

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): September 2, 2026

C3.AI, INC.
(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1400 Seaport Blvd
Redwood City, CA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)
001-39744

(Commission File Number)

26-3999357
(650) 503-2200
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

94063
(Zip Code)

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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 Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	AI	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

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 September 2, 2026, C3.ai, Inc. (the “*Company*”) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal first quarter ended July 31, 2026. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and Item 9.01 in 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 in any filing made by the Company 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 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated September 2, 2026
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the inline XBRL document).

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.

C3.ai, Inc.

Dated: September 2, 2026

By: /s/ Thomas M. Siebel
Thomas M. Siebel
Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of
Directors

C3 AI Announces Fiscal First Quarter 2027 Results

Turnaround on track

Bookings increase 73% quarter over quarter

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — September 2, 2026 — C3.ai, Inc. (“C3 AI,” “C3,” or the “Company”) (NYSE: AI), the Enterprise AI application software company, today announced financial results for its fiscal first quarter ended July 31, 2026.

“Revenue was \$52.4 million, on plan. Free cash flow was positive \$2.1 million. Non-GAAP operating loss was \$36.2 million, a 33% improvement QoQ. Bookings increased 73% QoQ. Cash balance was \$651.1 million, up \$76 million QoQ. The Company has done exactly what a disciplined, focused turnaround should do. We restructured Sales. We aligned cash outflows with cash inflows. We instituted rigorous expense control. We installed experienced leadership across the board, and we implemented rigorous management discipline across every line of business.

Revenue has stabilized, free cash flow is positive, operating loss has narrowed, and Forrester Research named C3 AI a leader in Enterprise AI. The plan is working, we are on track with laser-like management discipline to grow revenue, generate cash, attain non-GAAP profitability, maintain technology leadership, and increase customer satisfaction,” said Thomas M. Siebel, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, C3 AI.

The Company closed 22 agreements including with Heidelberg Materials, Ford Motor Company, Johnson & Johnson, Holcim, Seaspan, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Defense Logistics Agency, the U.S. Department of War and the U.S. Marine Corps, among others.

Fiscal First Quarter 2027 Financial Highlights:

- **Total Revenue** was \$52.4 million.
- **Subscription Revenue** was \$49.2 million. Subscription revenue constituted 94% of total revenue.
- **GAAP gross profit** was \$16.7 million, representing a 32% gross margin. Non-GAAP gross profit was \$26.1 million, representing a 50% non-GAAP gross margin.
- **GAAP net loss per share** was \$(0.60). Non-GAAP net loss per share was \$(0.20).
- **Net cash provided by operating activities** was \$2.1 million. **Free Cash Flow** was \$2.1 million.
- **Cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities** was \$651.1 million.

Financial Outlook:

The Company’s guidance includes GAAP and non-GAAP financial measures.

The following table summarizes C3 AI’s guidance for the second quarter of fiscal 2027 and full-year fiscal 2027:

	(in millions)	Second Quarter Fiscal 2027 Guidance	Full Year Fiscal 2027 Guidance
Total revenue		\$51.0 - \$55.0	\$210.0 - \$240.0
Non-GAAP loss from operations		\$(34.5) - \$(42.5)	\$(123.0) - \$(155.0)

A reconciliation of non-GAAP guidance measures to corresponding GAAP measures is not available on a forward-looking basis without unreasonable effort due to the uncertainty regarding, and the potential variability of, expenses that may be incurred in the future. Stock-based compensation expense-related charges, including employer payroll tax-related items on employee stock transactions, are impacted by the timing of employee stock transactions, the future fair market value of our common stock, and our future hiring and retention needs, all of which are difficult to predict and subject to constant change. We have provided a reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures in the financial statement tables for our historical non-GAAP results included in this press release. Our fiscal year ends April 30, and numbers are rounded for presentation purposes.

Conference Call Details

What: C3 AI Fiscal First Quarter Earnings Call
When: Wednesday, September 2, 2026
Time: 2:00 p.m. PT / 5:00 p.m. ET
Participant
Registration: <https://register-conf.media-server.com/register/BI959e755eb0fa492089431ecc477ad911> (live)
Webcast: <https://edge.media-server.com/mmc/p/5jt6k675/> (live and replay)

Statement Regarding Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The Company reports the following non-GAAP financial measures, which have not been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (“GAAP”), in addition to, and not as a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP.

