our executive officers has also executed our standard form of confidential information and invention assignment agreement. Any potential payments and benefits due upon a termination of employment or a change in control of us are further described below under the heading Executive Compensation Potential Payments and Benefits Upon Termination or Change in Control.

Christian Chabot

We entered into an initial offer letter with Christian Chabot, our Chief Executive Officer, dated August 20, 2004, which set forth the initial terms and conditions of his employment with us. In April 2013, we entered into a new offer letter with Mr. Chabot, which replaced and superseded Mr. Chabot's prior offer letter. Pursuant to the new offer letter, Mr. Chabot's base salary is \$300,000 per year. Mr. Chabot is also eligible for reimbursement of certain personal household expenses, up to a maximum of \$25,000 per year, under a separate perquisite policy for our named executive officers. Mr. Chabot is currently not eligible to receive an annual target bonus. Mr. Chabot's employment is at will and may be terminated at any time, with or without cause. However, Mr. Chabot is entitled to potential payments and benefits upon a termination of employment following a change in control of us under the terms of his change in control severance agreement.

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Christopher Stolte

We entered into an initial offer letter with Christopher Stolte, our Chief Development Officer, dated August 20, 2004, which set forth the initial terms and conditions of his employment with us. In April 2013, we entered into a new offer letter with Dr. Stolte, which replaced and superseded Dr. Stolte's prior offer letter. Pursuant to the new offer letter, Dr. Stolte's base salary is \$300,000 per year. Dr. Stolte is also eligible for reimbursement of certain personal household expenses, up to a maximum of \$25,000 per year, under a separate perquisite policy for our named executive officers. Dr. Stolte is currently not eligible to receive an annual target bonus. Dr. Stolte's employment is at will and may be terminated at any time, with or without cause. However, Dr. Stolte is entitled to potential payments and benefits upon a termination of employment following a change in control of us under the terms of his change in control severance agreement.

Thomas Walker

We entered into an initial offer letter with Thomas Walker, our Chief Financial Officer, on September 25, 2004, which set forth the initial terms and conditions of his employment with us. In April 2013, we entered into a new offer letter with Mr. Walker, which replaced and superseded Mr. Walker's prior offer letter. Pursuant to the new offer letter, Mr. Walker's base salary is \$275,000 per year and he continues to be eligible to participate in our incentive bonus plan for non-sales employees, under which full time employees are entitled to a target bonus of up to 10% of their base salaries tied to achievement of company performance goals. In addition, for 2013 Mr. Walker will be eligible to receive a discretionary bonus of up to \$100,000 if certain sales growth targets are achieved, and where the actual amount of the bonus will be determined based on the achievement of subjective performance criteria. Mr. Walker is also eligible for reimbursement of certain personal household expenses, up to a maximum of \$25,000 per year, under a separate perquisite policy for our named executive officers. Mr. Walker's employment is at will and may be terminated at any time, with or without cause. However, Mr. Walker is entitled to potential payments and benefits upon a termination of employment following a change in control of us under the terms of his change in control severance agreement.

Potential Payments and Benefits upon Termination or Change in Control

In February 2013, our board of directors approved a form of change in control severance agreement to be entered into with each of our executive officers and certain other employees and in April 2013 we entered into these agreements with each of our named executive officers. The change in control severance agreements with each executive officer provides that if such officer is terminated for any reason other than cause, death or disability within 12 months after a change in control, or the officer voluntarily resigns for good reason within 12 months following a change in control, such officer would be entitled to receive the following severance benefits:

a lump sum payment equal to 6 months of such officer's then-current base salary (12 months in the case of Messrs. Chabot and Walker and Dr. Stolte);

reimbursement of COBRA premiums for such officer and his or her eligible dependents, if any, at the level in effect immediately prior to such officer's termination of employment, for a period of up to 6 months (or up to 12 months in the case of Messrs. Chabot and Walker and Dr. Stolte); and

100% acceleration of vesting of all then-unvested equity awards held by such officer.

Payment of any severance benefits is conditioned on the executive officer's timely execution of a general release of claims in our favor.

