# Reporting and Interpreting Sales Revenue, Receivables, and Cash

CHAPTER 6

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#### Accounting for Sales Revenue

The revenue principle requires that revenues be recorded when earned:

Goods or services have been delivered.

Amount of customer payments known.

Collection is reasonably assured.

**Credit Sales** 

Selling on credit creates both benefits and costs:

Benefits - Customers who are unwilling or unable to pay cash immediately may make a purchase on credit, and company revenues and profits rise as sales increase

Costs - The company will be unable to collect from some of its credit customers

#### **Credit Sales**



is provided by GE Money Bank, the issuer of the Perfect Fit Credit Card (the "Issuer").



What is Men's Warehouse in business for?

Selling great looking clothes

Running a credit agency

**Concept of** 

"partnering"

"outsourcing"

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### **Credit Card Sales**

Companies accept credit cards for several reasons:

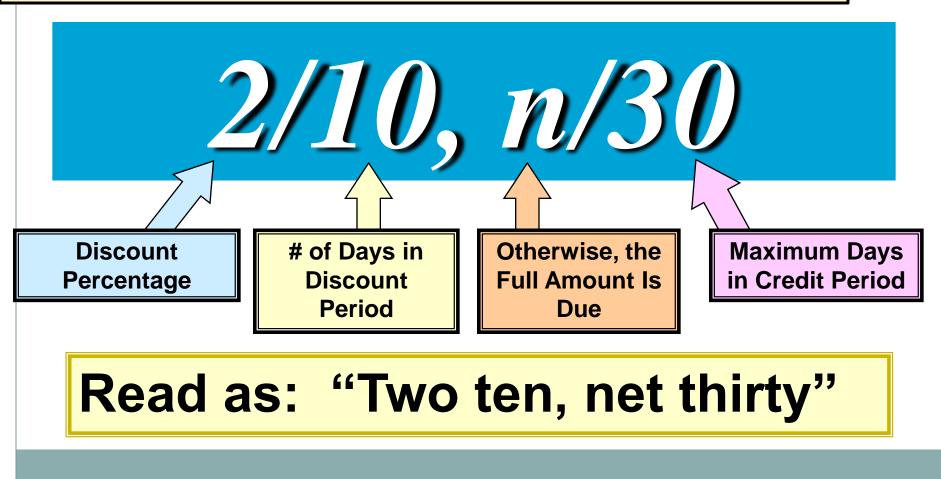
- 1. To increase sales.
- 2. To avoid providing credit directly to customers.
- 3. To avoid losses due to bad checks.
- 4. To avoid losses due to fraudulent credit card sales.
- 5. To receive payment quicker.

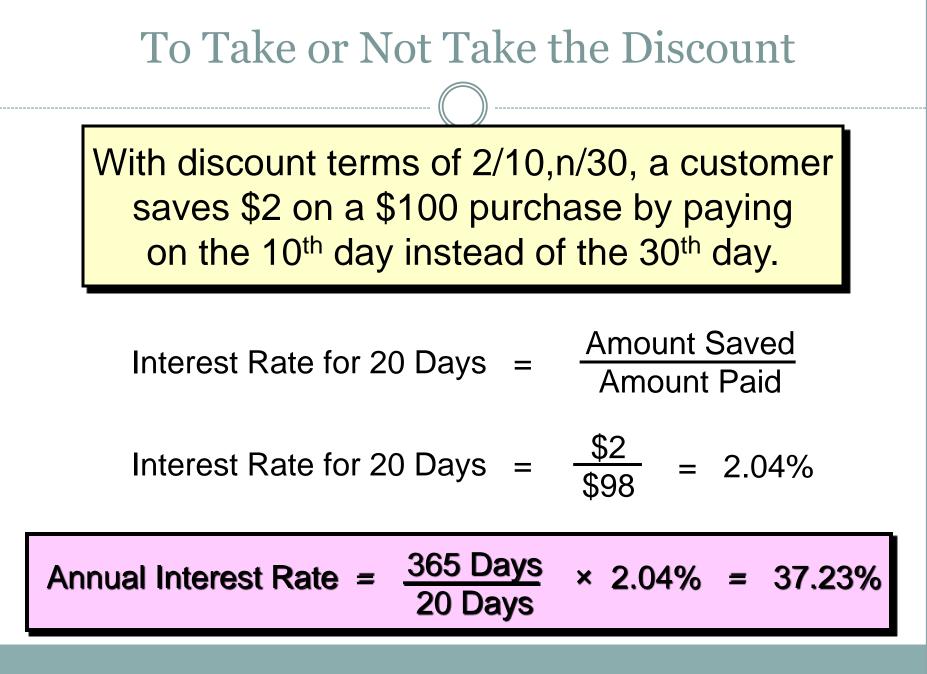
When credit card sales are made, the company must pay the credit card company a fee for the service it provides.



#### Sales Discounts

When customers purchase on open account, they may be offered a sales discount to encourage early payment.





# liz claiborne inc

What did we accomplish?

#### CASH IS KING

In one of the most restrictive credit environments in history, we were able to secure an Asset Backed Loan (ABL) agreement. We then drove a "cash is king" culture across the company, placing intense scrutiny on all that contributed to our fixed and variable expenses in order to maximize cash flow. Throughout 2009, we worked closely with the bank group to secure less restrictive amendments to the ABL as our financial position improved quarter to quarter. Beyond instituting operating measures to generate cash, we tirelessly — and successfully — led lobbying efforts in Washington, DC to include an extension of the net operating loss carryback provisions in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 — a campaign that ultimately resulted in our receipt of a tax refund of approximately \$167 million in March 2010, allowing us to further pay down our debt balance.