- **Non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP loss from operations, non-GAAP net loss, non-GAAP net loss per share and non-GAAP expenses.** Our non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP loss from operations, non-GAAP net loss, non-GAAP net loss per share and non-GAAP expenses excludes the effect of restructuring expenses, stock-based compensation expense-related charges and employer payroll tax expense related to employee stock-based compensation. We believe the presentation of operating results that exclude these items provides useful supplemental information to investors and facilitates the analysis of our operating results and comparison of operating results across reporting periods.
- **Free cash flow.** We believe free cash flow, a non-GAAP financial measure, is useful in evaluating liquidity and provides information to management and investors about our ability to fund future operating needs and strategic initiatives. We calculate free cash flow as net cash provided by (used in) operating activities less purchases of property and equipment and capitalized software development costs. This non-GAAP financial measure may be different than similarly titled measures used by other companies. Additionally, the utility of free cash flow is further limited as it does not represent the total increase or decrease in our cash balances for a given period.

We use these non-GAAP financial measures internally for financial and operational decision-making purposes and as a means to evaluate period-to-period comparisons. Non-GAAP financial measures are not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for comparable GAAP financial measures and should be read only in conjunction with our condensed consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. Our presentation of non-GAAP financial measures may not be comparable to similar measures used by other companies. We encourage investors to carefully consider our results under GAAP, as well as our supplemental non-GAAP information and the reconciliation between these presentations, to more fully understand our business. Please see the tables included at the end of this release and in our press release dated June 3, 2026 for the reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures.

Other Information

Professional Services Revenue

Our professional services revenue includes service fees and prioritized engineering services. Service fees include revenue from services such as consulting, training, and paid implementation services.

Prioritized engineering services are undertaken when a customer requests that we accelerate the design, development, and delivery of software features and functions that are planned in our future product roadmap. When we agree to this, we negotiate an agreed upon fee to accelerate the development of the software. When the software feature is delivered, it becomes integrated to our core product offering, is available to all subscribers of the underlying software product, and enhances the operation of that product going forward. Such prioritized engineering services result in production-level computer software – compiled code that enhances the functionality of our production products – which is available for our customers to use over the life of their software licenses. Per Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 606, Prioritized engineering services revenue is recognized as professional services over the period in which the software development is completed.

Total professional services revenue consists of:

	Three Months Ended July 31,	
	2026	2025
	(in thousands)	
Prioritized engineering services	\$ 1,760	\$ 8,663
Service fees	1,446	1,297
Total professional services revenue	<u>\$ 3,206</u>	<u>\$ 9,960</u>

Use of Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The words “anticipate,” “believe,” “continue,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “may,” “on track,” “positioned,” “will” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these words. Forward-looking statements in this press release include, but are not limited to, statements regarding our restructuring plan and the reorganization of our sales, services, and products organizations, our market leadership position, anticipated benefits from our partnerships, our financial outlook for the second quarter of fiscal 2027 and full 2027 fiscal year, our ability to successfully implement a turnaround in our business, our ability to grow revenue, generate cash, attain Non-GAAP profitability, maintain technology leadership, and increase customer satisfaction, our sales and customer opportunity pipeline, including continued growth in the Federal market, the expected benefits of our offerings, and our business strategies, plans, and objectives for future operations. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy, short-term and long-term business operations and objectives, and financial needs. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including our history of losses and ability to achieve and maintain profitability in the future, our historic dependence on a limited number of existing customers that account for a substantial portion of our revenue, our ability to attract new customers and retain existing customers, the ability of our restructured global sales and services organization to achieve desired productivity levels in a reasonable period of time, the impact of return of Tom Siebel as our Chief Executive Officer, and our ability to retain key members of our senior management, market awareness and acceptance of enterprise AI solutions in general and our products in particular, the length and unpredictability of our sales cycles and the time and expense required for our sales efforts. Some of these risks are described in greater detail in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2026, and other filings and reports we make with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that will be filed for the fiscal quarter ended July 31, 2026, although new and unanticipated risks may arise. The future events and trends discussed in this press release may not occur and actual results could differ materially and adversely from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance, achievements, or events and circumstances reflected in the forward-looking statements will occur. Except to the extent required by law, we do not undertake to update any of these forward-looking statements after the date of this press release to conform these statements to actual results or revised expectations.

About C3.ai, Inc.

