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BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC  
Form 13F-HR  
February 14, 2012

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 13F

FORM 13F COVER PAGE

Report for the Calendar Year or Quarter Ended: December 31, 2011

Check here if Amendment ; Amendment Number: \_\_\_\_\_

This Amendment (Check only one.):  is a restatement.  
 adds new holdings entries.

Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report:

Name: Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

Address: 1440 Kiewit Plaza  
Omaha, NE 68131

Form 13F File Number: 28-4545

The institutional investment manager filing this report and the person by whom it is signed hereby represent that the person signing the report is authorized to submit it, that all information contained herein is true, correct and complete, and that it is understood that all required items, statements, schedules, lists, and tables, are considered integral parts of this form.

Person Signing this Report on Behalf of Reporting Manager:

Name: Marc D. Hamburg

Title: Senior Vice President

Phone: 402-346-1400

Signature, Place, and Date of Signing:

(s) Marc D. Hamburg

Omaha, NE

February 14, 2012

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[Signature]

\_\_\_\_\_  
[City, State]

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[Date]

Report Type (Check only one.):

13F HOLDINGS REPORT. (Check here if all holdings of this reporting manager are reported in this report.)

13F NOTICE. (Check here if no holdings reported are in this report, and all holdings are reported by other reporting manager(s).)

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[X] 13F COMBINATION REPORT. (Check here if a portion of the holdings for this reporting manager are reported in this report and a portion are reported by other reporting manager(s).)

List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager:  
[If there are no entries in this list, omit this section.]

| Form 13F File Number | Name                                            |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 28-5194              | General Re - New England Asset Management, Inc. |

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Form 13F SUMMARY PAGE

Report Summary:

Number of Other Included Managers: 18  
Form 13F Information Table Entry Total: 101  
Form 13F Information Table Value Total: \$ 66,151,587  
(thousands)

List of Other Included Managers:

Provide a numbered list of the name(s) and Form 13F file number(s) of all institutional investment managers with respect to which this report is filed, other than the manager filing this report.

[If there are no entries in this list, state "NONE" and omit the column headings and list entries.]

| NO. | FORM 13F FILE NUMBER | NAME                                              |
|-----|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 1.  | 28-5678              | Berkshire Hathaway Life Insurance Co. of Nebraska |
| 2.  | 28-10388             | BH Columbia Inc.                                  |
| 3.  | 28-                  | BH Finance LLC                                    |
| 4.  | 28-719               | BCS Holdings, LLC                                 |
| 5.  | 28-554               | Buffett, Warren E.                                |
| 6.  | 28-1517              | Columbia Insurance Co.                            |
| 7.  | 28-2226              | Cornhusker Casualty Co.                           |
| 8.  | 28-06102             | Cypress Insurance Company                         |
| 9.  | 28-11217             | Fechheimer Brothers Company                       |
| 10. | 28-852               | GEICO Corp.                                       |
| 11. | 28-101               | Government Employees Ins. Corp.                   |

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| 12. | 28-      | Medical Protective Corp.           |
| 13. | 28-1066  | National Fire & Marine             |
| 14. | 28-718   | National Indemnity Co.             |
| 15. | 28-5006  | National Liability & Fire Ins. Co. |
| 16. | 28-11222 | Nebraska Furniture Mart            |
| 17. | 28-717   | OBH LLC                            |
| 18. | 28-      | U.S. Investment Corp.              |

