# Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders Discovery Portfolio 

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN
D ear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders D iscovery Portfolio, covering the sixmonth period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find valuable information about how the portfolio was managed during the reporting period, including a discussion with the portfolio managers, James Padgett and Brad O rr, of FoundersA sset M anagement LLC , the portfolio's sub-investment adviser.

O n average, U.S. stock prices ended the first half of 2005 slightly lower than where they began, largely due to headwinds caused by higher energy prices, rising short-term interest rates and recent evidence of slower economic growth. While midcap stocks generally produced higher returns than large-cap stocks, and large-cap stocks generally outperformed small-cap stocks, these differences were relatively small. Conversely, value-oriented stocks continued to produce substantially better results than their more growth-oriented counterparts.

In some ways, market conditions at midyear remind us of those from one year ago, when stock prices languished due to economic and political concerns before rallying strongly later in the year. C urrently, our economists expect the U.S. economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future without significant new inflationary pressures, potentially setting the stage for better business conditions that could send stock prices higher. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,


Stephen E. C anter
C hairman and Chief Executive 0 fficer
The Dreyfus C orporation
July 15, 2005

## DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

James Padgett and Brad Orr, Portfolio Managers
Founders Asset Management LLC, Sub-Investment Adviser

## How did Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders Discovery Portfolio perform relative to its benchmark?

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio produced total returns of $-2.55 \%$ for its Initial shares and $-2.77 \%$ for its Service shares. 1 In comparison, the R ussell 2000 Index (the "Index"), the portfolio's benchmark, produced a total return of $-1.25 \%$ for the same period. ${ }^{2}$ Furthermore, the R ussell 2000 Growth Index, the portfolio's current benchmark, produced a total return of $-3.58 \%$ for the reporting period. 3
Small-cap stocks declined modestly over the first half of 2005 as investors turned their attention toward larger, better established companies that tend to earn consistent profits under a variety of economic conditions. The portfolio produced better returns than the R ussell 2000 Growth Index, primarily due to relatively strong results among consumer discretionary, health care and energy stocks. Going forward, the fund's benchmark will be the R ussell 2000 Growth Index as it is believed to better reflect the characteristics of the portfolio's securities.

## What is the portfolio's investment approach?

The portfolio invests primarily in equity securities of small U.S.-based companies that we believe possess high-growth potential. The portfolio may also invest in larger companies if, in our opinion, they represent better prospects for capital appreciation. Although the portfolio will normally invest in common stocks of U.S.- based companies, it may invest up to $30 \%$ of its total assets in foreign securities. The portfolio also may invest in investment-grade debt securities of domestic or foreign issuers that we believe - based on market conditions, the financial condition of the issuer, general economic conditions and other relevant factors - offer opportunities for capital appreciation.
R ather than utilizing a"top-down" approach to stock selection, which relies on forecasting stock market trends, we focus on a "bottom- up" approach in which stocks are chosen according to their own individual merits. Stock selection is made on a company-by-company basis,
with particular emphasis on companies that we believe are wellmanaged and well-positioned within their industries.

## What other factors influenced the portfolio's performance?

Stocks produced generally lackluster returns over the first half of 2005 as positive factors, such as sustained economic growth and strong corporate earnings, were offset by negative ones, including rising interest rates and surging energy prices. As investors grew concerned that higher borrowing and manufacturing costs might dampen future economic growth, they began to turn their attention away from faster-growing small-cap stocks and toward larger companies with track records of consistent earnings growth under a variety of economic conditions. This change in investor sentiment represented a reversal of the prevailing trend of the past several years, in which investors preferred shares of smaller companies poised to benefit in a recovering economy.
In this changing environment, the portfolio received positive contributions to relative performance from its allocation of a relatively large percentage of the portfolio's assets to the consumer discretionary, health care and energy areas, all of which fared better than the R ussell 2000 Growth Index overall. In the energy area, contract drilling services company Patterson-UTI Energy benefited from greater pricing power and accelerating earnings growth when oil and gas prices escalated. Similarly, oil services provider N ational Oilwell Varco gained value in the favorable business environment. H owever, we eliminated the fund's holdings of $N$ ational $O$ ilwell Varco when it appreciated well beyond the small- cap range.
Among consumer discretionary stocks, we took advantage of temporary weakness to purchase additional shares of music retailer Guitar Center, which subsequently rallied as investors increasingly recognized its sound business fundamentals in a growing niche market. Station C asinos gained value as it solidified its position as the dominant gaming company serving local residents of LasVegas. In the health care sector, we established a position in surgical productsprovider A rthroC are during the reporting period, and the stock has since gained significant value. T he portfolio also enjoyed strong results from Kyphon, a leader in minimally invasive spinal surgery products and solutions, when its patents were confirmed by the courts.
Good results in these areas were offset by disappointments primarily in the technology sector. Shares of video conference equipment maker Polycom declined when the company's earnings fell short of analysts'
expectations amid concerns regarding competitive pressures. Server switching systems manufacturer Avocent encountered a difficult transition to a new product line, and enterprise software developer Altiris suffered from softening customer demand. O utside of the technology sector, building products manufacturer Trex was beset by poor weather and inventory problems in its distribution network. In all of these cases, we removed the stocks from the portfolio.

## What is the portfolio's current strategy?

Although we remain cautious with regard to the U.S. economy, we have continued to find attractive opportunities among individual stocks in the energy, consumer discretionary and health care areas. C onversely, we have found relatively few stocks meeting our criteria in the technology sector. In our view, our research-intensive security selection process positions the portfolio well for a market environment in which selectivity is likely to be a more important determinant of success.
July 15, 2005

> The portfolio is only available as a funding vehide under various life insurance polides or variable annuity contracts issued by insurance companies Individuals may not purchase shares of the portfolio directly. A variable annuity is an insurance contrad issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals T he investment objective and polides of D reyfus Investment Portfolios, F ounders D iscovery Portfolio made available through insurance products may be similar to other funds/ portfolios managed or advised by D reyfus H owever, the investment results of the portfolio may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other D reyfus fund/ portfolio.
> 1 Total return indudes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results Share price and investment return fluctuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. T he portfolio's performance does not reflect the deduction of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contradt, which will reduce returns. R eturn figures provided refled the absorption of portfolio expenses by T he D reyfus C orporation pursuant to an agreement in effect through D ecember 31, 2005, at which time it may be extended, terminated or modified. H ad these expenses not been absorbed, the portfolio's returns would have been lower.
> Part of the portfolio's recent performance is attributable to positive returns from its initial public offering (IPO) investments. T here can be no guarantee that IPO s will have or continue to have a positive effect on the portfolio's performance. C urrently, the portfolio is relatively small in asset size. IPO $s$ tend to have a reduced effect on performance as a portfolio's asset base grows.
> 2 SOURCE:LIPPER INC. - R efleds reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions T he R ussell 2000 Index is an unmanaged index of small-cap stock performance and is composed of the 2,000 smallest companies in the R ussell 3000 Index. The R ussell 3000 Index is composed of the 3,000 largest U.S. companies based on total market capitalization.
> 3 SOURCE:LIPPER INC. - The R ussell 2000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index, which measures the performance of those $R$ ussell 2000 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values

## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES (Unaudited)

A s a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses such as management fees and other expenses $U$ sing the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affed your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds You also may pay onetime transadion expenses induding sales charges (loads) and redemption fees which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your finandal adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in D reyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders Discovery Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

Expenses and Value of a $\$ 1,000$ Investment
assuming actual returns for the six months ended June 30, 2005
Initial Shares
Service Shares

| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000 \dagger$ | $\$ 6.07$ | $\$ 7.34$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 974.50$ | $\$ 972.30$ |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.

| Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| assuming a hypothetical 5\% annualized return for the six months ended June 30, 2005 |  |  |
|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| Expenses paid per \$1,000 ${ }^{+}$ | \$ 6.21 | \$ 7.50 |
| Ending value (after expenses) | \$1,018.65 | \$1,017.36 |

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## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Common Stocks-97.1\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Air Freight \& Logistics-4.3\% |  |  |
| Hub Group, CI. A | 22,693 a | 568,460 |
| UTI Worldwide | 7,955 | 553,827 |
|  |  | 1,122,287 |
| Banks-2.2\% |  |  |
| BankAtlantic Bancorp, CI. A | 13,676 a | 259,160 |
| NewAlliance Bancshares | 22,706 | 319,019 |
|  |  | 578,179 |
| Biotechnology-1.9\% |  |  |
| Alkermes | 38,131 a | 504,092 |
| Capital Goods-1.7\% |  |  |
| Trimble Navigation | 11,147 a | 434,399 |
| Casinos \& Gaming-5.9\% |  |  |
| Pinnacle Entertainment | 18,139 a | 354,799 |
| Scientific Games, CI. A | 5,336 a | 143,698 |
| WMS Industries | 30,045 a | 1,014,019 |
|  |  | 1,512,516 |
| Commercial \& Professional Services-1.9\% |  |  |
| Resources Connection | 4,752 a | 110,389 |
| Universal Technical Institute | 11,606 a | 385,319 |
|  |  | 495,708 |
| Communications Equipment-5.5\% |  |  |
| Harris | 11,502 | 358,977 |
| SafeNet | 18,851 a | 642,065 |
| Tekelec | 25,274 a | 424,603 |
|  |  | 1,425,645 |
| Diversified Metals \& Mining-2.1\% |  |  |
| Alpha Natural Resources | 13,558 a | 323,765 |
| Century Aluminum | 4,042 a | 82,457 |
| Glamis Gold | 7,897 a | 135,907 |
|  |  | 542,129 |
| Education-2.1\% |  |  |
| Education Management | 16,300 a | 549,799 |
| Electronic Equipment Manufacturers-2.1\% |  |  |
| Aeroflex | 47,039 a | 395,128 |
| Cogent | 4,932 a | 140,809 |
|  |  | 535,937 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Financial Services-4.0\% |  |  |
| Affiliated Managers Group | 7,713 a | 527,029 |
| First Marblehead | 14,329 a,b | 502,375 |
|  |  | 1,029,404 |
| General Merchandise Stores-1.2\% |  |  |
| Tuesday Morning | 9,672 | 304,861 |
| Health Care Equipment \& Distributors-10.4\% |  |  |
| ArthroCare | 17,353 a | 606,314 |
| ev3 | 21,658 a, b | 301,046 |
| Henry Schein | 12,188 a | 506,046 |
| I-Flow | 24,691 a | 410,858 |
| Kyphon | 9,865 a | 343,203 |
| MGI Pharma | 10,220 a | 222,387 |
| Option Care | 20,536 b | 289,558 |
|  |  | 2,679,412 |
| Home Furnishings-2.6\% |  |  |
| Tempur-Pedic International | 30,046 a,b | 666,420 |
| Hotels, Resorts \& Cruise Lines-4.1\% |  |  |
| Gaylord Entertainment | 14,984 a | 696,606 |
| Kerzner International | 6,200 a | 353,090 |
|  |  | 1,049,696 |
| IT Consulting \& Other Services-3.3\% |  |  |
| Epicor Software | 43,551 a | 574,873 |
| Kanbay International | 11,995 a | 277,204 |
|  |  | 852,077 |
| Internet Software-2.0\% |  |  |
| Digitas | 44,395 a | 506,547 |
| Leisure Products-1.5\% |  |  |
| Marvel Enterprises | 19,258 a | 379,768 |
| Multi-Line Insurance-1.4\% |  |  |
| HCC Insurance Holdings | 9,692 | 367,036 |
| Oil \& Gas-7.2\% |  |  |
| Grant Prideco | 17,044 a | 450,814 |
| KFx | 7,695 a,b | 109,962 |
| Patterson-UTI Energy | 25,048 | 697,086 |
| Pride International | 10,877 a | 279,539 |
| Spinnaker Exploration | 9,065 a | 321,717 |
|  |  | 1,859,118 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pharmaceuticals-8.6\% |  |  |
| Endo Pharmaceuticals Holdings | 16,993 a | 446,576 |
| Impax Laboratories | 35,124 a, b | 551,447 |
| Inspire Pharmaceuticals | 15,392 a | 129,601 |
| Medicis Pharmaceutical, Cl. A | 18,732 b | 594,366 |
| Salix Pharmaceuticals | 28,424 a | 501,968 |
|  |  | 2,223,958 |
| Recreation-1.2\% |  |  |
| LIFE TIME FITNESS | 9,079 a | 297,882 |
| Restaurants-2.7\% |  |  |
| RARE Hospitality International | 11,469 a | 349,460 |
| Red Robin Gourmet Burgers | 5,594 a | 346,716 |
|  |  | 696,176 |
| Semiconductors \& Equipment-4.0\% |  |  |
| Entegris | 33,491 a | 331,561 |
| Fairchild Semiconductor | 13,085 a | 193,004 |
| Intersil, Cl. A | 13,971 | 262,236 |
| Semtech | 15,400 a,b | 256,410 |
|  |  | 1,043,211 |
| Specialty Stores-6.0\% |  |  |
| CSK Auto | 29,236 a | 487,656 |
| Guitar Center | 6,533 a | 381,331 |
| PETCO Animal Supplies | 23,027 a | 675,152 |
|  |  | 1,544,139 |
| Systems Software-1.1\% |  |  |
| Quality Systems | 5,729 a | 271,440 |
| Trading Companies \& Distributors-3.1\% |  |  |
| Hughes Supply | 28,868 | 811,191 |
| Transportation-Marine-1.9\% |  |  |
| Diana Shipping | 11,400 | 166,896 |
| Dryships | 19,959 a | 329,523 |
|  |  | 496,419 |
| Trucking-1.1\% |  |  |
| J.B. Hunt Transport Services | 9,252 | 178,564 |
| Old Dominion Freight Line | 4,232 a | 113,544 |
|  |  | 292,108 |
| Total Common Stocks |  |  |
| (cost \$22,609,169) |  | 25,071,554 |


| Short-Term Investments-5.3\% | Principal Amount (\$) | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Commercial Paper; |  |  |
| Morgan Stanley, 3.36\%, 7/1/2005 (cost \$1,380,000) | 1,380,000 | 1,380,000 |
| Investment of Cash Collateral for Securities Loaned-10.1\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| Registered Investment Company; |  |  |
| Dreyfus Institutional Cash Advantage Plus Fund (cost $\$ 2,615,432$ ) | 2,615,432 c | 2,615,432 |
| Total Investments (cost \$26,604,601) | 112.5\% | 29,066,986 |
| Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables | (12.5\%) | $(3,241,871)$ |
| Net Assets | 100.0\% | 25,825,115 |

a N on-income produaing
b A portion of these seautities are on loan. At June 30, 2005 the total market value of portfolio's searities on loan is $\$ 2,490,443$ and the total market value of the collateral held by the portfolio is $\$ 2,615,432$.
c Investment in affiliated money market mutual fund.

Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) $\dagger$

| Value (\%) |  |  | Value (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Casino, Gaming, Leisure \& Restaurants | 15.4 | Trading Companies \& Distributors | 10.3 |
| Short-Term/Money Market Investments | 15.4 | Banks \& Financial Services | 7.6 |
| Semiconductors \& Equipment | 13.3 | Transportation | 7.3 |
| Pharmaceuticals | 10.5 | Oil \& Gas | 7.2 |
| Heath Care Equipment \& Distributors | 10.4 | Home Furnishings | 2.6 |
| Systems Software, |  | Metals \& Mining | 2.1 |
| $\quad$ Services \& Education | 10.4 |  | $\mathbf{1 1 2 . 5}$ |

† B ased on net assets
See notes to finandal statements

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Investments in securities-See Statement of Investments (including securities on loan, valued at $\$ 2,490,443$ )-Note 1 (b): |  |  |
| Unaffiliated issuers | 23,989,169 | 26,451,554 |
| Affiliated issuers | 2,615,432 | 2,615,432 |
| Cash |  | 69,531 |
| Receivable for investment securities sold |  | 551,987 |
| Dividends receivable |  | 7,733 |
| Prepaid expenses |  | 1,978 |
|  |  | 29,698,215 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) |  | 26,413 |
| Liability for securities on loan-Note 1 (b) |  | 2,615,432 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased |  | 1,179,867 |
| Payable for shares of Beneficial Interest redeemed |  | 27,333 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 24,055 |
|  |  | 3,873,100 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 25,825,115 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Paid-in capital |  | 30,789,111 |
| Accumulated investment (loss)-net |  | $(90,047)$ |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments |  | $(7,336,334)$ |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments |  | 2,462,385 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 25,825,115 |

Net Asset Value Per Share

|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Net Assets (\$) | $23,033,217$ | $2,791,898$ |
| Shares Outstanding | $2,411,729$ | 294,661 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share (\$) | $\mathbf{9 . 5 5}$ | $\mathbf{9 . 4 7}$ |

See notes to finandial statements

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)
Investment Income (\$):
Income:
Cash dividends ..... 43,475
Interest ..... 13,201
Income on securities lending ..... 7,202
Total Income ..... 63,878
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 109,482
Auditing fees ..... 17,328
Prospectus and shareholders' reports ..... 11,682
Custodian fees-Note 3(b) ..... 8,122
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 3,426
Legal fees ..... 740
Trustees' fees and expenses-Note 3(c) ..... 519
Shareholder servicing costs-Note 3(b) ..... 281
Loan commitment fees-Note 2 ..... 71
Miscellaneous ..... 2,806
Total Expenses ..... 154,457
Less-reduction in custody feesdue to earnings credits-Note 1 (b)(532)
Net Expenses ..... 153,925
Investment (Loss)-Net ..... $(90,047)$
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):Net realized gain (loss) on investments2,000,371
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments ..... $(2,569,700)$
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... $(569,329)$
Net (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... $(659,376)$

See notes to finandal statements

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment (loss)-net | $(90,047)$ | $(212,233)$ |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 2,000,371 | 949,027 |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | $(2,569,700)$ | 1,528,166 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | $(659,376)$ | 2,264,960 |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 2,159,325 | 6,618,699 |
| Service shares | 110,557 | 153,634 |
| Cost of shares redeemed: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(1,584,980)$ | $(1,506,121)$ |
| Service shares | $(274,216)$ | $(492,068)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Beneficial Interest Transactions | 410,686 | 4,774,144 |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | $(248,690)$ | 7,039,104 |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 26,073,805 | 19,034,701 |
| End of Period | 25,825,115 | 26,073,805 |
| Undistributed investment (loss)-net | $(90,047)$ | - |
| Capital Share Transactions (Shares): |  |  |
| Initial Shares |  |  |
| Shares sold | 234,058 | 730,566 |
| Shares redeemed | $(171,080)$ | $(166,869)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | 62,978 | 563,697 |
| Service Shares |  |  |
| Shares sold | 12,023 | 16,942 |
| Shares redeemed | $(30,250)$ | $(54,949)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | $(18,227)$ | $(38,007)$ |
| See notes to finandial statements |  |  |

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single portfolio share.Total return shows how much your investment in the portfolio would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the portfolio's financial statements.

| Initial Shares | nths Ended $\text { e } 30,2005$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 9.80 | 8.92 | 6.55 | 9.81 | 12.04 | 13.89 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment (loss)-neta | (.03) | (.08) | (.09) | (.08) | (.08) | (.08) |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.22) | . 96 | 2.46 | (3.18) | (2.15) | (1.71) |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.25) | . 88 | 2.37 | (3.26) | (2.23) | (1.79) |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | - | - | - | - | - | (.01) |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | - | - | - | - | - | (.05) |
| Total Distributions | - | - | - | - | - | (.06) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 9.55 | 9.80 | 8.92 | 6.55 | 9.81 | 12.04 |
| Total Return (\%) | (2.55) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 9.87 | 36.18 | (33.23) | (18.52) | (13.02) |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .61b | 1.26 | 1.41 | 1.39 | 1.50 | 1.93 |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .61b | 1.26 | 1.41 | 1.34 | 1.39 | 1.41 |
| Ratio of net investment (loss) to average net assets | (.35) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.94) | (1.15) | (1.06) | (.77) | (.60) |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | $92.42{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 113.02 | 120.85 | 132.08 | 106.00 | 123.96 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 23,033 | 23,027 | 15,918 | 8,881 | 14,755 | 13,960 |

a B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
b $N$ ot annualized.
See notes to finandial statements

| Service SharesSix M | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ths Ended } \\ & 30,2005 \end{aligned}$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000a |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 9.74 | 8.88 | 6.53 | 9.78 | 12.04 | 12.04 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment (loss)-net | (.04) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.11) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.09) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.09) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.09) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | - |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.23) | . 97 | 2.44 | (3.16) | (2.17) | - |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.27) | . 86 | 2.35 | (3.25) | (2.26) | - |
| Net asset value, end of period | 9.47 | 9.74 | 8.88 | 6.53 | 9.78 | 12.04 |
| Total Return (\%) | (2.77) ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 9.68 | 35.99 | (33.23) | (18.77) | - |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | . 74 c | 1.50 | 1.69 | 1.64 | 1.77 | - |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | . 74 c | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.46 | 1.49 | - |
| Ratio of net investment (loss) to average net assets | (.48) ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | (1.19) | (1.23) | (1.17) | (1.02) | - |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 92.42 c | 113.02 | 120.85 | 132.08 | 106.00 | 123.96 |
| Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000) | 2,792 | 3,047 | 3,117 | 2,369 | 2,599 | 1 |

a The portfolio commenced offering Service shares on D ecember 31, 2000.
b B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
c $N$ ot annualized.
See notes to finandial statements

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an open-end management investment company, operating as a series company currently offering nine series, including the Founders Discovery Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. The portfolio is a diversified series. The portfolio's investment objective is capital appreciation. The D reyfus C orporation ("D reyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser. Dreyfus is a wholly-owned subsidiary of M ellon Financial Corporation ("M ellon Financial"). Founders A sset M anagement LLC ("Founders") serves as the portfolio's sub-investment adviser. Founders is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus Service Corporation which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of D reyfus.

D reyfus Service Corporation (the "Distributor") is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge. The portfolio is authorized to issue an unlimited number of $\$ .001$ par value shares of Beneficial Interest in each of the following classes of shares: Initial and Service. Each class of shares has identical rights and privileges, except with respect to the distribution plan and the expenses borne by each class and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The fund accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series' operations, expenses which are applicable to all series are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities (including options and financial futures) are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange or national securities market on which such securities are primarily traded. Securities listed on the $N$ ational $M$ arket System for which market quotations are available are valued at the official closing price or, if there is no official closing price that day, at the last sale price. Securities not listed on an exchange or the national securities market, or securities for which there were no transactions, are valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices. Bid price is used when no asked price is available. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value. W hen market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the portfolio calculates its net asset value, the portfolio may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board of Trustees. Fair valuing of securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using calculations based on indices of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as prices of relevant ADR 's and futures contracts. For other securities that are fair valued by the Board ofTrustees, certain factors may be considered such as: fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold, and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers.
(b) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. R ealized gain and loss from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

The portfolio has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby the portfolio receives earnings credits from the custodian when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the portfolio includes net earnings credits as an expense offset in the Statement of 0 perations.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of Dreyfus, the portfolio may lend securities to qualified institutions. At origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least $102 \%$ of the value of U.S. securities loaned and $105 \%$ of the value of foreign securities loaned. C ollateral equivalent to at least $100 \%$ of the market value of securities on loan will be maintained at all times. C ash collateral is invested in certain money market mutual funds managed by Dreyfus. The portfolio will be entitled to receive all income on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Although each security loaned is fully collateralized, the portfolio would bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner.
(c) Affiliated issuers: Investments in other investment companies advised by D reyfus are defined as "affiliated" in the Act.
(d) Dividends to shareholders: Dividends are recorded on the exdividend date. Dividends from investment income-net and dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal R evenue C ode of 1986, as amended (the "C ode").To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the pol-
icy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
(e) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the Code , and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.
The portfolio has an unused capital loss carryover of $\$ 9,078,915$ available for federal income tax purposes to be applied against future net securities profits, if any, realized subsequent to December 31, 2004. If not applied, $\$ 101,803$ of the carryover expires in fiscal 2008, $\$ 4,917,933$ of the carryover expires in fiscal 2009, $\$ 3,800,802$ expires in fiscal 2010 and $\$ 258,377$ expires in fiscal 2011.

The tax character of current year distributions, if any, will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

## NOTE 2-Bank Line of Credit:

The portfolio participates with other Dreyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 350$ million redemption credit facility (the "Facility") primarily to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions. In connection therewith, the portfolio has agreed to pay commitment fees on its pro rata portion of the Facility. Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio did not borrow under the Facility.

NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee, Sub-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions With Affiliates:
(a) Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement with Dreyfus, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of .90 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly.

D reyfus has agreed, from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005, to waive receipt of its fees and/ or assume the expenses of the portfolio so that the expenses of neither class, exclusive of taxes, brokerage fees, interest on borrowings, commitment fees and extraordinary expenses, exceed $1.50 \%$ of the value of the average daily net assets of their class. During the period ended June 30, 2005, there were no fees waived pursuant to the undertaking.
Pursuant to a Sub-Investment Advisory Agreement between D reyfus and Founders, the sub-investment advisory fee is payable monthly by D reyfus, and is based upon the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets, computed at the following annual rates:

## Average $\mathbf{N}$ et Assets

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
0 \text { to } \$ 100 \text { million . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } & .25 \text { of } 1 \% \\
\$ 100 \text { million to } \$ 1 \text { billion . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 20 \text { of } 16 \text { of } 1 \% \\
\$ 1 \text { billion to } \$ 1.5 \text { billion . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 10 \text { of } 1 \% \\
\text { In excess of } \$ 1.5 \text { billion . . . . . . . . . . }
\end{array}
$$

(b) U nder the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to R ule 12b-1 under the Act, Service shares pay the Distributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/ or maintaining Service shares shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing for Service shares. The Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of .25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the Service shares' average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. The fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the period ended June 30, 2005, Service shares were charged $\$ 3,426$ pursuant to the Plan.

The portfolio compensates Dreyfus Transfer, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus, under a transfer agency agreement for providing personnel and facilities to perform transfer agency services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 69$ pursuant to the transfer agency agreement.

The portfolio compensates M ellon Bank, N .A., an affiliate of Dreyfus, under a custody agreement for providing custodial services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 8,122$ pursuant to the custody agreement.

During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged \$1,998 for services performed by the C hief C ompliance $O$ fficer.

The components of Due to The D reyfus C orporation and affiliates in the Statement of A ssets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fees $\$ 20,194$, R ule $12 b-1$ distribution plan fees $\$ 566$, custodian fees $\$ 3,907$, chief compliance officer fees $\$ 1,998$ and transfer agency per account fees $\$ 23$, which are offset against an expense reimbursement currently in effect in the amount of $\$ 275$.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the D reyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities, during the period ended June 30 , 2005, amounted to $\$ 22,496,929$ and $\$ 22,022,736$, respectively.

At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 2,462,385$, consisting of $\$ 3,022,227$ gross unrealized appreciation and $\$ 559,842$ gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against M ellon Financial, M ellon Bank, N .A., Dreyfus, Founders Asset $M$ anagement LLC, and certain directors of the D reyfus Funds and the D reyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the U nited States

District C ourt for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September 2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999 and $N$ ovember 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. The A mended C omplaint in the newly styled In re Dreyfus M utual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania U nfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive $R$ ule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. M ore specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other things, that 12b-1 fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that $12 \mathrm{~b}-1$ fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. T he A mended Complaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. W ith respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought against the Funds. D reyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In N ovember 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the A mended C omplaint in the whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in M ay 2005.

Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requests for relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. $N$ either D reyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or D reyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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The portfolio files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The portfolio's Forms N-Q are available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

A description of the policies and procedures that the portfolio uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, and information regarding how the portfolio voted these proxies for the 12-month period ended June 30, 2005, is available at http://www.dreyfus.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The description of the policies and procedures is also available without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-645-6561.


# Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Small Cap Stock Index Portfolio 

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN
Dear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Small Cap Stock Index Portfolio, covering the six-month period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find valuable information about how the fund was managed during the reporting period, including a discussion with the fund's portfolio manager, Thomas Durante, CFA.

On average, U.S. stock prices ended the first half of 2005 slightly lower than where they began, largely due to headwinds caused by higher energy prices, rising short-term interest rates and recent evidence of slower economic growth. While midcap stocks generally produced higher returns than large-cap stocks, and large-cap stocks generally outperformed small-cap stocks, these differences were relatively small. Conversely, value-oriented stocks continued to produce substantially better results than their more growth-oriented counterparts.

In some ways, market conditions at midyear remind us of those from one year ago, when stock prices languished due to economic and political concerns before rallying strongly later in the year. Currently, our economists expect the U.S. economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future without significant new inflationary pressures, potentially setting the stage for better business conditions that could send stock prices higher. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,



Stephen E. Canter
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
The Dreyfus Corporation
July 15, 2005

## DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

## Thomas Durante, CFA, Portfolio Manager

## How did Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Small Cap Stock Index Portfolio perform relative to its benchmark?

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio's Service shares produced a total return of $1.64 \% .^{1}$ In comparison, the Standard \& Poor's SmallCap 600 Index ("S\&P 600 Index"), the portfolio's benchmark, produced a $1.79 \%$ return for the same period. 2,3

We attribute the S\&P 600 Index's performance to investors' concerns regarding the potentially adverse effects of rising interest rates and surging energy prices on stock prices. Continuing the prevailing trend of the past several years, returns from small-cap stocks outperformed returns from large-cap stocks during the reporting period. The difference in returns between the portfolio and the S\&P 600 Index was primarily due to the portfolio's expenses, sampling strategy and transaction costs.

## What is the portfolio's investment approach?

The portfolio seeks to match the total return of the S\&P 600 Index. To pursue this goal, the portfolio invests in a representative sample of stocks included in the S\&P 600 Index and in futures whose performance is related to the S\&P 600 Index.

The portfolio's investments are selected by a "sampling" process based on market capitalization, industry representation and other means. By using this sampling process, the portfolio typically will not invest in all 600 stocks in the S\&P 600 Index. However, at times, the portfolio may be fully invested in all of the stocks that comprise the S\&P 600 Index. Under these circumstances, the portfolio maintains approximately the same weighting for each stock as the S\&P 600 Index does.

The S\&P 600 Index is composed of 600 domestic stocks with market capitalizations ranging between approximately $\$ 40$ million and approximately $\$ 5.2$ billion, depending on S\&P 600 Index composition. Each stock is weighted by its market capitalization, which means
larger companies have greater representation in the S\&P 600 Index than smaller ones. The portfolio may also invest in stock futures as a substitute for the sale or purchase of securities.

## What other factors influenced the portfolio's performance?

Over the final months of 2004, just before the reporting period began, small-cap stocks had led a sharp stock market rally as the U.S. economy showed signs of more sustainable growth and inflationary pressures appeared to remain low. During the first quarter of 2005, however, these positive influences were offset by concerns regarding rising interest rates and surging energy prices, both of which threatened to erode economic activity and corporate financial results. Investors have turned their attention to companies with track records of stable and predictable earnings under a broad range of economic conditions.

Nonetheless, several market sectors made positive contributions to the S\&P 600 Index's overall performance. For example, almost all of the energy companies represented in the S\&P 600 Index posted positive returns for the reporting period, due in large part to rising oil and gas prices. Within the health care sector, medical service providers such as HMOs fared well in a business environment characterized by greater pricing power, lower costs and increased M\&A activity. In addition, the S\&P 600 Index's stocks in the medical products area also helped boost performance.

Many of the S\&P 600 Index's electric utilities posted gains amid increased demand for energy in a growing economy, and their high dividends attracted income-oriented investors seeking an alternative to low-yielding bonds. Specialty retail stocks also fared well, driven by strong consumer spending.

On the other hand, stocks within the technology and financials areas reported negative absolute returns. While technology stocks suffered across the board, banks and financial service companies were hurt by rising interest rates.

## What is the portfolio's current strategy?

Our strategy is to attempt to replicate the returns of the small-cap market as represented by the S\&P 600 Index. Accordingly, the percentages of the portfolio's assets invested in each market sector closely approximate its representation in the S\&P 600 Index. In our view, one of the greatest benefits of broadly diversified index funds is that they can help investors participate in the gains of specific asset classes, such as small-cap stocks, while enabling them to manage risks by limiting the impact of unexpected losses in any single industry group or holding.

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The portfolio is only available as a funding vehicle under variable life insurance policies or variable annuity contracts issued by insurance companies. Individuals may not purchase shares of the porffolio directly. A variable annuity is an insurance contract issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals. The investment objective and policies of Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Small Cap Stock Index Portfolio made available through insurance products may be similar to other funds/portfolios managed or advised by Dreyfus. However, the investment results of the portfolio may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other Dreyfus fund/portfolio.
1 Total return includes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Share price and investment return fluctuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. The portfolio's performance does not reflect the deduction of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contracts, which will reduce returns. Return figures provided reflect the absorption of portfolio expenses by The Drexfus Corporation pursuant to an undertaking in effect that may be extended, terminated or modified at any time. Had these expenses not been absorbed, the portfolio's returns would have been lower.
2 SOURCE: LIPPER INC. - Reflects the reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions. The Standard \& Poor's SmallCap 600 Index is a broad-based index and a widely accepted, unmanaged index of overall small-cap stock market pefformance.
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## UNDERSTANDING YOUR <br> PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES

As a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses, such as management fees and other expenses. Using the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affect your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds. You also may pay one-time transaction expenses, including sales charges (loads) and redemption fees, which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses. For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your financial adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Small Cap Stock Index Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

## Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment

assuming actual returns for the six months ended June 30, 2005

| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000+$ | $\$ 3.00$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 1,016.40$ |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.

## Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment

assuming a hypothetical 5\% annualized return for the six months ended June 30, 2005

| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000+$ | $\$ 3.01$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 1,021.82$ |

[^1]
## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Common Stocks-99.7\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Consumer Cyclical-17.2\% |  |  |
| ALLETE | 21,300 | 1,062,870 |
| Action Performance Cos. | 9,300 | 82,026 |
| Albany International, CI. A | 22,900 | 735,319 |
| Angelica | 6,800 a | 166,668 |
| Applica | 11,000 b | 35,530 |
| Arctic Cat | 14,300 | 293,579 |
| Argosy Gaming | 21,000 b | 978,810 |
| Ashworth | 7,000 b | 63,070 |
| Aztar | 23,400 b | 801,450 |
| Bally Total Fitness Holdings | 14,500 a,b | 46,980 |
| Bassett Furniture | 9,100 | 171,626 |
| Brown Shoe | 14,000 | 548,100 |
| Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse | 21,500 | 916,760 |
| CEC Entertainment | 26,450 b | 1,113,280 |
| CPI | 4,300 | 77,615 |
| Casey's General Stores | 38,000 | 753,160 |
| Cato, Cl. A | 26,550 | 548,258 |
| Children's Place Retail Stores | 15,600 b | 728,052 |
| Christopher \& Banks | 23,350 | 426,371 |
| Coachmen Industries | 6,500 | 81,445 |
| Cost Plus | 12,500 b | 311,750 |
| Department 56 | 14,100 b | 144,525 |
| Dress Barn | 16,900 b | 382,447 |
| Electronics Boutique Holdings | 12,500 b | 793,625 |
| Enesco Group | 3,000 b | 8,970 |
| Ethan Allen Interiors | 26,700 | 894,717 |
| Fedders | 5,000 a | 11,000 |
| Finish Line, CI. A | 34,100 | 645,172 |
| Fleetwood Enterprises | 31,600 a, b | 320,740 |
| Fossil | 39,200 b | 889,840 |
| Fred's | 22,800 | 378,024 |
| Frontier Airlines | 20,900 b | 215,897 |
| GameStop, CI. B | 36,000 b | 1,076,400 |
| Genesco | 18,600 b | 689,874 |
| Goody's Family Clothing | 19,900 | 146,763 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Consumer Cyclical (continued) |  |  |
| Great Atlantic \& Pacific Tea | 18,200 a,b | 528,892 |
| Group 1 Automotive | 16,800 b | 403,872 |
| Guitar Center | 19,100 b | 1,114,867 |
| Gymboree | 15,500 b | 211,730 |
| Haggar | 2,200 | 44,770 |
| Hancock Fabrics | 7,700 a | 51,128 |
| Haverty Furniture | 19,300 | 285,254 |
| Hibbett Sporting Goods | 19,900 b | 753,016 |
| Hot Topic | 32,570 a,b | 622,738 |
| IHOP | 14,600 | 633,494 |
| Insight Enterprises | 32,300 b | 651,814 |
| Interface, CI. A | 29,300 b | 235,865 |
| J. Jill Group | 11,300 b | 155,375 |
| JAKKS Pacific | 20,900 b | 401,489 |
| Jack in the Box | 26,500 b | 1,004,880 |
| Jo-Ann Stores | 17,425 b | 459,846 |
| K-Swiss | 24,400 | 789,096 |
| K2 | 30,900 b | 391,812 |
| Kellwood | 19,800 | 532,620 |
| La-Z Boy | 35,000 a | 509,950 |
| Landry's Restaurants | 15,000 | 451,350 |
| Linens 'n Things | 31,100 b | 735,826 |
| Lone Star Steakhouse \& Saloon | 15,700 | 477,437 |
| Longs Drug Stores | 25,200 | 1,084,860 |
| Marcus | 21,000 | 445,620 |
| Men's Wearhouse | 36,900 a,b | 1,270,467 |
| Mesa Air Group | 27,900 a,b | 187,209 |
| Midas | 13,000 b | 299,000 |
| Monaco Coach | 19,200 | 330,048 |
| Movie Gallery | 21,200 | 560,316 |
| Multimedia Games | 18,800 a,b | 206,988 |
| NBTY | 41,500 b | 1,076,510 |
| National Presto Industries | 3,600 | 158,652 |
| Nautilus Group | 25,500 | 726,750 |
| O'Charleys | 16,000 b | 282,560 |
| OshKosh B'Gosh | 9,500 | 246,905 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Consumer Cyclical (continued) |  |  |
| Oshkosh Truck | 26,500 | 2,074,420 |
| Oxford Industries | 11,100 | 477,855 |
| P.F. Chang's China Bistro | 17,800 a,b | 1,049,844 |
| Panera Bread, CI. A | 21,400 a,b | 1,328,619 |
| Papa John's International | 11,000 b | 439,670 |
| Peet's Coffee \& Tea | 6,400 b | 211,456 |
| Pep Boys-Manny, Moe \& Jack | 35,600 a | 482,024 |
| Phillips-Van Heusen | 22,800 | 745,332 |
| Pinnacle Entertainment | 25,700 b | 502,692 |
| Polaris Industries | 31,800 a | 1,717,200 |
| Quiksilver | 84,600 b | 1,351,908 |
| RARE Hospitality International | 22,650 b | 690,146 |
| Russ Berrie \& Co. | 10,300 | 131,943 |
| Russell | 22,000 | 449,900 |
| Ryan's Restaurant Group | 30,300 b | 424,503 |
| SCP Pool | 38,525 | 1,351,842 |
| School Specialty | 16,100 b | 748,650 |
| Select Comfort | 26,800 b | 574,324 |
| ShopKo Stores | 21,300 b | 517,803 |
| Shuffle Master | 23,950 a,b | 671,319 |
| SkyWest | 40,200 | 730,836 |
| Sonic | 45,350 b | 1,384,535 |
| Sonic Automotive | 28,800 | 612,288 |
| Stage Stores | 13,200 b | 575,520 |
| Standard Motor Products | 7,500 | 99,000 |
| Steak n Shake | 20,200 b | 376,124 |
| Stein Mart | 28,200 | 620,400 |
| Stride Rite | 27,400 | 377,846 |
| Sturm Ruger \& Co. | 17,300 | 144,801 |
| Superior Industries International | 17,500 a | 414,750 |
| TBC | 15,200 b | 412,376 |
| Too | 24,500 b | 572,565 |
| Toro | 32,700 | 1,262,547 |
| Tractor Supply | 23,900 a,b | 1,173,490 |
| TreeHouse Foods | 21,200 b | 604,412 |
| Triarc, Cl. B | 37,800 a | 561,708 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Consumer Cyclical (continued) |  |  |
| WMS Industries | 16,600 b | 560,250 |
| Wabash National | 23,600 a | 571,828 |
| Winnebago Industries | 22,200 a | 727,050 |
| Wolverine World Wide | 42,800 b | 1,027,628 |
| Zale | 37,000 b | 1,172,530 |
|  |  | 64,787,653 |
| Consumer Staples-2.4\% |  |  |
| Alliance One International | 57,600 | 346,176 |
| American Italian Pasta, CI. A | 12,300 a | 258,546 |
| Corn Products International | 53,400 | 1,268,784 |
| Delta \& Pine Land | 26,800 | 671,608 |
| Flowers Foods | 29,800 | 1,053,728 |
| Hain Celestial Group | 22,000 b | 429,000 |
| J \& J Snack Foods | 7,000 | 366,450 |
| Lance | 23,500 | 404,435 |
| Libbey | 10,000 | 158,100 |
| Nash Finch | 10,500 | 385,770 |
| Nature's Sunshine Products | 10,600 | 184,864 |
| Performance Food Group | 30,000 b | 906,300 |
| Ralcorp Holdings | 20,200 | 831,230 |
| Sanderson Farms | 12,100 | 549,824 |
| United Natural Foods | 24,500 b | 744,065 |
| WD-40 | 12,400 | 346,332 |
|  |  | 8,905,212 |
| Energy-9.2\% |  |  |
| American States Water | 9,650 | 283,421 |
| Atmos Energy | 58,700 | 1,690,560 |
| Atwood Oceanics | 10,300 b | 634,068 |
| Cabot Oil \& Gas | 34,000 | 1,179,800 |
| Cal Dive International | 28,400 b | 1,487,308 |
| Carbo Ceramics | 9,600 | 758,016 |
| Cascade Natural Gas | 7,300 | 149,650 |
| Cimarex Energy | 58,100 b | 2,260,671 |
| Dril-Quip | 9,000 b | 261,090 |
| Energen | 53,800 | 1,885,690 |
| Frontier Oil | 39,600 | 1,162,260 |
| Headwaters | 29,100 a,b | 1,000,458 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Energy (continued) |  |  |
| Hydril | 16,000 b | 869,600 |
| Laclede Group | 16,000 | 508,160 |
| New Jersey Resources | 19,900 | 960,175 |
| Northwest Natural Gas | 21,000 | 803,040 |
| Oceaneering International | 18,700 b | 722,755 |
| Penn Virginia | 13,400 | 598,578 |
| Petroleum Development | 13,100 b | 417,235 |
| Piedmont Natural Gas | 53,500 a | 1,285,070 |
| Remington Oil \& Gas | 21,500 b | 767,550 |
| St. Mary Land \& Exploration | 41,000 | 1,188,180 |
| Southern Union | 68,498 b | 1,681,631 |
| Southwest Gas | 25,000 | 637,750 |
| Southwestern Energy | 50,600 b | 2,377,188 |
| Spinnaker Exploration | 20,700 b | 734,643 |
| Stone Energy | 17,700 b | 865,530 |
| Swift Energy | 20,300 b | 727,146 |
| TETRA Technologies | 14,600 b | 465,010 |
| UGI | 74,500 | 2,078,550 |
| Unit | 29,800 b | 1,311,498 |
| Veritas DGC | 24,500 b | 679,630 |
| Vintage Petroleum | 43,100 | 1,313,257 |
| W-H Energy Services | 20,200 b | 503,586 |
| World Fuel Services | 15,700 | 367,537 |
|  |  | 34,616,291 |
| Health Care-10.7\% |  |  |
| Accredo Health | 33,200 b | 1,507,280 |
| Alpharma, CI. A | 37,900 | 548,413 |
| Amedisys | 11,600 a, b | 426,648 |
| American Healthways | 23,800 a, b | 1,006,026 |
| American Medical Systems Holdings | 45,800 b | 945,770 |
| Amerigroup | 37,000 b | 1,487,400 |
| AmSurg | 21,250 b | 588,413 |
| ArQule | 23,700 b | 153,576 |
| ArthroCare | 16,100 a, b | 562,534 |
| BioLase Technology | 9,000 a | 56,880 |
| Biosite | 12,200 b | 670,878 |
| Bradley Pharmaceuticals | 12,000 a, b | 129,000 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Health Care (continued) |  |  |
| CONMED | 21,200 a,b | 652,324 |
| Cambrex | 19,300 | 367,665 |
| Connetics | 26,000 b | 458,640 |
| Cooper Cos. | 31,800 | 1,935,348 |
| Cyberonics | 15,400 b | 668,206 |
| DJ Orthopedics | 14,800 b | 405,964 |
| Datascope | 11,600 | 386,860 |
| Diagnostic Products | 19,500 | 922,935 |
| Enzo Biochem | 23,766 b | 426,124 |
| Gentiva Health Services | 18,300 b | 326,838 |
| Haemonetics | 18,900 b | 768,096 |
| Healthcare Services Group | 16,750 | 336,340 |
| Hologic | 15,200 b | 604,200 |
| Hooper Holmes | 46,700 | 193,805 |
| ICU Medical | 9,900 a,b | 318,483 |
| IDEXX Laboratories | 24,300 b | 1,514,619 |
| Immucor | 31,450 b | 910,477 |
| Integra LifeSciences Holdings | 17,600 b | 513,920 |
| Invacare | 23,300 | 1,033,588 |
| Kensey Nash | 7,900 a,b | 238,896 |
| LCA-Vision | 12,350 | 598,481 |
| LabOne | 12,500 b | 497,625 |
| MGI Pharma | 49,400 b | 1,074,944 |
| Medicis Pharmaceutical, Cl. A | 39,500 a | 1,253,335 |
| Mentor | 26,500 | 1,099,220 |
| Merit Medical Systems | 16,900 b | 260,429 |
| Noven Pharmaceuticals | 14,800 b | 258,704 |
| Odyssey Healthcare | 24,700 b | 356,174 |
| Osteotech | 11,400 b | 41,952 |
| Owens \& Minor | 29,100 | 941,385 |
| Pediatrix Medical Group | 17,400 b | 1,279,596 |
| PolyMedica | 20,000 | 713,200 |
| Possis Medical | 12,100 b | 122,573 |
| Priority Healthcare, CI. B | 24,600 a,b | 623,856 |
| Regeneron Pharmaceuticals | 32,500 b | 272,675 |
| RehabCare Group | 13,500 b | 360,855 |
| ResMed | 24,000 b | 1,583,760 |


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| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| Health Care (continued) |  |  |
| Respironics | $50,200 \mathrm{~b}$ | $1,812,722$ |
| SFBC International | $11,000 \mathrm{~b}$ | 424,930 |
| Savient Pharmaceuticals | $43,700 \mathrm{~b}$ | 192,717 |
| Sierra Health Services | $19,800 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ | $1,414,908$ |
| Sunrise Senior Living | $14,000 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ | 755,720 |
| Sybron Dental Specialties | $29,600 \mathrm{~b}$ | $1,113,552$ |
| Theragenics | $19,300 \mathrm{~b}$ | 62,146 |
| United Surgical Partners International | $21,300 \mathrm{~b}$ | $1,109,304$ |
| Viasys Healthcare | $22,500 \mathrm{~b}$ | 508,275 |
| Vital Signs | 7,800 | 337,896 |
|  |  | $40,137,080$ |
| Interest Sensitive-15.8\% |  |  |
| Acadia Realty Trust | 22,000 | 410,300 |
| Amegy Bancorp | 49,200 | $1,101,096$ |
| Anchor Bancorp Wisconsin | 14,900 | 450,874 |
| BankAtlantic Bancorp, Cl. A | 41,600 | 788,320 |
| BankUnited Financial, Cl. A | 20,400 | 551,616 |
| Boston Private Financial Holdings | 20,500 | 516,600 |
| Brookline Bancorp | 44,000 | 715,440 |
| CRT Properties | 22,600 | 616,980 |
| Capital Automotive | 31,000 | $1,183,270$ |
| Cash America International | 22,400 | 450,688 |
| Centene | $29,500 \mathrm{~b}$ | 990,610 |
| Central Pacific Financial | 20,100 | 715,560 |
| Chittenden | 30,625 | 833,000 |
| Colonial Properties Trust | 29,300 | $1,289,200$ |
| Commercial Federal | 25,300 | 852,104 |
| Commercial Net Lease Realty | 39,500 | 808,565 |
| Community Bank System | 21,500 | 524,385 |
| Delphi Financial Group, Cl. A | 21,700 | 958,055 |
| Dime Community Bancshares | 22,300 | 338,960 |
| Downey Financial | $17,900 \mathrm{a}$ | $1,310,280$ |
| EastGroup Properties | 13,500 | 568,485 |
| East West Bancorp | 38,400 | $1,289,856$ |
| Entertainment Properties Trust | $1,428,632$ |  |
| Essex Property Trust | 483,000 |  |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Interest Sensitive (continued) |  |  |
| First Bancorp | 29,950 | 1,202,492 |
| First Midwest Bancorp | 30,400 | 1,069,168 |
| First Republic Bank | 19,500 | 688,935 |
| FirstFed Financial | 12,800 b | 763,008 |
| Flagstar Bancorp | 30,300 | 573,579 |
| Fremont General | 52,800 | 1,284,624 |
| Gables Residential Trust | 20,800 | 899,184 |
| Glenborough Realty Trust | 25,700 | 529,163 |
| Gold Banc | 25,600 | 372,480 |
| Hilb, Rogal \& Hamilton | 26,000 | 894,400 |
| Hudson United Bancorp | 30,800 | 1,111,880 |
| Infinity Property \& Casualty | 15,200 | 530,176 |
| Investment Technology Group | 30,000 b | 630,600 |
| iPayment Holdings | 8,100 b | 295,812 |
| Irwin Financial | 13,700 | 304,003 |
| Kilroy Realty | 19,200 | 911,808 |
| LandAmerica Financial Group | 13,400 | 795,558 |
| Lexington Corporate Properties Trust | 36,800 | 894,608 |
| MAF Bancorp | 21,100 | 899,493 |
| NCO Group | 25,200 b | 545,076 |
| Nara Bancorp | 17,900 | 262,772 |
| New Century Financial | 37,650 | 1,937,092 |
| Parkway Properties | 11,700 | 585,117 |
| Philadelphia Consolidated Holdings | 14,800 b | 1,254,448 |
| Piper Jaffray | 13,500 b | 410,805 |
| Presidential Life | 21,200 | 362,732 |
| PrivateBancorp | 15,800 | 559,004 |
| ProAssurance | 22,000 a,b | 918,720 |
| Provident Bankshares | 21,800 | 695,638 |
| RLI | 16,800 | 749,280 |
| Republic Bancorp | 48,576 | 727,668 |
| Rewards Network | 10,200 | 55,080 |
| SWS Group | 12,100 | 207,878 |
| Selective Insurance Group | 20,300 a | 1,005,865 |
| Shurgard Storage Centers, CI. A | 30,800 | 1,415,568 |
| South Financial Group | 52,700 | 1,497,734 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Interest Sensitive (continued) |  |  |
| Sovran Self Storage | 11,200 | 509,152 |
| Sterling Bancshares | 32,800 | 510,368 |
| Sterling Financial | 17,520 b | 655,248 |
| Stewart Information Services | 12,900 | 541,800 |
| Susquehanna Bancshares | 32,400 | 796,716 |
| Trustco Bank | 52,900 | 690,874 |
| UCBH Holdings | 65,700 | 1,066,968 |
| UICI | 31,600 | 940,732 |
| Umpqua Holdings | 31,300 | 736,802 |
| United Bankshares | 28,800 a | 1,025,568 |
| Whitney Holding | 46,500 | 1,517,295 |
| Wintrust Financial | 17,000 a | 889,950 |
| World Acceptance | 13,100 b | 393,655 |
| Zenith National Insurance | 15,400 | 1,045,044 |
|  |  | 59,193,096 |
| Producer Goods \& Services-21.6\% |  |  |
| A. Schulman | 20,900 | 373,901 |
| A.M. Castle | 9,000 b | 139,140 |
| A.O. Smith | 18,900 | 504,819 |
| AAR | 20,800 b | 326,768 |
| AMCOL International | 20,000 | 375,800 |
| Acuity Brands | 30,600 | 786,114 |
| Aleris International | 17,965 b | 405,111 |
| Apogee Enterprises | 20,800 | 319,696 |
| Applied Industrial Technologies | 21,800 | 703,922 |
| AptarGroup | 26,000 | 1,320,800 |
| Arch Chemicals | 17,600 | 439,296 |
| Arkansas Best | 19,000 | 604,390 |
| Armor Holdings | 23,800 b | 942,718 |
| Astec Industries | 12,900 b | 299,151 |
| Baldor Electric | 22,100 a | 537,472 |
| Barnes Group | 16,900 | 559,390 |
| Belden CDT | 32,500 a | 689,000 |
| Brady, Cl. A | 33,500 | 1,038,500 |
| Briggs \& Stratton | 36,800 a | 1,274,016 |
| Brush Engineered Materials | 13,500 b | 192,510 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Producer Goods \& Services (continued) |  |  |
| Buckeye Technologies | 19,500 b | 155,415 |
| Building Materials Holding | 9,100 | 630,539 |
| C\&D Technologies | 15,000 | 137,850 |
| CLARCOR | 38,100 | 1,114,425 |
| CUNO | 11,300 b | 807,272 |
| Caraustar Industries | 18,300 b | 192,150 |
| Carpenter Technology | 18,900 | 979,020 |
| Century Aluminum | 18,600 b | 379,440 |
| Champion Enterprises | 50,700 b | 503,958 |
| Chesapeake | 18,000 | 376,920 |
| Cleveland-Cliffs | 15,100 a | 872,176 |
| Commercial Metals | 46,000 | 1,095,720 |
| Cubic | 13,400 a | 237,716 |
| Curtiss-Wright | 16,000 | 863,200 |
| DRS Technologies | 18,700 | 958,936 |
| Deltic Timber | 9,300 | 353,679 |
| EDO | 12,100 | 361,911 |
| EGL | 30,200 b | 613,664 |
| ElkCorp | 14,300 | 408,265 |
| Emcor Group | 10,400 b | 508,560 |
| Engineered Support Systems | 30,937 | 1,108,473 |
| Florida Rock Industries | 28,200 | 2,068,470 |
| Forward Air | 25,200 | 712,404 |
| Gardner Denver | 17,800 b | 624,424 |
| GenCorp | 33,800 | 650,988 |
| Georgia Gulf | 26,000 | 807,300 |
| Griffon | 21,200 a, b | 470,640 |
| H.B. Fuller | 21,600 | 735,696 |
| Heartland Express | 45,800 | 889,894 |
| Hughes Supply | 47,600 | 1,337,560 |
| IDEX | 36,400 | 1,405,404 |
| Insituform Technologies, CI. A | 15,100 b | 242,053 |
| Intermagnetics General | 17,300 b | 532,148 |
| JLG Industries | 35,200 | 967,296 |
| Kaman, Cl. A | 20,200 | 364,408 |
| Kansas City Southern | 56,500 b | 1,140,170 |
| Kaydon | 19,000 | 529,150 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Producer Goods \& Services (continued) |  |  |
| Kirby | 18,200 b | 820,820 |
| Knight Transportation | 33,050 | 804,106 |
| Landstar System | 44,000 b | 1,325,280 |
| Lawson Products | 7,300 | 283,386 |
| Lennox International | 40,100 | 848,917 |
| Lindsay Manufacturing | 5,900 | 139,122 |
| Lone Star Technologies | 20,000 b | 910,000 |
| Lydall | 10,200 b | 87,924 |
| M.D.C. Holdings | 27,549 | 2,265,905 |
| MacDermid | 20,600 | 641,896 |
| Manitowoc | 20,000 | 820,400 |
| Massey Energy | 53,200 | 2,006,704 |
| Maverick Tube | 29,400 b | 876,120 |
| Meritage Homes | 16,500 b | 1,311,750 |
| Milacron | 6,256 b | 11,824 |
| Moog, Cl. A | 28,750 b | 905,337 |
| Mueller Industries | 30,000 | 813,000 |
| Myers Industries | 22,902 | 286,275 |
| NVR | 4,000 b | 3,240,000 |
| Neenah Paper | 10,900 | 337,573 |
| OM Group | 18,700 b | 461,703 |
| Offshore Logistics | 15,700 b | 515,588 |
| Old Dominion Freight Line | 14,200 b | 380,986 |
| Omnova Solutions | 15,000 a,b | 69,900 |
| Penford | 5,200 | 83,200 |
| PolyOne | 64,100 b | 424,342 |
| Pope \& Talbot | 10,600 | 117,660 |
| Quaker Chemical | 5,900 | 102,955 |
| Quanex | 20,000 | 1,060,200 |
| RTI International Metals | 15,900 b | 499,419 |
| Regal Beloit | 21,600 | 629,856 |
| Reliance Steel \& Aluminum | 24,100 | 893,387 |
| Robins \& Myers | 8,700 | 187,137 |
| Rock-Tenn, CI. A | 25,600 | 323,840 |
| Ryerson Tull | 13,600 a | 194,072 |
| SEACOR Holdings | 16,700 a,b | 1,073,810 |
| Schweitzer-Mauduit International | 9,100 | 283,283 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Producer Good \& Services (continued) |  |  |
| Simpson Manufacturing | 29,500 | 901,225 |
| Skyline | 6,900 | 275,517 |
| Spectrum Brands | 29,100 b | 960,300 |
| Standard Pacific | 25,200 | 2,216,340 |
| Standex International | 8,600 | 244,326 |
| Steel Technologies | 8,000 | 135,200 |
| Stewart \& Stevenson Services | 20,800 | 471,328 |
| SurModics | 12,300 b | 533,451 |
| Technitrol | 27,300 | 385,749 |
| Teledyne Technologies | 26,000 b | 847,080 |
| Texas Industries | 16,300 | 916,549 |
| Thomas Industries | 10,600 | 423,576 |
| Timken | 66,400 a | 1,533,840 |
| Tredegar | 26,000 | 405,600 |
| Triumph Group | 12,300 b | 427,548 |
| URS | 30,500 b | 1,139,175 |
| United Stationers | 24,500 b | 1,202,950 |
| Universal Forest Products | 12,600 | 522,270 |
| Valmont Industries | 14,200 | 366,360 |
| Watsco | 19,800 | 843,480 |
| Watts Water Technologies | 19,400 | 649,706 |
| Wausau-Mosinee Paper | 36,400 | 436,072 |
| Wellman | 19,800 | 201,762 |
| Wilson Greatbatch Technologies | 13,300 b | 317,870 |
| Wolverine Tube | 5,600 | 32,872 |
| Woodward Governor | 8,800 | 739,464 |
|  |  | 81,137,095 |
| Services-7.6\% |  |  |
| ABM Industries | 32,900 | 641,550 |
| ADVO | 22,250 | 708,663 |
| Aaron Rents | 32,300 | 803,947 |
| Administaff | 17,700 | 420,552 |
| Altiris | 18,400 a,b | 270,112 |
| Arbitron | 23,600 | 1,012,440 |
| Bowne \& Co. | 20,700 | 299,322 |
| CACI International, CI. A | 20,800 a,b | 1,313,728 |
| CDI | 11,300 | 247,696 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Services (continued) |  |  |
| Central Parking | 20,100 | 276,375 |
| Cerner | 23,600 a,b | 1,604,092 |
| Chemed | 18,000 | 735,840 |
| Ciber | 38,200 a,b | 304,836 |
| Consolidated Graphics | 10,000 a,b | 407,700 |
| Cross Country Healthcare | 20,500 a,b | 348,500 |
| Daktronics | 14,400 | 288,144 |
| Digital Insight | 25,600 a,b | 612,352 |
| eFunds | 33,400 b | 600,866 |
| 4Kids Entertainment | 10,000 b | 198,800 |
| FactSet Research Systems | 29,200 | 1,046,528 |
| G \& K Services, CI. A | 15,400 | 581,042 |
| Global Payments | 25,700 | 1,742,460 |
| Heidrick \& Struggles International | 14,300 b | 372,944 |
| Intrado | 13,100 b | 195,976 |
| John H. Harland | 20,400 | 775,200 |
| Labor Ready | 37,500 b | 874,125 |
| MAXIMUS | 15,600 | 550,524 |
| MICROS Systems | 28,300 b | 1,266,425 |
| MIVA | 17,800 b | 82,592 |
| ManTech International, CI. A | 17,900 b | 555,616 |
| Mobile Mini | 8,900 b | 306,872 |
| NDCHealth | 20,800 | 373,776 |
| PAREXEL International | 19,100 b | 379,135 |
| PRG-Schultz International | 25,500 b | 71,910 |
| Paxar | 27,200 b | 482,800 |
| Pegasus Solutions | 9,500 b | 105,925 |
| Pharmaceutical Product Development | 38,200 b | 1,790,052 |
| Pre-Paid Legal Services | 12,400 a | 553,660 |
| Shaw Group | 52,300 b | 1,124,973 |
| Sourcecorp | 11,700 b | 231,894 |
| Spherion | 37,000 b | 244,200 |
| Standard Register | 19,400 | 306,714 |
| StarTek | 9,100 | 149,422 |
| Tetra Tech | 36,200 b | 489,786 |
| Thomas Nelson | 11,300 | 245,888 |
| Vertrue | 6,100 a,b | 237,656 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Services (continued) |  |  |
| Viad | 14,300 | 405,262 |
| Volt Information Sciences | 7,800 b | 185,094 |
| Waste Connections | 33,850 b | 1,262,266 |
| Watson Wyatt \& Company Holdings | 23,700 | 607,431 |
|  |  | 28,693,663 |
| Technology-13.8\% |  |  |
| ANSYS | 24,200 b | 859,342 |
| ATMI | 26,000 a,b | 754,260 |
| Actel | 16,300 b | 226,570 |
| Adaptec | 76,300 b | 296,044 |
| Advanced Energy Industries | 17,000 b | 133,620 |
| Advanced Neuromodulation Systems | 12,900 a, b | 511,872 |
| Aeroflex | 51,500 b | 432,600 |
| Agilysys | 26,300 | 412,910 |
| Analogic | 10,200 | 513,264 |
| Anixter International | 26,400 b | 981,288 |
| Applied Signal Technology | 7,200 | 137,088 |
| Artesyn Technologies | 27,300 b | 237,510 |
| Audiovox, Cl. A | 15,800 b | 244,900 |
| Avid Technology | 25,200 a, b | 1,342,656 |
| Axcelis Technologies | 77,000 b | 528,220 |
| BEI Technologies | 8,500 | 226,780 |
| Bel Fuse, CI. B | 11,400 | 348,384 |
| Bell Microproducts | 24,100 b | 226,540 |
| Benchmark Electronics | 30,900 b | 939,978 |
| Black Box | 14,200 | 502,680 |
| Brooks Automation | 30,789 b | 457,217 |
| Brooktrout | 7,200 b | 80,352 |
| C-COR | 31,300 a, b | 214,405 |
| CTS | 26,100 | 320,769 |
| Captaris | 22,400 b | 92,736 |
| Carreker | 19,300 b | 105,764 |
| Catapult Communications | 10,800 b | 184,248 |
| Ceradyne | 16,550 b | 398,359 |
| Checkpoint Systems | 28,900 b | 511,530 |
| Cognex | 31,000 | 811,890 |
| Coherent | 21,400 b | 770,614 |


|  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| Technology (continued) |  |  |
| Cohu | 15,400 | 308,770 |
| Coinstar | $17,300 \mathrm{~b}$ | 392,537 |
| Cymer | $27,000 \mathrm{~b}$ | 711,450 |
| DSP Group | $20,400 \mathrm{~b}$ | 486,948 |
| Dendrite International | $30,700 \mathrm{~b}$ | 423,660 |
| Digi International | $17,500 \mathrm{~b}$ | 207,550 |
| Dionex | $16,000 \mathrm{~b}$ | 697,760 |
| Ditech Communications | $23,300 \mathrm{~b}$ | 151,217 |
| EPIQ Systems | $13,400 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ | 219,224 |
| ESS Technology | $24,500 \mathrm{~b}$ | 103,145 |
| Electro Scientific Industries | $20,700 \mathrm{~b}$ | 370,116 |
| Esterline Technologies | $19,000 \mathrm{~b}$ | 761,520 |
| Exar | $28,700 \mathrm{~b}$ | 427,343 |
| FEI | $19,100 \mathrm{~b}$ | 435,671 |
| FLIR Systems | $48,500 \mathrm{~b}$ | $1,447,240$ |
| FileNet | $29,800 \mathrm{~b}$ | 749,172 |
| Gerber Scientific | $23,100 \mathrm{~b}$ | 160,776 |
| Global Imaging Systems | $17,800 \mathrm{~b}$ | 567,108 |
| Harmonic | $41,200 \mathrm{~b}$ | 198,996 |
| Helix Technology | 17,400 | 231,072 |
| Hutchinson Technology | $17,200 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ | 662,372 |
| Hyperion Solutions | $28,700 \mathrm{~b}$ | $1,154,888$ |
| Imagistics International | $11,900 \mathrm{~b}$ | 333,200 |
| Input/Output | $44,400 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ | 278,832 |
| Inter-Tel | 20,400 | 379,644 |
| Internet Security Systems | $30,900 \mathrm{~b}$ | 626,961 |
| Itron | $15,600 \mathrm{~b}$ | 697,008 |
| JDA Software Group | $18,200 \mathrm{~b}$ | 207,116 |
| j2 Global Communications | $17,300 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ | 595,812 |
| Keithley Instruments | 12,800 | 197,248 |
| Kopin | $35,200 \mathrm{~b}$ | 179,520 |
| Kronos | $23,400 \mathrm{~b}$ | 945,126 |
| Kulicke \& Soffa Industries | $37,000 \mathrm{~b}$ | 292,670 |
| Littelfuse | $16,200 \mathrm{~b}$ | 451,170 |
| MRO Software | 286,356 |  |
| MTS Systems |  | 418,778 |
| Manhattan Associates |  |  |
|  |  |  |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Technology (continued) |  |  |
| Maplnfo | 15,200 b | 159,752 |
| Meade Instruments | 18,200 b | 50,778 |
| Mercury Computer Systems | 15,400 b | 421,498 |
| Methode Electronics, CI. A | 28,300 | 335,921 |
| Microsemi | 41,300 b | 776,440 |
| NETGEAR | 16,700 b | 310,620 |
| NYFIX | 19,200 b | 113,472 |
| Napster | 30,300 a,b | 127,260 |
| Network Equipment Technologies | 11,200 b | 57,792 |
| PC-Tel | 10,000 b | 78,300 |
| Park Electrochemical | 15,800 | 398,160 |
| Pericom Semiconductor | 14,100 b | 114,774 |
| Phoenix Technologies | 16,500 b | 128,370 |
| Photon Dynamics | 7,700 b | 158,697 |
| Photronics | 31,700 b | 739,878 |
| Pinnacle Systems | 39,200 b | 215,600 |
| Planar Systems | 11,900 a,b | 87,465 |
| Power Integrations | 20,800 b | 448,656 |
| Progress Software | 27,100 b | 817,065 |
| Radiant Systems | 16,000 b | 182,400 |
| RadiSys | 13,900 b | 224,485 |
| Rogers | 11,000 b | 446,050 |
| Roper Industries | 30,100 | 2,148,237 |
| Rudolph Technologies | 8,500 b | 121,805 |
| SBS Technologies | 11,000 b | 102,080 |
| SPSS | 12,200 b | 234,362 |
| SS\&C Technologies | 12,200 | 386,496 |
| ScanSource | 9,000 b | 386,460 |
| Serena Software | 25,400 a,b | 490,220 |
| Skyworks Solutions | 105,900 b | 780,483 |
| Sonic Solutions | 15,700 a,b | 292,020 |
| Standard Microsystems | 18,500 b | 432,530 |
| Supertex | 12,800 b | 226,048 |
| Symmetricom | 33,200 b | 344,284 |
| Synaptics | 17,700 b | 378,072 |
| TALX | 15,000 | 433,650 |
| THQ | 28,200 a,b | 825,414 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Technology (continued) |  |  |
| Take-Two Interactive Software | 49,700 a,b | 1,264,865 |
| Tollgrade Communications | 7,000 b | 52,500 |
| Trimble Navigation | 37,200 b | 1,449,684 |
| Ultratech | 11,400 b | 208,620 |
| Varian Semiconductor Equipment Associates | 28,600 b | 1,058,200 |
| Veeco Instruments | 17,200 a,b | 280,016 |
| Verity | 27,000 b | 236,790 |
| ViaSat | 15,900 b | 323,247 |
| Vicor | 20,200 | 274,720 |
| WebEx Communications | 27,800 b | 734,198 |
| Websense | 17,400 b | 836,070 |
| X-Rite | 16,800 | 193,368 |
| Zix | 10,400 a,b | 32,552 |
|  |  | 52,026,786 |
| Utilities-1.4\% |  |  |
| Avista | 35,100 | 652,509 |
| CH Energy Group | 12,200 | 593,286 |
| Central Vermont Public Service | 10,100 | 186,850 |
| Cleco | 34,100 | 735,537 |
| Commonwealth Telephone Enterprises | 15,200 | 637,032 |
| El Paso Electric | 34,200 b | 699,390 |
| General Communication, CI. A | 34,500 b | 340,515 |
| Green Mountain Power | 3,200 | 95,488 |
| UIL Holdings | 10,500 | 565,005 |
| UniSource Energy | 24,600 | 756,450 |
|  |  | 5,262,062 |
| Total Common Stocks <br> (cost \$290,006,881) $374,758,938$ |  |  |
| Short-Term Investments-.3\% | Principal Amount (\$) | Value (\$) |
| Repurchase Agreement-.2\% |  |  |
| Greenwich Capital Markets, Tri-Party Repurchase Agreement, 2.9\%, dated 6/30/2005, due 7/1/2005 in the amount of $\$ 800,064$ (fully collateralized by $\$ 750,000$ of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., 5.875\%, 3/21/2011 value $\$ 819,072$ ) | 800,000 | 800,000 |


| Short-Term Investments (continued) | Principal Amount (\$) | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. Treasury Bills-.1\% |  |  |
| 2.89\%, 8/25/2005 | 100,000 c | 99,555 |
| 2.95\%, 9/22/2005 | 100,000 c | 99,308 |
|  |  | 198,863 |
|  |  |  |
| Investment of Cash Collateral for Securities Loaned-7.8\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| Registered Investment Company; |  |  |
| Dreyfus Institutional Cash Advantage Plus Fund (cost \$29,363,705) | 29,363,705 d | 29,363,705 |
| Total Investments (cost \$320,369,466) | 107.8\% | 405,121,506 |
| Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables | (7.8\%) | $(29,287,804)$ |
| Net Assets | 100.0\% | 375,833,702 |

a All or a portion of these securities are on loan. At June 30, 2005, the total market value of the portfolio's securities on loan is $\$ 29,498,387$ and the total market value of the collateral held by the fund is $\$ 30,631,305$, consisting of cash collateral of $\$ 29,363,705$ and U.S. Government securities valued at $\$ 1,267,600$.
$b$ Non-income producing.
c Partially held by the broker in a segregated account as collateral for open financial futures positions.
d Investment in affiliated money market mutual fund.

Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) ${ }^{\dagger}$

|  | Value (\%) |  | Value (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Producer Goods \& Services | 21.6 | Short-Term/ |  |
| Consumer Cyclical | 17.2 | Money Market Investments | 8.1 |
| Interest Sensitive | 15.8 | Services | 7.6 |
| Technology | 13.8 | Other | 3.8 |
| Health Care | 10.7 | Futures Contracts | .0 |
| Energy | 9.2 |  | $\mathbf{1 0 7 . 8}$ |

$\dagger$ Based on net assets.
See notes to financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL FUTURES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Market Value <br> Covered by <br> Contracts (\$) | Unrealized <br> Appreciation |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| Financial Futures Long | 9 | 578,790 | September 2005 | $\mathbf{2 , 3 8 5}$ |
| Russell 2000 E-mini |  |  |  |  |
| See notes to financial statements. |  |  |  |  |

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |
| Investments in securities- |  |
| See Statement of Investments (including securities on loan, valued at \$29,498,387)-Note 1(b): |  |
| Unaffiliated issuers 291,005,761 | 375,757,801 |
| Affiliated issuers 29,363,705 | 29,363,705 |
| Cash | 876,307 |
| Dividends and interest receivable | 278,231 |
| Receivable for shares of Beneficial Interest subscribed | 39,125 |
|  | 406,315,169 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) | 182,348 |
| Liability for securities on loan-Note 1 (b) | 29,363,705 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 776,576 |
| Payable for shares of Beneficial Interest redeemed | 155,889 |
| Payable for futures variation margin-Note 4 | 2,949 |
|  | 30,481,467 |
| Net Assets (\$) | 375,833,702 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |
| Paid-in capital | 298,909,466 |
| Accumulated undistributed investment income-net | 1,126,563 |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments | (8,956,752) |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments (including $\$ 2,385$ net unrealized appreciation on financial futures) | 84,754,425 |
| Net Assets (\$) | 375,833,702 |
| Shares Outstanding |  |
| (unlimited number of \$.001 par value shares of Beneficial Interest authorized) | 23,783,800 |
| Net Asset Value, offering and redemption price per share (\$) | 15.80 |

See notes to financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)
Investment Income (\$):
Income:
Cash dividends (net of $\$ 795$ foreign taxes withheld at source) ..... 1,914,748
Income from securities lending ..... 95,556
Interest ..... 24,403
Total Income ..... 2,034,707
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 601,151
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 429,394
Interest expense-Note 2 ..... 7,085
Loan commitment fees-Note 2 ..... 976
Total Expenses ..... 1,038,606
Investment Income-Net ..... 996,101
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):
Net realized gain (loss) on investments ..... (704,796)
Net realized gain (loss) on financial futures ..... 28,408
Net Realized Gain (Loss) ..... $(676,388)$Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments[including ( $\$ 13,165$ ) net unrealized (depreciation) on financial futures]4,564,023
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... 3,887,635
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... 4,883,736

[^2]
## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net | 996,101 | 1,361,938 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | $(676,388)$ | 5,234,570 |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | 4,564,023 | 45,925,100 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | 4,883,736 | 52,521,608 |
| Dividends to Shareholders from (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net | - | $(1,249,271)$ |
| Net realized gain on investments | $(997,515)$ | $(7,019,384)$ |
| Total Dividends | $(997,515)$ | $(8,268,655)$ |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold | 71,928,998 | 201,151,124 |
| Dividends reinvested | 997,515 | 8,268,655 |
| Cost of shares redeemed | $(56,154,354)$ | $(77,951,241)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Beneficial Interest Transactions | 16,772,159 | 131,468,538 |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | 20,658,380 | 175,721,491 |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 355,175,322 | 179,453,831 |
| End of Period | 375,833,702 | 355,175,322 |
| Undistributed investment income-net | 1,126,563 | 130,462 |
| Capital Share Transactions (Shares): |  |  |
| Shares sold | 4,688,858 | 14,321,753 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | 65,540 | 536,938 |
| Shares redeemed | $(3,751,979)$ | $(5,767,620)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | 1,002,419 | 9,091,071 |

See notes to financial statements.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following table describes the performance for the fiscal periods indicated. Total return shows how much your investment in the fund would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the fund's financial statements.

| Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) |  | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2004 | 2003 | 2002a |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 15.59 | 13.11 | 9.58 | 12.50 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income-net b | . 04 | . 08 | . 04 | . 03 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | . 21 | 2.79 | 3.58 | (2.94) |
| Total from Investment Operations | . 25 | 2.87 | 3.62 | (2.91) |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | - | (.06) | (.02) | (.01) |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | (.04) | (.33) | (.07) | - |
| Total Distributions | (.04) | (.39) | (.09) | (.01) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 15.80 | 15.59 | 13.11 | 9.58 |
| Total Return (\%) | $1.64{ }^{\text {c }}$ | 21.89 | 37.78 | (23.25)c |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | ts .30c | . 60 | . 60 | . 40 C |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | .29c | . 57 | . 33 | . 27 c |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 13.36 ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 25.06 | 32.49 | 117.52c |
| Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000) | 375,834 | 355,175 | 179,454 | 42,094 |

a From May 1, 2002 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2002.
${ }^{b}$ Based on average shares outstanding at each month end.
c Not annualized.
See notes to financial statements.

