Universal Electronics Inc. Q3 2024 Results

as of September 30, 2024 reported on November 7, 2024





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OUR MISSION

Create smarter living

To create products and technologies that help everyday people easily discover and interact with the devices and services in their home.



UEI is the global leader in universal control solutions for the home

Our 500 engineering and R&D team members worldwide bring to life millions of innovative wireless control products each year that focus on a user-centric approach to building control solutions and applications that simplify user interaction with highly complex technologies in the home, removing interoperability challenges as a roadblock for user adoption, with a privacy first and secure by design approach for today's smart devices.



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Entertainment



Climate



Smart Home



Discover

Control

Interact



Embedded Technology







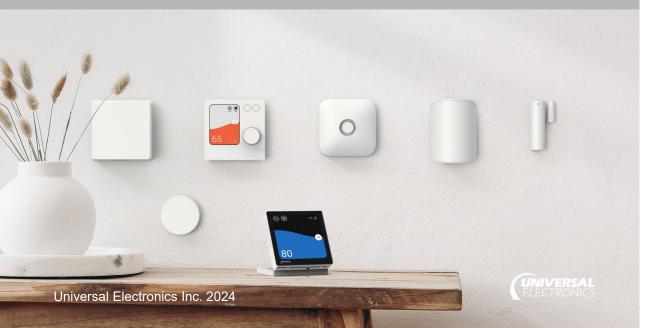
Finished Goods



Software & Cloud Services



UEI at a glance



Expansion in Growing Climate Control & Home Automation Markets

- Launched UEI TIDE™ family of Climate Control products including complete line of wired and wireless thermostats as well as new product extensions
- Introduced Butler family of white-label smart home hubs with the latest wireless RF protocols and Matter-certified software
- Award-winning, market leading voice remote control solutions for home entertainment with energy-harvesting features for sustainability
- Showcasing Nevo® on TIDE, a smart home controller running QuickSet® Cloud that positions UEI as the leader in home entertainment and climate control
- Broad portfolio of connected sensing and control technologies for the home

Focus on Technology, Product Innovation, and Sustainability

- Industry leading QuickSet[®] Cloud for entertainment and smart home control
- Leader in sustainable wireless design with new battery-less remote designs
- Innovator in smart, wireless and connected thermostats and sensing technologies for OEMs
- More than 730 issued and pending U.S. patents with many foreign counterparts

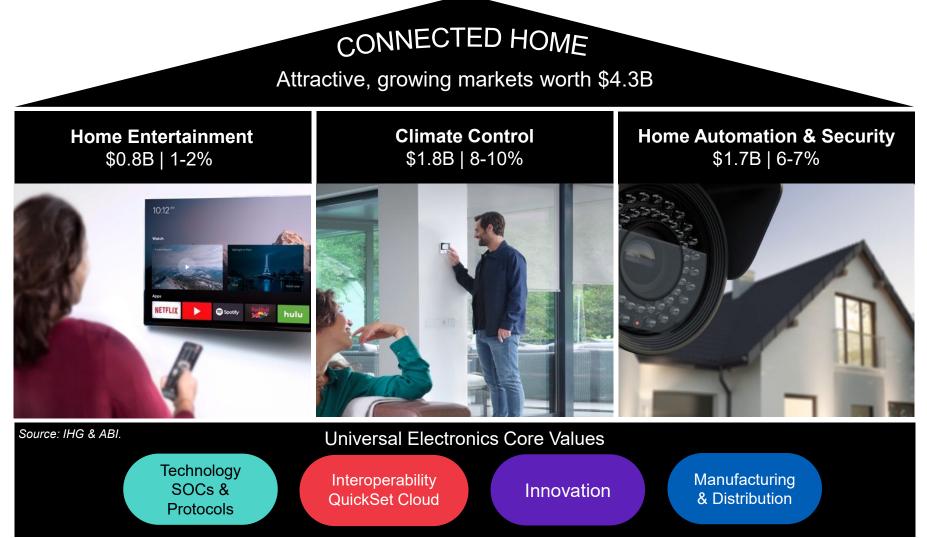
Global Scale and Reach

- Vertically integrated across design, development, and manufacturing
- · R&D teams in U.S., Europe, China and India
- Globally diversified manufacturing in Vietnam, China, Mexico and Brazil

Top Tier Customer Base

- Technology licensor to four of top five global Smart TV Brands
- Global market share leader in voice control for Video Service Providers
- Development partner to six of top ten HVAC OEM brands in Climate Control

Leadership position in entertainment device and services (app) discovery, setup and control has enabled us to develop core technology building blocks and interoperability expertise that is applicable in new, high-growth markets.



