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): July 31, 2024

COCA-COLA CONSOLIDATED, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

4100 Coca-Cola Plaza Charlotte, NC (Address of principal executive offices) 0-9286 (Commission File Number) 56-0950585 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

> 28211 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (980) 392-8298

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:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ 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
Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	COKE	The Nasdaq Global Select Market

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 July 31, 2024, Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc. (the "Company") issued a news release reporting its financial results for the second quarter ended June 28, 2024 and the first half of fiscal 2024. A copy of the news release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description	Incorporated by Reference or Filed/Furnished Herewith
99.1	News release issued on July 31, 2024, reporting the Company's financial results for the second quarter ended June 28, 2024 and the first half of fiscal 2024.	Furnished herewith.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File – the cover page interactive data file does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.	Filed herewith.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in any such filing.

SIGNATURE

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.

COCA-COLA CONSOLIDATED, INC.

Date: July 31, 2024

By: /s/ F. Scott Anthony

F. Scott Anthony Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



Coca-Cola Consolidated Reports Second Quarter and First Half 2024 Results

- Second quarter of 2024 net sales increased 3% versus the second quarter of 2023.
- Gross profit in the second quarter of 2024 was \$717 million, an increase of 7% versus the second quarter of 2023. Gross margin in the second quarter of 2024 improved by 130 basis points^(a) to 39.9%.
- Income from operations for the second quarter of 2024 was \$259 million, up \$25 million, or 11%, versus the second quarter of 2023. Operating margin for the second quarter of 2024 was 14.4% as compared to 13.4% for the second quarter of 2023, an increase of 100 basis points.

Key Results

	Second Q	uarter		First H		
(in millions)	2024	2023	Change	2024	2023	Change
Standard physical case volume	91.5	92.6	(1.2)%	173.6	175.0	(0.8)%
Net sales	\$1,795.9	\$1,738.8	3.3%	\$3,387.6	\$3,310.5	2.3%
Gross profit	\$716.7	\$671.6	6.7%	\$1,357.3	\$1,295.7	4.8%
Gross margin	39.9 %	38.6 %		40.1 %	39.1 %	
Income from operations	\$259.1	\$233.7	10.9%	\$474.5	\$439.7	7.9%
Operating margin	14.4 %	13.4 %		14.0 %	13.3 %	

Beverage Sales	Second Qu	larter		First Ha	alf	
(in millions)	2024	2023	Change	2024	2023	Change
Sparkling bottle/can	\$1,048.9	\$1,004.4	4.4%	\$1,996.4	\$1,918.7	4.0%
Still bottle/can	\$597.5	\$573.6	4.2%	\$1,108.4	\$1,082.9	2.4%

Second Quarter and First Half 2024 Review

CHARLOTTE, July 31, 2024 – Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc. (NASDAQ: COKE) today reported operating results for the second quarter ended June 28, 2024 and the first half of fiscal 2024.

"We are pleased to report strong second quarter results that reflect our continued focus on margin management and operating efficiency," said J. Frank Harrison, III, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "In addition to reaching higher levels of profitability this quarter, we made important progress in our commitment to build long-term value for our stockholders through a significant repurchase of our common shares. We look forward to communicating additional plans with you in the coming weeks."

Net sales increased 3.3% to \$1.8 billion in the second quarter of 2024 and increased 2.3% to \$3.4 billion in the first half of 2024. Sparkling and Still net sales increased 4.4% and 4.2%, respectively, compared to the second quarter of 2023. The net sales growth was driven by pricing actions taken during the first quarter of 2024.

Standard physical case volume was down 1.2% in the second quarter of 2024 and down 0.8% in the first half of the year. For the first half of 2024, comparable^(b) standard physical case volume decreased 0.3% compared to the first half of 2023, which included one additional selling day. Sparkling category volume remained relatively flat during the second quarter with strong performance of multi-serve can packages sold in larger retail stores. Still category physical case volume declined 3.5% during the second quarter of 2024. We continue to see softness in Dasani casepack water as well as BODYARMOR but we experienced strength in several key brands including Monster, POWERade, Core Power and vitaminwater.