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an openend management investment company, operating as a series company currently offering nine series, including the Small Cap Stock Index Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. The portfolio is a diversified series. The portfolio's investment objective is to match the performance of the Standard \& Poor's SmallCap 600 Index. The Dreyfus Corporation (the "Manager" or "Dreyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser. The Manager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mellon Financial Corporation ("Mellon Financial"). Dreyfus Service Corporation (the "Distributor"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Manager, is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange or national securities market on which such securities are primarily traded. Securities listed on the National Market System for which market quotations are available are valued at the official closing price or, if there is no official closing price that day, at the last sales price. Securities not listed on an exchange or the national securities market, or securities for which there were no transactions, are valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices. Bid price is used when no asked price is available. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value.

When market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the portfolio calculates its net asset value, the portfolio may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board of Trustees. Fair valuing of securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using calculations based on indices of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as prices of relevant ADR's and futures contracts. For other securities that are fair valued by the Board of Trustees, certain factors may be considered such as: fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Financial futures are valued at the last sales price.
(b) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. Realized gain and loss from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with Mellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the Manager, the portfolio may lend securities to qualified institutions. At origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least $102 \%$ of the value of U.S. securities loaned and $105 \%$ of the value of foreign securities loaned. Collateral equivalent to at least $100 \%$ of the market value of securities on loan will be maintained at all times. Cash collateral is invested in certain money market mutual funds managed by the Manager. The portfolio will be entitled to receive all income on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Although each security loaned is fully col-
lateralized, the portfolio would bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner.

The portfolio may enter into repurchase agreements with financial institutions, deemed to be creditworthy by the Manager, subject to the seller's agreement to repurchase and the portfolio's agreement to resell such securities at a mutually agreed upon price. Securities purchased subject to repurchase agreements are deposited with the portfolio's custodian and, pursuant to the terms of the repurchase agreement, must have an aggregate market value greater than or equal to the repurchase price plus accrued interest at all times. If the value of the underlying securities falls below the value of the repurchase price plus accrued interest, the fund will require the seller to deposit additional collateral by the next business day. If the request for additional collateral is not met, or the seller defaults on its repurchase obligation, the portfolio maintains the right to sell the underlying securities at market value and may claim any resulting loss against the seller.
(c) Affiliated issuers: Investments in other investment companies advised by the Manager are defined as "affiliated" in the Act.
(d) Dividends to shareholders: Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Dividends from investment income-net and dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
(e) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable
provisions of the Code, and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 was as follows: ordinary income $\$ 4,419,498$ and long-term capital gains $\$ 3,849,157$. The tax character of current year distributions will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

## NOTE 2-Bank Line of Credit:

The portfolio participates with other Dreyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 350$ million redemption credit facility (the 'Facility") to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions. In connection therewith, the portfolio has agreed to pay commitment fees on its pro rata portion of the Facility. Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings.

The average daily amount of borrowings outstanding under the Facility during the period ended June 30, 2005 was approximately $\$ 492,800$, with a related weighted average annualized interest rate of $2.90 \%$.

## NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions With Affiliates:

(a) Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement ('Agreement") with the Manager, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of .35 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly. Under the terms of the Agreement, the Manager has agreed to pay all of the expenses of the portfolio except management fees, Rule 12b-1 distribution Plan fees, taxes, interest expenses, brokerage commissions, fees and expenses of independent counsel to the portfolio and the non-interested Board members, and extraordinary expenses. In addition, the Manager has also agreed to reduce its fee in an amount equal to the portfolio's allocated portion of
the accrued fees and expenses of non-interested board members and fees and expenses of independent counsel to the portfolio.
(b) Under the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Act, the portfolio pays the Distributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/or maintaining shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing. The Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of .25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. The fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 429,394$ pursuant to the Plan.

The components of Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fees $\$ 106,370$ and Rule $12 \mathrm{~b}-1$ distribution plan fees $\$ 75,978$.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the Dreyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities and financial futures, during the period ended June 30 , 2005, amounted to $\$ 63,402,854$ and $\$ 46,462,050$, respectively.

The portfolio may invest in financial futures contracts in order to gain exposure to or protect against changes in the market. The portfolio is exposed to market risk as a result of changes in the value of the underlying financial instruments. Investments in financial futures require the portfolio to "mark to market" on a daily basis, which reflects the change in the market value of the contracts at the close of each day's trading. Accordingly, variation margin payments are received or made to reflect daily unrealized gains or losses. When the contracts are
closed, the portfolio recognizes a realized gain or loss. These investments require initial margin deposits with a broker, which consist of cash or cash equivalents, up to approximately $10 \%$ of the contract amount. The amount of these deposits is determined by the exchange or Board of Trade on which the contract is traded and is subject to change. Contracts open at June 30, 2005, are set forth in the Statement of Financial Futures.

At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 84,752,040$, consisting of $\$ 92,938,804$ gross unrealized appreciation and $\$ 8,186,764$ gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against Mellon Financial, Mellon Bank, N.A., Dreyfus, Founders Asset Management LLC, and certain directors of the Dreyfus Funds and the Dreyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September 2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999 and November 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. The Amended Complaint in the newly styled In re Dreyfus Mutual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive Rule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. More specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other
things, that 12b-1 fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that $12 \mathrm{~b}-1$ fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. The Amended Complaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. With respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought against the Funds. Dreyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In November 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint in whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in May 2005.

Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requests for relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. Neither Dreyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or Dreyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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# Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Technology Growth Portfolio 

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# Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Technology Growth Portfolio 

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN
D ear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Technology Growth Portfolio, covering the sixmonth period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find valuable information about how the portfolio was managed during the reporting period, including a discussion with the portfolio manager, M ark H erskovitz.

O n average, U.S. stock prices ended the first half of 2005 slightly lower than where they began, largely due to headwinds caused by higher energy prices, rising short-term interest rates and recent evidence of slower economic growth. W hile midcap stocks generally produced higher returns than large-cap stocks, and large-cap stocks generally outperformed small-cap stocks, these differences were relatively small. Conversely, value-oriented stocks continued to produce substantially better results than their more growth-oriented counterparts.

In some ways, market conditions at midyear remind us of those from one year ago, when stock prices languished due to economic and political concerns before rallying strongly later in the year. C urrently, our economists expect the U.S. economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future without significant new inflationary pressures, potentially setting the stage for better business conditions that could send stock prices higher. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,



Stephen E. C anter
Chairman and Chief Executive 0 fficer
The Dreyfus C orporation
July 15, 2005

## DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

Mark Herskovitz, Primary Portfolio Manager
How did Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Technology Growth Portfolio perform relative to its benchmarks?
For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio's Initial shares produced a total return of $-6.19 \%$, and its Service shares produced a total return of $-6.26 \% .1$ The portfolio's benchmarks, the M organ Stanley High Technology 35 Index (the "M S High Tech 35 Index") and the Standard \& Poor's 500 C omposite Stock Price Index ("S\&P 500 Index"), produced total returns of $-6.73 \%$ and $-0.81 \%$, respectively, over the same period.2,3

Stock prices fell slightly during the reporting period as rising interest rates and surging energy prices threatened to erode economic activity and corporate profits. Technology stocks, which tend to be relatively sensitive to economic trends, fared worse than the overall market. T he portfolio produced higher returns than the M S High Tech 35 Index, primarily due to its participation in many of the technology sectors better-performing stocks and its lack of exposure to some of the sector's laggards.

## What is the portfolio's investment approach?

The portfolio seeks capital appreciation by investing at least 80\% of its assets in grow th companies of any size that we believe are leading producers or beneficiaries of technological innovation. T hese investments may include companies in the computer, internet, semiconductor, electronics, communications, health care, biotechnology, medical services, computer software and hardware, electronic components and systems, network and cable broadcasting, telecommunications, defense and aerospace, and environmental sectors.

W hen evaluating investment opportunities, we first assess economic and market conditions in an attempt to identify trends that we believe are likely to drive demand within the various technology-related sectors. T he more attractive sectors are overweighted. Second, we strive to identify the companies that are most likely to benefit from these overall trends. Typically, these companies are leaders in their market segments and are characterized by rapid earnings or revenue growth and dominant market shares. We conduct extensive fundamental research
to understand these companies' competitive advantages and to evaluate their ability to maintain their leadership positions over time.

This process enables us to identify the stocks of what we believe are leading technology companies for the portfolio. M any of those stocks are considered core holdings that we believe will lead their industry segments over the long term. We complement these positions with non-core holdings that we believe can provide above-average gains over a shorter time frame.

Although the portfolio looks for companies with the potential for strong earnings growth rates, some of the portfolio's investments may currently be experiencing losses. M oreover, the portfolio may invest in small-, mid- and large-cap securities in all available trading markets, including initial public offerings ("IPO s") and the aftermarket.

## What other factors influenced the portfolio's performance?

Despite relatively strong economic and business conditions over the first six months of 2005, technology stocks generally failed to advance as investors grew concerned that higher interest rates and surging energy pricesmight dampen consumer and business spending, potentially eroding sales and profits. N onetheless, a number of individual technology companies produced attractive returns, and the portfolio was able to participate in their gains through its research-intensive stock selection process.
For example, although it is considered a telecommunications equipment producer, shares of C orning rose sharply as investors recognized its leading position as a supplier of glass used in flat-panel televisions, a fast-growing market. Similarly, Cognizant Technology Solutions achieved strong results in a tepid market as it benefited from the trend toward offshore outsourcing of many business activities by major U.S. corporations. The portfolio also received strong results from biotechnology holding Genentech, which has made progress toward FDA approval of a new cancer drug.
In addition, the portfolio successfully avoided the full brunt of weakness experienced by a handful of poor performers that are part of the MS High Tech 35 Index. For example, International Business M achines fell sharply after reporting disappointing earnings for the first quarter, and the portfolio's relative performance benefited from its lack of investment in the company.

On the other hand, some holdings detracted from the portfolio's returns. Among them was online security software developer C heck Point Software Technologies, which faced intensifying competitive pressures. Shares of microchip maker X ilinx lost value when the company provided disappointing earnings guidance. M oreover, the portfolio did not own a few of the technology sector's better-performing names, including Google, Texas Instruments and H ewlett-Packard.

## What is the portfolio's current strategy?

We recently have been encouraged by signs of improving business fundamentals in some parts of the technology sector. We have seen favorable trends in the consumer electronics area, where flat-panel displays and digital televisions are becoming increasingly popular. In the telecommunications equipment area, new wireless handsets with M P3 audio capabilities appear promising. And technology-oriented health care companies continue to introduce new drugs and medical devices. We believe that investors with long-term perspectives and the ability to tolerate the greater volatility associated with investments in the technology sector may reap the rewards of these and other trends.

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> The portfolio's share price is likely to be more volatile than that of other portfolios that do not concentrate in one sector. The technology sector involves special risks, such as the faster rate of change and obsolescence of technological advances, and has been among the most volatile sectors of the stock market. A n investment in the portfolio should be considered only as a supplement to a complete investment program.

The portfolio is only available as a funding vehide under variable life insurance polides or variable annuity contrads issued by insurance companies Individuals may not purchase shares of the portfolio directly. A variable annuity is an insurance contrad issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals T he investment objective and polides of $D$ reyfus Investment Portfolios, Technology $G$ rowth Portfolio made available through insurance produds may be similar to other funds/ portfolios managed or advised by D reyfus H owever, the investment results of the portfolio may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other D reyfus fund/ portfolio.
1 Total return indudes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results Share price and investment return fluctuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. T he portfolio's performance does not refled the deduction of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contrads, which will reduce returns.
2 SOURCE: BLOOMBERG L.P. - R efleds reinvestment of net dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions T he M organ Stanley High Technology 35 Index is an unmanaged, equal dollar-weighted index of 35 stocks from the eledronics-based subsectors
3 SOURCE:LIPPER INC. - R eflects monthly reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions The Standard \& Poor's 500 C omposite Stock Price Index is a widely accepted, unmanaged index of U.S. stock market performance

## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES (Unaudited)

A s a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses such as management fees and other expenses $U$ sing the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affed your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds You also may pay onetime transadion expenses induding sales charges (loads) and redemption fees which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your finandal adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in D reyfus Investment Portfolios, Technology Growth Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

Expenses and Value of a $\$ 1,000$ Investment

|  | June <br> Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000 \dagger$ | $\$ 3.89$ | $\$ 5.09$ |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 938.10$ | $\$ 937.40$ |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.
Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment
assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return for the six months ended June 30,2005

Initial Shares

[^3]
## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Common Stocks-91.4\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Computer Services-10.6\% |  |  |
| Accenture | 128,400 a | 2,910,828 |
| Automatic Data Processing | 65,000 | 2,728,050 |
| CheckFree | 51,500 a | 1,754,090 |
| Cognizant Technology Solutions | 73,500 a | 3,464,055 |
| Infosys Technologies, ADR | 20,200 | 1,564,894 |
|  |  | 12,421,917 |
| Data Storage-6.2\% |  |  |
| EMC | 205,500 a | 2,817,405 |
| Network Appliance | 159,000 a | 4,494,930 |
|  |  | 7,312,335 |
| Hardware-3.2\% |  |  |
| Dell | 96,200 a | 3,800,862 |
| Health Care-10.0\% |  |  |
| Amgen | 47,800 a | 2,889,988 |
| Genentech | 41,000 a | 3,291,480 |
| Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, ADR | 93,000 | 2,896,020 |
| Zimmer Holdings | 36,000 a | 2,742,120 |
|  |  | 11,819,608 |
| Internet-8.8\% |  |  |
| Apollo Group, Cl. A | 32,000 a | 2,503,040 |
| eBay | 52,500 a | 1,733,025 |
| VeriSign | 84,000 a | 2,415,840 |
| Yahoo! | 107,000 a | 3,707,550 |
|  |  | 10,359,455 |
| Networking-5.5\% |  |  |
| Cisco Systems | 192,000 a | 3,669,120 |
| Juniper Networks | 111,500 a | 2,807,570 |
|  |  | 6,476,690 |
| Semiconductors-16.8\% |  |  |
| Broadcom, Cl. A | 15,800 a | 561,058 |
| Intel | 90,000 | 2,345,400 |
| Linear Technology | 81,000 | 2,971,890 |
| Marvell Technology Group | 77,500 a | 2,948,100 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Semiconductors (continued) |  |  |
| Microchip Technology | 40,800 | 1,208,496 |
| QUALCOMM | 70,000 | 2,310,700 |
| Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing | 2,672,210 | 4,648,422 |
| Xilinx | 108,500 | 2,766,750 |
|  |  | 19,760,816 |
| Software-18.8\% |  |  |
| Adobe Systems | 126,000 | 3,606,120 |
| Check Point Software Technologies | 107,800 a | 2,134,440 |
| Cognos | 61,000 a | 2,082,540 |
| Electronic Arts | 46,000 a | 2,604,060 |
| Mercury Interactive | 51,300 a | 1,967,868 |
| Microsoft | 165,400 | 4,108,536 |
| Oracle | 155,000 a | 2,046,000 |
| SAP, ADR | 81,700 | 3,537,610 |
|  |  | 22,087,174 |
| Telecommunication Equipment-11.5\% |  |  |
| Amdocs | 129,000 a | 3,409,470 |
| Comverse Technology | 127,000 a | 3,003,550 |
| Corning | 255,000 a | 4,238,100 |
| Motorola | 160,000 | 2,921,600 |
|  |  | 13,572,720 |
| Total Common Stocks (cost \$89,464,783) |  | 107,611,577 |

Other Invesment-8.7\%
Registered Investment Company;
Dreyfus Institutional Preferred Plus
Money Market Fund
(cost \$10,188,718)
$10,188,718$ b $\mathbf{1 0 , 1 8 8 , 7 1 8}$

| Total Investments $($ cost $\$ 99,653,501)$ | $100.1 \%$ | $117,800,295$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables | $(.1 \%)$ | $(132,287)$ |
| Net Assets | $100.0 \%$ | $117,668,008$ |

ADR - A merican D epository Receipts.
a N on-income produding,
b Investment in affiliated money market mutual funds.

Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) ${ }^{\dagger}$

|  | Value (\%) | Value (\%) |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Software | 18.8 | Money Market Investments | 8.7 |
| Semiconductors | 16.8 | Data Storage | 6.2 |
| Telecommunication Equipment | 11.5 | Networking | 5.5 |
| Computer Services | 10.6 | Hardware | 3.2 |
| Health Care | 10.0 |  |  |
| Internet | 8.8 |  | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 1}$ |

$\dagger$ B ased on net assets
See notes to finandal statements

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Investments in securities-See Statement of Investments: |  |  |
| Unaffiliated issuers | 89,464,783 | 107,611,577 |
| Affiliated issuers | 10,188,718 | 10,188,718 |
| Cash |  | 104,746 |
| Cash denominated in foreign currencies | 8,706 | 8,811 |
| Dividends and interest receivables |  | 160,748 |
| Receivable for shares of Beneficial Interest subscribed |  | 580 |
| Prepaid expenses |  | 2,560 |
|  |  | 118,077,740 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) |  | 91,887 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased |  | 280,240 |
| Payable for shares of Beneficial Interest redeemed |  | 5,208 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 32,397 |
|  |  | 409,732 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 117,668,008 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Paid-in capital |  | 233,559,196 |
| Accumulated investment (loss)-net |  | $(128,296)$ |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments |  | (133,908,561) |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and foreign currency transactions$18,145,669$ |  |  |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 117,668,008 |

## Net Asset Value Per Share

|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Net Assets (\$) | $77,661,903$ | $40,006,105$ |
| Shares Outstanding | $9,495,724$ | $4,954,143$ |
| Net Asset Value Per Share (\$) | $\mathbf{8 . 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 0 8}$ |

See notes to finandial statements

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)
Investment Income (\$):
Income:
Cash dividends (net of $\$ 37,809$ foreign taxes withheld at source):
Unaffiliated issuers ..... 311,471
Affiliated issuers ..... 79,353
Income from securities lending ..... 1,871
Total Income ..... 392,695
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 442,854
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 45,343
Custodian fees-Note 3(b) ..... 14,561
Professional fees ..... 11,926
Trustees' fees and expenses-Note 3(c) ..... 1,734
Shareholder servicing costs-Note 3(b) ..... 904
Registration fees ..... 448
Miscellaneous ..... 3,221
Total Expenses ..... 520,991
Investment (Loss)-Net ..... $(128,296)$
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):
Net realized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency transactions ..... $(1,646,369)$
Net realized gain (loss) on forward currency exchange contracts ..... 393
Net Realized Gain (Loss) ..... $(1,645,976)$
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)on investments and foreign currency transactions$(6,363,086)$
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... $(8,009,062)$
Net (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... $(8,137,358)$

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment (loss)-net | $(128,296)$ | $(156,401)$ |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | $(1,645,976)$ | $(2,551,482)$ |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | $(6,363,086)$ | 2,727,790 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | $(8,137,358)$ | 19,907 |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 2,005,907 | 14,566,252 |
| Service shares | 8,644,639 | 22,254,061 |
| Cost of shares redeemed: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(12,860,416)$ | $(22,008,917)$ |
| Service shares | $(2,429,326)$ | $(4,181,087)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Beneficial Interest Transactions | $(4,639,196)$ | 10,630,309 |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | $(12,776,554)$ | 10,650,216 |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 130,444,562 | 119,794,346 |
| End of Period | 117,668,008 | 130,444,562 |
| Capital Share Transactions (Shares): |  |  |
| Initial Shares |  |  |
| Shares sold | 243,838 | 1,684,279 |
| Shares redeemed | $(1,579,415)$ | $(2,654,202)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | $(1,335,577)$ | $(969,923)$ |
| Service Shares |  |  |
| Shares sold | 1,070,513 | 2,672,046 |
| Shares redeemed | $(300,260)$ | $(505,263)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | 770,253 | 2,166,783 |

See notes to finandial statements

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single portfolio share. Total return shows how much your investment in the portfolio would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the portfolio's financial statements.

| Initial Shares Six M | ths Ended $\text { e 30, } 2005$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 8.72 | 8.68 | 5.75 | 9.49 | 14.19 | 19.45 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  | (.06) |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.53) | . 05 | 2.96 | (3.70) | (4.68) | (5.18) |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.54) | . 04 | 2.93 | (3.74) | (4.70) | (5.24) |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | - | - | - | - | - | (.02) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 8.18 | 8.72 | 8.68 | 5.75 | 9.49 | 14.19 |
| Total Return (\%) | (6.19) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | . 46 | 50.96 | (39.41) | (33.12) | (26.98) |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .40b | . 85 | . 88 | . 89 | . 87 | . 84 |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .40b | . 85 | . 88 | . 89 | . 87 | . 84 |
| Ratio of net investment (loss) to average net assets | (.07) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.10) | (.42) | (.53) | (.15) | (.30) |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 14.54b | 62.50 | 38.22 | 91.47 | 86.25 | 121.88 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 77,662 | 94,397 | 102,441 | 52,786 | 94,992 | 139,547 |

[^5]| Service Shares | ths Ended 30, 2005 | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000a |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 8.62 | 8.60 | 5.71 | 9.45 | 14.19 | 14.19 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment (loss)-net | (.01) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.02) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.05) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.05) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.05) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | - |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.53) | . 04 | 2.94 | (3.69) | (4.69) | - |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.54) | . 02 | 2.89 | (3.74) | (4.74) | - |
| Net asset value, end of period | 8.08 | 8.62 | 8.60 | 5.71 | 9.45 | 14.19 |
| Total Return (\%) | (6.26) ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | . 23 | 50.61 | (39.58) | (33.40) | - |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .52c | 1.10 | 1.13 | 1.12 | 1.20 | - |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | . $52^{\text {c }}$ | 1.10 | 1.13 | 1.12 | 1.20 | - |
| Ratio of net investment (loss) to average net assets | (.18) ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | (.24) | (.70) | (.77) | (.60) | - |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 14.54c | 62.50 | 38.22 | 91.47 | 86.25 | 121.88 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 40,006 | 36,047 | 17,353 | 5,787 | 8,151 | 1 |

a The portfolio commenced offering Service shares on D ecember 31, 2000.
b B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
c $N$ ot annualized.
See notes to finandial statements

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment C ompany Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an openend management investment company, operating as a series company, currently offering nine series, including theTechnology G rowth Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies The portfolio is a diversified series. The portfolio's investment objective is to provide capital appreciation. The D reyfus C orporation (the "M anager" or "D reyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser. The $M$ anager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of M ellon Financial Corporation ("M ellon Financial").

Dreyfus Service Corporation (the "Distributor"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge. T he portfolio is authorized to issue an unlimited number of $\$ .001$ par value shares of Beneficial Interest in each of the following classes of shares: Initial and Service. Each class of shares has identical rights and privileges, except with respect to the distribution plan and the expenses borne by each class and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The fund accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series' operations; expenses which are applicable to all series are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifica tions. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange or national securities market on which such securities are primarily traded. Securities listed on the N ational M arket System for which market quotations are available are valued at the official closing price or, if there is no official closing price that day, at the last sale price. Securities not listed on an exchange or the national securities market, or securities for which there were no transactions, are valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices, except for open short positions, where the asked price is used for valuation purposes. Bid price is used when no asked price is available. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value. W hen market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the portfolio calculates its net asset value, the portfolio may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board ofTrustees. Fair valuing of securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using calculations based on indices of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as prices of relevant ADR 's and futures contracts. For other securities that are fair valued by the Board of Trustees, certain factors may be considered such as. fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold, and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Financial futures are valued at the last sales price. Investments denominated in foreign currencies are transated to U.S. dollars at the prevailing rates of exchange. Forward currency exchange contracts are valued at the forward rate.
(b) Foreign currency transactions: The portfolio does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.
$N$ et realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales and maturities of short-term securities, sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized on securities transactions and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the portfolio's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. $N$ et unrealized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from changes in the value of assets and liabilities other than investments in securities resulting from changes in exchange rates. Such gains and losses are included with net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.
(c) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. R ealized gain and loss from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

The portfolio has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby the portfolio receives earnings credits from the custodian when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the portfolio includes net earnings credits, if any, as an expense offset in the Statement of O perations.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the $M$ anager, the portfolio may lend securities to qualified institutions. At origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least $102 \%$ of the value of U.S. securities loaned and $105 \%$ of the value of foreign securities loaned. C ollateral equivalent to at least $100 \%$ of the market value of securities on loan will be maintained at all times. C ash collateral is invested in certain money market mutual funds man-
aged by the M anager. The portfolio will be entitled to receive all income on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Although each security loaned is fully collateralized, the portfolio would bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner.
(d) Affiliated issuers: Investments in other investment companies advised by the M anager are defined as "affiliated" in the Act.
(e) Dividends to shareholders: Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Dividends from investment income-net and dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal R evenue C ode of 1986, as amended (the "C ode").To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
(f) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the C ode, and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

The portfolio has an unused capital loss carryover of $\$ 130,934,348$ available for federal income tax purposes to be applied against future net securities profits, if any, realized subsequent to D ecember 31, 2004. If not applied, $\$ 10,860,287$ of the carryover expires in fiscal 2008, $\$ 68,467,967$ expires in fiscal 2009, $\$ 40,345,577$ expires in fiscal 2010, $\$ 7,722,694$ expires in fiscal 2011 and $\$ 3,537,823$ expires in fiscal 2012.

## NOTE 2-Bank Line of Credit:

The portfolio participates with other D reyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 100$ million unsecured line of credit primarily to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions.

Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio did not borrow under the line of credit.

NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions With Affiliates:
(a) Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement with the $M$ anager, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of .75 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly.
(b) U nder the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to R ule 12b-1 under the Act, Service shares pay the D istributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/ or maintaining Service shares shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing for Service shares. T he Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of .25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the Service shares' average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. T he fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the period ended June 30, 2005, Service shares were charged $\$ 45,343$ pursuant to the Plan.
The portfolio compensates Dreyfus Transfer, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, under a transfer agency agreement for providing personnel and facilities to perform transfer agency services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 145$ pursuant to the transfer agency agreement.
The portfolio compensates Mellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the $M$ anager, under a custody agreement for providing custodial services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 14,561$ pursuant to the custody agreement.
During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 1,998$ for services performed by the C hief C ompliance O fficer.

The components of Due to The D reyfus C orporation and affiliates in the Statement of A ssets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fees $\$ 74,159$, R ule $12 b-1$ distribution plan fees $\$ 8,285$, custodian fees $\$ 7,402$, chief compliance officer fees $\$ 1,998$ and transfer agency per account fees $\$ 43$.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the D reyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.
(d) Pursuant to an exemptive order from the Securities and Exchange Commission, the portfolio may invest its available cash balances in affiliated money market mutual funds. M anagement fees of the underlying money market mutual funds have been waived by the M anager.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities and forward currency exchange contracts, during the period ended June 30, 2005, amounted to $\$ 16,632,868$ and $\$ 29,149,457$, respectively.

The portfolio may enter into forward currency exchange contracts in order to hedge its exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates on its foreign portfolio holdings and to settle foreign currency transactions.W hen executing forward currency exchange contracts, the portfolio is obligated to buy or sell a foreign currency at a specified rate on a certain date in the future.W ith respect to sales of forward currency exchange contracts, the portfolio would incur a loss if the value of the contract increases between the date the forward contract is opened and the date the forward contract is closed. The portfolio realizes a gain if the value of the contract decreases between those dates. W ith respect to purchases of forward currency exchange contracts, the portfolio would incur a loss if the value of the contract decreases between the date the forward contract is opened and the date the forward contract is closed. The portfolio realizes a gain if the value of the contract increases
between those dates. The portfolio is also exposed to credit risk associated with counter party nonperformance on these forward currency exchange contracts which is typically limited to the unrealized gain on each open contract. At June 30, 2005, there were no forward currency exchange contracts outstanding.
At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 18,146,794$, consisting of $\$ 21,141,719$ gross unrealized appreciation and $\$ 2,994,925$ gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against M ellon Financial, M ellon Bank, N.A., Dreyfus, Founders A sset $M$ anagement LLC, and certain directors of the Dreyfus Funds and the D reyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the U nited States District C ourt for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September 2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999 and $N$ ovember 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. T he A mended Complaint in the newly styled In re D reyfus M utual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania U nfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive R ule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. M ore specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other things, that 12b-1 fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to
pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that $12 b-1$ fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. T he A mended C omplaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. With respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought against the Funds. D reyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In N ovember 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the Amended C omplaint in the whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in $M$ ay 2005.

Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requests for relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. $N$ either Dreyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or D reyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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The portfolio files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The portfolio's Forms N-Q are available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

A description of the policies and procedures that the portfolio uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, and information regarding how the portfolio voted these proxies for the 12-month period ended June 30, 2005, is available at http://www.dreyfus.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The description of the policies and procedures is also available without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-645-6561.


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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN
D ear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, C ore Value Portfolio, covering the six-month period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find valuable information about how the portfolio was managed during the reporting period, including a discussion with Brian Ferguson, portfolio manager and member of the Large C ap Value Team of T he Boston C ompany A sset M anagement.

O n average, U.S. stock prices ended the first half of 2005 slightly lower than where they began, largely due to headwinds caused by higher energy prices, rising short-term interest rates and recent evidence of slower economic growth. W hile midcap stocks generally produced higher returns than large-cap stocks, and large-cap stocks generally outperformed small-cap stocks, these differences were relatively small. Conversely, value-oriented stocks continued to produce substantially better results than their more growth-oriented counterparts.

In some ways, market conditions at midyear remind us of those from one year ago, when stock prices languished due to economic and political concerns before rallying strongly later in the year. C urrently, our economists expect the U.S. economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future without significant new inflationary pressures, potentially setting the stage for better business conditions that could send stock prices higher. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.
Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,


Stephen E. C anter
C hairman and Chief Executive 0 fficer
The Dreyfus C orporation
July 15, 2005

## DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

Brian Ferguson, Portfolio Manager, Large Cap Value Team
How did Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Core Value Portfolio perform relative to its benchmark?

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, D reyfus Investment Portfolios, C oreValue Portfolio produced total returns of $-0.54 \%$ for its Initial shares and $-0.62 \%$ for its Service shares. 1 In comparison, the portfolio's benchmark, the S\&P 500/ BAR R A Value Index, produced a total return of $0.09 \%$ for the same period. ${ }^{2}$
Positive market forces were balanced by negative influences over the first half of 2005, and stock prices generally ended the reporting period close to where they began. The portfolio's returns slightly lagged the S\&P 500/ BAR R A Value Index, primarily because disappointments among holdings in the health care and materials sectors more than offset the portfolio's relatively strong performance in the consumer staples and financials sectors. In addition, while the portfolio benefited from its relatively heavy exposure to energy stocks as oil prices rose, our security selection strategy prevented it from participating as fully as the benchmark in the energy sector's gains.

## What is the portfolio's investment approach?

The portfolio invests primarily in large-cap companies that are considered undervalued based on traditional measures, such as price-to-earnings ratios. W hen choosing stocks, we use a"bottom-up" stock selection approach, focusing on individual companies, rather than a "top-down" approach that forecasts market trends. We also focus on a company's relative value, financial strength, sales and earnings momentum and likely catalysts that could ignite the stock price.

## What other factors influenced the portfolio's performance?

The first half of 2005 was a relatively volatile time for the U.S. equity markets. Early in the year, stocks hit a "soft patch" as investors became increasingly concerned about the potential impact of rising interest rates
and higher oil prices on the economy and corporate earnings. H owever, stocks later rebounded when inflation fears eased, first-quarter earnings were relatively strong and investors took note of resilient consumer confidence and spending. As a result, the return of the portfolio's benchmark was little changed over the reporting period as a whole.
In this environment, our security selection strategy in the consumer staples sector proved to be a significantly positive contributor to the portfolio's performance relative to the benchmark. For example, national supermarket chain Safeway helped the portfolio's performance as the company continued to execute its turnaround strategy. In addition, food and tobacco giant Altria Group performed well in an improving litigation environment, and the company reaffirmed plans for a corporate restructuring designed to unlock shareholder value.

The portfolio's relatively light exposure to financial stocks also helped boost the portfolio's relative performance when the sector was pressured by rising interest rates and uncertain economic prospects. In addition, limited participation in global insurer American International Group helped the portfolio avoid the full brunt of weakness related to alleged regulatory issues, which resulted in earnings restatements and a change in management. Despite the challenging environment for financial stocks, our bottom-up investment approach identified several winners in the sector. Insurers Prudential Financial and Genworth Financial gained value as earnings reports satisfied investors' expectations for improvements on key measures of business health, such as return on equity.

In other sectors, however, the portfolio's relative returns proved to be disappointing. The portfolio's health care holdings were significant detractors from performance. Chief among them was Boston Scientific, a medical supplies maker, whose stock declined after the company recalled its cardiac stents.Two paper companies, International Paper and Bowater, led declines among the portfolio's holdings in the materials sector when anticipated improvements in the supply-anddemand dynamics for paper products did not materialize.
The portfolio benefited substantially from its relatively heavy exposure to the energy sector. Yet, the portfolio lagged the benchmark in the sector due to its more limited exposure to oil and gas refiners, which
posted stronger gains than integrated oil companies, including Exxon M obil, the portfolio's largest single holding.

## What is the portfolio's current strategy?

We remain committed to our "bottom-up" stock selection strategy, which we believe is an effective way to identify attractively valued stocks under a variety of market conditions. H owever, as of the end of the reporting period, we are aware that macroeconomic influences including high energy prices, rising interest rates, and potentially subdued economic growth - are likely to remain significant factors in determining the stock market's direction.
Because we currently believe that energy prices are likely to remain high, we have continued to maintain the portfolio's relatively heavy exposure to the energy sector. The effects of rising energy prices on consumers remain uncertain, and we currently expect more restrained growth as interest rates continue to rise and the economic cycle matures. Accordingly, we have found relatively few opportunities in the financials sector, which tends to be relatively sensitive to changes in interest rates and the economy.

July 15, 2005

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## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES (Unaudited)

A s a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses such as management fees and other expenses $U$ sing the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affed your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds You also may pay onetime transadion expenses induding sales charges (loads) and redemption fees which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your finandal adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, C oreValue Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

## Expenses and Value of a $\$ 1,000$ Investment

assuming actual returns for the six months ended June 30, 2005
Initial Shares
Service Shares

| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000^{\dagger}$ | $\$ 4.20$ | $\$ 4.94$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 994.60$ | $\$ 993.80$ |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.
Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment
assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return for the six months ended June 30, 2005

Initial Shares

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## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Common Stocks-99.5\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Banking-16.5\% |  |  |
| Bank of America | 50,410 | 2,299,200 |
| Capital One Financial | 2,300 | 184,023 |
| Citigroup | 61,500 | 2,843,145 |
| Countrywide Financial | 14,500 | 559,845 |
| Fannie Mae | 7,200 | 420,480 |
| Freddie Mac | 17,800 | 1,161,094 |
| PNC Financial Services Group | 7,200 | 392,112 |
| SunTrust Banks | 7,800 | 563,472 |
| U.S. Bancorp | 24,400 | 712,480 |
| Wachovia | 23,200 | 1,150,720 |
| Washington Mutual | 18,400 | 748,696 |
| Wells Fargo | 18,100 | 1,114,598 |
|  |  | 12,149,865 |
| Basic Industries-3.1\% |  |  |
| Bowater | 11,200 | 362,544 |
| Dow Chemical | 7,900 | 351,787 |
| E. I. du Pont de Nemours | 15,200 | 653,752 |
| International Paper | 18,100 | 546,801 |
| Rohm \& Haas | 8,100 | 375,354 |
|  |  | 2,290,238 |
| Beverages \& Tobacco-1.6\% |  |  |
| Altria Group | 17,700 | 1,144,482 |
| Broadcasting \& Publishing-1.0\% |  |  |
| Time Warner | 44,000 a | 735,240 |
| Brokerage-5.6\% |  |  |
| Goldman Sachs | 7,300 | 744,746 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase \& Co. | 55,000 | 1,942,600 |
| Merrill Lynch | 19,000 | 1,045,190 |
| Morgan Stanley | 7,200 | 377,784 |
|  |  | 4,110,320 |
| Capital Goods-10.5\% |  |  |
| Boeing | 8,800 | 580,800 |
| Eaton | 6,500 | 389,350 |
| Emerson Electric | 13,000 | 814,190 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Capital Goods (continued) |  |  |
| General Electric | 49,800 | 1,725,570 |
| Nokia, ADR | 30,700 | 510,848 |
| Tyco International | 78,600 | 2,295,120 |
| United Technologies | 28,600 | 1,468,610 |
|  |  | 7,784,488 |
| Consumer Non-Durables-4.0\% |  |  |
| Campbell Soup | 13,300 | 409,241 |
| Coca-Cola | 11,600 | 484,300 |
| Colgate-Palmolive | 20,900 | 1,043,119 |
| General Mills | 10,300 | 481,937 |
| Kraft Foods, Cl. A | 16,800 b | 534,408 |
|  |  | 2,953,005 |
| Consumer Services-10.4\% |  |  |
| Advance Auto Parts | 9,200 a | 593,860 |
| CVS | 15,400 | 447,678 |
| Clear Channel Communications | 44,600 | 1,379,478 |
| Comcast, Cl. A | 23,200 a | 712,240 |
| DST Systems | 8,000 a | 374,400 |
| Gap | 18,500 | 365,375 |
| McDonald's | 31,600 | 876,900 |
| News, CI. A | 39,900 | 645,582 |
| Omnicom Group | 14,200 | 1,134,012 |
| Safeway | 15,800 | 356,922 |
| Viacom, Cl. B | 25,900 | 829,318 |
|  |  | 7,715,765 |
| Energy-13.9\% |  |  |
| Anadarko Petroleum | 5,100 | 418,965 |
| Apache | 8,100 b | 523,260 |
| BP, ADR | 21,300 | 1,328,694 |
| ChevronTexaco | 29,100 | 1,627,272 |
| ConocoPhillips | 24,900 | 1,431,501 |
| Cooper Cameron | 6,700 a | 415,735 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Energy (continued) |  |  |
| Exxon Mobil | 58,204 | 3,344,984 |
| Marathon Oil | 8,000 | 426,960 |
| Schlumberger | 9,300 | 706,242 |
|  |  | 10,223,613 |
| Health Care-6.2\% |  |  |
| Abbott Laboratories | 11,400 | 558,714 |
| Boston Scientific | 15,200 a | 410,400 |
| IVAX | 25,000 a | 537,500 |
| Medco Health Solutions | 9,300 a | 496,248 |
| Pfizer | 52,200 | 1,439,676 |
| WellPoint | 6,000 a | 417,840 |
| Wyeth | 16,300 | 725,350 |
|  |  | 4,585,728 |
| Insurance-7.5\% |  |  |
| Allstate | 9,000 | 537,750 |
| American International Group | 22,696 | 1,318,638 |
| Chubb | 5,200 | 445,172 |
| Genworth Financial, CI. A | 37,700 | 1,139,671 |
| PMI Group | 22,300 b | 869,254 |
| Prudential Financial | 18,600 | 1,221,276 |
|  |  | 5,531,761 |
| Merchandising-.7\% |  |  |
| Dollar General | 26,000 | 529,360 |
| Technology-8.6\% |  |  |
| Automatic Data Processing | 24,300 | 1,019,871 |
| Fairchild Semiconductor, CI. A | 22,900 a | 337,775 |
| Fiserv | 12,900 a | 554,055 |
| Hewlett-Packard | 40,500 | 952,155 |
| International Business Machines | 8,600 | 638,120 |
| Microsoft | 53,200 | 1,321,488 |
| Motorola | 20,500 | 374,330 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Technology (continued) |  |  |
| Oracle | 54,900 a | 724,680 |
| Texas Instruments | 15,600 | 437,892 |
|  |  | 6,360,366 |
| Telecommunications-1.0\% |  |  |
| Sprint (FON Group) | 29,900 b | 750,191 |
| Transportation-.8\% |  |  |
| Union Pacific | 9,100 | 589,680 |
| Utilities-8.1\% |  |  |
| ALLTEL | 11,300 | 703,764 |
| Constellation Energy Group | 7,000 | 403,830 |
| Edison International | 10,100 | 409,555 |
| Entergy | 5,400 | 407,970 |
| Exelon | 16,600 | 852,078 |
| PG\&E | 20,300 | 762,062 |
| SBC Communications | 69,000 | 1,638,750 |
| Verizon Communications | 10,550 | 364,502 |
| Vodafone Group, ADR | 19,200 | 466,944 |
|  |  | 6,009,455 |
| Total Common Stocks <br> (cost \$64,213,975) $73,463,557$ |  |  |
| Short-Term Investments-.8\% | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Principal } \\ \text { Amount (\$) } \end{array}$ | Value (\$) |
| Agency Discount Note; |  |  |
| ```Federal Home Loan Bank, 2.65%,7/1/2005 (cost $550,000)``` | 550,000 | 550,000 |


| Investment of Cash Collateral for Securities Loaned-3.0\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Registered Investment Company; |  |  |
| Dreyfus Institutional Cash Advantage Plus Fund (cost \$2,194,400) | 2,194,400 c | 2,194,400 |
| Total Investments (cost \$66,958,375) | 103.3\% | 76,207,957 |
| Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables | (3.3\%) | $(2,407,758)$ |
| Net Assets | 100.0\% | 73,800,199 |

A D R - A merican D epository R eceipts
a N on-income producing
b All or a portion of these searities are on loan. A t June 30, 2005, the total market value of the portfolio's searities on Ioan is $\$ 2,127,495$ and the total market value of the collateral held by the portfolio is $\$ 2,194,400$.
c Investment in affiliated money market mutual fund.

Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) ${ }^{\dagger}$

|  | Value (\%) |  | Value (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Banking | 16.5 | Insurance | 7.5 |
| Energy | 13.9 | Health Care | 6.2 |
| Capital Goods | 10.5 | Brokerage | 5.6 |
| Consumer Services | 10.4 | Other | 16.0 |
| Technology | 8.6 |  | $\mathbf{1 0 3 . 3}$ |

+ B ased on net assets
See notes to finandal statements


## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Investments in securities-See Statement of Investments (including securities on loan, valued at $\$ 2,127,495$ )-Note 1 (b): |  |  |
| Unaffiliated issuers | 64,763,975 | 74,013,557 |
| Affiliated issuers | 2,194,400 | 2,194,400 |
| Receivable for investment securities sold |  | 592,743 |
| Dividends receivable |  | 106,682 |
| Receivable for shares of Beneficial Interest subscribed |  | 3,463 |
| Prepaid expenses |  | 2,980 |
|  |  | 76,913,825 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) |  | 55,537 |
| Cash overdraft due to Custodian |  | 131,007 |
| Liability for securities on loan-Note 1 (b) |  | 2,194,400 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased |  | 709,434 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 23,248 |
|  |  | 3,113,626 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 73,800,199 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Paid-in capital |  | 66,704,227 |
| Accumulated undistributed investment income-net |  | 401,473 |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments |  | $(2,555,083)$ |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments |  | 9,249,582 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 73,800,199 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share |  |  |
|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| Net Assets (\$) | 33,634,335 | 40,165,864 |
| Shares Outstanding | 2,188,932 | 2,608,552 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share (\$) | 15.37 | 15.40 |

See notes to finandial statements

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)
Investment Income (\$):
Income:
Cash dividends (net of $\$ 4,762$ foreign taxes withheld at source) ..... 745,981
Interest ..... 7,860
Income from securities lending ..... 2,311
Total Income ..... 756,152
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 281,032
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 51,236
Professional fees ..... 17,456
Custodian fees-Note 3(b) ..... 6,942
Prospectus and shareholders' reports ..... 6,273
Trustees' fees and expenses-Note 3(c) ..... 4,892
Shareholder servicing costs-Note 3(b) ..... 1,562
Interest expense-Note 2 ..... 226
Miscellaneous ..... 2,572
Total Expenses ..... 372,191
Less-waiver of fees due to undertaking-Note 3(a) ..... $(21,934)$
Less-reduction in custody fees due to earnings credits-Note 1 (b) ..... (388)
Net Expenses ..... 349,869
Investment Income-Net ..... 406,283
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):
Net realized gain (loss) on investments ..... 3,293,811
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments ..... $(4,182,362)$
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... $(888,551)$
Net (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... $(482,268)$
See notes to finandial statements

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net | 406,283 | 810,606 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 3,293,811 | 6,547,710 |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | $(4,182,362)$ | 908,824 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | $(482,268)$ | 8,267,140 |
| Dividends to Shareholders from (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(147,061)$ | $(425,460)$ |
| Service shares | $(117,909)$ | $(416,619)$ |
| Total Dividends | $(264,970)$ | $(842,079)$ |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 1,574,914 | 4,722,103 |
| Service shares | 921,600 | 2,485,948 |
| Dividends reinvested: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 147,061 | 425,460 |
| Service shares | 117,909 | 416,619 |
| Cost of shares redeemed: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(3,590,929)$ | $(4,410,004)$ |
| Service shares | $(3,528,716)$ | $(7,450,421)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Beneficial Interest Transactions | $(4,358,161)$ | $(3,810,295)$ |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | $(5,105,399)$ | 3,614,766 |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 78,905,598 | 75,290,832 |
| End of Period | 73,800,199 | 78,905,598 |
| Undistributed investment income-net | 401,473 | 260,160 |


|  | Six Months Ended <br> June 30, 2005 <br> (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Capital Share Transactions: |  |  |
| Initial Shares | 103,222 | 329,304 |
| Shares sold | 9,624 | 28,343 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | $(233,447)$ | $(307,176)$ |
| Shares redeemed | $\mathbf{( 1 2 0 , 6 0 1 )}$ | $\mathbf{5 0 , 4 7 1}$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding |  |  |
| Service Shares | 59,865 | 172,487 |
| Shares sold | 7,696 | 27,718 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | $(229,544)$ | $(516,874)$ |
| Shares redeemed | $\mathbf{( 1 6 1 , 9 8 3 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 3 1 6 , 6 6 9 )}$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding |  |  |

See notes to finandal statements

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single portfolio share. Total return shows how much your investment in the portfolio would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the portfolio's financial statements.

| Initial Shares $\begin{aligned} & \text { Six M } \\ & \text { Ju }\end{aligned}$ | ths Ended e 30, 2005 | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income-neta | . 09 | . 17 | . 12 | . 09 | . 12 | . 17 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.17) | 1.46 | 3.01 | (3.46) | (.45) | 1.50 |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.08) | 1.63 | 3.13 | (3.37) | (.33) | 1.67 |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | (.07) | (.19) | (.11) | (.11) | (.01) | (.16) |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | - | - | - | - | (.22) | (.38) |
| Total Distributions | (.07) | (.19) | (.11) | (.11) | (.23) | (.54) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 15.37 | 15.52 | 14.08 | 11.06 | 14.54 | 15.10 |
| Total Return (\%) | (.54) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 11.60 | 28.42 | (23.29) | (2.08) | 12.06 |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | . $42{ }^{\text {b }}$ | . 85 | . 85 | . 88 | . 98 | 1.04 |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | . $42{ }^{\text {b }}$ | . 85 | . 85 | . 88 | . 96 | . 97 |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | .58 ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 1.16 | . 99 | . 69 | . 83 | 1.19 |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | $28.46{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 76.19 | 55.90 | 65.72 | 65.13 | 110.74 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 33,634 | 35,847 | 31,812 | 27,354 | 37,595 | 23,897 |

a B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
b N ot annualized.
See notes to finandal statements

| Service Shares $\begin{array}{r}\text { Six M } \\ \text { Ju } \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ths Ended $\text { e 30, } 2005$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000a |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 15.54 | 14.08 | 11.07 | 14.54 | 15.09 | 15.09 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income-net | .08b | .14b | . $10^{\text {b }}$ | .08b | .08 ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | - |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.18) | 1.47 | 3.00 | (3.45) | (.40) | - |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.10) | 1.61 | 3.10 | (3.37) | (.32) | - |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | (.04) | (.15) | (.09) | (.10) | (.01) | - |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | - | - | - | - | (.22) | - |
| Total Distributions | (.04) | (.15) | (.09) | (.10) | (.23) | - |
| Net asset value, end of period | 15.40 | 15.54 | 14.08 | 11.07 | 14.54 | 15.09 |
| Total Return (\%) | (.62)c | 11.44 | 28.14 | (23.31) | (2.08) | - |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .55c | 1.10 | 1.10 | 1.13 | 1.27 | - |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .50c | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | - |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | .50c | . 99 | . 84 | . 62 | . 61 | - |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | $28.46{ }^{\text {c }}$ | 76.19 | 55.90 | 65.72 | 65.13 | 110.74 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 40,166 | 43,059 | 43,478 | 33,426 | 21,469 | 1 |

a The portfolio commenced offering Service shares on D ecember 31, 2000.
b B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
c N ot annualized.
See notes to finandal statements

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an open-end management investment company operating as a series company currently offering nine series, including the Core Value Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. The portfolio is a diversified series. The portfolio's investment objective is to provide longterm capital growth. The Dreyfus C orporation (the "M anager" or "Dreyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser. The M anager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mellon Financial Corporation ("M ellon Financial").

Dreyfus Service Corporation (the "Distributor"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge. The portfolio is authorized to issue an unlimited number of $\$ .001$ par value shares of Beneficial Interest in each of the following classes of shares: Initial and Service. Each class of shares has identical rights and privileges, except with respect to the distribution plan and the expenses borne by each class and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The fund accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series' operations; expenses which are applicable to all series are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange or national securities market on which such securities are primarily traded. Securities listed on the N ational M arket System for which market quotations are available are valued at the official closing price or, if there is no official closing price that day, at the last sales price. Securities not listed on an exchange or the national securities market, or securities for which there were no transactions, are valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices, except for open short positions, where the asked price is used for valuation purposes. Bid price is used when no asked price is available. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value. W hen market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the portfolio calculates its net asset value, the portfolio may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board ofTrustees. Fair valuing of securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using calculations based on indices of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as prices of relevant ADR 's and futures contracts. For other securities that are fair valued by the Board of Trustees, certain factors may be considered such as: fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Financial futures are valued at the last sales price.
(b) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. R ealized gain and loss from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

The portfolio has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby the portfolio receives earnings credits from the custodian when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the portfolio includes net earnings credits as an expense offset in the Statement of 0 perations.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the $M$ anager, the portfolio may lend securities to qualified institutions. At origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least 102\% of the value of U.S. securities loaned and $105 \%$ of the value of foreign securities loaned. C ollateral equivalent to at least $100 \%$ of the market value of securities on loan will be maintained at all times. C ash collateral is invested in certain money market mutual funds managed by the $M$ anager. The portfolio will be entitled to receive all income on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Although each security loaned is fully collateralized, the portfolio would bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner.
(c) Affiliated issuers: Investments in other investment companies advised by the $M$ anager are defined as "affiliated" in the Act.
(d) Dividends to shareholders: D ividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Dividends from investment income-net and dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal $R$ evenue

C ode of 1986, as amended (the "C ode").To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles
(e) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the C ode, and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

The portfolio has an unused capital loss carryover of $\$ 5,648,428$ available for federal income tax purposes to be applied against future net securities profits, if any, realized subsequent to D ecember 31, 2004. If not applied, $\$ 4,108,872$ of the carryover expires in fiscal 2010 and \$1,539,556 expires in fiscal 2011.

The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 was as follows: ordinary income $\$ 842,079$.T he tax character of current year distributions will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

## NOTE 2-Bank Line of Credit:

The portfolio participates with other Dreyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 100$ million unsecured line of credit primarily to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions. Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings.

The average daily amount of borrowings outstanding under the line of credit during the period ended June 30,2005 , was approximately $\$ 14,900$, with a related weighted average annualized interest rate of $3.06 \%$.

NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions With Affiliates:
(a) Pursuant to an Investment A dvisory A greement with the $M$ anager, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of . 75 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly.

The M anager has agreed, from January 1, 2005 to D ecember 31, 2005, to waive receipt of its fees and/ or assume the expenses of the portfolio so that the expenses of neither class, exclusive of taxes, brokerage fees, interest on borrowings and extraordinary expenses, exceed 1\% of the value of the average daily net assets of their class. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the $M$ anager waived receipt of fees of $\$ 21,934$, pursuant to the undertaking.
(b) U nder the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to R ule 12b-1 under the Act, Service shares pay the D istributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/ or maintaining Service shares shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing for Service shares. The Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of 25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the Service shares' average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. The fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the period ended June 30, 2005, Service shares were charged $\$ 51,236$ pursuant to the Plan.

The portfolio compensates Dreyfus Transfer, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, under a transfer agency agreement for providing personnel and facilities to perform transfer agency services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 35$ pursuant to the transfer agency agreement.

The portfolio compensates Mellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the $M$ anager, under a custody agreement for providing custodial services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 6,942$ pursuant to the custody agreement.

During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged \$1,998 for services performed by the C hief C ompliance $O$ fficer.

The components of Due to The D reyfus C orporation and affiliates in the Statement of A ssets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fees $\$ 46,082$, R ule $12 b$ - 1 distribution plan fees $\$ 8,360$, custodian fees $\$ 3,311$, chief compliance officer fees $\$ 1,998$ and transfer agency per account fees $\$ 20$, which are offset against an expense reimbursement currently in effect in the amount of $\$ 4,234$.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the D reyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities, during the period ended June 30 , 2005, amounted to $\$ 21,307,164$ and $\$ 25,083,857$, respectively.

At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 9,249,582$, consisting of $\$ 11,030,460$ gross unrealized appreciation and $\$ 1,780,878$ gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against M ellon Financial, M ellon Bank, N.A., Dreyfus, Founders A sset $M$ anagement LLC, and certain directors of the Dreyfus Funds and the D reyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the U nited States D istrict C ourt for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September 2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999 and $N$ ovember 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. The

A mended C omplaint in the newly styled In re D reyfus M utual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania U nfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive R ule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. M ore specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other things, that 12b-1 fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that 12 b - 1 fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. The A mended Complaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. With respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought against the Funds. D reyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In N ovember 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint in whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in $M$ ay 2005.

Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requestsfor relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. $N$ either Dreyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or Dreyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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The portfolio files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The portfolio's Forms N-Q are available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

A description of the policies and procedures that the portfolio uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, and information regarding how the portfolio voted these proxies for the 12-month period ended June 30, 2005, is available at http://www.dreyfus.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The description of the policies and procedures is also available without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-645-6561.


# Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Emerging Leaders Portfolio 

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN
D ear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Emerging Leaders Portfolio, covering the sixmonth period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find information about the portfolio's new management team. At the end of the reporting period, John S. Cone, Oliver Buckley, Langton C. Garvin and K ristin Crawford, each of whom is a member of the Smallcap Team of Franklin Portfolio Associates, LLC, were appointed to manage the portfolio.

O n average, U.S. stock prices ended the first half of 2005 slightly lower than where they began, largely due to head winds caused by higher energy prices, rising short-term interest rates and recent evidence of slower economic growth. W hile midcap stocks generally produced higher returns than large-cap stocks, and large-cap stocks generally outperformed small-cap stocks, these differences were relatively small. Conversely, value-oriented stocks continued to produce substantially better results than their more growth-oriented counterparts.
In some ways, market conditions at midyear remind us of those from one year ago, when stock prices languished due to economic and political concerns before rallying strongly later in the year. C urrently, our economists expect the U.S. economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future without significant new inflationary pressures, potentially setting the stage for better business conditions that could send stock prices higher. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.
Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,


Stephen E. C anter
C hairman and Chief Executive 0 fficer
The Dreyfus C orporation
July 15, 2005

## NOTICE OF PORTFOLIO MANAGER APPOINTMENTS

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio produced total returns of $-1.62 \%$ for its Initial shares and $-1.73 \%$ for its Service shares. 1 In comparison, the R ussell 2000 Index (the "Index"), the portfolio's benchmark, produced a total return of $-1.25 \%$ for the same period. ${ }^{2}$

Effective June 30, 2005, Franklin Portfolio A ssociates' SmallcapTeam was appointed to make investment decisions for the portfolio. The committee of portfolio managers that comprise the Smallcap Team of Franklin Portfolio A ssociates are John S. C one, O liver Buckley, Langton C. Garvin and K ristin C raw ford, each of whom also is an employee of D reyfus and will manage the portfolio in that capacity for Dreyfus. M r. C one also is Chief Executive Officer, President and a Senior Portfolio M anager of Franklin Portfolio Associates where he has been employed since its inception in 1982. M r. Buckley also is a SeniorVice President and Senior Portfolio M anager of Franklin Portfolio Associates which he joined in 2000. M r. Garvin also is a Senior Vice President and Senior Portfolio M anager of Franklin Portfolio A ssociates which he joined in 2004; prior thereto, he was a portfolio manager with Batterymarch Financial M anagement. Ms. Crawford also is a Vice President and Portfolio M anager of Franklin Portfolio Associates, which she joined in 2000.

Following the appointment of the team, the portfolio now employs a new investment process under which, the portfolio managers select stocks through a "bottom-up" approach that seeks to identify undervalued securities using a quantitative screening process. This process is driven by computer models that identify and rank stocks based on:

- fundamental momentum, meaning measures that reflect the changes in short-term earnings outlook through factors such as revised earnings estimates and earnings surprises;
- relative value, such as current and forecasted price-to-earnings ratios, price-to-book ratios, yields and other price-sensitive data for a stock compared to its past, its peers and the models' overall stock universe;
- long-term growth, based on measures that reflect the changes in estimated long-term earnings growth over multiple horizons; and
- additional fadors, such as technical factors, trading by company insiders or share issuance/ buy-back data.

N ext, through a "bottom-up" approach, the portfolio managers focus on stock selection as opposed to making proactive decisions about industry or sector exposure. 0 ver time, the portfolio managers attempt to construct a portfolio whose exposure to industries and market capitalizations is generally similar to the portfolio's benchmark. Finally, within each sector, the portfolio managers seek to overweight the most attractive stocks and underweight or not hold the stocks that have been ranked least attractive.

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#### Abstract

The portfolio is only available as a funding vehide under various life insurance polides or variable annuity contracts issued by insurance companies Individuals may not purchase shares of the portfolio directly. A variable annuity is an insurance contrad issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals T he investment objective and polides of D reyfus Investment Portfolios, E merging Leaders Portfolio made available through insurance producs may be similar to other funds/ portfolios managed or advised by D reyfus H owever, the investment results of the portfolio may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other D reyfus fund/ portfolio. 1 Total return indudes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results Share price and investment return fluctuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. T he portfolio's performance does not reflect the deduction of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contrads, which will reduce returns. R eturn figures provided refled the absorption of portfolio expenses by T he D reyfus C orporation pursuant to an agreement in effect through D ecember 31, 2005, at which time it may be extended, terminated or modified. H ad these expenses not been absorbed, the portfolio's returns would have been lower. 2 SOURCE:LIPPER INC. - Reflects reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions T he R ussell 2000 Index is an unmanaged index of small- cap stock performance and is composed of the 2,000 smallest companies in the Russell 3000 Index. The R ussell 3000 Index is composed of the 3,000 largest U.S. companies based on total market capitalization.


## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES (Unaudited)

A s a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses such as management fees and other expenses $U$ sing the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affed your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds You also may pay onetime transadion expenses induding sales charges (loads) and redemption fees which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your finandal adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in D reyfus Investment Portfolios, Emerging Leaders Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

Expenses and Value of a $\$ 1,000$ Investment
assuming actual returns for the six months ended June 30, 2005
Initial Shares
Service Shares

| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000^{\dagger}$ | $\$ 8.07$ | $\$$ | 6.29 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 983.80$ | $\$ 982.70$ |  |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.

| Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| assuming a hypothetical 5\% annualized return for the six months ended June 30, 2005 |  |  |
|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| Expenses paid per \$1,000 ${ }^{+}$ | \$ 5.16 | \$ 6.41 |
| Ending value (after expenses) | \$1,019.69 | \$1,018.45 |

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## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Common Stocks-97.0\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Autos \& Transports-5.5\% |  |  |
| AAR | 40,000 a | 628,400 |
| Golar LNG | 29,500 a, b | 354,000 |
| Northwest Airlines | 73,000 b | 332,880 |
| Wabtec | 28,500 | 612,180 |
|  |  | 1,927,460 |
| Capital Goods-1.6\% |  |  |
| AGCO | 30,000 a | 573,600 |
| Consumer Products \& Services-17.2\% |  |  |
| Aeropostale | 20,000 a | 672,000 |
| Emmis Communications, Cl. A | 4,393 a,b | 77,624 |
| Fossil | 20,000 a | 454,000 |
| Intrawest | 27,500 | 662,200 |
| PETCO Animal Supplies | 17,000 a | 498,440 |
| Pacific Sunwear of California | 22,500 a | 517,275 |
| Playtex Products | 75,000 a | 807,000 |
| Quiksilver | 36,000 a | 575,280 |
| Ralcorp Holdings | 14,500 | 596,675 |
| Spanish Broadcasting System, CI. A | 55,000 a | 549,450 |
| WMS Industries | 18,500 a | 624,375 |
|  |  | 6,034,319 |
| Energy-8.1\% |  |  |
| Comstock Resources | 20,000 a | 505,800 |
| Remington Oil \& Gas | 18,500 a | 660,450 |
| Todco, Cl. A | 22,000 a | 564,740 |
| Unit | 13,000 a | 572,130 |
| Veritas DGC | 19,000 a | 527,060 |
|  |  | 2,830,180 |
| Financial Services-18.7\% |  |  |
| Accredited Home Lenders Holding | 12,000 a,b | 528,000 |
| GATX | 13,000 | 448,500 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Financial Services (continued) |  |  |
| Global Payments | 8,500 | 576,300 |
| MAF Bancorp | 11,500 | 490,245 |
| Max Re Capital | 22,000 | 503,800 |
| Montpelier Re Holdings | 12,500 | 432,250 |
| National Financial Partners | 15,000 | 587,100 |
| Nelnet, Cl. A | 16,500 a | 548,955 |
| Partners Trust Financial Group | 53,630 | 572,768 |
| Prosperity Bancshares | 18,000 | 514,980 |
| Provident Bancorp | 45,000 | 544,950 |
| Saxon Capital | 20,800 | 355,056 |
| Texas Regional Bancshares, CI. A | 16,000 | 487,680 |
|  |  | 6,590,584 |
| Health Care-13.1\% |  |  |
| Akorn | 160,000 a,b | 406,400 |
| Andrx | 25,000 a | 507,750 |
| Chemed | 19,000 | 776,720 |
| First Horizon Pharmaceutical | 28,500 a | 542,640 |
| Hologic | 19,000 a | 755,250 |
| Nektar Therapeutics | 28,000 a | 471,520 |
| Renal Care Group | 13,500 a | 622,350 |
| Rotech Healthcare | 20,500 a | 538,125 |
|  |  | 4,620,755 |
| Materials \& Processing-7.5\% |  |  |
| Agnico-Eagle Mines | 38,500 | 485,100 |
| Airgas | 19,500 | 481,065 |
| Armor Holdings | 14,500 a | 574,345 |
| Crown Holdings | 34,500 a | 490,935 |
| Minefinders | 67,500 a | 311,850 |
| Pope \& Talbot | 27,500 | 305,250 |
|  |  | 2,648,545 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Producer Durables-6.2\% |  |  |
| Bucyrus International, CI. A | 13,500 | 512,730 |
| DRS Technologies | 11,500 | 589,720 |
| Manitowoc | 13,500 | 553,770 |
| Universal Compression Holdings | 14,500 a | 525,480 |
|  |  | 2,181,700 |
| Technology-11.6\% |  |  |
| ATMI | 21,000 a,b | 609,210 |
| Atheros Communications | 42,500 a,b | 342,550 |
| Cypress Semiconductor | 37,500 a | 472,125 |
| InfoSpace | 11,500 a,b | 378,695 |
| Maplnfo | 40,000 a | 420,400 |
| NETGEAR | 35,000 a | 651,000 |
| Power Integrations | 19,000 a | 409,830 |
| Sigmatel | 11,000 a | 188,760 |
| Wind River Systems | 37,500 a | 588,000 |
|  |  | 4,060,570 |
| Utilities-6.2\% |  |  |
| El Paso Electric | 30,000 a | 613,500 |
| Foundation Coal Holdings | 25,000 | 648,500 |
| Westar Energy | 17,500 | 420,525 |
| Western Gas Resources | 14,000 | 488,600 |
|  |  | 2,171,125 |
| Other-1.3\% |  |  |
| iShares Nasdaq Biotechnology Index | 6,500 a,b | 441,350 |
| Total Common Stocks (cost \$28,946,381) |  | 34,080,188 |



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## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Investments in securities- |  |  |
| See Statement of Investments (including securities on loan, valued at $\$ 2,354,172$ )-Note 1 (b): |  |  |
| Unaffiliated issuers | 28,946,381 | 34,080,188 |
| Affiliated issuers | 2,989,892 | 2,989,892 |
| Dividends and interest receivable |  | 19,979 |
| Prepaid expenses |  | 1,981 |
|  |  | 37,092,040 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) |  | 33,060 |
| Cash overdraft due to Custodian |  | 14,340 |
| Liability for securities on loan-Note 1 (b) |  | 1,865,892 |
| Payable for shares of Beneficial Interest redeemed |  | 1,232 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 27,214 |
|  |  | 1,941,738 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 35,150,302 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Paid-in capital |  | 28,723,384 |
| Accumulated investment (loss)-net |  | $(37,632)$ |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments |  | 1,330,743 |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments |  | 5,133,807 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 35,150,302 |

Net Asset Value Per Share

|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Net Assets (\$) | $19,955,009$ | $15,195,293$ |
| Shares Outstanding | 928,788 | 715,230 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share (\$) | $\mathbf{2 1 . 4 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 . 2 5}$ |

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## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)
Investment Income (\$):
Income:
Cash dividends (net of $\$ 440$ foreign taxes withheld at source)
Unaffiliated issuers ..... 153,981
Affiliated issuers ..... 16,530
Income from securities lending ..... 16,492
Total Income ..... 187,003
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 162,619
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 19,793
Auditing fees ..... 16,025
Prospectus and shareholders' reports ..... 3,281
Custodian fees-Note 3(b) ..... 2,649
Shareholder servicing costs-Note 3(b) ..... 734
Trustees' fees and expenses-Note 3(c) ..... 624
Legal fees ..... 312
Miscellaneous ..... 704
Total Expenses ..... 206,741
Investment (Loss)-Net ..... $(19,738)$
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):
Net realized gain (loss) on investments ..... 1,362,203
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments ..... $(2,065,191)$
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... $(702,988)$
Net (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... $(722,726)$
See notes to finandial statements

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment (loss)-net | $(19,738)$ | $(164,684)$ |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 1,362,203 | 6,072,733 |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | $(2,065,191)$ | $(1,211,407)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | $(722,726)$ | 4,696,642 |
| Dividends to Shareholders from (\$): |  |  |
| Net realized gain on investments: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(1,097,280)$ | $(1,740,420)$ |
| Service shares | $(882,945)$ | $(1,373,278)$ |
| Total Dividends | $(1,980,225)$ | $(3,113,698)$ |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 1,553,765 | 3,844,429 |
| Service shares | 648,015 | 1,766,673 |
| Dividends reinvested: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 1,097,280 | 1,740,420 |
| Service shares | 882,945 | 1,373,278 |
| Cost of shares redeemed: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(2,826,593)$ | $(3,985,659)$ |
| Service shares | $(1,968,860)$ | $(3,354,594)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Beneficial Interest Transactions | $(613,448)$ | 1,384,547 |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | $(3,316,399)$ | 2,967,491 |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 38,466,701 | 35,499,210 |
| End of Period | 35,150,302 | 38,466,701 |
| Undistributed investment (loss)-net | $(37,632)$ | $(17,894)$ |
| Capital Share Transactions (Shares): |  |  |
| Initial Shares |  |  |
| Shares sold | 71,623 | 167,440 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | 50,871 | 75,375 |
| Shares redeemed | $(129,761)$ | $(178,179)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | $(7,267)$ | 64,636 |
| Service Shares |  |  |
| Shares sold | 29,401 | 77,490 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | 41,356 | 60,047 |
| Shares redeemed | $(94,198)$ | $(151,655)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | $(23,441)$ | $(14,118)$ |

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single portfolio share.Total return shows how much your investment in the portfolio would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the portfolio's financial statements.

| Initial Shares | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 23.06 | 21.92 | 14.85 | 18.53 | 17.05 | 13.44 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income (loss)-neta | .00b | (.08) | (.12) | (.09) | (.08) | (.09) |
| Net realized and unrealized gai (loss) on investments | (.37) | 3.24 | 7.19 | (3.59) | 1.57 | 4.30 |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.37) | 3.16 | 7.07 | (3.68) | 1.49 | 4.21 |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | - | - | - | - | - | (.01) |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | (1.21) | (2.02) | - | - | (.01) | (.59) |
| Total Distributions | (1.21) | (2.02) | - | - | (.01) | (.60) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 21.48 | 23.06 | 21.92 | 14.85 | 18.53 | 17.05 |
| Total Return (\%) | (1.62) ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 14.42 | 47.61 | (19.86) | 8.74 | 31.70 |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .51 ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 1.13 | 1.15 | 1.17 | 1.62 | 2.20 |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .51c | 1.09 | 1.15 | 1.17 | 1.46 | 1.50 |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets | .00c,d | (.35) | (.67) | (.51) | (.44) | (.59) |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 23.42 c | 88.95 | 111.28 | 127.24 | 175.21 | 234.94 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 19,955 | 21,590 | 19,102 | 11,777 | 13,308 | 5,902 |

a B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
b A mount represents less than $\$ .01$ per share
c $N$ ot annualized.
d A mount represents less than $.01 \%$.
See notes to finandal statements

| Service Shares | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000a |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 22.85 | 21.78 | 14.79 | 18.51 | 17.05 | 17.05 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment (loss)-net | (.03) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.13) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.16) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.13) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | (.08) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | - |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.36) | 3.22 | 7.15 | (3.59) | 1.55 | - |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.39) | 3.09 | 6.99 | (3.72) | 1.47 | - |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | (1.21) | (2.02) | - | - | (.01) | - |
| Net asset value, end of period | d $\quad 21.25$ | 22.85 | 21.78 | 14.79 | 18.51 | 17.05 |
| Total Return (\%) | (1.73) ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 14.19 | 47.16 | (20.04) | 8.62 | - |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .64c | 1.38 | 1.41 | 1.43 | 1.80 | - |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .64c | 1.32 | 1.41 | 1.43 | 1.50 | - |
| Ratio of net investment (loss) to average net assets | s (.12)c | (.59) | (.92) | (.79) | (.49) | - |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 23.42 c | 88.95 | 111.28 | 127.24 | 175.21 | 234.94 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 15,195 | 16,877 | 16,397 | 9,631 | 4,730 | 1 |

a The portfolio commenced offering Service shares on D ecember 31, 2000.
b B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
c $N$ ot annualized.
See notes to finandial statements

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment C ompany Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an openend management investment company operating as a series company currently offering nine series, including the Emerging Leaders Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. The portfolio is a diversified series. The portfolio's investment objective is to provide capital growth. The D reyfus C orporation (the " M anager" or "D reyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser. The M anager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of M ellon Financial Corporation ("M ellon Financial").

Dreyfus Service Corporation (the "Distributor"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge. T he portfolio is authorized to issue an unlimited number of $\$ .001$ par value shares of Beneficial Interest in each of the following classes of shares: Initial and Service. Each class of shares has identical rights and privileges, except with respect to the distribution plan and the expenses borne by each class and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The fund accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series' operations; expenses which are applicable to all series are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange on which such securities are primarily traded. Securities listed on the $N$ ational $M$ arket System, for which market quotations are available are valued at the official closing price or, if there is no official closing price that day, at the last sale price. Securities not listed on an exchange or the national securities market, or securities for which there were no transactions, are valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value. Bid price is used when no asked price is available.W hen market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the portfolio calculates its net asset value, the portfolio may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board of Trustees. Fair valuing of securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using calculations based on indices of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as prices of relevant ADR 's and futures contracts. For other securities that are fair valued by the Board ofTrustees, certain factors may be considered such as: fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold, and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Financial futures are valued at the last sales price.
(b) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. R ealized gain and loss from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

The portfolio has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby the portfolio receives earnings credits from the custodian when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the portfolio includes net earnings credits, if any, as an expense offset in the Statement of $O$ perations.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the M anager, the portfolio may lend securities to qualified institutions. At origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least 102\% of the value of U.S. securities loaned and $105 \%$ of the value of foreign securities loaned. C ollateral equivalent to at least $100 \%$ of the market value of securities on loan will be maintained at all times. C ash collateral is invested in certain money market mutual funds managed by the M anager. The portfolio will be entitled to receive all income on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Although each security loaned is fully collateralized, the portfolio would bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner.
(c) Affiliated issuers: Investments in other investment companies advised by the $M$ anager are defined as "affiliated" in the Act.
(d) Dividends to shareholders: D ividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Dividends from investment income-net and dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually,
but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal R evenue C ode of 1986, as amended (the "C ode").To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles
(e) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the C ode, and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 was as follows: long-term capital gains $\$ 3,113,698$. The tax character of current year distributions will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

## NOTE 2-Bank Line of Credit:

The portfolio participates with other Dreyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 100$ million unsecured line of credit primarily to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions. Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings. D uring the period ended June 30,2005 , the portfolio did not borrow under the line of credit.

NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions with Affiliates:
(a) Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement with the $M$ anager, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of .90 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly.

The M anager has agreed, from January 1, 2005 to D ecember 31, 2005, to waive receipt of its fees and/ or assume the expenses of the portfolio so that the expenses of neither class, exclusive of taxes, brokerage fees, interest on borrowings and extraordinary expenses, exceed an annual rate of $1.50 \%$ of the value of the average daily net assets of their class. During the period ended June 30, 2005, there were no fees waived pursuant to the undertaking.
(b) U nder the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to R ule 12b-1 under the Act, Service shares pay the D istributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/ or maintaining Service shares shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing for Service shares. T he Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of 25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the Service shares' average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. T he fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the period ended June 30, 2005, Service shares were charged $\$ 19,793$ pursuant to the Plan.

The portfolio compensates Dreyfus Transfer, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, under a transfer agency agreement for providing personnel and facilities to perform transfer agency services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 63$ pursuant to the transfer agency agreement.

The portfolio compensates M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the M anager, under a custody agreement for providing custodial services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 2,649$ pursuant to the custody agreement.

During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 1,998$ for services performed by the C hief C ompliance O fficer.

The components of Due to The D reyfus C orporation and affiliates in the Statement of A ssets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fees $\$ 26,300$, R ule $12 b-1$ distribution plan fees $\$ 3,133$, custodian fees $\$ 1,610$, chief compliance officer fees $\$ 1,998$ and transfer agency per account fees $\$ 19$.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the D reyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.
(d) Pursuant to an exemptive order from the Securities and Exchange Commission, the portfolio may invest its available cash balances in affiliated money market mutual funds. M anagement fees of the underlying money market mutual funds have been waived by the M anager.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities, during the period ended June 30 , 2005, amounted to $\$ 8,255,403$ and $\$ 10,722,389$, respectively.

At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 5,133,807$, consisting of $\$ 6,790,447$ gross unrealized appreciation and $\$ 1,656,640$ gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against M ellon Financial, M ellon Bank, N.A., Dreyfus, Founders A sset $M$ anagement LLC, and certain directors of the Dreyfus Funds and the D reyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the U nited States D istrict C ourt for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September 2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons
who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999 and $N$ ovember 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. The A mended Complaint in the newly styled In re Dreyfus M utual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania U nfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive R ule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. M ore specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other things, that 12b-1 fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that $12 \mathrm{~b}-1$ fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. The A mended Complaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. With respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought against the Funds. D reyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In N ovember 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint in whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in $M$ ay 2005.

Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requests for relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. $N$ either D reyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or D reyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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The portfolio files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The portfolio's Forms N-Q are available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

A description of the policies and procedures that the portfolio uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, and information regarding how the portfolio voted these proxies for the 12-month period ended June 30, 2005, is available at http://www.dreyfus.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The description of the policies and procedures is also available without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-645-6561.


# Dreyfus <br> Investment Portfolios, MidCap Stock Portfolio 

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN
D ear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, MidCap Stock Portfolio, covering the sixmonth period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find valuable information about how the portfolio was managed during the reporting period, including a discussion with the portfolio manager, John 0 'Toole.

O n average, U.S. stock prices ended the first half of 2005 slightly lower than where they began, largely due to headwinds caused by higher energy prices, rising short-term interest rates and recent evidence of slower economic growth. W hile midcap stocks generally produced higher returns than large-cap stocks, and large-cap stocks generally outperformed small-cap stocks, these differences were relatively small. Conversely, value-oriented stocks continued to produce substantially better results than their more growth-oriented counterparts.

In some ways, market conditions at midyear remind us of those from one year ago, when stock prices languished due to economic and political concerns before rallying strongly later in the year. C urrently, our economists expect the U.S. economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future without significant new inflationary pressures, potentially setting the stage for better business conditions that could send stock prices higher. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,



Stephen E. C anter
Chairman and $C$ hief Executive 0 fficer
The Dreyfus C orporation
July 15, 2005

## DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

John O'Toole, Portfolio Manager
How did Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, MidCap Stock Portfolio perform relative to its benchmark?
For the six-month period ended June 30,2005 , the portfolio's Initial shares produced a total return of $2.05 \%$, and its Service shares produced a total return of $1.96 \% .1$ This compares with the total return of $3.85 \%$ provided by the portfolio's benchmark, the Standard \& Poor's M idC ap 400 Index, for the same period. ${ }^{2}$
D espite relatively volatile market conditions, most stock market indices ended the reporting period close to where they began. H owever, midcap stocks generally produced higher returns than their large- and small-cap counterparts. W hile the portfolio benefited from the relative strength of the midcap market, disappointing performance from a small number of individual holdings, particularly in the financial and producer goods sectors, caused its returns to lag the benchmark.

What is the portfolio's investment approach?
The portfolio normally invests at least $80 \%$ of its assets in growth and value stocks of midsize companies, which are chosen through a disciplined process that combines computer modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management.
In selecting securities, our investment team uses a computer model to identify and rank stocks within an industry or sector, based on:

- value, or how a stock is priced relative to its perceived intrinsic worth;
- growth, in this case the sustainability or growth of earnings; and
- finandial profile, which measures the financial health of the company.

We then use fundamental analysis to select the most attractive of the higher ranked securities, drawing on a variety of sources, including internal as well as Wall Street research and company management. We attempt to manage risk by diversifying across companies and industries, limiting the potential adverse impact from any one stock or industry. The portfolio is structured so that its sector weightings
and risk characteristics, such as growth, size, quality and yield, are similar to those of the S\&P 400.

## What other factors influenced the portfolio's performance?

Although U.S. economic growth remained strong throughout the reporting period, the equity markets struggled with uncertainties related to high energy prices, rising interest rates and the potential impact of these factors on the rate of economic growth. In this uncertain market environment, we emphasized companies that we believed offered sound future business prospects and were likely to produce earnings that were in line with analysts expectations. This approach produced relatively strong returns among energy stocks, which benefited from rising oil and gas prices across a wide range of energy-related industries. Top energy performers included companies with extensive refinery operations, such as Tesoro and Sunoco; oil service providers, such as Todco; and exploration and production outfits, such as N ewfield Exploration.
O ur investment strategy also identified several strong individual stock selections in other sectors. N otable examples included clothing retailer Abercrombie \& Fitch, which capitalized on current fashion trends; medical services provider C oventry H ealth C are, which rose as a result of favorable business conditions and a healthy pricing environment; and $W$ hole Foods M arket, the nation's largest chain of natural and organic supermarkets, which continued its successful program of geographic expansion.
U nfortunately, the market's lack of clear direction led to sharp declines in companies that failed to meet analysts' earnings expectations or offered even slightly downbeat forecasts of future performance. The portfolio encountered some difficulties in the financial sector. Despite strong returns from holdings such as Chicago Mercantile Exchange H oldings and Zenith N ational Insurance, disappointments among a few other holdings, such as Puerto R ico-based bank Doral Financial, asset administration services provider Investors Financial Services and education lending services provider First $M$ arblehead, detracted from returns. Weak individual stock selections in the producer goods and business services sectors further hurt the portfolio's performance relative to its benchmark. M ost notably, uncertainties regarding the future strength of
the U.S. economy took a toll on industrial distributor W.W. Grainger and trucker J. B. H unt Transport Services, while cost-related concerns and difficulties in its magazine group proved detrimental to publisher Gemstar-TV Guide International.

## What is the portfolio's current strategy?

In our opinion, the midcap market's recent strength compared to both small- and large-cap stocks reflects its relative stability and potential for growth. We believe that midcap stocks generally face fewer risks than small-cap stocks in unfavorable economic environments, but they offer the potential to grow by a greater order of magnitude than Iarge-cap stocks when conditions permit. In our judgment, these characteristics position the midcap market to weather the uncertainties of the current investment environment. H owever, the recent strength in midcap stocks could end at any time, and performance could be more in line or below that of larger and smaller capitalization issues. In addition, we believe that the current environment should favor companies that continue to meet positive earnings forecasts despite broad economic uncertainties. Accordingly, we have focused our research and analytical efforts on identifying individual midcap companies with more predictable earnings under a variety of economic conditions.

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The portfolio is only available as a funding vehide under variable life insurance polides or variable annuity contracts issued by insurance companies Individuals may not purchase shares of the portfolio directly. A variable annuity is an insurance contrad issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals T he investment objective and polides of D reyfus Investment Portfolios, M idC ap Stock Portfolio made available through insurance producs may be similar to other funds/ portfolios managed or advised by D reyfus H owever, the investment results of the portfolio may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other $D$ reyfus fund/ portfolio.
1 Total return indudes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results Share price and investment return flucuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. T he portfolio's performance does not refled the deduction of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contrads, which will reduce returns, R eturn figures provided refled the absorption of portfolio expenses by $T$ he $D$ reyfus $C$ orporation pursuant to an agreement in effect through D ecember 31, 2005, at which time it may be extended, terminated or modified. H ad these expenses not been absorbed, the portfolio's returns would have been lower.
2 SOURCE: LIPPER INC. - R eflects reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions T he Standard \& Poor's M idC ap 400 Index is a widely accepted, unmanaged total return index measuring the performance of the midsize-company segment of the U.S. market.

## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES (Unaudited)

A s a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses such as management fees and other expenses $U$ sing the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affed your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds You also may pay onetime transadion expenses induding sales charges (loads) and redemption fees which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your finandal adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, M idC ap Stock Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

## Expenses and Value of a $\$ 1,000$ Investment

|  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000^{+}$ | $\$ \quad 3.96$ | $\$ .01$ |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 1,020.50$ | $\$ 1,019.60$ |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.

| Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| assuming a hypothetical 5\% annualized return for the six months ended June 30, 2005 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Initia | Shares | vic | hares |
| Expenses paid per \$1,000 ${ }^{+}$ | \$ | 3.96 | \$ | 5.01 |
| Ending value (after expenses) |  | 20.88 |  | 9.84 |

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## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Common Stocks-99.3\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Consumer Cyclical-15.3\% |  |  |
| Abercrombie \& Fitch, Cl. A | 65,600 | 4,506,720 |
| Aeropostale | 76,800 a | 2,580,480 |
| American Eagle Outfitters | 95,200 | 2,917,880 |
| Applebee's International | 104,900 | 2,778,801 |
| Autoliv | 47,000 | 2,058,600 |
| Bandag | 49,200 b | 2,265,660 |
| Barnes \& Noble | 69,200 a | 2,684,960 |
| CDW | 82,800 | 4,727,052 |
| CEC Entertainment | 54,500 a | 2,293,905 |
| Chico's FAS | 77,000 a,b | 2,639,560 |
| Choice Hotels International | 34,900 | 2,292,930 |
| Claire's Stores | 115,800 b | 2,784,990 |
| Foot Locker | 67,000 | 1,823,740 |
| Guitar Center | 43,500 a | 2,539,095 |
| HNI | 41,800 | 2,138,070 |
| Harman International Industries | 36,300 | 2,953,368 |
| Hibbett Sporting Goods | 38,100 a | 1,441,704 |
| Michaels Stores | 111,600 | 4,616,892 |
| Pacific Sunwear of California | 78,600 a | 1,807,014 |
| Penn National Gaming | 78,400 a | 2,861,600 |
| Polaris Industries | 34,500 | 1,863,000 |
| Sonic | 53,700 a | 1,639,461 |
| Toro | 43,200 | 1,667,952 |
| Whole Foods Market | 53,600 | 6,340,880 |
|  |  | 66,224,314 |
| Consumer Staples-3.3\% |  |  |
| Estee Lauder Cos., Cl. A | 43,600 | 1,706,068 |
| Gold Kist | 58,600 a | 1,264,588 |
| Hormel Foods | 140,600 | 4,123,798 |
| Pilgrim's Pride | 61,400 b | 2,095,582 |
| SUPERVALU | 39,500 b | 1,288,095 |
| Sanderson Farms | 51,600 | 2,344,704 |
| Sensient Technologies | 72,200 | 1,488,042 |
|  |  | 14,310,877 |
| Energy-9.7\% |  |  |
| Energen | 92,000 | 3,224,600 |
| Grant Prideco | 97,000 a | 2,565,650 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Energy (continued) |  |  |
| Houston Exploration | 52,700 a | 2,795,735 |
| Hydril | 44,800 a | 2,434,880 |
| Newfield Exploration | 82,600 a | 3,294,914 |
| Oceaneering International | 53,200 a | 2,056,180 |
| Plains Exploration \& Production | 81,300 a | 2,888,589 |
| Pride International | 75,400 a | 1,937,780 |
| Questar | 48,700 | 3,209,330 |
| Sunoco | 29,000 | 3,296,720 |
| Tesoro | 77,700 b | 3,614,604 |
| Todco, Cl. A | 108,000 a | 2,772,360 |
| W\&T Offshore | 120,900 | 2,910,063 |
| Weatherford International | 86,300 a | 5,003,674 |
|  |  | 42,005,079 |
| Health Care-12.2\% |  |  |
| Apria Healthcare Group | 29,000 a | 1,004,560 |
| Barr Pharmaceuticals | 32,700 a | 1,593,798 |
| Cephalon | 45,400 a | 1,807,374 |
| Charles River Laboratories International | 48,100 a | 2,320,825 |
| Coventry Health Care | 82,400 a | 5,829,800 |
| Dade Behring Holdings | 36,200 | 2,353,362 |
| Diagnostic Products | 40,000 | 1,893,200 |
| Endo Pharmaceuticals Holdings | 59,000 a | 1,550,520 |
| Express Scripts | 41,000 a | 2,049,180 |
| First Horizon Pharmaceutical | 74,500 a,b | 1,418,480 |
| Genesis HealthCare | 41,000 a | 1,897,480 |
| Hospira | 68,300 a | 2,663,700 |
| Invitrogen | 29,000 a | 2,415,410 |
| Kindred Healthcare | 47,300 a | 1,873,553 |
| Millipore | 48,300 a | 2,740,059 |
| PacifiCare Health Systems | 76,500 a | 5,465,925 |
| PerkinElmer | 75,900 | 1,434,510 |
| Sybron Dental Specialties | 56,300 a | 2,118,006 |
| Thermo Electron | 89,400 a | 2,402,178 |
| United Therapeutics | 25,300 a,b | 1,219,460 |
| Varian Medical Systems | 116,100 a, b | 4,334,013 |
| WellChoice | 36,700 a | 2,549,549 |
|  |  | 52,934,942 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Interest Sensitive-17.3\% |  |  |
| A.G. Edwards | 70,200 | 3,169,530 |
| AMB Property | 48,800 b | 2,119,384 |
| Allmerica Financial | 58,500 a | 2,169,765 |
| American Financial Group | 115,000 | 3,854,800 |
| AmeriCredit | 111,200 a,b | 2,835,600 |
| Apollo Investment | 108,100 | 1,992,283 |
| BankAtlantic Bancorp, CI. A | 129,000 | 2,444,550 |
| Bank of Hawaii | 74,300 | 3,770,725 |
| BlackRock, CI.A | 24,200 | 1,946,890 |
| Chicago Mercantile Exchange Holdings | 6,050 | 1,787,775 |
| Colonial BancGroup | 143,600 | 3,167,816 |
| Dime Bancorp (warrants) | 19,900 a | 3,582 |
| Downey Financial | 31,900 b | 2,335,080 |
| Federal Realty Investment Trust | 42,400 | 2,501,600 |
| FirstFed Financial | 28,500 a | 1,698,885 |
| First Marblehead | 25,500 a,b | 894,030 |
| Hudson City Bancorp | 211,500 | 2,413,215 |
| Investors Financial Services | 82,100 | 3,105,022 |
| Lincoln National | 59,900 | 2,810,508 |
| Mercury General | 35,000 | 1,908,200 |
| MoneyGram International | 121,900 | 2,330,728 |
| National Financial Partners | 52,100 | 2,039,194 |
| New Century Financial | 44,400 b | 2,284,380 |
| Regency Centers | 41,000 b | 2,345,200 |
| SVB Financial Group | 56,700 a, | 2,715,930 |
| Selective Insurance Group | 41,800 b | 2,071,190 |
| State Auto Financial | 65,800 | 2,042,432 |
| Texas Regional Bancshares, CI. A | 34,400 | 1,048,512 |
| United Fire \& Casualty | 70,500 | 3,131,610 |
| Unitrin | 54,900 | 2,695,590 |
| Weingarten Realty Investors | 85,300 b | 3,345,466 |
| Wilmington Trust | 54,150 | 1,949,942 |
|  |  | 74,929,414 |
| Producer Goods-15.4\% |  |  |
| Bemis | 95,200 | 2,526,608 |
| Brookfield Homes | 31,700 | 1,445,520 |
| CNF | 60,700 | 2,725,430 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Producer Goods (continued) |  |  |
| Cooper Industries, CI. A | 36,100 | 2,306,790 |
| Crane | 62,700 | 1,649,010 |
| D.R. Horton | 51,733 | 1,945,678 |
| Eagle Materials | 20,700 | 1,916,613 |
| Energizer Holdings | 48,900 a | 3,040,113 |
| FMC | 31,000 a | 1,740,340 |
| Florida Rock Industries | 24,900 | 1,826,415 |
| J.B. Hunt Transport Services | 193,600 | 3,736,480 |
| Lennar, CI. A | 101,000 | 6,408,450 |
| Lubrizol | 84,300 | 3,541,443 |
| Lyondell Chemical | 92,900 | 2,454,418 |
| Nucor | 41,200 | 1,879,544 |
| Overseas Shipholding Group | 57,800 | 3,447,770 |
| Potlatch | 43,000 | 2,250,190 |
| Rockwell Automation | 38,400 | 1,870,464 |
| Sherwin-Williams | 42,200 | 1,987,198 |
| Sigma-Aldrich | 36,100 | 2,023,044 |
| Silgan Holdings | 26,300 | 1,479,112 |
| Standard Pacific | 32,700 | 2,875,965 |
| Stanley Works | 57,300 | 2,609,442 |
| Teledyne Technologies | 58,300 a | 1,899,414 |
| Timken | 92,900 | 2,145,990 |
| Toll Brothers | 27,400 a | 2,782,470 |
| W.W. Grainger | 40,100 | 2,197,079 |
|  |  | 66,710,990 |
| Services-10.4\% |  |  |
| Acxiom | 122,300 | 2,553,624 |
| Catalina Marketing | 68,400 | 1,738,044 |
| Cognizant Technology Solutions, CI. A | 97,300 a | 4,585,749 |
| Copart | 124,100 a | 2,953,580 |
| Cox Radio, Cl. A | 91,900 a,b | 1,447,425 |
| Equifax | 69,900 | 2,496,129 |
| FactSet Research Systems | 94,800 | 3,397,632 |
| Gemstar-TV Guide International | 296,700 a | 1,065,153 |
| Getty Images | 30,900 a,b | 2,294,634 |
| ITT Educational Services | 53,300 a, b | 2,847,286 |
| La Quinta | 201,100 a | 1,876,263 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Services (continued) |  |  |
| Manpower | 71,000 | 2,824,380 |
| NAVTEQ | 27,900 a | 1,037,322 |
| ProQuest | 39,600 a | 1,298,484 |
| Republic Services | 130,700 | 4,706,507 |
| Robert Half International | 81,000 b | 2,022,570 |
| Rollins | 66,000 | 1,322,640 |
| Washington Post, CI. B | 5,800 | 4,843,174 |
|  |  | 45,310,596 |
| Technology-10.5\% |  |  |
| Amphenol, CI. A | 81,400 | 3,269,838 |
| Arrow Electronics | 126,700 a | 3,441,172 |
| Autodesk | 77,500 a | 2,663,675 |
| Avnet | 86,000 a | 1,937,580 |
| Citrix Systems | 91,000 a | 1,971,060 |
| Freescale Semiconductor, CI. A | 114,600 a | 2,427,228 |
| Harris | 146,000 | 4,556,660 |
| Imation | 54,700 | 2,121,813 |
| InfoSpace | 51,700 a | 1,702,481 |
| Lam Research | 70,400 a | 2,037,376 |
| Micrel | 157,000 a | 1,808,640 |
| Microchip Technology | 67,400 | 1,996,388 |
| National Semiconductor | 83,700 | 1,843,911 |
| Novell | 287,500 a | 1,782,500 |
| SanDisk | 72,000 a | 1,708,560 |
| Sybase | 96,200 a | 1,765,270 |
| Tech Data | 65,600 a | 2,401,616 |
| Transaction Systems Architects | 87,500 a | 2,155,125 |
| Varian Semiconductor Equipment Associates | 53,500 a | 1,979,500 |
| Western Digital | 152,000 a | 2,039,840 |
|  |  | 45,610,233 |
| Utilities-5.2\% |  |  |
| CenturyTel | 83,100 | 2,877,753 |
| Great Plains Energy | 104,900 | 3,345,261 |
| NRG Energy | 63,000 a | 2,368,800 |
| OGE Energy | 123,100 | 3,562,514 |
| Pinnacle West Capital | 53,600 | 2,382,520 |
| SCANA | 100,500 b | 4,292,355 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Utilities (continued) |  |  |
| WPS Resources | 69,900 | 3,931,875 |
|  |  | 22,761,078 |
| Total Common Stocks (cost $\$ 373,590,265$ ) |  | 430,797,523 |
| Short-Term Investments-1.4\% | Principal Amount (\$) | Value (\$) |
| Repurchase Agreement; <br> Greenwich Capital Markets, Tri-Party Repurchase Agreement, 2.90\%, dated 6/30/2005, due 7/1/2005, in the amount of $\$ 6,000,483$ (fully collateralized by $\$ 6,100,000$ Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., Notes, $4.20 \%, 11 / 26 / 2007$, value $\$ 6,122,854$ ) (cost \$6,000,000) | 6,000,000 | 6,000,000 |
| Investment of Cash Collateral for Securities Loaned-4.8\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| Registered Investment Company; |  |  |
| Dreyfus Institutional Cash Advantage Fund (cost $\$ 20,675,338$ ) | 20,675,338 c | 20,675,338 |
| Total Investments (cost \$430,265,603) | 105.5\% | 457,472,861 |
| Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables |  | $(23,896,690)$ |
| Net Assets | 100.0\% | 433,576,171 |

a N on-income produaing
b All or a portion of these searities are on Ioan. A t June 30, 2005, the total market value of the portfolio's searities on loan is $\$ 23,019,301$ and the total market value of the collateral held by the portfolio is $\$ 23,779,178$, consisting of cash collateral of $\$ 20,675,338$ and U.S. G overnment and agency searities valued at $\$ 3,103,840$.
c Investment in affiliated money market mutual fund.

Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) ${ }^{\dagger}$

|  | Value (\%) |  | Value (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Interest Sensitive | 17.3 | Energy | 9.7 |
| Producer Goods | 15.4 | Short-Term/ |  |
| Consumer Cyclical | 15.3 | Money Market Investments | 6.2 |
| Health Care | 12.2 | Other | 8.5 |
| Technology | 10.5 |  |  |
| Services | 10.4 |  | $\mathbf{1 0 5 . 5}$ |

$\dagger$ B ased on net assets
See notes to finandial statements.

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Investments in securities-See Statement of Investments (including securities on loan, valued at \$23,019,301)-Note 1(b): |  |  |
| Unaffiliated issuers | 379,590,265 | 436,797,523 |
| Affiliated issuers | 20,675,338 | 20,675,338 |
| Receivable for investment securities sold |  | 4,569,060 |
| Dividends and interest receivable |  | 194,115 |
| Receivable for shares of Beneficial Interest subscribed |  | 8,852 |
| Prepaid expenses |  | 10,094 |
|  |  | 462,254,982 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) |  | 285,134 |
| Cash overdraft due to Custodian |  | 1,406,602 |
| Liability for securities on loan-Note 1 (b) |  | 20,675,338 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased |  | 6,043,974 |
| Payable for shares of Beneficial Interest redeemed |  | 232,558 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 35,205 |
|  |  | 28,678,811 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 433,576,171 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Paid-in capital |  | 341,754,378 |
| Accumulated undistributed investment income-net |  | 773,641 |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments |  | 33,840,894 |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments |  | 57,207,258 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 433,576,171 |


| Net Asset Value Per Share |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| Net Assets (\$) | $349,818,054$ | $83,758,117$ |
| Shares Outstanding | $19,538,644$ | $4,695,873$ |
| Net Asset Value Per Share (\$) | $\mathbf{1 7 . 9 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 8 4}$ |

See notes to finandal statements

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)
Investment Income (\$):
Income:
Cash dividends (net of $\$ 1,051$ foreign taxes withheld at source) ..... 2,408,375
Interest ..... 71,166
Income from securities lending ..... 13,237
Total Income ..... 2,492,778
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 1,560,484
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 100,386
Prospectus and shareholders' reports ..... 27,221
Professional fees ..... 22,719
Custodian fees-Note 3(b) ..... 21,725
Trustees' fees and expenses-Note 3(c) ..... 4,542
Shareholder servicing costs-Note 3(b) ..... 3,494
Registration fees ..... 1,930
Miscellaneous ..... 6,943
Total Expenses ..... 1,749,444
Less-waiver of fees due to undertaking-Note 3(a) ..... $(18,344)$
Net Expenses ..... 1,731,100
Investment Income-Net ..... 761,678
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):
Net realized gain (loss) on investments ..... 33,861,481
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments ..... $(26,019,077)$
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... 7,842,404
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... 8,604,082

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net | 761,678 | 1,483,312 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 33,861,481 | 35,312,341 |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | $(26,019,077)$ | 16,976,570 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | 8,604,082 | 53,772,223 |
| Dividends to Shareholders from (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(105,742)$ | $(1,247,333)$ |
| Service shares | - | $(140,525)$ |
| Net realized gain on investments: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(1,407,926)$ | $(8,014,833)$ |
| Service shares | $(339,126)$ | $(1,899,359)$ |
| Total Dividends | $(1,852,794)$ | $(11,302,050)$ |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 20,159,032 | 38,662,714 |
| Service shares | 6,667,402 | 26,036,803 |
| Dividends reinvested: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 1,513,668 | 9,262,166 |
| Service shares | 339,126 | 2,039,884 |
| Cost of shares redeemed: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(22,346,059)$ | $(39,708,550)$ |
| Service shares | $(6,166,880)$ | $(12,581,127)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from |  |  |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | 6,917,577 | 66,182,063 |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 426,658,594 | 360,476,531 |
| End of Period | 433,576,171 | 426,658,594 |
| Undistributed investment income-net | 773,641 | 117,705 |


|  | Six Months Ended <br> June 30, 2005 <br> (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Capital Share Transactions: |  |  |
| Initial Shares | $1,170,013$ | $2,387,774$ |
| Shares sold | 87,850 | 531,785 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | $(1,296,618)$ | $(2,450,805)$ |
| Shares redeemed | $\mathbf{( 3 8 , 7 5 5 )}$ | $\mathbf{4 6 8 , 7 5 4}$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding |  |  |
| Service Shares | $\mathbf{3 8 7 , 5 1 9}$ | $1,619,530$ |
| Shares sold | 19,751 | 117,505 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | $(360,748)$ | $\mathbf{( 7 7 8 , 6 1 5 )}$ |
| Shares redeemed | $\mathbf{4 6 , 5 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{9 5 8 , 4 2 0}$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding |  |  |

See notes to finandal statements

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single portfolio share. Total return shows how much your investment in the portfolio would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the portfolio's financial statements.

| Initial Shares Six M | nths Ended <br> ne 30, 2005 | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 17.62 | 15.82 | 12.04 | 13.80 | 14.29 | 13.44 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income-neta | . 03 | . 07 | . 04 | . 04 | . 03 | . 05 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | . 33 | 2.22 | 3.78 | (1.76) | (.50) | 1.05 |
| Total from Investment Operations | . 36 | 2.29 | 3.82 | (1.72) | (.47) | 1.10 |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | (.01) | (.07) | (.04) | (.04) | (.02) | (.03) |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | (.07) | (.42) | - | - | - | (.13) |
| Dividends in excess of net realized gain on investments | - | - | - | - | - | (.09) |
| Total Distributions | (.08) | (.49) | (.04) | (.04) | (.02) | (.25) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 17.90 | 17.62 | 15.82 | 12.04 | 13.80 | 14.29 |
| Total Return (\%) | $2.05{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 14.48 | 31.72 | (12.49) | (3.26) | 8.28 |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .39b | . 78 | . 82 | . 85 | . 89 | 1.04 |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .39b | . 78 | . 82 | . 85 | . 89 | . 98 |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | . $20{ }^{\text {b }}$ | . 43 | . 32 | . 32 | . 24 | . 34 |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | $53.00^{\text {b }}$ | 79.75 | 74.15 | 69.15 | 76.37 | 102.89 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 349,818 | 344,979 | 302,253 | 218,387 | 181,028 | 76,784 |

[^11]| Service Shares $\begin{array}{r}\text { Six M } \\ \text { Ju }\end{array}$ | ths Ended $\text { e } 30,2005$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000a |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 17.57 | 15.77 | 12.02 | 13.78 | 14.29 | 14.29 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income-net | . $02{ }^{\text {b }}$ | .04b | . $02{ }^{\text {b }}$ | . $02{ }^{\text {b }}$ | . $01{ }^{\text {b }}$ | - |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | . 32 | 2.21 | 3.75 | (1.75) | (.50) | - |
| Total from Investment Operations | . 34 | 2.25 | 3.77 | (1.73) | (.49) | - |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | - | (.03) | (.02) | (.03) | (.02) | - |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | (.07) | (.42) | - | - | - | - |
| Total Distributions | (.07) | (.45) | (.02) | (.03) | (.02) | - |
| Net asset value, end of period | 17.84 | 17.57 | 15.77 | 12.02 | 13.78 | 14.29 |
| Total Return (\%) | 1.96 c | 14.23 | 31.48 | (12.64) | (3.36) | - |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .52c | 1.03 | 1.06 | 1.10 | 1.17 | - |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .50c | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | - |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | . 10 c | . 22 | . 12 | . 15 | . 07 | - |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | $53.00{ }^{\circ}$ | 79.75 | 74.15 | 69.15 | 76.37 | 102.89 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 83,758 | 81,680 | 58,224 | 18,320 | 9,764 | 1 |

a The portfolio commenced offering Service shares on D ecember 31, 2000.
b B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
c N ot annualized.
See notes to finandal statements

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment C ompany Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an openend management investment company, operating as a series company currently offering nine series, including the MidCap Stock Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. The portfolio is a diversified series. The portfolio's investment objective is to provide investment results that are greater than the total return performance of publicly-traded common stocks of medium-size domestic companies in the aggregate, as represented by the Standard \& Poor's MidCap 400 Index. The D reyfus C orporation (the "M anager" or "D reyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser.T he M anager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of M ellon Financial Corporation ("M ellon Financial").

D reyfus Service C orporation (the "D istributor"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the M anager, is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge. T he portfolio is authorized to issue an unlimited number of $\$ .001$ par value shares of Beneficial Interest in each of the following classes of shares: Initial and Service. Each class of shares has identical rights and privileges, except with respect to the distribution plan and the expenses borne by each class and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The fund accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series' operations; expenses which are applicable to all series are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange or national securities market on which such securities are primarily traded. Securities listed on the $N$ ational $M$ arket System for which market quotations are available are valued at the official closing price or, if there is no official closing price that day, at the last sales price. Securities not listed on an exchange or the national securities market, or securities for which there were no transactions, are valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices, except for open short positions, where the asked price is used for valuation purposes. Bid price is used when no asked price is available. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value. W hen market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the portfolio calculates its net asset value, the portfolio may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board ofTrustees. Fair valuing of securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using calculations based on indices of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as prices of relevant ADR 's and futures contracts. For other securities that are fair valued by the Board of Trustees, certain factors may be considered such as. fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Financial futures are valued at the last sales price.
(b) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. $R$ ealized gain and loss from
securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

The portfolio has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby the portfolio receives earnings credits from the custodian when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the portfolio includes net earnings credits, if any, as an expense offset in the Statement of O perations.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the M anager, the portfolio may lend securities to qualified institutions. At origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least $102 \%$ of the value of U.S. securities loaned and $105 \%$ of the value of foreign securities loaned. Collateral equivalent to at least $100 \%$ of the market value of securities on loan will be maintained at all times. C ash collateral is invested in certain money market mutual funds managed by the M anager. The portfolio will be entitled to receive all income on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Although each security loaned is fully collateralized, the portfolio would bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner.

The portfolio may enter into repurchase agreements with financial institutions, deemed to be creditworthy by the M anager, subject to the seller's agreement to repurchase and the portfolio's agreement to resell such securities at a mutually agreed upon price. Securities purchased subject to repurchase agreements are deposited with the portfolio's custodian and, pursuant to the terms of the repurchase agreement, must have an aggregate market value greater than or equal to the repurchase price plus accrued interest at all times. If the value of the underlying securities falls below the value of the repurchase price plus accrued interest, the portfolio will require the seller to deposit additional collateral by the next business day. If the request for additional
collateral is not met, or the seller defaults on its repurchase obligation, the portfolio maintains the right to sell the underlying securities at market value and may claim any resulting loss against the seller.
(c) Affiliated issuers: Investments in other investment companies advised by the $M$ anager are defined as "affiliated" in the Act.
(d) Dividends to shareholders: Dividends are recorded on the exdividend date. Dividends from investment income-net and dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal R evenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "C ode"). To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, if any, it is the policy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
(e) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the C ode, and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 was as follows: ordinary income $\$ 1,387,858$ and long-term capital gains $\$ 9,914,192$. The tax character of current year distributions will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

## NOTE 2-Bank Line of Credit:

The portfolio participates with other Dreyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 100$ million unsecured line of credit primarily to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions. Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings. D uring the period ended June 30,2005 , the portfolio did not borrow under the line of credit.

NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions With Affiliates:
(a) Pursuant to an InvestmentA dvisory A greement with the $M$ anager, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of . 75 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly.

The M anager has agreed, from January 1, 2005 to D ecember 31, 2005, to waive receipt of its fees and/ or assume the expenses of the portfolio so that the expenses of neither class, exclusive of taxes, brokerage fees, interest on borrowings and extraordinary expenses, exceed 1\% of the value of the average daily net assets of their class. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the $M$ anager waived receipt of fees of $\$ 18,344$, pursuant to the undertaking.
(b) Under the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to R ule 12 b - 1 under the Act, Service shares pay the Distributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/ or maintaining Service shares shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing for Service shares. The Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of . 25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the Service shares' average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. T he fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the period ended June 30, 2005, Service shares were charged \$100,386 pursuant to the Plan.

The portfolio compensates Dreyfus Transfer, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, under a transfer agency agreement for providing personnel and facilities to perform transfer agency services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 394$ pursuant to the transfer agency agreement.

The portfolio compensates M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the $M$ anager, under a custody agreement for providing custodial services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 21,725$ pursuant to the custody agreement.

During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged \$1,998 for services performed by the C hief C ompliance $O$ fficer.

The components of Due to The D reyfus C orporation and affiliates in the Statement of A ssets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fees $\$ 265,869$, R ule 12 b - 1 distribution plan fees $\$ 17,078$, custodian fees $\$ 11,847$, chief compliance officer fees $\$ 1,998$ and transfer agency per account fees $\$ 135$, which are offset against an expense reimbursement currently in effect in the amount of $\$ 11,793$.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the D reyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities, during the period ended June 30 , 2005, amounted to $\$ 223,628,266$ and $\$ 220,456,617$, respectively.

At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 57,207,258$, consisting of $\$ 67,237,204$ gross unrealized appreciation and $\$ 10,029,946$ gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against M ellon Financial, M ellon Bank, N.A., Dreyfus, Founders Asset $M$ anagement LLC, and certain directors of the Dreyfus Funds and the D reyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the U nited States District C ourt for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September 2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999
and $N$ ovember 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. The A mended Complaint in the newly styled In re Dreyfus M utual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania U nfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive R ule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. M ore specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other things, that 12b-1 fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that $12 b-1$ fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. The A mended Complaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. W ith respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought against the Funds. D reyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In N ovember 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint in whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in $M$ ay 2005.
Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requests for relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. $N$ either Dreyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or Dreyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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The portfolio files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The portfolio's Forms N-Q are available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

A description of the policies and procedures that the portfolio uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, and information regarding how the portfolio voted these proxies for the 12-month period ended June 30, 2005, is available at http://www.dreyfus.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The description of the policies and procedures is also available without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-645-6561.


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## LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

D ear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for D reyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders International Equity Portfolio, covering the sixmonth period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find valuable information about how the portfolio was managed during the reporting period, including a discussion with the portfolio managers, R emi J. Browne, CFA, and Daniel B. LeVan, CFA, of Founders Asset $M$ anagement LLC, the portfolio's sub-investment adviser.

On average, international stock prices in local currency terms ended the first half of 2005 modestly higher than where they began. H owever, a strengthening U.S. dollar eroded those returns for U.S. investors, presenting them with generally modest losses. W hile stocks in the emerging markets produced higher returns than stocks from industrialized nations, these differences were relatively small. Conversely, within the developed markets, European companies generally produced substantially better results than their counterparts in Japan.

In some ways, market conditions at midyear remind us of those from one year ago, when stock prices languished due to economic and geopolitical concerns before rallying strongly later in the year. Currently, our economists expect the global economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future, driven by the ongoing industrialization of China and other emerging markets and potentially setting the stage for better business conditions that could send international stock prices higher. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.
Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,



Stephen E. C anter
C hairman and Chief Executive 0 fficer
The Dreyfus C orporation

## DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

Remi J. Browne, CFA, Daniel B. LeVan, CFA, Portfolio Managers Founders Asset Management LLC, Sub-Investment Adviser

How did Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders International Equity Portfolio perform relative to its benchmarks?

For the six-month period ended June 30,2005 , the portfolio produced total returns of $-1.02 \%$ for its Initial shares and $-1.02 \%$ for its Service shares. 1 In comparison, the portfolio's benchmarks, the M organ Stanley Capital International World ex U.S. Index and the M SCI World ex U.S. Growth Index, produced total returns of $-0.71 \%$ and $-1.12 \%$, respectively, for the same period. 2,3

We attribute the portfolio's performance primarily to investors' concerns regarding the potentially adverse effects of rising energy prices, a less accommodative U.S. monetary policy and a strengthening U.S. dollar on corporate earnings and global economic growth.

What is the portfolio's investment approach?
The portfolio seeks long-term growth of capital. To pursue this goal, the portfolio normally invests at least $80 \%$ of its assets in the equity securities of foreign companies. The portfolio focuses on equity securities of foreign companies that are characterized as "growth" companies. The portfolio may purchase securities of companies in initial public offerings or shortly thereafter.

The portfolio will invest primarily in foreign issuers from at least three foreign countries with established or emerging economies, but will not invest more than $50 \%$ of its assets in issuers in any one foreign country. Although the portfolio intends to invest substantially all of its assets in issuers located outside the $U$ nited States, at times it may invest in U.S.- based companies.

The portfolio focuses on individual stock selection. We do not attempt to predict interest rates or market movements, nor do we have country allocation models or targets. $R$ ather, we choose investments on a company-by-company basis, searching to find what we believe are well-managed, well-positioned companies, wherever they may be.

The portfolio is broadly invested across countries and industries, representing what we believe to be the best growth investment ideas in the world. We generally sell a stock when we determine that circumstances have changed and it will not achieve the growth in earnings we had anticipated, or when valuation becomes stretched.

## What other factors influenced the portfolio's performance?

Despite rising energy prices and mounting inflationary pressures, international equities generally gained value in local currency terms on the strength of robust export activity from Europe to the U nited States and ongoing demand for industrial commodities from C hina and other emerging markets. H owever, these gains were eroded for U.S. investors as the U.S. dollar strengthened against most major currencies, including the euro and yen.

Energy stocks fared particularly well over the first half of 2005 due to rising oil and gas prices. The portfolio's investment in O il Search Ltd., an Australian exploration and production company, represented the single greatest contributor to the portfolio's performance over the reporting period.T he company'stock price rose following an unexpected upgrade to reserves at theirYemeni oil field. A nother winner during the reporting period was D anish shipper A.P. M oller-M aersk, which rallied due to solid freight rates and an accretive acquistion of P\&O N edloyd.

Gains from these holdings were offset by disappointing returns in the consumer staples sector. SABM iller and Delhaize both had negative impacts on the portfolio's relative return. SABM iller declined during the reporting period due to fears the company would overpay for an acquisition, while Delhaize announced a profit warning and was subsequently sold off.

