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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): April 15, 2005

POPULAR, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

	COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO	<u>0-13818</u>	<u>66-0416582</u>
_	(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification Number)
	209 MUNOZ RIVERA AVENUE HATO REY, PUERTO RICO		00918
-	(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip code)
		<u>(787) 765-9800</u>	
-	(Registrant's telephone number, including area code) NOT APPLICABLE (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)		
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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 14, 2005, Popular, Inc. issued a news release announcing its unaudited operational results for the quarter ended March 31, 2005, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference. The information in this Form 8-K, included in Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99.1, shall be deemed to be filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit

99.1 News release dated April 14, 2005

SIGNATURE

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

POPULAR, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: April 15, 2005 By: /s/ Ileana Gonzalez

Ileana Gonzalez

Senior Vice President and Comptroller