

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW  
Form 8-K  
May 27, 2004

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# 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) May 26, 2004

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# COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Washington  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

0-20355  
(Commission File No.)

91-1223280  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

999 Lake Drive  
Issaquah, WA 98027

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 425-313-8100**

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Item 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

(c) Exhibits. The following exhibits are included in this report:

99.1. Press release dated May 26, 2004.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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, in the City of Issaquah, State of Washington, on May 26, 2004.

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Richard A. Galanti

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Richard A. Galanti,

Executive Vice President

and Chief Financial Officer