

PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/  
Form 8-K  
September 16, 2005

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**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) September 16, 2005**

**THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio	1-9518	34-0963169
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

6300 Wilson Mills Road, Mayfield Village, Ohio 44143

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 440-461-5000

Not Applicable

(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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On September 16, 2005, The Progressive Corporation and subsidiaries (the Company ) issued a News Release containing financial results of the Company for the month of, and year-to-date period ended, August 2005 (the News Release ). A copy of the News Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

See exhibit index on page 4.

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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.

Dated: September 16, 2005

THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Jeffrey W. Basch  
Name: Jeffrey W. Basch  
Title: Vice President and  
Chief Accounting Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit No. Under Reg. S-K Item 601	Form 8-K Exhibit No.	Description
(99)	99	News Release dated September 16, 2005, containing financial results of The Progressive Corporation and subsidiaries for the month of, and year-to-date period ended, August 2005

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