

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP  
Form 8-K  
December 13, 2001

# 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):**

**December 13, 2001**

## ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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

**001-15749**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**31-1429215**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY**

**DALLAS, TEXAS 75252**

(Address and Zip Code of Principal Executive Offices)

**(972) 348-5100**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**NOT APPLICABLE**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On December 13, 2001, Alliance Data Systems Corporation issued a press release to announce guidance for year end and for the 2002 year. The press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

The following financial statements, pro forma financial information and exhibits, if any, are being provided as part of this report in accordance with the instructions to this item.

(a) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BUSINESSES ACQUIRED.

None.

(b) PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

None.

(c) EXHIBITS.

99.1 Press Release, dated December 13, 2001, in connection with the guidance announcement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Alliance Data Systems Corporation

Date: December 13, 2001

By: /s/ Edward J. Heffernan  
Edward J. Heffernan  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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NUMBER      DESCRIPTION

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