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Funds	Ticker Symbols	
	Class M shares	Investor shares
BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund	MPLCX	MILCX
BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	MTSMX	MTSIX
BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund	MPISX	MIISX
BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	MPMCX	MIMSX
BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	MPSSX	MISX
BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund	MFOMX	MFOIX
BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	MMCMX	MMCIX
BNY Mellon International Fund	MPITX	MIINX
BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund	MEMKX	MIEGX
BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund	MLIMX	MLIIX
BNY Mellon Bond Fund	MPBFX	MIBDX
BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund	MPIBX	MIIDX
BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund	BYMMX	BYMIX
BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund	MPSUX	MISTX
BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	MPNIX	MINMX
BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	MPSTX	MINSX
BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	MPPIX	MIPAX
BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	MMBMX	MMBIX
BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	MNYMX	MNYIX
BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund	MOTMX	MOTIX
BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund	MPBLX	MIBLX
BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund	MLMXX	MLOXX
BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund	MOMXX	MNTXX

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Supplement to Current Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information

BNY Mellon Investment Management has announced its intention to realign several of its investment firms. As a result of this realignment, which is scheduled to occur, subject to regulatory requirements, in the third quarter of 2021 (the "Effective Date"), portfolio managers responsible for managing a fund's investments or a portion of a fund's portfolio allocated to an equity strategy who are employees of Mellon Investments Corporation ("Mellon") in a dual employment arrangement with BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. ("BNYM Investment Adviser"), the funds' investment adviser, will become employees of Newton Investment Management North America, LLC ("Newton"), which, like Mellon, will be an affiliate of BNYM Investment Adviser, and will no longer be employees of Mellon. Consequently, effective as of the Effective Date and subject to the approval of the Trust's board, BNYM Investment Adviser will engage Newton to serve as such fund's sub-adviser, pursuant to a sub-investment advisory agreement between BNYM Investment Adviser and Newton. As the funds' sub-adviser, Newton will provide the day-to-day management of the funds' investments, subject to BNYM Investment Adviser's supervision and approval. It is currently anticipated that the funds' portfolio managers who are responsible for the day-to-day management of the respective funds' investments or a portion of such funds' portfolio allocated to an equity strategy will continue to so manage the funds' investments as of the Effective Date. It is also currently anticipated that there will be no material changes to a fund's investment objective, strategies or policies, no reduction in the nature or level of services provided to the fund, and no increase in the management fee payable by the fund as a result of the engagement of Newton as the fund's sub-adviser. BNYM Investment Adviser (and not the funds) will pay Newton for its sub-advisory services.

As of the Effective Date, Newton will be an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation registered in the United States with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an investment adviser. Newton's principal office is located at BNY Mellon Center, 201 Washington Place, Boston, Massachusetts 02108. As of December 31, 2020, Newton, together with its affiliates that comprise the Newton group of companies, managed approximately \$63 billion in discretionary separate accounts and other investment accounts.

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The Funds

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks capital appreciation.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.65	0.65
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.09</i>	<i>0.09</i>
<i>Total other expenses</i>	<u>0.21</u>	<u>0.46</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.86	1.11

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$88	\$274	\$477	\$1,061
Investor	\$113	\$353	\$612	\$1,352

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 47.12% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in stocks of large capitalization companies with market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more at the time of purchase. The fund's portfolio managers apply a systematic, quantitative investment approach designed to identify and exploit relative misvaluations primarily within large-cap stocks in the U.S. stock market. The portfolio managers use a proprietary valuation model that identifies and ranks stocks to construct the fund's portfolio. The portfolio managers construct the fund's portfolio through a systematic structured approach, focusing on stock selection as opposed to making proactive decisions as to industry or sector exposure. Within each sector and style subset, the fund overweights the most attractive stocks and underweights or zero weights the stocks that have been ranked least attractive. The fund typically will hold between 100 and 250 securities.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Large-cap stock risk.* To the extent the fund invests in large capitalization stocks, the fund may underperform funds that invest primarily in the stocks of lower quality, smaller capitalization companies during periods when the stocks of such companies are in favor.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- *Market sector risk.* To the extent the fund invests more heavily in particular sectors, its performance will be especially sensitive to developments that significantly affect those sectors. Individual sectors may be more volatile, and may perform differently, than the broader market. The industries that constitute a sector may all react in the same way to economic, political or regulatory events.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