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Employee Benefit Plans

The principal features of our equity incentive plans and our 401(k) plan are summarized below. These summaries are qualified in their entirety by reference to the actual text of the plans, which, other than the 401(k) plan, are filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

2004 Equity Incentive Plan

Our board of directors adopted and our stockholders approved our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, or our 2004 Plan, in August 2004. Our 2004 Plan was amended and restated most recently in December 2012. Our 2004 Plan provides for the grant of incentive stock options, or ISOs, within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code, to our employees, and for the grant of nonstatutory stock options, or NSOs, restricted stock awards and stock appreciation rights to our employees, directors and consultants.

Our 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, or our 2013 Plan, will become effective in connection with this offering. As a result, we will not grant any additional options under our 2004 Plan following that date, and our 2004 Plan will be terminated. However, any outstanding options granted under our 2004 Plan will remain outstanding, subject to the terms of our 2004 Plan and stock option agreements, until such outstanding options are exercised or until they terminate or expire by their terms. Options granted under our 2004 Plan have terms similar to those described below with respect to options to be granted under our 2013 Plan.

Authorized shares. The maximum number of shares of our Class B common stock that may be issued under our 2004 Plan is 26,473,282. The maximum number of shares that may be issued upon the exercise of ISOs under our 2004 Plan is 26,473,282.

Shares subject to stock awards granted under our 2004 Plan that expire or terminate without being exercised in full or are settled in cash do not reduce the number of shares available for issuance under our 2004 Plan. Additionally, shares issued pursuant to stock awards under our 2004 Plan that we repurchase or that are forfeited, as well as shares used to pay the exercise price of a stock award or to satisfy the tax withholding obligations related to a stock award, become available for future grant under our 2004 Plan.

Plan administration. Our board of directors or a duly authorized committee of our board of directors administers our 2004 Plan and the stock awards granted under it. Subject to the terms of our 2004 Plan, the board of directors has the authority to determine and amend the terms of awards, including recipients, the exercise, purchase or strike price of stock awards, if any, the number of shares subject to each stock award, the fair market value of a share of our Class B common stock, the vesting schedule applicable to the awards, together with any vesting acceleration, and the form of consideration, if any, payable upon exercise or settlement of the award and the terms of the award agreements for use under our 2004 Plan.

The board of directors has the power to modify outstanding awards under our 2004 Plan. The board of directors has the authority to reprice any outstanding option or stock appreciation right, cancel any outstanding stock award in exchange for new stock awards, cash or other consideration, or take any other action that is treated as a repricing under GAAP, with the consent of any adversely affected participant.

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Corporate transactions. Our 2004 Plan provides that in the event of a specified corporate transaction, as defined under our 2004 Plan, each outstanding stock award may be assumed or continued or an equivalent stock award may be substituted by a successor corporation and any reacquisition or repurchase rights held by us in respect of Class B common stock issued pursuant to prior stock awards may be assigned to the successor corporation. If the successor corporation does not agree to assume or continue the stock award or to substitute an equivalent stock award, such stock awards will become fully vested and exercisable prior to the corporate transaction, and any reacquisition or repurchase rights will lapse. Any awards that have not been assumed, continued, substituted, or exercised prior to the corporate transaction will terminate at the closing of the transaction.

Transferability. A participant may not transfer stock awards under our 2004 Plan other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution, or as otherwise provided under our 2004 Plan.

Plan amendment or termination. Our board of directors has the authority to amend, suspend, or terminate our 2004 Plan, provided that such action is approved by our stockholders to the extent stockholder approval is necessary and that such action does not impair the existing rights of any participant without such participant's written consent. Unless sooner terminated, our 2004 Plan will terminate on the day before the tenth anniversary of the date our 2004 Plan was adopted by the Board. No stock awards may be granted under our 2004 Plan while it is suspended or after it is terminated.

2013 Equity Incentive Plan

Our board of directors adopted our 2013 Plan in February 2013, and our stockholders approved our 2013 Plan in March 2013. Our 2013 Plan is the successor to and continuation of our 2004 Plan. As of date of this prospectus, no further grants will be made under our 2004 Plan. Our 2013 Plan provides for the grant of ISOs to our employees and for the grant of NSOs, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock awards, restricted stock unit awards, performance stock awards, performance cash awards, and other forms of equity compensation to our employees, directors, and consultants.

