

O REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC  
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 11-K

(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017

OR  
 TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number: 000-21318

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below:

O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.  
Profit Sharing and Savings Plan

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office:

O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.  
233 South Patterson Avenue  
Springfield, Missouri 65802

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Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule

(Modified Cash Basis)

O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.  
Profit Sharing and Savings Plan

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and for the year ended December 31, 2017  
with report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.  
Profit Sharing and Savings Plan  
(Modified Cash Basis)

Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and for the year ended December 31, 2017

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Plan Participants and the Plan Administrator of O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. Profit Sharing and Savings Plan

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) of O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. Profit Sharing and Savings Plan (the "Plan") as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) of the Plan at December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) for the year ended December 31, 2017, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Modified Cash Basis of Accounting

As described in Note 1, the financial statements and supplemental schedule have been prepared on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Plan's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Plan in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Plan is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Supplemental Schedule

The accompanying supplemental schedule (modified cash basis) of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2017, has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of the Plan's financial statements. The information in the supplemental schedule is the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the information reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information

presented in the supplemental schedule. In forming our opinion on the information, we evaluated whether such information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Plan's auditor since 1992  
Kansas City, Missouri  
June 27, 2018

O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.  
Profit Sharing and Savings Plan

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)

(In thousands)

	December 31,	
	2017	2016
Investments, at fair value (Note 3)	\$807,141	\$797,129
Notes receivable from participants	31,840	29,043
Net assets available for benefits	\$838,981	\$826,172

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.  
Profit Sharing and Savings Plan

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)

(In thousands)

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2017
Additions:	
Investment income:	
Net realized and unrealized appreciation in value of investments	\$ 7,042
Dividend and interest income	20,652
Total investment income	27,694
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	1,328
Contributions:	
Rollover from other plans	5,584
Employer	23,383
Participant	50,711
Total contributions	79,678
 Total additions	 108,700
 Deductions:	
Distributions to participants	93,311
Administrative expenses	2,580
Total deductions	95,891
 Net increase in net assets available for benefits	 12,809
Net assets available for benefits at the beginning of the year	826,172
Net assets available for benefits at the end of the year	\$ 838,981
See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.	

O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC.  
Profit Sharing and Savings Plan  
(Modified Cash Basis)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2017

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The items identified below are summaries of the significant accounting policies of the O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. (the "Company") Profit Sharing and Savings Plan (the "Plan"):

**Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than United States generally accepted accounting principles. Under this basis, employer and participant contributions are recorded when received rather than in the period to which they relate, and benefits and expenses are recorded when paid rather than when incurred.

**Valuation of Investments and Income Recognition**

Investments held by the Plan are stated at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (an exit price). Please refer to Note 3 for further discussion and disclosures related to fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded as earned. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

**Notes Receivable from Participants**

Notes receivable from participants represent participant loans that are recorded at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued, but unpaid, interest. Interest income on notes receivable from participants is recorded when it is earned. The notes receivable from participants are secured by the vested account balances of the borrowing participants. No allowance for credit losses was recorded as of December 31, 2017 or 2016. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, a deemed distribution is recorded, which is a taxable event for the participant. A loan offset is recorded to reduce the participant's account balance by the outstanding amount of the loan when the loan has been determined to be in default and the participant account incurs a distributable event as defined in the Plan agreement.

**Administrative Expenses**

The Plan did not pay trustee administrative fees for the plan years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, as provided by the Plan's provisions. In addition, the Plan paid Plan related expenses incurred for consultation with third-party investment advisors and legal counsel for the plan years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. All additional administrative and investment related expenses were paid by the Plan participants. Expenses relating to purchases, sales or transfers of the Plan's investments are charged to the particular investment fund, to which the expenses relate.

**Payment of Benefits**

Benefits are recorded when paid.

**Use of Estimates**



The preparation of financial statements requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements, accompanying notes and supplemental schedule. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

General

The following description of the Plan is provided for general information only. Participants should refer to the plan agreement for a complete description of the Plan's provisions.

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The Plan is a defined contribution pension plan providing retirement benefits to substantially all non-union employees of the Company who have attained age 21 and completed one year of employment. The Plan is sponsored by the Company and is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”). Please refer to the Plan agreement for complete information.

#### Trust Services

The trustee function of the Plan is performed by T. Rowe Price Company (“T. Rowe Price” or the “Trustee”). As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Plan investments were held by the Trustee, in various funds. The Trustee has authority for the purchase and sale of investments and makes payments from the Plan based on participant direction, subject to certain restrictions as specified in the trust agreement, the Plan document and ERISA.

