# 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): May 1, 2024

# CONFLUENT, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-40526 (Commission File Number) 47-1824387 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

899 W. Evelyn Avenue Mountain View, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

94041 (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (800) 439-3207

#### Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425	under the Securities Act	(17 CFR 230.425)				
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 un	der the Exchange Act (17	CFR 240.14a-12)				
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	Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:						
	Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered				
Class A Co	Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.00001 per share  CFLT  The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC  (Nasdaq Global Select Market)						
•	neck mark whether the registrant is an emerging alle 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934		ed in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this oter).				
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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.

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 7, 2024, Confluent, Inc. ("Confluent") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2024. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and Item 9.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the accompanying Exhibit 99.1 hereto, shall not be deemed "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 incorporated by reference into any filing made by Confluent under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings, unless expressly incorporated by specific reference in such filing.

## Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On May 1, 2024, Ying Christina Liu, Confluent's Chief Accounting Officer and principal accounting officer, informed Confluent that she will be resigning from Confluent, effective on or about May 22, 2024, to pursue another opportunity. Ms. Liu's resignation was not a result of any disagreement on any matter relating to Confluent's accounting practices, operations or policies.

Effective as of May 6, 2024, Rohan Sivaram, Confluent's Chief Financial Officer and principal financial officer, was designated by Confluent's board of directors as Confluent's principal accounting officer. Mr. Sivaram's biographical information can be found in Confluent's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A for Confluent's 2024 annual meeting of stockholders, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 24, 2024.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exl	hibit No.	Description
99.	1	Press Release dated May 7, 2024.
104	1	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL).

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Confluent, Inc.

Dated: May 7, 2024 By: /s/ Rohan Sivaram

Rohan Sivaram Chief Financial Officer

### **Confluent Announces First Quarter 2024 Financial Results**

- First quarter total revenue of \$217 million, up 25% year over year
- First quarter subscription revenue of \$207 million, up 29% year over year
- First quarter Confluent Cloud revenue of \$107 million, up 45% year over year
- 1,260 customers with \$100,000 or greater in ARR, up 17% year over year

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. -- May 07, 2024 -- Confluent, Inc. (NASDAQ: CFLT), the data streaming pioneer, today announced financial results for its first quarter of 2024, ended March 31, 2024.

"Confluent started fiscal year 2024 strong, highlighted by 45% year-over-year revenue growth for Confluent Cloud, which now accounts for the majority of our subscription revenue and remains our fastest growing offering," said Jay Kreps, co-founder and CEO, Confluent. "These results show the critical role data streaming plays in the modern technology landscape, with organizations showing a clear preference for a complete platform to stream, connect, process, and govern data everywhere. Our latest product innovations reinforce our competitive advantage to help us fully maximize the category opportunity ahead of us."

"Our first quarter performance demonstrates that our consumption transformation is showing early signs of success, evidenced by our robust subscription revenue growth and the largest sequential increase in total customers since Q1 2023," said Rohan Sivaram, CFO, Confluent. "While streaming remains the largest driver of our cloud business with continued strong growth, our DSP products which include connect, process, and govern have shown substantially faster growth. This puts us in a stronger position to drive durable and efficient growth in the years ahead."

#### First Quarter 2024 Financial Highlights

(In millions, except per share data and percentages)

	Q1 2024	Q1 2023	Y/Y Change
Total Revenue	\$217.2	\$174.3	25%
Subscription Revenue	\$206.9	\$160.6	29%
GAAP Operating Loss	\$(111.4)	\$(166.1)	\$54.7
Non-GAAP Operating Loss	\$(3.3)	\$(40.3)	\$37.0
GAAP Operating Margin	(51.3%)	(95.3%)	44.0 pts
Non-GAAP Operating Margin	(1.5%)	(23.1%)	21.6 pts
GAAP Net Loss Per Share	\$(0.30)	\$(0.52)	\$0.22
Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss) Per Diluted Share	\$0.05	\$(0.09)	\$0.14
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	\$(26.0)	\$(77.8)	\$51.8
Free Cash Flow	\$(31.7)	\$(82.9)	\$51.2

#### **Financial Outlook**

As previously announced, Confluent will be transitioning its revenue outlook from total revenue to subscription revenue. The second quarter of 2024 will be the final quarter for which Confluent provides total revenue outlook for the quarter and fiscal year 2024. Confluent will provide only total subscription revenue outlook beginning with outlook for the third quarter of 2024.

