

POPULAR INC  
Form 8-K  
April 12, 2010  
**UNITED STATES**  
**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 12, 2010**

**POPULAR, INC.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

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| <b>COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO</b>  | <b>001-34084</b>                    | <b>66-0667416</b>                                   |
| <i>(State or other jurisdiction of<br/>incorporation or organization)</i> | <i>(Commission<br/>File Number)</i> | <i>(IRS Employer<br/>Identification<br/>Number)</i> |

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| <b>209 MUNOZ RIVERA AVENUE</b>                  |                   |
| <b>HATO REY, PUERTO RICO</b>                    | <b>00918</b>      |
| <i>(Address of principal executive offices)</i> | <i>(Zip code)</i> |

**(787) 765-9800**  
*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

**NOT APPLICABLE**

*(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)*

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 12, 2010, Popular, Inc. issued a news release announcing its unaudited preliminary financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The information furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be incorporated by reference into any of the Corporation's filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated April 12, 2010

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

**POPULAR, INC.**

(Registrant)

Date: April 12, 2010 By: /s/ **Ileana González**  
Ileana González  
Senior Vice President and Comptroller