Authorized shares. The maximum number of shares of our Class A common stock that may be issued under our 2013 Plan is equal to (1) the number of shares of Class B common stock reserved for issuance under our 2004 Plan at the time our 2013 Plan becomes effective and (2) the maximum number of shares subject to stock options or other stock awards granted under our 2004 Plan that may be returned to our 2004 Plan, such as upon the expiration or termination of a stock award prior to vesting. Additionally, the number of shares of our Class A common stock reserved for issuance under our 2013 Plan will automatically increase on January 1 of each year for a period of up to ten years, beginning on January 1, 2014 and ending on and including January 1, 2023, by 5% of the total number of shares of our capital stock outstanding on December 31 of the preceding calendar year, or a lesser number of shares determined by our board of directors. The maximum number of shares of our Class A common stock that may be issued upon the exercise of ISOs under our 2013 Plan is 100,000,000.

Shares subject to stock awards granted under our 2013 Plan that expire or terminate without being exercised in full, or that are paid out in cash rather than in shares, do not reduce the number of shares available for issuance under our 2013 Plan. Additionally, shares issued pursuant to stock awards under our 2013 Plan that we repurchase or that are forfeited, as well as shares used to pay the exercise price of a stock award or to satisfy the tax withholding obligations related to a stock award, become available for future grant under our 2013 Plan.

Plan administration. Our board of directors, or a duly authorized committee of our board of directors, will administer our 2013 Plan. Our board of directors may also delegate to one or more of our

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officers the authority to (1) designate employees (other than officers) to receive specified stock awards, and (2) determine the number of shares subject to such stock awards. Subject to the terms of our 2013 Plan, the board of directors has the authority to determine the terms of awards, including recipients, the exercise, purchase or strike price of stock awards, if any, the number of shares subject to each stock award, the fair market value of a share of our Class A common stock, the vesting schedule applicable to the awards, together with any vesting acceleration, and the form of consideration, if any, payable upon exercise or settlement of the award and the terms of the award agreements for use under our 2013 Plan.

The board of directors has the power to modify outstanding awards under our 2013 Plan. The board of directors has the authority to reprice any outstanding option or stock appreciation right, cancel any outstanding stock award in exchange for new stock awards, cash or other consideration, or take any other action that is treated as a repricing under GAAP, with the consent of any adversely affected participant.

Section 162(m) limits. At such time as necessary for compliance with Section 162(m) of the Code, no participant may be granted stock awards that are intended to comply with Section 162(m) of the Code covering more than 750,000 shares of our Class A common stock under our 2013 Plan during any calendar year pursuant to stock options, stock appreciation rights and other stock awards whose value is determined by reference to an increase over an exercise price or strike price of at least 100% of the fair market value of our Class A common stock on the date of grant. Additionally, no participant may be granted in a calendar year a performance stock award covering more than 750,000 shares of our Class A common stock or a performance cash award having a maximum value in excess of \$750,000 under our 2013 Plan. These limitations are intended to give us the flexibility to grant compensation that will not be subject to the \$1,000,000 annual limitation on the income tax deductibility imposed by Section 162(m) of the Code.

Performance awards. We believe our 2013 Plan permits the grant of performance-based stock and cash awards that may qualify as performance-based compensation that is not subject to the \$1,000,000 limitation on the income tax deductibility imposed by Section 162(m) of the Code. Our compensation committee may structure awards so that the stock or cash will be issued or paid only following the achievement of certain pre-established performance goals during a designated performance period.

