

STATE STREET CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 06, 2003

**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: March 5, 2003

State Street Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Massachusetts

0-5108

04-2456637

(State of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

225 Franklin Street, Boston, Massachusetts

02110

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 786-3000

Item 5. Other Events.

On March 5, 2003, Registrant issued a statement that as a result of Massachusetts legislation amending the corporate income tax law affecting the treatment of dividends received from Real Estate Investment Trusts (REIT), dividends received from the Company's REIT subsidiary are no longer eligible for a dividends-received deduction. In addition to the effect on 2003, the legislation includes a retroactive effective date that reaches back to the 1999 through 2002 tax years.

The press release issued by Registrant in connection with the announcement is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Form of press release dated March 5, 2003

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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.

STATE STREET CORPORATION

By: /s/Frederick P. Baughman

Name: Frederick P. Baughman

Title: Senior Vice President,  
Corporate Controller and  
Chief Accounting Officer

Date: March 6, 2003

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