

THAXTON GREGORY A  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
THAXTON GREGORY A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NORDSON CORP [NDSN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
28601 CLEMENS ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/13/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President, CFO

WESTLAKE, OH 44145

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

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Shares	01/13/2011		M	360 A \$ 38.5	3,642	D	
Common Shares	01/13/2011		M	1,825 A \$ 48.77	5,467	D	
Common Shares	01/13/2011		M	3,275 A \$ 28.74	8,742	D	
Common Shares	01/13/2011		M	1,875 A \$ 54.52	10,617	D	
Common Shares	01/13/2011		S	7,335 D \$ 94.05	3,282	D	

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Common Shares	2,710 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	Company ESOP and 401(k) Plans
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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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 38.5	01/13/2011		M	360	11/22/2007 12/07/2015	Common Shares	360	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 48.77	01/13/2011		M	1,825	11/22/2010 11/22/2016	Common Shares	1,825	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.74	01/13/2011		M	3,275	12/04/2010 12/04/2018	Common Shares	3,275	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 54.52	01/13/2011		M	1,875	12/03/2010 12/03/2019	Common Shares	1,875	
Share Equivalent	<u>(4)</u>	01/13/2011		J	2	<u>(4)</u> <u>(4)</u>	Common Shares	2	

