

# A&W Revenue Royalties Income Fund

## Overview and Update

May 2023

TSE: AW.UN

*Chosen and trusted for truly good food*



# Presentation Overview

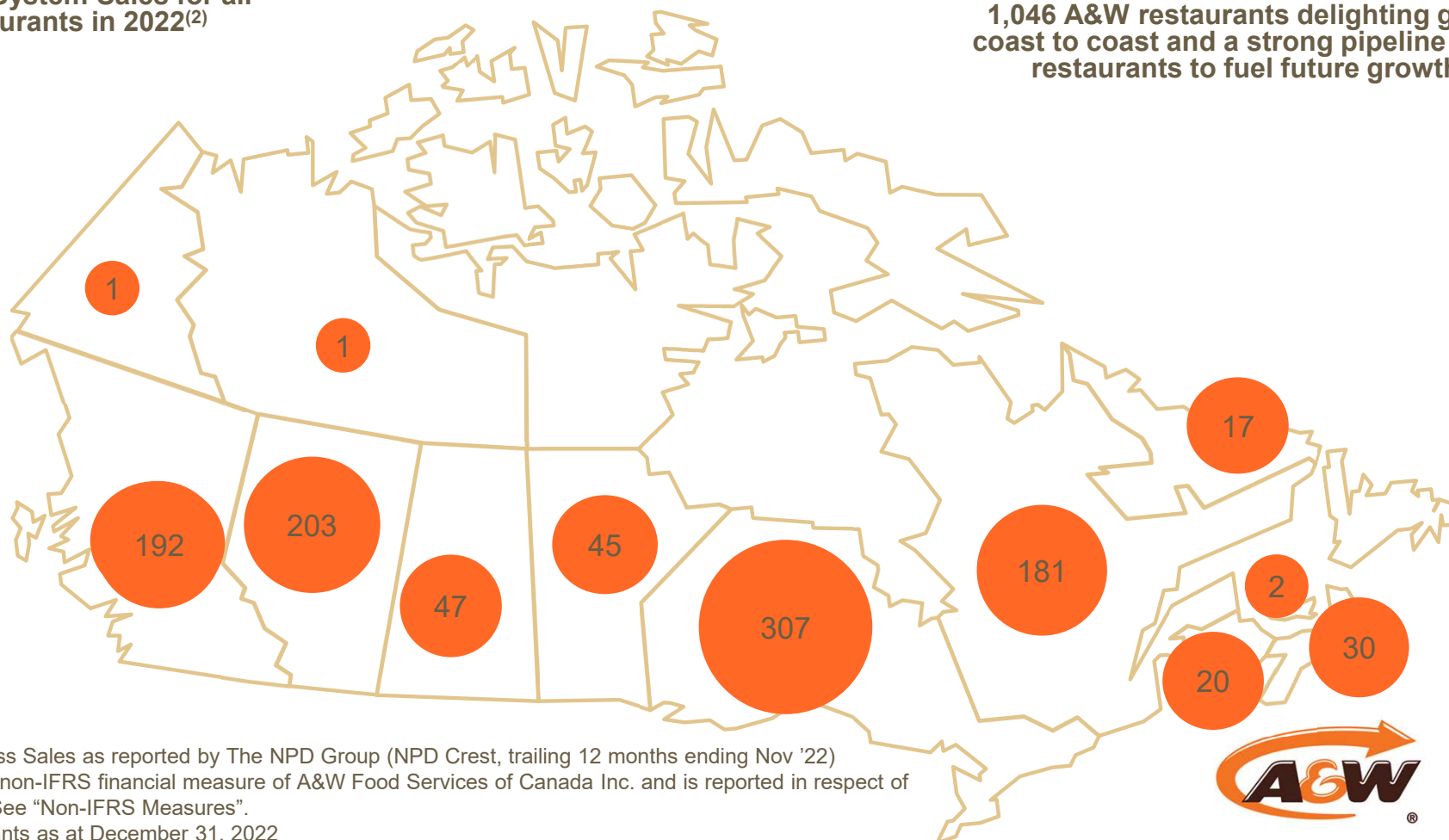
- Business overview
- Strategy
- Climate
- Financial highlights



# Canada's 2nd Largest Burger QSR<sup>(1)</sup>

**\$1.7 Billion in System Sales for all  
A&W Restaurants in 2022<sup>(2)</sup>**

**1,046 A&W restaurants delighting guests  
coast to coast and a strong pipeline of new  
restaurants to fuel future growth<sup>(3)</sup>**

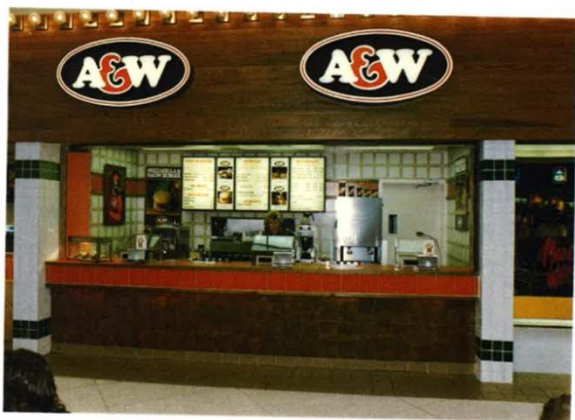


<sup>(1)</sup> Based on 2022 Gross Sales as reported by The NPD Group (NPD Crest, trailing 12 months ending Nov '22)

<sup>(2)</sup> "System Sales" is a non-IFRS financial measure of A&W Food Services of Canada Inc. and is reported in respect of all A&W restaurants. See "Non-IFRS Measures".

<sup>(3)</sup> 1,046 A&W restaurants as at December 31, 2022

# 65 Years of Constant Evolution



# Signature Products



**Canada's #1 Root Beer**





# Menu Innovation





# A&W Brew Bar™

## Nationwide Phased Rollout Underway

Now available at over **500** A&W restaurants in cities across Canada! National rollout will continue through 2023.



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# A&W is bringing Pret to Canada!