Entertainment Control

Overall home entertainment is still a growth channel

 Primarily driven by SmartTV penetration, growth in streaming services and evolution into hybrid set-top boxes

Traditional pay TV market decline shows signs of stabilizing

OS and TV platform syndication opportunities

Move to more streaming services

- Both Video-On-Demand as well as live TV streaming
- Subscription (SVOD), Sponsored (AVOD) and Free (FAST)

Business model changes, especially in USA

- AdTech opportunity will increase competition over TV OS
- Operators leveraging broadband to bundle streaming services with dedicated CPE

Advanced TV OS will become aggregator

 Enabling convergence of Live TV, Streaming Video, Cloud Gaming, Smart Home services



Climate Control Opportunity

Climate control systems are **growing** and **getting smarter**

Addressable HVAC market for residential climate control estimated at \$1.8B and to be growing at 10.6%

 North America registered the highest growth rate, followed by APAC and Europe.

Market growth is driven by:

- More focus on health, well-being & air quality
- Energy efficiency, renewables & govt. incentives
- Cloud connected homes
- Industry consolidation

Innovation is accelerating in HVAC systems such as heat pumps and VRF that require custom control protocols

Industry dynamics that impact growth

- Growing AI and Cloud Intelligence
- Innovation in IoT and wireless sensors



- Modular platform potential application across multiple markets and channels
- Complete smart thermostat line-up cloud-native architecture with full suite of connectivity, interoperability, and Al support
- Built-in end user and installer support easy onboarding, discovery, and troubleshooting with QuickSet® and Virtual agent features
- Support for many wireless protocols compatible with most HVAC systems and smart homes through easy integration
 of proprietary protocols
- Intuitive UX award-winning, full-color display with touch and dial interface at market-leading price points