## What is the portfolio's current strategy?

> As always, separating politics and short-term changes in investor sentiment from underlying business and market fundamentals is a critical part of our investment process. We continue to search for companies with improving business momentum at reasonable valuations.

July 15, 2005

The portfolio is only available as a funding vehide under variable life insurance polides or variable annuity contracts issued by insurance companies Individuals may not purchase shares of the portfolio diredly. A variable annuity is an insurance contrad issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals T he investment objective and polides of $D$ reyfus Investment Porffolios, Founders International Equity Portfolio made available through insurance products may be similar to other funds/ portfolios managed or advised by D reyfus. H owever, the investment results of the portfolio may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other $D$ reyfus fund/ portfolio.
1 Total return indudes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results Share price and investment return fluctuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. T he portfolio's performance does not reflect the deducion of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contracts, which will reduce returns. R eturn figures provided refled the absorption of portfolio expenses by T he D reyfus C orporation pursuant to an agreement in effect through D ecember 31, 2005, at which time it may be extended, terminated or modified. Had these expenses not been absorbed, the portfolio's returns would have been lower.
2 SOURCE:LIPPER INC. - R eflects reinvestment of net dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions T he M organ Stanley C apital International (M SCI) W orld ex U.S. Index is an unmanaged index of global stock market performance, exduding the U.S., consisting solely of equity searities
3 SO URCE: M organ Stanley C apital International Inc - R eflects reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions T he M organ Stanley C apital International (M SCI) W orld ex U.S. G rowth Index measures global developed market equity performance of growth searities outside of the U.S.

## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES (Unaudited)

A s a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses such as management fees and other expenses $U$ sing the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affed your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds You also may pay onetime transadion expenses induding sales charges (loads) and redemption fees which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your finandal adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders International Equity Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

Expenses and Value of a $\$ 1,000$ Investment
assuming actual returns for the six months ended June 30, 2005
Initial Shares
Service Shares

| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000^{\dagger}$ | $\$ 7.35$ | $\$ 7.35$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 989.80$ | $\$ 989.80$ |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.
Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment
assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return for the six months ended June 30, 2005

Initial Shares Service Shares | Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000+$ |
| :--- |
| Ending value (after expenses) |

[^12]
## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Common Stocks-96.5\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Australia-3.6\% |  |  |
| BHP Billiton | 11,470 | 158,238 |
| BlueScope Steel | 7,600 | 47,543 |
| Oil Search | 34,090 | 79,549 |
| Rinker Group | 5,100 | 54,271 |
|  |  | 339,601 |
| Belguim-.7\% |  |  |
| InBev | 1,860 | 62,939 |
| Canada-5.4\% |  |  |
| Canadian National Railway | 1,540 | 88,652 |
| Canfor | 4,200 a | 50,285 |
| Gildan Activewear | 2,200 a | 57,553 |
| Husky Energy | 1,800 | 71,439 |
| Research In Motion | 570 a | 41,861 |
| Sun Life Financial | 1,650 | 55,461 |
| TELUS | 4,100 | 143,792 |
|  |  | 509,043 |
| Denmark-2.6\% |  |  |
| AP Moller-Maersk | 13 | 124,077 |
| GN Store Nord | 4,000 | 45,287 |
| Novo-Nordisk, Cl. B | 1,500 | 76,331 |
|  |  | 245,695 |
| Finland-2.3\% |  |  |
| Fortum | 3,100 | 49,693 |
| Nokia | 10,100 | 169,233 |
|  |  | 218,926 |
| France-10.4\% |  |  |
| BNP Paribas | 1,446 | 99,189 |
| Bouygues | 1,680 | 69,632 |
| France Telecom | 1,600 | 46,766 |
| Renault | 1,340 | 118,181 |
| Sanofi-Aventis | 1,970 | 161,826 |
| Societe Generale | 1,030 | 104,859 |
| Suez | 2,890 | 78,423 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| France (continued) |  |  |
| Total | 701 | 164,780 |
| Vivendi Universal | 4,290 | 135,252 |
|  |  | 978,908 |
| Germany-7.4\% |  |  |
| BASF | 1,650 | 109,789 |
| Continental | 1,970 | 141,998 |
| Deutsche Telekom | 2,940 | 54,348 |
| E.ON | 1,370 | 122,119 |
| Merck KGaA | 1,240 | 99,760 |
| SAP | 500 | 87,112 |
| ThyssenKrupp | 4,360 | 75,903 |
|  |  | 691,029 |
| Greece-1.5\% |  |  |
| Alpha Bank | 1,879 | 49,965 |
| Coca Cola Hellenic Bottling | 3,400 | 92,550 |
|  |  | 142,515 |
| Hong Kong-1.4\% |  |  |
| China Mobile (Hong Kong) | 34,800 | 129,645 |
| Italy-3.8\% |  |  |
| Banca Intesa | 21,300 | 97,535 |
| Davide Campari-Milano | 6,500 | 47,654 |
| ENI | 3,100 | 79,921 |
| Mediaset | 10,850 | 127,850 |
|  |  | 352,960 |
| Japan-19.2\% |  |  |
| Asahi Breweries | 7,300 | 87,001 |
| Canon | 3,000 | 157,945 |
| Eisai | 2,900 | 97,516 |
| Honda Motor | 2,900 | 143,007 |
| Hoya | 1,000 | 115,393 |
| JFE Holdings | 3,700 | 91,395 |
| Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha | 7,000 | 41,524 |
| Kyocera | 1,000 | 76,448 |
| Mazda Motor | 26,000 | 97,742 |
| Mitsubishi | 12,000 | 163,137 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Japan (continued) |  |  |
| Mitsui \& Co. | 7,000 | 66,261 |
| NEC | 8,000 | 43,272 |
| Ono Pharmaceutical | 2,000 | 94,839 |
| Sankyo | 2,200 | 42,245 |
| Sanyo Shinpan Finance | 900 | 61,826 |
| Sumitomo Electric Industries | 10,900 | 111,629 |
| Sumitomo Rubber Industries | 5,000 | 51,025 |
| TV Asahi | 22 | 47,203 |
| Takeda Pharmaceutical | 2,900 | 143,791 |
| Yamada Denki | 1,300 | 74,771 |
|  |  | 1,807,970 |
| Netherlands-3.0\% |  |  |
| ING Groep | 6,410 | 181,230 |
| Randstad Holdings | 1,100 | 38,007 |
| Royal Dutch Petroleum | 900 | 58,796 |
|  |  | 278,033 |
| Norway-1.5\% |  |  |
| Norsk Hydro | 560 | 51,404 |
| Orkla | 2,450 | 90,333 |
|  |  | 141,737 |
| Singapore-.6\% |  |  |
| Keppel | 7,900 | 58,546 |
| Spain-2.6\% |  |  |
| ACS | 2,890 | 80,905 |
| Gestevision Telecinco | 2,000 | 46,844 |
| Repsol YPF | 4,440 | 113,661 |
|  |  | 241,410 |
| Sweden-2.8\% |  |  |
| Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson, CI. B | 34,500 | 110,835 |
| Volvo, CI. B | 3,800 | 154,665 |
|  |  | 265,500 |
| Switzerland-6.7\% |  |  |
| Baloise Holding | 930 | 46,427 |
| Compagnie Financiere Richemont, CI. A | 3,640 | 122,374 |
| Credit Suisse Group | 3,460 | 136,430 |


|  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| Switzerland (continued) |  |  |
| Logitech International | 1,600 | 51,420 |
| Novartis | 3,630 | 172,864 |
| UBS | 598 | 46,646 |
| Zurich Financial Services | 300 | 51,669 |
|  |  | $\mathbf{6 2 7 , 8 3 0}$ |
| United Kingdom-21.0\% |  |  |
| AstraZeneca | 3,800 | 157,168 |
| Aviva | 4,020 | 44,750 |
| BAE Systems | 12,200 | 62,665 |
| BP | 19,583 | 203,627 |
| BT Group | 11,800 | 48,572 |
| Barclays | 9,609 | 95,531 |
| British American Tobacco | 4,500 | 86,657 |
| Burberry Group | 6,130 | 44,322 |
| Friends Provident | 18,080 | 58,891 |
| HBOS | 4,240 | 65,298 |
| O2 | 20,770 | 50,647 |
| Old Mutual | 22,730 | 49,629 |
| Reckitt Benckiser | 2,865 | 84,347 |
| Royal Bank of Scotland Group | 1,565 | 47,223 |
| SABMiller | 5,610 | 87,500 |
| Sage Group | 13,640 | 54,621 |
| Shire Pharmaceuticals | 7,370 | 80,723 |
| Tesco | 28,100 | 160,301 |
| Vodafone Group | 140,650 | 342,342 |
| Xstrata | 7,840 | 151,117 |
| Total Common Stocks |  | $\mathbf{1 , 9 7 5 , 9 3 1}$ |
| (cost \$7,330,726) |  |  |
|  | $\mathbf{9 , 0 6 8 , 2 1 8}$ |  |


|  | Principal <br> Amount (\$) | Value (\$) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Short-Term Investments-4.2\% |  |  |
| Commercial Paper; |  |  |
| Morgan Stanley \& Co. <br> $3.36 \%, 7 / 1 / 2005$ <br> (cost $\$ 400,000)$ | 400,000 | $\mathbf{4 0 0 , 0 0 0}$ |
| Total Investments (cost \$7,730,726) | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{9 , 4 6 8 , 2 1 8}$ |
| Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables | $\mathbf{( . 7 \% )}$ | $\mathbf{( 6 9 , 0 5 2 )}$ |
| Net Assets | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{9 , 3 9 9 , 1 6 6}$ |

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Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) $\dagger$

|  | Value (\%) |  | Value (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Pharmaceuticals | 11.5 | Communications Equipment | 4.1 |
| Telecommunication Services | 9.8 | Automobiles | 4.0 |
| Diversified Banks | 8.3 | Short-Term Investments | 3.9 |
| Intergrated Oil \& Gas | 7.0 | Construction | 3.2 |
| Metals | 4.3 | Other | 40.4 |
| Brewers | 4.2 |  | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 7}$ |

† B ased on net assets
See notes to finandal statements

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Investments in securities-See Statement of Investments | 7,730,726 | 9,468,218 |
| Receivable for investment securities sold |  | 97,437 |
| Dividends receivable |  | 16,576 |
| Prepaid expenses |  | 466 |
|  |  | 9,582,697 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) |  | 954 |
| Cash overdraft due to Custodian |  | 777 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased |  | 151,330 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 30,470 |
|  |  | 183,531 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 9,399,166 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Paid-in capital |  | 13,080,490 |
| Accumulated undistributed investment income-net |  | 83,754 |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments |  | $(5,501,966)$ |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on and foreign currency transactions |  | 1,736,888 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 9,399,166 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share |  |  |
|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| Net Assets (\$) | 7,597,241 | 1,801,925 |
| Shares Outstanding | 534,045 | 126,615 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share (\$) | 14.23 | 14.23 |

See notes to finandal statements

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)
Investment Income (\$):
Income:
Cash dividends (net of $\$ 19,110$ foreign taxes withheld at source) ..... 150,519
Interest ..... 3,525
Total Income ..... 154,044
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 47,060
Custodian fees ..... 21,988
Auditing fees ..... 13,637
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 2,498
Shareholder servicing costs-Note 3(b) ..... 368
Prospectus and shareholders' reports ..... 336
Trustees' fees and expenses-Note 3(c) ..... 334
Legal fees ..... 126
Loan commitment fees-Note 2 ..... 27
Miscellaneous ..... 4,523
Total Expenses ..... 90,897
Less-waiver of fees due to undertaking-Note 3(a) ..... $(20,318)$
Less-reduction in custody feesdue to arnings credits-Note 1 (c)(422)
Net Expenses ..... 70,157
Investment Income-Net ..... 83,887
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):
Net realized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency transactions ..... 339,183
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and foreign currency transactions ..... $(518,727)$
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... $(179,544)$
Net (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... $(95,657)$

See notes to finandal statements

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net | 83,887 | 56,173 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 339,183 | 1,696,837 |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | $(518,727)$ | 79,487 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | $(95,657)$ | 1,832,497 |
| Dividends to Shareholders from (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(44,227)$ | $(34,898)$ |
| Service shares | $(11,460)$ | $(10,268)$ |
| Total Dividends | $(55,687)$ | $(45,166)$ |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 1,246,296 | 1,325,511 |
| Service shares | 109,704 | 580,082 |
| Dividends reinvested: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 44,227 | 34,898 |
| Service shares | 11,460 | 10,268 |
| Cost of shares redeemed: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(902,497)$ | $(1,871,288)$ |
| Service shares | $(686,596)$ | $(706,880)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Beneficial Interest Transactions | $(177,406)$ | $(627,409)$ |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | $(328,750)$ | 1,159,922 |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 9,727,916 | 8,567,994 |
| End of Period | 9,399,166 | 9,727,916 |
| Undistributed investment income-net | 83,754 | 55,554 |


|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Capital Share Transactions: |  |  |
| Initial Shares |  |  |
| Shares sold | 86,790 | 105,180 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | 3,091 | 2,807 |
| Shares redeemed | $(62,743)$ | $(148,927)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | 27,138 | $(40,940)$ |
| Service Shares |  |  |
| Shares sold | 7,663 | 45,252 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | 801 | 825 |
| Shares redeemed | $(47,746)$ | $(56,272)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | $(39,282)$ | $(10,195)$ |

See notes to finandial statements.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single portfolio share. Total return shows how much your investment in the portfolio would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the portfolio's financial statements.

| Initial Shares | $\begin{aligned} & \text { nths Ended } \\ & \text { e 30, } 2005 \end{aligned}$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 14.46 | 11.83 | 8.72 | 11.97 | 17.00 | 21.65 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income (loss)-neta | . 13 | . 08 | . 06 | . 01 | (.02) | .00b |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.28) | 2.61 | 3.06 | (3.26) | (5.00) | (3.55) |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.15) | 2.69 | 3.12 | (3.25) | (5.02) | (3.55) |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | (.08) | (.06) | (.01) | - | (.01) | - |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | - | - | - | - | - | (1.10) |
| Total Distributions | (.08) | (.06) | (.01) | - | (.01) | (1.10) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 14.23 | 14.46 | 11.83 | 8.72 | 11.97 | 17.00 |
| Total Return (\%) | (1.02) ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 22.85 | 35.81 | (27.15) | (29.56) | (17.41) |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .94 ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 2.11 | 2.41 | 2.01 | 2.22 | 2.07 |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | . 74 c | 1.49 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets | .90c | . 64 | . 66 | . 06 | (.13) | . 02 |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 31.87 c | 90.61 | 145.42 | 226.63 | 201.61 | 171.34 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 7,597 | 7,329 | 6,483 | 5,103 | 9,099 | 11,888 |

[^13]| Service Shares ${ }^{\text {Six M }}$ | ths Ended 30, 2005 | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000a |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income (loss)-net | . $12^{\text {b }}$ | .08 ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | .06b | . 01 b | (.06) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | - |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.27) | 2.60 | 3.07 | (3.27) | (4.95) | - |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.15) | 2.68 | 3.13 | (3.26) | (5.01) | - |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | (.08) | (.06) | (.01) | - | (.01) | - |
| Net asset value, end of period | 14.23 | 14.46 | 11.84 | 8.72 | 11.98 | 17.00 |
| Total Return (\%) | (1.02) ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 22.74 | 35.92 | (27.21) | (29.50) | - |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | $1.04{ }^{\text {c }}$ | 2.36 | 2.66 | 2.26 | 2.55 | - |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | . 74 c | 1.49 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 | - |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets | .83c | . 61 | . 64 | . 05 | (.46) | - |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 31.87 c | 90.61 | 145.42 | 226.63 | 201.61 | 171.34 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 1,802 | 2,399 | 2,085 | 1,602 | 1,504 | 1 |

a The portfolio commenced offering Service shares on D ecember 31, 2000.
b B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
c $N$ ot annualized.
See notes to finandial statements

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment C ompany Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act" ), as an openend management investment company, operating as a series company currently offering nine series, including the Founders International Equity Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies The portfolio is a diversified series The portfolio's investment objective is to provide long-term growth of capital. The Dreyfus C orporation ("D reyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser. D reyfus is a wholly-owned subsidiary of M ellon Financial Corporation ("M ellon Financial"). Founders Asset M anagement LLC ("Founders") serves as the portfolio's sub-investment adviser. Founders is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus Service Corporation, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of D reyfus.

Dreyfus Service Corporation (the "Distributor") is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge. The portfolio is authorized to issue an unlimited number of $\$ .001$ par value shares of Beneficial Interest in each of the following classes of shares: Initial and Service. Each class of shares has identical rights and privileges, except with respect to the distribution plan and the expenses borne by each class and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The fund accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series' operations; expenses which are applicable to all series' are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange or national securities market on which such securities are primarily traded. Securities listed on the $N$ ational $M$ arket System for which market quotations are available are valued at the official closing price or, if there is no official closing price that day, at the last sales price. Securities not listed on an exchange or the national securities market, or securities for which there were no transactions, are valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices, except for open short positions, where the asked price is used for valuation purposes Bid price is used when no asked price is available. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value.W hen market quotationsor official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the portfolio calculates its net asset value, the portfolio may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board ofTrusees. Fair valuing of securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using calculations based on indices of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as prices of relevantAD R 's and futures contracts. For other securities that are fair valued by the Board of Trustees, certain factors may be considered such as: fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Financial futures are valued at the last sales price. Investments denominated in foreign currencies are translated to U.S. dollars at the prevailing rates of exchange. Forward currency exchange contracts are valued at the forward rate.
(b) Foreign currency transactions: The portfolio does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.
$N$ et realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales and maturities of short-term securities, sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized on securities transactions and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the portfolio's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. $N$ et unrealized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from changes in the value of assets and liabilities other than investments in securities resulting from changes in exchange rates. Such gains and losses are included with net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.
(c) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. R ealized gain and loss from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

The portfolio has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby the portfolio receives earnings credits from the custodian when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the portfolio includes net earnings credits as an expense offset in the Statement of $O$ perations.
(d) D ividends to shareholders: D ividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Dividends from investment income-net and dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to
comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal R evenue C ode of 1986, as amended (the "C ode").To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles
(e) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the C ode, and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

The portfolio has an unused capital loss carryover of \$5,832,260 available for federal income tax purposes to be applied against future net securities profits, if any, realized subsequent to December 31, 2004. If not applied, $\$ 2,829,932$ of the carryover expires in fiscal 2009, \$1,508,081 expires in fiscal 2010 and $\$ 1,494,247$ expires in fiscal 2011.

The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 was as follows: ordinary income $\$ 45,166$. The tax character of current year distributions will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

## NOTE 2-Bank Line of Credit:

The portfolio participates with other Dreyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 350$ million redemption credit facility (the "Facility") to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions. In connection therewith, the portfolio has agreed to pay commitment fees on its pro rata portion of the Facility. Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio did not borrow under the Facility.

NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee, Sub-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions with Affiliates:
(a) Pursuant to an Investment Advisory A greement with D reyfus, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly.

D reyfus has agreed, from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005, to waive receipt of its fees and/ or assume the expenses of the portfolio so that the expenses of neither class, exclusive of taxes, brokerage fees, interest on borrowings, commitment fees and extraordinary expenses, exceed $1.50 \%$ of the value of the average daily net assets of their class. D uring the period ended June 30, 2005, D reyfus waived receipt of fees and assumed expenses of the portfolio of $\$ 20,318$, pursuant to the undertaking.

Pursuant to a Sub-Investment Advisory A greement between D reyfus and Founders, the sub-investment advisory fee is payable monthly by D reyfus, and is based upon the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets, computed at the following annual rates:

> Average $\mathbf{N}$ et A ssets
> 0 to $\$ 100$ million . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 35 of $1 \%$
> $\$ 100$ million to $\$ 1$ billion . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 26 of $1 \%$
> $\$ 1$ billion to $\$ 1.5$ billion . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 20 of $1 \%$
> In excess of $\$ 1.5$ billion . . . . . . . .
(b) Under the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to R ule 12b-1 under the Act, Service shares pay the Distributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/ or maintaining Service shares shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing for Service shares. T he Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of .25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the Service shares' average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. The fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the
period ended June 30, 2005, Service shares were charged $\$ 2,498$ pursuant to the Plan.

The portfolio compensates Dreyfus Transfer, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus, under a transfer agency agreement for providing personnel and facilities to perform transfer agency services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 26$ pursuant to the transfer agency agreement.

During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 1,998$ for services performed by the C hief C ompliance $O$ fficer.

The components of Due to The D reyfus C orporation and affiliates in the Statement of A ssets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fee $\$ 7,746$, R ule $12 b$ - 1 distribution plan fees $\$ 370$, chief compliance officer fees $\$ 1,998$ and transfer agency per account fees $\$ 9$, which are offset against an expense reimbursement currently in effect in the amount of \$9,169.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the D reyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each portfolio based on net assets.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities, during the period ended June 30 , 2005, amounted to $\$ 2,937,013$ and $\$ 3,178,811$, respectively.

At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 1,737,492$, consisting of $\$ 1,791,600$ gross unrealized appreciation and $\$ 54,108$ gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against M ellon Financial, M ellon Bank, N .A., Dreyfus, Founders Asset $M$ anagement LLC, and certain directors of the Dreyfus Funds and the D reyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the U nited States D istrict C ourt for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September 2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999 and $N$ ovember 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. The A mended C omplaint in the newly styled In re Dreyfus M utual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania U nfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive R ule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. M ore specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other things, that $12 \mathrm{~b}-1$ fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that 12 b - 1 fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. The A mended C omplaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. W ith respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought
against the Funds. D reyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In N ovember 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint in whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in M ay 2005.

Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requests for relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. $N$ either D reyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or D reyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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The portfolio files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The portfolio's Forms N-Q are available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

A description of the policies and procedures that the portfolio uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, and information regarding how the portfolio voted these proxies for the 12-month period ended June 30, 2005, is available at http://www.dreyfus.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The description of the policies and procedures is also available without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-645-6561.


# Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders Growth Portfolio 

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## LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders Growth Portfolio, covering the sixmonth period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find valuable information about how the portfolio was managed during the reporting period, including a discussion with the portfolio manager, John Jares, CFA, of Founders Asset Management LLC, the portfolio's sub-investment adviser.
On average, U.S. stock prices ended the first half of 2005 slightly lower than where they began, largely due to headwinds caused by higher energy prices, rising short-term interest rates and recent evidence of slower economic growth. While midcap stocks generally produced higher returns than large-cap stocks, and large-cap stocks generally outperformed small-cap stocks, these differences were relatively small. Conversely, value-oriented stocks continued to produce substantially better results than their more growth-oriented counterparts.
In some ways, market conditions at midyear remind us of those from one year ago, when stock prices languished due to economic and political concerns before rallying strongly later in the year. Currently, our economists expect the U.S. economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future without significant new inflationary pressures, potentially setting the stage for better business conditions that could send stock prices higher. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,


Stephen E. Canter
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
The Dreyfus Corporation
July 15, 2005

## DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

## John Jares, CFA, Portfolio Manager <br> Founders Asset Management LLC, Sub-Investment Adviser <br> How did Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders Growth Portfolio perform relative to its benchmark?

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio produced total returns of $-3.10 \%$ for its Initial Shares and $-3.01 \%$ for its Service shares. ${ }^{1}$ In contrast, the Standard \& Poor's 500 BARRA Growth Index (the "Index"), the portfolio's benchmark, produced a total return of $-1.73 \%$ for the same period. ${ }^{2}$ The Russell 1000 Growth Index and the Standard \& Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index produced total returns of $-1.72 \%$ and $-0.81 \%$, respectively, for the same period. 3,4
Although the economy was strong and corporate profits continued to advance, rising interest rates and higher energy prices caused stocks to struggle. While we believed that economically sensitive sectors such as energy would decline as the economy cooled, energy stocks continued to gain value. The portfolio's returns lagged its Index, primarily due to its relatively modest allocation to energy shares. Going forward, the fund's primary benchmark will be the Russell 1000 Growth Index and its secondary benchmark will be the Standard and Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index.

## What is the portfolio's investment approach?

The portfolio seeks long-term growth of capital. To pursue this goal, the portfolio invests primarily in equity securities of well-established, high-quality "growth" companies. Utilizing a "bottom-up" approach, we focus on individual stock selection rather than on forecasting stock market trends. We look for high-quality companies which tend to have strong performance records, solid market positions and reasonable financial strength, and have continuous operating records of three years or more. The portfolio seeks investment opportunities, generally, in companies which we believe have fundamental strengths that indicate the potential for growth in earnings per share. We believe the companies we select have a sustainable competitive advantage, such as a dominant brand name, a high barrier to entry from competition and/or large untapped market opportunities. The portfolio may purchase securities of companies in initial public offerings. The portfolio may invest up to $30 \%$ of its assets in foreign securities, and up to $25 \%$ of its assets in any one foreign country.

## What other factors influenced the portfolio's performance?

Stocks ended the reporting period little changed from where they began, as negative market influences offset more positive ones. On one hand, the market was buoyed by sustained economic growth and generally strong earnings reports. However, investor sentiment was dampened by rising interest rates and surging energy prices, which threatened to erode future economic activity and corporate profits.
Shares of energy companies already had led the market for a number of months when the reporting period began, and it was our view that energy stock prices had peaked. As a result, we trimmed our holdings of oil-andgas producers and refiners. However, we may have made this move too soon, as energy prices continued to rise. Because the benchmark contained a relatively high concentration of energy stocks, it became more difficult for the portfolio to match the Index's performance.
The portfolio's returns also were constrained by disappointing stock selections, particularly in the technology sector during the second quarter of 2005. For example, International Business Machines, a major holding, announced poor financial results, citing the sluggish economy in Europe. Shares of Microsoft failed to advance, as investors were uninspired by the company's lull in new product introductions, a state of affairs that seems likely to change toward the end of 2005.
While Microsoft languished, it appeared that its rival, Apple Computer, continued to benefit from the popularity of its iPod digital music player. However, we grew concerned that investors' expectations were higher than what the company could produce, and we reduced the portfolio's position. The timing of this move proved fortunate, as the company's April profit announcement did not meet analysts' expectations, and the stock declined sharply. However, we believe that Apple Computer remains fundamentally sound with good growth prospects, and we began to buy more shares when the stock fell to a more attractive valuation.

Because of the potentially eroding effects of higher interest rates on economic activity, we attempted to shift the portfolio's focus from economically sensitive stocks to those that are less dependent on economic growth. For example, the portfolio's investment in Genentech, a biotechnology company with solid and consistent profits stemming from a broad array of successful cancer drugs, was amply rewarded. Similarly, the portfolio enjoyed a strong contribution from Gillette, a consumer staples company that received a takeover offer from Procter \& Gamble at a substantial premium to its then-prevailing stock price.

The portfolio held shares of Gillette, not because we were speculating on a merger, but because the company was exhibiting consistent sales growth and expanding profit margins.

## What is the portfolio's current strategy?

Stock prices have generally been flat over the first half of 2005, but corporate profits have advanced more than $10 \%$. Therefore, as of the reporting period's end, valuations - stock prices relative to earnings - appear to be more attractive. In this environment, we have continued to favor shares of companies that we believe are likely to post positive earnings growth in the midst of a slowing economy. As interest rates continue to rise, we currently believe that an economic slowdown becomes increasingly likely, which could put pressure on corporate profits. Accordingly, stock selection may become a more important driver of portfolio performance, since only a relatively small number of stronger companies will be able to beat analysts' profit expectations in a slower economy.

July 15, 2005

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## UNDERSTANDING YOUR <br> PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES <br> (Unaudited)

As a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses, such as management fees and other expenses. Using the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affect your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds. You also may pay one-time transaction expenses, including sales charges (loads) and redemption fees, which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses. For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your financial adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Founders Growth Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

Expenses and Value of a $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 0 0 0}$ Investment
assuming actual returns for the six months ended June 30, 2005
Initial Shares
Service Shares

| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000 \dagger$ | $\$ 4.88$ | $\$ 4.88$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 969.00$ | $\$ 969.90$ |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.

## Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment

assuming a hypothetical 5\% annualized return for the six months ended June 30, 2005

|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000 \dagger$ | $\$ 5.01$ | $\$ 5.01$ |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 1,019.84$ | $\$ 1,019.84$ |

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## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Common Stocks-95.7\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Airlines-1.9\% |  |  |
| AMR | 13,385 a,b | 162,092 |
| JetBlue Airways | 9,751 a, b | 199,311 |
|  |  | 361,403 |
| Application Software-1.0\% |  |  |
| Autodesk | 5,718 | 196,528 |
| Asset Management \& Custody Banks-1.4\% |  |  |
| Northern Trust | 4,085 b | 186,235 |
| State Street | 1,637 | 78,985 |
|  |  | 265,220 |
| Auto Parts-.3\% |  |  |
| Autoliv | 1,089 | 47,698 |
| Banking-.8\% |  |  |
| Wells Fargo \& Co. | 2,522 | 155,305 |
| Biotechnology-2.5\% |  |  |
| Genentech | 2,213 a | 177,660 |
| Genzyme | 1,242 a | 74,632 |
| Gilead Sciences | 2,516 a | 110,679 |
| Medlmmune | 4,340 a | 115,965 |
|  |  | 478,936 |
| Broadcasting \& Cable TV-2.6\% |  |  |
| Clear Channel Communications | 4,517 | 139,711 |
| Comcast, Cl. A (Spec.) | 7,445 a | 222,978 |
| EchoStar Communications, Cl. A | 4,026 | 121,384 |
|  |  | 484,073 |
| Casinos \& Gaming-.5\% |  |  |
| Harrah's Entertainment | 1,413 | 101,835 |
| Communications Equipment-3.5\% |  |  |
| Cisco Systems | 21,725 a | 415,165 |
| Juniper Networks | 2,073 a | 52,198 |
| Motorola | 5,321 | 97,162 |
| QUALCOMM | 2,735 | 90,282 |
|  |  | 654,807 |
| Computer \& Electronics Retail-.3\% |  |  |
| Best Buy | 898 | 61,558 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Computer Hardware-2.8\% |  |  |
| Apple Computer | 6,312 a | 232,345 |
| International Business Machines | 4,119 | 305,630 |
|  |  | 537,975 |
| Computer Storage \& Peripherals-1.7\% |  |  |
| EMC | 23,604 a | 323,611 |
| Consumer Product-.4\% |  |  |
| Harman International Industries | 924 | 75,177 |
| Data Processing \& Outsourced Services-1.4\% |  |  |
| Automatic Data Processing | 6,416 | 269,280 |
| Department Stores-2.7\% |  |  |
| J.C. Penney | 1,194 | 62,780 |
| Kohl's | 8,181 a | 457,400 |
|  |  | 520,180 |
| Diversified Financial-.5\% |  |  |
| Citigroup | 2,209 | 102,122 |
| Electrical Components \& Equipment-1.2\% |  |  |
| Emerson Electric | 3,507 | 219,643 |
| Employment Services-.4\% |  |  |
| Monster Worldwide | 2,923 a | 83,832 |
| Food Retailing-1.4\% |  |  |
| Safeway | 11,470 b | 259,107 |
| General Merchandise-3.1\% |  |  |
| Dollar General | 12,618 | 256,902 |
| Target | 5,944 | 323,413 |
|  |  | 580,315 |
| Health Care Distributors-1.7\% |  |  |
| Henry Schein | 4,043 a | 167,865 |
| MGI Pharma | 6,904 a | 150,231 |
|  |  | 318,096 |
| Health Care Equipment-.3\% |  |  |
| Medtronic | 1,282 | 66,395 |
| Health Care Facilities-2.1\% |  |  |
| Charles River Laboratories International | 3,374 a | 162,795 |
| Triad Hospitals | 4,468 a | 244,132 |
|  |  | 406,927 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Health Care Technology-.8\% |  |  |
| Amgen | 2,354 | 142,323 |
| Hotels, Resorts, \& Cruise Lines-1.6\% |  |  |
| Carnival | 3,872 | 211,218 |
| Starwood Hotels \& Resorts Worldwide | 1,736 | 101,677 |
|  |  | 312,895 |
| Household Products-2.5\% |  |  |
| Clorox | 2,533 | 141,139 |
| Colgate-Palmolive | 6,792 | 338,988 |
|  |  | 480,127 |
| Hypermarkets \& Super Centers-1.0\% |  |  |
| Wal-Mart Stores | 4,057 | 195,547 |
| Industrial Conglomerates-3.4\% |  |  |
| General Electric | 15,913 | 551,386 |
| Tyco International | 3,231 | 94,345 |
|  |  | 645,731 |
| Information Technology-1.0\% |  |  |
| Accenture, CI. A | 8,300 a | 188,161 |
| Insurance-Life \& Health-.0\% |  |  |
| AFLAC | 22 | 952 |
| Insurance-Multiline-.4\% |  |  |
| American International Group | 1,198 | 69,604 |
| Insurance-Property \& Casualty -1.1\% |  |  |
| Allstate | 3,474 | 207,572 |
| Integrated Oil \& Gas-1.3\% |  |  |
| ConocoPhillips | 954 | 54,845 |
| Exxon Mobil | 3,282 | 188,617 |
|  |  | 243,462 |
| Internet Software-.7\% |  |  |
| Yahoo! | 3,728 a | 129,175 |
| Investment Banking \& Brokerage-1.1\% |  |  |
| Goldman Sachs Group | 1,360 | 138,747 |
| Morgan Stanley | 1,474 | 77,341 |
|  |  | 216,088 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Leisure Facilities-2.6\% |  |  |
| Royal Caribbean Cruises | $10,111 \mathrm{~b}$ | 488,968 |
| Media/Entertainment-4.4\% |  |  |
| DreamWorks Animation SKG, Cl. A | 1,735 | 45,457 |
| Time Warner | 19,518 a | 326,146 |
| Viacom, CI. B | 5,584 | 178,799 |
| Walt Disney | 10,943 | 275,545 |
|  |  | 825,947 |
| Personal Products-3.3\% |  |  |
| Avon Products | 1,685 | 63,777 |
| Gillette | 11,084 a | 561,183 |
|  |  | 624,960 |
| Pharmaceuticals-8.3\% |  |  |
| Abbott Laboratories | 5,767 | 282,641 |
| Eli Lilly \& Co. | 1,283 | 71,476 |
| Johnson \& Johnson | 7,496 | 487,240 |
| Pfizer | 14,680 | 404,874 |
| Wyeth | 7,206 | 320,667 |
|  |  | 1,566,898 |
| Radio and TV Broadcasting-.3\% |  |  |
| XM Satellite Radio Holdings, CI. A | 1,704 | 57,357 |
| Railroads-1.4\% |  |  |
| Union Pacific | 4,087 | 264,838 |
| Semiconductor Equipment-.8\% |  |  |
| KLA-Tencor | 1,267 | 55,368 |
| Novellus Systems | 3,754 a,b | 92,761 |
|  |  | 148,129 |
| Semiconductors-7.8\% |  |  |
| ATI Technologies | 2,910 a | 34,484 |
| Broadcom, CI. A | 6,643 a | 235,893 |
| Intel | 12,855 | 335,001 |
| Linear Technology | 8,707 | 319,460 |
| Marvell Technology Group | 1,400 a | 53,256 |
| Maxim Integrated Products | 7,719 b | 294,943 |
| Microchip Technology | 2,400 | 71,088 |
| Texas Instruments | 4,717 | 132,406 |
|  |  | 1,476,531 |


| Common Stocks (continued) | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Soft Drinks-1.1\% |  |  |
| Coca-Cola | 5,038 | 210,336 |
| Software-1.6\% |  |  |
| Electronic Arts | 3,604 a | 204,022 |
| SAP, ADR | 2,345 | 101,538 |
|  |  | 305,560 |
| Specialty Chemicals-.7\% |  |  |
| Sigma-Aldrich | 2,520 | 141,221 |
| Specialty Stores-.5\% |  |  |
| PETsMART | 1,726 | 52,384 |
| Tiffany \& Co. | 1,405 | 46,028 |
|  |  | 98,412 |
| Systems Software-6.3\% |  |  |
| Microsoft | 34,522 | 857,526 |
| Oracle | 10,594 a | 139,841 |
| Symantec | 8,712 a | 189,399 |
|  |  | 1,186,766 |
| Telecommunication Services-.5\% |  |  |
| ALLTEL | 1,634 | 101,765 |
| Thrifts \& Mortgage Finance-.8\% |  |  |
| PMI Group | 3,887 | 151,515 |
| Trading Companies \& Distributors-.8\% |  |  |
| W.W. Grainger | 2,671 | 146,344 |
| Other-5.1\% |  |  |
| Standard \& Poors Depository Receipts (Trust Ser. 1) | 8,074 b | 962,259 |
| Total Common Stocks <br> (cost \$16,478,619) $18,159,466$ |  |  |
| Short-Term Investments-6.3\% | Principal Amount (\$) | Value (\$) |
| Commercial Paper; |  |  |
| Federal Home Loan Banks, 3.36\%, 7/1/2005 (cost \$1,200,000) | 1,200,000 | 1,200,000 |


| Investment of Cash Collateral <br> for Securities Loaned-7.0\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Registered Investment Company; |  |  |
| Dreyfus Institutional Cash Advantage Plus Fund <br> (cost \$1,321,742) | $1,321,742$ c | $\mathbf{1 , 3 2 1 , 7 4 2}$ |
| Total Investments (cost \$19,000,361) | $\mathbf{1 0 9 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 6 8 1 , 2 0 8}$ |
| Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables | $\mathbf{( 9 . 0 \% )}$ | $\mathbf{( 1 , 7 0 3 , 5 7 6 )}$ |
| Net Assets | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 , 9 7 7 , 6 3 2}$ |

ADR-American Depository Receipts.
a Non-income producing.
b All or a portion of these securities are on loan. At June 30, 2005, the total market value of the portfolio's securities on loan is $\$ 1,263,690$ and the total market value of the collateral held by the fund is $\$ 1,321,742$.
c Investment in affliliated money market mutual fund.
See notes to financial statements.

Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) ${ }^{\dagger}$

| Value (\%) |  | Value (\%) |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Short Term/Money Market Investments | 13.3 | Computer Hardware | 2.8 |
| Pharmaceuticals | 8.3 | Department Stores | 2.7 |
| Semiconductors | 7.8 | Broadcasting \& Cable TV | 2.6 |
| Systems Software | 6.3 | Leisure Facilities | 2.6 |
| Media \& Entertainment | 4.4 | Biotechnology | 2.5 |
| Communications Equipment | 3.5 | Household Products | 2.5 |
| Industrial Conglomerates | 3.4 | Health Care Facilities | 2.1 |
| Personal Products | 3.3 | Other | 37.8 |
| General Merchandise | 3.1 |  | $\mathbf{1 0 9 . 0}$ |

$\dagger$ Based on net assets.
See notes to financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Investments in securities- |  |  |
| See Statement of Investments (including securities on loan, valued at $\$ 1,263,690$ )-Note 1 (b): |  |  |
| Unaffiliated issuers | 17,678,619 | 19,359,466 |
| Affiliated issuers | 1,321,742 | 1,321,742 |
| Cash |  | 57,140 |
| Receivable for investment securities sold |  | 103,822 |
| Dividends receivable |  | 14,203 |
| Prepaid expenses |  | 2,132 |
|  |  | 20,858,505 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) |  | 14,791 |
| Liability for securities on loan-Note 1 (b) |  | 1,321,742 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased |  | 522,156 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 22,184 |
|  |  | 1,880,873 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 18,977,632 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Paid-in capital |  | 33,973,947 |
| Accumulated undistibuted investment income-net |  | 17,732 |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments |  | $(16,694,894)$ |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments |  | 1,680,847 |
| Net Assets (\$) |  | 18,977,632 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share |  |  |
|  | Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| Net Assets (\$) | 14,001,337 | 4,976,295 |
| Shares Outstanding | 1,223,310 | 435,218 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share (\$) | 11.45 | 11.43 |

See notes to financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)
Investment Income (\$):
Income:
Cash dividends (net of $\$ 145$ foreign taxes withheld at source) ..... 99,807
Interest ..... 14,449
Income from securities lending ..... 1,687
Total Income ..... 115,943
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 73,706
Auditing fees ..... 18,326
Prospectus and shareholders' reports ..... 9,290
Custodian fees-Note 3(b) ..... 7,600
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 6,209
Shareholder servicing costs-Note 3(b) ..... 595
Legal fees ..... 496
Trustees' fees and expenses-Note 3(c) ..... 422
Loan commitment fees-Note 2 ..... 57
Miscellaneous ..... 570
Total Expenses ..... 117,271
Less-waiver of fees due to undertaking-Note 3(a) ..... $(18,457)$
Less-reduction in custody fees due to earnings credits-Note 1 (b) ..... (737)
Net Expenses ..... 98,077
Investment Income-Net ..... 17,866
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):
Net realized gain (loss) on investments ..... 1,132,723
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments ..... $(1,788,662)$
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... $(655,939)$
Net (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... $(638,073)$

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net | 17,866 | 138,653 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 1,132,723 | 1,618,779 |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | $(1,788,662)$ | $(221,738)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | $(638,073)$ | 1,535,694 |
| Dividends to Shareholders from (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(42,734)$ | $(76,466)$ |
| Service shares | $(10,865)$ | $(25,522)$ |
| Total Dividends | $(53,599)$ | $(101,988)$ |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 193,937 | 757,535 |
| Service shares | 317,073 | 642,509 |
| Dividends reinvested: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 42,734 | 76,466 |
| Service shares | 10,865 | 25,522 |
| Cost of shares redeemed: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(1,757,789)$ | $(2,584,979)$ |
| Service shares | $(552,819)$ | $(1,380,155)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Beneficial Interest Transactions | $(1,745,999)$ | $(2,463,102)$ |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | $(2,437,671)$ | $(1,029,396)$ |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 21,415,303 | 22,444,699 |
| End of Period | 18,977,632 | 21,415,303 |
| Undistributed investment income-net | 17,732 | 53,465 |


|  | Six Months Ended <br> June 30, 2005 <br> (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Capital Share Transactions: |  |  |
| Initial Shares | 16,844 | 67,535 |
| Shares sold | 3,722 | 6,529 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | $(152,449)$ | $(234,961)$ |
| Shares redeemed | $(131,883)$ | $(160,897)$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding | 27,667 |  |
| Service Shares | 947 |  |
| Shares sold | $(47,765)$ | 2,183 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | $\mathbf{( 1 9 , 1 5 1 )}$ | $(124,322)$ |
| Shares redeemed |  | $\mathbf{( 6 4 , 8 1 2 )}$ |

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single portfolio share. Total return shows how much your investment in the portfolio would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the portfolio's financial statements.

| Initial Shares Six | ths Ended $\text { e 30, } 2005$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | 11.84 | 11.03 | 8.44 | 11.77 | 14.73 | 19.87 |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income (loss)-neta | . 01 | . 07 | . 01 | (.01) | . 01 | . 02 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (.37) | . 80 | 2.58 | (3.31) | (2.96) | (5.03) |
| Total from Investment Operations | (.36) | . 87 | 2.59 | (3.32) | (2.95) | (5.01) |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | (.03) | (.06) | - | (.01) | (.01) | - |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | - | - | - | - | - | (.13) |
| Total Distributions | (.03) | (.06) | - | (.01) | (.01) | (.13) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 11.45 | 11.84 | 11.03 | 8.44 | 11.77 | 14.73 |
| Total Return (\%) | $(3.10)^{\text {b }}$ | 7.86 | 30.69 | (28.25) | (20.03) | (25.40) |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .56b | 1.00 | 1.09 | 1.09 | 1.09 | 1.08 |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .50b | . 97 | 1.00 | 1.00 | . 99 | . 97 |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets | .09b | . 65 | . 08 | (.08) | . 08 | . 11 |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 59.94b | 114.49 | 126.24 | 165.08 | 180.84 | 171.96 |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 14,001 | 16,045 | 16,725 | 14,442 | 25,607 | 28,583 |

[^18]| Service Shares | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000a |

## Per Share Data (\$):

Net asset value,

| beginning of period | 11.82 | 11.02 | 8.43 | 11.76 | 14.73 | 14.73 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Investment Operations:

| Investment income (loss)-net <br> Net realized and unrealized <br> gain (loss) on investments | $(.37)$ | .79 | 2.58 | $(3.31)$ | $(2.96)$ | - |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total from <br> Investment Operations | $(.36)$ | .86 | 2.59 | $(3.32)$ | $(2.96)$ | - |

Distributions:
Dividends from investment

| income-net | (.03) | $(.06)$ | - | $(.01)$ | $(.01)$ | - |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Net asset value, end of period | 11.43 | 11.82 | 11.02 | 8.43 | 11.76 | 14.73 |
| Total Return (\%) | $(3.01) \mathrm{d}$ | 7.68 | 30.72 | $(28.21)$ | $(20.16)$ | - |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Ratio of total expenses

| to average net assets |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Ratio of net expenses <br> to average net assets <br> Ratio of net investment income <br> (loss) to average net assets | .68 d | 1.25 | 1.35 | 1.34 | 1.40 | - |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | .49 d | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |  |
| Net Assets, end of period <br> $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 59.94 d | 114.49 | 126.24 | 165.08 | 180.84 | 171.96 |

a The portfolio commenced offering Service shares on December 31, 2000.
$b$ Based on average shares outstanding at each month end.
c Amount represents less than $\$ .01$ per share.
d Not annualized.
e Amount represents less than \$1,000.
See notes to financial statements.

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an open-end management investment company, operating as a series company currently offering nine series, including the Founders Growth Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. The portfolio is a diversified series. The portfolio's investment objective is to provide long-term capital growth. The Dreyfus Corporation ("Dreyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser. Dreyfus is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mellon Financial Corporation ("Mellon Financial"). Founders Asset Management LLC ("Founders") serves as the portfolio's sub-investment adviser. Founders is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus Service Corporation, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus. Dreyfus Service Corporation (the "Distributor") is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge.

The portfolio is authorized to issue an unlimited number of $\$ .001$ par value shares of Beneficial Interest in the following classes of shares: Initial and Service. Each class of shares has identical rights and privileges, except with respect to the distribution plan and the expenses borne by each class and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The fund accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series' operations; expenses which are applicable to all series are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange on which such securities are primarily traded. Securities listed on the National Market System, for which market quotations are available are valued at the official closing price or, if there is no official closing price that day, at the last sale price. Securities not listed on an exchange or the national securities market, or securities for which there were no transactions, are valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value. Bid price is used when no asked price is available. When market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the portfolio calculates its net asset value, the portfolio may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board of Trustees. Fair valuing of securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using calculations based on indices of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as prices of relevant ADR's and futures contracts. For other securities that are fair valued by the Board of Trustees, certain factors may be considered such as: fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold, and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Financial futures are valued at the last sales price.
(b) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. Realized gain and loss from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest
income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

The portfolio has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby the portfolio receives earnings credits from the custodian when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the portfolio includes net earnings credits as an expense offset in the Statement of Operations.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with Mellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of Dreyfus, the portfolio may lend securities to qualified institutions. At origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least $102 \%$ of the value of U.S. securities loaned and $105 \%$ of the value of foreign securities loaned. Collateral equivalent to at least $100 \%$ of the market value of securities on loan will be maintained at all times. Cash collateral is invested in certain money market mutual funds managed by Dreyfus. The portfolio will be entitled to receive all income on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Although each security loaned is fully collateralized, the portfolio would bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner.
(c) Affiliated issuers: Investments in other investment companies advised by Dreyfus are defined as "affiliated" in the Act.
(d) Dividends to shareholders: Dividends are recorded on the exdividend date. Dividends from investment income-net and dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
(e) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the Code, and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

The portfolio has an unused capital loss carryover of $\$ 17,046,044$ available for federal income tax purposes to be applied against future net securities profits, if any, realized subsequent to December 31, 2004. If not applied, $\$ 11,326,968$ of the carryover expires in fiscal 2009 and \$5,719,076 expires in fiscal 2010.

The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 was as follows: ordinary income $\$ 101,988$. The tax character of current year distributions will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

## NOTE 2-Bank Line of Credit:

The portfolio participates with other Dreyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 350$ million redemption credit facility (the "Facility") to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions. In connection therewith, the portfolio has agreed to pay commitment fees on its pro rata portion of the Facility. Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio did not borrow under the Facility.

## NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee, Sub-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions With Affiliates:

(a) Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement with Dreyfus, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of .75 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly.

Dreyfus has agreed, from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the expenses of the portfolio so
that the expenses of neither class, exclusive of taxes, brokerage fees, interest on borrowings, commitment fees and extraordinary expenses, exceed $1 \%$ of the value of the average daily net assets of their class. During the period ended June 30, 2005, Dreyfus waived receipt of fees of $\$ 18,457$, pursuant to the undertaking.

Pursuant to a Sub-Investment Advisory Agreement between Dreyfus and Founders, the sub-investment advisory fee is payable monthly by Dreyfus, and is based upon the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets, computed at the following annual rates:

## Average Net Assets

| 0 to $\$ 100$ million . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | .25 of $1 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\$ 100$ million to $\$ 1$ billion . . . . . . . . . . . | .20 of $1 \%$ |
| $\$ 1$ billion to $\$ 1.5$ billion . . . . . . . . . . . . | .10 of $1 \%$ |

(b) Under the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Act, Service shares pay the Distributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/or maintaining Service shares shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing for Service shares. The Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of .25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the Service shares' average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. The fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the period ended June 30, 2005, Service shares were charged $\$ 6,209$ pursuant to the Plan.

The portfolio compensates Dreyfus Transfer, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus, under a transfer agency agreement for providing personnel and facilities to perform transfer agency services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 595$ pursuant to the transfer agency agreement.

The portfolio compensates Mellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of Dreyfus, under a custody agreement for providing custodial services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 7,600$ pursuant to the custody agreement.

During the period ended June 30, 2005, the fund paid $\$ 1,998$ for services performed by the Chief Compliance Officer.

The components of Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fees $\$ 11,840$, Rule $12 \mathrm{~b}-1$ distribution plan fees $\$ 1,008$, custodian fees $\$ 2,616$, chief compliance officer fees $\$ 1,998$ and transfer agency per account fees $\$ 16$, which are offset against an expense reimbursement currently in effect in the amount of $\$ 2,687$.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the Dreyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities, during the period ended June 30, 2005 , amounted to $\$ 11,309,625$ and $\$ 13,344,881$, respectively.

At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 1,680,847$, consisting of $\$ 1,917,144$ gross unrealized appreciation and $\$ 236,297$ gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against Mellon Financial, Mellon Bank, N.A., Dreyfus, Founders Asset Management LLC, and certain directors of the Dreyfus Funds and the Dreyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September

2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999 and November 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. The Amended Complaint in the newly styled In re Dreyfus Mutual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive Rule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. More specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other things, that 12b-1 fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that $12 \mathrm{~b}-1$ fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. The Amended Complaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. With respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought against the Funds. Dreyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In November 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint in whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in May 2005.

Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requests for relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. Neither Dreyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or Dreyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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# Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Core Bond Portfolio 

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN
D ear Shareholder:
We are pleased to present this semiannual report for D reyfus Investment Portfolios, Core Bond Portfolio, covering the six-month period from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. Inside, you'll find valuable information about how the portfolio was managed during the reporting period, including a discussion with the portfolio manager, KentWosepka.

The first half of 2005 proved to be an unusual time for fixed-income securities. C ontrary to historical norms, yields of longer-term U.S. government securities fell - and their prices rose - even as the Federal R eserve Board attempted to forestall inflationary pressures by raising short-term interest rates Signs of potential economic weakness, a strengthening U.S. dollar and robust investor demand appear to have fueled the rally in the more interest-rate-sensitive parts of the market. Conversely, prices in the corporate bond market declined despite an expanding economy, improved balance sheets and persistently low default rates.

In our view, these factors may have created new opportunities and challenges for fixed-income investors. 0 ur economists currently expect the U.S. economy to continue to grow over the foreseeable future without significant new inflationary pressures, potentially setting the stage for market conditions that could affect the various sectors of the U.S. bond market in different ways. As always, we encourage you to discuss these and other matters with your financial advisor.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support.
Sincerely,


Stephen E. C anter
C hairman and Chief Executive 0 fficer
The Dreyfus C orporation
July 15, 2005

## DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

Kent Wosepka, Primary Portfolio Manager
How did Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, Core Bond Portfolio perform relative to its benchmark?

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio's Initial shares achieved a total return of $1.64 \%$, and its Service shares achieved a total return of $1.73 \% .1$ The portfolio produced aggregate income dividends of $\$ 0.210$ per share and $\$ 0.202$ per share for its Initial and Service shares, respectively. In comparison, the Lehman Brothers U.S. A ggregate Index (the "Index"), the portfolio's benchmark index, produced a total return of $2.51 \%$ for the same period. 2
The U.S. bond market remained surprisingly resilient over the first half of 2005, despite rising short-term interest rates, surging energy prices and disappointing financial results from major automobile manufacturers. The portfolio's returns were modestly lower than the Index, primarily due to a disappointing yield curve strategy very early in the reporting period. In addition, the portfolio's relatively short duration - a measure of sensitivity to changing interest rates - prevented it from participating more fully in market rallies that occurred during the reporting period.
N ote to shareholders: On January 31, 2005, K ent Wosepka and M arc Seidner became the fund's primary and secondary portfolio managers, respectively. Each manages the portfolio under a dual-employee rela tionship with Dreyfus, using the proprietary investment processes of Standish M ellon Asset M anagement, LLC (Standish) - an affiliate of D reyfus. M r.Wosepka also is a Senior Portfolio M anager for A ctive C ore Strategies with Standish. M r. Seidner also is the Director of Active C ore Strategies, responsible for the development, implementation and execution of investment strategy for all fixed-income portfolios, with Standish.

## What is the portfolio's investment approach?

The portfolio seeks to maximize total return through both capital appreciation and current income.T he portfolio invests at least $80 \%$ of its assets in bonds, including U.S. government bonds and notes, corporate bonds, convertible securities, asset-backed securities, mortgage-related
securities, and foreign bonds. The portfolio may invest up to $35 \%$ of its assets in bonds rated below investment-grade credit quality, also known as high-yield securities.
Typically, the portfolio can be expected to have an average effective maturity of between five and 10 years and an average effective duration between 3.5 and six years. W hile the portfolio's duration and maturity usually will stay within these ranges, if the maturity or duration of the Index moves outside these ranges, so may the portfolio's.

## What other factors affected the portfolio's performance?

C ontrary to historical trends, longer-term U.S. government securities gained value over the reporting period despite four consecutive increases in short-term interest rates from the Federal R eserve Board (the "Fed"). The Fed raised the overnight federal funds rate by 100 basis points to $3.25 \%$. Yet, yields of 10 -year Treasury bonds fell by 57 basis points from $4.48 \%$ at the start of the year to $3.91 \%$ by the end of June. As a result, differences between short-term rates and long-term yields narrowed well beyond historical norms.
C orporate bonds also rallied early in the reporting period. In M arch, however, corporate bond prices declined sharply after earnings from General Motors and Ford Motor Company fell short of analysts' expectations. As a result, some of the major rating agencies downgraded these major carmakers' credit ratings, and General M otors joined the ranks of high-yield issuers. Although corporate bonds subsequently rebounded, it was not enough to fully offset earlier losses.

In this unusual market environment, we adopted a "barbell" yield curve strategy that emphasized holdings at the short and long ends of the portfolio's maturity range and underweighted the intermediateterm portion. This positioning helped the portfolio participate more fully in the gains of longer-term bonds. In addition, we reduced the portfolio's exposure to corporate bonds early in the reporting period as they became more fully valued, and we tended to emphasize rela tively short-term corporate securities. Consequently, the portfolio was less exposed to the corporate sector's weakness when it sold off in $M$ arch and A pril. Finally, the portfolio's holdings of Treasury Inflation

Protected Securities ("TIPS") and non-dollar denominated foreign securities produced relatively attractive results.
On the other hand, the portfolio began the reporting period with lagging performance due to the previous management team's yield curve strategy, which was positioned for wider yield differences along the maturity spectrum. Although relative performance subsequently improved, the portfolios' relatively short average duration limited its sensitivity to falling bond yields. In addition, because we believed they were selling at relatively high valuations, the portfolio maintained relatively light exposure to mortgage- backed securities, which fared well.

## What is the portfolio's current strategy?

We recently have moved away from a "barbell" yield-curve strategy tow ard one that more closely approximates that of the Index. H owever, because we expect the Fed to continue raising short-term interest rates, we have maintained the portfolio's relatively short average duration. We also have reduced the portfolio's exposure to TIPS, which have become more fully valued. Conversely, we have found a number of attractive opportunities among foreign bonds. In our judgment, these strategies position the portfolio for the next phase of the economic cycle.

July 15, 2005
The portfolio is only available as a funding vehide under variable life insurance polides or variable annuity contracts issued by insurance companies Individuals may not purchase shares of the portfolio directly. A variable annuity is an insurance contrad issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals T he investment objective and polides of D reyfus Investment Portfolios, C ore B ond Portfolio may be similar to other funds/ portfolios managed or advised by D reyfus. H owever, the investment results of the portfolio may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other D reyfus fund/ portfolio.
1 Total return indudes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results Share price and investment return fluctuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. T he portfolio's performance does not reflect the deduction of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contrads, which will reduce returns R eturn figures provided refled the absorption of certain portfolio expenses by T he D reyfus C orporation pursuant to an agreement that is in effect through $D$ ecember 31,2005. H ad these expenses not been absorbed, the portfolio's returns would have been lower.
2 SOURCE:LIPPER INC. - R eflects reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions T he Lehman B rothers U.S. A ggregate Index is a widely accepted, unmanaged total return index of corporate, U.S. government and U.S. government agency debt instruments, mortgage backed searities and asset-backed searities with an average maturity of 1-10 years

## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES (Unaudited)

A s a mutual fund investor, you pay ongoing expenses such as management fees and other expenses $U$ sing the information below, you can estimate how these expenses affed your investment and compare them with the expenses of other funds You also may pay onetime transadion expenses induding sales charges (loads) and redemption fees which are not shown in this section and would have resulted in higher total expenses For more information, see your portfolio's prospectus or talk to your finandal adviser.

## Review your portfolio's expenses

The table below shows the expenses you would have paid on a $\$ 1,000$ investment in Dreyfus Investment Portfolios, C ore B ond Portfolio from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. It also shows how much a $\$ 1,000$ investment would be worth at the close of the period, assuming actual returns and expenses.

## Expenses and Value of a $\$ 1,000$ Investment

assuming actual returns for the six months ended June 30, 2005
Initial Shares
Service Shares

| Expenses paid per $\$ 1,000+$ | $\$ 3.65$ | $\$ 4.00$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Ending value (after expenses) | $\$ 1,016.40$ | $\$ 1,017.30$ |

## COMPARING YOUR PORTFOLIO'S EXPENSES WITH THOSE OF OTHER FUNDS (Unaudited)

## Using the SEC's method to compare expenses

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has established guidelines to help investors assess fund expenses. Per these guidelines, the table below shows your portfolio's expenses based on a $\$ 1,000$ investment, assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return. You can use this information to compare the ongoing expenses (but not transaction expenses or total cost) of investing in the portfolio with those of other funds. All mutual fund shareholder reports will provide this information to help you make this comparison. Please note that you cannot use this information to estimate your actual ending account balance and expenses paid during the period.
Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment
assuming a hypothetical $5 \%$ annualized return for the six months ended June 30,2005

Initial Shares

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## STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  |  | Principal |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount a |  |  |$\quad$ Value (\$)


|  |  | Principal |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount a |  |  |$\quad$ Value (\$)


| Bonds and Notes (continued) |  | Principal <br> Amount a | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Auto Manufactering-.4\% |  |  |  |
| DaimlerChrysler, <br> Notes, 4.875\%, 2010 |  | 110,000 | 109,613 |
| General Motors, Debs, 8.375\%, 2033 | EUR | 165,000 e | $\begin{aligned} & 164,952 \\ & \mathbf{2 7 4 , 5 6 5} \end{aligned}$ |
| Banking-3.3\% |  |  |  |
| Chevy Chase Bank FSB, Sub. Notes, 6.875\%, 2013 |  | 90,000 | 93,375 |
| Chuo Mitsui Trust \& Banking, Sub. Notes, 5.506\%, 2049 |  | 300,000 f | 295,277 |
| Credit Suisse First Boston, Sub, Notes, 7.75\%, 2006 |  | 250,000 f | 258,007 |
| Crestar Capital Trust I, Captial Securities, 8.16\%, 2026 |  | 340,000 | 369,725 |
| Dresdner Bank, Notes, 3.2\%, 2005 |  | 380,000 d | 379,465 |
| Hibernia, <br> Sub. Notes, 5.35\%, 2014 |  | 165,000 | 169,617 |
| Industrial Bank Of Korea, Sub. Notes, 4\%, 2014 |  | 110,000 f | 107,027 |
| Washington Mutual, <br> Notes, 2.4\%, 2005 |  | 270,000 | 268,744 |
| Zions Bancorporation: <br> Sr. Notes, $2.7 \%, 2006$ <br> Sub. Notes, 6\%, 2015 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 380,000 \\ & 185,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 376,165 \\ 202,105 \\ \mathbf{2 , 5 1 9 , 5 0 7} \end{array}$ |
| Building \& Construction-.5\% |  |  |  |
| DR Horton, Sr. Notes, 5.875\%, 2013 |  | 180,000 | 182,163 |
| Schuler Homes, <br> Sr. Notes, 10.5\%, 2011 |  | 170,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 188,275 \\ & 370,438 \end{aligned}$ |
| Chemicals-1.5\% |  |  |  |
| ICI Wilmington, <br> Notes, 5.625\%, 2013 |  | 145,000 | 150,694 |
| International Flavors \& Fragrance, <br> Notes, 6.45\%, 2006 |  | 400,000 | 407,315 |


| Bonds and Notes (continued) | Principal <br> Amount a | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chemicals (continued) |  |  |
| Lubrizol, Debs., 6.5\%, 2034 | 185,000 | 204,932 |
| RPM International: |  |  |
| Bonds, 6.25\%, 2013 | 180,000 | 189,695 |
| Sr. Notes, 4.45\%, 2009 | 220,000 | 216,916 |
|  |  | 1,169,552 |
| Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Ctfs.-1.3\% |  |  |
| Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage Securities: |  |  |
| Ser. 2003-T12, CI. A3, 4.24\%, 2039 | 240,000 | 238,606 |
| Ser. 2005-T18, CI. A2, 4.556\%, 2042 | 185,000 | 186,944 |
| Calwest Industrial Trust, <br> Ser. 2002-CALW, CI. A, 6.127\%, 2017 | 190,000 f | 207,992 |
| Crown Castle Towers, <br> Ser. 2005-1 A, CI. D, 5.612\%, 2035 | 170,000 f | 170,684 |
| DLJ Commercial Mortgage, <br> Ser. 1998-CF2, CI. A1 B, 6.24\%, 2031 | 150,000 | 159,014 |
|  |  | 963,240 |
| Commercial \& Professional Services-.8\% |  |  |
| Aramark Services, <br> Sr. Notes, 6.375\%, 2008 | 250,000 | 262,140 |
| Deluxe, <br> Notes, Ser. B, 3.5\%, 2007 | 165,000 | 161,348 |
| Erac USA Finance, Notes, 7.95\%, 2009 | 100,000 f | 113,295 |
| RR Donnelley \& Sons, <br> Notes, 5\%, 2006 | 105,000 | 105,921 |
|  |  | 642,704 |
| Diversified Financial Services-8.7\% |  |  |
| Amvescap, <br> Sr. Notes, 5.9\%, 2007 | 135,000 | 138,607 |
| Capital One Bank, Sub. Notes, 6.5\%, 2013 | 165,000 | 181,823 |
| Countrywide Home Loans: <br> Notes, 4.125\%, 2009 <br> Notes, Ser. J, 5.5\%, 2006 <br> Notes, Ser. L, 2.875\%, 2007 | $\begin{aligned} & 190,000 \\ & 145,000 \\ & 400,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 187,669 \\ & 147,217 \\ & 391,804 \end{aligned}$ |
| Fondo LatinoAmericano De Reservas, Notes, 3\%, 2006 | 440,000 f | 436,210 |

$\left.\begin{array}{lll}\hline & & \text { Principal } \\ \text { Amount a }\end{array}\right]$ Value (\$)

| Bonds and Notes (continued) | Principal <br> Amount a | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Electric Utilities (continued) |  |  |
| FPL Energy National Wind, Sr. Secured Notes, 5.608\%, 2024 | 100,000 f | 102,336 |
| FirstEnergy, <br> Notes, Ser. B, 6.45\%, 2011 | 175,000 | 191,461 |
| Northern States Power, <br> First Mortgage, 2.875\%, 2006 | 190,000 | 187,800 |
| Pacific Gas \& Electric, <br> First Mortgage, 4.8\%, 2014 | 301,000 | 302,273 |
| Public Service Co. of Colorado, <br> First Collateral Trust Bonds, Ser. 12, 4.875\%, 2013 | 403,000 | 412,172 |
| Sierra Pacific Power, Mortgage Notes, 6.25\%, 2012 | 100,000 | 103,250 |
| TECO Energy, <br> Sr. Notes, 6.75\%, 2015 | 25,000 f | 26,625 |
| TXU: <br> Notes, 4.8\%, 2009 <br> Notes, 5.55\%, 2014 <br> Sr. Notes, Ser. J, 6.375\%, 2006 | $\begin{aligned} & 305,000 \mathrm{f} \\ & 205,000 \mathrm{f} \\ & 185,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 300,965 \\ 199,845 \\ 189,056 \\ \mathbf{2 , 3 2 1 , 1 7 5} \end{array}$ |
| Entertainment-.9\% |  |  |
| Carnival, <br> Notes, 7.3\%, 2007 | 175,000 | 184,353 |
| GTECH, <br> Notes, 4.75\%, 2010 | 384,000 | 382,616 |
| Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority, Sr. Notes, 6.125\%, 2013 | 125,000 f | $\begin{aligned} & 126,875 \\ & 693,844 \end{aligned}$ |
| Environmental Control-.4\% |  |  |
| Waste Management: <br> Sr. Notes, 6.5\%, 2008 <br> Sr. Notes, 7\%, 2028 | $\begin{aligned} & 130,000 \\ & 125,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 138,196 \\ & 145,424 \\ & \mathbf{2 8 3}, 620 \end{aligned}$ |
| Food \& Beverages-.8\% |  |  |
| Kraft Foods, Notes, 4.625\%, 2006 | 375,000 | 377,568 |
| Safeway, <br> Notes, 4.125\%, 2008 | 130,000 | 128,227 |


|  |  | Principal |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount a |  |  |$\quad$ Value (\$)


| Bonds and Notes (continued) | Principal Amount a | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Manufacturing (continued) |  |  |
| Sony Capital, <br> Notes, 4.95\%, 2006 | 185,000 f | 186,732 |
| Tyco International, Notes, 6.375\%, 2011 | 320,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 351,915 \\ & 939,772 \end{aligned}$ |
| Media-1.8\% |  |  |
| Clear Channel Communications: <br> Notes, 4.25\%, 2009 <br> Notes, 4.5\%, 2010 | $\begin{aligned} & 180,000 \\ & 215,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 173,612 \\ & 206,263 \end{aligned}$ |
| Liberty Media, Notes, 3.5\%, 2006 | 330,000 | 325,650 |
| Media General, <br> Notes, 6.95\%, 2006 | 70,000 | 71,993 |
| Reed Elsevier Capital, Bonds, 6.125\%, 2006 | 375,000 | 380,938 |
| Univision Communications, Sr. Notes, 2.875\%, 2006 | 200,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 196,190 \\ \mathbf{1 , 3 5 4 , 6 4 6} \end{array}$ |
| Oil \& Gas-1.7\% |  |  |
| Amerada Hess, <br> Notes, 6.65\%, 2011 | 175,000 | 192,817 |
| Colorado Interstate Gas, <br> Sr. Notes, 5.95\%, 2015 | 100,000 f | 99,088 |
| Enterprise Products Operating, Sr. Notes, Ser. B, 4.625\%, 2009 | 380,000 | 378,664 |
| Kerr-McGee, <br> Notes, 6.95\%, 2024 | 185,000 | 192,081 |
| Pemex Project Funding Master Trust, Notes, 7.375\%, 2014 | 285,000 | 320,340 |
| Sempra Energy, <br> Sr. Notes, 4.62 1\%, 2007 | 130,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 130,672 \\ \mathbf{1 , 3 1 3 , 6 6 2} \end{array}$ |
| Packaging \& Containers-.2\% <br> Sealed Air, <br> Bonds, 6.875\%, 2033 | 170,000 f | 188,939 |
| Paper \& Forest Products-1.7\% <br> Celulosa Arauco y Constitucion, Notes, 5.625\%, 2015 | 180,000 f | 184,214 |

$\left.\begin{array}{lrr}\hline & & \\ \hline \text { Principal } \\ \text { Amounta }\end{array}\right)$ Value (\$)

| Bonds and Notes (continued) | Principal Amount a | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Real Estate Investment Trusts (continued) |  |  |
| ERP Operating, <br> Notes, 4.75\%, 2009 | 75,000 | 75,740 |
| Healthcare Realty Trust, <br> Sr. Notes, 5.125\%, 2014 | 360,000 | 356,535 |
| Mack-Cali Realty, <br> Notes, 5.05\%, 2010 | 190,000 | 192,568 |
| Simon Property, <br> Notes, 4.6\%, 2010 | 160,000 f | $\begin{array}{r} 160,264 \\ \mathbf{1 , 8 7 4 , 6 7 4} \end{array}$ |
| Residential Mortgage Pass-Through Ctfs.-4.5\% |  |  |
| Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust, Ser. 2005-WF1, CI. A5, 5.01\%, 2035 | 205,000 | 206,791 |
| Countrywide Alternative Loan Trust, <br> Ser. 2005-J4, CI. A1 B, 3.43438\%, 2035 | 391,265 d | 391,265 |
| First Horizon Alternative Mortgage Securities I, Ser. 2004-FA1, Cl. A1, 6.25\%, 2034 | 1,321,610 | 1,362,339 |
| JP Morgan Mortgage Trust, <br> Ser. 2005-A1, CI. A1, 4.483996\%, 2035 | 122,263 d | 120,674 |
| Nomura Asset Acceptance: <br> Ser. 2005-AP2, CI. A5, 4.976\%, 2035 <br> Ser. 2005-WF1, CI. 2A5, 5.159\%, 2035 | $\begin{aligned} & 225,000 \\ & 170,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 228,973 \\ & 172,676 \end{aligned}$ |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, <br> Ser. 2005-8XS, CI. A1, 3.41438\%, 2035 | 512,423 d | 512,423 |
| Washington Mutual, <br> Ser. 2005-AR4, CI. A4B, 4.68\%, 2035 | 450,000 d | $\begin{array}{r} 450,633 \\ \mathbf{3 , 4 4 5 , 7 7 4} \end{array}$ |
| Retail-.2\% |  |  |
| May Department Stores: Notes, 3.95\%, 2007 Notes, 5.95\%, 2008 | $\begin{array}{r} 70,000 \\ 100,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 69,550 \\ 104,509 \\ \mathbf{1 7 4 , 0 5 9} \end{array}$ |
| State Government-1.8\% |  |  |
| New Jersey Tobacco Settlement Financing: Bonds, 5.75\%, 2032 <br> Bonds, 6.125\%, 2042 | $\begin{array}{r} 180,000 \\ 1,120,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 187,274 \\ 1,178,845 \\ 1,366,119 \end{array}$ |


|  |  | Principal |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount a |  |  |$\quad$ Value (\$)


| Bonds and Notes (continued) | Principal Amounta | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. Government (continued) |  |  |
| U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities, |  |  |
| U.S. Treasury Notes: |  |  |
| 2.75\%, 8/15/2007 | 1,245,000 | 1,222,436 |
| 2.875\%, 11/30/2006 | 1,285,000 | 1,272,302 |
| 4.25\%, 8/15/2013 | 85,000 | 87,151 |
|  |  | 4,313,660 |
| U.S. Government Agencies/Mortgage-Backed-28.3\% |  |  |
| Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.: |  |  |
| Ser. 2586, CI. WE, 4\%, 12/15/2032 (Interest Only Obligations), | 282,341 | 273,851 |
| Ser. 2752, CI. GM, 5\%, 3/15/2026 | 3,000,000 i | 529,475 |
| Federal National Mortgage Association: |  |  |
| 4.5\% | 3,050,000 j | 3,036,641 |
| 5\% | 7,635,000 j | 7,678,939 |
| 5\%, 9/1/2017 | 150,160 | 152,066 |
| 5.5\% | 3,795,000 j | 3,866,396 |
| 5.5\%, 8/1/2034-5/1/2035 | 2,155,609 | 2,187,062 |
| 6\% | 750,000 j | 775,547 |
| Government National Mortgage Association I: |  |  |
| 5.5\%, 3/15/2033 | 195,128 | 199,551 |
| Ser. 2003-88, CI. AC, $2.9141 \%, 6 / 16 / 2018$ | 89,826 | 87,240 |
| Ser. 2004-9, CI. A, 3.36\%, 8/16/2022 | 103,752 | 101,156 |
| Ser. 2004-25, CI. AC, 3.377\%, 1/16/2023 | 290,000 | 283,163 |
| Ser. 2004-43, CI. A, 2.822\%, 12/16/2019 | 296,694 | 287,251 |
| Ser. 2004-50, CI. A, 4.28\%, 8/16/2040 | 175,000 | 174,125 |
| Ser. 2004-51, CI. A, 4.145\%, 2/16/2018 | 71,395 | 71,120 |
| Ser. 2004-57, CI. A, 3.022\%, 1/16/2019 | 153,014 | 148,908 |
| Ser. 2004-77, CI. A, 3.402\%, 3/16/2020 | 240,125 | 235,043 |
| Ser. 2005-29, CI. A, 4.016\%, 7/16/2027 | 289,329 | 286,277 |
| Ser. 2005-32, CI. B, 4.385\%, 8/16/2030 | 475,000 | 475,176 |
| Ser. 2005-34, CI. A, 3.956\%, 9/16/2021 | 249,188 | 247,191 |
| Ser. 2005-42, CI. A, 4.045\%, 7/16/2020 | 250,000 | 249,075 |
| Government National Mortgage Association II: |  |  |
| 3.5\%, 7/20/2030 | 33,416 | 33,735 |
| 6.5\%, 7/20/2031-9/20/2031 | 251,786 | 262,250 |
| 7\%, 7/20/2031 | 18,037 | 19,023 |
| 7.5\%, 5/20/2031-8/20/2031 | 62,580 | 66,764 |
|  |  | 21,727,025 |
| Total Bonds and Notes |  |  |
| (cost \$79,923,110) |  | 80,161,692 |


| Preferred Stocks-. 1 \% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Banking; |  |  |
| ```Sovereign Capital Trust IV, Cum. Conv., $2.18754 (cost $95,138)``` | 2,150 | 95,138 |
| Options-.1\% | Face Amount Covered by Contracts (\$) | Value (\$) |
| Call Options-. $1 \%$ |  |  |
| Dow Jones CDX.NA.IG. 4 September 2005 @ . 575 | 1,750,000 | 2,625 |
| U.S. Treasury Notes, 4\%, 2/15/2015 August 2005 @ 98.453125 | 1,510,000 | 30,109 |
| U.S. Treasury Notes, 4.125\%, 2/15/2015 <br> August 2005 @ 101.328125 | 1,490,000 | 14,796 |
| U.S. Treasury Notes, 3.875\%, 6/17/2015 July 2005 @ 100.328125 | 3,810,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 48,220 \\ & 95,750 \end{aligned}$ |
| Put Options-.0\% |  |  |
| U.S. Treasury Notes, 4.125\%, 2/15/2015 August 2005 @ 101.328125 | 3,810,000 | 13,097 |
| Total Options (cost \$105,024) |  | 108,847 |
| Other Investments-4.5\% | Shares | Value (\$) |
| Registered Investment Company; |  |  |
| Dreyfus Institutional Preferred Plus Money Market Fund (cost \$3,470,000) | 3,470,000 k | 3,470,000 |
| Short-Term Investments-12.3\% | Principal Amounta | Value (\$) |
| U.S. Government Agencies-12.2\% |  |  |
| Federal National Mortgage Association, $3.07 \%, 7 / 14 / 2005$ | 9,325,000 | 9,314,965 |
| U.S. Treasury Bills-. $1 \%$ 2.97\%, 9/8/2005 | 100,000 | 99,427 |
| Total Short Term Investments (cost \$9,414,408) |  | 9,414,392 |

Investment of Cash Collateral
Value (\$)

## Registered Investment Company;

Dreyfus Institutional Cash Advantage Plus Fund (cost \$1,068,170)

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1,068,170 \text { k } \quad 1,068,170
$$

Total Investments (cost \$94,075,850)
122.9\%

94,318,239
Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables
(22.9\%)
$(17,582,492)$

| Net Assets | $100.0 \%$ | $76,735,747$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

a Prindpal amount stated in U.S. D ollars unless otherwised noted.
AUD - A ustrialian D ollars EUR-Euro
b $N$ on-income producting- searity in default
c The value of this searity has been determined in good faith under the direction of the B oard of Trustees
d Variable rate security-interest rate subject to periodic change
e All or a portion of these searities are on loan. At June 30, 2005, the total market value of the portfolio's searities on Ioan is $\$ 1,018,623$ and the total market value of the collateral held by the portfolio is $\$ 1,068,170$.
f Searities exempt from registration under rule 144A of the Searrities A d of 1933. T hese searities may be resold in transations exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers At June 30, 2005, these searities amounted to $\$ 7,814,747$ or $10.2 \%$ of net assets
9 Searity linked to G oldman Sachs C ommodity Index - Excess R eturn.
${ }^{h}$ Principal amount for accrual purposes is periodically adjusted based on changes in the $C$ onsumer Price Index.
i Notional face amount shown.
j Purchased on a forward commitment basis,
k Investments in affiliated money market mutual funds.
I H eld by a broker as collateral for open finandial futures positions.

|  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) $\dagger$ |  | Value (\%) |  |
|  | Value (\%) |  | 1.8 |
| Corporate Bonds | 38.6 | State Government | 1.6 |
| U.S. Government \& Agencies | 33.9 | Structured Index | .1 |
| Asset/Mortgage Backed | 20.4 | Preferred Stocks | Futures/Options/Forward Currency |
| Short Term/ |  | Exchange Contracts/Swaps | .2 |
| $\quad$ Money Market Investments | 18.2 |  | $\mathbf{1 2 3 . 0}$ |

$\dagger$ Based on net assets
See notes to finandal statements.