- **Exclusive right** to use Pret brand in Canada
- 2-year trial phase to **test appeal**
- Possible expansion across Canada
- **8 locations now open** (as at March 26, 2023):
  - 468 SW Marine Dr, Vancouver, BC
  - 60 John Street, Toronto, ON
  - 1010 Wilson Ave, Toronto, ON
  - 1606 Danforth Avenue, Toronto, ON
  - 467 West Broadway, Vancouver, BC
  - 1158 Alberni Street, Vancouver, BC
  - 3214 Lake Shore Boulevard West, Toronto, ON
  - 85 Front Street East, Toronto, ON
- Royalty payable to the Fund applies to Pret products sold in A&W restaurants



# 594 Freestanding Restaurants (all but 1 offer drive-thru)\*



Cornwall,  
ON

\* as at December 31, 2022

# 169 Convenience Locations (all but 7 offer drive-thru)\*



Exeter, ON



\* as at December 31, 2022



# 94 Urban Locations\*



\* as at December 31, 2022



# 177 Shopping Centre Locations\*



\* as at December 31, 2022



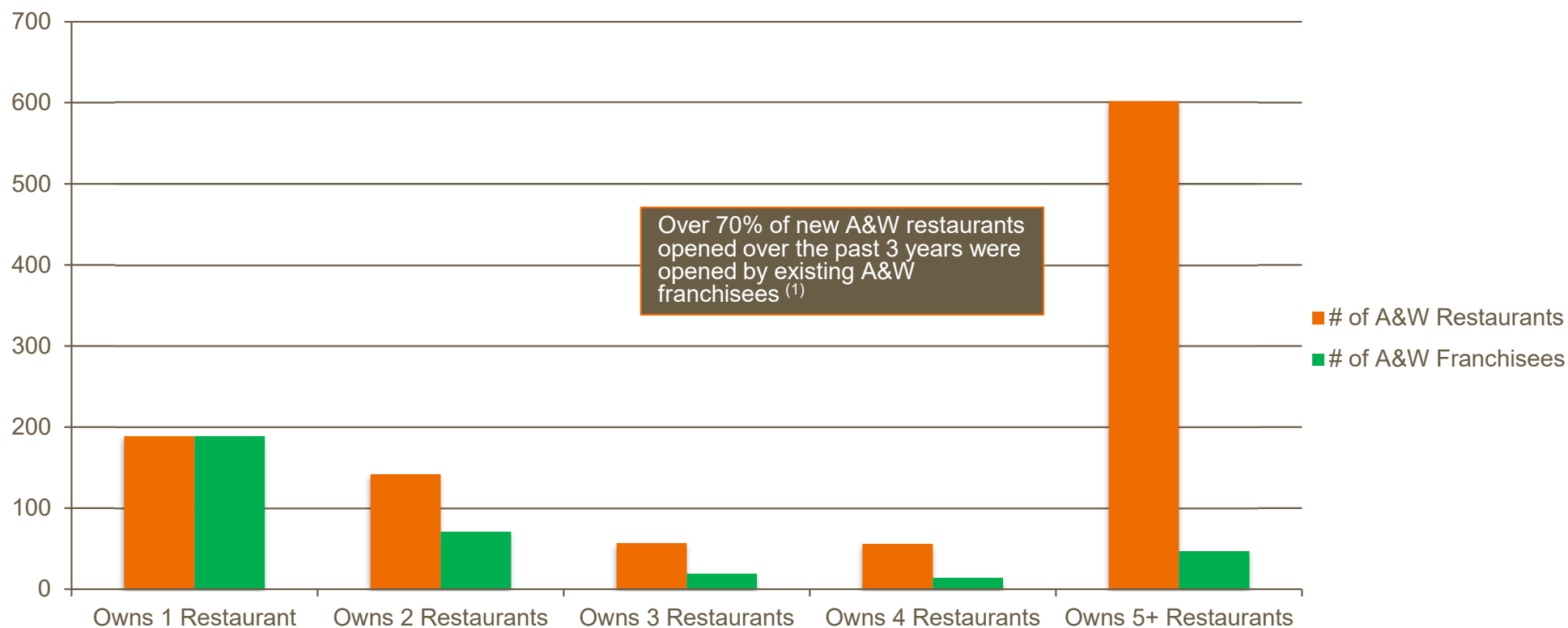


## A&W Core Strengths

- Leadership Experience
  - *26 years average experience*
- Strategy
  - *A unique strength – 40+ years*
- Climate
- Strong relationships with franchisees, employees, suppliers and distributors



## Strong, Experienced Franchisee Base <sup>(1)</sup>



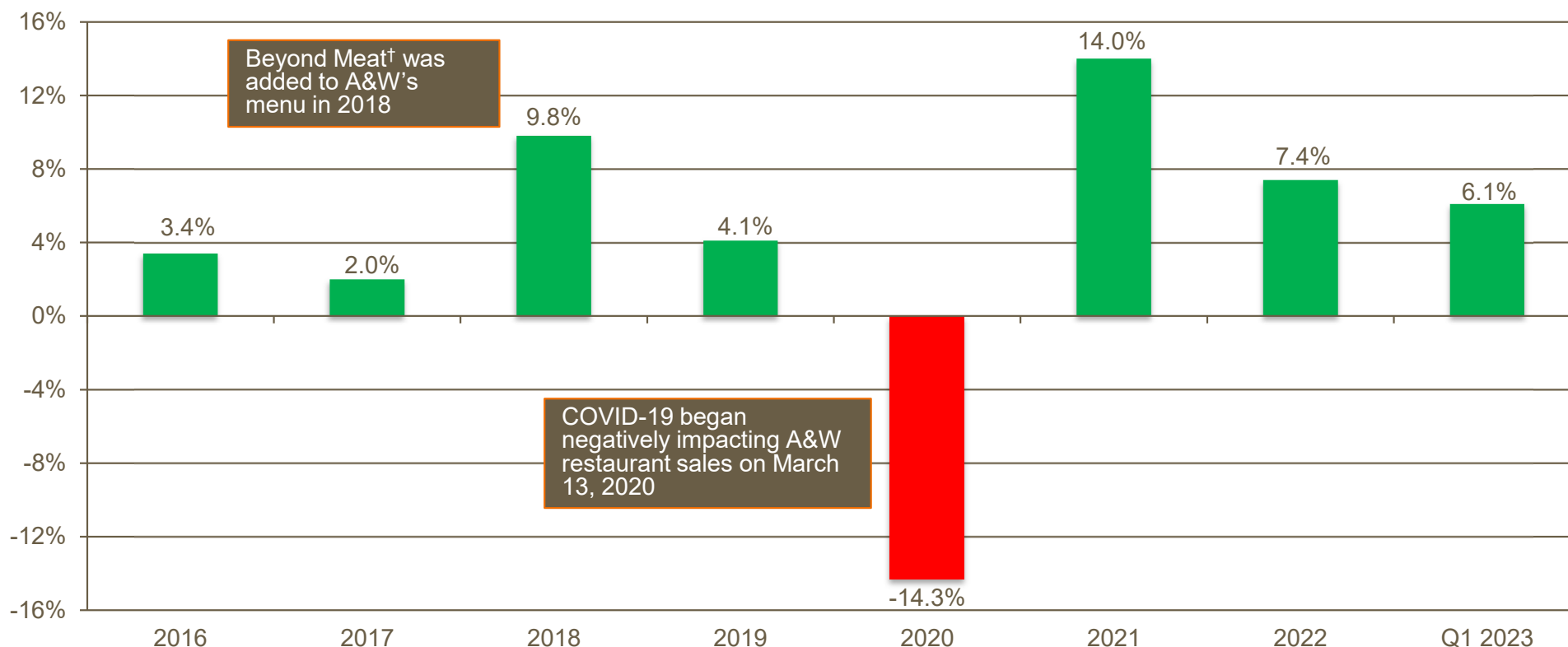
<sup>(1)</sup> Data as at December 31, 2022



