## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): November 30, 2023

## TILLY'S, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

(State of Incorporation)

1-35535

45-2164791

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

10 Whatney

Irvine, California 92618 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(949) 609-5599

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per		
share	TLYS	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 30, 2023, Tilly's, Inc. (the "Company") issued an earnings press release for the third quarter ended October 28, 2023. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. The information furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financials Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibits are being furnished herewith.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	Exhibit Title or Description
99.1	Press Release of Tilly's, Inc., dated November 30, 2023.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

#### SIGNATURES

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

TILLY'S, INC.

Date: November 30, 2023

By: /s/ Michael L. Henry

Name:Michael L. HenryTitle:Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer



### Tilly's, Inc. Announces Third Quarter Operating Results, Net Loss Beats Prior Outlook

Irvine, CA – November 30, 2023 – Tilly's, Inc. (NYSE: TLYS, the "Company") today announced financial results for the third quarter of fiscal 2023 ended October 28, 2023.

"Our third quarter results represent a sequential improvement over the first and second quarters of the fiscal year. We continue to work towards protecting product margins, managing inventories and controlling operating expenses amid a continuing difficult economic environment, particularly for our young customer demographic," commented Ed Thomas, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Although more promotionally driven than in years past, we were pleased to produce comparable net sales growth compared to last year over Black Friday weekend."

#### **Operating Results Overview**

#### Fiscal 2023 Third Quarter Operating Results Overview

The following comparisons refer to the Company's operating results for the third quarter of fiscal 2023 ended October 28, 2023 versus the third quarter of fiscal 2022 ended October 29, 2022.

- Total net sales were \$166.5 million, a decrease of \$11.4 million or 6.4%, compared to \$177.8 million last year. Total comparable net sales, including both physical stores and e-commerce ("e-com"), decreased by 9.0%.
  - Net sales from physical stores were \$132.4 million, a decrease of \$9.1 million or 6.4%, compared to \$141.5 million last year, with a comparable store net sales decrease of 9.1%. Net sales from physical stores represented 79.6% of total net sales both this year and last year. The Company ended the third quarter with 249 total stores compared to 247 total stores at the end of the third quarter last year.
  - Net sales from e-com were \$34.0 million, a decrease of \$2.3 million or 6.2%, compared to \$36.3 million last year. E-com net sales represented 20.4% of total net sales both this year and last year.
- Gross profit, including buying, distribution, and occupancy costs, was \$48.7 million, or 29.3% of net sales, compared to \$54.6 million, or 30.7% of net sales, last year. Buying, distribution, and occupancy costs deleveraged by 90 basis points, despite being \$1.0 million lower than last year primarily due to a decrease in distribution costs resulting from reduced freight costs, partially offset by higher occupancy costs as a result of two net additional stores compared to last year. Product margins declined by 50 basis points primarily due to increased markdowns and estimated inventory valuation reserves.
- Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses were \$51.2 million, or 30.8% of net sales, compared to \$48.3 million, or 27.1% of net sales, last year. Primary SG&A increases were attributable to non-cash store impairment charges of \$1.7 million, marketing expenses of \$0.7 million, and combined store and corporate payroll and related benefits expenses of \$0.7 million.
- Operating loss was \$(2.5) million, or (1.5)% of net sales, compared to operating income of \$6.3 million, or 3.6% of net sales, last year, due to the combined impact of the factors noted above.
- Other income was \$1.3 million compared to \$0.7 million last year, primarily attributable to earning significantly higher rates of return on our marketable securities compared to last year.
- Income tax benefit was \$(0.3) million, or 28.0% of pre-tax loss, compared to income tax expense of \$1.8 million, or 26.3% of pre-tax income, last year. The increase in the effective income tax rate was primarily attributable to decrease in pre-tax income and discrete income tax items associated with stock-based compensation.

• Net loss was \$(0.8) million, or \$(0.03) per share, compared to net income of \$5.1 million, or \$0.17 per diluted share, last year. Weighted average shares were 29.9 million this year compared to 30.0 million diluted shares last year.

#### Fiscal 2023 Year-to-Date Third Quarter Operating Results Overview

The following comparisons refer to the Company's operating results for the first thirty-nine weeks of fiscal 2023 ended October 28, 2023 versus the first thirty-nine weeks of fiscal 2022 ended October 29, 2022.

