WESTPAC BANKING CORP Form 6-K November 01, 2004

### FORM 6-K

### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

**Report of Foreign Issuer** 

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

November 1, 2004

## WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

60 MARTIN PLACE, SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES 2000, AUSTRALIA

(Address of principal executive offices)

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#### **Index to Exhibits**

Exhibit No.	Description			
1	Issues of shares pursuant to exercise of employee share plan option    July 1, 2004 through October 28, 2004			
2	Option Grant Westpac Performance Plan (series 126) dated September 3, 2004			
3	Performance Share Right Grant Westpac Performance Plan (series 207 & 307) dated September 3, 2004			
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#### **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, thereunto duly authorized.

WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: November 1, 2004 By: /s/ Manuela

Adl

Manuela Adl

SVP & Chief Operating

Officer

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