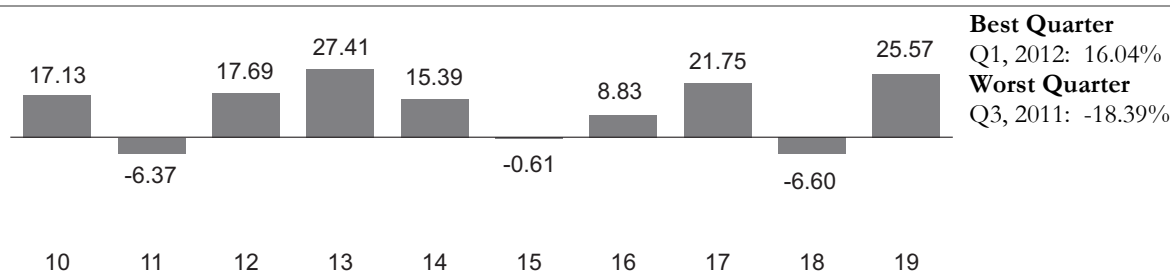
Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the S&P 500® Index (S&P 500).

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. Returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares may be higher than returns before taxes or returns after taxes on distributions due to an assumed tax benefit from losses on a sale of the fund's shares at the end of the period.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses. The fund changed its investment strategy on October 21, 2013. Prior to that date, the fund's investment adviser selected securities for the fund using a proprietary computer model, along with fundamental analysis, to identify and rank stocks within industries or sectors, based on several characteristics, including value, growth and financial profile. Different investment strategies may lead to different performance results. The fund's performance for the periods shown in the bar chart and table reflects the fund's prior investment strategy.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 5.16%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	25.57%	9.08%	11.35%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	21.46%	6.05%	7.79%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	17.90%	6.75%	8.39%
Investor returns before taxes	25.27%	8.82%	11.07%
S&P 500 reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	31.46%	11.69%	13.55%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. (BNYM Investment Adviser).

Peter D. Goslin, CFA, Syed A. Zamil, CFA and Chris Yao, CFA are the fund's primary portfolio managers. Messrs. Goslin, Zamil and Yao have been primary portfolio managers of the fund since July 2015, March 2017 and December 2019, respectively. Mr. Goslin is a director and senior portfolio manager at Mellon Investments Corporation (Mellon), an affiliate of BNYM Investment Adviser, where he leads the Multi-Factor Equity team. Mr. Zamil is a managing director and global investment strategist for the Multi-Factor Equity team at Mellon. Mr. Yao is a managing director and head of Quantitative Equity research at Mellon. Messrs. Goslin, Zamil and Yao also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan (as defined below) or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account). Retirement Plans include qualified or non-qualified employee benefit plans, such as 401(k), 403(b)(7), Keogh, pension, profit-sharing and other deferred compensation plans, whether established by corporations, partnerships, sole proprietorships, non-profit entities, trade or labor unions, or state and local governments, but do not include IRAs (including, without limitation, traditional IRAs, Roth IRAs, Coverdell Education Savings Accounts, IRA "Rollover Accounts" or IRAs set up under Simplified Employee Pension Plans (SEP-IRAs), Salary Reduction Simplified Employee Pension Plans (SARSEPs) or Savings Incentive Match Plans for Employees (SIMPLE IRAs)).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks long-term capital appreciation.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees*	0.50	0.50
Other expenses:		
Shareholder services fees	none	0.25
Administration fees	0.08	0.08
Miscellaneous other expenses	0.06	0.06
Total other expenses	0.14	0.39
Acquired fund fees and expenses**	0.22	0.22
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.86	1.11

*The fund has agreed to pay an investment advisory fee at the annual rate of 0.70% applied to that portion of its average daily net assets allocated to direct investments in securities, and at the annual rate of 0.15% applied to that portion of its average daily net assets allocated to any underlying funds.

**"Acquired fund fees and expenses" are incurred indirectly by the fund as a result of its investment in investment companies (underlying funds). These fees and expenses are not included in the Financial Highlights tables; accordingly, total annual fund operating expenses do not correlate to the ratio of expenses to average net assets in the Financial Highlights tables.

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$88	\$274	\$477	\$1,061
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Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 15.09% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of large cap companies. The fund currently considers large cap companies to be those companies with total market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more at the time of purchase. The fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates that invest primarily in equity securities issued by large cap companies. The fund is designed to provide exposure to various large cap equity

portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles and uses tax-sensitive strategies to reduce the impact of federal and state income taxes on the fund's after tax returns. The fund invests directly in securities or in other mutual funds advised by BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates, referred to as underlying funds, which in turn may invest directly in securities as described below.

