

CRANE CO /DE/  
Form 8-K  
January 23, 2003

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**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 23, 2003

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**CRANE CO.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-1657**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-1952290**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**100 First Stamford Place, Stamford, CT.**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**06902**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(203)363-7300**

**N/A**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release of Crane Co. dated January 23, 2003

SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Crane Co.

/s/ J. ATKINSON NANO

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Vice President, Controller

Date: January 23, 2003