### Why do Firms Offer Discounts?

# Cash in your hands is most important

Incentivize customer to transfer cash to you Speed your cash collections Reduce your need for cash borrowings Competitive advantage lost if no discount offered



#### **Sales Returns and Allowances**

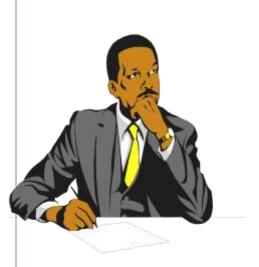
A sales discount is a decrease in the cost of purchases earned by making an early payment to the vendor

A sales return is a decrease in the cost of purchases because the buyer returned the goods to the seller

A sales allowance is a decrease in the cost of purchases because the seller granted the buyer a subtraction (an allowance) from the amount owed

#### **Reporting Net Sales**

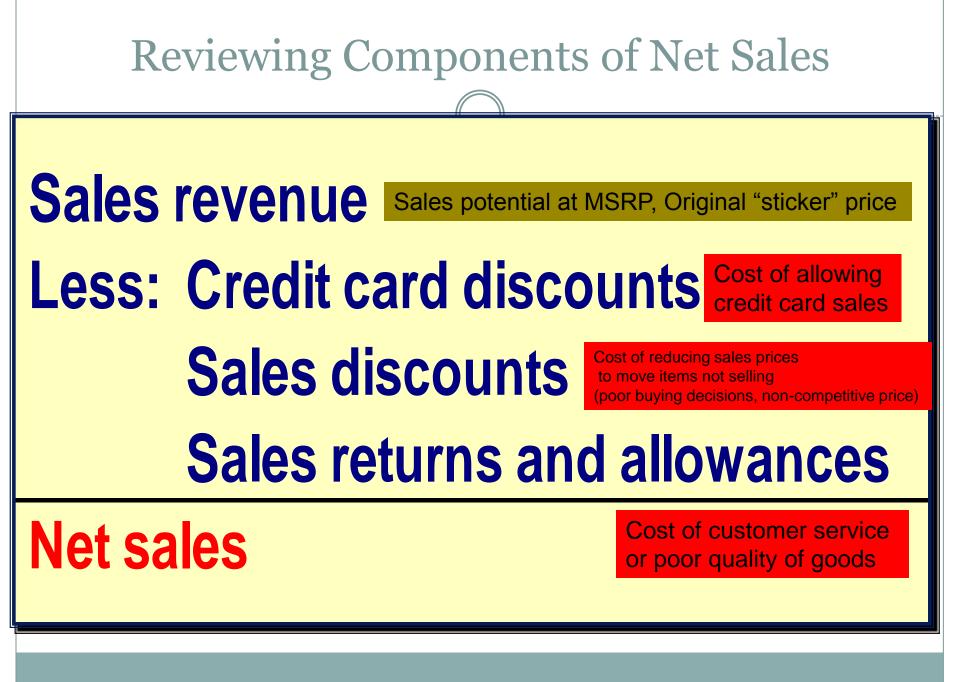
Companies record credit card discounts, sales discounts, and sales returns and allowances separately to allow management to monitor these transactions.

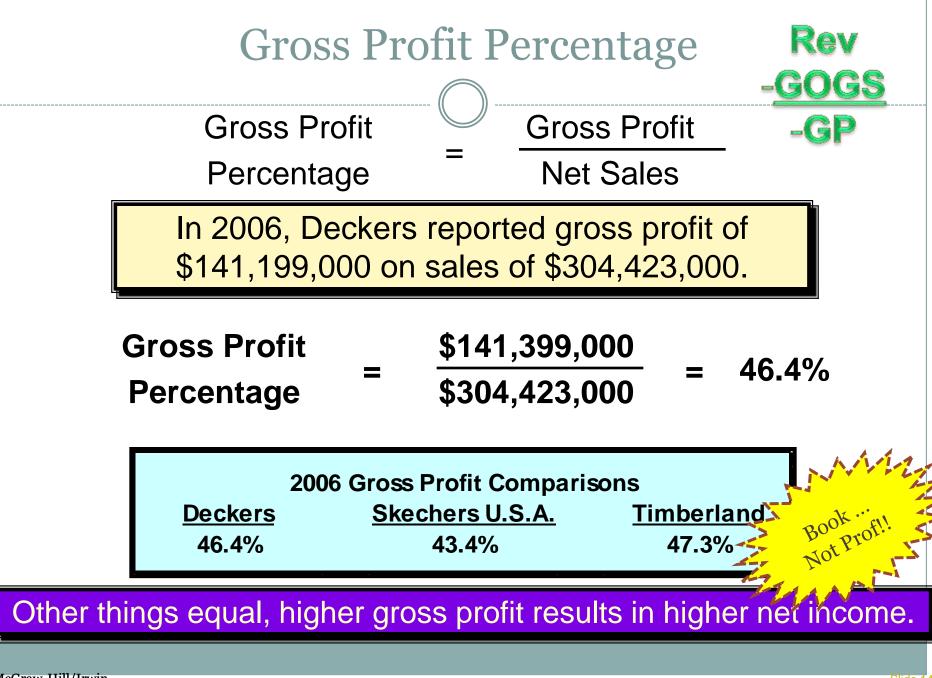


Sales revenue Less: Credit card discounts Sales discounts Sales returns and allowances

Responsibility

Net sales





### Measuring and Reporting Receivables

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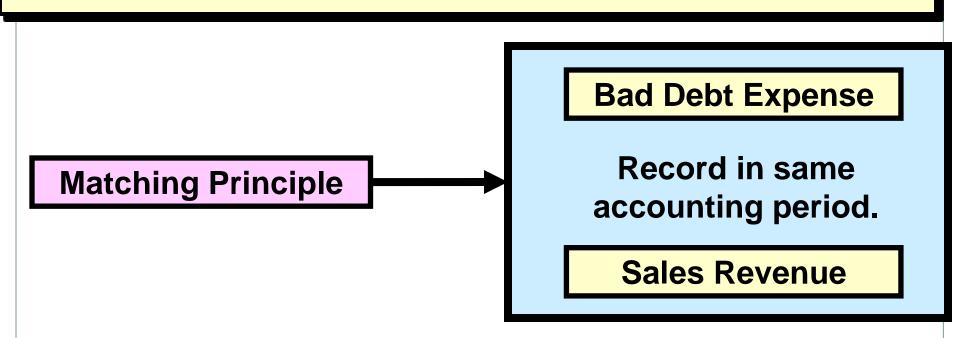
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Trade receivables are amounts owed to the business for credit sales of goods, or services. Nontrade receivables are amounts owed to the business for other than business transactions.