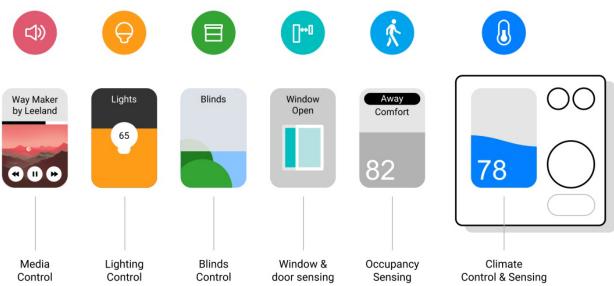




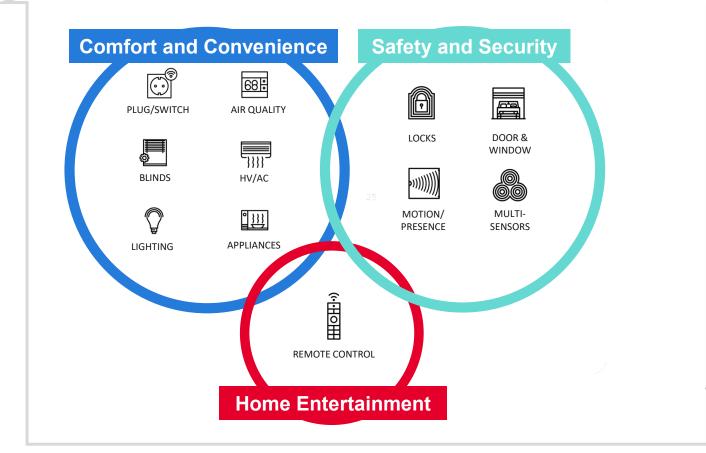
Smart Control Re-Imagined

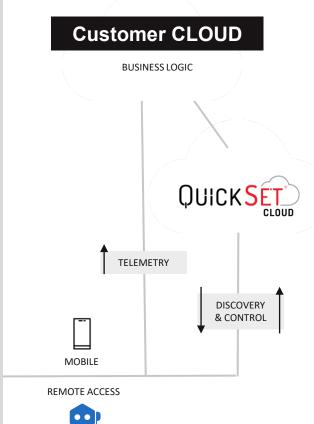


- Opportunity to penetrate high growth, HVAC OEM
 Climate Control market
- Invest in developing thermostat solutions, sensors and software optimized for HVAC OEMs
- Creating innovative use cases to re-define the role of Climate Control in the home



UEI has the expertise to bring seamless interoperability and deliver a derived value proposition.





QuickSet® delivers Smart Home interoperability & increased user engagement through personalized experiences



- Launched in 2008, QuickSet ® has been deployed in over 600 million devices and is providing the world's most comprehensive solution for smart home device discovery and control.
- QuickSet[®] Cloud has scaled across industry application to manage over 380 billion transactions in 2023.
- Our smart and legacy device knowledge includes 1 million devices from 13,500 consumer brands, offering true interoperability between home entertainment and smart home devices, and ecosystems such as Google, Amazon and Apple Home Kit.
- QuickSet[®] is a certified Software Component, Matter Controller that enables discovery & control and works across any wired and wireless communication protocols including IP, Zigbee/RF4CE, Bluetooth LE, and Matter.



Partnering with global channel leaders





Consumer Electronics







Climate Control



Home Security



Business Highlights



Climate Control Market Penetration

- Designed, developed and shipping thermostats with major HVAC OEMs, including Daikin, Carrier, LG, Fujitsu, Toshiba-Carrier, Mitsubishi-Trane US (METUS) and Panasonic
- Engaged with 13 of the top 14 HVAC OEM brands in Europe that collectively represent over 80% of that market
- Solid pipeline of climate control product design wins and development opportunities across OEM, utilities, security and MDU channels
- UEI TIDE thermostat launching with 2 major OEMs and a major European utility in 2025
- Expanding climate control product and technology portfolio with features such as private whole home occupancy detection, on-device occupancy-based automations, new energy utilization insights, and use cases around Matter integration
- Success reminiscent of early home entertainment market growth

Home Automation and Security Channels

- Attracting new customers and increasing share with new product design wins for controllers, sensors, integrating wireless standards and interoperability features
- Strong pipeline of new product developments with major brands in smart motorized shade control; secured smart hub gateway design win with Hunter Douglas and began shipping two wireless RF control solutions for Somfy

QuickSet® Cloud Home Entertainment Opportunity

 6th generation cloud software blends smart home with video entertainment use cases to drive increased user engagement and personalization for content discovery including whole home audio-video casting across any device in the home



Adjusted Non-GAAP* (\$M, except EPS)	Q3 2024	Q3 2023
Net Sales	\$102.1	\$107.1
Gross Margin	30.1%	26.3%
Net Income/(Loss)	\$1.4	\$(0.7)
Earning/(Loss) per Share	\$0.10	\$(0.05)

Adjusted Non-GAAP* Guidance (\$M, except EPS)	Q4 2024	Q4 2023
Net Sales	\$99 - \$109	\$97.6
EPS	\$0.10 - \$0.20	\$(0.04)

^{*} Reconciliation of Adjusted non-GAAP to GAAP in the appendix.