"Our local teams did outstanding work executing our commercial plan leading up to the July 4th holiday, which resulted in very solid performance of our brands this quarter," said Dave Katz, President and Chief Operating Officer. "We are especially pleased with the performance of our Sparkling brands as we've expanded our portfolio with a variety of value-oriented packages."

Direct store delivery ("DSD") is our preferred and primary route to market. However, as our business becomes more complex with an increasing number of brands and packages, we are expanding our delivery methods to include routes to market outside our traditional DSD capabilities. We receive fees associated with our non-DSD sales that benefit our overall profitability but the volume is not reported as part of our standard physical case volume. For example, we have shifted the distribution of casepack Dasani water sold in Walmart stores to a non-DSD method of distribution which reduced our second quarter reported case sales by 0.8%.

Gross profit in the second quarter of 2024 was \$716.7 million, an increase of \$45.1 million, or 7%. Gross margin improved 130 basis points to 39.9%. Pricing actions taken during the first quarter of 2024 along with

steady commodity prices were the largest contributors to the overall improvement in gross margin. Gross profit in the first half of 2024 was \$1.4 billion, an increase of \$61.6 million, or 4.8%.

"Our consistent capital investments in mini can and small PET production capabilities over the past several years have enabled us to actively respond to the evolving needs of our consumers and retail partners," Mr. Katz continued. "We are closely monitoring consumer behavior and traffic in key customers as we balance our approach to pricing and package mix."

Selling, delivery and administrative ("SD&A") expenses in the second quarter of 2024 increased \$19.7 million, or 5%. SD&A expenses as a percentage of net sales increased 30 basis points to 25.5% in the second quarter of 2024. The increase in SD&A expenses as compared to the second quarter of 2023 was primarily driven by an increase in labor costs, mostly related to annual wage adjustments and overall inflation. SD&A expenses in the first half of 2024 increased \$26.8 million, or 3.1%. SD&A expenses as a percentage of net sales in the first half of 2024 increased 20 basis points to 26.1% as compared to the first half of 2023.

Income from operations in the second quarter of 2024 was \$259.1 million, compared to \$233.7 million in the second quarter of 2023, an increase of 11%. For the first half of 2024, income from operations increased \$34.8 million to \$474.5 million, an increase of 8%. Operating margin for the first half of 2024 was 14.0% as compared to 13.3% for the first half of 2023, an increase of 70 basis points.

Net income in the second quarter of 2024 was \$172.8 million, compared to \$122.3 million in the second quarter of 2023, an improvement of \$50.5 million. On an adjusted^(b) basis, net income in the second quarter of 2024 was \$192.8 million, compared to \$172.5 million in the second quarter of 2023, an increase of \$20.3 million. Income tax expense for the second quarter of 2024 was \$59.4 million, compared to \$42.4 million for the second quarter of 2023, resulting in an effective income tax rate of approximately 26% for both periods.

Net income in the first half of 2024 was \$338.6 million, compared to \$240.4 million in the first half of 2023, an improvement of \$98.1 million. Net income for the second quarter and first half of 2023 was adversely impacted by the partial settlement of our primary pension plan benefit liabilities during the prior year, which resulted in a non-cash charge of \$39.8 million.

Cash flows provided by operations for the first half of 2024 were \$437.1 million, compared to \$383.3 million for the first half of 2023. Cash flows from operations reflected our strong operating performance during the first half of 2024. In the first half of 2024, we invested \$159 million in capital expenditures as we continue to enhance our supply chain and invest for future growth. For the full year of 2024, we expect our capital expenditures to be between \$300 million and \$350 million.

^(a) All comparisons are to the corresponding period in the prior year unless specified otherwise.

^(b) The discussion of the operating results for the second quarter ended June 28, 2024 and the first half of fiscal 2024 includes selected non-GAAP financial information, such as "comparable" and "adjusted" results. The schedules in this news release reconcile such non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures.

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About Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc.

Coca-Cola Consolidated is the largest Coca-Cola bottler in the United States. Our Purpose is to honor God in all we do, to serve others, to pursue excellence and to grow profitably. For over 122 years, we have been deeply committed to the consumers, customers and communities we serve and passionate about the broad portfolio of beverages and services we offer. We make, sell and distribute beverages of The Coca-Cola Company and other partner companies in more than 300 brands and flavors across 14 states and the District of Columbia, to approximately 60 million consumers.

Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Coca-Cola Consolidated is traded on The Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "COKE". More information about the Company is available at www.cokeconsolidated.com. Follow Coca-Cola Consolidated on Facebook, X, Instagram and LinkedIn.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this news release are "forward-looking statements" that involve risks and uncertainties which we expect will or may occur in the future and may impact our business, financial condition and results of operations. The words "anticipate," "believe," "expect," "intend," "project," "may," "will," "should," "could" and similar expressions are intended to identify those forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements reflect the Company's best judgment based on current information, and, although we base these statements on circumstances that we believe to be reasonable when made, there can be no assurance that future events will not affect the accuracy of such forward-looking information. As such, the forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and actual results may vary materially from the projected results and expectations discussed in this news release. Factors that might cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: increased costs (including due to inflation), disruption of supply or unavailability or shortages of raw materials, fuel and other supplies; the reliance on purchased finished products from external sources; changes in public and consumer perception and preferences, including concerns related to product safety and sustainability, artificial ingredients, brand reputation and obesity; changes in government regulations related to nonalcoholic beverages, including regulations related to obesity, public health, artificial ingredients and product safety and sustainability; decreases from historic levels of marketing funding support provided to us by The Coca-Cola Company and other beverage companies; material changes in the performance requirements for marketing funding support or our inability to meet such requirements; decreases from historic levels of advertising, marketing and product innovation spending by The Coca-Cola Company and other beverage companies, or advertising campaigns that are negatively perceived by the public; any failure of the several Coca-Cola system governance entities of which we are a participant to function efficiently or on our best behalf and any failure or delay of ours to receive anticipated benefits from these governance entities; provisions in our beverage distribution and manufacturing agreements with The Coca-Cola Company that could delay or prevent a change in control of us or a sale of our Coca-Cola distribution or manufacturing businesses; the concentration of our capital stock ownership; our inability to meet requirements under our beverage distribution and manufacturing agreements; changes in the inputs used to calculate our acquisition related contingent consideration liability; technology failures or cyberattacks on our information technology systems or our effective response to technology failures or cyberattacks on our customers', suppliers' or other third parties' information technology systems; unfavorable changes in the general economy; the concentration risks among our customers and suppliers; lower than expected net pricing of our products resulting from continued and increased customer and competitor consolidations and marketplace competition; the effect of changes in our level of debt, borrowing costs and credit ratings on our access to capital and credit markets, operating flexibility and ability to obtain additional financing to fund future needs; the failure to attract, train and retain qualified employees while controlling labor costs, and other labor issues; the failure to maintain productive relationships with our employees covered by collective bargaining agreements, including failing to renegotiate collective bargaining agreements; changes in accounting standards; our use of estimates and assumptions; changes in tax laws, disagreements with tax authorities or additional tax liabilities; changes in legal contingencies; natural disasters, changing weather patterns and unfavorable weather; climate change or legislative or regulatory responses to such change; and the impact of any pandemic or public health situation. These and other factors are discussed in the Company's regulatory filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, including those in "Item 1A. Risk Factors" of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023. The forward-looking statements contained in this news release speak only as of this date, and the Company does not assume any obligation to update them, except as may be required by applicable law.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