#### Contributions

Participants may contribute up to 100% of their annual eligible compensation, as defined in the Plan document, to the Plan up to \$18 thousand for both the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. Participants 50 years of age or older may contribute up to \$24 thousand of their annual eligible compensation, as defined in the Plan document, to the Plan for both the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. Eligible team members are automatically enrolled in the Plan after one year of employment and 21 years of age at a contribution rate of 2% of their annual eligible compensation. Eligible team members may choose not to participate by declaring their intentions to do so prior to their initial enrollment date.

Eligible participants may make permitted voluntary rollover contributions to the Plan, subject to Plan requirements.

The Plan provides for a Company match of 100% of the first 2% of each participant’s voluntary contribution and 25% of the next 4% of each participant’s voluntary contribution. A participant generally must be employed on December 31 to receive that year’s Company matching contribution, with the matching contribution funded annually at the beginning of the subsequent year following the year in which the matching contribution was earned. Additionally, the Company may make discretionary profit sharing contributions to the Plan annually, as determined by its Board of Directors, up to a maximum aggregate Company contribution of 25% of the participants’ annual eligible compensation. Participants are eligible for these discretionary contributions after at least 1,000 hours of service in a 12-consecutive month period of employment and generally must be employed on the last day of the plan year. During the years ended December 31, 2017 or 2016, the Company did not make any discretionary contributions to the Plan. Participants can elect to allocate their contributions, as well as the employer contributions, to various equity, bond, fixed income or target date funds, O’Reilly Automotive, Inc. common stock, or a combination thereof.

#### Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in all voluntary contributions and actual earnings on these contributions. Employer contributions, and earnings on employer contributions, vest based on years of service with the Company at a rate of 20% per year from years two through six and are 100% vested after six years of service. In addition, upon a participant’s death or disability, as defined in the Plan document, all employer contributions, and earnings on employer contributions, become 100% vested.

#### Participant Accounts

Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contribution and actual earnings and with an allocation of the Company’s contribution and actual Plan earnings. Allocations of Company matching contributions are based on participant contributions and allocation of Company discretionary contributions are based on participant compensation. Allocations of Plan earnings are based on participants’ account balances. The non-vested portions of terminated participants’ account balances are transferred to a Plan controlled forfeiture account. Each participant account is also charged with an allocation of administrative fees and investment fees.

#### Forfeiture Account

The Plan controlled forfeiture account, which is funded from the non-vested portions of terminated participants' account balances, serves to pay future administrative expenses and reduce employer contributions. During the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, \$85 thousand and \$163 thousand in forfeitures were used to pay administrative expenses, respectively. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Plan retained \$2,882 thousand and \$2,710 thousand in forfeitures, respectively.

#### Participant Loans

Participants are entitled to borrow from the Plan up to the lesser of \$50 thousand or 50% of their vested account balance at a rate equal to one percentage point above the prime interest rate in effect, as reported in The Wall Street Journal, on the last business

day of the month prior to the date the loan is made. Funds borrowed from the plan as well as the applicable interest are repaid by payroll deductions over a period no longer than 15 years and are secured by the participant's vested account balance.

#### Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of service, death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive a partial or lump-sum payment in an amount equal to the value of the participant's vested account balance. Participants may also elect to rollover their vested account balance into a different tax-qualified retirement plan or individual retirement account upon termination of service. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, terminated participants had approximately \$550 thousand and \$453 thousand, respectively, included in Net Assets Available for Benefits, which were paid in 2018 and 2017, respectively.

#### Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their account balances.

#### NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Plan uses the fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are set forth below:

Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible to the reporting entity at the measurement date for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2 - Inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that are observable either directly or indirectly for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. Level 2 inputs include the following:

Quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets;

Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active;

Observable inputs other than quoted prices that are used in the valuation of the assets or liabilities (e.g., interest rate and yield curve quotes at commonly quoted intervals); and

Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability (i.e., supported by little or no market activity). Level 3 inputs include management's own assumption about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk).

The level in the fair value hierarchy, within which the fair value measurement is classified, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measure in its entirety.

A description of the valuation methodologies used for Plan assets measured at fair value are identified below:

Registered investment company mutual funds: Valued at the quoted net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year end.

Common stock: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market, on which the individual securities are traded.

Common collective trusts: Valued using the net asset value ("NAV") provided by T. Rowe Price. The NAV is quoted on a private market that is not active; however, the unit price is based on the fair value of the underlying investments. The fund is designed to deliver safety and stability by preserving principal and accumulating earnings. This fund is primarily invested in guaranteed investment contracts and synthetic investment contracts. Participant-directed redemptions have no restrictions; however, the Plan is required to provide a one year redemption notice to liquidate its

entire share in the fund.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement as of the reporting date.

