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BECTON DICKINSON & CO  
Form 8-K  
August 12, 2002

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) August 12, 2002  
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BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey

001-4802

22-0760120

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(State or other juris-  
diction of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer Iden-  
tification Number)

1 Becton Drive, Franklin Lakes, New Jersey

07417-1880

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

(201) 847-6800  
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N/A

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(Former name or former addresses if changed since last report.)

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer dated August  
12, 2002

Exhibit 99.2 Statement Under Oath of Principal Financial Officer dated August  
12, 2002

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### Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On August 12, 2002, each of the Principal Executive Officer and the Principal Financial Officer of Becton, Dickinson and Company submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission sworn statements in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission Order No. 4-460.

Copies of these statements are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibits, is furnished pursuant to Item 9 and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liability of that section.

### 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 hereunto duly authorized.

BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Gary M. DeFazio

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Gary M. DeFazio  
Assistant Secretary

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