

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
July 14, 2004

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 13, 2004

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.

---

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Maryland

0-18082

43-1524856

---

(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer  
Identification  
Number)

1451 East Battlefield, Springfield, Missouri

65804

---

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (417) 887-4400

---

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

NEXT PAGE

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits:

Exhibit 99 - Press Release dated July 13, 2004

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On July 13, 2004, the Registrant issued a press release announcing its preliminary earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 2004. A copy of the press release, including unaudited financial information released as a part thereof, is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

NEXT PAGE

**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.

**GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.**

Date: July 14, 2004

By: /s/ Joseph W. Turner

---

Joseph W. Turner, President,  
Chief Executive Officer and Director

NEXT PAGE

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99	Press Release dated July 13, 2004