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The table below classifies the investment assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis by level within the fair value hierarchy as of December 31, 2017 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2017			
	Total Investment	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$11	\$11	\$	—\$
Registered investment company mutual funds	512,694	512,694	—	—
Employer common stock	278,704	278,704	—	—
Common collective trust measured at NAV	791,409	\$791,409	\$	—\$
Investment assets at fair value	15,732			
	\$807,141			

The table below classifies the investment assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis by level within the fair value hierarchy as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2016			
	Total Investment	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$28	\$28	\$	—\$
Registered investment company mutual funds	393,814	393,814	—	—
Employer common stock	390,005	390,005	—	—
Common collective trust measured at NAV	783,847	\$783,847	\$	—\$
Investment assets at fair value	13,282			
	\$797,129			

The Plan holds an investment in a common collective trust, specifically the T. Rowe Price Stable Value Fund Sch E (“Stable value fund”). The Stable value fund invests in fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. The fund is designed to deliver safety and stability by preserving principal and accumulated earnings, but cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so. Participant-directed redemptions have no restrictions; however, the Plan is required to provide a one-year redemption notice to liquidate its entire share of the fund.

#### NOTE 4. INCOME TAX STATUS

The underlying volume submitter plan has received an advisory letter from the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) dated August 2, 2017, stating that the form of the plan is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the “Code”), and therefore, the related trust is tax-exempt. The Plan administrator has determined that it is eligible to, and has chosen to, rely on the current IRS volume submitter advisory letter. Once qualified, the Plan is required to operate in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualified status. The Plan administrator believes the Plan is being operated

in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code and, therefore, believe the Plan is qualified and related trust is tax-exempt.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require Plan management to evaluate uncertain tax positions taken by the Plan. The financial statement effects of a tax position are recognized when the position is more likely than not, based on the technical merits, to be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2017, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken. The Plan has recognized no interest or penalties related to uncertain tax positions. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE 5. RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are shares in common collective trusts and mutual funds managed by T. Rowe Price. T. Rowe Price is the Trustee as described by the Plan, and therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Certain Plan investments are shares in the common stock of O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. is the Plan sponsor as described by the Plan, and therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. All of these transactions are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules.

NOTE 6. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits.



SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE  
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)

O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.  
Profit Sharing and Savings Plan

FORM 5500 SCHEDULE H, LINE 4I  
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)  
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)  
E.I.N. 27-4358837, PLAN NO. 002  
(In thousands)

	December 31, 2017 Current Value
Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$11
T. Rowe Price mutual funds*:	
Retirement 2005 Fund	3,969
Retirement 2010 Fund	7,330
Retirement 2015 Fund	25,249
Retirement 2020 Fund	56,739
Retirement 2025 Fund	83,760
Retirement 2030 Fund	68,644
Retirement 2035 Fund	59,901
Retirement 2040 Fund	49,598
Retirement 2045 Fund	41,835
Retirement 2050 Fund	36,220
Retirement 2055 Fund	28,099
Retirement 2060 Fund	3,596
T. Rowe Price common and collective trusts*:	
TRP Stable Value Fund Sch E	15,732
Registered investment company mutual funds:	
Amer Beac Small Cap Val Inst	2,199
Artisan Mid Cap	2,962
Blackrock Equity Div, I	2,948
Fidelity Strategic Income	2,620
Harbor Capital Appreciation Fd	5,303
Harbor International Fund	1,354
JP Morgan Mid Cap Value L	3,512
Met West Total Return Bond I	2,086
Oakmark International I	1,368
U.S. Treasury Money Fund	1
Vanguard 500 Index Admiral	9,986
Vanguard Extended Mkt Index	1,682
Vanguard Inf Protected Sec	1,047
Vanguard Inter Growth Fund	3,265
Vanguard Sm Cap Growth Idx Adm	5,070
Vanguard Total Bond Index Adm	1,854
Vanguard TTL Int Stock Ind Adm	497

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O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. common stock*	278,704
Participant loans (interest rates ranging from 4.00% to 10.00%; maturities through 11/07/2032)*	31,840
	\$ 838,981

\*Party-in-interest to the Plan

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the trustees (or other persons who administer the employee benefit plan) have duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

O'Reilly Automotive,  
Inc.  
Profit Sharing and  
Savings Plan

Date: June 27, 2018 By: /s/Thomas McFall

Thomas McFall  
O'Reilly  
Automotive, Inc.  
Executive Vice  
President and  
Chief Financial  
Officer  
(Principal  
Financial and  
Accounting  
Officer)

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

23.1      Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

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