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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 19, 2005

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan0-916538-1239739(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2725 Fairfield Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 269.385.2600

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ITEM 2.02	RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

Stryker Corporation issued a press release on July 19, 2005 announcing its second quarter and first half 2005 operating results. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS
(c)	Exhibits
	99.1 Press release dated July 19, 2005

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.

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Registrant)

July 19, 2005 /s/ DEAN H. BERGY Date

Dean H. Bergy

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press release dated July 19, 2005