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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

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**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):  
January 11, 2005**

**Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**001-06991**  
(Commission File Number)

**71-0415188**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**702 S.W. 8th Street  
Bentonville, Arkansas 72716**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code:  
(479) 273-4000**

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:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - ☐ 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))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. is filing this current report on Form 8-K in order to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission a press release that it issued on January 11, 2005, relating to the launch by Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. of an offering of its debt securities as described in such press release. A copy of the press release being filed is included herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: January 11, 2005

WAL-MART STORES, INC.

By: /s/ J.J. Fitzsimmons

Name: J.J. Fitzsimmons

Title: Senior Vice President and Treasurer

Text of Press Release

# WAL-MART STORES, INC.

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## WAL-MART ANNOUNCES LAUNCH OF DEBT OFFERING

BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS - January 11, 2005 - Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. today announced the launch of a proposed offering of \$1 billion principal amount of notes due 2010.

The offering is expected to be priced on Wednesday, January 12, 2005.

The lead underwriters for the offering are Lehman Brothers Inc. and Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated.

A copy of the prospectus supplement and base prospectus related to the offering, when available, may be obtained from Lehman Brothers Inc. at 745 Seventh Ave., New York, NY 10019, Attention: High Grade Syndicate Desk, 212-526-9664 or Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated at 1585 Broadway, Lower Level B, New York, NY 10036, Attn: Prospectus Department, 212-761-8570.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with and declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission. This announcement shall not constitute any offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy Wal-Mart's securities, nor shall there be any sale or an offer to buy these securities in any state in which such offer or solicitation would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.