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BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC
Form 13F-HR
May 15, 2003

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

Form 13F

Form 13F COVER PAGE

Report for the Calendar Year or Quarter Ended: March 31, 2003

Check here if Amendment []; Amendment Number: _____
This Amendment (Check only one.): [] is a restatement.
[] adds new holdings entries.

Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report:

Name: Berkshire Hathaway Inc.
Address: 1440 Kiewit Plaza
Omaha, NE 68131

Form 13F File Number: 28- 4545

The institutional investment manager filing this report and the person by whom it is signed hereby represent that the person signing the report is authorized to submit it, that all information contained herein is true, correct and complete, and that it is understood that all required items, statements, schedules, lists, and tables, are considered integral parts of this form.

Person Signing this Report on Behalf of Reporting Manager:

Name: Marc D. Hamburg
Title: Vice President
Phone: 402-346-1400

Signature, Place, and Date of Signing:

(s) Marc D. Hamburg	Omaha, NE	May 14, 2003
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[Signature]	[City, State]	[Date]

Report Type (Check only one.):

- [] 13F HOLDINGS REPORT. (Check here if all holdings of this reporting manager are reported in this report.)
- [] 13F NOTICE. (Check here if no holdings reported are in this report, and all holdings are reported by other reporting manager(s).)
- [X] 13F COMBINATION REPORT. (Check here if a portion of the holdings for this reporting manager are reported in this report and a portion are reported by other reporting manager(s).)

List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager:

Form 13F File Number	Name
28- 5194	General Re - New England Asset Management, Inc.

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Form 13F SUMMARY PAGE

Report Summary:

Number of Other Included Managers:	17

Form 13F Information Table Entry Total:	64

Form 13F Information Table Value Total:	\$ 26,467,920

	(thousands)

Confidential Information has been omitted from the public Form 13F and filed separately with the Commission. Included in this information is information regarding Berkshire's positions in two securities (First Data Corporation and Iron Mountain Inc.) included in its December 31, 2002 public Form 13F as amended.

List of Other Included Managers:

Provide a numbered list of the name(s) and Form 13F file number(s) of all institutional investment managers with respect to which this report is filed, other than the manager filing this report.

[If there are no entries in this list, state "NONE" and omit the column headings and list entries.]

NO.	FORM 13F FILE NUMBER	NAME
1.	28-5678	Berkshire Hathaway Life Insurance Co. of Nebraska
2.	28-	BH Columbia Inc.
3.	28-5676	BHG Life Insurance Co.
4.	28-719	Blue Chip Stamps
5.	28-554	Buffett, Warren E.
6.	28-1517	Columbia Insurance Co.
7.	28-2226	Cornhusker Casualty Co.
8.	28-852	GEICO Corp.
9.	28-101	Government Employees Ins. Corp.
10.	28-1066	National Fire & Marine
11.	28-718	National Indemnity Co.
12.	28-5006	National Liability & Fire Ins. Co.
13.	28-717	OBH Inc.
14.	28-2740	Plaza Investment Managers
15.	28-1357	Wesco Financial Corp.
16.	28-3091	Wesco Financial Ins. Co.
17.	28-3105	Wesco Holdings Midwest, Inc.