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|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                                               |                            |                             |                                               |                                                 | (a) Sole                             | (b) Shared-<br>Defined<br>Other |                           |
| American<br>Express<br>Co.....                | Com                        | 025816 10 9                 | 812,522                                       | 17,225,400                                      |                                      | X                               | 5, 2, 6, 1                |
|                                               |                            |                             | 377,107                                       | 7,994,634                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 13, 17                 |
|                                               |                            |                             | 5,672,470                                     | 120,255,879                                     |                                      | X                               | 5, 14, 17                 |
|                                               |                            |                             | 91,656                                        | 1,943,100                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 10, 11,                |
|                                               |                            |                             | 66,024                                        | 1,399,713                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 16, 17                 |
|                                               |                            |                             | 39,615                                        | 839,832                                         |                                      | X                               | 5, 9, 17                  |
|                                               |                            |                             | 92,082                                        | 1,952,142                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 17                     |
| Bank of<br>New<br>York<br>Mellon<br>Corp..... | Com                        | 064058 10 0                 | 35,717                                        | 1,793,915                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 1, 14,                 |
| CVS<br>Caremark<br>Corp.....                  | Com                        | 126650 10 0                 | 289,803                                       | 7,106,500                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 10, 11,                |
| Coca<br>Cola.....                             | Com                        | 191216 10 0                 | 27,988                                        | 400,000                                         |                                      | X                               | 5, 17                     |
|                                               |                            |                             | 124,267                                       | 1,776,000                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 15, 17                 |
|                                               |                            |                             | 504,176                                       | 7,205,600                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 10, 11,                |
|                                               |                            |                             | 2,808,708                                     | 40,141,600                                      |                                      | X                               | 5, 2, 6, 1                |
|                                               |                            |                             | 9,791,994                                     | 139,945,600                                     |                                      | X                               | 5, 14, 17                 |
|                                               |                            |                             | 639,470                                       | 9,139,200                                       |                                      | X                               | 5, 13, 17                 |
|                                               |                            |                             | 33,586                                        | 480,000                                         |                                      | X                               | 5, 16, 17                 |
|                                               |                            |                             | 63,813                                        | 912,000                                         |                                      | X                               | 5, 8, 17                  |
| Comdisco                                      |                            |                             |                                               |                                                 |                                      |                                 |                           |

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|                                     |     |             |            |            |   |            |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-------------|------------|------------|---|------------|
| Holding<br>Co.....                  | Com | 200334 10 0 | 7,187      | 1,218,199  | X | 5, 14, 17  |
|                                     |     |             | 1,787      | 302,963    | X | 5, 3, 14,  |
|                                     |     |             | 101        | 17,215     | X | 5, 13, 17  |
| Conoco-<br>Phillips.....            | Com | 20825C 10 4 | 1,538,259  | 21,109,637 | X | 5, 14, 17  |
|                                     |     |             | 145,689    | 1,999,300  | X | 5, 13, 17  |
|                                     |     |             | 436,637    | 5,992,000  | X | 5, 10, 11, |
| Costco<br>Wholesale<br>Corp.....    | Com | 22160K 10 5 | 361,056    | 4,333,363  | X | 5, 14, 17  |
| Da Vita<br>Inc.....                 | Com | 23918K 10 8 | 203,512    | 2,684,500  | X | 5, 10, 11, |
| Directv.....                        | CLA | 25490A 10 1 | 870,098    | 20,348,400 | X | 5, 10, 11, |
| Dollar<br>General<br>Corp.....      | Com | 256677 10 5 | 185,017    | 4,497,247  | X | 5, 10, 11, |
| Gannett<br>Inc.....                 | Com | 364730 10 1 | 23,267     | 1,740,231  | X | 5, 14, 17  |
| General<br>Dynamics<br>Corp.....    | Com | 369550 10 8 | 257,480    | 3,877,122  | X | 5, 10, 11, |
| General<br>Electric<br>Co.....      | Com | 369604 10 3 | 139,302    | 7,777,900  | X | 5          |
| GlaxoSmith-<br>Kline.....           | ADR | 37733W 10 5 | 68,924     | 1,510,500  | X | 5, 14, 17  |
| Ingersoll-Rd<br>Company<br>LTD..... | CLA | G4776G 10 1 | 19,379     | 636,600    | X | 5          |
|                                     |     |             | -----      |            |   |            |
|                                     |     |             | 25,728,693 |            |   |            |
|                                     |     |             | -----      |            |   |            |