- Total net sales were \$450.1 million, a decrease of \$41.9 million or 8.5%, compared to \$491.9 million last year. Total comparable net sales, including both physical stores and e-com, decreased by 11.3%.
  - Net sales from physical stores were \$360.0 million, a decrease of \$36.1 million or 9.1%, compared to \$396.1 million last year, with a comparable store net sales decrease of 12.3%. Net sales from physical stores represented 80.0% of total net sales compared to 80.5% of total net sales last year.
  - Net sales from e-com were \$90.0 million, a decrease of \$5.8 million or 6.1%, compared to \$95.8 million last year. E-com net sales represented 20.0% of total net sales compared to 19.5% of total net sales last year.
- Gross profit, including buying, distribution, and occupancy costs, was \$119.0 million, or 26.4% of net sales, compared to \$150.4 million, or 30.6% of net sales, last year. Buying, distribution, and occupancy costs deleveraged by 260 basis points and increased by \$2.3 million collectively, predominantly due to occupancy costs, as a result of operating two net additional stores and carrying these costs against a lower level of net sales this year, partially offset by a decrease in distribution costs resulting from reduced freight costs. Product margins declined by 150 basis points primarily due to increased markdowns and estimated inventory valuation reserves.
- SG&A expenses were \$141.4 million, or 31.4% of net sales, compared to \$137.8 million, or 28.0% of net sales, last year. Primary SG&A increases were attributable to non-cash store impairment charges of \$2.6 million and corporate payroll and related benefits expenses of \$1.4 million, primarily due to the impact of wage increases associated with employee retention. These increases were partially offset by smaller reductions in store supplies and store payroll.
- Operating loss was \$(22.5) million, or (5.0)% of net sales, compared to operating income of \$12.6 million, or 2.6% of net sales, last year, due to the combined impact of the factors noted above.
- Other income was \$3.6 million compared to \$0.9 million last year, primarily due to earning significantly higher rates of return on our marketable securities compared to last year.
- Income tax benefit was \$(4.9) million, or 26.0% of pre-tax loss, compared to income tax expense of \$3.7 million, or 27.2% of pre-tax income, last year. The decrease in the effective income tax rate was primarily attributable to a decrease in pre-tax income and discrete income tax items associated with stock-based compensation.
- Net loss was \$(13.9) million, or \$(0.47) per share, compared to net income of \$9.8 million, or \$0.32 per diluted share, last year. Weighted average shares were 29.8 million this year compared to 30.4 million diluted shares last year.

#### **Balance Sheet and Liquidity**

As of October 28, 2023, the Company had \$93.9 million of cash and marketable securities and no debt outstanding compared to \$105.8 million and no debt outstanding at the end of the third quarter last year. The Company ended the third quarter with inventories at cost up 0.8% per square foot while unit inventories were down 3.2% per square foot compared to last year.

Total year-to-date capital expenditures at the end of the third quarter were \$10.5 million this year compared to \$11.9 million last year. The Company currently expects its total capital expenditures for fiscal 2023 will be approximately \$13 million, inclusive of 7 total new stores and upgrades to certain distribution and information technology systems.

#### Fiscal 2023 Fourth Quarter Outlook

This year's fourth quarter includes an additional week, making it a 14-week quarter compared to 13 weeks last year. Total comparable net sales through November 28, 2023, decreased by (6.5)% with a comparable net sales decrease in physical stores of (13.6)% and an increase in e-commerce comparable net sales of 11.0%. Based on current quarter-to-date comparable net sales results and current and historical trends, the Company currently estimates that its fiscal 2023 fourth quarter net sales will be in the range of approximately \$172 million to \$178 million, translating to an estimated comparable net sales decrease in the range of approximately (6)% to (9)% compared to last year. The Company currently estimates its SG&A expenses for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2023 to be approximately \$55 million to \$56 million, pre-tax loss to be in the range of approximately \$(5.0) million to \$(8.0) million, and estimated income tax rate to be approximately 26%. The Company currently expects its loss per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2023 to be in the range of \$(0.12) to \$(0.20) based on estimated weighted average shares of approximately 29.9 million. The Company currently expects to have 248 stores open at the end of the fiscal year, a net decrease of one store from the end of last fiscal year.