BNYM Investment Adviser determines the investment strategies, including whether to implement such strategy by investing directly in securities or through an underlying fund, and sets the target allocations. The investment strategies and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the investment strategies as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Investment Strategy	Target	Range
Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy	40%	20% to 60%
Large Cap Core Strategy	0%	0% to 30%
Focused Equity Strategy	18%	0% to 30%
U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy	5%	0% to 30%
Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy	12%	0% to 30%
Large Cap Growth Strategy	0%	0% to 30%
U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy	15%	0% to 30%
Income Stock Strategy	10%	0% to 30%
Appreciation Strategy	0%	0% to 30%
Large Cap Dividend Strategy	0%	0% to 30%

BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the investment strategies, including whether to implement a strategy by investing directly in securities or through an underlying fund, and the target allocations and ranges when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate.

BNYM Investment Adviser monitors the portfolio trading activity within the investment strategies to promote tax efficiency and avoid wash sale transactions, and executes all purchases and sales of portfolio securities of the fund. The fund will seek to reduce the impact of federal and state income taxes on the fund's after-tax returns by using certain tax-sensitive strategies, which include for the fund as a whole generally selling first the highest cost securities to reduce the amount of any capital gain and preferring the sale of securities producing long-term capital gains to those producing short-term capital gains. Although the fund uses certain tax-sensitive strategies, the fund does not have any limitations regarding portfolio turnover and the fund may engage in short-term trading, which could produce higher transaction costs and taxable distributions and lower the fund's after-tax performance.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of large cap companies included in the S&P 500® Index (S&P 500). In selecting securities for the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy, the portfolio manager uses an optimization program to establish portfolio characteristics and risk factors that the portfolio manager determines are desirable relative to the aggregate characteristics and risk factors of the securities in the S&P 500. The portfolio characteristics and risk factors could be considered to have more or less risk than the S&P 500. The Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy does not seek to add value through active security selection, nor does it target index replication. The portfolio manager seeks to actively and opportunistically realize capital gains and/or losses within this strategy as determined to be appropriate to improve the tax-sensitivity of the portfolio's investment performance. The Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy may realize losses to offset gains incurred as a result of more closely aligning the portfolio with the characteristics of the S&P 500, or to allow more flexibility for offsetting gains incurred through subsequent rebalancing of the portfolio. In addition, the portfolio manager monitors trading activity for the fund as a whole to avoid wash sale transactions (i.e., selling a security at a loss, and within 30 days before or after the sale acquiring the same security, causing the loss to be disallowed and the security's basis adjusted), and may seek to offset any realized capital gains of the fund's other investment strategies.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Core Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of large, established companies that the portfolio managers believe have proven track records and the potential for superior relative earnings growth. The investment process for the Large Cap Core Strategy combines a top-down assessment of broad economic, political and social trends and their implications for different market and industry sectors with bottom-up, fundamental research to identify companies that the portfolio managers believe offer one or more of the following characteristics, among others: earnings power unrecognized by the market; sustainable revenue and cash flow growth; positive operational and/or financial catalysts; attractive relative value versus history and peers; and strong or improving financial condition.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Focused Equity Strategy normally is invested in approximately 25-30 companies that are considered by the portfolio managers to be positioned for long-term earnings growth. The investment process for the Focused Equity Strategy combines a top-down assessment of broad economic, political and

social trends and their implications for different market and industry sectors with a bottom-up, fundamental approach to analyze individual companies.

