# 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) March 19, 2002

## THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio	1-9518	34-0963169
(State or othe jurisdiction of incorporation	f Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
	6300 Wilson Mills Road, Mayfield Village, Ohio 4-	4143
	(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip	Code)
	440-461-5000	
	Not Applicable	
	(Former name or former address, if changed since	last report)

#### Item 7. <u>Financial Statements and Exhibits.</u>

#### (c) Exhibits.

The following Exhibits are filed as part of this report:

Exhibit No.	Description	
13	The Progressive Corporation 2001 Annual Report	
99	News Release dated March 19, 2002	

## Item 9. <u>Regulation FD Disclosure.</u>

On March 19, 2002, The Progressive Corporation (the "Company") released its 2001 Annual Report. A copy of the Annual Report is attached hereto as Exhibit 13.

In addition, on March 19, 2002, the Company issued a News Release announcing a 3 for 1 split of the Company's Common Shares, \$1.00 par value, to be effected in the form of a stock dividend. A copy of the News Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.

## **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.

Dated: March 19, 2002

# THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Jeffrey W. Basch

Name: Jeffrey W. Basch
Title: Vice President and
Chief Accounting Officer

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