

TYSON FOODS INC  
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 \*  
Carper Howell P

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY  
(Street)

SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TYSON FOODS INC [TSN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/17/2016

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 below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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 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				
Class A Common Stock	03/17/2016		J		128.6015 (1)	A	\$ 0	52,783.468 (2)	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2016		M <sup>(3)</sup>		12,100	A	\$ 19.36	64,883.468 (2)	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2016		M <sup>(3)</sup>		24,833	A	\$ 31.82	89,716.468 (2)	D
Class A Common	04/20/2016		M <sup>(3)</sup>		27,830	A	\$ 42.26	117,546.468 (2)	D

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Stock

Class A Common Stock	04/20/2016	S <sup>(3)</sup>	64,763	D	\$ 63.765 <u>(4)</u>	52,783.468 <u>(2)</u>	D
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Class A Common Stock	04/21/2016	J	301.4448 <u>(5)</u>	A	\$ 0	6,318.9377	I	Employee Stock Purchase 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Num of S
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.36	04/20/2016		M	12,100	11/26/2013 11/26/2022	Class A Common Stock	12	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.82	04/20/2016		M	24,833	11/22/2014 11/22/2023	Class A Common Stock	24	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.26	04/20/2016		M	27,830	11/21/2015 11/21/2024	Class A Common Stock	27	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Carper Howell P  
2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY  
SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

EVP Strategy and New Ventures

## Signatures

/s/ Howell P.  
Carper

04/22/2016

\_\_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 of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 concurrent reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

(2) Includes 9,325.762 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2016 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved; includes 7,805.220 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2017 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved; and, includes 8,475.039 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on December 1, 2018 if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved.

(3) On March 22, 2016, the Reporting Person placed an order with his broker to exercise outstanding options to purchase 64,763 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock and sell said shares if the market price decreased to \$64.00 per share, which occurred on the transaction date reported herein.

(4) This is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions on April 20, 2016 at prices ranging from \$63.61 to \$63.95, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.

(5) Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased for the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 concurrent reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

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