WAL MART STORES INC Form S-3MEF June 02, 2005

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**Registration No. 333-**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM S-3

**REGISTRATION STATEMENT** 

UNDER

**THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933** 

# WAL-MART STORES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation or organization)

71-0415188 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

702 S.W. 8th Street

Bentonville, Arkansas 72716

(479) 273-4000

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area

code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

ANTHONY D. GEORGE, ESQ.

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Senior Assistant General Counsel, Finance

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

702 S.W. 8th Street

Bentonville, Arkansas 72716

(479) 273-4000

(Name, address, and telephone number,

including area code, of agent for service)

With copies to:

DUDLEY W. MURREY, ESQ. Hughes & Luce LLP 1717 Main Street, Suite 2800 Dallas, Texas 75201 (214) 939-5500 GLENN M. REITER, ESQ. Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP 425 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10017 (212) 455-2000

Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after this registration becomes effective.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box:

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box:

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. x Registration No. 333-101847

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box: "

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### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

			Proposed		
	Title of each class	Amount	Maximum	Proposed Maximum	Amount of
	of Securities	to be	Offering Price	Aggregate	Registration
Debt Securities	to be Registered	<b>Registered</b> \$200,000,000	per Security(1) 100%	<b>Offering Price(1)</b> \$200,000,000	<b>Fee</b> \$23,540

(1) The proposed maximum aggregate offering price of the debt securities being registered hereby as set forth herein has been estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act.

# THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON FILING WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 462(b) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT.

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This registration statement is being filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) and General Instruction IV of Form S-3, both as promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and includes the registration statement facing page, this page, the signature page, an exhibit index and the required opinion and consents. The contents of the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-101847), including the exhibits thereto and each of the documents incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference therein, which was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 27, 2002 (the Original Registration Statement ), are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Bentonville, State of Arkansas, on June 2, 2005.

#### WAL-MART STORES, INC.

By: /s/ H. Lee Scott, Jr.

Name: H. Lee Scott, Jr.

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ S. Robson Walton*	
		S. Robson Walton	
		Chairman of the Board and Director	
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ H. Lee Scott, Jr.	
		H. Lee Scott, Jr.	
		President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ Thomas M. Schoewe	
		Thomas M. Schoewe	
		Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	
		(Principal Financial Officer)	
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ David D. Glass*	
		David D. Glass	
		Chairman, Executive Committee of the Board and	
		Director	
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ Charles M. Holley, Jr.	

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		Charles M. Holley, Jr.
		Senior Vice President and Controller
		(Principal Accounting Officer)
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ James W. Breyer*
		James W. Breyer
		Director
DATE:		
		M. Michele Burns
		Director
DATE:		
		Douglas N. Daft
		Director
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ Roland A. Hernandez*
		Roland A. Hernandez
		Director

DATE:		
		John D. Opie
		Director
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ J. Paul Reason *
		J. Paul Reason
		Director
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ Jack C. Shewmaker*
		Jack C. Shewmaker
		Director
DATE:		
		José H. Villarreal
		Director
DATE:	June 2, 2005	/s/ John T. Walton*
		John T. Walton
		Director
DATE:		
		Christopher J. Williams
		Director
*By:	/s/ H. Lee Scott, Jr.	
	H. Lee Scott, Jr., as Attorney-in-	
	Fact pursuant to a Power of	
	Attorney granted in the Original	
	Registration Statement	

### Exhibit Index

Exhibit	
Number	Description
5.1	Opinion of Hughes & Luce LLP with respect to the legality of the securities being registered
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
23.2	Consent of Hughes & Luce LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (included in the signature page to the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-101847) as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 13, 2002 and declared effective on December 27, 2002)