

**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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 18, 2026

Commission file number 001-16111

globalpayments

GLOBAL PAYMENTS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Georgia
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

58-2567903
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

3550 Lenox Road, Atlanta, Georgia
(Address of principal executive offices)

30326
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (770) 829-8000

NONE

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading symbol</u>	<u>Name of exchange on which registered</u>
Common stock, no par value	GPN	New York Stock Exchange
4.875% Senior Notes due 2031	GPN31A	New York Stock Exchange

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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 8.01. Other Events

On February 18, 2026, Global Payments Inc. (the “Company”) entered into an accelerated share repurchase (“ASR”) program to repurchase an aggregate of \$550 million of the Company’s shares of common stock as part of the Company’s previously announced, board-approved share repurchase program. Approximately 5,414,718 shares of the Company’s common stock to be repurchased under the ASR will be received by the Company on February 20, 2026. The total number of shares that the Company will repurchase under the ASR will generally be based on the average of the daily volume-weighted average prices of the Company’s common stock during the repurchase period, less a discount and subject to adjustments pursuant to the terms of the ASR. Final settlement of the ASR is expected to occur no later than March 30, 2026.

Signatures

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.

GLOBAL PAYMENTS INC.

Date: February 19, 2026

By: /s/ Joshua J. Whipple
Joshua J. Whipple
Chief Financial Officer
