

SMITHFIELD FOODS INC  
Form 8-K  
August 04, 2004

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)**  
**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 4, 2004**

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**SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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

**1-15321**  
(Commission File Number)

**52-0845861**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

**200 Commerce Street**

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**Smithfield, Virginia 23430**

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (757) 365-3000**

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ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Smithfield Foods, Inc. (the Registrant ) hereby furnishes this report pursuant to Item 12 of Form 8-K:

On August 4, 2004, the Registrant issued a press release commenting on its earnings for the first quarter of fiscal year ending May 1, 2005. The press release is furnished with this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

Exhibit 99      Smithfield Foods, Inc. press release dated August 4, 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.

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ DANIEL G. STEVENS

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(Signature)  
Daniel G. Stevens  
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: August 4, 2004