

YUM BRANDS INC
Form 8-K
March 11, 2013

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)

March 11, 2013

Commission file number 1-13163

YUM! BRANDS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

13-3951308
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1441 Gardiner Lane, Louisville, Kentucky
(Address of principal executive offices)

40213
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (502) 874-8300

Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 2 - Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

**YUM! BRANDS INC. RELEASES ESTIMATED FIRST-QUARTER AND FEBRUARY
SAME-STORE SALES FOR CHINA BUSINESS**

Louisville, KY (March 11, 2013) - Yum! Brands Inc. (NYSE: YUM) first quarter same-store sales declined an estimated 20% for the China Division. This included estimated declines of 24% at KFC and 2% at Pizza Hut Casual Dining. Consistent with prior years, the first quarter of the China Division is two months and includes January and February results.

February same-store sales growth was approximately 2% for the China Division, including flat same-store sales at KFC and 13% growth at Pizza Hut Casual Dining. We estimate the timing of Chinese New Year had a positive mid-teen impact on February same-store sales growth for both KFC and Pizza Hut Casual Dining, offsetting a similar negative mid-teen impact in January. For the full quarter, the Chinese New Year impact to same-store sales growth was neutral.

We will release March same-store sales for our China Division on April 10, 2013 after market hours. We will release first-quarter earnings on April 23, 2013 after market hours.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ONLINE

Quarter end dates for each division, restaurant-count details and definitions of terms are available online at www.yum.com under "Investors". Additional historical financial data, including same-store sales growth by division, has been updated through the fourth quarter of 2012 and will be available on our website on March 12, 2013.

Yum! Brands, Inc., based in Louisville, Kentucky, is the world's largest restaurant company in terms of system restaurants with over 39,000 restaurants in more than 125 countries and territories. Yum! was ranked #213 on the Fortune 500 List for 2011 and had revenues of over \$13 billion in 2012. The Company's restaurant brands - KFC, Pizza Hut and Taco Bell - are the global leaders of the chicken, pizza and Mexican-style food categories. Outside the United States, the Yum! Brands system opened over five new restaurants each day of the year, making it a leader in international retail development.

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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.

YUM! BRANDS, INC.
(Registrant)

Date: March 11, 2013

/s/ David E. Russell
Vice President, Finance and
Corporate Controller