DRIVING LONG-TERM SALES & PROFITABILITY GROWTH

- Winning additional business in higher growth connected home channel
- Seeding net sales and earnings growth in Q4 2024 and 2025

DELIVERING EFFICIENCIES: GM IMPROVED 380 BPTS YOY

- Strong gross margins reflect footprint optimization
 - Streamlined Monterrey, Mexico facility
 - Opened Vietnam facility, which is exceeding operational expectations
 - · Ceased Southwestern China factory operations

LOWERING DEBT IN HIGH INTEREST ENVIRONMENT

- 9/30/24 compared to 12/31/23
 - \$26.3M cash and cash equivalents vs. \$42.8M, uses of cash included \$15.0M LOC reduction, \$3.6M security deposit and \$1.9M stock repurchase
 - \$39.9M outstanding debt vs. \$55.0M

VALIDATING PATENTS, EXTERNALLY

- US Court of Appeals for the Fed. Circuit affirmed prior US ITC ruling
- Confirmed Roku's infringement of UEI IP
- Supports UEI's return to the US District Court to request judgment on monetary damages regarding the infringing activities of Roku/partners



UEI Investment Rationale

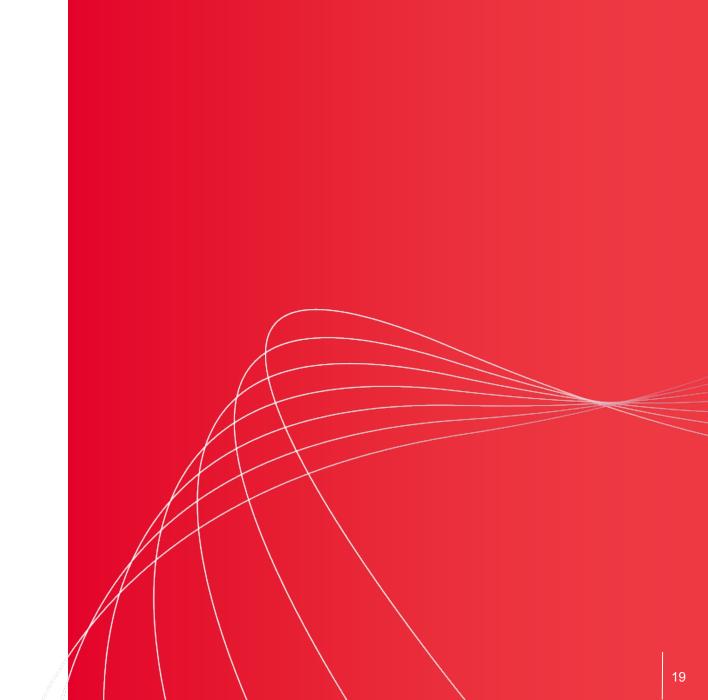


- Targeting attractive, growing connected home markets worth \$4.3B
 - Attracting top-tier customer base in new markets
- Expanding product portfolio in growing climate control and home automation markets
 - Leveraging global scale and reach
- Focusing on technology, product innovation and sustainability
 - Over 730 issued and pending U.S. patents as well as many foreign counterparts
- Delivering efficiencies and improving financial position
 - Projecting net sales and earnings growth for Q4 2024 and 2025



Financial Appendix





In addition to reporting financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, UEI provides Adjusted Non-GAAP information as additional information for its operating results. References to Adjusted Non-GAAP information are to non-GAAP financial measures. These measures are not required by, in accordance with, or an alternative for, GAAP and may be different from non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies. UEI's management uses these measures for reviewing the financial results of UEI for budget planning purposes and for making operational and financial decisions. Management believes that providing these non-GAAP financial measures to investors, as a supplement to GAAP financial measures, help investors evaluate UEI's core operating and financial performance and business trends consistent with how management evaluates such performance and trends. Additionally, management believes these measures facilitate comparisons with the core operating and financial results and business trends of competitors and other companies.

Adjusted Non-GAAP net sales are defined as net sales. Adjusted Non-GAAP gross profit is defined as gross profit excluding impairment of long-lived assets and stock-based compensation expense. Adjusted Non-GAAP operating expenses are defined as operating expenses excluding stock-based compensation expense, amortization of intangibles acquired, costs associated with certain litigation efforts, factory restructuring costs, goodwill impairment, impairment of long-lived assets and severance. Adjusted Non-GAAP net income (loss) is defined as net income (loss) excluding the aforementioned items, foreign currency gains and losses, the related tax effects of all adjustments, as well as a valuation allowance on certain deferred tax assets. Adjusted Non-GAAP earnings (loss) per diluted share is calculated using Adjusted Non-GAAP net income (loss). A reconciliation of these financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is included at the end of this press release.