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|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
|                                                |                               |                             |                                               |                                                 | (a) Shared-<br>Sole                  | (b) Shared-<br>Other |                            |
| Intel<br>Corp.....                             | Com                           | 458140 10 0                 | 278,754                                       | 11,495,000                                      | X                                    |                      | 5, 10, 11,                 |
| Inter-<br>national<br>Business<br>Machines.... | Com                           | 459200 10 1                 | 11,751,023                                    | 63,905,931                                      | X                                    |                      | 5, 14, 17                  |
| Johnson &<br>Johnson.....                      | Com                           | 478160 10 4                 | 283,470                                       | 4,322,500                                       | X                                    |                      | 5                          |
|                                                |                               |                             | 129,497                                       | 1,974,648                                       | X                                    |                      | 5, 1, 14, 1                |

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|              |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
|--------------|---------|--------|------|------------|------------|---|--|-------------|
|              |         |        |      | 90,814     | 1,384,781  | X |  | 5, 14, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 913,978    | 13,936,841 | X |  | 5, 2, 6, 17 |
|              |         |        |      | 139,817    | 2,132,000  | X |  | 5, 2, 6, 12 |
|              |         |        |      | 37,708     | 575,000    | X |  | 5, 18       |
|              |         |        |      | 307,725    | 4,692,357  | X |  | 5, 10, 11,  |
| Kraft        |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Foods        |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Inc.....     | Com     | 50075N | 10 4 | 1,872,258  | 50,113,984 | X |  | 5, 14, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 697,172    | 18,660,929 | X |  | 5, 2, 6, 17 |
|              |         |        |      | 373,600    | 10,000,000 | X |  | 5, 10, 11,  |
|              |         |        |      | 9,706      | 259,800    | X |  | 5, 2, 6, 12 |
|              |         |        |      | 298,880    | 8,000,000  | X |  | 5           |
| Liberty      |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Media        | Lib Cap |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Corp.....    | Com A   | 530322 | 10 6 | 132,794    | 1,701,400  | X |  | 5, 10, 11,  |
| M & T        |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Bank         |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Corp-        |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| oration..... | Com     | 55261F | 10 4 | 356,603    | 4,671,245  | X |  | 5, 14, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 41,682     | 546,000    | X |  | 5, 10, 11,  |
|              |         |        |      | 12,580     | 164,795    | X |  | 5, 13, 17   |
| Mastercard   |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Inc.....     | Com     | 57636Q | 10 4 | 150,992    | 405,000    | X |  | 5, 10, 11,  |
| Moody's..... | Com     | 615369 | 10 5 | 427,596    | 12,695,850 | X |  | 5, 14, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 529,429    | 15,719,400 | X |  | 5, 10, 11,  |
| Procter &    |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Gamble       |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Co.....      | Com     | 742718 | 10 9 | 2,487,685  | 37,291,036 | X |  | 5, 14, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 1,352,879  | 20,280,000 | X |  | 5, 2, 6, 17 |
|              |         |        |      | 416,270    | 6,240,000  | X |  | 5, 13, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 416,270    | 6,240,000  | X |  | 5, 10, 11,  |
|              |         |        |      | 52,034     | 780,000    | X |  | 5, 15, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 104,068    | 1,560,000  | X |  | 5, 8, 17    |
|              |         |        |      | 291,856    | 4,375,000  | X |  | 5           |
| Sanofi       |         |        |      |            |            |   |  |             |
| Aventis..... | ADR     | 80105N | 10 5 | 17,850     | 488,500    | X |  | 5, 10, 11,  |
|              |         |        |      | 105,825    | 2,896,133  | X |  | 5, 14, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 6,186      | 169,300    | X |  | 5, 13, 17   |
|              |         |        |      | 18,626     | 509,742    | X |  | 5, 2, 6, 12 |
|              |         |        |      | -----      |            |   |  |             |
|              |         |        |      | 24,105,627 |            |   |  |             |
|              |         |        |      | -----      |            |   |  |             |

