

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) January 5, 2005

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)

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):

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

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On January 5, 2005, Nordstrom, Inc. issued a press release announcing its preliminary December 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/ Michael G. Koppel

Michael G. Koppel
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 5, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Nordstrom December 2004 Preliminary Sales Release, dated January 5, 2005.

For Immediate Release

January 5, 2005NORDSTROM DECEMBER SAME-STORE SALES INCREASE 9.3 PERCENT

SEATTLE - January 5, 2005 - Nordstrom, Inc. (NYSE: JWN) today reported preliminary sales of \$1,046.0 million for the five-week period ending January 1, 2005, an increase of 11.7 percent compared to sales of \$936.2 million for the five-week period ending January 3, 2004. Same-store sales increased 9.3 percent.

Preliminary quarter-to-date sales of \$1.7 billion increased 9.5 percent compared to 2003 quarter-to-date sales of \$1.6 billion. Quarter-to-date same store-sales increased 6.8 percent.

Preliminary year-to-date sales of \$6.7 billion increased 11.0 percent compared to sales of \$6.1 billion in 2003. Year-to-date same-store sales increased 8.5 percent.

SALES RECORDING

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

SALES
SUMMARY
(unaudited;
December
December QTD
QTD YTD YTD
\$ in
millions)
2004 2003
2004 2003
2004 2003 --

- Total sales	\$1,046.0	\$936.2	
	\$1,713.7	\$1,564.6	
	\$6,744.7	\$6,075.9	
Total sales percentage change	11.7%	12.3%	9.5%
store sales percentage change	9.3%	9.0%	6.8%
	8.3%	8.5%	
Number of stores	3.9%		
Full line	94	92	
Rack and other	56	56	
International			
Faconnable boutiques	31	31	
Total	181	179	
Gross square footage	19,439,000	19,138,000	

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. Year-to-date results for 2003 include 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.

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

 Number of
 Days GAAP 337
 336 GAAP
 Sales
 \$6,094.1
 \$6,744.7
 \$650.6 10.7%
 8.2% Less
 Feb. 1, 2003
 sales (\$18.2)

 Reported 4 5
 4 sales
 \$6,075.9
 \$6,744.7
 \$668.8 11.0%
 8.5%
 =====
 ===== 4
 5 4 Adjusted
 Days 336 336

FUTURE REPORTING DATES

Nordstrom's financial release calendar for the next several months is currently planned as follows:

January Sales Release	Thurs., Feb. 3, 2005
Fourth Quarter Earnings	Tues., Feb. 15, 2005
February Sales Release	Thurs., Mar. 3, 2005
March Sales Release	Thurs., April 7, 2005

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 150 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 94 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.

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