

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
August 12, 2005

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)

August 5, 2005

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.

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(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Maryland

0-18082

43-1524856

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(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer  
Identification  
Number)

1451 East Battlefield, Springfield, Missouri

65804

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

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

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N/A

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 8.01. Other Events**

On August 5, 2005, Great Southern Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of Great Southern Bancorp, Inc., issued the press release attached as Exhibit 99 announcing the completion by Great Southern Bank of its acquisition of three branches from Peoples Bank of the Ozarks.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

99 Press release dated August 5, 2005.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

**GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.**

Date: August 11, 2005

By: /s/ Joseph W. Turner

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

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99	Press Release dated August 5, 2005

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