

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO  
Form 8-K  
October 19, 2006

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): October 19, 2006

Southwest Airlines Co.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas	1-7259	74-1563240
_____ (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	_____ (Commission File Number)	_____ (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
P. O. Box 36611, Dallas, Texas		75235-1611
_____ (Address of principal executive offices)		_____ (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (214) 792-4000

Not Applicable

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Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 19, 2006, the Registrant issued a press release announcing Third Quarter 2006 financial results. The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished in Item 2.02 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

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.

S O U T H W E S T  
A I R L I N E S C O .

October 19, 2006

By /s/ Laura  
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Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Registrant's Third Quarter 2006 Earnings  
Release.

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