## Partnerships with Suppliers & Distributors

- Longstanding partnerships with suppliers and distributors strengthens A&W's ability to navigate supply chain disruptions and inflation and ensure that A&W can continue to deliver consistent quality and great value to its guests (maintained a fill rate of **99%** in 2022).
- Prudent cost management minimizes the impact of inflation on menu prices.
- Agile approach to supply chain management allows A&W to respond and adapt quickly to local circumstances.

# Annual Royalty Pool Same Store Sales Growth<sup>(1)</sup>

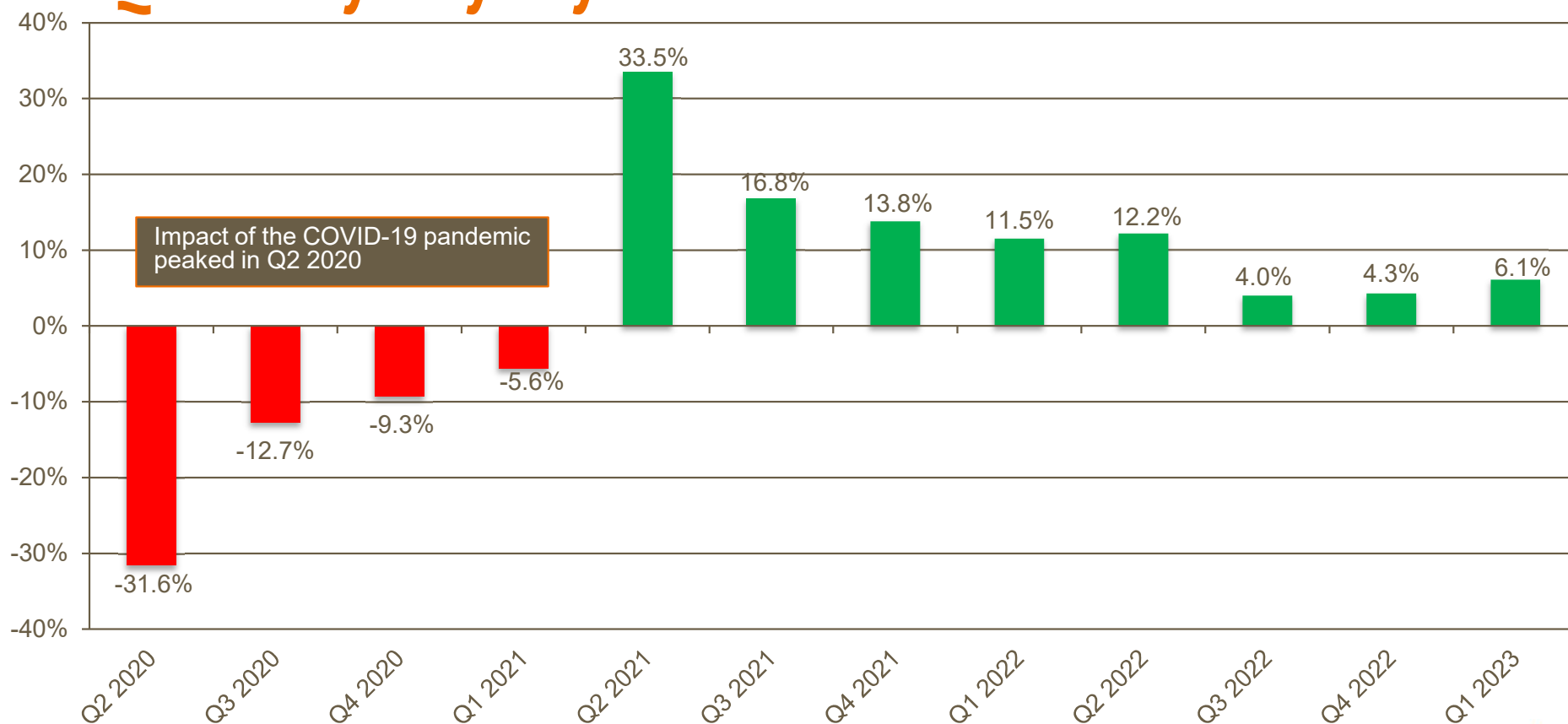


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# Quarterly Royalty Pool Same Store Sales Growth<sup>(1)</sup>



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# A&W's Mission



**TO BECOME #1**  
WITH MILLENNIAL BURGER LOVERS,  
chosen and trusted for truly good food  
*and the convenience they crave.*



