

Blackstone Group L.P.  
Form 8-K  
April 19, 2012

**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 19, 2012

**The Blackstone Group L.P.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-33551**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**20-8875684**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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**345 Park Avenue**

**New York, New York**  
*(Address of principal executive offices)*

**(212) 583-5000**

**10154**  
*(Zip Code)*

*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

**NOT APPLICABLE**

*(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):

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations.**

On April 19, 2012, The Blackstone Group L.P. issued a press release announcing financial results for its first quarter ended March 31, 2012.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. All information in the press release is furnished but not filed.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
Exhibit 99.1	Press release of The Blackstone Group L.P. dated April 19, 2012.

**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.

Date: April 19, 2012

**The Blackstone Group L.P.**

By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C.,

its General Partner

By: /s/ Laurence A. Tosi

Name: Laurence A. Tosi

Title: Chief Financial Officer