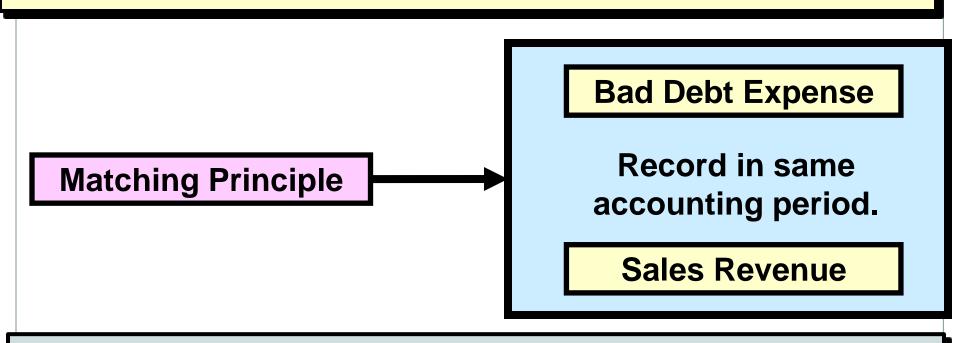
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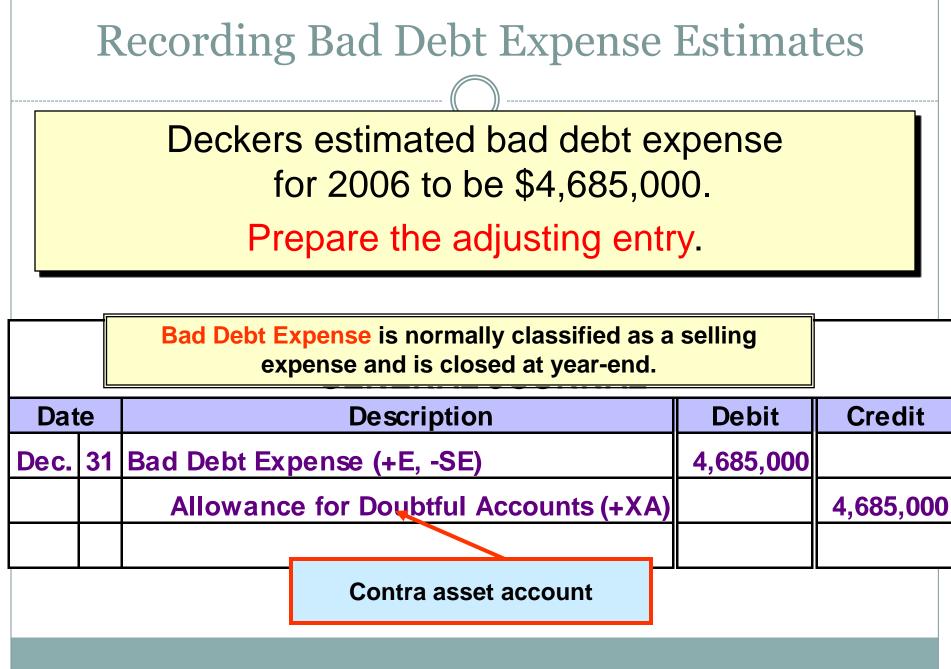
#### Making a sale on credit is a decision to accept a RISK in period of sale for future non-payment

### Accounting for Bad Debts

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Most businesses record an estimate of the bad debt expense with an adjusting entry at the end of the accounting period.

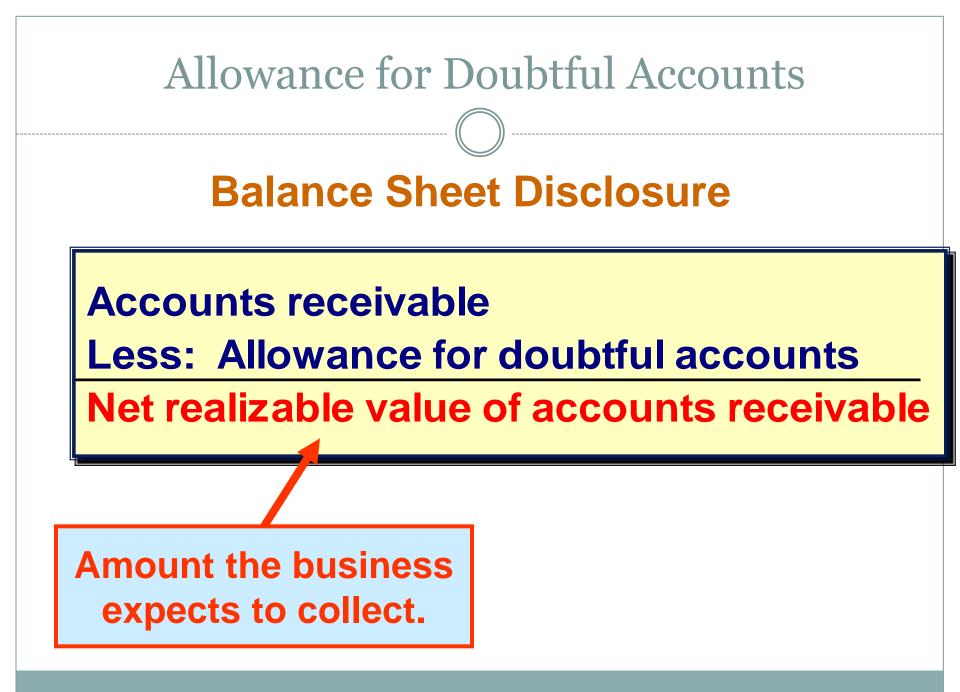


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#### Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts is:

- the estimated amount of the receivables that the business expects not to collect
- ✓ a contra account related to Accounts Receivable
- ✓ another name for Allowance for Bad Debts



### Writing Off Uncollectible Accounts

When it is clear that a **specific** customer's account receivable will be uncollectible, the amount should be **removed** from the Accounts Receivable account and charged to the Allowance for Doubtful Accounts.