C3.ai, Inc. (NYSE:AI) is the Enterprise AI application software company. C3 AI delivers a family of fully integrated products including the C3 Agentic AI Platform, an end-to-end platform for developing, deploying, and operating enterprise AI applications, C3 AI applications, a portfolio of industry-specific SaaS enterprise AI applications that enable the digital transformation of organizations globally, and C3 Generative AI, a suite of domain-specific generative AI offerings for the enterprise.

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C3.AI, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended July 31,	
	2026	2025
Revenue		
Subscription	\$ 49,169	\$ 60,301
Professional services	3,206	9,960
Total revenue	52,375	70,261
Cost of revenue		
Subscription	34,720	41,481
Professional services	986	2,336
Total cost of revenue	35,706	43,817
Gross profit	16,669	26,444
Operating expenses		
Sales and marketing	41,611	62,513
Research and development	46,549	64,651
General and administrative	26,079	24,099
Restructuring	698	—
Total operating expenses	114,937	151,263
Loss from operations	(98,268)	(124,819)
Interest income	5,957	8,218
Other (expense) income, net	(338)	132
Loss before provision for income taxes	(92,649)	(116,469)
Provision for income taxes	163	300
Net loss	<u>\$ (92,812)</u>	<u>\$ (116,769)</u>
Net loss per share attributable to Class A and Class B common stockholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.60)</u>	<u>\$ (0.86)</u>
Weighted-average shares used in computing net loss per share attributable to Class A and Class B common stockholders, basic and diluted	<u>154,999</u>	<u>135,375</u>

C3.AI, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands, except for share and per share data)
(Unaudited)

	July 31, 2026	April 30, 2026
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 136,435	\$ 66,197
Marketable securities	514,634	509,252
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$1,099 and \$1,065 as of July 31, 2026 and April 30, 2026, respectively	94,568	100,548
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	24,531	31,965
Total current assets	770,168	707,962
Property and equipment, net	63,569	66,904
Goodwill	625	625
Other assets, non-current	40,442	40,782
Total assets	\$ 874,804	\$ 816,273
Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 8,741	\$ 5,509
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	44,038	48,560
Deferred revenue, current	52,568	34,861
Accrued and other current liabilities	19,775	17,641
Total current liabilities	125,122	106,571
Deferred revenue, non-current	1,106	1,560
Other long-term liabilities	53,680	54,391
Total liabilities	179,908	162,522
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity		
Class A common stock	156	145
Class B common stock	3	3
Additional paid-in capital	2,637,163	2,502,657
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(610)	(50)
Accumulated deficit	(1,941,816)	(1,849,004)
Total stockholders' equity	694,896	653,751
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 874,804	\$ 816,273

C3.AI, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended July 31,	
	2026	2025
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$ (92,812)	\$ (116,769)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	3,403	3,415
Non-cash operating lease cost	149	88
Stock-based compensation expense	59,233	64,775
Accretion of discounts on marketable securities	(1,305)	(2,811)
Other	34	262
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		
Accounts receivable	5,946	23,302
Prepaid expenses, other current assets and other assets	7,562	(230)
Accounts payable	3,083	(2,931)
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	(2,048)	3,343
Operating lease liabilities	(1,300)	2,187
Other liabilities	2,874	(1,538)
Deferred revenue	17,253	(6,628)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	2,072	(33,535)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(8)	(760)
Purchases of marketable securities	(129,154)	(206,492)
Maturities and sales of marketable securities	124,516	156,081
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,646)	(51,171)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from exercise of Class A common stock options	72,812	1,289
Net cash provided by financing activities	72,812	1,289
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	70,238	(83,417)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period	78,763	176,924
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	\$ 149,001	\$ 93,507
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 136,435	\$ 80,941
Restricted cash included in other assets, non-current	12,566	12,566
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$ 149,001	\$ 93,507
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information—cash paid for income taxes	\$ 518	\$ 452
Supplemental disclosures of non-cash investing and financing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 149	\$ 201
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations (including remeasurement of right-of-use assets and lease liabilities due to changes in the timing of receipt of lease incentives)	\$ —	\$ (166)
Vesting of early exercised stock options	\$ —	\$ 5