		Second	Qu	arter		First	t Ha	lf
(in thousands, except per share data)		2024		2023		2024		2023
Net sales	\$	1,795,943	\$	1,738,832	\$	3,387,569	\$	3,310,474
Cost of sales		1,079,233		1,067,255		2,030,300		2,014,791
Gross profit		716,710		671,577		1,357,269		1,295,683
Selling, delivery and administrative expenses		457,570		437,907		882,723		855,959
Income from operations		259,140		233,670		474,546		439,724
Interest (income) expense, net		(1,620)		1,353		(4,336)		4,282
Pension plan settlement expense				39,777		—		39,777
Other expense, net		28,535		27,788		23,822		71,711
Income before taxes		232,225		164,752		455,060		323,954
Income tax expense		59,413		42,433		116,507		83,508
Net income	\$	172,812	\$	122,319	\$	338,553	\$	240,446
Basic net income per share:								
Common Stock	\$	18.57	\$	13.05	\$	36.26	\$	25.65
Weighted average number of Common Stock shares outstanding		8,302		8,369	-	8,335		8,369
Class B Common Stock	\$	18.56	\$	13.05	\$	36.18	\$	25.65
Weighted average number of Class B Common Stock shares	<u> </u>		: <u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
outstanding		1,005		1,005		1,005		1,005
Diluted net income per share:								
Common Stock	\$	18.54	\$	13.02	\$	36.19	\$	25.59
Weighted average number of Common Stock shares outstanding –	Ψ	10.04	Ψ	10.02	Ψ	00.13	Ψ	20.00
assuming dilution		9,321		9,396		9,354		9,396
Class B Common Stock	\$	18.53	\$	13.01	\$	35.92	\$	25.51
Weighted average number of Class B Common Stock shares outstanding – assuming dilution		1,019		1,027		1,019		1,027



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

(in thousands)	Ju	ine 28, 2024	Dece	mber 31, 2023
ASSETS				
Current Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,699,288	\$	635,269
Short-term investments		198,771		
Trade accounts receivable, net		602,563		539,873
Other accounts receivable		114,248		119,469
Inventories		338,249		321,932
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		83,225		88,585
Total current assets		3,036,344		1,705,128
Property, plant and equipment, net		1,366,054		1,320,563
Right-of-use assets - operating leases		110,139		122,708
Leased property under financing leases, net		3,962		4,785
Other assets		162,285		145,213
Goodwill		165,903		165,903
Other identifiable intangible assets, net		811,385		824,642
Total assets	\$	5,656,072	\$	4,288,942
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
Current Liabilities:				
Current portion of obligations under operating leases	\$	23,923	\$	26,194
Current portion of obligations under financing leases		2,584		2,487
Dividends payable				154,666
Share repurchase obligation to The Coca-Cola Company		553,723		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		959,383		907,987
Total current liabilities		1,539,613		1,091,334
Deferred income taxes		130,658		128,435
Pension and postretirement benefit obligations and other liabilities		909,543		927,113
Noncurrent portion of obligations under operating leases		92,248		102,271
Noncurrent portion of obligations under financing leases		3,714		5,032
Long-term debt		1,785,102		599,159
Total liabilities		4,460,878		2,853,344
Equity:				
Stockholders' equity		1,195,194		1,435,598
Total liabilities and equity	\$	5,656,072	\$	4,288,942



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

		First	Half	
(in thousands)		2024		2023
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:				
Net income	\$	338,553	\$	240,446
Depreciation expense, amortization of intangible assets and deferred proceeds, net		94,409		87,185
Fair value adjustment of acquisition related contingent consideration		22,285		67,174
Deferred income taxes		2,264		(7,848)
Pension plan settlement expense		_		39,777
Change in current assets and current liabilities		257		(41,957)
Change in noncurrent assets and noncurrent liabilities		(23,583)		(6,061)
Other		2,946		4,622
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	437,131	\$	383,338
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Purchases and disposals of short-term investments	\$	(196,480)	\$	—
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(159,400)		(92,893)
Other		(6,299)		(5,766)
Net cash used in investing activities	\$	(362,179)	\$	(98,659)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:				
Proceeds from bond issuance	\$	1,200,000	\$	
Cash dividends paid		(159,353)		(37,495)
Payments of acquisition related contingent consideration		(23,676)		(13,376)
Payments related to share repurchases		(14,471)		_
Debt issuance fees		(12,212)		(154)
Other		(1,221)		(1,130)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$	989,067	\$	(52,155)
Net increase in cash during period	\$	1,064,019	\$	232,524
Cash at beginning of period	Ψ	635,269	Ψ	197,648
Cash at end of period	\$	1,699,288	\$	430,172



COMPARABLE AND NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES^(c)

The following tables reconcile reported results (GAAP) to comparable and adjusted results (non-GAAP):

