CARDINAL HEALTH INC Form 8-K October 26, 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): OCTOBER 26, 2004

CARDINAL HEALTH, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

OHIO

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-11373 (Commission File Number) 31-0958666 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

7000 CARDINAL PLACE, DUBLIN, OHIO 43017 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

(614) 757-5000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

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The information set forth under this "Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition" is intended to be furnished and such information, including the Exhibits attached hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

A copy of a press release announcing the Registrant's results for the fourth fiscal quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.01.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.02 is a discussion of the reasons why management believes that presenting results that exclude the impact of special charges provides a useful representation of the Registrant's current performance and trends.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

- 99.01 Press Release issued by the Registrant on October 26, 2004, and furnished under this Current Report.
- 99.02 Information released by the Company on October 26, 2004, and furnished under this Current Report.

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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.

Cardinal Health, Inc. (Registrant)

Date:	October 2	26,	2004	By:	/s/ P	s/ Paul S. Williams	
					Name:	Paul S. Williams	
					Title:	Executive Vice President,	
						Chief Legal Officer and	
						Secretary	