

SPARTAN STORES INC  
Form 8-K  
July 21, 2004

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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): **July 21, 2004**

**SPARTAN STORES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as  
specified in its charter)

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

**000-31127**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**38-0593940**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification no.)

**850 76<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.**  
**P.O. Box 8700**  
**Grand Rapids, Michigan**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**49518-8700**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number,  
including area code: **(616) 878-2000**

**Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information, and Exhibits.**

(c) **Exhibits:** The following document is attached as an exhibit to this report on Form 8-K:

99.1

Press Release dated July 21, 2004

**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On July 21, 2004, Spartan Stores, Inc. issued the press release attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 concerning its financial results for the quarter ended June 19, 2004. This report is furnished and is not considered "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission or otherwise incorporated by reference into any registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 21, 2004

SPARTAN STORES, INC.

By

/s/ David M. Staples

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David M. Staples  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <u>Exhibit</u><br><u>Number</u> | <u>Document</u>                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 99.1                            | Press Release dated July 21, 2004. |

