

Blackstone Group L.P.  
Form 8-K  
October 20, 2011

**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): October 20, 2011*

**The Blackstone Group L.P.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

345 Park Avenue

**001-33551**  
(Commission

File Number)

**20-8875684**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

10154

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**New York, New York**  
(Address of principal executive offices)  
**(212) 583-5000**

(Zip Code)

*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

**NOT APPLICABLE**

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

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

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations.**

On October 20, 2011, The Blackstone Group L.P. issued a press release announcing financial results for its third quarter ended September 30, 2011.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. All information in the press release is furnished but not filed.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
Exhibit 99.1	Press release of The Blackstone Group L.P. dated October 20, 2011.

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 20, 2011

**The Blackstone Group L.P.**

By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., its General  
Partner

By: /s/ Laurence A. Tosi  
Name: Laurence A. Tosi  
Title: Chief Financial Officer