

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED) June 3, 2004

NORDSTROM, INC.
(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

WASHINGTON	001-15059	91-0515058
(STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION)	(COMMISSION FILE NUMBER)	(I.R.S. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO.)

1617 SIXTH AVENUE, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	98101
(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)	(ZIP CODE)

REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE (206) 628-2111

INAPPLICABLE
(FORMER NAME OR FORMER ADDRESS IF CHANGED SINCE LAST REPORT)

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On June 3, 2004, Nordstrom, Inc. issued a press release announcing its preliminary May 2004 sales. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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.

NORDSTROM, INC.

By: /s/ Peter F. Collins

Peter F. Collins
Divisional Vice President and
Corporate Controller

Dated: June 3, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Nordstrom May 2004 Preliminary Sales Release, dated June 3, 2004.

For Immediate Release

 June 3, 2004

NORDSTROM REPORTS MAY SAME-STORE SALES INCREASE OF 9.4 PERCENT

SEATTLE - June 3, 2004 - Nordstrom, Inc. (NYSE: JWN) today reported preliminary sales of \$499.0 million for the four-week period ending May 29, 2004, an increase of 11.7 percent compared to sales of \$446.8 million for the four-week period ending May 31, 2003. Same-store sales increased 9.4 percent.

During the month of May, same-store sales in full-line stores increased in all geographic regions and all major merchandise categories.

Preliminary year-to-date sales of \$2.0 billion increased 15.3 percent compared to sales of \$1.8 billion in 2003. Year-to-date same-store sales increased 12.2 percent.

SALES RECORDING

To hear Nordstrom's prerecorded May sales message, please dial (402) 220-6036. This recording will be available for one week.

GAAP SALES PERFORMANCE

The additional information provided in this section is to comply with the Securities and Exchange Commission's Regulation G. The Company converted to a 4-5-4 Retail Calendar at the beginning of 2003. The year-to-date for 2003 includes one more day than the year-to-date for 2004. The Company believes that adjusting for this difference provides a more comparable basis from which to evaluate sales performance. The following reconciliation bridges the year-to-date 2003 GAAP sales to the 4-5-4 comparable sales.

YTD YTD YTD		
Dollar %		
Change %		
Change Sales		
Reconciliation		
(\$M) YTD 2003		
YTD 2004		
Increase		
Total Sales		
Comp Sales --		

Number of		
Days GAAP 120		
119 GAAP		
Sales		
\$1,782.4		
\$2,034.5		
\$252.1 14.1%		
11.0% Less		
Feb. 1, 2003		
sales (\$18.2)		

Reported 4 5-		
4 sales		
\$1,764.2		
\$2,034.5		
\$270.3 15.3%		
12.2%		
=====		
===== 4-		
5-4 Adjusted		
Days 119 119		

FUTURE REPORTING DATES

Nordstrom's financial release calendar for the next several months is provided in the table below.

June Sales Release	Thurs., July 8, 2004
July Sales Release	Thurs., August 5, 2004

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 149 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 93 full-line stores, 49 Nordstrom Racks, five Faconnable boutiques, one free-standing shoe store, and one clearance store. Nordstrom also operates 31 international Faconnable boutiques, primarily in Europe. Additionally,

Nordstrom serves customers through its online presence at <http://www.nordstrom.com> and through its direct mail catalogs.

SALES

SUMMARY May
May YTD YTD
(unaudited;
\$ in
millions)
2004 2003
2004 2003 --

~~- Total~~
~~sales \$499.0~~
~~\$446.8~~
~~\$2,034.5~~
~~\$1,764.2~~
Total sales
percentage
change 11.7%
~~8.4%~~ 15.3%
~~4.6%~~ Same
store sales
percentage
change 9.4%
~~3.3%~~ 12.2%
(0.3%)
Number of
stores Full-
line 93 89
Rack and
other 56 54
International
Faconnable
boutiques 31
31
Total 180
174 Gross
square
footage
19,289,000
18,629,000

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