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Costco Wholesale Corporation Reports August Sales Results

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ISSAQUAH, Wash., Sept. 02, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Costco Wholesale Corporation ("Costco" or the "Company") (Nasdaq: COST) today reported net sales of \$23.70 billion for the retail month of August, the four weeks ended August 30, 2026, an increase of 9.9 percent from \$21.56 billion last year.

For the 16-week fourth quarter, the Company reported net sales of \$93.9 billion, an increase of 11.3 percent compared to net sales of \$84.4 billion last year.

For the 52-week fiscal year ended August 30, 2026, the Company reported net sales of \$297.3 billion, an increase of 10.2 percent from \$269.9 billion last year.

Comparable sales were as follows:

	4 Weeks	16 Weeks	52 Weeks
	Retail Month	Fourth Quarter	Fiscal Year
U.S.	9.0%	10.7%	8.2%
Canada	4.0%	5.0%	7.8%
Other International	9.5%	7.0%	9.8%
Total Company	8.4%	9.4%	8.4%
Digitally-Enabled	17.9%	19.5%	20.9%

Comparable sales excluding the impacts from changes in gasoline prices and foreign exchange were as follows:

	4 Weeks	16 Weeks	52 Weeks
	Retail Month	Fourth Quarter	Fiscal Year
U.S.	5.6%	7.2%	6.6%
Canada	2.8%	4.6%	6.7%
Other International	6.8%	6.2%	6.5%
Total Company	5.4%	6.7%	6.6%
Digitally-Enabled	17.9%	19.8%	20.7%

Labor Day in the U.S. and Canada will occur one week later this year. The shift negatively impacted August total and comparable sales by a little less than 75 bps.

Additional discussion of these results is available in a pre-recorded message. It can be accessed by visiting investor.costco.com (click on "Events & Presentations"). This message will be available through 4:00 p.m. (PT) on Wednesday, September 9, 2026.

Costco currently operates 939 warehouses, including 647 in the United States and Puerto Rico, 115 in Canada, 43 in Mexico, 37 in Japan, 29 in the United Kingdom, 20 in Korea, 15 in Australia, 14 in Taiwan, seven in China, five in Spain, three in France, two in Sweden, and one each in Iceland, and New Zealand. Costco also operates e-commerce sites in the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Mexico, Korea, Taiwan, Japan, Australia, and China.

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