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|                            |                               |                             |                                                  |                                                 | (a) Sole                             | (b) Shared-<br>Defined | (c) Shared-<br>Other |                               |
| -----                      | -----                         | -----                       | -----                                            | -----                                           | -----                                | -----                  | -----                | -----                         |

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| Torchmark Corp.....            | Com | 891027 10 4 | 5,047        | 116,326     | X | 5, 1, 14, 17  |
|                                |     |             | 29,270       | 674,592     | X | 5, 2, 6, 17   |
|                                |     |             | 107,839      | 2,485,350   | X | 5, 14, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 41,635       | 959,550     | X | 5, 13, 17     |
| US Bancorp.....                | Com | 902973 30 4 | 630,462      | 23,307,300  | X | 5, 2, 6, 17   |
|                                |     |             | 561,797      | 20,768,826  | X | 5, 14, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 226,273      | 8,365,000   | X | 5             |
|                                |     |             | 58,807       | 2,174,000   | X | 5, 2, 6, 12,  |
|                                |     |             | 47,202       | 1,745,000   | X | 5, 18         |
|                                |     |             | 342,975      | 12,679,300  | X | 5, 10, 11, 14 |
| USG Corporation.....           | Com | 903293 40 5 | 173,453      | 17,072,192  | X | 5, 14, 17     |
| United Parcel Service Inc..... | Com | 911312 10 6 | 104,603      | 1,429,200   | X | 5             |
| Verisk Analytics....           | CLA | 92345Y 10 6 | 138,249      | 3,445,029   | X | 5, 10, 11, 14 |
| Visa Inc.....                  | CLA | 92826C 83 9 | 290,884      | 2,865,008   | X | 5, 10, 11, 14 |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.....      | Com | 931142 10 3 | 2,025,335    | 33,891,142  | X | 5, 14, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 250,992      | 4,200,000   | X | 5, 3, 14, 17  |
|                                |     |             | 56,533       | 946,000     | X | 5, 10, 11, 14 |
| Washington Post Co.....        | CLB | 939640 10 8 | 336,983      | 894,304     | X | 5, 14, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 55,885       | 148,311     | X | 5, 1, 7, 14,  |
|                                |     |             | 244,235      | 648,165     | X | 5, 13, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 13,936       | 36,985      | X | 5, 15, 17     |
| Wells Fargo & Co. Del.....     | Com | 949746 10 1 | 1,817,954    | 65,963,496  | X | 5, 2, 6, 17   |
|                                |     |             | 38,584       | 1,400,000   | X | 5, 4, 17      |
|                                |     |             | 1,283,215    | 46,560,770  | X | 5, 13, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 76,837       | 2,788,000   | X | 5, 15, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 27,560       | 1,000,000   | X | 5, 17         |
|                                |     |             | 5,177,300    | 187,855,585 | X | 5, 14, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 44,364       | 1,609,720   | X | 5, 16, 17     |
|                                |     |             | 46,852       | 1,700,000   | X | 5, 9, 17      |
|                                |     |             | 22,599       | 820,000     | X | 5, 8, 17      |
|                                |     |             | 916,183      | 33,243,200  | X | 5, 10, 11, 14 |
|                                |     |             | 440,960      | 16,000,000  | X | 5, 1, 7, 14,  |
|                                |     |             | 220,480      | 8,000,000   | X | 5             |
|                                |     |             | 74,412       | 2,700,000   | X | 5, 2, 6, 12,  |
|                                |     |             | 55,120       | 2,000,000   | X | 5, 18         |
|                                |     |             | 144,690      | 5,250,000   | X | 5, 1, 14, 17  |
|                                |     |             | 187,762      | 6,812,857   | X | 5, 3, 14, 17  |
|                                |     |             | -----        |             |   |               |
|                                |     |             | 16,317,267   |             |   |               |
|                                |     |             | -----        |             |   |               |
| GRAND TOTAL.....               |     |             | \$66,151,587 |             |   |               |
|                                |     |             | =====        |             |   |               |