# 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 22, 2004

# WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware1-0870333-0956711(State or Other(Commission(I.R.S. EmployerJurisdiction ofFile Number)Identification No.)Incorporation)

20511 Lake Forest Drive, Lake Forest, California 92630
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code): (949) 672-7000

**Not Applicable** 

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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## Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 22, 2004, Western Digital Corporation (the "Company") announced financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 26, 2004. A copy of the press release making this announcement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the Company's Investor Information Summary for the fiscal quarter ended March 26, 2004 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated herein by reference.

#### **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.

# WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Raymond M. Bukaty

Raymond M. Bukaty Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: April 22, 2004

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	Exhibit	Description
_	99.1	Press Release issued by Western Digital Corporation on April 22, 2004 announcing financial results for
		the third fiscal quarter ended March 26, 2004.
	99.2	Third Quarter Fiscal Year 2004 Western Digital Corporation Investor Information Summary.

#### EXHIBIT 99.1

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#### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

# WESTERN DIGITAL ANNOUNCES THIRD QUARTER REVENUE OF \$749 MILLION AND NET INCOME OF \$.22 PER SHARE

Results Continue to Reflect Strong Execution and Focus in the Drive Business And Solid Performance of Head Operation

LAKE FOREST, Calif. - Apr. 22, 2004 - Western Digital Corp. (NYSE: WDC) today reported revenue of \$749 million on shipments of approximately 11.8 million units, and net income of \$47.9 million, or \$.22 per share, for its third fiscal quarter ended March 26, 2004.

A year ago in the March 2003 quarter, Western Digital produced revenue of \$706 million, shipped approximately 10.3 million units and earned \$54.5 million, or \$.26 per share. On a year-over-year basis, revenue grew six percent and units increased 15 percent.

With an industry-wide focus on desktop hard drive inventory levels in the distribution channel at the end of the December quarter, Western Digital lowered the total number of units in channel inventory and ended the March quarter with about five weeks.

"We are very pleased with our solid financial performance in the March quarter," said Matt Massengill, chairman and chief executive officer of Western Digital. "We continued to execute well in our core desktop business, we demonstrated sound market discipline in managing distribution channel inventories, and we continued to make meaningful progress toward our strategic goal of growing our business in adjacent storage markets such as personal entertainment, enterprise computing, and mobile computing.

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"In addition, our gross margin performance in the March quarter of 16.4 percent, albeit reflecting the pressure of current competitive industry conditions, continues to demonstrate the benefits of our operational efficiencies and the integrated head operation. This head operation continues to meet or exceed all of our operating objectives."

For the nine months ended March 26, 2004, Western Digital reported revenue of \$2.3 billion, net income of \$121.7 million and diluted earnings per share of \$.56, compared to \$2.04 billion, \$151.1 million and \$.74, respectively, for the nine-month period ended March 28, 2003.

The current nine-month period results include \$45 million of start-up expenses and other one-time charges incurred in the quarter ended Sept. 26, 2003, related to the Read-Rite asset acquisition.

The investment community conference call to discuss these results and the company's outlook will be broadcast live over the Internet today at 2 p.m. PDT/5 p.m. EDT. The call will be accessible live and on an archived basis on the company's Web site at the following link: http://www.westerndigital.com/invest - -- click on Conference Calls. A telephone replay will also be available at 800.568.0480; 402.998.1093.

#### **About Western Digital**

Western Digital, one of the storage industry's pioneers and long-time leaders, provides products and services for people and organizations that collect, manage and use digital information. The company produces reliable, high-performance hard drives that keep users' data close-at-hand and secure from loss.

Western Digital was founded in 1970. The company's storage products are marketed to leading systems manufacturers and selected resellers under the Western Digital brand name. Visit the Investor section of the company's Web site (www.westerndigital.com) to access a variety of financial and investor information.

This release contains forward-looking statements, including statements relating to the performance of our head operations. The forward-looking statements are based on current management expectations, and actual results may differ materially as a result of several factors, including: difficulties faced in operating complex manufacturing processes; availability and cost of specialized product components; pricing trends; actions by competitors; supply and demand conditions in the hard drive industry; changes in product and customer mix; uncertainties related to the development and introduction of products based on new technologies; successful entry into new markets by the company; and other factors discussed in our recent SEC filings, including but not limited to our Form 10-Q for the second quarter of fiscal 2004. We undertake no obligation to update our forward-looking statements to reflect new information or events or for any other reason.