The company will no longer exclude excess manufacturing overhead costs resulting from the continued transition of its global manufacturing footprint, specifically in Mexico and Vietnam, and depreciation related to the mark-up from cost to fair value of fixed assets acquired in business combinations from its Adjusted Non-GAAP figures. This impacts Adjusted Non-GAAP gross profit, gross margin, operating income (loss), income (loss) before provision (benefit) from income taxes and net income (loss) in the quarterly results for 2023 and 2024. There is no impact to GAAP results. A reconciliation of these measures is posted on the website in the Quarterly Results section.

Universal Electronics Inc. 2024

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Month Septemb				
	2024		2023		2024		2023	
Net sales:								
Net sales - GAAP	\$ 102,073	\$	107,095	\$	284,425	\$	322,863	
Adjusted Non-GAAP net sales	\$ 102,073	\$	107,095	\$	284,425	\$	322,863	
Cost of sales:								
Cost of sales - GAAP (1)	\$ 71,341	\$	86,683	\$	201,753	\$	253,141	
Impairment of long-lived assets (2)	_		(7,723)		_		(7,723)	
Stock-based compensation expense	 (25)		(31)		(72)		(93)	
Adjusted Non-GAAP cost of sales	71,316		78,929		201,681		245,325	
Adjusted Non-GAAP gross profit	\$ 30,757	\$	28,166	\$	82,744	\$	77,538	
Gross margin:								
Gross margin - GAAP (1)	30.1 %)	19.1 %		29.1 %		21.6 %	
Impairment of long-lived assets (2)	— %)	7.2 %	— %		2.4 %		
Stock-based compensation expense	0.0 %)	0.0 %	0.0 %		0.0		
Adjusted Non-GAAP gross margin	 30.1 %		26.3 %	_	29.1 %	_	24.0 %	
Operating expenses:								
Operating expenses - GAAP	\$ 30,314	\$	34,445	\$	93,615	\$	152,411	
Stock-based compensation expense	(1,626)		(2,103)		(4,944)		(6,739)	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	(219)		(286)		(686)		(856)	
Litigation costs (3)	(175)		(176)		(532)		(1,604)	
Factory restructuring charges (4)	(104)		(3,690)		(2,722)		(3,690)	
Goodwill impairment (5)	_		_		_		(49,075)	
Impairment of long-lived assets (2)	_		(100)		_		(100)	
Severance (6)	 _		(569)		_		(2,455)	
Adjusted Non-GAAP operating expenses	\$ 28,190	\$	27,521	\$	84,731	\$	87,892	

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Septembe				
		2024		2023		2024		2023
Operating income (loss):								
Operating income (loss) - GAAP (1)	\$	418	\$	(14,033)	\$	(10,943)	\$	(82,689)
Impairment of long-lived assets (2)		_		7,823		_		7,823
Stock-based compensation expense		1,651		2,134		5,016		6,832
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		219		286		686		856
Litigation costs (3)		175		176		532		1,604
Factory restructuring costs (4)		104		3,690		2,722		3,690
Goodwill impairment (5)		_		_		_		49,075
Severance (6)		_		569		_		2,455
Adjusted Non-GAAP operating income (loss)	\$	2,567	\$	645	\$	(1,987)	\$	(10,354)
Adjusted pro forma operating income (loss) as a percentage of net		2.5 %		0.6 %		(0.7)%		(3.2)%
Net income (loss):								
Net income (loss) - GAAP (1)	\$	(2,658)	\$	(19,362)	\$	(19,500)	\$	(91,136)
Impairment of long-lived assets (2)		_		7,823		_		7,823
Stock-based compensation expense		1,651		2,134		5,016		6,832
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		219		286		686		856
Litigation costs (3)		175		176		532		1,604
Factory restructuring costs (4)		104		3,690		2,722		3,690
Goodwill impairment (5)		_		_		_		49,075
Severance (6)		_		569		_		2,455
Foreign currency (gain)/loss		(264)		1,067		194		2,243
Income tax provision on adjustments		2,134		1,582		7,101		5,684
Other income tax adjustments (7)		_		1,377		_		1,377
Adjusted Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$	1,361	\$	(658)	\$	(3,249)	\$	(9,497)

