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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 13F

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Report for the Calendar Year or Quarter Ended: December 31, 2003

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This Amendment (Check only one.): [ ] is a restatement.  
[ ] adds new holdings entries.

Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report:

Name: Central Securities Corporation  
Address: 375 Park Avenue  
New York, New York 10152

13F File Number: 28-6578

The institutional investment manager filing this report and the person by whom it is signed hereby represent that the person signing the report is authorized to submit it, that all information contained herein is true, correct and complete, and that it is understood that all required items, statements, schedules, lists, and tables, are considered integral parts of this form.

Person Signing this Report on Behalf of Reporting Manager:

Name: Marlene A. Krumholz  
Title: Secretary  
Phone: 212-688-3011  
Signature, Place, and Date of Signing:

/s/ Marlene A. Krumholz New York, New York February 6, 2004

Report Type (Check only one.):

- [X] 13F HOLDINGS REPORT.  
[ ] 13F NOTICE.  
[ ] 13F COMBINATION REPORT.

List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager:

None

I AM SIGNING THIS REPORT AS REQUIRED BY THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

FORM 13F SUMMARY PAGE

Report Summary:

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Number of Other Included Managers: 0

Form 13F Information Table Entry Total: 39

Form 13F Information Table Value Total: 384,433

List of Other Included Managers:

None

FORM 13F INFORMATION TABLE

NAME OF ISSUER COLUMN 1	TITLE OF CLASS COLUMN 2	CUSIP COLUMN 3	VALUE (x\$1000) COLUMN 4	SHARES/ PRN AMT	SH/ PRN	PUT/ CALL	INVSMT DCRETN	M
					COLUMN 5	COLUMN 6	C	
ACCENTURE LTD	COMMON	G1150G 11 1	7370	280000	SH		SOLE	
AFFYMETRIX, INC.	COMMON	00826T 10 8	2461	100000	SH		SOLE	
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP, INC.	COMMON	026874 10 7	9942	150000	SH		SOLE	
AMERICAN MGMT SYSTEMS INC.	COMMON	027352 10 3	24430	1620000	SH		SOLE	
ANALOG DEVICES, INC.	COMMON	032654 10 5	20999	460000	SH		SOLE	
APPLE COMPUTER INC.	COMMON	037833 10 0	2137	100000	SH		SOLE	
ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD.	COMMON	G0450A 10 5	3986	100000	SH		SOLE	
ARVINMERITOR, INC.	COMMON	043353 10 1	16884	700000	SH		SOLE	
BANK OF NEW YORK CO., INC.	COMMON	064057 10 2	18547	560000	SH		SOLE	
BRADY CORPORATION	CLASS A	104674 10 6	20986	515000	SH		SOLE	
CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORP.	COMMON	14040H 10 5	26355	430000	SH		SOLE	
CARMAX, INC.	COMMON	143130 10 2	3093	100000	SH		SOLE	
CINCINNATI BELL INC.	COMMON	171871 10 6	5050	1000000	SH		SOLE	
CONVERGYS CORPORATION	COMMON	212485 10 6	17460	1000000	SH		SOLE	
DOVER CORPORATION	COMMON	260003 10 8	6757	170000	SH		SOLE	
ENCANA CORP.	COMMON	292505 10 4	6310	160000	SH		SOLE	
ERIE INDEMNITY COMPANY	CLASS A	29530P 10 2	424	10000	SH		SOLE	
FLEETBOSTON FINANCIAL CORP.	COMMON	339030 10 8	4365	100000	SH		SOLE	
FLEXTRONICS INT'L. LTD.	COMMON	Y2573F 10 2	17908	1210000	SH		SOLE	
IMPATH, INC.	COMMON	45255G 10 1	1911	490000	SH		SOLE	
INGRAM MICRO INC.	CLASS A	457153 10 4	2862	180000	SH		SOLE	
INTEL CORPORATION	COMMON	458140 10 0	31409	980000	SH		SOLE	
KERR-MCGEE CORPORATION	COMMON	492386 10 7	10228	220000	SH		SOLE	
LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS	COMMON	50540R 40 9	4065	110000	SH		SOLE	
MARSH & MCLENNAN COMPANIES, INC.	COMMON	571748 10 2	4789	100000	SH		SOLE	
MERCK & CO., INC.	COMMON	589331 10 7	4620	100000	SH		SOLE	
MOTOROLA, INC.	COMMON	620076 10 9	4620	330000	SH		SOLE	
MURPHY OIL CORPORATION	COMMON	626717 10 2	19593	300000	SH		SOLE	
POLYONE CORPORATION	COMMON	73179P 10 6	8770	1372400	SH		SOLE	
ROHM AND HAAS COMPANY	COMMON	775371 10 7	8542	200000	SH		SOLE	
ROPER INDUSTRIES, INC.	COMMON	776696 10 6	6143	124700	SH		SOLE	
SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP.	COMMON	806605 10 1	7825	450000	SH		SOLE	
SOLECTRON CORPORATION	COMMON	834182 10 7	4728	800000	SH		SOLE	
SUNGARD DATA SYSTEMS INC.	COMMON	867363 10 3	16349	590000	SH		SOLE	
TRANSPORT CORP OF AMERICA	COMMON	89385P 10 2	3870	533757	SH		SOLE	
THE TRIZETTO GROUP, INC.	COMMON	896882 10 7	6450	1000000	SH		SOLE	
UNISYS CORPORATION	COMMON	909214 10 8	17077	1150000	SH		SOLE	

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VICAL INCORPORATED	COMMON	925602 10 4	738	150000	SH	SOLE
WIND RIVER SYSTEMS, INC.	COMMON	973149 10 7	4380	500000	SH	SOLE