

ROWAN COMPANIES INC  
Form 8-K  
March 15, 2004

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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): March 15, 2004

ROWAN COMPANIES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-5491**  
(Commission file Number)

**75-0759420**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2800 Post Oak Boulevard  
Suite 5450  
Houston, Texas 77056-6127  
(Address of principal executive office, including zip code)

(713) 621-7800  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

The following information is disclosed pursuant to Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

A schedule summarizing the Offshore Rig Utilization of Rowan Companies, Inc. for February 2004 is attached as Exhibit 99.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

| <u>Exhibit<br/>Number</u> | <u>Exhibit Description</u>                                       |
|---------------------------|--|
| 99                        | Rowan Companies, Inc. Offshore Rig Utilization for February 2004 |

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.

**ROWAN COMPANIES, INC.**

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Date: March 15, 2004

By: /s/ E. E. THIELE

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E. E. Thiele  
Senior Vice President - Administration, Finance and Treasurer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

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INDEX TO EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION

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**ROWAN COMPANIES, INC.**  
**OFFSHORE RIG UTILIZATION**  
**FEBRUARY 2004**

|                   | Units * | Utilization |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|
| Gorilla Jack-ups: |         |             |
| Gulf of Mexico    | 5       | 40%         |
| Canada            | 1       | 100%        |
| North Sea         | 1       | 100%        |
| Total             | 7       | 57%         |
| Other Jack-ups:   |         |             |
| Gulf of Mexico    | 16      | 94%         |
| Semi-submersible: |         |             |
| Gulf of Mexico    | 1       | 0%          |
| Total             | 24      | 79%         |

\* Number of units at February 29, 2004

Note: Only revenue-producing days are used in computing rig utilization.