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## Strategic Direction

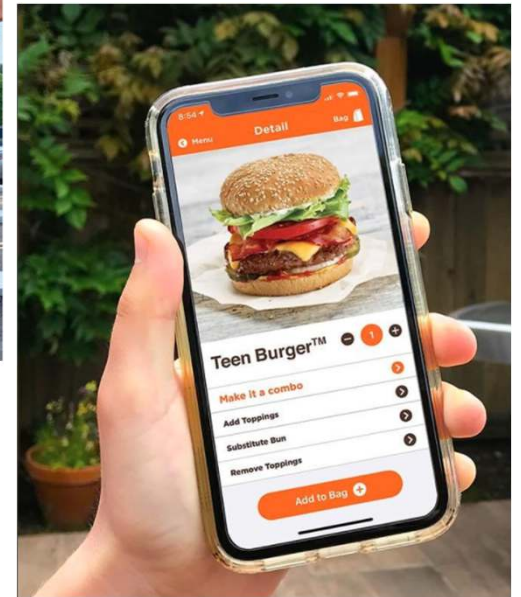
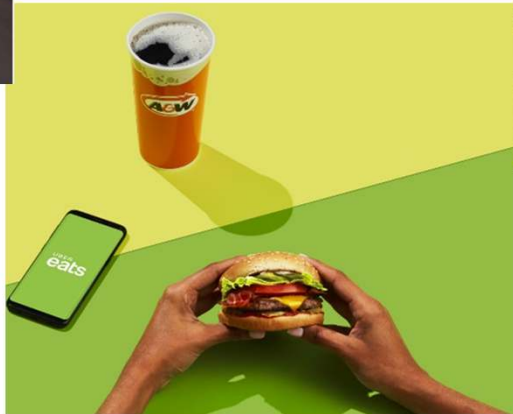
- 1 Be the convenience they crave
- 2 Build our financial health and success
- 3 Innovate our menu to win millennial visits
- 4 Be trusted as #1 for truly good food
- 5 Continue to successfully open new restaurants



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## Be the convenience they crave

- Create and deliver the excellent experience that guests want today, through mobile, delivery and drive-thru





**2**

## **Build our financial health and success**

- Restore the financial health of restaurants most impacted by the effects of COVID-19
- Grow restaurant profitability across all restaurant concepts





3

Innovate our menu to win millennial visits







4

Be trusted as #1 for truly good food





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Continue to successfully open new restaurants





## Our Climate Goals

- Every day I **bring my best** to my work and my team.
- I build a safe environment by **welcoming, accepting and respecting** everyone in our community.
- We **hustle to delight** each guest with the convenience they crave.
- We earn the trust of our guests and each other by always **doing what's right**.
- I **embrace change** and welcome the future with creativity and courage.
- We work **together as partners** pursuing common goals and shared success.
- We **listen to understand** each other.
- I invite, share and act on **feedback** to continuously learn and improve.
- I recognize, **celebrate** and take pride in our big and small wins.



## Top-Line Income Fund Structure

- Royalties are based on Gross Sales reported by restaurants in the Royalty Pool





# 2022 and Q1 2023 Highlights

- Royalty Pool Same Store Sales Growth<sup>(1)</sup>
  - Q1 2023 **+6.1%**
  - 2022 **+7.4%**
- Royalty income increased by **8.1%** in Q1 2023, as compared to Q1 2022, and increased **10.8%** in 2022.
- The distributions declared by the Fund in 2022 increased by 7.8% from 2021. The current distribution rate translates to an annualized rate of \$1.92 per Unit.
- 29 A&W restaurants (less 7 closures) were added to the Royalty Pool on January 5, 2023 (22 net additions in 2022)

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## Fund Revenue, Expenses and Distributable Cash

(dollars in thousands)	2022	2021	Q1 2023	Q1 2022
Royalty Pool Same Store Sales Growth <sup>(1)</sup>	+7.4%	+14.0%	+6.1%	+11.5%
Gross sales reported by A&W restaurants in the Royalty Pool <sup>(1)</sup>	\$1,739,377	\$1,569,377	\$381,298	\$352,614
Royalty income	\$52,181	\$47,081	\$11,439	\$10,578
General and administrative expenses	\$983	\$817	\$249	\$266
Interest expense	\$2,113	\$2,514	\$305	\$574
Current tax expense	\$10,471	\$7,277	\$2,813	\$3,755
Net cash generated from operating activities	\$44,264	\$34,113	\$2,298	\$7,942
Distributable Cash Generated <sup>(2)</sup>	\$38,614	\$36,298	\$8,072	\$5,983

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<sup>(2)</sup> "Distributable Cash Generated" is a non-IFRS financial measure. See "Non-IFRS Measures".



## Fund Distributions and Payout Ratio

(dollars in thousands except per unit amounts)	2022	2021	Q1 2023	Q1 2022
Distributable Cash Generated <sup>(1)</sup>	\$38,614	\$36,298	\$8,072	\$5,983
Distributable Cash per Equivalent Unit <sup>(2)</sup>	\$1.941	\$1.885	\$0.396	\$0.302
Distributions and Dividends Declared per Equivalent Unit <sup>(2)</sup>	\$1.875	\$1.740	\$0.320	\$0.310
Payout Ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	96.6%	92.3%	112.9%	145.0%

The Payout Ratio is impacted by seasonality of sales of the A&W restaurants and the timing of current income taxes and the distribution rate in effect at the time.

<sup>(1)</sup> "Distributable Cash Generated" is a non-IFRS financial measure. See "Non-IFRS Measures".

<sup>(2)</sup> "Distributable cash per Equivalent Unit", "Distributions and Dividends Declared per Equivalent Unit" and "Payout Ratio" are non-IFRS ratios. See "Non-IFRS Measures".





# Fund's Monthly Distributions

2023

Month	Distribution per unit
January	\$0.160
February	\$0.160
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0.320</b>

Annualized distribution rate is now \$1.92 per Unit.