Walter Scott & Partners Limited (Walter Scott), an affiliate of BNYM Investment Adviser, is the fund's sub-investment adviser responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy. Through extensive fundamental research, Walter Scott seeks investment opportunities in companies with the financial, operational and strategic strengths to underpin the potential for sustainable growth.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of companies of any market capitalization, although the strategy focuses on large cap companies. The underlying fund focuses on individual stock selection (a "bottom-up" approach), emphasizing three key factors: value, sound business fundamentals, and positive business momentum. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy also may be invested in BNY Mellon Dynamic Value Fund, a mutual fund advised by BNYM Investment Adviser and co-managed by the same portfolio manager responsible for the fund's Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy using substantially similar investment strategies as those used in managing this portion of the fund's assets.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of large cap companies that are considered by the portfolio managers to be growth companies. Fundamental financial analysis is used to identify companies that the portfolio managers believe offer one or more of the following characteristics, among others: expected earnings growth rate exceeds market and industry trends; potential for positive earnings surprise relative to market expectations; positive operational or financial catalysts; attractive valuation based on growth prospects; and strong financial condition.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of companies of any market capitalization, although the strategy focuses on large cap U.S. companies. This portion of the fund's portfolio is structured so that its sector weightings generally are similar to those of the Russell 1000® Growth Index. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy also may be invested in BNY Mellon Research Growth Fund, Inc., a mutual fund advised by BNYM Investment Adviser and managed by the same portfolio managers responsible for the fund's U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy using substantially similar investment strategies as those used in managing this portion of the fund's assets.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Income Stock Strategy is invested in BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund, a mutual fund advised by BNYM Investment Adviser. The underlying fund seeks to focus on dividend-paying stocks and other investments and investment techniques that provide income. The underlying fund's portfolio managers choose stocks through a disciplined investment process that combines computer modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. The underlying fund emphasizes those stocks with value characteristics, although it may also purchase growth stocks. The underlying fund may invest in the stocks of companies of any size, although it focuses on large-cap companies.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Appreciation Strategy is invested in BNY Mellon Appreciation Fund, Inc., a mutual fund advised by BNYM Investment Adviser and sub-advised by Fayez Sarofim & Co. The underlying fund focuses on "blue chip" companies with total market capitalizations of more than \$5 billion at the time of purchase, including multinational companies. In addition to direct investments, the underlying fund may invest in securities of foreign companies in the form of U.S. dollar-denominated American Depositary Receipts (ADRs). The underlying fund employs a "buy-and-hold" investment strategy.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Dividend Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities, focusing on dividend-paying stocks and other investments and investment techniques that provide income. The portfolio managers choose securities through a disciplined investment process that combines fundamental analysis and risk management. The Large Cap Dividend Strategy emphasizes those securities with above market average yield, although the portfolio managers may purchase those securities with low or no dividend. This portion of the fund's assets may be invested in the stocks of companies of any size, although the strategy focuses on large cap companies.

Principal Risks

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- *Strategy allocation risk.* The ability of the fund to achieve its investment goal depends, in part, on the ability of the investment adviser to allocate effectively the fund's assets among multiple investment strategies. There can be no assurance that the actual allocations will be effective in achieving the fund's investment goal or that an investment strategy will achieve its particular investment objective.

- *Conflicts of interest risk.* BNYM Investment Adviser will have the authority to change the investment strategies, including whether to implement a strategy by investing directly in securities or through an underlying fund. BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates may serve as investment adviser to the underlying funds. The interests of the fund on the one hand, and those of an underlying fund on the other, will not always be the same. Therefore, conflicts may arise as BNYM Investment Adviser fulfills its fiduciary duty to the fund and the underlying funds. In addition, BNYM Investment Adviser recommends asset allocations among these underlying funds, each of which pays advisory fees at different rates to BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates. These situations are considered by the fund's board when it reviews the asset allocations for the fund.
- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Large-cap stock risk.* To the extent the fund invests in large capitalization stocks, the fund may underperform funds that invest primarily in the stocks of lower quality, smaller capitalization companies during periods when the stocks of such companies are in favor.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.
- *ADR risk.* ADRs may be subject to certain of the risks associated with direct investments in the securities of foreign companies, such as currency risk, political and economic risk and market risk, because their values depend on the performance of the non-dollar denominated underlying foreign securities. Certain countries may limit the ability to convert ADRs into the underlying foreign securities and vice versa, which may cause the securities of the foreign company to trade at a discount or premium to the market price of the related ADR.
- *ETF and other investment company risk.* To the extent the fund invests in pooled investment vehicles, such as ETFs and other investment companies, the fund will be affected by the investment policies, practices and performance of such entities in direct proportion to the amount of assets the fund has invested therein. The risks of investing in other investment companies, including ETFs, typically reflect the risks associated with the types of instruments in which the investment companies invest. When the fund invests in an ETF or other investment company, shareholders of the fund will bear indirectly their proportionate share of the expenses of the ETF or other investment company (including management fees) in addition to the expenses of the fund.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

