

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP

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TURNER JAMES STEPHEN

FORM SC 13G (Statement of Ownership)

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Address	100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN, 37072
Telephone	6158554000
CIK	0000029534
Symbol	DG
SIC Code	5331 - Retail-Variety Stores
Industry	Discount Stores
Sector	Consumer Cyclical
Fiscal Year	02/02

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Address	100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, Tennessee 37072
Telephone	615-855-4000
CIK	0000029534
Industry	Retail (Specialty)
Sector	Services
Fiscal Year	01/31

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No.)*

DOLLAR GENERAL CORPORATION

(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK
(Title of Class of Securities)

256669-10-2
(CUSIP Number)

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).

1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON - JAMES STEPHEN TURNER SS# 405-62-0986

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
(A)____ (B)____

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	5. SOLE VOTING POWER
	185,372

	6. SHARED VOTING POWER
	38,988,208

	7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	185,372

	8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
	38,988,208

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 39,173,580

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 9 EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

14.8%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
IN

ITEM 1(A)	NAME OF ISSUER:	DOLLAR GENERAL CORPORATION
ITEM 1(B)	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:	100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072-2170
ITEM 2(A)	NAME OF PERSON FILING:	JAMES STEPHEN TURNER 100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072-2170
ITEM 2(B)	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE:	100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072-2170
ITEM 2(E)	CUSIP NUMBER:	256669-10-2
ITEM 2	CITIZENSHIP:	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ITEM 2(D)	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:	COMMON STOCK,, \$.50 PAR VALUE (THE "SHARES")
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	
(A)	AMOUNT BENEFICALLY OWNED:	39,173,580
(B)	PERCENT OF CLASS:	14.8%
	NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS	
(i)	SOLE POWER TO VOTE OR DIRECT THE VOTE:	185,372
(ii)	SHARES POWER TO VOTE OR DIRECT THE VOTE:	38,988,208
(iii)	SOLE POWER TO DISPOSE OR TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF:	185,372
(iv)	SHARED POWER TO DISPOSE OR TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF:	38,988,208
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	

The Turner Children Trust Dated January 21, 1980

ITEM 7 IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Not Applicable

ITEM 8 IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Not Applicable

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.

By: /s/ James Stephen Turner

February 14, 2000

