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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(AMENDMENT NO. _____) *

NetScout Systems, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

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Common Stock Par Value \$.01

(Title of Class of Securities)

64115T 10 4

(CUSIP Number)

12-31-04

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

THIS SCHEDULE IS BEING FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement []. (A fee is not required only if the filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.) (See Rule 13d-7).

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP NO. 64115T 10	4	13G
1 NAME OF REPOR	TING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S IDENTIFICAT	TION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON
TA/Advent VIII	L.P.	
Advent Atlantic	04-3334380	
TA Executives l	04-3299318	
TA Investors LI	04-3398534	
High Street Part	ners L.P.	04-3395404
TA Associates, Inc.		04-3295365
2 CHECK THE BOX	04-3205751	
(a) x		
(b) 3 SEC USE ONLY		
4 CITIZENSHIP OR	PLACE OF ORGANIZATION	
TA/Advent VIII	[L.P.	Delaware
Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P.		Delaware
TA Executives l	Delaware	
TA Investors LI	Delaware	
High Street Part	Massachusetts	
TA Associates, Inc. NUMBER OF 5 SOLE VOTING POWER		Delaware
SHARES		3,343,002
BENEFICIALLY	TA/Advent VIII L.P.	874,313 88,596
OWNED BY	Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.	20,007
EACH	TA Executives Fund LLC	1,008

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REPORTING TA Investors LLC

WITH High Street Partners L.P.

TA Associates, Inc.

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

N/A 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

TA/Advent VIII L.P.Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P.TA Executives Fund LLCTA Investors LLC874,31388,596High Street Partners L.P.26,837TA Associates, Inc.

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

N/A

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

TA/Advent VIII L.P.	3,343,002
Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P.	874,313
TA Executives Fund LLC	88,596
TA Investors LLC	93,259
High Street Partners L.P.	26,837
TA Associates, Inc.10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*	1,008

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

	10.91%
TA/Advent VIII L.P.	2.85%
Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P.	0.29%
TA Executives Fund LLC	0.30%
TA Investors LLC	0.09%
High Street Partners L.P.	
TA Associates, Inc.	

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

Five Partnerships

One Corporation

SEE INSTRUCTION BEFORE FILLING OUT!

ATTACHMENT TO FORM 13G

- ITEM 1 (a) NAME OF ISSUER: NetScout Systems, Inc.
- ITEM 1 (b) ADDRESS OF ISSUER S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES: 4 Technology Park Drive

Westford, MA 01886

ITEM 2 (a) NAME OF PERSON FILING:

TA/Advent VIII L.P.

Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P.

TA Executives Fund LLC

TA Investors LLC.

High Street Partners L.P.

TA Associates, Inc.

ITEM 2 (b) ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE:

c/o TA Associates

125 High Street, Suite 2500

Boston, MA 02110

- ITEM 2 (c) CITIZENSHIP: Not Applicable
- ITEM 2 (d) TITLE AND CLASS OF SECURITIES: Common
- ITEM 2 (e) CUSIP NUMBER: 64115T 10 4
- ITEM 3 IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1 (b) OR 13d-2 (b), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A: Not Applicable
- ITEM 4 OWNERSHIP

ITEM 4 (a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED: TA/Advent VIII L.P. Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P. TA Executives Fund LLC TA Investors LLC High Street Partners L.P. TA Associates, Inc.

ITEM 4 (b)

PERCENT OF CLASS

PERCENTAGE

	TA/Advent VIII L.P.	
	Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P	
	TA Executives Fund LLC	10.91%
	TA Investors LLC	2.85% 0.29%
	High Street Partners L.P.	0.29% 0.30% 0.09%
	TA Associates, Inc.	0.09%
ITEM 4 (c)	NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS:	COMMON STOCK
	(I) SOLE POWER TO VOTE OR DIRECT THE VOTE: TA/Advent VIII L.P.	
	Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P	
	TA Executives Fund LLC	3,343,002
	TA Investors LLC	874,313 88,596
	High Street Partners L.P.	93,259 26,837
	TA Associates, Inc.	1,008
	(II) SHARED POWER TO VOTE OR DIRECT THE VOTE:	N/A
	(III) SOLE POWER TO DISPOSE OR DIRECT THE DISPOSITION: TA/Advent VIII L.P.	COMMON STOCK
	Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P	
	TA Executives Fund LLC	3,343,002
	TA Investors LLC	874,313 88,596
	High Street Partners L.P.	93,259 26,837
	TA Associates, Inc.(IV) SHARED POWER TO DISPOSE OR DIRECT THE DISPOSITION	1,008 N/A

ITEM 5 OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS: Not Applicable

ITEM 6 OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON:

Not Applicable

ITEM 7 IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY THAT ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

Not Applicable

ITEM 8 IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:

This schedule 13G is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1 (d). For the agreement of group members to a joint filing, see below.

- ITEM 9 NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP: Not Applicable
- ITEM 10 CERTIFICATION: Not Applicable

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

AGREEMENT FOR JOINT FILING

TA/Advent VIII L.P., Advent Atlantic and Pacific III L.P., TA Executives Fund LLC, High Street Partners L.P., TA Associates, Inc. and TA Investors LLC, hereby agree that TA Associates shall file with the Securities and Exchange Commission a joint schedule 13G on behalf of the above-named parties concerning their beneficial ownership of NetScout Systems, Inc.

Dated: February 2, 2004

TA/ADVENT VIII L.P.

- By: TA Associates VIII LLC, its General Partner
- By: TA Associates, Inc. its Manager
- By: /s/ THOMAS P. ALBER Thomas P. Alber, Chief Financial Officer
- ADVENT ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC III L.P.
- By: TA Associates AAP III Partners L.P., its General Partner
- By: TA Associates, Inc. its General Partner
- By: /s/ THOMAS P. ALBER Thomas P. Alber, Chief Financial Officer

TA EXECUTIVES FUND LLC

- By: TA Associates, Inc., its Manager
- By: /s/ THOMAS P. ALBER Thomas P. Alber, Chief Financial Officer

TA INVESTORS LLC

- By: TA Associates. Inc., its Manager
- By: /s/ THOMAS P. ALBER Thomas P. Alber, Chief Financial Officer
- TA Associates, Inc.
- By: /s/ THOMAS P. ALBER Thomas P. Alber, Chief Financial Officer

High Street Partners L.P.

By: /s/ THOMAS P. ALBER Thomas P. Alber, General Partner