

CARTERS INC
Form SC 13G
September 17, 2010

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

SCHEDULE 13G

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

CARTER'S, INC.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

146229109

(CUSIP Number)

September 7, 2010

(Date of Event which Requires Filing
of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
- Rule 13d-1(c)
- Rule 13d-1(d)

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The information required on 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).

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1NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

S.A.C. Capital Advisors, L.P.

2CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)

(b)

3SEC USE ONLY

4CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

5SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF
SHARES

6SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

3,212,093 (1) (2) (see Item 4)

OWNED

7SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

BY

0

EACH

8SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

WITH:

3,212,093 (1) (2) (see Item 4)

9AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,212,093 (1) (2) (see Item 4)

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

11PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.4% (1) (2) (see Item 4)

12TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC

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(a)

(b)

3SEC USE ONLY

4CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Anguilla, British West Indies

5SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF
SHARES

6SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

3,172,300 (1) (see Item 4)

OWNED

7SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

BY

0

EACH

8SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

WITH:

3,172,300 (1) (see Item 4)

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

11PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.3% (1) (see Item 4)

12TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Steven A. Cohen

2CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)

(b)

3SEC USE ONLY

4CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

5SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF
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BENEFICIALLY

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IN

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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:

Carter's, Inc.

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

The Proscenium, 1170 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 900, Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing:

This statement is filed by: (i) S.A.C. Capital Advisors, L.P. ("SAC Capital Advisors LP") with respect to shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Shares") of the Issuer beneficially owned by S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC ("SAC Capital Associates") and S.A.C. MultiQuant Fund, LLC ("SAC MultiQuant Fund"); (ii) S.A.C. Capital Advisors, Inc. ("SAC Capital Advisors Inc.") with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Advisors LP, SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant Fund; (iii) SAC Capital Associates with respect to Shares beneficially owned by it; and (iv) Steven A. Cohen with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Advisors LP, SAC Capital Advisors Inc., SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant Fund.

SAC Capital Advisors LP, SAC Capital Advisors Inc., SAC Capital Associates, and Steven A. Cohen have entered into a Joint Filing Agreement, a copy of which is filed with this Schedule 13G as Exhibit 99.1, pursuant to which they have agreed to file this Schedule 13G jointly in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) of the Act.

Item 2(b) Address or Principal Business Office:

The address of the principal business office of (i) SAC Capital Advisors LP, SAC Capital Advisors Inc. and Mr. Cohen is 72 Cummings Point Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06902; and (ii) SAC Capital Associates is Victoria House, P.O. Box 58, The Valley, Anguilla, British West Indies.

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

SAC Capital Advisors LP is a Delaware limited partnership. SAC Capital Advisors Inc. is a Delaware corporation. SAC Capital Associates is an Anguillan limited liability company. Mr. Cohen is a United States citizen.

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:

146229109

Item 3 Not Applicable

Item 4 Ownership:

The percentages used herein are calculated based upon the Shares issued and outstanding as of July 30, 2010 as reported on the Issuer's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Issuer for the quarterly period ended July 3, 2010.

As of the close of business on September 16, 2010:

1. S.A.C. Capital Advisors, L.P.

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

(b) Percent of class: 5.4% (1) (2)

(c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-

(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

2. S.A.C. Capital Advisors, Inc.

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

(b) Percent of class: 5.4% (1) (2)

(c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-

(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

3. S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,172,300 (1)

(b) Percent of class: 5.3% (1)

(c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-

(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 3,172,300 (1)

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 3,172,300 (1)

4. Steven A. Cohen

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

(b) Percent of class: 5.4% (1) (2)

(c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-

(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 3,212,093 (1) (2)

(1) Includes 452,200 Shares subject to call options held by SAC Capital Associates.

(2) The number of Shares reported herein includes 1,481 Shares held in an external account for the benefit of SAC MultiQuant Fund, and managed by an external investment manager pursuant to an investment management agreement (the "External Manager Agreement"). SAC Capital Advisors LP, as investment manager to SAC MultiQuant Fund, may terminate the External Manager Agreement at any time and, by operation of Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act, may be deemed to beneficially own such Shares.

SAC Capital Advisors LP, SAC Capital Advisors Inc. and Mr. Cohen own directly no Shares. Pursuant to an investment management agreement, SAC Capital Advisors LP maintains investment and voting power with respect to the securities held by SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant Fund. SAC Capital Advisors Inc. is the general partner of SAC Capital Advisors LP. Mr. Cohen controls SAC Capital Advisors Inc. By reason of the provisions of Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, each of SAC Capital Advisors LP, SAC Capital Advisors Inc. and Mr. Cohen may be deemed to beneficially own 3,212,093 (1) (2) Shares (constituting approximately 5.4% (1) (2) of the Shares outstanding). Each of SAC Capital Advisors LP, SAC Capital Advisors Inc., and Mr. Cohen disclaims beneficial ownership of any of the securities covered by this statement.

Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. o

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

Not Applicable

Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company:

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:

By signing below the signatory certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above 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.

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.

Dated: September 17, 2010

S.A.C. CAPITAL ADVISORS, L.P.

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum
Name: Peter Nussbaum
Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. CAPITAL ADVISORS, INC.

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum
Name: Peter Nussbaum

Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. CAPITAL ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum
Name: Peter Nussbaum
Title: Authorized Person

STEVEN A. COHEN

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum
Name: Peter Nussbaum
Title: Authorized Person

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