CATO CORP Form 8-K November 17, 2005

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# 450 Fifth Street NW Washington, D.C. 29549

#### 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): November 15, 2005

#### THE CATO CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware 1-31340 56-0484485

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

8100 Denmark Road, Charlotte, North Carolina 28273-5975

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(704) 554-8510

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code) Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since last report)

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(17 CFR

240.14a-12)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### THE CATO CORPORATION

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 15, 2005, The Cato Corporation issued a press release regarding its financial results for the third quarter ending October 29, 2005. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued November 15, 2005

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

### THE CATO CORPORATION

November 17, 2005 /s/ John P. Derham Cato
Date John P. Derham Cato
Chairman, President and
Chief Executive Officer

November 17, 2005 /s/ Michael O. Moore
Date Michael O. Moore

**Executive Vice President** 

Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

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