

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

Form 4

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FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Gupta Ashwini

(Last) (First) (Middle)

200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN
EXPRESS TOWER

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

01/29/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Pres, Risk/Info Mgmt & AXP CRO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/29/2016		A ⁽¹⁾	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 18,193 A \$ 53.5	138,284	D	
Common Stock	01/29/2016		F ⁽²⁾	6,781 D \$ 53.5	131,503	D	
Common Stock	01/29/2016		A ⁽³⁾	16,820 A \$ 53.5	148,323	D	
Common Stock	01/29/2016		F ⁽²⁾	8,605 D \$ 53.5	139,718	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 59.45	01/29/2016 ⁽⁴⁾		A		17,612		01/29/2016	01/29/2023	Common Stock	17,612

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Gupta Ashwini 200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001	Pres, Risk/Info Mgmt & AXP CRO

Signatures

/s/ Emily T. Epstein,
attorney-in-fact

02/02/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Represents shares acquired pursuant to vesting of Restricted Stock Units ("performance units") that were granted to the reporting person in January 2013 and have vested based on the Company's 2013-15 return on average equity performance.
- (2) The reported disposition represents the surrender of shares to satisfy tax obligations arising from the vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Represents shares acquired pursuant to vesting of Restricted Stock Units that were granted to the reporting person in January 2013 and have vested based on the Company's positive cumulative net income over the three year performance period.

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- (4) The reported acquisition represents the vesting of Stock Options that were granted to the reporting person in January 2013. These options became exercisable on January 29, 2016 based on the Company's positive cumulative net income over the three year performance period.

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