

THOMSON CORP /CAN/  
Form 6-K  
October 28, 2005

[QuickLinks](#) -- Click here to rapidly navigate through this document

---

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington D.C. 20549**

**FORM 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of October 2005

Commission File No.: 1-31349

**THE THOMSON CORPORATION**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Metro Center, One Station Place  
Stamford, Connecticut 06902, United States  
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F

Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1): \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(7): \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes

No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-.

The information contained in Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 of this Form 6-K is incorporated by reference as additional exhibits to the following Registration Statements of the registrant: Form F-9 (File No. 333-128045); Form F-3 (File No. 333-97203); Form S-8 (File No. 333-12284); Form S-8 (File No. 333-105280); and Form S-8 (File No. 333-126782).

---

**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, thereunto duly authorized.

**THE THOMSON CORPORATION**

By: /s/ Deirdre Stanley

---

Name: Deirdre Stanley

Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Date: October 28, 2005

---

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Management's Discussion and Analysis
99.2	Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements
99.3	Controls and Procedures
99.4	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
99.5	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
99.6	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
99.7	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

QuickLinks

SIGNATURES

EXHIBIT INDEX