Deckers' total write-offs for 2006 were \$6,969,000.

Prepare a summary journal entry for these write-offs.

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Date Description		Debit	Credit	
		Allowance for Doubtful Accounts (-XA)	6,969,000	
		Accounts Receivable (-A)		6,969,000

### Writing Off Uncollectible Accounts

Assume that before the write-off, Deckers' Accounts Receivable balance was \$62,640,000 and the Allowance for Doubtful Accounts balance was \$13,069,000. Let's see what effect the total write-offs of \$6,969,000 had on these accounts.

	Be	efore Write- Off	A	fter Write- Off
Accounts receivable	\$	62,640,000	\$	55,671,000
Less: Allow. for doubtful accts.		13,069,000		6,100,000
Net realizable value	\$	49,571,000	\$	49,571,000
-			\$	* *

The total write-offs of \$6,969,000 did not change the net realizable value nor did it affect any income statement accounts.

Estimating Bad Debt Expense Percentage of Credit Sales

Bad debt percentage is based on actual uncollectible accounts from prior years' credit sales.

Alternatively, bad debt percentage can be based on industry standards

Focus is on determining the amount to record on the income statement as **Bad Debt Expense**.

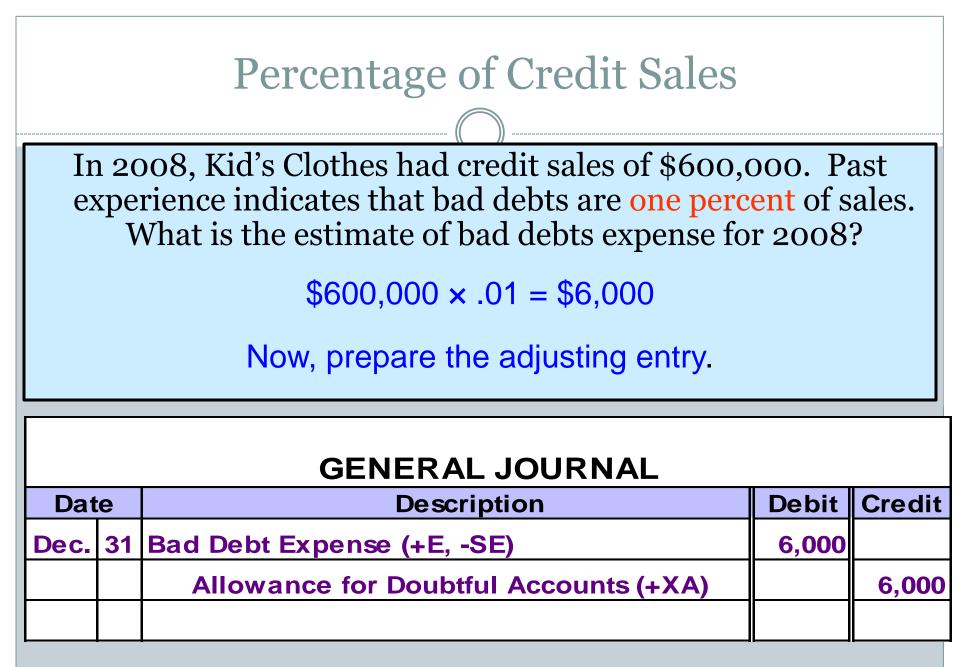
# INCOME STATEMENT APPROACH

Estimating Bad Debt Expense Percentage of Credit Sales

Net credit sales ×% Bad debt loss rate Amount of journal entry to Bad Debt Expense

Calculates

# INCOME STATEMENT APPROACH



Estimating Bad Debt Expense By Aging of Accounts Receivable

Focus is on determining the desired balance in the Allowance for Doubtful Accounts on the balance sheet.

Each customer's account is aged by breaking down (stratifying) the balance by showing the age (in number of days) of each part of the balance.

# BALANCE SHEET APPROACH

# Aging Schedule

				ast Due		
Customer	Not Yet Due	1-30	31-60	61-90	Over 90	Total A/R Balance
Aaron, R.		\$ 235				\$ 235
Baxter, T.	\$1,200	300				1,500
Clark, J.			\$ 50	\$ 200	\$ 500	750
Zak, R.			325			325
Fotal	\$3,500	\$2,550	\$1,830	\$1,540	\$1,240	\$10,660
% Uncollectible	0.01	0.04	0.10	0.25	0.40	
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Based on past experience, the business estimates the percentage of uncollectible accounts in each time category. These percentages are then multiplied by the appropriate column totals.

# Aging Schedule

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Estimated						
Uncoll. Amount	\$ 35	\$ 102	\$ 183	\$ 385	\$ 496	\$ 1,201
The column totals are then added to arrive at the total estimate of uncollectible accounts of \$1,201.						
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#### Aging of Accounts Receivable

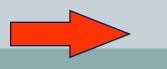
Record the Dec. 31, 2008, adjusting entry assuming that the Allowance for Doubtful Accounts currently has a \$50 credit balance.