C3.AI, INC.
RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES
(In thousands, except percentages)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended July 31,	
	2026	2025
Reconciliation of GAAP gross profit to non-GAAP gross profit:		
Gross profit on a GAAP basis	\$ 16,669	\$ 26,444
Stock-based compensation expense ⁽¹⁾	8,788	9,290
Employer payroll tax expense related to employee stock-based compensation ⁽²⁾	635	586
Gross profit on a non-GAAP basis	<u>\$ 26,092</u>	<u>\$ 36,320</u>
Gross margin on a GAAP basis	32%	38%
Gross margin on a non-GAAP basis	50%	52%
Reconciliation of GAAP loss from operations to non-GAAP loss from operations:		
Loss from operations on a GAAP basis	\$ (98,268)	\$ (124,819)
Stock-based compensation expense ⁽¹⁾	59,233	64,775
Employer payroll tax expense related to employee stock-based compensation ⁽²⁾	2,178	2,220
Restructuring ⁽³⁾	698	—
Loss from operations on a non-GAAP basis	<u>\$ (36,159)</u>	<u>\$ (57,824)</u>
Reconciliation of GAAP net loss per share to non-GAAP net loss per share:		
Net loss on a GAAP basis	\$ (92,812)	\$ (116,769)
Stock-based compensation expense ⁽¹⁾	59,233	64,775
Employer payroll tax expense related to employee stock-based compensation ⁽²⁾	2,178	2,220
Restructuring ⁽³⁾	698	—
Net loss on a non-GAAP basis	<u>\$ (30,703)</u>	<u>\$ (49,774)</u>
GAAP net loss per share attributable to Class A and Class B common shareholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.60)</u>	<u>\$ (0.86)</u>
Non-GAAP net loss per share attributable to Class A and Class B common shareholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.20)</u>	<u>\$ (0.37)</u>
Weighted-average shares used in computing net loss per share attributable to Class A and Class B common stockholders, basic and diluted	<u>154,999</u>	<u>135,375</u>

	Three Months Ended		
	July 31, 2026	April 30, 2026	July 31, 2025
Reconciliation of GAAP expenses to non-GAAP expenses:			
Total cost of revenue	\$ 35,706	\$ 40,277	\$ 43,817
Total operating expenses	114,937	132,481	151,263
GAAP expenses	150,643	172,758	195,080
Stock-based compensation expense ⁽¹⁾	59,233	54,187	64,775
Employer payroll tax expense related to employee stock-based compensation ⁽²⁾	2,178	1,785	2,220
Restructuring ⁽³⁾	698	10,828	—
Non-GAAP expenses	<u>\$ 88,534</u>	<u>\$ 105,958</u>	<u>\$ 128,085</u>

- (1) Stock-based compensation expense for gross profits and gross margin includes costs of subscription and cost of professional services as follows. Stock-based compensation expense for loss from operations includes total stock-based compensation expense as follows:

	Three Months Ended July 31,	
	2026	2025
Cost of subscription	\$ 8,524	\$ 8,622
Cost of professional services	264	668
Sales and marketing	17,592	24,181
Research and development	20,037	19,323
General and administrative	12,816	11,981
Total stock-based compensation expense	<u>\$ 59,233</u>	<u>\$ 64,775</u>

- (2) Employer payroll tax expense related to employee stock-based compensation for gross profits and gross margin includes costs of subscription and cost of professional services as follows. Employer payroll tax expense related to employee stock-based compensation for loss from operations includes total employer payroll tax expense related to employee stock-based compensation as follows:

	Three Months Ended July 31,	
	2026	2025
Cost of subscription	\$ 615	\$ 550
Cost of professional services	20	36
Sales and marketing	573	674
Research and development	700	793
General and administrative	270	167
Total employer payroll tax expense	<u>\$ 2,178</u>	<u>\$ 2,220</u>

- (3) Non-GAAP Loss from Operations exclude approximately \$0.7 million of pre-tax restructuring charges which primarily consists of vendor consolidation costs.

Reconciliation of free cash flow to the GAAP measure of net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:

The following table below provides a reconciliation of free cash flow to the GAAP measure of net cash provided by (used in) operating activities for the periods presented:

	Three Months Ended July 31,	
	2026	2025
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 2,072	\$ (33,535)
Less:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(8)	(760)
Free cash flow	<u>\$ 2,064</u>	<u>\$ (34,295)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>\$ (4,646)</u>	<u>\$ (51,171)</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>\$ 72,812</u>	<u>\$ 1,289</u>