

Dreyfus International Equity Fund

Pure international exposure with a balanced approach

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In Dreyfus International Equity Fund, the ideas and expertise of the manager's fundamental research team are supplemented by robust quantitative tools. This allows the fund's managers to seek high-quality stocks with attractive total return potential and makes the fund a core holding for a portfolio's international equity exposure.

CUSIP
Class A 26201F108
Class C 26201F306
Class I 26201F405

Assets for the Fund
\$745,233,709

Holdings²
83

Dividend Frequency
Annually

Morningstar Category
Foreign Large Blend

Lipper Category
International Multi-Cap Core

THE BOSTON COMPANY

ASSET MANAGEMENT

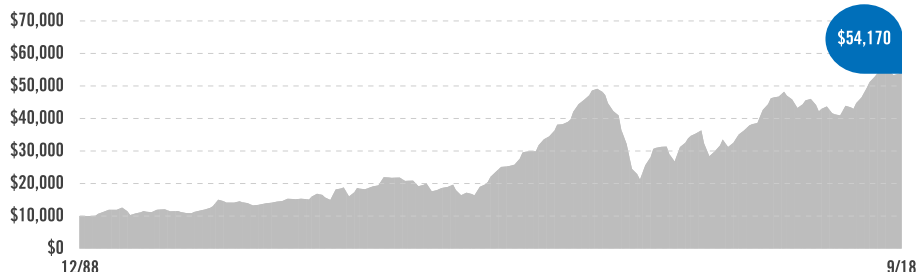
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Investment Adviser
BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation.

Effective on January 31, 2018, The Boston Company Asset Management LLC (TBCAM) and Standish Mellon Asset Management Company LLC (Standish) merged into Mellon Capital Management Corporation (Mellon Capital), which immediately changed its name to BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation.

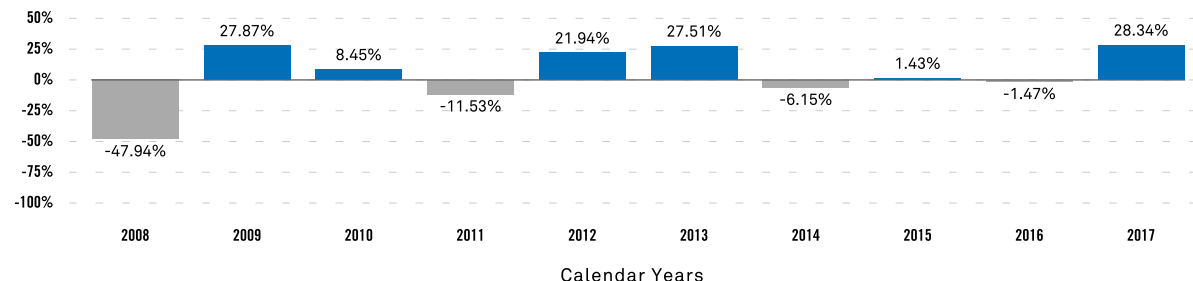
Growth of a \$10,000 Investment¹

A hypothetical \$10,000 investment in the fund's Class A shares on 12/8/88 would have been worth \$54,170 on 9/30/18.



This does not reflect the 5.75% maximum front-end sales load applicable to Class A shares which, if reflected, would have lowered performance. Assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Performance for the fund's other share classes would vary.

HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE (CL.I @ NAV)^{1,3}



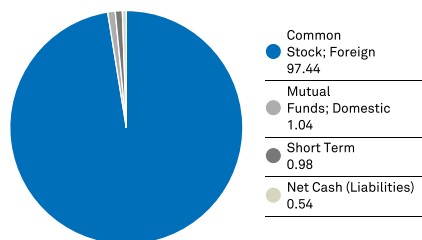
AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (9/30/18)¹

| Share Class/Inception Date | YTD | 3M | 1YR | 3YR | 5YR | 10YR |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| Class A (NAV) 12/08/88 | -1.46% | 1.58% | 2.44% | 8.69% | 4.92% | 5.35% |
| Class A (5.75% max. load) | -7.13% | -4.25% | -3.45% | 6.58% | 3.68% | 4.73% |
| Class C (NAV) 12/08/88 | -2.05% | 1.36% | 1.63% | 7.85% | 4.10% | 4.52% |
| Class C (1.00% max. CDSC) | -3.03% | 0.36% | 0.63% | 7.85% | 4.10% | 4.52% |
| Class I (NAV) 12/08/88 | -1.27% | 1.63% | 2.71% | 9.00% | 5.21% | 5.62% |
| MSCI EAFE Index ⁴ | -1.43% | 1.35% | 2.74% | 9.23% | 4.42% | 5.38% |

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. For funds with less than 1 year's history, year-to-date and 3-month performance are not annualized. Go to dreyfus.com for the fund's most recent month-end returns. The net expense ratio(s) reflect a contractual expense reduction agreement through 02/01/2019. Total Expense Ratios: Class A 1.64%, Class C 2.13%, Class I 1.19%. Net Expense Ratios: Class A 1.12%, Class C 1.90%, Class I 0.85%.

