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Form 8-K

July 30, 2002

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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 29, 2002

FIRSTFED AMERICA BANCORP, INC.  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware -----	1-12305 -----	04-3331237 -----
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

ONE FIRSTFED PARK, Swansea, Massachusetts 02777  
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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(508) 679-8181  
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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 AND 9. NOT APPLICABLE.

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.  
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On July 29, 2002, FIRSTFED AMERICA BANCORP, INC. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the consummation of a private placement of 202,430 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01. The press release announcing the private placement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS  
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(a) Financial statements of businesses acquired.

Not applicable

(b) Pro forma financial information.

Not applicable

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Company Press Release, dated July 29, 2002.

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Company Press Release, dated July 29, 2002

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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.

FIRSTFED AMERICA BANCORP, INC.

Dated: July 29, 2002

By: /s/ Edward A. Hjerpe, III

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Edward A. Hjerpe, III  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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