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL FUTURES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Contracts | Market Value Covered by Contracts (\$) | Expiration | Unrealized <br> Appreciation (Depreciation) at 6/30/2005 (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Financial Futures Long |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Treasury 2 Year Notes | 18 | 3,738,375 | September 2005 | 563 |
| U.S. Treasury 5 Year Notes | 45 | 4,900,078 | September 2005 | 7,698 |
| Financial Futures Short |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Treasury 10 Year Notes | 28 | 3,177,125 | September 2005 | $(10,313)$ |
|  |  |  |  | $(2,052)$ |

See notes to finandial statements

STATEMENT OF OPTIONS WRITTEN
June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

|  | Face Amount Covered by Contracts (\$) | Value (\$) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Call Options: |  |  |
| Dow Jones CDX.NA.IG. 4 |  |  |
| September 2005 @ . 52 | 3,500,000 | 2,800 |
| U.S. Treasury Notes, 4\%, 2/15/2015 |  |  |
| August 2005 @ 100 | 3,020,000 | 27,240 |
| U.S. Treasury Notes, 4.125\%, 5/15/2015 |  |  |
| August 2005 @ 102.859375 | 2,980,000 | 12,755 |
| (Premuims received \$42,555) |  | 42,795 |

See notes to finandial statements

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

| Cost | Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Assets (\$): |  |
| Investments in securities- |  |
| See Statement of Investments (including securities on loan, valued at $\$ 1,018,623$ )-Note 1 (c): |  |
| Unaffiliated issuers 89,537,680 | 89,780,069 |
| Affiliated issuers 4,538,170 | 4,538,170 |
| Cash denominated in foreign currencies 26 | 25 |
| Receivable for investment securities sold | 2,469,085 |
| Dividends and interest receivable | 642,321 |
| Unrealized appreciation on forward currency exchange contracts-Note 4 | 6,761 |
| Unrealized appreciation on swap contracts-Note 4 | 2,842 |
| Receivable for futures variation margin-Note 4 | 1,344 |
| Prepaid expenses | 1,810 |
|  | 97,442,427 |
| Liabilities (\$): |  |
| Due to The Dreyfus Corporation and affiliates-Note 3(b) | 48,680 |
| Cash overdraft due to Custodian | 54,077 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 19,450,676 |
| Liability for securities on loan-Note 1 (c) | 1,068,170 |
| Outstanding options written, at value (premiums received \$42,555) |  |
| -See Statement of Options Written | 42,795 |
| Unrealized depreciation on swap contracts-Note 4 | 26,130 |
| Accrued expenses | 16,152 |
|  | 20,706,680 |
| Net Assets (\$) | 76,735,747 |
| Composition of Net Assets (\$): |  |
| Paid-in capital | 75,830,989 |
| Accumulated undistributed investment income-net | 175,924 |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments | 510,078 |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments foreign currency transactions, options transactions and swap transactions [including ( $\$ 2,052$ ) net unrealized depreciation on financial futures] | 218,756 |
| Net Assets (\$) | 76,735,747 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share |  |
| Initial Shares | Service Shares |
| Net Assets (\$) 25,607,542 | 51,128,205 |
| Shares Outstanding 1,966,501 | 3,927,671 |
| Net Asset Value Per Share (\$) 13.02 | 13.02 |

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

## Investment Income (\$):

## Income:

InterestDividends:
Unaffiliated issuers ..... 1,176
Affiliated issuers ..... 96,411
Income from securities lending ..... 3,945
Total Income ..... 1,577,147
Expenses:
Investment advisory fee-Note 3(a) ..... 230,245
Distribution fees-Note 3(b) ..... 63,952
Custodian fees-Note 3(b) ..... 20,653
Professional fees ..... 15,433
Prospectus and shareholders' reports ..... 4,197
Trustees' fees and expenses-Note 3(c) ..... 1,253
Shareholder servicing costs-Note 3(b) ..... 869
Interest expense-Note 2 ..... 61
Miscellaneous ..... 7,251
Total Expenses ..... 343,914
Less-waiver of fees due to undertaking-Note 3(a) ..... $(45,980)$
Net Expenses ..... 297,934
Investment Income-Net ..... 1,279,213
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments-Note 4 (\$):
Net realized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency transactions:
Long transactions ..... 974,738
Short sale transactions ..... 20
Net realized gain (loss) on options transactions ..... 12,368
Net realized gain (loss) on financial futures ..... $(89,383)$
Net realized gain (loss) on swap transactions ..... (816)
Net realized gain (loss) on forward currency exchange contracts ..... 134,923
Net Realized Gain (Loss) ..... 1,031,850
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments, securities sold short, foreign currency transactons, options transactions and swap transactions [including $(\$ 2,052)$ net unrealized depreciation on financial futures]
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments ..... $(13,563)$
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations ..... 1,265,650See notes to finandal statements.

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operations (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net | 1,279,213 | 3,023,741 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 1,031,850 | 165,272 |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | $(1,045,413)$ | 176,824 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations | 1,265,650 | 3,365,837 |
| Dividends to Shareholders from (\$): |  |  |
| Investment income-net: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(418,419)$ | $(1,183,364)$ |
| Service shares | $(805,737)$ | $(2,285,546)$ |
| Total Dividends | $(1,224,156)$ | $(3,468,910)$ |
| Beneficial Interest Transactions (\$): |  |  |
| Net proceeds from shares sold: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 1,406,871 | 1,764,002 |
| Service shares | 1,550,928 | 3,749,603 |
| Dividends reinvested: |  |  |
| Initial shares | 418,419 | 1,183,364 |
| Service shares | 805,737 | 2,285,546 |
| Cost of shares redeemed: |  |  |
| Initial shares | $(2,318,399)$ | $(8,709,051)$ |
| Service shares | $(4,219,424)$ | $(11,488,700)$ |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Beneficial Interest Transactions | $(2,355,868)$ | $(11,215,236)$ |
| Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | $(2,314,374)$ | $(11,318,309)$ |
| Net Assets (\$): |  |  |
| Beginning of Period | 79,050,121 | 90,368,430 |
| End of Period | 76,735,747 | 79,050,121 |
| Undistributed investment income-net | 175,924 | 120,866 |


|  | Six Months Ended <br> June 30, 2005 <br> (Unaudited) | Year Ended <br> December 31, 2004 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Capital Share Transactions: |  |  |
| Initial Shares | 108,885 | 136,860 |
| Shares sold | 32,414 | 92,375 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | $(179,516)$ | $(679,108)$ |
| Shares redeemed | $\mathbf{( 3 8 , 2 1 7 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 4 4 9 , 8 7 3 )}$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding |  |  |
| Service Shares | 120,126 | 290,890 |
| Shares sold | 62,450 | 178,570 |
| Shares issued for dividends reinvested | $(327,051)$ | $(896,444)$ |
| Shares redeemed | $\mathbf{( 1 4 4 , 4 7 5 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 4 2 6 , 9 8 4 )}$ |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding |  |  |

See notes to finandal statements

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single portfolio share. Total return shows how much your investment in the portfolio would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been derived from the portfolio's financial statements.

| Six Montr  <br> Initial Shares June | ths Ended $\text { e 30, } 2005$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004a | 2003 | 2002 | 2001b | 2000c |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income-net | . 22 d | . 47 d | .45d | .61d | .75d | . 50 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | .00e | . 09 | . 47 | . 21 | (.18) | . 56 |
| Total from Investment Operations | s . 22 | . 56 | . 92 | . 82 | . 57 | 1.06 |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | (.21) | (.55) | (.54) | (.62) | (.72) | (.50) |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | - | - | (.25) | - | (.12) | (.12) |
| Total Distributions | (.21) | (.55) | (.79) | (.62) | (.84) | (.62) |
| Net asset value, end of period | 13.02 | 13.01 | 13.00 | 12.87 | 12.67 | 12.94 |
| Total Return (\%) | $1.64{ }^{\text {f }}$ | 4.54 | 7.27 | 6.70 | 4.55 | $8.61{ }^{\text {f }}$ |


| Initial Shares (continued) | Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 (Unaudited) | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2004a | 2003 | 2002 | 2001b | 2000c |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | . 739 | . 71 | . 72 | . 80 | . 97 | 1.909 |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | . 739 | . 71 | . 72 | . 80 | . 80 | .809 |
| Ratio of net investment incon to average net assets | ome <br>  <br>  <br> 8.389 | 3.69 | 3.39 | 4.82 | 5.71 | 6.249 |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 287.23 f, h | 785.59 ${ }^{\text {h }}$ | 905.09 ${ }^{\text {h }}$ | 653.12 | 654.39 | $953.66{ }^{\text {f }}$ |
| Net Assets, end of period $(\$ \times 1,000)$ | 25,608 | 26,089 | 31,912 | 33,810 | 26,744 | 12,048 |

a A s of January 1, 2004, the portfolio has adopted the method of accounting for interim payments on swap contrads in accordance with Finandial A coounting Standards B oard Statement N 0.133 . T hese interim payments are reflected within net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on swap contrads, however, prior to January 1, 2004, these interim payments were reflected within interest income/ expense in the Statement of 0 perations $T$ he effect of this change for the period ended December 31, 2004, was to increase net investment income per share by less than $\$ .01$, derrease net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments per share by less than $\$ .01$ and increase the ratio of net investment income to average net assets from $3.66 \%$ to $3.69 \%$. Per share data and ratios/ supplemental data for periods prior to January 1,2004 have not been restated to reflect this change in presentation.
b A s required, effective January 1, 2001, the portfolio has adopted the provisions of the A IC PA A udit and A ccounting G uide for Investment C ompanies and began accreting discount or amortizing premium on fixed income searities on a scientific basis and induding paydown gains and losses in interest income $T$ he effed of these changes for the period ended D ecember 31, 2001 was to derease net investment income per share by $\$ .04$, increase net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments per share by $\$ .04$ and decrease the ratio of net investment income to average net assets from $6.04 \%$ to $5.71 \%$. Per share data and ratios/ supplemental data for periods prior to January 1, 2001 have not been restated to reflect these changes in presentation.
c From M ay 1, 2000 (commencement of operations) to $D$ ecember 31, 2000.
d B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
e A mount represents less than $\$ .01$ per share
f $N$ ot annualized.
$g$ A nnualized.
h The portfolio turnover rates excluding mortgage dollar roll transactions for the periods ended June 30, 2005, D ecember 31, 2004 and D ecember 31, 2003 were $206.99 \%, 706.48 \%$ and $684.58 \%$, respectively.
See notes to finandal statements

| Six Mont  <br> Service Shares June | ths Ended $\text { 30, } 2005$ | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unaudited) | 2004a | 2003 | 2002 | 2001b | 2000 ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
| Per Share Data (\$): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net asset value, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment Operations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment income-net | . 21 d | .46d | . 43 d | .62d | . 70 d | - |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | .00e | . 10 | . 47 | . 21 | (.13) | - |
| Total from Investment Operations | . 21 | . 56 | . 90 | . 83 | . 57 | - |
| Distributions: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends from investment income-net | (.20) | (.54) | (.53) | (.62) | (.72) | - |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments | - | - | (.25) | - | (.12) | - |
| Total Distributions | (.20) | (.54) | (.78) | (.62) | (.84) | - |
| Net asset value, end of period | 13.02 | 13.01 | 12.99 | 12.87 | 12.66 | 12.93 |
| Total Return (\%) | $1.73{ }^{\text {f }}$ | 4.36 | 7.11 | 6.78 | 4.46 | - |


| Service Shares (continued) | x Months Ended June 30, 2005 | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Unaudited) | 2004a | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 2000 c |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (\%): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets | .989 | . 96 | . 97 | 1.00 | 1.15 | - |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets | .80g | . 80 | . 80 | . 80 | . 80 | - |
| Ratio of net investment inco to average net assets | me $\quad 3.31 \mathrm{~g}$ | 3.60 | 3.29 | 4.82 | 5.77 | - |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | $287.23{ }^{\text {f,h }}$ | 785.59 h | 905.09h | 653.12 | 654.39 | $953.66^{\text {f }}$ |
| Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000) | 51,128 | 52,961 | 58,456 | 57,823 | 30,416 | 1 |

a A s of January 1, 2004, the portfolio has adopted the method of accounting for interim payments on swap contracs in accordance with Finandial A ccounting Standards B oard Statement No.133.T hese interim payments are reflected within net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on swap contract, however, prior to January 1, 2004, these interim payments were reflected within interest income/ expense in the Statement of 0 perations. $T$ he effect of this change for the period ended $D$ ecember 31, 2004, was to increase net investment income per share by less than $\$ .01$, decrease net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments per share by less than $\$ .01$ and increase the ratio of net investment income to average net assets from $3.57 \%$ to $3.60 \%$. Per share data and ratios/ supplemental data for periods prior to January 1, 2004 have not been restated to reflect this change in presentation.
b A s required, effective January 1, 2001, the portfolio has adopted the provisions of the A IC PA A udit and A ccounting $G$ uide for Investment C ompanies and began accreting discount or amortizing premium on fixed income securities on a scientific basis and induding paydown gains and losses in interest income. $T$ he effect of these changes for the period ended D ecember 31, 2001 was to decrease net investment income per share by $\$ .04$, increase net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments per share by $\$ .04$ and decrease the ratio of net investment income to average net assets from $6.10 \%$ to $5.77 \%$. Per share data and ratios/ supplemental data for periods prior to January 1,2001 have not been restated to reflect these changes in presentation.
c The portfolio commenced offering Service shares on D ecember 31, 2000.
d B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
e A mount represents less than $\$ .01$ per share.
$f \quad N$ ot annualized.
$g$ A nnualized.
h The portfolio turnover rates excluding mortgage dollar roll transactions for the periods ended June 30, 2005, D ecember 31, 2004 and D ecember 31, 2003 were $206.99 \%, 706.48 \%$ and $684.58 \%$, respectively.
See notes to finandial statements.

## NOTE 1-Significant Accounting Policies:

Dreyfus Investment Portfolios (the "fund") is registered under the Investment C ompany Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an openend management investment company, operating as a series company currently offering nine series, including the Core Bond Portfolio (the "portfolio"). The portfolio is only offered to separate accounts established by insurance companies to fund variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. The portfolio is a diversified series. The portfolio's investment objective is to maximize total return through capital appreciation and current income. The D reyfus C orporation (the "M anager" or "Dreyfus") serves as the portfolio's investment adviser. The Manager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mellon Financial Corporation ("M ellon Financial").

Dreyfus Service Corporation (the "Distributor"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, is the distributor of the portfolio's shares, which are sold without a sales charge. The portfolio is authorized to issue an unlimited number of $\$ .001$ par value shares of Beneficial Interest in each of the following classes of shares: Initial and Service. Each class of shares has identical rights and privileges, except with respect to the distribution plan and the expenses borne by each class and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The fund accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series' operations; expenses which are applicable to all series are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The portfolio's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The portfolio does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.
(a) Portfolio valuation: Investments in securities (excluding shortterm investments (other than U.S. Treasury Bills), financial futures, options, swaps and forward currency exchange contracts) are valued each business day by an independent pricing service (the "Service") approved by the Board of Trustees. Investments for which quoted bid prices are readily available and are representative of the bid side of the market in the judgment of the Service are valued at the mean between the quoted bid prices (as obtained by the Service from dealers in such securities) and asked prices (as calculated by the Service based upon its evaluation of the market for such securities). 0 ther investments (which constitute a majority of the portfolio securities) are valued as determined by the Service, based on methods which include consideration of: yields or prices of securities of comparable quality, coupon, maturity and type; indications as to values from dealers; and general market conditions. Securities for which there are no such valuations are valued at fair value as determined in good faith under the direction of the Board of Trustees. R estricted securities, as well as securities or other assets for which recent market quotations are not readily available, that are not valued by a pricing service approved by the Board of Trustees, or are determined by the portfolio not to reflect accurately fair value (such as when an event occurs after the close of the exchange on which the security is principally traded and that is determined by the portfolio to have changed the value of the security), are valued at fair value as determined in good faith under the direction of the Board of Trustees. T he factors that may be considered when fair valuing a security include fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Short-term investments,
excluding U.S. Treasury Bills, are carried at amortized cost, which approximates value. Investments in registered investment companies are valued at their net asset value. Financial futures and options, which are traded on an exchange, are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange on which such securities are primarily traded or at the last sales price on the national securities market on each business day. $O$ ptions traded over-the-counter are priced at the mean between the bid and asked price. Swap transactions are valued daily based upon future cash flows and other factors, such as interest rates and underlying securities. Investments denominated in foreign currencies are translated to U.S. dollars at the prevailing rates of exchange. Forward currency exchange contracts are valued at the forward rate.
(b) Foreign currency transactions: The portfolio does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in the market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.
$N$ et realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales and maturities of short-term securities, sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized on securities transactions and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the portfolio's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. N et unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in the value of assets and liabilities other than investments in securities at fiscal year end, resulting from changes in exchange rates Such gains and losses are included with net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.
(c) Securities transactions and investment income: Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. R ealized gain and loss from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

The portfolio has an arrangement with the custodian bank whereby the portfolio receives earnings credits from the custodian when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the portfolio includes net earnings credits, if any, as an expense offset in the Statement of O perations.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the M anager, the portfolio may lend securities to qualified institutions. At origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least $102 \%$ of the value of U.S. securities loaned and $105 \%$ of the value of foreign securities loaned. C ollateral equivalent to at least $100 \%$ of the market value of securities on loan will be maintained at all times. C ash collateral is invested in certain money market mutual funds managed by the M anager. The portfolio will be entitled to receive all income on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Although each security loaned is fully collateralized, the portfolio would bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner.
(d) Affiliated issuers: Investments in other investment companies advised by the M anager are defined as "affiliated" in the Act.
(e) Dividends to shareholders: Dividends are recorded on the exdividend date. Dividends from investment income-net are declared and paid monthly. Dividends from net realized capital gain, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the portfolio may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal R evenue C ode of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). To the extent that net realized capital gain can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the portfolio not to distribute such gain. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

On June 30, 2005, the Board of Trustees declared a cash dividend of .046 and .045 per share for the Initial Shares and Service Shares, respectively, from undistributed investment income-net payable on July 1,2005 (ex-dividend date) to shareholders of record as of the close of business on June 30, 2005.
(f) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the portfolio to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the C ode, and to make distributions of taxable income sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

The portfolio has an unused capital loss carryover of \$327,967 available for federal income tax purposes to be applied against future net securities profits, if any, realized subsequent to December 31, 2004. If not applied, the carryover expires in fiscal 2012.

The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 was as follows: ordinary income $\$ 3,468,910$. The tax character of current year distributions will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

## NOTE 2-Bank Lines of Credit:

The portfolio may borrow up to $\$ 5$ million for leveraging purposes under a short-term unsecured line of credit and participates with other D reyfus-managed funds in a $\$ 100$ million unsecured line of credit primarily to be utilized for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions. Interest is charged to the portfolio based on prevailing market rates in effect at the time of borrowings.

The average daily amount of borrowings outstanding under the leveraging arrangement during the period ended June 30, 2005 was approximately $\$ 5,500$, with a related weighted average annualized interest rate of $2.24 \%$.

NOTE 3-Investment Advisory Fee and Other Transactions With Affiliates:
(a) Pursuant to an Investment A dvisory A greement with the $M$ anager, the investment advisory fee is computed at the annual rate of . 60 of $1 \%$ of the value of the portfolio's average daily net assets and is payable monthly.

The M anager has agreed, from January 1, 2005 to D ecember 31, 2005, to waive receipt of its fees and/ or assume the expenses of the portfolio so that the expenses of neither class, exclusive of taxes, brokerage fees, interest on borrowings and extraordinary expenses, exceed an annual rate of 80 of $1 \%$ of the value of the average daily net assets of their class. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the M anager waived receipt of fees of $\$ 45,980$, pursuant to the undertaking.
(b) U nder the Distribution Plan (the "Plan") adopted pursuant to R ule 12b-1 under the Act, Service shares pay the D istributor for distributing their shares, for servicing and/ or maintaining Service shares shareholder accounts and for advertising and marketing for Service shares. The Plan provides for payments to be made at an annual rate of 25 of $1 \%$ of the value of the Service shares' average daily net assets. The Distributor may make payments to Participating Insurance Companies and to brokers and dealers acting as principal underwriter for their variable insurance products. The fees payable under the Plan are payable without regard to actual expenses incurred. During the period ended June 30, 2005, Service shares were charged $\$ 63,952$ pursuant to the Plan.

The portfolio compensates Dreyfus Transfer, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $M$ anager, under a transfer agency agreement for providing personnel and facilities to perform transfer agency services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 28$ pursuant to the transfer agency agreement.

The portfolio compensates M ellon Bank, N.A., an affiliate of the M anager, under a custody agreement for providing custodial services for the portfolio. During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 20,653$ pursuant to the custody agreement.

During the period ended June 30, 2005, the portfolio was charged $\$ 1,998$ for services performed by the C hief C ompliance $O$ fficer.

The components of Due to The D reyfus C orporation and affiliates in the Statement of A ssets and Liabilities consist of: investment advisory fees $\$ 37,832$, R ule 12 b - 1 distribution plan fees $\$ 10,486$, custodian fees $\$ 9,353$, chief compliance officer fees $\$ 1,998$ and transfer agency per account fees $\$ 10$, which are offset against an expense reimbursement currently in effect in the amount of $\$ 10,999$.
(c) Each Board member also serves as a Board member of other funds within the D reyfus complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.
(d) Pursuant to an exemptive order from the Securities and Exchange Commission, the portfolio may invest its available cash balances in affiliated money market mutual funds. M anagement fees of the underlying money market mutual funds have been waived by the $M$ anager.

## NOTE 4-Securities Transactions:

The following summarizes the aggregate amount of purchases and sales (including paydowns) of investment securities and securities sold short, excluding short-term securities, financial futures, options transactions, forward currency exchange contracts and swap transactions, during the period ended June 30,2005 , of which $\$ 59,037,375$ in purchases and $\$ 59,156,993$ in sales were from dollar roll transactions:

|  | Purchases (\$) | Sales ( $\mathbf{\$})$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Long transactions | $225,619,913$ | $211,771,071$ |
| Short sale transactions | 16,344 | - |
| $\quad$ Total | $\mathbf{2 2 5 , 6 3 6 , 2 5 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 1 , 7 7 1 , 0 7 1}$ |
| A mortgage dollar roll transaction involves a sale by the portfolio of |  |  |
| mortgage related securities that it holds with an agreement by the |  |  |

portfolio to repurchase similar securities at an agreed upon price and date. The securities purchased will bear the same interest rate as those sold, but generally will be collateralized by pools of mortgages with different prepayment histories than those securities sold.

The portfolio is engaged in short selling which obligates the portfolio to replace the security borrowed by purchasing the security at current market value. T he portfolio would incur a loss if the price of the security increases between the date of the short sale and the date on which the portfolio replaces the borrowed security. The portfolio would realize a gain if the price of the security declines between those dates. The portfolio's long security positions serve as collateral for the open short positions. At June 30,2005 , there were no securities sold short outstanding.

The portfolio may invest in financial futures contracts in order to gain exposure to or protect against changes in the market. The portfolio is exposed to market risk as a result of changes in the value of the underlying financial instruments. Investments in financial futures require the portfolio to "mark to market" on a daily basis, which reflects the change in market value of the contracts at the close of each day's trading. Accordingly, variation margin payments are received or made to reflect daily unrealized gains or losses. W hen the contracts are closed, the portfolio recognizes a realized gain or loss. These investments require initial margin deposits with a broker, which consist of cash or cash equivalents. The amount of these deposits is determined by the exchange or Board ofTrade on which the contract is traded and is subject to change. C ontracts open at June 30, 2005, are set forth in the Statement of Financial Futures.

The portfolio may purchase and write (sell) put and call options in order to gain exposure to or to protect against changes in the market.

A s a writer of call options, the portfolio receives a premium at the outset and then bears the market risk of unfavorable changes in the price of the financial instrument underlying the option. Generally, the port-
folio would incur a gain, to the extent of the premium, if the price of the underlying financial instrument decreases between the date the option is written and the date on which the option is terminated. Generally, the portfolio would realize a loss, if the price of the financial instrument increases between those dates.

As a writer of put options, the portfolio receives a premium at the outset and then bears the market risk of unfavorable changes in the price of the financial instrument underlying the option. Generally, the portfolio would incur a gain, to the extent of the premium, if the price of the underlying financial instrument increases between the date the option is written and the date on which the option is terminated. Generally, the portfolio would realize a loss, if the price of the financial instrument decreases between those dates. T he following summarizes the portfolio's call/ put options written for the period ended June 30, 2005:

| Options Written: | Face Amount Covered by Contracts (\$) | Premiums Received (\$) | Options Terminated |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Cost (\$) | Net Realized Gain (Loss) (\$) |
| Contracts outstanding |  |  |  |  |
| December 31, 2004 | 2,470,000 | 18,113 |  |  |
| Contracts written | 14,400,000 | 71,388 |  |  |
| Contracts terminated: |  |  |  |  |
| Contracts closed | 5,650,000 | 35,255 | 54,552 | $(19,297)$ |
| Contracts expired | 1,720,000 | 11,691 | - | 11,691 |
| Total contracts terminated | 7,370,000 | 46,946 | 54,552 | $(7,606)$ |
| Contracts outstanding June 30, 2005 | 9,500,000 | 42,555 |  |  |

The portfolio enters into forward currency exchange contracts in order to hedge its exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates on itsforeign portfolio holdings and to settle foreign currency transactions. W hen executing forward currency exchange contracts, the portfolio is obligated to buy or sell a foreign currency at a specified rate on a certain date in the future. With respect to sales of forward currency exchange contracts, the portfolio would incur a loss if the value of the contract increases between the date the forward contract is opened and the date the forward contract is closed. The portfolio realizes a gain if the value of the contract decreases between those dates. W ith respect to purchases of forward currency exchange contracts, the portfolio would
incur a loss if the value of the contract decreases between the date the forward contract is opened and the date the forward contract is closed. The portfolio realizes a gain if the value of the contract increases between those dates. The portfolio is also exposed to credit risk associated with counterparty nonperformance on these forward currency exchange contracts which is typically limited to the unrealized gain on each open contract. T he following summarizes open forward currency exchange contracts at June 30, 2005:

|  | Foreign |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Forward Currency Exchange Contracts | Currency Amounts | Proceeds (\$) | Value (\$) | Unrealized Appreciation (\$) |
| Sales: |  |  |  |  |
| Australian Dollar, |  |  |  |  |
| Euro, expiring |  |  |  |  |
| 9/21/2005 | 2,060,000 | 2,504,218 | 2,499,810 | 4,408 |

Total
6,761
The portfolio may enter into swap agreements to exchange the interest rate on, or return generated by, one nominal instrument for the return generated by another nominal instrument.

A s of January 1, 2004, the portfolio has adopted the method of accounting for interim payments on swap contracts in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement N o. 133. T he portfolio accrues for the interim payments on swap contracts on a daily basis, with the net amount recorded within unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of swap contracts in the Statement of A ssets and Liabilities. O nce the interim payments are settled in cash, the net amount is recorded as realized gain (loss) on swaps, in addition to realized gain (loss) recorded upon the termination of swap contracts in the Statement of O perations. Prior to January 1, 2004, these interim payments were reflected within interest income in the Statement of $O$ perations. Fluctuations in the value of swap contracts are recorded as a component of net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments.

C redit default swaps involve commitments to pay a fixed interest rate in exchange for payment if a credit event affecting a third party (the
referenced company) occurs. C redit events may include a failure to pay interest or principal, bankruptcy, or restructuring. For those credit default swaps in which the portfolio is receiving a fixed rate, the portfolio is providing credits protection on the underlying instrument. T he maximum payouts for these contracts are limited to the notional amount of each swap. The following summarizes credit default swaps entered into by the portfolio at June 30, 2005:


R isks may arise upon entering into these agreements from the potential inability of the counterparties to meet the terms of the agreement and are generally limited to the amount of net payments to be received, if any, at the date of default.

At June 30, 2005, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was $\$ 242,389$, consisting of $\$ 678,290$ gross unrealized appreciation and \$435,901 gross unrealized depreciation.

At June 30, 2005, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Statement of Investments).

## NOTE 5-Legal Matters:

In early 2004, two purported class and derivative actions were filed against M ellon Financial, M ellon Bank, N.A., Dreyfus, Founders Asset $M$ anagement LLC, and certain directors of the D reyfus Funds and the D reyfus Founders Funds (together, the "Funds") in the U nited States District C ourt for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In September 2004, plaintiffs served a Consolidated Amended Complaint (the "Amended Complaint") on behalf of a purported class of all persons who acquired interests in any of the Funds between January 30, 1999 and $N$ ovember 17, 2003, and derivatively on behalf of the Funds. T he A mended C omplaint in the newly styled In re D reyfus M utual Funds Fee Litigation also named the Distributor, Premier Mutual Fund Services, Inc. and two additional Fund directors as defendants and alleges violations of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Pennsylvania Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law and common-law claims. Plaintiffs seek to recover allegedly improper and excessive R ule 12b-1 and advisory fees allegedly charged to the Funds for marketing and distribution services. M ore specifically, plaintiffs claim, among other things, that 12 b - 1 fees and directed brokerage were improperly used to pay brokers to recommend the Funds over other funds, and that such payments were not disclosed to investors. In addition, plaintiffs assert that economies of scale and soft-dollar benefits were not passed on to the Funds. Plaintiffs further allege that 12 b - 1 fees were improperly charged to certain of the Funds that were closed to new investors. The A mended C omplaint seeks compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the advisory contracts, and an accounting and restitution of any
unlawful fees, as well as an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. As noted, some of the claims in this litigation are asserted derivatively on behalf of the Funds that have been named as nominal defendants. W ith respect to such derivative claims, no relief is sought against the Funds. D reyfus believes the allegations to be totally without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously. In N ovember 2004, all named defendants moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint in whole or substantial part. Briefing was completed in M ay 2005.

Additional lawsuits arising out of these circumstances and presenting similar allegations and requests for relief may be filed against the defendants in the future. $N$ either Dreyfus nor the Funds believe that any of the pending actions will have a material adverse effect on the Funds or D reyfus' ability to perform its contract with the Funds.

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The portfolio files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The portfolio's Forms N-Q are available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

A description of the policies and procedures that the portfolio uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, and information regarding how the portfolio voted these proxies for the 12-month period ended June 30, 2005, is available at http://www.dreyfus.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The description of the policies and procedures is also available without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-645-6561.



[^0]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the portfolio's annualized expense ratio of $1.24 \%$ for Initial shares and $1.50 \%$ for Service shares, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by $181 / 365$ (to refled the one-half year period).

[^1]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the fund's annualized expense ratio of $.60 \%$, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 181/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

[^2]:    See notes to financial statements.

[^3]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the portfolio's annualized expense ratio of $.81 \%$ for Initial shares and $1.06 \%$ for Service shares, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by $181 / 365$ (to refled the one-half year period).

[^4]:    See notes to finandial statements

[^5]:    a B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
    b $N$ ot annualized.
    See notes to finandial statements

[^6]:    The portfolio is only available as a funding vehide under variable life insurance polides or variable annuity contracts issued by insurance companies Individuals may not purchase shares of the portfolio directly. A variable annuity is an insurance contrad issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals T he investment objective and polices of $D$ reyfus Investment Portfolios, C oreValue Portfolio made available through insurance produds may be similar to other funds/ portfolios managed or advised by D reyfus. H owever, the investment results of the fund may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other D reyfus fund/ portfolio.
    1 Total return indudes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results Share price and investment return fluctuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. T he portfolio's performance does not reflect the deduction of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contrads, which will reduce returns. R eturn figures provided refled the absorption of portfolio expenses by $T$ he $D$ reyfus $C$ orporation pursuant to an agreement in effect through D ecember 31, 2005, at which time it may be extended, terminated or modified. H ad these expenses not been absorbed, the portfolio's returns would have been lower.
    2 SOURCE:LIPPER INC. - R eflects the reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions The S\& P 500/BARRA Value Index is a capitalization-weighted index of all the stocks in the Standard \& Poor's 500 C omposite Price Index ("S\&P 500 Index") that have low price-to-book ratios T he S\&P 500 Index is a widely accepted, unmanaged index of U.S. stock market performance

[^7]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the portfolio's annualized expense ratio of $.85 \%$ for Initial shares and $1.00 \%$ for Service shares, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 181/365 (to refled the one-half year period).

[^8]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the portfolio's annualized expense ratio of $1.03 \%$ for Initial shares and $1.28 \%$ for Service shares, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by $181 / 365$ (to refled the one-half year period).

[^9]:    $\dagger$ B ased on net assets
    See notes to finandial statements

[^10]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the portfolio's annualized expense ratio of .79\% for Initial shares and $1.00 \%$ for Service shares, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 181/365 (to refled the one-half year period).

[^11]:    a B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
    b $N$ ot annualized.
    See notes to finandal statements

[^12]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the portfolio's annualized expense ratio of $1.49 \%$ for Initial shares and $1.49 \%$ for Service shares, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 181/365 (to refled the one-half year period).

[^13]:    a B ased on average shares outstanding at each month end.
    b A mount represents less than $\$ .01$ per share
    c $N$ ot annualized.
    See notes to finandial statements

[^14]:    The portfolio is only available as a funding vehicle under variable life insurance policies or variable annuity contracts issued by insurance companies. Individuals may not purchase shares of the portfolio directly. A variable annuity is an insurance contract issued by an insurance company that enables investors to accumulate assets on a tax-deferred basis for retirement or other long-term goals. The investment objective and policies of Dreyfus Investment Porffolios, Founders Growth Porffolio made available through insurance products may be similar to other funds/portfolios managed or advised by Dreyfus. However, the investment results of the portfolio may be higher or lower than, and may not be comparable to, those of any other Dreyfus fund/portfolio.
    1 Total return includes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Share price and investment return fluctuate such that upon redemption, portfolio shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. The portfolio's performance does not reflect the deduction of additional charges and expenses imposed in connection with investing in variable insurance contracts, which will reduce returns. Return figures provided reflect the absorption of portfolio expenses by The Dreyfus Corporation pursuant to an agreement in effect through December 31, 2005, at which time it may be extended, terminated or modified. Had these expenses not been absorbed, the portfolio's returns would have been lower.
    2 SOURCE: LIPPER INC. - Reflects reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions. The Standard and Poor's 500 BARRA Growth Index is a capitalizationweighted index of all the stocks in the Standard and Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index that have high price-to-book ratios. The S\&P 500 Index is a widely accepted, unmanaged index of U.S. stock market performance.
    3 SOURCE: LIPPER INC. - Reflects reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions. The Russell 1000 Growth Index is a widely accepted, unmanaged large-cap index that measures the performance of those Russell 1000® companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values.
    4 SOURCE: LIPPER INC. - Reflects reinvestment of dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions. The Standard \& Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index is a widely accepted, unmanaged index of U.S. stock market performance.

[^15]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the portfolio's annualized expense ratio of $1.00 \%$ or Initial shares and $1.00 \%$ for Service shares, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 181/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

[^16]:    See notes to financial statements.

[^17]:    See notes to financial statements.

[^18]:    a Based on average shares outstanding at each month end.
    $b$ Not annualized.
    See notes to financial statements.

[^19]:    $\dagger$ Expenses are equal to the portfolio's annualized expense ratio of $.73 \%$ for Initial shares and $.80 \%$ for Service shares, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 181/ 365 (to reflect the one half year period).