¹Prior to 8/1/07, the fund invested its assets in a "master portfolio" that had the same investment objective and policies as the fund. This arrangement was terminated on 8/1/07 and the fund operates as a standalone fund. Performance information represents the performance of the predecessor master portfolio (and its predecessor fund) and the expenses of the master portfolio's predecessor fund through 1/31/03 and the fund's performance and expense structure thereafter. The master portfolio's predecessor fund contributed all of its assets to the master portfolio before the fund commenced investment operations on 2/1/03. 12/8/88 represents the inception date of the master portfolio's unregistered predecessor fund. All returns assume reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Investors should consider, when deciding to purchase a particular class of shares, the investment amount, class restrictions, anticipated holding period and other relevant factors. ²Portfolio composition is as of 9/30/18 and is subject to change at any time. ³Performance figures may reflect reimbursements or fee waivers, without which the performance would have been lower. ⁴Source: FactSet. Reflects reinvestment of net dividends and, where applicable, capital gain distributions. The MSCI EAFE Index (Europe, Australasia, Far East) is a free float-adjusted marketcapitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the U.S. and Canada. Investors cannot invest directly in any index.

ASSET ALLOCATION (%)¹



TOP COUNTRY EXPOSURES¹

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Japan | 22.54% |
| United Kingdom | 13.41% |
| France | 11.49% |
| Netherlands | 6.98% |
| Germany | 6.62% |
| Australia | 6.56% |
| Switzerland | 6.54% |
| Italy | 3.96% |
| Spain | 3.51% |
| Hong Kong | 2.93% |

GOAL/APPROACH

The fund seeks long-term growth of capital. To pursue this goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in equity securities of companies located in the foreign countries represented in the Morgan Stanley Capital International Europe, Australasia and Far East (EAFE) Index and Canada. The fund's stock investments may include common stocks, preferred stocks and convertible securities. The fund intends to invest in a broad range of countries. The fund may invest up to 20% of its assets in securities of issuers located in emerging market countries, but no more than 5% of its assets may be invested in issuers located in any one emerging market country. The fund invests in stocks that appear to be undervalued (as measured by their price/earnings ratios) and that may have value and/or growth characteristics. The portfolio managers employ a bottom-up investment approach, which emphasizes individual stock selection.

TOP TEN HOLDINGS¹

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|---------------------------------|-------|
| Novartis AG | 2.74% |
| Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group | 2.42% |
| Sony | 2.40% |
| Royal Dutch Shell | 2.15% |
| Diageo | 2.09% |
| Lonza Group AG | 2.03% |
| BNP Paribas S.A. | 1.92% |
| Unilever | 1.89% |
| Hitachi | 1.88% |
| Macquarie Group | 1.84% |

The holdings listed should not be considered recommendations to buy or sell a security. Large concentrations can increase share price volatility.

TOP SECTORS/INDUSTRIES¹

| | |
|------------------------|--------|
| Financials | 21.20% |
| Industrials | 13.82% |
| Health Care | 12.21% |
| Consumer Discretionary | 12.13% |
| Consumer Staples | 10.22% |
| Materials | 7.58% |
| Energy | 7.06% |
| Information Technology | 5.50% |
| Utilities | 4.00% |
| Communication Services | 3.94% |
| Real Estate | 2.36% |

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

The fund's investment adviser is BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation. The fund's administrator is The Dreyfus Corporation (Dreyfus), an affiliate of BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation. The fund is managed by a team of portfolio managers who are members of BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation equity investment team. The team consists of Mark A. Bogar, CFA, James A. Lydotes, CFA, and Andrew Leger, who serve as the fund's primary portfolio managers. Mr. Bogar has been a primary portfolio manager of the fund since January 2010. Mr. Lydotes and Mr. Leger have been primary portfolio managers of the fund since November 2015.

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¹Portfolio composition is as of 9/30/18 and is subject to change at any time.

Risks

Equities are subject to market, market sector, market liquidity, issuer, and investment style risks, to varying degrees. Investing in **foreign denominated and/or domiciled securities** involves special risks, including changes in currency exchange rates, political, economic, and social instability, limited company information, differing auditing and legal standards, and less market liquidity. These risks generally are greater with emerging market countries.

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