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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 Seccurities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): April 16, 2009

	Southwest Airlines Co.  (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)		
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Texas	1-7259	74-1563240	
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)	
P. O. Box 36611, Dallas, 7	Γexas	75235-1611	
(Address of principal executive	e offices)	(Zip Code)	
Registrant	•	eluding area code: (214) 792-4000 plicable	
Form	er name or former addre	ss, if changed since last report	
Check the appropriate box below if filing obligation of the registrant un	•	•	
[ ] Written communications J (17 CFR 230.425)	pursuant to Rule 425 und	ler the Securities Act	
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 16, 2009, the Registrant issued a press release announcing its financial results for the first quarter 2009. The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.02.

The information furnished in this Item 2.02 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits:
- 99.1 Registrant's First Quarter 2009 Earnings Release.

## **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.

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.

April 16, 2009 By /s/ Laura Wright

Laura Wright
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and
Accounting Officer)

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Exhibit No. Description

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