For the second quarter of 2024, Confluent expects:

- Total revenue between \$229 million and \$230 million
- Subscription revenue between \$217 million to \$218 million
- Non-GAAP operating margin of approximately negative 1%
- Non-GAAP net income per diluted share between \$0.04 to \$0.05

#### For fiscal year 2024, Confluent expects:

- Total revenue of approximately \$957 million
- Subscription revenue of approximately \$910 million
- Non-GAAP operating margin of approximately 0%
- Non-GAAP net income per diluted share between \$0.19 to \$0.20

A reconciliation of forward-looking non-GAAP operating margin, free cash flow margin and non-GAAP net income per share to the most directly comparable GAAP measures is not available without unreasonable effort, as certain items cannot be reasonably predicted because of their high variability, complexity and low visibility. In particular, the measures and effects of our stock-based compensation-related charges, which include stock-based compensation expenses, employer payroll taxes on employee stock transactions, and amortization of stock-based compensation capitalized in internal-use software, are directly impacted by the timing of employee stock transactions and unpredictable fluctuations in our stock price, which we expect to have a significant impact on our future GAAP financial results.

#### **Conference Call Information**

Confluent will host a video webcast to discuss the company's first quarter 2024 results as well as its financial outlook today at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time/1:30 p.m. Pacific Time. Open to the public, investors may access the webcast, earnings press release, supplemental financial information, and investor presentation on Confluent's investor relations website at <u>investors.confluent.io</u> before the commencement of the webcast. A replay of the webcast will also be accessible from Confluent's investor relations website a few hours after the conclusion of the live event.

Confluent uses its investor relations website and may use its X (Twitter), LinkedIn, and Facebook accounts as a means of disclosing material non-public information and for complying with its disclosure obligations under Regulation FD.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release and the earnings call referencing this press release contain forward-looking statements including, among other things, statements regarding (i) our financial outlook, including expected total revenue, subscription revenue, Confluent Cloud revenue, non-GAAP operating margin, free cash flow margin, non-GAAP net income per share, revenue mix, Confluent Cloud growth, operating margins and margin improvements, targeted or anticipated gross and operating margin levels, earnings per share levels and improvements, improvements in unit economics and in-product optimizations of Confluent Cloud, continued business momentum, and expected revenue growth rate and efficient growth, (ii) our market and category leadership position, (iii) our expected investments in research and development and go-to-market functions and anticipated effectiveness and timing of product innovation, features and functionalities, (iv) our ability to drive efficient growth and rate and pace of investments, including expected capital allocation, (v) our expectations and trends relating to growth of our DSP products and Confluent Cloud, including following our planned reorientation of our go-to-market strategy and model around customer consumption, (vi) rates of Confluent Cloud consumption and demand for and retention of data streaming platforms like Confluent in the face of budget scrutiny, (vii) continued high interest rates and macroeconomic uncertainty as well as our expectations regarding the effects of macroeconomic pressure on our go-to-market motion, durability of our offering with customers, customer use case expansion and overall consumption levels of Confluent Cloud, as well as potential benefits to our business and growth following any improvements to the macroeconomic environment, (viii) our pricing, our win rate and deal cycles and customer behaviors, such as budget scrutiny and preferences for consumption rather than large upfront commitments, (ix) customer growth, retention and engagement, (x) ability for Confluent Cloud to provide cost savings for users and customers, including lower total cost of ownership, and drive greater monetization of the open source Kafka user base as a result, (xi) increased adoption of our offering and fully managed solutions for data streaming in general, including from customers building generative AI applications, (xii) dependence of businesses on data in motion, (xiii) growth in and growth rate of revenue, customers, dollar-based net retention rate, and gross retention rate, (xiv) our ability to increase engagement of customers for Confluent and expand customer cohorts, (xv) our market opportunity, (xvi) our ability to successfully reorient our go-to-market strategy and model around customer consumption as well as the timing, anticipated benefits, and overall effectiveness of such transition for our business, future durable and efficient growth, and ability to capture our market opportunity, (xvii) our go-to-market strategy, (xviii) our product differentiation and market acceptance of our products, including over open source alternatives, (xix) our strategy and expected results and market acceptance for our Flink offering and our DSP products, (xx) our expectations for market acceptance, direction and growth of stream processing, its potential to accelerate adoption of our platform and growth of our business, and our ability and positioning to capture this market, (xxi) our expectations of meeting near-term and mid-term financial targets, (xxii) our expectations regarding the generative AI landscape and our offering, including expectations of customers and partners using our offering for generative AI use cases, (xxiii) our expectations of relevance of certain key financial and operating metrics, and (xxiv) our overall future prospects. The words "believe," "may," "will," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "expect," "seek," "plan," "project," "target," "looking ahead," "look to," "move into," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements represent our current beliefs, estimates and assumptions only as of the date of this press release and information contained in this press release should not be relied upon as representing our estimates as of any subsequent date. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties, and

