Ashley Corporation provided the following list of cost data related to its manufacturing operations for the month of September 20X4.

Beginning raw materials inventory	\$ 966,400	
Raw materials purchased (net)	2,345,500	
Ending raw materials inventory	818,200	
Direct labor costs	322,300	
Indirect materials	125,500	
Indirect labor	88,900	
Factory utilities and maintenance	456,000	
Factory depreciation	56,600	
Other factory related overhead	24,400	
Beginning work in process	777,000	
Ending work in process	717,000	

- (a) Arrange the cost data into a statement of cost of goods manufactured.
- (b) If Ashley's cost of goods sold for the month was \$4,000,000, how much was the increase or decrease in finished goods inventory for the month of September?