Our compensation committee may establish performance goals by selecting from one or more of the following performance criteria: (1) profit before tax; (2) billings; (3) revenue; (4) net revenue; (5) earnings (which may include earnings before interest and taxes, earnings before taxes, and net earnings); (6) operating income; (7) operating margin; (8) operating profit; (9) controllable operating profit, or net operating profit; (10) net profit; (11) gross margin; (12) operating expenses or operating expenses as a percentage of revenue; (13) net income; (14) earnings per share; (15) total stockholder return; (16) market share; (17) return on assets or net assets; (18) our stock price; (19) growth in stockholder value relative to a pre-determined index; (20) return on equity; (21) return on invested capital; (22) cash flow (including free cash flow or operating cash flows); (23) cash conversion cycle; (24) economic value added; (25) individual confidential business objectives; (26) contract awards or backlog; (27) overhead or other expense reduction; (28) credit rating; (29) strategic plan development and implementation; (30) succession plan development and implementation; (31) improvement in workforce diversity; (32) customer indicators; (33) new product invention or innovation; (34) attainment of research and development milestones; (35) improvements in productivity; and (36) bookings.

Our compensation committee may establish performance goals on a company-wide basis, with respect to one or more business units, divisions, affiliates, or business segments, and in either absolute terms or relative to the performance of one or more comparable companies or the performance of one or more relevant indices. Unless otherwise specified by our board of directors (i) in the award agreement at the time the award is granted or (ii) in such other document setting forth the

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performance goals at the time the performance goals are established, our compensation committee will appropriately make adjustments in the method of calculating the attainment of the performance goals as follows: (1) to exclude restructuring and other nonrecurring charges; (2) to exclude exchange rate effects; (3) to exclude the effects of changes to GAAP; (4) to exclude the effects of any statutory adjustments to corporate tax rates; (5) to exclude the effects of any extraordinary items as determined under GAAP; (6) to exclude the dilutive effects of acquisitions or joint ventures; (7) to assume that any business divested by our company achieved performance objectives at targeted levels during the balance of a performance period following such divestiture; (8) to exclude the effect of any change in the outstanding shares of our common stock by reason of any stock dividend or split, stock repurchase, reorganization, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, spin-off, combination or exchange of shares or other similar corporate change, or any distributions to common stockholders other than regular cash dividends; (9) to exclude the effects of stock based compensation and the award of bonuses under our bonus plans; (10) to exclude costs incurred in connection with potential acquisitions or divestitures that are required to be expensed under GAAP; (11) to exclude the goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges that are required to be recorded under GAAP; and (12) to exclude the effect of any other unusual, non-recurring gain or loss or other extraordinary item.

Corporate transactions. Our 2013 Plan provides that in the event of certain specified significant corporate transactions, as defined under our 2013 Plan, each outstanding award will be treated as the administrator determines. The administrator may (1) arrange for the assumption, continuation or substitution of a stock award by a successor corporation; (2) arrange for the assignment of any reacquisition or repurchase rights held by us to a successor corporation; (3) accelerate the vesting, in whole or in part, of the stock award and provide for its termination prior to the transaction; (4) arrange for the lapse, in whole or in part, of any reacquisition or repurchase rights held by us; or (5) cancel or arrange for the cancellation of the stock award prior to the transaction in exchange for a cash payment, if any, determined by the board of directors. The plan administrator is not obligated to treat all stock awards or portions of stock awards, even those that are of the same type, in the same manner.

Transferability. A participant may not transfer stock awards under our 2013 Plan other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution, or as otherwise provided under our 2013 Plan.

Plan amendment or termination. Our board of directors has the authority to amend, suspend, or terminate our 2013 Plan, provided that such action does not materially impair the existing rights of any participant without such participant's written consent. No awards may be granted after the tenth anniversary of the date our board of directors adopted our 2013 Plan. No stock awards may be granted under our 2013 Plan while it is suspended or after it is terminated.

2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Our board of directors adopted our 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, or our ESPP, in February 2013, and our stockholders approved our ESPP in March 2013. Our ESPP includes both a component that is intended to qualify as an employee stock purchase plan under Section 423 of the Code and a component that is not intended to so qualify. The purpose of the non-423 component of our ESPP is to authorize the grant of purchase rights that do not meet the requirements of an employee stock purchase plan to achieve tax, regulatory or other objectives.

The first offering period under our ESPP will begin and end upon a date to be approved by our board of directors or the compensation committee.