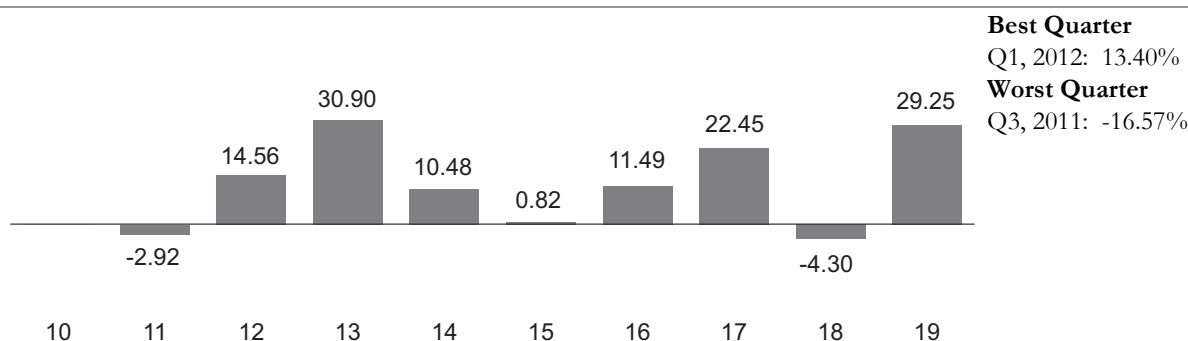
Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the S&P 500.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 4.44%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	Since Inception (7/30/2010)
Class M returns before taxes	29.25%	11.23%	13.01%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	26.92%	8.87%	11.10%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	18.97%	8.51%	10.34%
Investor returns before taxes	28.97%	10.97%	12.81%
S&P 500 reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	31.46%	11.69%	14.46%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser. BNYM Investment Adviser has engaged its affiliate, Walter Scott, to serve as the fund's sub-investment adviser responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy.

Caroline Lee is the fund's primary portfolio manager responsible for investment allocation decisions, a position she has held since December 2015. Ms. Lee is a senior investment strategist for BNY Mellon Wealth Management, an affiliate of BNYM Investment Adviser. She also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the fund in her capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Thomas Murphy is the primary portfolio manager responsible for the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy, a position he has held since the fund's inception in July 2010. Mr. Murphy is a managing director on the Tax-Managed Equity team at The Bank of New York Mellon, an affiliate of BNYM Investment Adviser. He also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in his capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Donald M. Sauber and Thomas Lee are the primary portfolio managers responsible for the Large Cap Core Strategy, the Focused Equity Strategy, the Large Cap Growth Strategy and the Large Cap Dividend Strategy, positions they have held since March 2018. Messrs. Sauber and Lee are portfolio managers and senior equity analysts at BNY Mellon Wealth Management. They also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets allocated to these strategies in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy have been made since the fund's inception in July 2010 by Walter Scott's Investment Team, which is overseen by Walter Scott's Investment Management Committee (IMC). The members of the Investment Team with the most significant responsibility for day-to-day management of the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy and who also have this responsibility with the IMC are: Roy Leckie, a director of Walter Scott and co-leader of the IMC; Charlie Macquaker, a director of Walter Scott and co-leader of the IMC; and Jane Henderson, the managing director of Walter Scott.

John C. Bailer, CFA, Brian C. Ferguson and David S. Intoppa are the primary portfolio manager responsible for the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy. Mr. Ferguson has held that position since the fund's inception in July 2010 and Messrs. Bailer and Intoppa have held that position since March 2019. Mr. Bailer is an executive vice president and a senior portfolio manager of U.S. divided-oriented and large-cap strategies and is a senior research analyst on the Dynamic Large Cap Value strategy at Mellon. Mr. Ferguson is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager on the Dynamic Large Cap Value Equity Strategy, and head of the Large Cap Value team at Mellon. Mr. Intoppa is a director and senior research analyst and portfolio manager on the Global Natural Resources and Large Cap Core Equity strategies at Mellon. Each member of the team also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in his capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy have been made since the fund's inception in July 2010 by members of Mellon's core research team. Leigh N. Todd, CFA is the team member primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy. Ms. Todd is a managing director, a senior portfolio manager on the U.S. Large Cap Growth Equity strategy and a senior research analyst on the Global Equity research team at Mellon. She is also an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in her capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and income).

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.** You may qualify for sales charge discounts if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in the fund or shares of funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds that are subject to a sales charge. More information about sales charges, including these and other discounts and waivers, is available from your financial professional and in the Shareholder Guide section beginning on page 170 of the prospectus and in the How to Buy Shares section beginning on page III-1 of the fund's Statement of Additional Information.

