

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP

Form 8-K

July 21, 2004

**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) July 21, 2004 (July 21, 2004)

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-3671
(Commission
File Number)

13-1673581
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

2941 Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church, Virginia
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

22042-4513
(Zip Code)

(703) 876-3000
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On July 21, 2004, General Dynamics announced its financial results for the quarter ended July 4, 2004. A copy of the press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Exhibits

99.1 General Dynamics press release dated July 21, 2004, with respect to the company's financial results for the quarter ended July 4, 2004.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

by /s/ John W. Schwartz

John W. Schwartz
Vice President and Controller
(Authorized Officer and Chief Accounting
Officer)

Dated: July 21, 2004