Authorized shares. The maximum aggregate number of shares of our Class A common stock that may be issued under our ESPP is 2,000,000 shares. Additionally, the number of shares of our

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Class A common stock reserved for issuance under our ESPP will increase automatically each year for a period of up to ten years, beginning on January 1, 2014 and continuing through and including January 1, 2023, by the lesser of (1) 1% of the total number of shares of our capital stock outstanding on December 31 of the preceding calendar year; (2) 4,000,000 shares of Class A common stock; or (3) such lesser number as determined by our board of directors. The stock purchasable under the ESPP will be shares of authorized but unissued or reacquired Class A common stock, including shares repurchased by us in the open market. Shares subject to purchase rights granted under our ESPP that terminate without having been exercised in full will be available for grant under our ESPP.

Plan administration. Our board of directors will administer our ESPP. Our board of directors may delegate authority to administer our ESPP to our compensation committee. The administrator may approve offerings with a duration of not more than 27 months, and may specify one or more shorter purchase periods within each offering. Each offering will have one or more purchase dates on which shares of our Class A common stock will be purchased for the employees who are participating in the offering. The administrator, in its discretion, will determine the terms of offerings under our ESPP including determining which of our designated affiliates will be eligible to participate in the 423 component of our ESPP and which of our designated affiliates will be eligible to participate in the non-423 component of our ESPP.

Eligibility. Our employees, including executive officers, may have to satisfy one or more of the following service requirements before participating in our ESPP, as determined by the administrator: (1) customary employment for more than 20 hours per week and more than five months per calendar year, or (2) continuous employment for a minimum period of time, not to exceed two years. An employee may not be granted rights to purchase stock under our ESPP if such employee (a) immediately after the grant would own stock possessing 5% or more of the total combined voting power or value of our Class A common stock; or (b) holds rights to purchase stock under our ESPP that would accrue at a rate that exceeds \$25,000 worth of our stock for each calendar year that the rights remain outstanding.

Purchase rights and purchase price. Our ESPP permits participants to purchase shares of our Class A common stock through payroll deductions or other methods with up to 15% of their earnings. The purchase price of the shares will be not less than 85% of the lower of the fair market value of our Class A common stock on the first day of an offering or on the date of purchase.

Transferability. A participant may not transfer purchase rights under our ESPP other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution, or as otherwise provided under our ESPP.

Corporate transactions. In the event of a specified corporate transaction, such as a merger or change in control, a successor corporation may assume, continue or substitute each outstanding purchase right. If the successor corporation does not assume, continue or substitute for the outstanding purchase rights, the offering in progress may be shortened and a new exercise date will be set, so that the participants' purchase rights can be exercised and terminate immediately thereafter.

Plan amendment or termination. Our board of directors has the authority to amend, suspend or terminate our ESPP, at any time and for any reason. Any benefits, privileges, entitlements and obligations under any outstanding purchase rights granted before an amendment, suspension or termination of the ESPP will not be materially impaired except (1) with the participant's consent; (2) to comply with any laws, listing requirements, or regulations; or (3) to obtain or maintain favorable tax, listing or regulatory treatment.

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401(k) Plan

We maintain a tax-qualified retirement plan that provides eligible U.S. employees with an opportunity to save for retirement on a tax advantaged basis. Eligible employees are able to defer eligible compensation subject to applicable annual Code limits. We have the ability to make discretionary contributions to the 401(k) plan but have not done so to date. Employees' pre-tax contributions are allocated to each participant's individual account and are then invested in selected investment alternatives according to the participants' directions. Employees are immediately and fully vested in their contributions. The 401(k) plan is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code with the 401(k) plan's related trust intended to be tax exempt under Section 501(a) of the Code. As a tax-qualified retirement plan, contributions to the 401(k) plan and earnings on those contributions are not taxable to the employees until distributed from the 401(k) plan.

Limitation on Liability and Indemnification Matters

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and restated bylaws, each to be effective upon the completion of this offering, will provide that we will indemnify our directors and officers, and may indemnify our employees and other agents, to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law. However, Delaware law prohibits our amended and restated certificate of incorporation from limiting the liability of our directors for the following:

any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to us or to our stockholders;

acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;

unlawful payment of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions; and

any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

If Delaware law is amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director, then the liability of our directors will be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, as so amended. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation does not eliminate a director's duty of care and, in appropriate circumstances, equitable remedies, such as injunctive or other forms of non-monetary relief, remain available under Delaware law. This provision also does not affect a director's responsibilities under any other laws, such as the federal securities laws or other state or federal laws. Under our amended and restated bylaws, we will also be empowered to enter into indemnification agreements with our directors, officers, employees and other agents and to purchase insurance on behalf of any person whom we are required or permitted to indemnify.

