

State Auto Financial CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 10, 2008

**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): July 10, 2008 (July 8, 2008)**

**STATE AUTO FINANCIAL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Ohio**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-19289**  
(Commission File Number)

**31-1324304**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**518 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**43215-3976**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (614) 464-5000**

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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))

**Section 8. Other Events**

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference is a press release issued by State Auto Financial Corporation on July 8, 2008.

**Section 9. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
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| 99.1               | Press release issued by State Auto Financial Corporation on July 8, 2008. |

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 AUTO FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Date: July 10, 2008

By /s/ Steven E. English  
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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