	Second Quarter 2024												
(in thousands, except per share data)	Gr	oss profit		SD&A expenses		ncome from operations	l	ncome before taxes		Net income		Basic net come per share	
Reported results (GAAP)	\$	716,710	\$	457,570	\$	259,140	\$	232,225	\$	172,812	\$	18.57	
Fair value adjustment of acquisition related contingent consideration				_				27,826		20,950		2.25	
Fair value adjustments for commodity derivative instruments		(1,075)		254		(1,329)		(1,329)		(1,001)		(0.11)	
Total reconciling items		(1,075)		254		(1,329)		26,497		19,949		2.14	
Adjusted results (non-GAAP)	\$	715,635	\$	457,824	\$	257,811	\$	258,722	\$	192,761	\$	20.71	
Adjusted % Change vs. Second Quarter 2023		6.4 %		4.6 %	5	9.7 9	%						

	Second Quarter 2023												
(in thousands, except per share data)	Gr	oss profit		SD&A expenses		Income from operations	In	come before taxes		Net income		Basic net income per share	
Reported results (GAAP)	\$	671,577	\$	437,907	\$	233,670	\$	164,752	\$	122,319	\$	13.05	
Fair value adjustment of acquisition related contingent consideration						_		25,520		19,214		2.05	
Fair value adjustments for commodity derivative instruments		1,097		(224)		1,321		1,321		994		0.10	
Pension plan settlement expense		—		_		—		39,777		29,948		3.19	
Total reconciling items		1,097		(224)		1,321		66,618		50,156		5.34	
Adjusted results (non-GAAP)	\$	672,674	\$	437,683	\$	234,991	\$	231,370	\$	172,475	\$	18.39	

Results for the first half of 2023 include one additional selling day compared to the first half of 2024. For comparison purposes, the estimated impact of the additional selling day in the first half of 2023 has been excluded from our comparable^(b) volume results.

	First Ha	alf	
(in millions)	2024	2023	Change
Standard physical case volume	173.6	175.0	(0.8)%
Volume related to extra day in fiscal period	—	(0.9)	
Comparable standard physical case volume	173.6	174.1	(0.3)%

					First Ha	alf	2024		
(in thousands, except per share data)	G	iross profit	SD&A expenses		Income from operations		ncome before taxes	Net income	Basic net income per share
Reported results (GAAP)	\$	1,357,269	\$ 882,723	\$	474,546	\$	455,060	\$ 338,553	\$ 36.26
Fair value adjustment of acquisition related contingent consideration		_	_		_		22,285	16,778	1.80
Fair value adjustments for commodity derivative instruments		81	211		(130)		(130)	(98)	(0.01)
Total reconciling items		81	211		(130)		22,155	16,680	1.79
Adjusted results (non-GAAP)	\$	1,357,350	\$ 882,934	\$	474,416	\$	477,215	\$ \$ 355,233	\$ 38.05
Adjusted % Change vs. First Half 2023		4.6 %	3.5 %)	6.8	%			

		First Half 2023												
(in thousands, except per share data)	Gross profit		SD&A expenses			ncome from operations	Income before taxes		Net income			Basic net income per share		
Reported results (GAAP)	\$	1,295,683	\$	855,959	\$	439,724	\$	323,954	\$	240,446	\$	25.65		
Fair value adjustment of acquisition related contingent consideration		_				_		67,174		50,575		5.40		
Fair value adjustments for commodity derivative instruments		1,492		(2,914)		4,406		4,406		3,317		0.35		
Pension plan settlement expense		_				_		39,777		29,948		3.19		
Total reconciling items		1,492		(2,914)		4,406		111,357		83,840		8.94		
Adjusted results (non-GAAP)	\$	1,297,175	\$	853,045	\$	444,130	\$	435,311	\$	324,286	\$	34.59		

^(c) The Company reports its financial results in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States

("GAAP"). However, management believes that certain non-GAAP financial measures provide users of the financial statements with additional, meaningful financial information that should be considered, in addition to the measures reported in accordance with GAAP, when assessing the Company's ongoing performance. Management also uses these non-GAAP financial measures in making financial, operating and planning decisions and in evaluating the Company's performance. Non-GAAP financial measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative for, the Company's reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP. The Company's non-GAAP financial information does not represent a comprehensive basis of accounting.