#### Fiscal 2024 New Store and Capital Expenditure Plans

The Company currently expects its total capital expenditures for fiscal 2024 not to exceed \$15 million, primarily for the construction of 4 new stores and continued upgrades to certain distribution and information technology systems.

#### **Conference Call Information**

A conference call to discuss these financial results is scheduled for today, November 30, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. ET (1:30 p.m. PT). Investors and analysts interested in participating in the call are invited to dial (877) 300-8521 (domestic) or (412) 317-6026 (international). The conference call will also be available to interested parties through a live webcast at www.tillys.com. Please visit the website and select the "Investor Relations" link at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the call to register and download any necessary software. A telephone replay of the call will be available until December 7, 2023, by dialing (844) 512-2921 (domestic) or (412) 317-6671 (international) and entering the conference identification number: 10183514.

#### **About Tillys**

Tillys is a leading, destination specialty retailer of casual apparel, footwear, accessories and hardgoods for young men, young women, boys and girls with an extensive selection of iconic global, emerging, and proprietary brands rooted in an active, outdoor and social lifestyle. Tillys is headquartered in Irvine, California and currently operates 252 total stores across 33 states, as well as its website, <u>www.tillys.com</u>.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain statements in this press release are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In particular, statements regarding our current operating expectations in light of historical results, the impacts of inflation and potential recession on us and our customers, including on our future financial condition or operating results, expectations regarding customer traffic, our supply chain, our ability to properly manage our inventory levels, and any other statements about our future cash position, financial flexibility, expectations, plans, intentions, beliefs or prospects expressed by management are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations and beliefs, but they involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to the impact of inflation on consumer behavior and our business and operations, supply chain difficulties, and our ability to respond thereto, our ability to respond to changing customer preferences and trends, attract customer traffic at our stores and online, execute our growth and long-term strategies, expand into new markets, grow our e-commerce business, effectively manage our inventory and costs, effectively compete with other retailers, attract talented employees, or enhance awareness of our brand and brand image, general consumer spending patterns and levels, including changes in historical spending patterns, the markets generally, our ability to satisfy our financial obligations, including under our credit facility and our leases, and other factors that are detailed

in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), including those detailed in the section titled "Risk Factors" and in our other filings with the SEC, which are available on the SEC's website at <u>www.sec.gov</u> and on our website at <u>www.sec.gov</u> and on our website at <u>www.sec.gov</u> and on our website at <u>www.tillys.com</u> under the heading "Investor Relations". Readers are urged not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this press release. We do not undertake any obligation to update or alter any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. This release should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and notes thereto contained in our Form 10-K.

## Tilly's, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands, except par value) (unaudited)

	C	october 28, 2023	Ja	nuary 28, 2023	(	October 29, 2022
ASSETS						
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	44,425	\$	73,526	\$	75,786
Marketable securities		49,523		39,753		29,985
Receivables		7,118		9,240		11,352
Merchandise inventories		82,753		62,117		81,589
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		11,816		17,762		16,036
Total current assets		195,635		202,398		214,748
Operating lease assets		216,205		212,845		222,664
Property and equipment, net		49,220		50,635		51,279
Deferred tax assets		13,229		8,497		10,261
Other assets		1,685		1,377		1,488
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	475,974	\$	475,752	\$	500,440
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Current liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$	27,025	\$	15,956	\$	30,225
Accrued expenses	ψ	14,688	ψ	15,930	ψ	17,239
Deferred revenue		13,520		16,103		13,859
Accrued compensation and benefits		10,590		8,183		9,756
Current portion of operating lease liabilities		50,063		48,864		50,047
Current portion of operating lease liabilities, related party		3,048		2,839		2,771
Other liabilities		330		470		806
Total current liabilities		119,264		108,304		124,703
Long-term liabilities:		119,204		100,504		124,703
Noncurrent portion of operating lease liabilities		171,388		167,913		176,621
Noncurrent portion of operating lease liabilities, related party		20,081		22,388		23,129
Other liabilities		20,081		349		455
Total long-term liabilities		191,860		190,650		200,205
Total liabilities		311,124		298,954		324,908
		511,124		290,954		524,908
Stockholders' equity: Common stock (Class A)		23		23		23
		23		23		23
Common stock (Class B) Preferred stock		/		/		/
Additional paid-in capital		171,754		170,033		168,749
(Accumulated deficit) retained earnings		(7,410)		6,530		6,634
Accumulated other comprehensive income		(7,410) 476		205		0,034
1		164,850		176,798		175,532
Total stockholders' equity	0	· · · · ·	Ø		Ø	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	<u>\$</u>	475,974	\$	475,752	\$	500,440

