The performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Share price and investment return fluctuate and an investor’s shares may be worth more or less than original cost upon redemption. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Go to Dreyfus.com for the fund’s most recent month-end returns. The yields quoted reflect the current absorption of certain expenses, without which, the 30-day yield would have been 1.02% and other returns would have been lower.

Historical Total Return Performance1, 2, 3

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Dreyfus Investment Style Classification4

- High Medium Low
- Long-term Intermediate term Short-term

Investment Manager

The Dreyfus Corporation

Fund Facts

- Nasdaq Symbol (Class): DSIGX
- CUSIP Number (Class): 261919104
- Inception Date (Class): 4/6/87
- Total Net Assets (Fund): $97,168,668
- Number of Holdings: 30
- Dividend Policy: Declare Daily Pay Monthly
- Trading Deadline: 4:00 p.m. ET
- Total Expenses2 (as listed in Prospectus Fee Table): 0.74%
- Net Expenses3: 0.45%
- Benchmark: ICE BofA Merrill Lynch 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index

Fund Description

The fund seeks high current income consistent with the maintenance of liquidity and low volatility of principal. The fund is designed to provide a high degree of share price stability while generating higher returns than money market funds over time and, thus, may be an investment alternative to money market funds and other fixed-income funds. The fund is not a money market fund and is not subject to the maturity, quality, liquidity and diversification requirements applicable to money market funds. Short-term bond funds do not attempt to maintain a stable NAV of $1.00 and are subject to greater risk than money market funds.

Effective November 15, 2013, Class Z shares generally are offered only to shareholders who received Class Z shares in exchange for their shares of Dreyfus Short Duration Bond Fund as a result of the reorganization of such fund. Class Z shares generally are not available for new accounts. Portfolio composition is subject to change at any time. The Dreyfus Corporation has contractually agreed to waive receipt of a portion of its management fees in the amount of 0.05% of the value of the fund’s average daily net assets until 3/29/19. The Dreyfus Corporation has contractually agreed, until 3/29/19, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the direct expenses attributable to Class D and Class Z shares of the fund so that the total fund operating expenses of Class D and Class Z (excluding Rule 12b-1 fees, shareholder service fees, taxes, interest, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) do not exceed 0.35% Any order in proper form placed with Dreyfus by the Fund’s trading deadline and for which Federal Funds are received by 6:00 PM ET will be effective on that date. Investors will earn the dividend declared on that day. The “Dreyfus Investment Style Classification” graphically depicts the fund’s investment strategy as described in its Prospectus. The horizontal and vertical axes describe the fund’s general credit quality focus (High: AAA/AA; Medium: A/BBB; Low: Below BBB) and weighted average maturity in years (Short: <4; Intermediate: 4-10; Long: >10). It is designed to support asset allocation decisions and not to depict actual fund holdings at a point in time. The fund changed its investment objective and strategy on 4/1/16. Prior to 4/1/16, the fund’s investment objective was to maximize total return, consisting of capital appreciation and current income. To pursue this goal, from 11/15/13 until 4/1/16, the fund invested principally in bonds rated investment grade and generally maintained an effective duration of one year or less. Prior to 11/15/13, the fund invested principally in securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, and in repurchase agreements collateralized by such securities, including up to 35% of its assets in mortgage-related securities issued by U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities, and generally maintained an effective duration of approximately three years or less. Different investment strategies may lead to different performance results. The fund’s performance for periods prior to 4/1/16 reflects the fund’s investment objective and strategies in effect prior to that date. Performance figures may reflect reimbursements or fee waivers, without which the performance would have been lower. Data reflects days until final maturity for individual portfolio securities. Monthly yield history is the annualized distribution rate that is based upon dividends per share from net investment income paid during the period, divided by the period ended maximum offering price per share, adjusted for capital gains (if any) distributed during the period, and annualized based upon the number of days in the distribution period.

The fund normally invests in a broad range of U.S. dollar-denominated debt securities, including money market instruments. The fund’s investments may include:

- securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities (including mortgage-related securities)
- certificates of deposit, time deposits, bankers’ acceptances and other short-term securities issued by domestic or foreign banks or thrifts or their subsidiaries or branches
- domestic and foreign commercial paper, and other short-term corporate obligations, including those with floating or variable rates of interest
- obligations issued or guaranteed by one or more foreign governments or any of their political subdivisions or agencies
- repurchase agreements, including tri-party repurchase agreements
- asset-backed securities
- municipal securities
- inflation-indexed securities
- zero coupon securities

The fund’s investment adviser is The Dreyfus Corporation (Dreyfus). Patricia Larkin is the fund’s primary portfolio manager, a position she has held since April 2016. Ms. Larkin is the Chief Investment Officer of Money Market Strategies for BNY Mellon Cash Investment Strategies, a division of Dreyfus.

The fund’s share price will fluctuate, which means you could lose money by investing in the fund. Bond funds are subject generally to interest rate, credit, liquidity, call, and market risks, to varying degrees, all of which are more fully described in the fund’s prospectus. Prices of fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect prices of fixed-income securities and, accordingly, the fund’s share price.

When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities may fall dramatically, potentially lowering the fund’s share price, even during periods of declining interest rates. Also, during such periods, redemptions by a few large investors in the fund may have a significant adverse effect on the fund’s net asset value and remaining fund shareholders.

Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of a mutual fund carefully before investing. To obtain a prospectus, or a summary prospectus, if available, that contains this and other information about a Dreyfus fund, contact your financial advisor or visit dreyfus.com. Read the prospectus carefully before investing.

Class Z shares are closed to new investment accounts.

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