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## WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

# (in millions, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

		Three Months Ended				Nine Months Ended				
		Iar. 26, 2004		Dec. 26, 2003	N	/Iar. 28, 2003		Mar. 26, 2004		Mar. 28, 2003*
Revenue, net	\$	748.9	\$	834.8	\$	705.8	\$	2,297.9	\$	2,038.2
Cost of revenue		626.3		693.0		583.8		1,937.2		1,688.5
Gross margin		122.6		141.8		122.0		360.7		349.7
Operating expenses:				•						
Research and development		46.5		44.0		34.7		154.2		101.0
Selling, general and administrative		27.2		26.5		30.2		81.4		90.3
Total operating expenses		73.7	-	70.5		64.9		235.6		191.3
Operating income		48.9		71.3		57.1		125.1		158.4
Net interest and other income (expense)		0.1				(0.3)		0.3		(1.0)
Income before income taxes		49.0		71.3		56.8		125.4		157.4
Income tax expense		1.1		2.5		2.3		3.7		6.3
Net income	\$	47.9	\$	68.8	\$	54.5	\$	121.7	\$	151.1
Net income per common share:										
Basic	\$	.23	\$	.33	\$	.28	\$	.59	\$	.78
Diluted	\$	.22	\$	.32	\$	.26	\$	.56	\$	.74
Common shares used in computing per share an	nounts	:								
Basic		206.7		205.4		196.3		205.4		194.1
Diluted		217.5		217.9		207.7		217.1		202.9

<sup>\*</sup> Certain reclassifications have been made to the previously reported quarterly and fiscal year 2003 information to conform to the current period presentation.

# WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in millions) (unaudited)

ACCETE	_	Mar. 26, 2004	 Jun. 27, 2003*
ASSETS Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	359.9	\$ 393.2
Accounts receivable, net	•	308.3	243.9
Inventories		149.1	97.8
Other		19.0	9.2
Total current assets		836.3	 744.1
Property and equipment, net		239.4	122.1
Other assets, net		31.4	
Total assets	\$	1,107.1	\$ 866.2
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Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$	420.5	\$ 364.6
Accrued expenses		139.0	141.1
Current portion of long-term debt		6.3	
Total current liabilities		565.8	505.7
Other liabilities		26.6	33.1
Long-term debt		43.8	
Shareholders' equity:			
Common stock		2.1	2.0
Additional paid-in capital		681.3	659.6
Accumulated deficit		(212.5)	 (334.2)
Total shareholders' equity		470.9	 327.4
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	1,107.1	\$ 866.2

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# WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION INVESTOR INFORMATION SUMMARY Q3 FY2004 (All \$ amounts in millions)

	Q3 FY03	Q4 FY03	Q1 FY04	Q2 FY04	Q3 FY04
REVENUE:	\$706	\$680	\$714	\$835	\$749
REVENUE BY CHANNEL:					
OEM	53%	52%	53%	51%	49%
DISTRIBUTORS	39%	41%	40%	43%	43%
RETAIL	8%	7%	7%	6%	8%
REVENUE BY GEOGRAPHY:					
AMERICAS	48%	46%	38%	41%	42%
EUROPE	31%	26%	30%	31%	30%
ASIA	21%	28%	32%	28%	28%
REVENUE CONCENTRATION:					
10 LARGEST CUSTOMERS	55%	57%	53%	56%	51%
HARD DRIVE UNITS (in millions):	10.3	10.5	11.3	12.7	11.8
WORLDWIDE HEADCOUNT:	10,958	11,508	15,559	16,843	17,162
ASSET MANAGEMENT:					
DAYS SALES OUTSTANDING	25	33	42	39	37
INVENTORY DETAIL:					
RAW MATERIALS	\$13	\$12	\$10	\$19	\$9
WORK IN PROCESS	\$17	\$20	\$51	\$58	\$67
FINISHED GOODS	<u>\$81</u>	<u>\$66</u>	<u>\$62</u>	<u>\$79</u>	<u>\$73</u>
TOTAL INVENTORY, NET	\$111	\$98	\$123	\$156	\$149
INVENTORY TURNS	21	24	20	18	17