2022

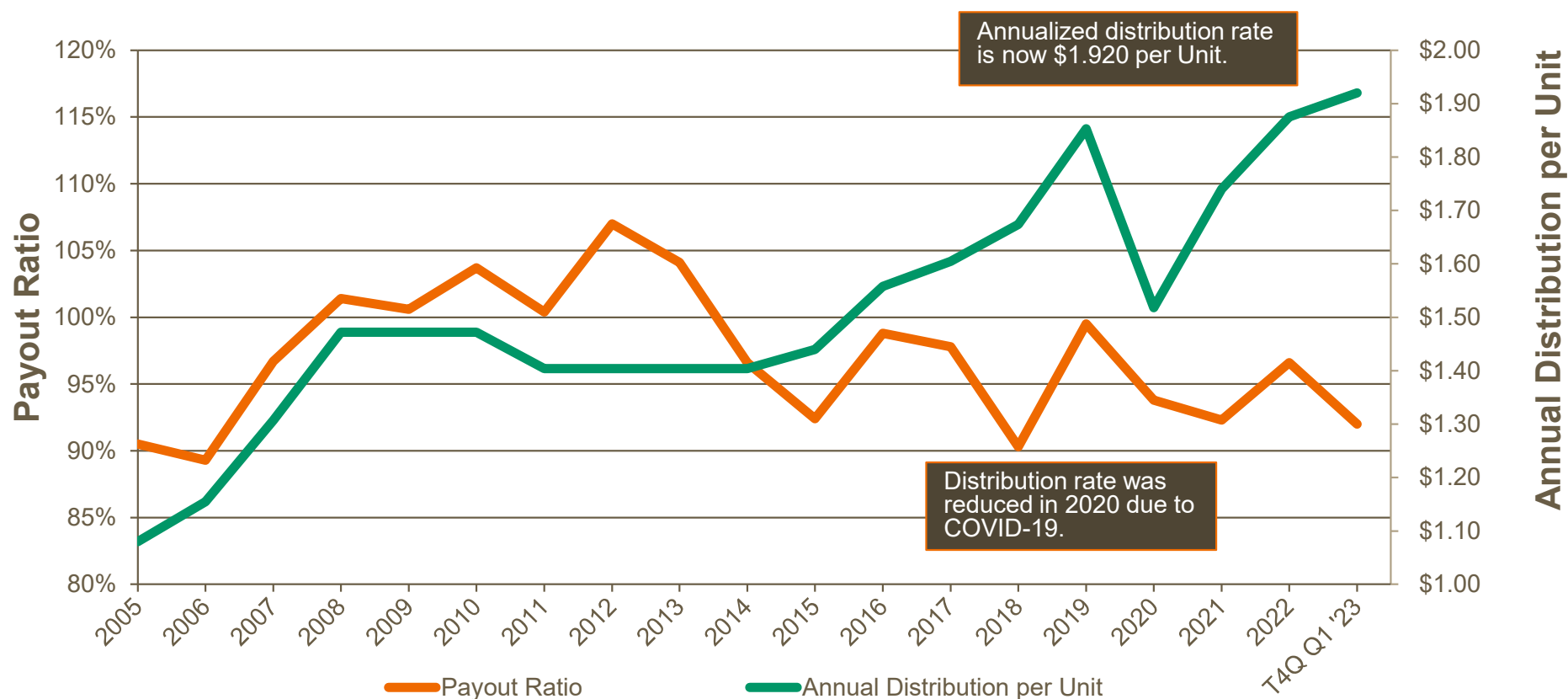
Month	Distribution per unit
January	\$0.155
February	\$0.155
March	\$0.155
April	\$0.155
May	\$0.155
June	\$0.155
July	\$0.155
August	\$0.155
September	\$0.155
<b>October</b>	<b>\$0.160</b>
November	\$0.160
December	\$0.160
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1.875</b>

The monthly distribution rate increased from 15.5¢ per Unit to 16.0¢ per Unit beginning with the October distribution that was paid on November 30, 2022.

