THOR INDUSTRIES INC Form SC 13G November 10, 2008

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

#### **SCHEDULE 13G**

(Rule 13d-102)

Information to be Included in Statements Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), (c)

and (d) and Amendments Thereto Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-2.

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. )\*

## Thor Industries Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

885160101

(CUSIP Number)

October 31, 2008

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- x Rule 13d-1(b)
- o Rule 13d-1(c)
- o Rule 13d-1(d)

<sup>\*</sup>The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

1.	Names of Reporting Persons Artisan Partners Limited Partnership		
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if (a) (b)	a Member of a Group (See o o Not Applicable	Instructions)
3.	SEC Use Only		
4.	Citizenship or Place of Organi Delaware	zation	
	5.		Sole Voting Power None
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	6.		Shared Voting Power 5,318,350
	7.		Sole Dispositive Power None
	8.		Shared Dispositive Power 5,607,450
9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 5,607,450		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) o Not Applicable		
11.	Percent of Class Represented I $10.11\%$	by Amount in Row (9)	
12.	Type of Reporting Person (Sec IA	e Instructions)	

1.	Names of Reporting Persons			
	Artisan Investment Corporation			
2.		Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)		
	(a)	0		
	(b)	0 Not Applicable		
		Not Applicable		
3.	SEC Use Only			
4.	Citizenship or Place of C	)rganization		
	Wisconsin	rgamzation		
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	5.		Sole Voting Power	
			None	
N			None	
Number of Shares	6.		Shared Voting Power	
Beneficially			5,318,350	
Owned by			3,310,330	
Each	7.		C-1- Diidi D	
Reporting	,.		Sole Dispositive Power	
Person With			None	
	8.		Shared Dispositive Power	
			5,607,450	
9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person			
	5,607,450			
10				
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) o			
	Not Applicable			
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)			
	10.11%			
10				
12.		Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)		
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1.	Names of Reporting Persons ZFIC, Inc.		
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a (a) (b)	a Member of a Group (See o o Not Applicable	Instructions)
3.	SEC Use Only		
4.	Citizenship or Place of Organiz Wisconsin	zation	
	5.		Sole Voting Power None
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	6.		Shared Voting Power 5,318,350
	7.		Sole Dispositive Power None
	8.		Shared Dispositive Power 5,607,450
9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 5,607,450		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) o Not Applicable		
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 10.11%		
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See CO	Instructions)	
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1.	Names of Reporting Persons Andrew A. Ziegler		
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a (a) (b)	Member of a Group (See o o Not Applicable	Instructions)
3.	SEC Use Only		
4.	Citizenship or Place of Organiz U.S.A.	ation	
	5.		Sole Voting Power None
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by	6.		Shared Voting Power 5,318,350
Each Reporting Person With	7.		Sole Dispositive Power None
	8.		Shared Dispositive Power 5,607,450
9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 5,607,450		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) o Not Applicable		
11.	Percent of Class Represented by 10.11%	y Amount in Row (9)	
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See IN	Instructions)	

1.	Names of Reporting Persons Carlene M. Ziegler		
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a (a) (b)	Member of a Group (See o o Not Applicable	Instructions)
3.	SEC Use Only		
4.	Citizenship or Place of Organiz U.S.A.	zation	
	5.		Sole Voting Power None
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by	6.		Shared Voting Power 5,318,350
Each Reporting Person With	7.		Sole Dispositive Power None
	8.		Shared Dispositive Power 5,607,450
9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 5,607,450		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) o Not Applicable		
11.	Percent of Class Represented b 10.11%	y Amount in Row (9)	
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See IN	Instructions)	

1.	Names of Reporting Persons Artisan Funds, Inc.		
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a (a) (b)	a Member of a Group (See o o Not Applicable	Instructions)
3.	SEC Use Only		
4.	Citizenship or Place of Organiz Wisconsin	zation	
	5.		Sole Voting Power None
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by	6.		Shared Voting Power 3,752,300
Each Reporting Person With	7.		Sole Dispositive Power None
	8.		Shared Dispositive Power 3,752,300
9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 3,752,300		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) o Not Applicable		
11.	Percent of Class Represented b 6.77%	by Amount in Row (9)	
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See CO	: Instructions)	

Item 1. Name of Issuer: (a) Thor Industries Inc. (b) Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices: 419 West Pike Street Jackson Center, Ohio 45334 Item 2. (a) Name of Person Filing: Artisan Partners Limited Partnership ( Artisan Partners ) Artisan Investment Corporation, the general partner of Artisan Partners ( Artisan Corp. ) ZFIC, Inc., the sole stockholder of Artisan Corp. ( ZFIC ) Andrew A. Ziegler Carlene M. Ziegler Artisan Funds, Inc. ( Artisan Funds ) (b) Address of Principal Business Office: Artisan Partners, Artisan Corp., ZFIC, Mr. Ziegler, Ms. Ziegler and Artisan Funds are all located at: 875 East Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 800 Milwaukee, WI 53202 Citizenship: (c) Artisan Partners is a Delaware limited partnership Artisan Corp. is a Wisconsin corporation ZFIC is a Wisconsin corporation Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are U.S. citizens Artisan Funds is a Wisconsin corporation Title of Class of Securities: (d) Common Stock **CUSIP Number:** (e) 885160101 Item 3. Type of Person: Artisan Funds is an Investment Company under section 8 of the Investment Company Act. Artisan Partners is an investment adviser registered under section (e) 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; Artisan Corp. is the general partner of Artisan Partners; ZFIC is the sole stockholder of Artisan Corp.; Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are the principal stockholders of ZFIC.

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Item 4. Ownership (at October 31, 2008):

(a) Amount owned beneficially within the meaning of rule 13d-3:

5,607,450

(b) Percent of class:

10.11% (based on 55,439,924 shares outstanding as of September 15, 2008)

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

None

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

5,318,350

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

None

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct disposition of:

5,607,450

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

Not Applicable

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

The shares reported herein have been acquired on behalf of discretionary clients of Artisan Partners; as reported herein, Artisan Partners holds 5,607,450 shares, including 3,752,300 shares on behalf of Artisan Funds. Persons other than Artisan Partners are entitled to receive all dividends from, and proceeds from the sale of, those shares.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent

**Holding Company or Control Person:** 

Not Applicable

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable

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#### Item 10. Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

#### **Signature**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: November 7, 2008

ARTISAN INVESTMENT CORPORATION, for itself and as the general partner of ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Janet D. Olsen\*

ZFIC, INC.

By: Janet D. Olsen\*

ANDREW A. ZIEGLER

Andrew A. Ziegler\*

CARLENE M. ZIEGLER

Carlene M. Ziegler\*

ARTISAN FUNDS, INC.

By: Janet D. Olsen\*

\*By: /s/ Janet D. Olsen

Janet D. Olsen

Vice President of Artisan Investment Corporation

Attorney-in-Fact for ZFIC, Inc.

Attorney-in-Fact for Andrew A. Ziegler

Attorney-in-Fact for Carlene M. Ziegler General Counsel and Secretary of Artisan Funds, Inc.

## Exhibit Index

Exhibit 1	Joint Filing Agreement dated November 7, 2008 by and among Artisan Partners Limited Partnership, Artisan Investment Corporation, ZFIC, Inc., Andrew A. Ziegler, Carlene M. Ziegler and Artisan Funds, Inc.
Exhibit 2	Power of Attorney of ZFIC, Inc., dated March 19, 2007
Exhibit 3	Power of Attorney of Andrew A. Ziegler dated March 19, 2007
Exhibit 4	Power of Attorney of Carlene M. Ziegler dated March 19, 2007