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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. 1)*

PIPER JAFFRAY COS

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

724078100

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2006

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

| Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed: |
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CUSIP No. 724078100

1. Names of Reporting Persons.

| I.R.S. Ide | entification Nos. of above persons (entities only). |
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| | Dimensional Fund Advisors LP (Tax ID: 22-2370029) e Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) |
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| (b) x 3. SEC Use | Only |
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| 4 Citizensh | nip or Place of Organization |
| | or race or organization |
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| | Delaware Limited Partnership |
| | 5. Sole Voting Power |
| Number of | |
| Shares | |
| Beneficially | 1020772 **see Note 1** 6. Shared Voting Power |
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| Each | |
| Reporting | 0 |
| Person | 7. Sole Dispositive Power |
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| | 1020772 **see Note 1** 8. Shared Dispositive Power |

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ount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 9. Aggrega

1020772 **see Note 1**

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10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

N/A

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

5.49%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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Item 1. (a) Name of Issuer PIPER JAFFRAY COS Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices 800 Nicollet Mall Ste 800, Minneapolis, MN 55402-5679, United States Item 2. Name of Person Filing (a) Dimensional Fund Advisors LP Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence (b) 1299 Ocean Avenue, Santa Monica, CA 90401 Citizenship (c) Delaware Limited Partnership Title of Class of Securities Common Stock CUSIP Number 724078100 Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §\$240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a: (a) Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o). (b) Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (c) Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (d) Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8). (e) An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E); X An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F); (f) (g) A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G); A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813); (h) (i) A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);

Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

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Item 4. Ownership.

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

1020772 **see Note 1**

(b) Percent of class:

5.49%

| | (c) | Number of shares as to which the person has: | | | |
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| | (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: | | | | |
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| | | | 1020772 **see Note 1** | | |
| | | (ii) | Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: | | |
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| | | (111) | Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: | | |
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| | | | 1020772 **see Note 1** | | |
| | | (iv) | Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: | | |
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| under Sect Investment investment voting pov owner of the disclaims I reporting p | ion 203 of t Company t companie ver over th he shares of peneficial of person or a | the Inverse the In | Fund Advisors LP (formerly, Dimensional Fund Advisors Inc.) (Dimensional), an investment advisor registered investment Advisors Act of 1940, furnishes investment advice to four investment companies registered under the of 1940, and serves as investment manager to certain other commingled group trusts and separate accounts. These sts and accounts are the Funds. In its role as investment advisor or manager, Dimensional possesses investment and/or urities of the Issuer described in this schedule that are owned by the Funds, and may be deemed to be the beneficial Issuer held by the Funds. However, all securities reported in this schedule are owned by the Funds. Dimensional riship of such securities. In addition, the filing of this Schedule 13G shall not be construed as an admission that the its affiliates is the beneficial owner of any securities covered by this Schedule 13G for any other purposes than ities Exchange Act of 1934. | | |
| Item 5. | Ownershi | ip of l | Five Percent or Less of a Class | | |
| | | | iled to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than securities, check the following []. | | |
| Item 6. | Ownershi | ip of l | More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person. | | |
| | The Funds described in Note 1 above have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the securities held in their respective accounts. To the knowledge of Dimensional, the interest of any one such Fund does not exceed 5% of the class of securities. Dimensional disclaims beneficial ownership of all such securities. | | | | |
| Item 7. | n 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Composition or Control Person. | | | | |
| | N/A | | | | |
| Item 8. | Identifica | ition a | and Classification of Members of the Group | | |
| | N/A | | | | |
| Item 9. | Notice of Dissolution of Group | | | | |

Item 10.

N/A

Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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.

| DIMENSIONAL FUND ADVISORS LP | | | |
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| February 1, 2006 | | | |
| Date | | | |
| By: Dimensional Holdings Inc., General Partne | | | |
| /s/ Christopher Cross | san | | |
| Signature | | | |
| Global Chief Compl | iance Officer | | |
| Title | <u>-</u> | | |