

BASCH JEFFREY W  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BASCH JEFFREY W

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD  
(Street)

MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ [PGR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/03/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice Pres.& Chief / Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common	01/03/2006		D	357 D	\$ 0 (1) 15,897	D	
Common					505.742	I	401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Deferred Comp Unit	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/03/2006		A	357	<sup>(3)</sup> / <sup>(4)</sup>	Common 357	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BASCH JEFFREY W 6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143			Vice Pres.& Chief	Accounting Officer

**Signatures**

David M. Coffey, by Power of Attorney  
 Date: 01/05/2006  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

**Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The reporting person elected to defer receipt of previously granted restricted common shares upon vesting thereof. This Form 4 reports the disposition of such restricted shares in exchange for an equal number of units under the applicable deferred compensation plan.
- (2) 1 for 1
- (3) Six (6) months and one (1) day from the date of the transactions reported herein.
- (4) These units will be paid out in cash at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the vesting provisions of the plan.

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