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Form 8-K  
July 29, 2004

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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, 2004

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CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	1-5823 (Commission File Number)	36-6169860 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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CNA PLAZA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	60685 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (312) 822-5000

Not Applicable  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits:

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	CNA Financial Corporation press release, issued July 29, 2004, providing information on second quarter 2004 results of operations
99.2	CNA Financial Corporation financial supplement, issued July 29, 2004, providing supplemental financial information for the second quarter 2004

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### Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On July 29, 2004, CNA Financial Corporation issued a press release and posted a financial supplement providing information on its results of operations for the second quarter of 2004. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and the financial supplement is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K.

The information in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

#### 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.

CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Dated: July 29, 2004

/s/ Robert V. Deutsch

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By: Robert V. Deutsch  
Its: Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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