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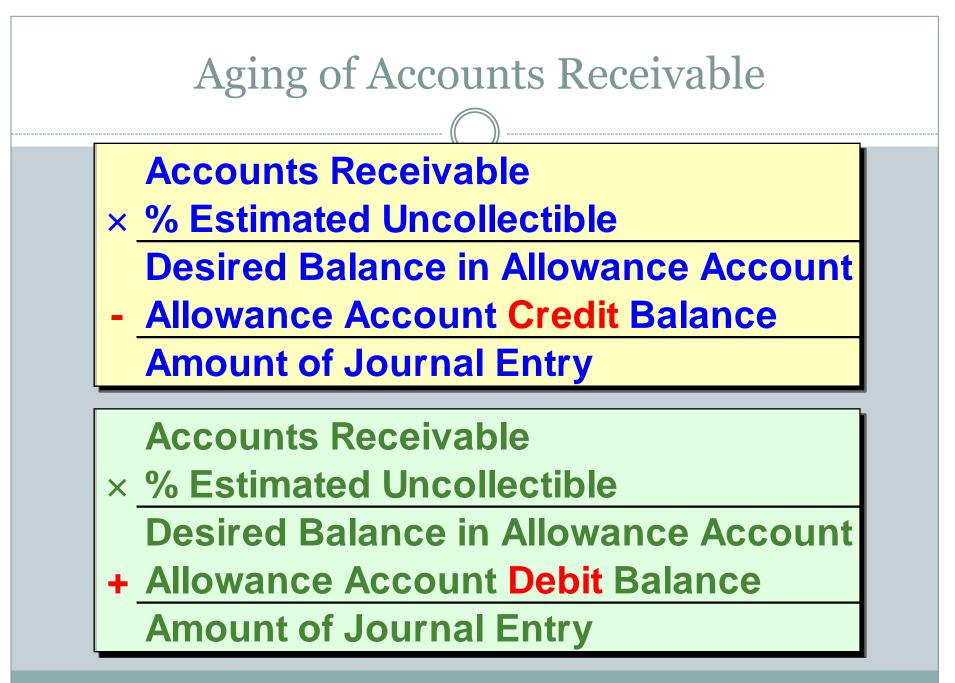
Dat	te	Description	Debit	Credit
Dec.	31	Bad Debt Expense (+E, -SE)	1,151	
		Allowance for Doubtful Accounts (+XA)		1,151



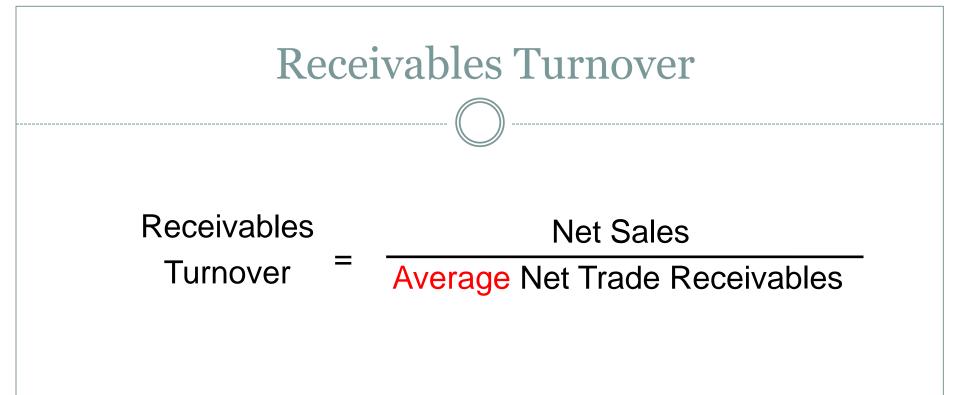
After posting, the Allowance account would look like this . . .



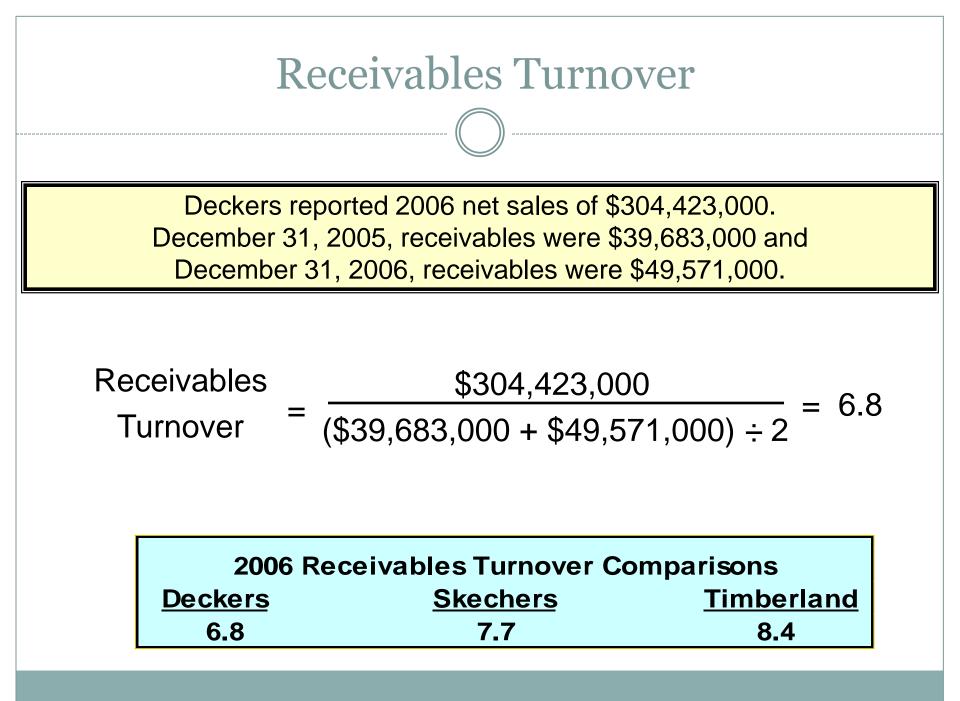
Aging of Accounts Receivable							
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts							
		50 1,151	Balance at 12/31/2008 before adj. 2008 adjustment				
Notice that the balance after adjustment is equal to the estimate of \$1,201 based on the aging analysis performed earlier.		1,201	Balance at 12/31/2008 after adj.				







