

FIRST DATA CORP  
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**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): **July 21, 2004**

**FIRST DATA CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-11073**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**47-0731996**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**6200 South Quebec Street, Greenwood Village, Colorado**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**80111**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: **(303) 488-8000**

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On July 21, 2004, First Data Corporation issued a press release relating to the Company's earnings for the second quarter of fiscal year 2004. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99. The information furnished under this Item 12, including Exhibit 99 attached hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference to such filing.

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST DATA CORPORATION

By: /s/ STANLEY J. ANDERSEN

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Stanley J. Andersen  
Assistant Secretary

Date: July 21, 2004

**Exhibit Index**

The following is a list of the Exhibits furnished herewith.

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
99	Press Release issued by the Company on July 21, 2004.

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