*Distribution rate increased*



# Annual Distributions & Payout Ratio<sup>(1)</sup>

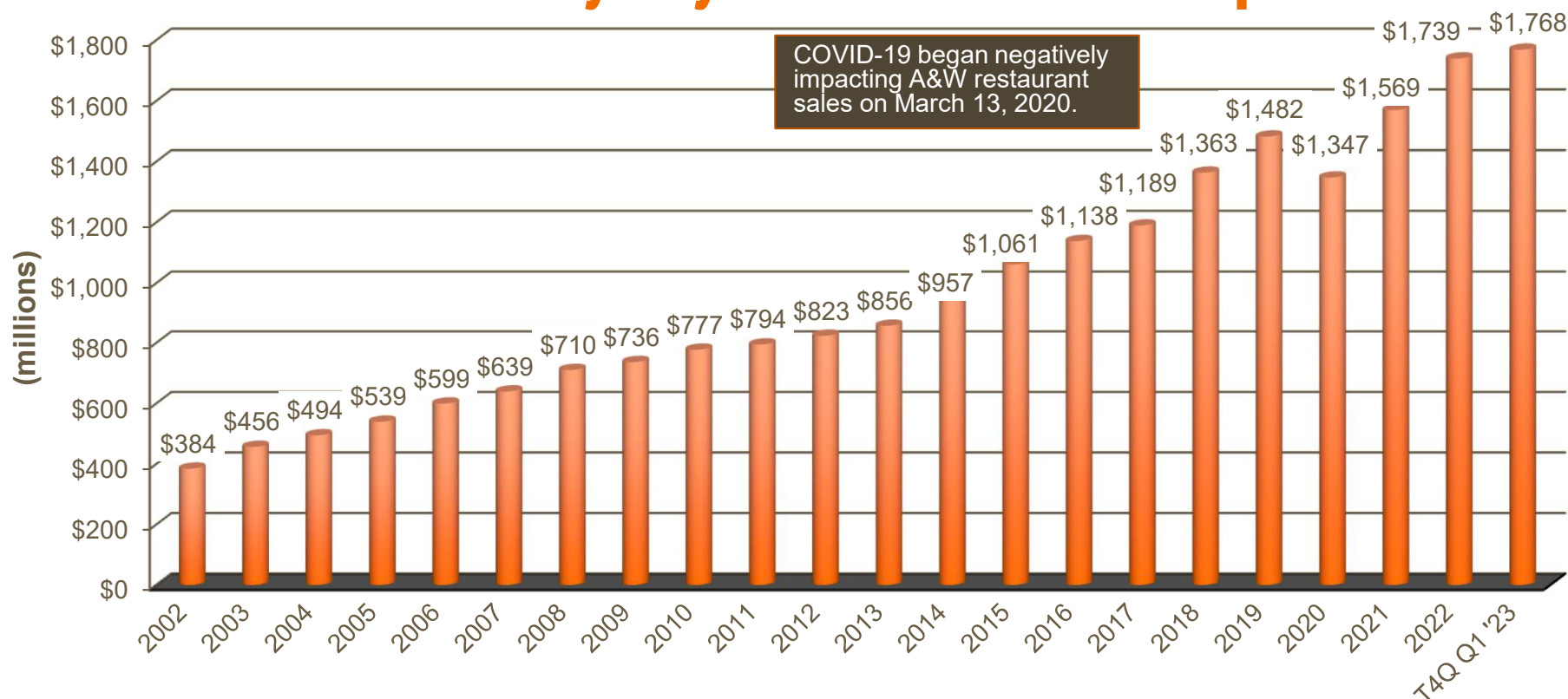


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T4Q = Trailing 4 quarters



## Gross sales reported by A&W restaurants in the Royalty Pool<sup>(1)</sup> Since Inception

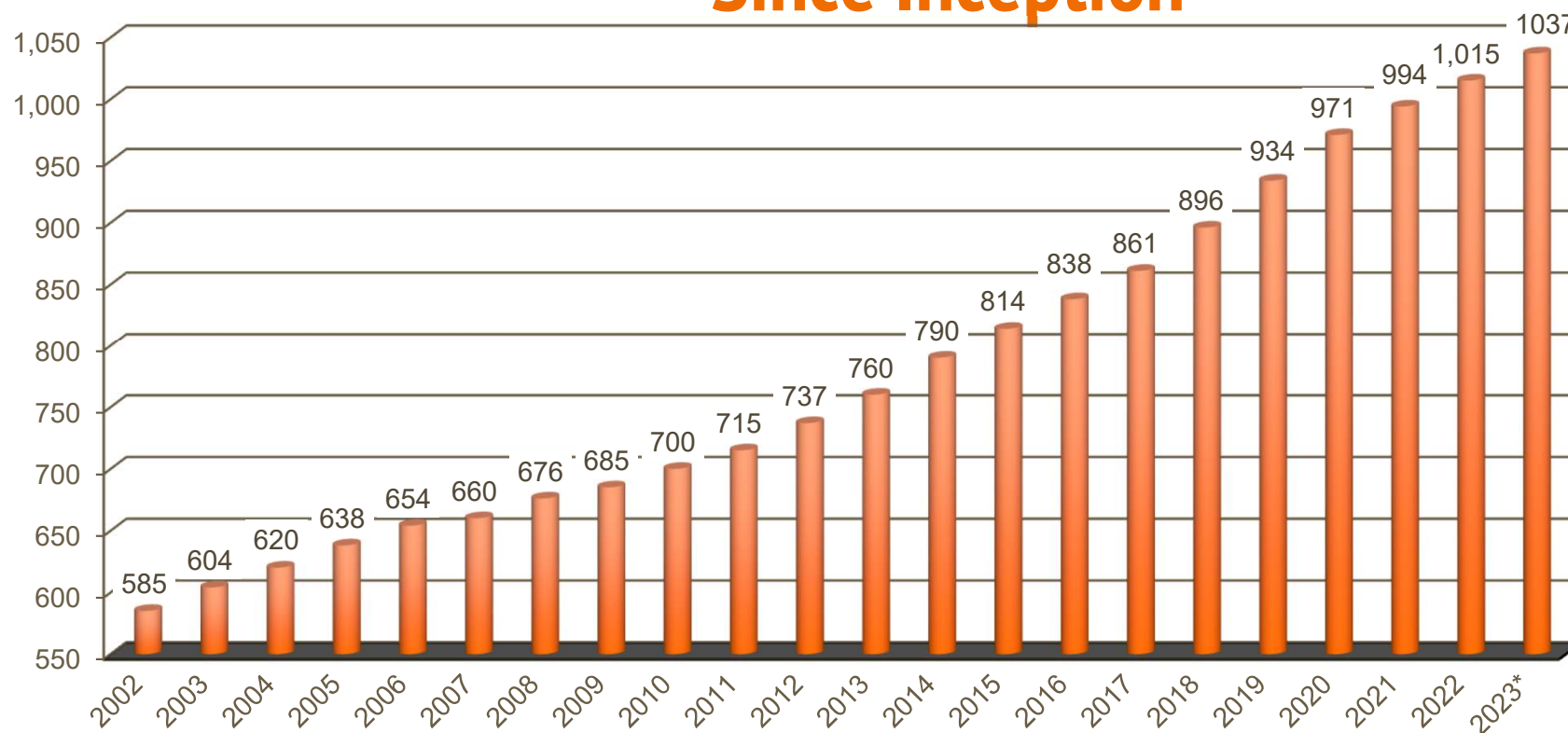


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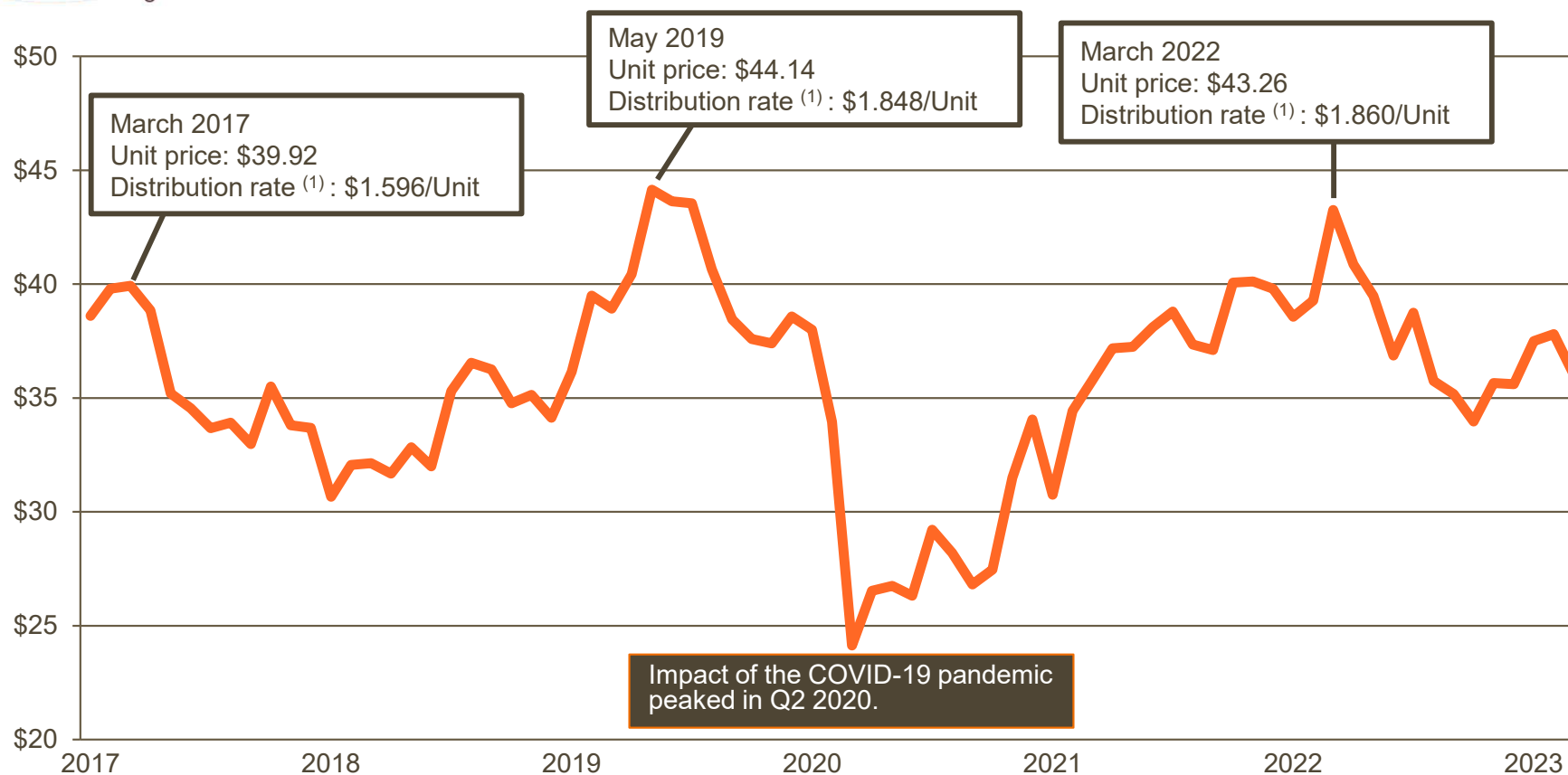
## Number of Restaurants in the Royalty Pool Since Inception