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Column 1 Name of Issuer -----	Column 2 Title of Class -----	Column 3 CUSIP Number -----	Column 4 Market Value (In Thousands) -----	Column 5 Shares or Principal Amount \$ -----	Column 6 Investment Discretion -----			Column Other Manager -----
					(a) Sole	(b) Shared- Defined	(c) Shared- Other	
American Express Co.	Com	025816 10 9	572,400 265,662 3,996,103 64,569 139,290	17,225,400 7,994,634 120,255,879 1,943,100 4,191,687		X X X X X	5, 2, 6, 13 5, 10, 13 5, 11, 13 5, 4, 13, 15 5, 13	
American Standard Companies Block	Com	029712 10 6	222,264	3,232,000		X	5, 8, 9, 11,	
H & R	Com	093671 10 5	683,006	15,999,200		X	5, 11, 13	
Coca Cola	Com	191216 10 0	72,540 71,892 291,683 1,624,932 5,664,998 369,955	1,792,000 1,776,000 7,205,600 40,141,600 139,945,600 9,139,200		X X X X X X	5, 13 5, 12, 13 5, 4, 13, 15 5, 2, 6, 13 5, 11, 13 5, 10, 13	
Comdisco Holding Co.	Com	200334 10 0	156,625 38,905 2,213	1,163,201 288,935 16,437		X X X	5, 11, 13 5, 2, 6, 13 5, 10, 13	
Costco Wholesale Corp.	Com	22160K 10 5	157,778	5,254,000		X	5, 11, 13	
Dover Corp.	Com	260003 10 8	108,990	4,500,000		X	5, 8, 9, 11,	
Dun & Bradstreet Corp.	Com	26483E 10 0	26,010	680,000		X	5, 8, 9, 11,	
GATX Corp.	Com	361448 10 3	65,749 40,544	4,540,700 2,800,000		X X	5, 11, 13 5, 8, 9, 11,	
Gannett Inc.	Com	364730 10 1	256,140	3,636,800		X	5, 11, 13	
Gap Inc.	Com	364760 10 8	289,800	20,000,000		X	5, 8, 9, 11,	
The Gillette Co.	Com	375766 10 2	1,856,400 643,552 198,016 198,016 24,752 49,504	60,000,000 20,800,000 6,400,000 6,400,000 800,000 1,600,000		X X X X X X	5, 11, 13 5, 2, 6, 13 5, 10, 13 5, 4, 13, 15 5, 12, 13 5, 13	
Great Lakes Chemical Corp. Level 3	Com	390568 10 3	154,261	6,948,700		X	5, 8, 9, 11,	

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Communi- cations	Com	52729N 10 0	4,536	879,000	X		5, 11, 13

			18,311,085				

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					(a) Sole	(b) Shared- Defined	(c) Shared -Other	
M & T Bank Corpora- tion	Com	55261F 10 4	471,249	5,997,060		X		5 11, 13
			42,905	546,000		X		5, 8, 9, 11, 13
			13,021	165,700		X		5, 10, 13
Moody's	Com	615369 10 5	746,166	16,140,300		X		5, 11, 13
			363,354	7,859,700		X		5, 8, 9, 11, 13
Mueller Industries	Com	624756 10 2	61,948	2,480,900		X		5, 11, 13
Nike Inc.	Com	654106 10 3	308,520	6,000,000		X		5, 8, 9, 11, 13
Outback Steakhouse Inc.	Com	689899 10 2	66,072	1,867,500		X		5, 8, 9, 11, 13
Petrochina Co LTD	ADR	71646E 10 0	1,521	72,900		X		5, 11, 13
			13,473	645,900		X		5, 8, 9, 11, 13
Sealed Air Corpora- tion	Com	81211K 10 0	100,036	2,492,800		X		5, 11, 13
Sealed Air Corpora- tion	PFD CVA	81211K 20 9	32,393	704,500		X		5, 11, 13
Shaw Communica- tions Inc.	Cl B	82028K 20 0	231,200	22,000,000		X		5, 8, 9, 11, 13
Sun Trusts Banks Inc.	Com	867914 10 3	260,423	4,946,300		X		5, 11, 13
			45,279	860,000		X		5, 2, 6, 13
Torchmark Corp.	Com	891027 10 4	2,776	77,551		X		5, 1, 11, 13
			16,100	449,728		X		5, 2, 6, 13
			27,609	771,200		X		5, 11, 13
			22,901	639,700		X		5, 10, 13
USG Corpora- tion	Com	903293 40 5	27,040	6,500,000		X		5, 11, 13

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Washington Post Co.	Cl B	939640 10 8	609,343	894,304	X	5, 11, 13
			101,053	148,311	X	5, 1, 3, 7, 11
			441,634	648,165	X	5, 10, 13
			25,200	36,985	X	5, 12, 13
Wells Fargo & Co. Del	Com	949746 10 1	572,650	12,728,390	X	5, 2, 6, 13
			45,962	1,021,600	X	5, 4, 13, 15,
			5,442	120,970	X	5, 10, 13
			62,716	1,394,000	X	5, 12, 13
			72,203	1,604,860	X	5, 13
			1,637,423	36,395,260	X	5, 11, 13
Wesco Finl Corp.	Com	950817 10 6	1,699,520	5,703,087	X	5, 4, 13
WilTel Communica-tions	Com	972487 10 2	20,043	1,590,696	X	5, 11, 13
Zenith National Ins. Corp.	Com	989390 10 9	9,660	451,355	X	5, 11, 13

			8,156,835			

GRAND TOTAL			\$26,467,920			
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