

TYSON FOODS INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
TYSON JOHN H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
TYSON FOODS INC [(TSN)]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2210 W. OAKLAWN

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/03/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman & CEO

(Street)
SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	12/31/2004		J ⁽¹⁾	V 19,289 A \$ 0	2,374,790	D	
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2005		J	V 11,652 A \$ 0	93,766 ⁽²⁾	I	By ESPP
Class A Common Stock					1,000	I	By Daughter
Class A Common					1,000	I	By Son

Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Performance Shares	(3)	10/03/2005		A	136,704	(4) (4)	Class A Common Stock 136,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TYSON JOHN H 2210 W. OAKLAWN SPRINGDALE, AR 72762	X		Chairman & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Tyson, John
H. 10/05/2005

 Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

- Since the last report, the reporting person has received 19,289 shares of restricted stock pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature for
- (1) restricted stock grants under the Company's 2000 Stock Incentive Plan. These shares have been added to the number reported in Item 5 of Table I."
 - (2) Includes 8,905 Shares purchased from 10-01-04 thru 09-30-05, for the reporting person's account under the Tyson Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan which transactions are exempt under Section 16b-3.
 - (3) Each Performance Share that vests entitles holder to 1 share of Class A Common Stock. The number expressed above is the maximum number of shares that can vest under the grant.

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- The award vests two business days following the Company's public announcement of its earnings for the second quarter of 2008 fiscal
- (4) year. One half of the award is based upon a comparison of the market price of Tyson's Class A Common Stock to a peer group of publicly traded companies and the other half by the achievement of the Company of certain cash flow measures.

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