### Tilly's, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		
	October 28, 2023	October 29, 2022 Oc	tober 28, 2023	October 29, 2022	
Net sales	\$ 166,475	\$ 177,847 \$	450,063	\$ 491,930	
Cost of goods sold (includes buying, distribution, and occupancy costs)	116,825	122,346	328,297	338,870	
Rent expense, related party	931	918	2,793	2,680	
Total cost of goods sold (includes buying, distribution, and occupancy costs)	117,756	123,264	331,090	341,550	
Gross profit	48,719	54,583	118,973	150,380	
	10,715	0.1,000	110,210	100,000	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	51,101	48,134	141,035	137,405	
Rent expense, related party	134	134	400	400	
Total selling, general and administrative expenses	51,235	48,268	141,435	137,805	
Operating (loss) income	(2,516)	6,315	(22,462)	12,575	
Other income, net	1,341	675	3,625	862	
(Loss) income before income taxes	(1,175)	6,990	(18,837)	13,437	
Income tax (benefit) expense	(328)	1,841	(4,897)	3,656	
Net (loss) income	\$ (847)	\$ 5,149 \$	(13,940)	\$ 9,781	
Basic (loss) earnings per share of Class A and Class B common stock	\$ (0.03)	\$ 0.17 \$	(0.47)	\$ 0.32	
Diluted (loss) earnings per share of Class A and Class B common stock	\$ (0.03)	\$ 0.17 \$	(0.47)	\$ 0.32	
Weighted average basic shares outstanding	29,872	29,894	29,834	30,226	
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding	29,872	30,050	29,834	30,428	

#### Tilly's, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands) (unaudited)

(unauditeu)			
	Thirty-Nine Weeks Ended		
	October 28, 2023	October 29, 2022	
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net (loss) income	\$ (13,940)	\$ 9,781	
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash used in operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	9,547	10,515	
Stock-based compensation expense	1,684	1,764	
Impairment of assets	2,631	14	
Loss on disposal of assets	2	64	
(Gain) interest on maturities of marketable securities	(1,156)	(230)	
Deferred income taxes	(4,732)	1,167	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Receivables	4,196	(705)	
Merchandise inventories	(20,636)	(15,944)	
Prepaid expenses and other assets	5,980	557	
Accounts payable	11,033	2,068	
Accrued expenses	106	(4,253)	
Accrued compensation and benefits	2,407	(7,300)	
Operating lease liabilities	(4,545)	(4,637)	
Deferred revenue	(2,583)	(3,237)	
Other liabilities	(452)	(706)	
Net cash used in operating activities	(10,458)	(11,082)	
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchases of marketable securities	(88,146)	(49,779)	
Purchases of property and equipment	(10,543)	(11,897)	
Proceeds from maturities of marketable securities	80,000	117,189	
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	9		
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(18,680)	55,513	
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	210	56	
Taxes paid on short-swing profits disgorgement payment	(173)	_	
Share repurchases related to share repurchase program	_	(10,902)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	37	(10,846)	
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(29,101)	33,585	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	73,526	42,201	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 44,425	\$ 75,786	

# Tilly's, Inc. Store Count and Square Footage

Store Count at Beginning of Quarter	New Stores Opened During Quarter	Stores Permanently Closed During Quarter	Store Count at End of Quarter	Total Gross Square Footage End of Quarter (in thousands)
241	_		241	1,764
241	2	1	242	1,767
242	5	—	247	1,800
247	4	2	249	1,818
249	1	2	248	1,809
248	—	2	246	1,792
246	3	—	249	1,810
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