

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC /DE/

Form 8-K

January 18, 2001

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: January 18, 2001

**Wolverine World Wide, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as  
specified in its charter)

**Michigan**  
(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**1-6024**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**38-1185150**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification no.)

**9341 Courtland Drive**  
**Rockford, Michigan**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**49351**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number,  
including area code: **(616) 866-5500**

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Item 7. Financial Statements Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits:

99.1 Wolverine World Wide, Inc. Press Release dated January 18, 2001.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 18, 2001, Wolverine World Wide, Inc. issued the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K, which is here incorporated by reference. This Report and the Exhibit are furnished, not filed.

**Forward Looking Statement**

The conference call and materials referenced in the Exhibit may contain forward-looking statements, including those relating to future sales, earnings, margins and benefits from the sourcing and factory realignment. In addition, words such as "estimates," "expects," "intends," "should," "will," variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions ("Risk Factors") that are difficult to predict with regard to timing, extent, likelihood and degree of occurrence. Therefore, actual results and outcomes may materially differ from what may be expressed or forecasted in such forward-looking statements. Risk Factors include, among others: changes in consumer preferences or spending patterns; cost and availability of inventories; the impact of competition and pricing; retail buying patterns; consolidation in the retail sector; changes in economic and market conditions; and additional factors discussed in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and exhibits thereto. Other Risk Factors exist, and new Risk Factors emerge from time to time that may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a prediction of actual results. Furthermore, the Company undertakes no obligation to update, amend or clarify forward-looking statements.

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**SIGNATURE**

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 .

Dated: January 18, 2001

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Blake W. Krueger

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Blake W. Krueger  
Executive Vice President, General  
Counsel and Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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