# This ratio measures how many times average receivables are recorded and collected for the year.



#### **Receivables Turnover**



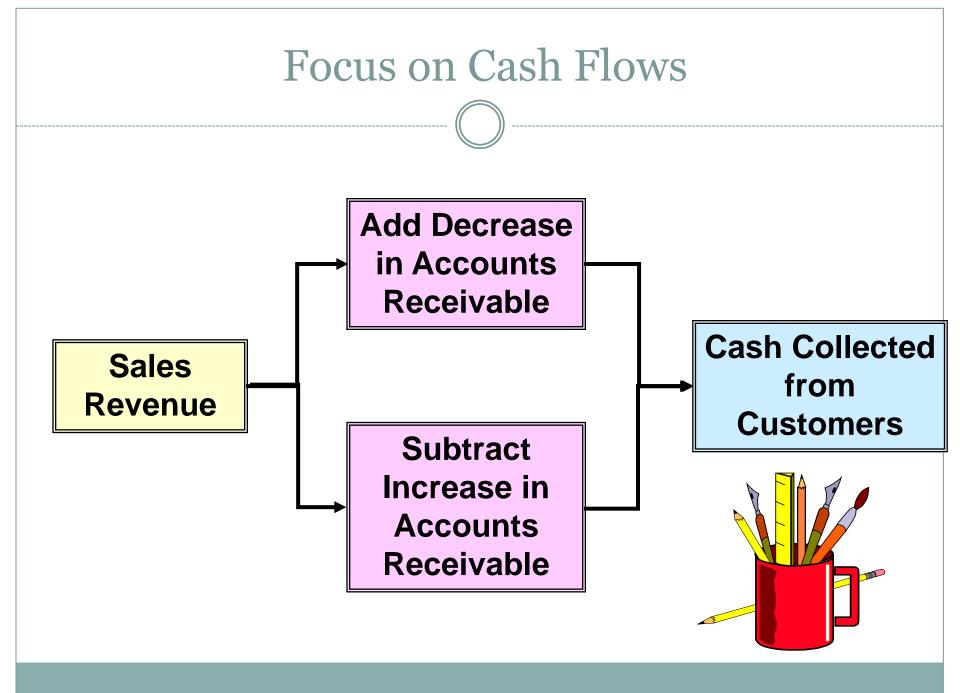


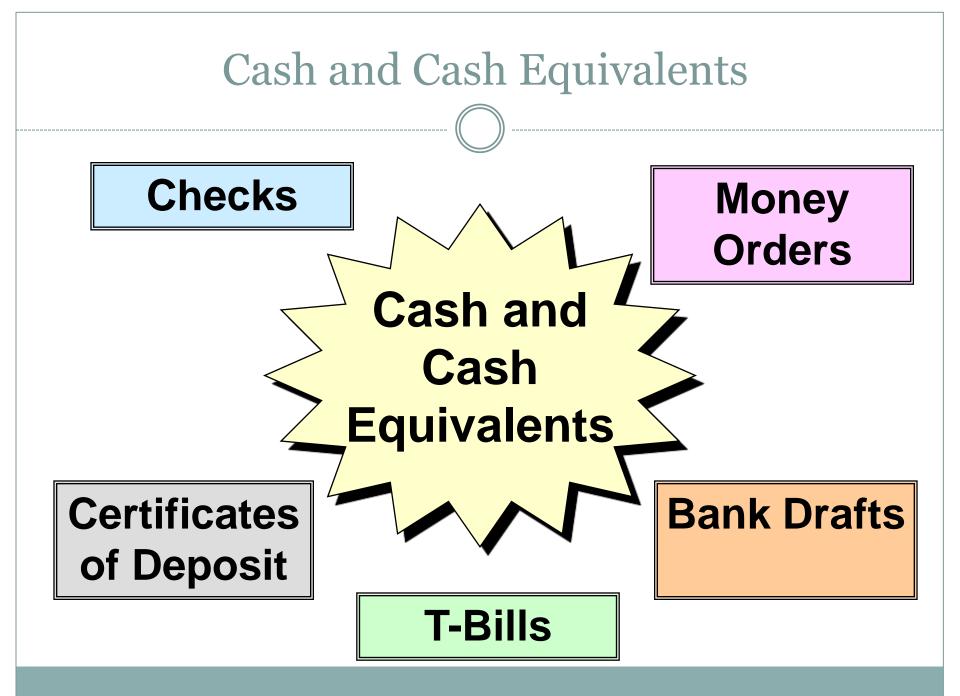
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## **Internal Controls**

- Internal control is the organizational plan and all the related measures that an entity adopts to
  - o Safeguard assets
  - Encourage adherence to company policies
  - Promote operational efficiency
  - Ensure accurate and reliable accounting records

## **Internal Controls**

#### American Airlines Ex-CEO Bob Crandall Shares His Crazy Cost-Saving Strategy

By consumeristcareyJanuary 12, 2008

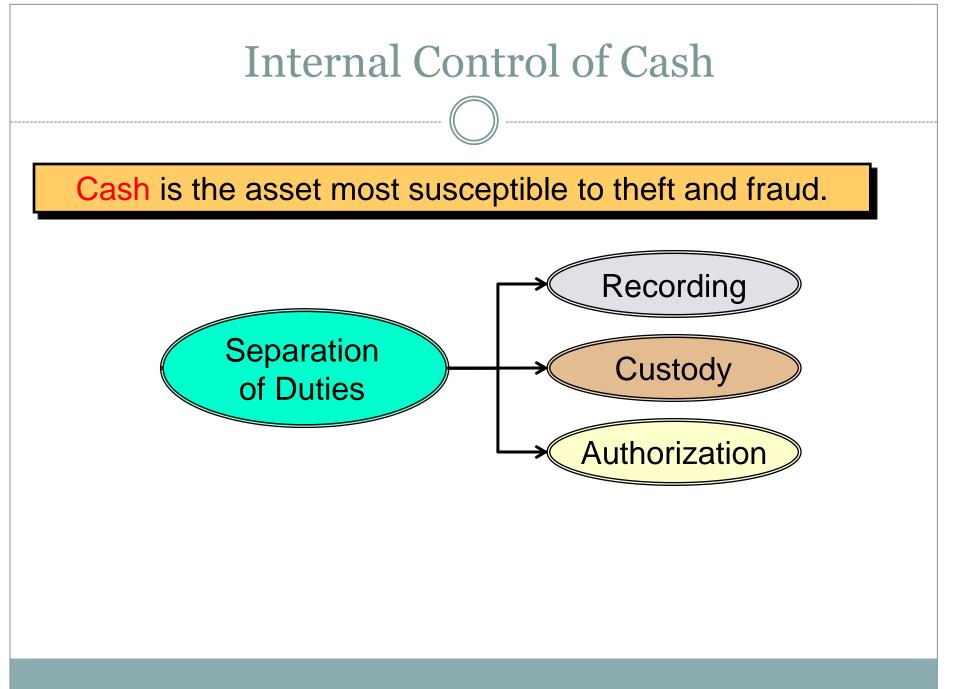
### Former American Airlines CEO Bob Crandall **fired a**

