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) December 2, 2004

NORDSTROM, INC. (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

91-0515058

(STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION (COMMISSION FILE (I.R.S. EMPLOYER OF INCORPORATION) NUMBER) IDENTIFICATION NO.)

1617 SIXTH AVENUE, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON98101(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)(ZIP CODE)

REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE (206) 628-2111

INAPPLICABLE

(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 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On December 2, 2004, Nordstrom, Inc. issued a press release announcing its preliminary November 2004 sales. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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.

NORDSTROM, INC.

By: /s/ Michael G. Koppel Michael G. Koppel Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: December 2, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT
NUMBERDESCRIPTION99.1Nordstrom November 2004 Preliminary Sales Release, dated
December 2, 2004.

NORDSTROM NOVEMBER SAME-STORE SALES INCREASE 3.1 PERCENT

SEATTLE - December 2, 2004 - Nordstrom, Inc. (NYSE: JWN) today reported preliminary sales of \$667.6 million for the four-week period ending November 27, 2004, an increase of 6.2 percent compared to sales of \$628.4 million for the four-week period ending November 29, 2003. Same-store sales increased 3.1 percent.

Preliminary year-to-date sales of \$5.7 billion increased 10.9 percent compared to sales of \$5.1 billion in 2003. Year-to-date same-store sales increased 8.4 percent.

SALES RECORDING

To hear Nordstrom's prerecorded November sales message, please dial (402) 220-6036. This recording will be available for one week.

SALES SUMMARY (unaudited; November November YTD YTD \$ in millions) 2004 2003 2004 2003 ---------- --- ---- Total sales \$667.6 \$628.4 \$5,698.6 \$5,139.7 Total sales percentage change 6.2% 10.1% 10.9% 7.4% Samestore sales percentage change 3.1% 7.3% 8.4% 3.0% Number of stores Full-line 94 92 Rack and other 56 56 International Faconnable boutiques 31 31 Total 181 179 Gross square footage 19,439,000 19,138,000

GAAP SALES PERFORMANCE

The additional information provided in this section is to comply with the Securities and Exchange Commission's Regulation G. The Company converted to a 4-5-4 Retail Calendar at the beginning of 2003. Year-to-date results for 2003 include one more day than the year-to-date for 2004. The Company believes that adjusting for this difference provides a more comparable basis from which to evaluate sales performance. The following reconciliation bridges the yearto-date 2003 GAAP sales to the 4-5-4 comparable sales.

Dollar % Change % Change Sales Reconciliation

(\$M) YTD 2003 YTD 2004 Increase Total Sales Comp Sales --------- ---- -----Number of Davs GAAP 302 301 GAAP Sales \$5,157.9 \$5,698.6 \$540.7 10.5% 7.9% Less Feb. 1, 2003 sales (\$18.2) Reported 4-5-4 sales \$5,139.7 \$5,698.6 **\$558.9 10.9%** 8.4% ____ 5-4 Adjusted

Days 301 301

FUTURE REPORTING DATES Nordstrom's financial release calendar for the next several months is provided in the table below.

> December Sales Release January Sales Release Fourth Quarter Earnings February Sales Release

Thurs., Jan. 6, 2005 Thurs., Feb. 3, 2005 Tues., Feb. 15, 2005 Thurs., Mar. 3, 2005

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 150 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 94 full-line stores, 49 Nordstrom Racks, five Faconnable boutiques, one free-standing shoe store, and one clearance store. Nordstrom also operates 31 international Faconnable boutiques, primarily in Europe. Additionally, Nordstrom serves customers through its online presence at http://www.nordstrom.com and through its direct mail catalogs.

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