

ALLSTATE CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 20, 2004

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C.

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**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 20, 2004**

**The Allstate Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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

**1-11840**  
(Commission  
file number)

**36-3871531**  
(IRS employer  
identification  
number)

**2775 Sanders Road, Northbrook, Illinois**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**60062**  
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(847) 402-5000**

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  
  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  
  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Section 2 Financial Information**

**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On October 20, 2004, the registrant issued a press release announcing its financial results for the third quarter of 2004. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this report.

**Section 9. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

99 Registrant's press release dated October 20, 2004

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.

THE ALLSTATE CORPORATION  
(registrant)

By */s/ Samuel H. Pilch*  
Name: Samuel H. Pilch  
Title: Controller

October 20, 2004