In addition to the indemnification required in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws, we have entered into indemnification agreements with each of our current directors, officers and some employees. These agreements provide for the indemnification of such persons for all reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred in connection with any action or proceeding brought against them by reason of the fact that they are or were serving in such capacity. We believe that these bylaw provisions and indemnification agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified persons as directors, officers and employees. Furthermore, we have obtained director and officer liability insurance to cover liabilities our directors and officers may incur in connection with their services to us and expect to increase the level upon completion of this offering.

The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws may discourage stockholders from bringing a lawsuit against directors for breach of their fiduciary duties. They may also reduce the likelihood of derivative

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litigation against directors and officers, even though an action, if successful, might benefit us and our stockholders. A stockholder's investment may be harmed to the extent we pay the costs of settlement and damage awards against directors and officers pursuant to these indemnification provisions. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to our directors, officers and controlling persons pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, we have been advised that, in the opinion of the SEC, such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act, and is, therefore, unenforceable. There is no pending litigation or proceeding naming any of our directors or officers as to which indemnification is being sought, nor are we aware of any pending or threatened litigation that may result in claims for indemnification by any director or officer.

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CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

Other than compensation arrangements for our directors and named executive officers, which are described elsewhere in this prospectus, below we describe transactions since January 1, 2010 to which we were a party or will be a party, in which:

the amounts involved exceeded or will exceed \$120,000; and

any of our directors, executive officers or holders of more than 5% of our capital stock, or any member of the immediate family of, or person sharing the household with, the foregoing persons, had or will have a direct or indirect material interest.

Tender Offer

On September 15, 2010, we entered into a Tender Offer Agreement with New Enterprise Associates 11, Limited Partnership and Meritech Capital Partners III, L.P., pursuant to which we agreed to waive our right of first refusal in connection with a tender offer they proposed to launch. These entities subsequently launched a tender offer to purchase up to an aggregate of 5,926,679 shares of our Class B common stock from certain of our stockholders at a price of \$5.9055 per share pursuant to an Offer to Purchase, to which we were not a party. Certain of our executive officers, including Messrs. Chabot and Walker, Dr. Stolte and Mmes. Fink and Wright, sold shares in the tender offer. An aggregate of 5,424,933 shares were tendered pursuant to the tender offer, of which New Enterprise Associates 11, Limited Partnership purchased 2,407,666 shares for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$14.2 million and Meritech Capital Partners III, L.P., together with one of its affiliates, purchased 3,017,267 shares for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$17.8 million. Each of these purchasers, together with its affiliated entities, is a beneficial owner of more than 5% of our Class B common stock. In addition, certain of our directors are affiliated with New Enterprise Associates 11, Limited Partnership.

Investor Rights Agreement

In July 2012, we entered into an Amended and Restated Investor Rights Agreement with the holders of our outstanding preferred stock and certain holders of our outstanding Class B common stock, including entities with which certain of our directors are affiliated. As of March 31, 2013, the holders of 23,138,175 shares of our Class B common stock, including 17,416,317 shares of the Class B common stock issuable upon the conversion of our preferred stock, are entitled to rights with respect to the registration of their shares following the completion of this offering. For a more detailed description of these registration rights, see the section titled *Description of Capital Stock Registration Rights*. In addition, this agreement gives the stockholders that are parties thereto the right to participate in new issuances of equity securities by us, subject to certain exceptions. This right to participate in new issuances of equity securities will terminate by its terms upon the completion of our initial public offering.