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## AW.UN - Unit Price

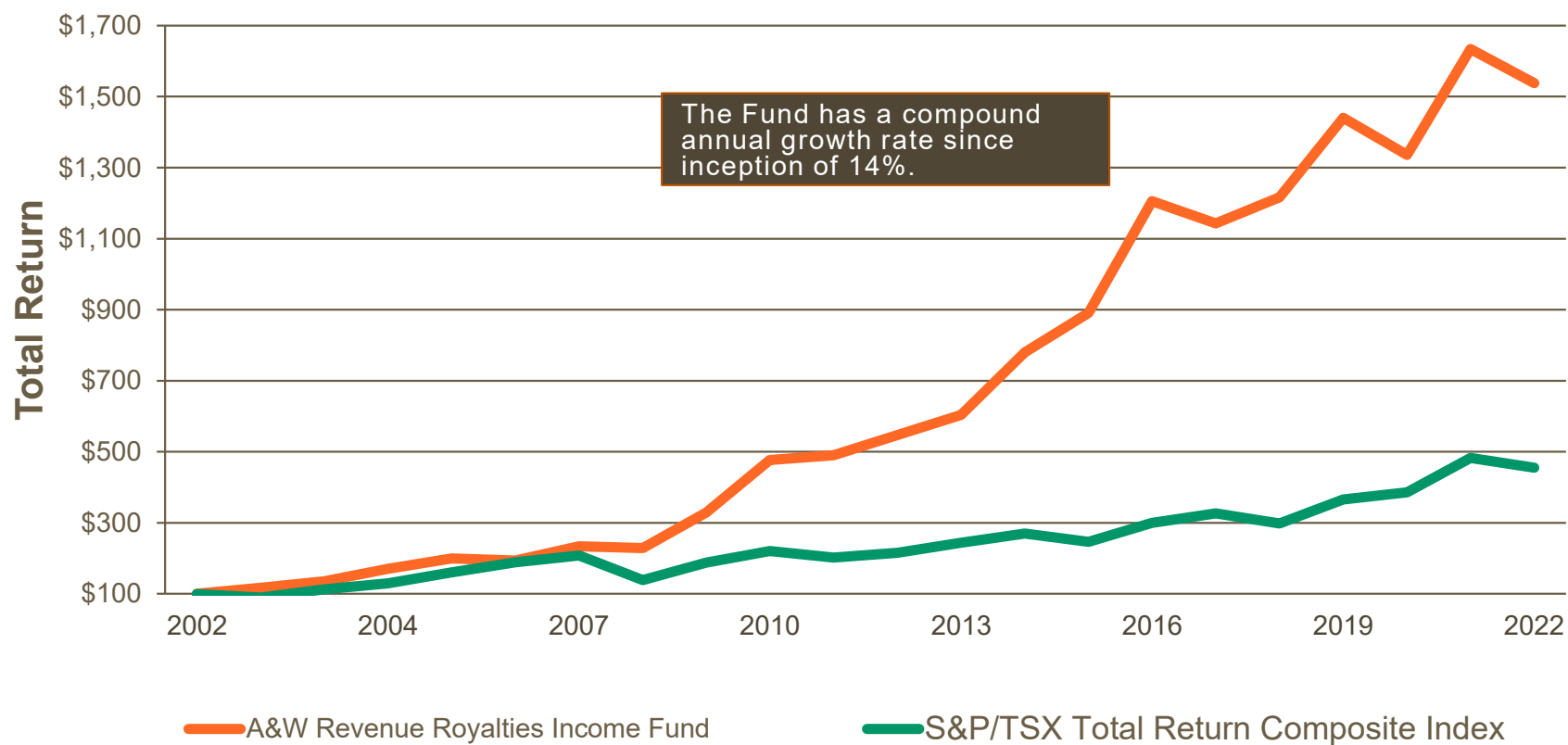


<sup>(1)</sup> Distribution rate is equal to the annualized monthly distribution at the time

Source: monthly closing price of AW.UN from TMX



## Unitholders' Return Since Inception<sup>(1)</sup>



<sup>(1)</sup> Assumes an investment of \$100 on February 15, 2002 and reinvestment of distributions through 2022



# Forward Looking Information

Certain statements in this presentation contain forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable securities laws in Canada ("forward-looking information"). The words "anticipates", "believes", "budgets", "could", "estimates", "expects", "forecasts", "intends", "may", "might", "plans", "projects", "schedule", "should", "will", "would" and similar expressions are often intended to identify forward-looking information, although not all forward-looking information contains these identifying words.

The forward-looking information in this presentation includes, but is not limited to: the strategic direction of A&W Food Services of Canada Inc. ("Food Services"), including, be the convenience they crave, build our financial health and success, innovate our menu to win millennial visits, be trusted as #1 for truly good food and continue to successfully open new restaurants.

