

**UNITED STATES
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**

June 22, 2018

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Illinois

(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-2189

(Commission File Number)

36-0698440

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 Abbott Park Road

Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6400

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(224) 667-6100**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.04. Triggering Events that Accelerate or Increase a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement.

The disclosure set forth in Item 8.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On June 22, 2018 (the "Redemption Date"), Abbott Laboratories (the "Company") redeemed \$1,300,000,000 of the \$1,795,500,000 outstanding aggregate principal amount of its 2.350% Notes due 2019 (the "Notes"), issued pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated as of March 10, 2015, between the Company, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, as amended and supplemented by that certain Officers' Certificate Pursuant to Sections 3.1 and 3.3 of the Indenture, dated as of November 22, 2016 (collectively, the "Indenture"), in accordance with the terms of the Indenture. The Company redeemed the Notes at a redemption price equal to 100.000% of the aggregate principal amount of such Notes redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the Redemption Date. The partial redemption of the Notes resulted in \$495,500,000 aggregate principal amount of Notes remaining outstanding.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

Date: June 22, 2018

By: /s/ Brian B. Yoor

Brian B. Yoor

Executive Vice President, Finance and
Chief Financial Officer