#### **guard dog** at a Caribbean outpost to keep costs down. Just look at the self-satisfied gleam in Crandall's eye. This is

no mere cocktail party story, but a defining act of corporate leadership for his grandkids to cherish

#### Oh, no. Not Fluffy!!!





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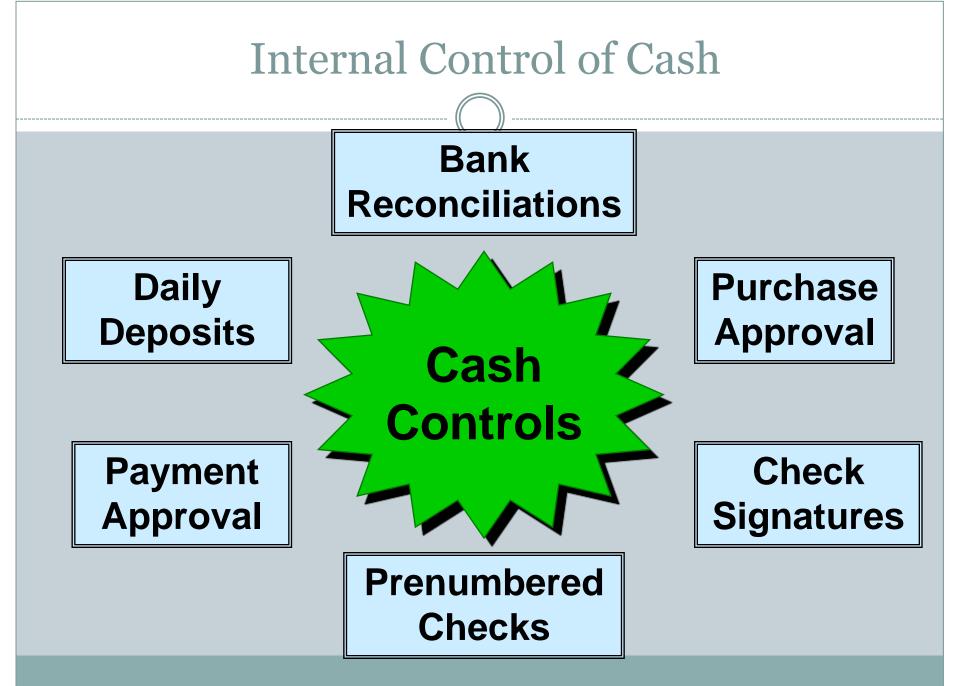
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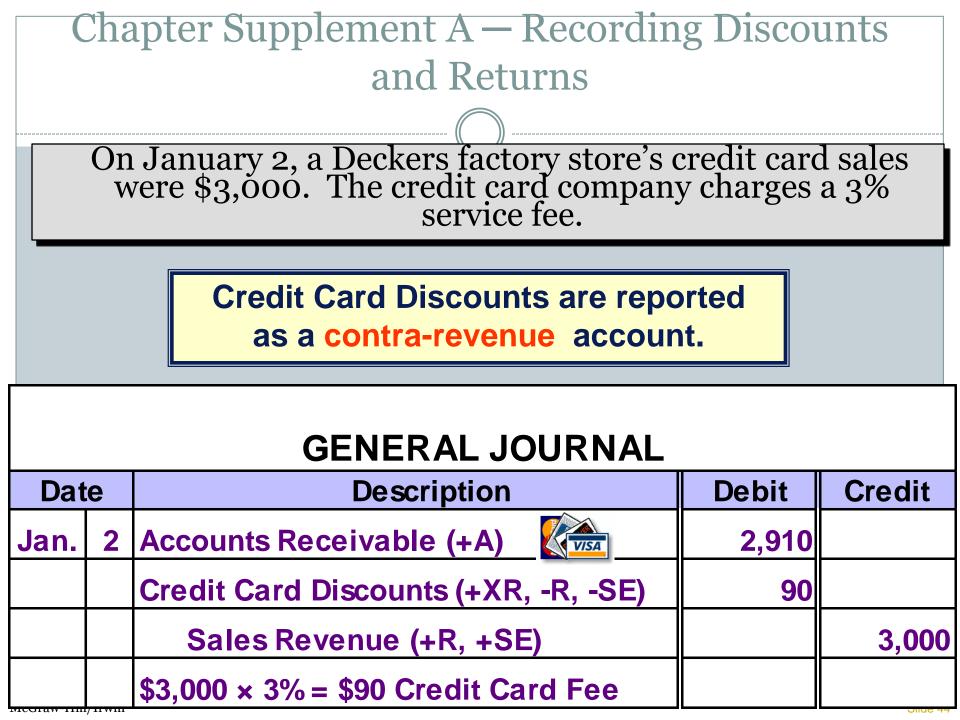
### How much do I owe?

Where do I pay?

Where do I send payment for a Student Account? Payments may be made by using the remittance envelope provided with the Student Accounts Statement or by mailing the payment to University of Notre Dame, P.O. Box 11116, South Bend, IN 46634-0116. Payments may also be made in person at the Notre Dame Federal Credit Union in the LaFortune Student Center on campus.