assumptions. If the risks materialize or assumptions prove incorrect, actual results could differ materially from the results implied by these forward-looking statements. Risks include, but are not limited to: (i) our limited operating history, including in uncertain macroeconomic environments, (ii) our ability to sustain and manage our rapid growth, (iii) our ability to increase consumption of our offering, including by existing customers and through the acquisition of new customers, including by addressing customer consumption preferences, and successfully add new features and functionality to our offering, (iv) our ability to successfully execute our go-to-market strategy and initiatives, including as we reorient our go-to-market strategy and model around customer consumption, (v) our ability to attract new customers and retain and sell additional features and services to our existing customers, (vi) uncertain macroeconomic conditions, including high inflation, high interest rates, bank failures, supply chain challenges, geopolitical events, recessionary risks, and exchange rate fluctuations, which have resulted and may continue to result in customer pullback in information technology spending, lengthening of sales cycles, reduced contract sizes, reduced consumption of Confluent Cloud or customer preference for open source alternatives, as well as the potential need for cost efficiency measures, (vii) our ability to achieve profitability and improve margins annually, by our expected timelines or at all, (viii) the estimated addressable market opportunity for our offering, including our Flink offering and stream processing, and our ability to capture our share of that market opportunity. (ix) our ability to compete effectively in an increasingly competitive market, (x) our ability to attract and retain highly qualified personnel, including as we reorient our go-to-market strategy and model around customer consumption, (xi) breaches in our security measures, intentional or accidental cybersecurity incidents or unauthorized access to our platform, our data, or our customers' or other users' personal data, (xii) our reliance on third-party cloud-based infrastructure to host Confluent Cloud, (xiii) public sector budgetary cycles and funding reductions or delays, (xiv) our ability to accurately forecast our future performance, business and growth, and (xv) general market, political, economic, and business conditions. These risks are not exhaustive. Further information on these and other risks that could affect Confluent's results is included in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023, and our future reports that we may file from time to time with the SEC. Additional information will be made available in our Ouarterly Report on Form 10-O for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 that will be filed with the SEC, which should be read in conjunction with this press release and the financial results included herein. Confluent assumes no obligation to, and does not currently intend to, update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

