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) April 7, 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):

 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))

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On April 7, 2005, Nordstrom, Inc. issued a press release announcing its preliminary March 2005 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: April 7, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT

DESCRIPTION NUMBER

Nordstrom March 2005 Preliminary Sales Release, dated April 7, 2005. 99.1

NORDSTROM MARCH SAME-STORE SALES INCREASE 5.5 PERCENT

SEATTLE - April 7, 2005 - Nordstrom, Inc. (NYSE: JWN) today reported preliminary sales of \$657.3 million for the five-week period ending April 2, 2005, an increase of 6.7 percent compared to sales of \$616.3 million for the five-week period ending April 3, 2004. Same-store sales increased 5.5 percent (1).

Preliminary quarter-to-date sales of \$1.1 billion increased 7.6 percent compared to 2004 quarter-to-date sales of \$1.0 billion. Quarter-to-date samestore sales increased 6.3 percent.

Sales Recording

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

SALES **SUMMARY** Total Sales Same-store Sales (1) --------------(unaudited; Fiscal Fiscal Percent Total Full-Line Rack \$ in millions) 2005 2004 Increase Retail Stores Stores -------- ------- ---------- -----March \$657.3 \$616.3 6.7% 5.5% 3.7% 15.4% Quarter-to-Date \$1,122.7 \$1,043.7 7.6% 6.3% 4.5% 16.7% Number of stores Fullline 95 93 Rack and other 56 56 **International Faconnable** boutiques 31 31 Total 182 180 Gross sauare

footage 19,550,000 19,289,000

Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Restatements

Tomorrow, April 8, 2005, Nordstrom is planning to file an amended Form 10-K for the year ended January 31, 2004, along with an accompanying Form 8-K report, in order to correct two errors in previously issued balance sheet and cash flow statements. The corrections relate to an evaluation of Nordstrom's lease accounting policy, which was first announced along with fourth quarter

earnings in February. Previously reported net earnings, earnings per share, shareholders' equity and long-term debt are not impacted by these corrections.

(1) Effective February 2005, Nordstrom Direct sales, which include catalog and Internet, are included in Total Retail same-store sales. To serve as a basis for comparison, as this was not the case last year, a presentation of 2004 monthly, quarterly and full-year same-store sales that includes Nordstrom Direct is available on the Investor Relations homepage of our website under Recent Reports.

Future Reporting Dates

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

April Sales Release Thurs., May 5, 2005
First Quarter Earnings Tues., May 17, 2005
Shareholder Meeting Tues., May 24, 2005
May Sales Release Thurs., June 2, 2005
June Sales Release Thurs., July 7, 2005

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 151 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 95 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 in Europe. Additionally, Nordstrom serves customers through its online presence at http://www.nordstrom.com and through its direct mail catalogs.

Investor Contact: Stephanie Allen, 206-303-3262 Media Contact:

Deniz Anders, 206-373-3038