#### Custody



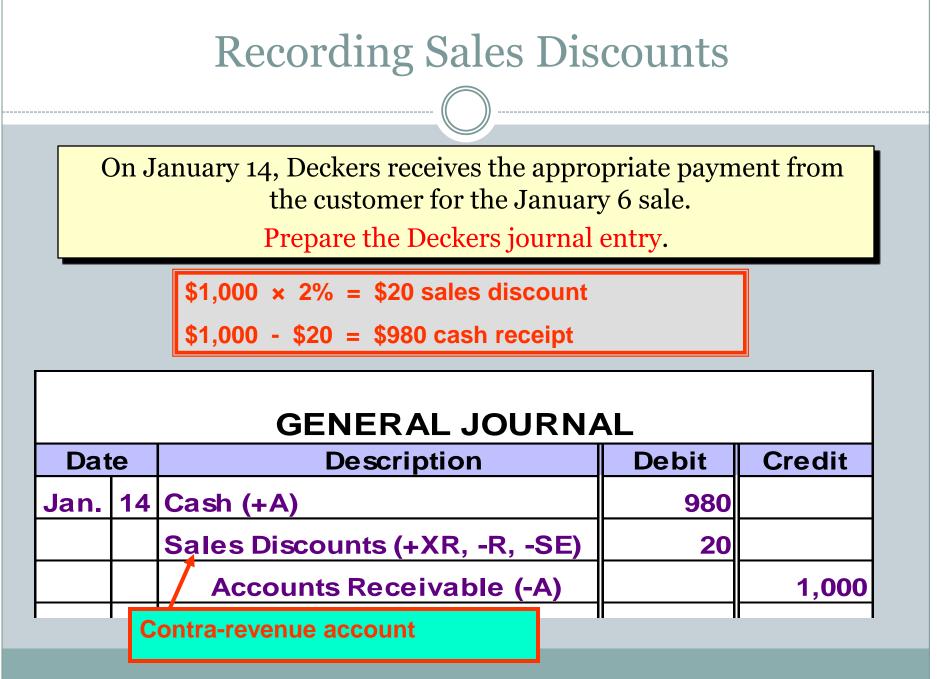


## **Recording Sales Discounts**

On January 6, Deckers sold \$1,000 of merchandise on credit with terms of 2/10, n/30. Prepare the Deckers journal entry.

#### **GENERAL JOURNAL**

Date		Description	Debit	Credit
Jan.	6	Accounts Receivable (+A)	1,000	
		Sales Revenue (+R, +SE)		1,000



## **Recording Sales Discounts**

If the customer remits the appropriate amount on January 20 instead of January 14, what entry would Deckers make?

Since the customer paid outside of the discount period, a sales discount is not granted.

### **GENERAL JOURNAL**

Date		Description	Debit	Credit
Jan.	20	Cash (+A)	1,000	
		Accounts Receivable (-A)		1,000

# **Recording Sales Returns**

On July 8, **before** paying, a customer returns \$500 of sandals originally purchased on account from Deckers. The sandals originally cost Deckers \$300.

Prepare the Deckers journal entry.

GENERAL JOURNAL					
Date		Description	Debit	Credit	
July	8	Sales Returns (+XR, -R, -SE)	500		
		Accounts Receivable (+A)		500	
July	8	Merchandise Inventory (+A)	300		
		Cost of Goods Sold (+E, -SE)		300	

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Prepare the Deckers journal entry.

GENERAL JOURNAL					
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July	8	Sales Returns (+XR, -R, -SE)	500		
		Refunds Payable (+L)		500	
July	8	Merchandise Inventory (+A)	300		
		Cost of Goods Sold (+E, -SE)		300	

## **Recording Sales Allowances**

On July 8, *before* paying, a customer keeps \$500 of sandals originally purchased on account from Deckers and agrees to pay only \$200 as they are the wrong color.

Prepare the Deckers journal entry.

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Date		Description	Debit	Credit	
July	8	Sales Allowances (+XR, -R, -SE)	300		
		Accounts Receivable (+A)		300	



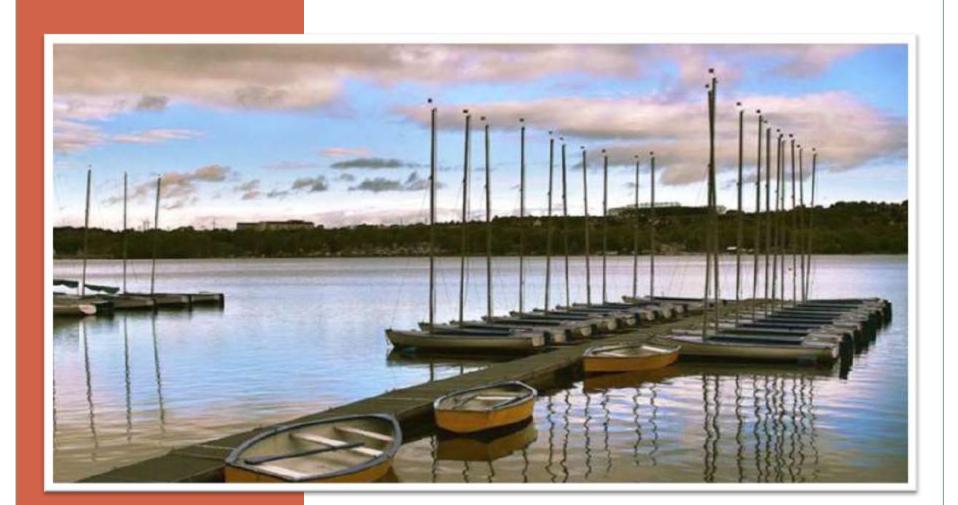
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# Hidden Value in Receivables: Factoring

- Sell receivables in whole (or blocks) to 3<sup>rd</sup> party
- Receive cash upon transfer
- With or without recourse (who bears cost of uncollectible account)
- Sample journal entry

#### **GENERAL JOURNAL**

Date		Debit	Credit
July 8	Cash (+A) Financing Expanse (+XD, SE)	900	
	Financing Expense (+XP, -SE) Accounts Receivable (-A)	100	1,000



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