This press release includes the following non-GAAP financial measures: non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP operating expenses (research and development, sales and marketing, and general and administrative), non-GAAP operating income (loss), non-GAAP net income (loss), non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, free cash flow, and free cash flow margin. We use these non-GAAP financial measures and other key metrics internally to facilitate analysis of our financial and business trends and for internal planning and forecasting purposes. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures, when taken collectively, may be helpful to investors because they provide consistency and comparability with past financial performance by excluding certain items that may not be indicative of our business, results of operations, or outlook. However, non-GAAP financial measures have limitations as an analytical tool and are presented for supplemental informational purposes only. They

should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. In particular, other companies, including companies in our industry, may report non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP operating expenses (research and development, sales and marketing, general and administrative), non-GAAP operating income (loss), non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP net income (loss), non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, free cash flow, free cash flow margin, or similarly titled measures but calculate them differently, which reduces their usefulness as comparative measures. Further, free cash flow is not a substitute for cash used in operating activities. The utility of free cash flow is limited as such measure does not reflect our future contractual commitments and does not represent the total increase or decrease in our cash balance for any given period. Investors are encouraged to review the reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures, as presented below. We define non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP operating expenses (research and development, sales and marketing, and general and administrative), non-GAAP operating loss, non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP net income (loss), and non-GAAP net income (loss) per share as the respective GAAP measures, adjusted for, as applicable, stock-based compensation-related charges which include stock-based compensation expense, employer taxes on employee stock transactions and amortization of stockbased compensation capitalized in internal-use software; amortization of acquired intangibles; acquisition-related expenses; restructuring and other related charges; amortization of debt issuance costs; and income tax effects associated with these adjustments as well as the non-recurring income tax expense or benefit associated with acquisitions. Non-GAAP gross margin and non-GAAP operating margin are defined as non-GAAP gross profit and non-GAAP operating loss as a percentage of revenue, respectively. We define free cash flow as net cash used in operating activities less capitalized internal-use software costs and capital expenditures and free cash flow margin as free cash flow as a percentage of revenue. We believe that free cash flow and free cash flow margin are useful indicators of liquidity that provide information to management and investors about the performance of core operations and future ability to generate cash that can be used for strategic opportunities or investing in our business.

#### **Definition**

Customers with \$100,000 or greater in annual recurring revenue ("ARR") represent the number of customers that contributed \$100,000 or more in ARR as of period end. We define ARR as (1) with respect to Confluent Platform customers, the amount of revenue to which our customers are contractually committed over the following 12 months assuming no increases or reductions in their subscriptions, and (2) with respect to Confluent Cloud customers, the amount of revenue that we expect to recognize from such customers over the following 12 months, calculated by annualizing actual consumption of Confluent Cloud in the last three months of the applicable period, assuming no increases or reductions in usage rate. Services arrangements are excluded from the calculation of ARR. For purposes of determining our customer count, we treat all affiliated entities with the same parent organization as a single customer and include pay-as-you-go customers. Our customer count is subject to adjustments for acquisitions, consolidations, spin-offs, and other market activity.

#### **About Confluent**

Confluent is the data streaming platform that is pioneering a fundamentally new category of data infrastructure that sets data in motion. Confluent's cloud-native offering is the foundational platform for data in motion – designed to be the intelligent connective tissue enabling real-time data, from multiple sources, to constantly stream across the organization. With Confluent, organizations can meet the new business imperative of delivering rich, digital front-end customer experiences and transitioning to sophisticated, real-time, software-driven backend operations.

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### Confluent, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	March 2024	,	December 31, 2023
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	336,373 \$	349,761
Marketable securities		1,570,586	1,551,009
Accounts receivable, net		199,842	229,962
Deferred contract acquisition costs		43,214	43,937
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		76,102	76,986
Total current assets		2,226,117	2,251,655
Property and equipment, net		61,627	54,012
Operating lease right-of-use assets		9,176	10,061
Goodwill and intangible assets, net		54,988	55,490
Deferred contract acquisition costs, non-current		73,508	75,815
Other assets, non-current		14,213	13,776
Total assets	\$	2,439,629 \$	2,460,809
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$	1,882 \$	6,714
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		96,739	141,847
Operating lease liabilities		10,061	7,890
Deferred revenue		330,516	330,570
Total current liabilities		439,198	487,021
Operating lease liabilities, non-current		13,284	17,391
Deferred revenue, non-current		17,145	22,436
Convertible senior notes, net		1,089,266	1,088,313
Other liabilities, non-current		35,519	35,233
Total liabilities		1,594,412	1,650,394
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred stock		-	-
Class A common stock		2	2
Class B common stock		1	1
Additional paid-in capital		2,584,665	2,453,293
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income		(2,333)	1,270
Accumulated deficit		(1,737,118)	(1,644,151)
Total stockholders' equity		845,217	810,415
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,439,629 \$	2,460,809

