

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC
Form 8-K
October 16, 2012

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: **October 16, 2012**

(Date of earliest event reported)

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-16725

42-1520346

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission file number) (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

Identification Number)

711 High Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50392

(Address of principal executive offices)

(515) 247-5111

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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(17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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(17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
