

BOWNE & CO INC  
Form 4  
March 31, 2003

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 4**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935  
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940**

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<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* (Last, First, Middle)</b>  _____  Smith, Wendell M.  _____  Bowne & Co., Inc. 345 Hudson Street  _____  (Street)  New York, NY 10014  _____ (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b>  _____  Bowne & Co., Inc. (NYSE: BNE)  _____  <b>4. Statement for (Month/Day/Year)</b>  _____  March 31, 2003  _____  <b>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)  <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)  _____	<b>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)</b>  _____  <b>5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)</b>  _____  <b>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* instruction 4(b)(v).

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**Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security <i>(Instr. 3)</i>	2. Transaction Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	2a. Deemed Execution Date, if any. <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	3. Transaction Code <i>(Instr. 8)</i>	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i>	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) <i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i>	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <i>(Instr. 4)</i>
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	Code V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 per Share		No Change	5,329 (1) D

**Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3a. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)
Options to purchase Common Stock	\$9.4983	3/31/2003		A		9,476	

**Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned Continued**  
*(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)*

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities <i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i>	8. Price of Derivative Security <i>(Instr. 5)</i>	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <i>(Instr. 4)</i>
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	(2)	9,476	D
(2)	3/30/2013	Common Stock	9,476	(2)	9,476	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

(1) The number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned as of the date reported including the number of deferred stock units credited to the Reporting Person under Company plans, as permitted under applicable SEC rules.

(2) Non-qualified stock options granted under and governed by the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, becoming exercisable a year from the date of issuance.

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/s/ Wendell M. Smith

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\*\*Signature of Reporting  
Person

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Date

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\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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