# Confluent, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(in thousands, except share and per share data)
(unaudited)

Three Months Ended March 31, 2024 2023 Revenue: Subscription \$ 206,902 160,567 Services 10,335 13,735 Total revenue 217,237 174,302 Cost of revenue: Subscription<sup>(1)</sup> 48.355 42,905 Services<sup>(1)</sup> 12,866 15,239 61,221 58,144 Total cost of revenue Gross profit 116,158 156,016 Operating expenses: Research and development<sup>(1)</sup> Sales and marketing<sup>(1)</sup> 97,571 84,890 131,352 128,624 General and administrative<sup>(1)</sup> 38,444 35,355 Restructuring and other related charges 33,382 Total operating expenses 267,367 282,251 (111,351) (166,093) Operating loss Other income, net 20,850 15,185 Loss before income taxes (90,501)(150,908)Provision for income taxes 2,466 1,647 Net loss Net loss per share, basic and diluted (0.30)(0.52)Weighted-average shares used to compute net loss per share, basic and diluted 314,203,181 291,864,975

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes stock-based compensation-related charges\* as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2024		2023
Cost of revenue - subscription	\$	7,905	\$	6,649
Cost of revenue - services		2,718		2,867
Research and development		41,424		31,684
Sales and marketing		35,780		29,570
General and administrative		15,158		12,182
Total stock-based compensation-related charges	\$	102,985	\$	82,952

<sup>\*</sup> Represents stock-based compensation expense, employer taxes on employee stock transactions, and amortization of stock-based compensation capitalized in internal-use software. We began excluding amortization of stock-based compensation capitalized in internal-use software from our non-GAAP measures starting with the quarter ended March 31, 2024. The amounts of amortization of stock-based compensation capitalized in internal-use software were immaterial in both current and prior periods.

### Confluent, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2024		2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	·			
Net loss	\$	(92,967)	\$	(152,555)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to cash used in operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		4,311		3,122
Net accretion of discounts on marketable securities		(10,396)		(9,133)
Amortization of debt issuance costs		953		939
Amortization of deferred contract acquisition costs		12,762		10,484
Non-cash operating lease costs		885		1,207
Lease abandonment charges		-		15,667
Stock-based compensation, net of amounts capitalized		95,322		79,289
Deferred income taxes		615		5
Other		849		279
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of business combinations:				
Accounts receivable		29,360		8,068
Deferred contract acquisition costs		(9,732)		(10,160)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(1,929)		3,141
Accounts payable		(4,932)		(11,325)
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		(43,752)		(16,557)
Operating lease liabilities		(1,935)		(1,998)
Deferred revenue		(5,368)		1,755
Net cash used in operating activities		(25,954)		(77,772)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Capitalization of internal-use software costs		(5,539)		(4,556)
Purchases of marketable securities		(443,307)		(453,356)
Maturities of marketable securities		432,267		451,777
Purchases of property and equipment		(186)		(546)
Cash paid for business combinations, net of cash acquired		-		(45,802)
Net cash used in investing activities		(16,765)		(52,483)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Proceeds from issuance of common stock upon exercise of vested options		14,401		20,780
Repurchases of unvested options		, -		(223)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock under employee stock purchase plan		15,603		17,172
Net cash provided by financing activities		30.004		37.729
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(673)	-	205
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	·	(13,388)		(92,321)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		349,761	_	435,781
, , , , ,	\$	336,373	\$	343,460
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	330,3/3	Þ	343,460