Universal Electronics Inc. 2024

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Mont Septem			
	- 2	2024	2	023	2024		2023
Diluted shares used in computing earnings (loss) per share:							
GAAP		12,985		12,911	12,935		12,839
Adjusted Non-GAAP		13,140		12,911	12,935		12,839
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:							
Diluted earnings (loss) per share - GAAP (1)	\$	(0.20)	\$	(1.50)	\$ (1.51)	\$	(7.10)
Total adjustments	\$	0.31	\$	1.45	\$ 1.26	\$	6.36
Adjusted Non-GAAP diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$	0.10	\$	(0.05)	\$ (0.25)	\$	(0.74)

- GAAP gross margin, operating loss and net loss for the three months ended September 30, 2024 include \$1.1 million, equivalent to 110 basis points of gross margin or \$0.07 per share (net of tax), of excess manufacturing overhead costs resulting from the continued transition of our global manufacturing footprint, specifically in Mexico and Vietnam, and depreciation related to the mark-up from cost to fair value of fixed assets acquired in business combinations ("excess manufacturing costs"). GAAP gross margin, operating loss and net loss for the three months ended September 30, 2023 include \$2.2 million, equivalent to 210 basis points of gross margin or \$0.13 per share (net of tax), of excess manufacturing costs.
 - GAAP gross margin, operating loss and net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 include \$3.7 million, equivalent to 130 basis points of gross margin or \$0.23 per share (net of tax), of excess manufacturing costs. GAAP gross margin, operating loss and net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 include \$7.8 million, equivalent to 240 basis points of gross margin or \$0.49 per share (net of tax), of excess manufacturing costs.
- The three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 include impairment charges relating to machinery and equipment and leasehold improvements associated with the closure of our southwestern China factory, which ceased operations in September 2023. In addition, we also incurred impairment charges relating to machinery and equipment at our Mexico factory as we reduced its capacity due to lower demand.
- (3) The three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, include expenses related to our various litigation matters involving Roku, Inc. and certain other related entities including three Federal District Court cases, two International Trade Commission investigations and the defense of various inter partes reviews and appeals before the US Patent and Trademark Board. In addition, the nine months ended September 30, 2023 include \$1.2 million of expenses associated with non-recurring legal matters involving internal investigations at our manufacturing plants.
- (4) The three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 include severance and other exit costs associated with the closure of our southwestern China factory and the downsizing of our Mexico factory. The three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 include severance and other exit costs associated with the closure of our southwestern China factory.
- (5) The nine months ended September 30, 2023 includes a goodwill impairment charge of \$49.1 million as a result of our market capitalization being significantly less than the carrying value of our equity.
- (6) The three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 include severance costs associated with a reduction in headcount at our corporate offices.
- The three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 include \$1.4 million valuation allowance recorded against the deferred tax assets at our southwestern China entity as a result of its closure.

	Three Months Ended December 31,					
	2024					2023
	Low Range		High Range			Actual
Net sales:						
Net sales - GAAP	\$	99,000	\$	109,000	\$	97,594
Total adjustments (1)		_		_		_
Adjusted Non-GAAP net sales	\$ 99,000		\$ 109,000		\$	97,594
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:						
Diluted earnings (loss) per share - GAAP	\$	(0.27)	\$	(0.17)	\$	(0.55)
Total adjustments (2)	\$	0.37	\$	0.37	\$	0.51
Adjusted Non-GAAP diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$	0.10	\$	0.20	\$	(0.04)

The three months ended December 30, 2024 and 2023 do not include any Non-GAAP adjustments to net sales.

Universal Electronics Inc. 2024

The three months ended December 30, 2024 and 2023 include adjustments for stock-based compensation expense, amortization of acquired intangibles, costs associated with certain litigation efforts, factory restructuring costs, foreign currency gains and losses and the related tax impact of these adjustments. The three months ended December 30, 2023 also includes adjustments for severance.