The forward-looking information in this document is based on various assumptions that include, but are not limited to: the general risks that affect the restaurant industry will not arise; no Class A exchangeable shares or Class B exchangeable shares of the Company will be issued; there are no changes in availability of experienced management and hourly employees; there are no material changes in government regulations concerning menu labelling and disclosure and drive-thru restrictions, franchise legislation or sales taxes; no publicity from any food borne illness; no material changes in competition; no material changes in the quick service restaurant burger market including as a result of changes in consumer taste or health concerns or changes in economic conditions or unemployment, a disease outbreak; no material increases in food and labour costs; the continued availability of quality raw materials; continued additional franchise sales and maintenance of franchise operations; Food Services is able to continue to grow system sales; Food Services is able to maintain and grow the current system of franchises; Food Services is able to locate new retail sites in prime locations; Food Services is able to obtain qualified operators to become A&W franchisees; existing franchisees are able to successfully operate and grow their businesses and maintain profitability; no closures of A&W restaurants that materially affect the amount of the Royalty; no material impact on sales from closures of "anchor" stores in shopping centres; no material changes in traffic patterns at shopping centres and other retail nodes; no material closures to shopping centres or other retail nodes in which A&W operates; no supply disruptions; franchisees duly pay service fees and other amounts; no material impact from new or increased sales taxes upon gross sales; continued availability of key personnel; continued ability to preserve intellectual property; no material litigation from guests at A&W restaurants; the Fund will receive sufficient revenue in the future (in the form of royalty payments from Food Services) to maintain the payment of monthly distributions; the Company continues to pay dividends on the common shares and A&W Trade Marks Limited Partnership continues to make distributions on its units in amounts sufficient to allow the Fund to continue to pay distributions on its Units at current levels; Food Services can continue to comply with its obligations under its credit arrangements; the Company can continue to comply with its obligations and covenants under its credit arrangements; the Company's performance does not fluctuate such that cash distributions are affected; the projections for the A&W business provided by Food Services are accurate; and Food Services will be successful in executing on its business strategies and such strategies will achieve their intended results.

The forward-looking information is subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors related to the quick service restaurant industry that include, but are not limited to: the general risks that affect the restaurant industry in general and the quick service segment in particular, including competition with other well-capitalized franchisors and operators of quick service restaurants; risks related to changes in consumer preferences that adversely affect the consumption of quick service restaurant hamburgers, chicken, fries, breakfast items or soft drinks; risks related to negative publicity, litigation or complaints from perceived or actual food safety events or other events involving the foodservice industry in general or A&W restaurants in particular; risks related to changes in the availability and quality of raw materials, including A&W's natural ingredients; risks related to the possible lack of success of new products and advertising campaigns; risks related to changes in climate or increases in environmental regulation; risks related to changes in Food Services' ability to continue to grow same store sales, locate new retail sites in desirable locations and obtain qualified operators to become A&W franchisees; risks related to increases in closures of A&W restaurants adversely affecting the Royalty; risks related to decreases in traffic at shopping centers and other retail nodes; risks related to changes in Food Services' ability to pay the Royalty due to changes in A&W franchisees' ability to generate sales and pay service fees and other amounts to Food Services; risks related to changes in government regulation that affects the restaurant industry in general or the quick service restaurant industry in particular, including franchise legislation and sales tax legislation; risks related to changes in the availability of key personnel, including qualified franchise operators; risks related to changes in the ability to enforce or maintain intellectual property; risks related to technological breakdowns, cybersecurity breaches and the security of consumer and personal information; risks related to the amplificatory effects of media and social media; risks related to global health crises, disease outbreaks, international conflicts, economic conditions and other unexpected events which could affect Food Services' and A&W franchisees' supply chains, business continuity, and financial results; risks related to the availability and adequacy of insurance coverage; risks related to the occurrence of catastrophic events; risks related to international conflicts; risks related to inflation; and changes in economic conditions, including economic recession or changes in the rate of inflation or deflation, employment rates and household debt, political uncertainty, interest rates, currency exchange rates or derivative and commodity prices.

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More information about the risks and uncertainties affecting the Fund and Food Services' business can be found in the "Risk Factors" section of the Fund's Annual Information Form dated February 28, 2023, which is available under the Fund's profile on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com)

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# Non-IFRS Measures

This presentation release makes references to the following non-IFRS measures: "Gross sales reported by A&W restaurants in the Royalty Pool", "Royalty Pool Same Store Sales Growth", "Distributable Cash Generated", "Distributable Cash per Equivalent Unit", "Distributions and Dividends Declared per Equivalent Unit", "Payout ratio" and "System Sales". The Fund believes that disclosing these non-IFRS measures provides readers of this news release with important information regarding the Fund's financial performance and its ability to pay distributions to unitholders. By considering these measures in combination with IFRS measures, the Fund believes that readers are provided with additional and more useful information about the Fund than readers would have if they simply considered IFRS measures alone. The non-IFRS measures reported by the Fund do not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS and the Fund's method of calculating these measures may differ from those of other issuers or companies and may not be comparable to similar measures used by other issuers or companies.

Refer to the "Selected Information" section of the Fund's MD&A for the first quarter ended March 26, 2023, for a reconciliation of Distributable Cash Generated to net cash generated from operating activities, the most comparable IFRS measure and the "Non-IFRS Measures" section of the Fund's MD&A for the first quarter ended March 26, 2023 for further details on how the Fund's non-IFRS measures are calculated and used to assess the Fund's performance. The Fund's MD&A is available under the Fund's profile on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and on the Fund's website at [www.awincomefund.ca](http://www.awincomefund.ca).

Refer to the "Selected Information" section of Food Services' Report to Unitholders of A&W Revenue Royalties Income Fund for the first quarter ended March 26, 2023, for a reconciliation of System Sales to Revenue from Corporate Restaurants, the most comparable IFRS measure, and the "Non-IFRS Measures" section of Food Services' Report to Unitholders of A&W Revenue Royalties Income Fund for the first quarter ended March 26, 2023 for further details on how System Sales is calculated and used to assess Food Service's performance. Food Services' Report to Unitholders of A&W Revenue Royalties Income Fund is available on the Fund's website at [www.awincomefund.ca](http://www.awincomefund.ca).

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