# Confluent, Inc. Reconciliation of GAAP Measures to Non-GAAP Measures

(in thousands, except percentages, share and per share data) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,			31,
		2024		2023
Reconciliation of GAAP total gross profit to non-GAAP total gross profit:	<u>,                                      </u>		<u>,                                      </u>	
Total gross profit on a GAAP basis	\$	156,016	\$	116,158
Total gross margin on a GAAP basis		71.8%		66.6%
Add: Stock-based compensation-related charges		10,623		9,516
Add: Amortization of acquired intangibles		502		113
Non-GAAP total gross profit	\$	167,141	\$	125,787
Non-GAAP total gross margin		76.9%		72.2%
Reconciliation of GAAP operating expenses to non-GAAP operating expenses:				
Research and development operating expense on a GAAP basis	\$	97,571	\$	84,890
Research and development operating expense as a percentage of total revenue on a GAAP basis		44.9%		48.7%
Less: Stock-based compensation-related charges		41,424		31,684
Less: Acquisition-related expenses		4,362		7,680
Non-GAAP research and development operating expense	\$	51,785	\$	45,526
Non-GAAP research and development operating expense as a percentage of total revenue		23.8%		26.1%
Sales and marketing operating expense on a GAAP basis	\$	131,352	\$	128,624
Sales and marketing operating expense as a percentage of total revenue on a GAAP basis		60.5%		73.8%
Less: Stock-based compensation-related charges		35,780		29,570
Less: Acquisition-related expenses		-		1,076
Non-GAAP sales and marketing operating expense	\$	95,572	\$	97,978
Non-GAAP sales and marketing operating expense as a percentage of total revenue		44.0%		56.2%
General and administrative operating expense on a GAAP basis	\$	38,444	\$	35,355
General and administrative operating expense as a percentage of total revenue on a GAAP basis		17.7%		20.3%
Less: Stock-based compensation-related charges		15,158		12,182
Less: Acquisition-related expenses		225		561
Non-GAAP general and administrative operating expense	\$	23,061	\$	22,612
Non-GAAP general and administrative operating expense as a percentage of total revenue		10.6%		13.0%

	Three Months Ended March 31,			1 31,
		2024		2023
Reconciliation of GAAP operating loss to non-GAAP operating loss:				
Operating loss on a GAAP basis	\$	(111,351)	\$	(166,093)
GAAP operating margin		(51.3%)		(95.3%)
Add: Stock-based compensation-related charges		102,985		82,952
Add: Amortization of acquired intangibles		502		113
Add: Acquisition-related expenses		4,587		9,317
Add: Restructuring and other related charges		<u>-</u> _		33,382
Non-GAAP operating loss	\$	(3,277)	\$	(40,329)
Non-GAAP operating margin		(1.5%)		(23.1%)
Reconciliation of GAAP net loss to non-GAAP net income (loss):				
Net loss on a GAAP basis	\$	(92,967)	\$	(152,555)
Add: Stock-based compensation-related charges		102,985		82,952
Add: Amortization of acquired intangibles		502		113
Add: Acquisition-related expenses		4,587		9,317
Add: Restructuring and other related charges		-		33,382
Add: Amortization of debt issuance costs		953		939
Add: Income tax effects and adjustments		(260)		362
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$	15,800	\$	(25,490)
Non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, basic	\$	0.05	\$	(0.09)
Non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, diluted	\$	0.05	\$	(0.09)
Weighted-average shares used to compute non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, basic		314,203,181		291,864,975
Weighted-average shares used to compute non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, diluted		350,195,868		291,864,975

The following table presents a reconciliation of free cash flow to net cash used in operating activities, the most directly comparable GAAP measure, for each of the periods indicated (unaudited, in thousands, except percentages):

		Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2	024	2023	
Net cash used in operating activities	\$	(25,954) \$	(77,772)	
Capitalized internal-use software costs		(5,539)	(4,556)	
Capital expenditures		(186)	(546)	
Free cash flow	\$	(31,679) \$	(82,874)	
Free cash flow margin		(14.6%)	(47.5%)	
Net cash used in investing activities	\$	(16,765) \$	(52,483)	
Net each provided by financing activities	•	30.004 \$	37 720	