

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP

Form 8-K

October 20, 2005

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**  
**FORM 8-K**

**Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of  
The Securities and Exchange Act of 1934**

**DATE OF REPORT:**

**October 20, 2005**

**(Date of Earliest Event Reported)**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)**

1-9047

(Commission File Number)

04-2870273

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**INDEPENDENT BANK CORP.**

**288 UNION ST., ROCKLAND, MA**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**02370**

(Zip Code)

**NOT APPLICABLE**

(Former Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

**781-878-6100**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION**

On October 20, 2005 Independent Bank Corp. announced by press release its earnings for the quarter ended September 30, 2005. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

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**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

- (a) Not applicable.
  
  - (b) Not applicable.
  
  - (c) The following exhibits are included with this Report:  
Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated October 20, 2005.
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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned and hereunto duly authorized.

**INDEPENDENT BANK CORP.**

**DATE: October 20, 2005**

**/s/ Denis K. Sheahan**

**DENIS K. SHEAHAN**

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND**

**TREASURER**