

STRYKER CORP

Form 4

October 11, 2005

**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 \*  
**BROWN JOHN W**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**STRYKER CORP, 2725  
FAIRFIELD ROAD**

(Street)

**KALAMAZOO, MI 49002**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**STRYKER CORP [SYK]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**10/11/2005**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V                                                                   | Amount<br>(A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                                                         | Price                                                                   |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 10/11/2005                              |                                                             | M                                       |                                                                     | 10,000                                                                                                             | A \$ 5.5                                                                | 18,218,512 I By trust.                                            |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 10/11/2005                              |                                                             | M                                       |                                                                     | 200,000                                                                                                            | A \$ 7.1                                                                | 18,418,512 I By trust.                                            |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 10/11/2005                              |                                                             | M                                       |                                                                     | 600,000                                                                                                            | A \$ 7.78                                                               | 19,018,512 I By trust.                                            |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 10/11/2005                              |                                                             | M                                       |                                                                     | 160,000                                                                                                            | A \$ 9.72                                                               | 19,178,512 I By trust.                                            |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                         |                                                                     |                                                                                                                    |                                                                         | 7,477 I By 401K<br>Plan.                                          |

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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                              |
| Common Stock                               | \$ 5.5                                                 | 10/11/2005                           |                                                    | M                              | 10,000                                                                                  | <u>(1)</u> 04/23/2006                                    | Common Stock 10,000                                           |
| Common Stock                               | \$ 7.1                                                 | 10/11/2005                           |                                                    | M                              | 200,000                                                                                 | <u>(2)</u> 03/03/2007                                    | Common Stock 200,000                                          |
| Common Stock                               | \$ 7.78                                                | 10/11/2005                           |                                                    | M                              | 600,000                                                                                 | <u>(3)</u> 04/29/2007                                    | Common Stock 600,000                                          |
| Common Stock                               | \$ 9.72                                                | 10/11/2005                           |                                                    | M                              | 160,000                                                                                 | <u>(4)</u> 05/17/2008                                    | Common Stock 160,000                                          |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                             | Relationships |           |         |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BROWN JOHN W<br>STRYKER CORP<br>2725 FAIRFIELD ROAD<br>KALAMAZOO, MI 49002 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

John W. Brown 10/11/2005  
 \*\*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) Stock option granted April 24, 1996 under the Stryker Corporation 1988 Stock Option Plan, exercisable as to 20% on each of the first five anniversaries of the date of grant.

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- (2) Stock option granted March 4, 1997 under the Stryker Corporation 1988 Stock Option Plan, exercisable as to 20% on each of the first five anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (3) Stock option granted April 30, 1997 under the Stryker Corporation 1988 Stock Option Plan, exercisable as to 20% on each of the first five anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (4) Stock option granted May 18, 1998 under the Stryker Corporation 1998 Stock Option Plan, exercisable as to 20% on each of the first five anniversaries of the date of grant.

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