Conversion Agreements

We have entered into conversion agreements with each of our founders, Christian Chabot, Christopher Stolte and Patrick Hanrahan, pursuant to which each founder has agreed to effect conversion of his shares of Class B common stock into Class A common stock, effective automatically upon the termination of such founder's continuous service for any reason whatsoever, subject only to approval of our board of directors. In the conversion agreements, continuous service is defined to mean that the founder's service with us, whether as an employee, a member of our board of directors or a consultant, is not interrupted or terminated. A mere change in capacity from employee and member of our board of directors to that of a consultant would not result in a termination of continuous service as long as there is no interruption in service to us.

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Policies and Procedures for Transactions with Related Persons

We intend to adopt a policy that our executive officers, directors, nominees for election as a director, beneficial owners of more than 5% of any class of our common stock and any members of the immediate family of any of the foregoing persons are not permitted to enter into a related person transaction with us without the prior consent of our audit committee. Any request for us to enter into a transaction with an executive officer, director, nominee for election as a director, beneficial owner of more than 5% of any class of our common stock or any member of the immediate family of any of the foregoing persons, in which the amount involved exceeds \$100,000 and such person would have a direct or indirect interest, must first be presented to our audit committee for review, consideration and approval. In approving or rejecting any such proposal, our audit committee is to consider the material facts of the transaction, including, but not limited to, whether the transaction is on terms no less favorable than terms generally available to an unaffiliated third party under the same or similar circumstances and the extent of the related person's interest in the transaction. All of the transactions described above were entered into after presentation, consideration and approval by our board of directors.

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PRINCIPAL AND SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

The following table sets forth, as of March 31, 2013, information regarding beneficial ownership of our capital stock by:

each person, or group of affiliated persons, known by us to beneficially own more than 5% of our Class A common stock or Class B common stock;

each of our named executive officers;

each of our directors;

all of our current executive officers and directors as a group; and

each of the selling stockholders.

Beneficial ownership is determined according to the rules of the SEC and generally means that a person has beneficial ownership of a security if he, she or it possesses sole or shared voting or investment power of that security, including options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of March 31, 2013. Except as indicated by the footnotes below, we believe, based on the information furnished to us, that the persons named in the table below have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of Class B common stock shown that they beneficially own, subject to community property laws where applicable. The information does not necessarily indicate beneficial ownership for any other purpose, including for purposes of Sections 13(d) and 13(g) of the Securities Act. Unless otherwise indicated, based on the information supplied to us by or on behalf of the selling stockholders, no selling stockholder is a broker-dealer or an affiliate of a broker-dealer.

Our calculation of the percentage of beneficial ownership prior to the completion of this offering is based on no shares of our Class A common stock and 52,514,508 shares of our Class B common stock (including preferred stock on an as-converted basis) outstanding as of March 31, 2013. We have based our calculation of the percentage of beneficial ownership following the completion of this offering on 7,200,000 shares of our Class A common stock and 50,314,508 shares of our Class B common stock outstanding immediately following the completion of this offering (assuming no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional 1,080,000 shares of Class A common stock and the sale of 2,200,000 shares of our Class A common stock by the selling stockholders).

Common stock subject to stock options currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of March 31, 2013 is deemed to be outstanding for computing the percentage ownership of the person holding these options and the percentage ownership of any group of which the holder is a member but is not deemed outstanding for computing the percentage of any other person.

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Unless otherwise indicated, the address of each beneficial owner listed in the table below is c/o Tableau Software, Inc., 837 North 34th Street, Suite 200, Seattle, Washington 98103.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to this Offering				Number of Shares Being Sold	Shares Beneficially Owned Following this Offering			
	Class A Shares %	Class B Shares	%	% of Total Voting Power		Class A Shares %	Class B Shares	%	% of Total Voting Power
Named Executive Officers and Directors:									
Christian Chabot ⁽¹⁾		8,011,270	15.19	15.19	400,000		7,611,270	15.06	14.85
Christopher Stolte ⁽²⁾		8,079,145	15.32	15.32	400,000		7,679,145	15.20	14.98
Thomas Walker ⁽³⁾		772,275	1.46	1.46			772,275	1.52	1.50
Forest Baskett ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾		19,552,944	37.23	37.23	1,000,000 ⁽⁶⁾		18,552,944	36.87	36.35
Patrick Hanrahan		9,538,278							