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.65	0.65
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.04</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.16</u>	<u>0.41</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.81	1.06

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$83	\$259	\$450	\$1,002
Investor	\$108	\$337	\$585	\$1,294

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 78.02% % of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in stocks. The fund seeks to focus on dividend-paying stocks and other investments and investment techniques that provide income. BNYM Investment Adviser chooses stocks for the fund through a disciplined investment process that combines computer modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. The fund emphasizes those stocks with value characteristics, although it may also purchase growth stocks. The fund may invest in the stocks of

companies of any size, although it focuses on large-cap companies. The fund's investment process is designed to provide investors with investment exposure to sector weightings and risk characteristics generally similar to those of the Dow Jones U.S. Select Dividend™ Index (Dow Jones Index), an index of the 100 U.S. company stocks selected by dividend yield. The fund's portfolio allocations, however, may differ from those of the Dow Jones Index. The fund invests primarily in common stocks but also may invest up to 10% of its assets in convertible securities and up to 10% of its assets in preferred stocks.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

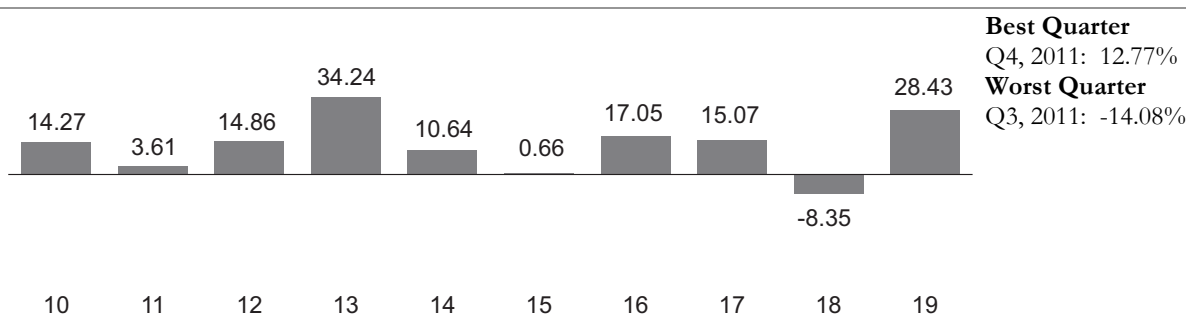
- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Large-cap stock risk.* To the extent the fund invests in large capitalization stocks, the fund may underperform funds that invest primarily in the stocks of lower quality, smaller capitalization companies during periods when the stocks of such companies are in favor.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.
- *Convertible securities risk.* Convertible securities may be converted at either a stated price or stated rate into underlying shares of common stock. Convertible securities generally are subordinated to other similar but non-convertible securities of the same issuer. Although to a lesser extent than with fixed-income securities, the market value of convertible securities tends to decline as interest rates increase. In addition, because of the conversion feature, the market value of convertible securities tends to vary with fluctuations in the market value of the underlying common stock.
- *Preferred stock risk.* Preferred stock is a class of a capital stock that typically pays dividends at a specified rate. Preferred stock is generally senior to common stock, but subordinate to debt securities, with respect to the payment of dividends and on liquidation of the issuer. The market value of preferred stock generally decreases when interest rates rise and is also affected by the issuer's ability to make payments on the preferred stock.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- *Market sector risk.* To the extent the fund invests more heavily in particular sectors, its performance will be especially sensitive to developments that significantly affect those sectors. Individual sectors may be more volatile, and may perform differently, than the broader market. The industries that constitute a sector may all react in the same way to economic, political or regulatory events.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the Dow Jones Index.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%) Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was -18.85%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	28.43%	9.80%	12.42%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	25.47%	7.30%	10.41%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	18.77%	7.26%	9.82%
Investor returns before taxes	28.00%	9.53%	12.12%
Dow Jones Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	23.11%	9.91%	13.41%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

John C. Bailer, CFA, Brian C. Ferguson and David S. Intoppa are the fund's primary portfolio managers. Mr. Bailer has held that position since December 2011, and Messrs. Ferguson and Intoppa have held that position since December 2015. Mr. Bailer is an executive vice president and a senior portfolio manager of U.S. dividend-oriented and large-cap strategies and is a senior research analyst on the Dynamic Large Cap Value strategy at Mellon. Mr. Ferguson is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager of the Dynamic Large Cap Value strategy and is the head of the Large Cap Value team at Mellon. Mr. Intoppa is a director and senior research analyst and portfolio manager on the Global Natural Resources and Large Cap Core Equity strategies at Mellon. Messrs. Bailer, Ferguson and Intoppa also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks capital appreciation.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.75	0.75
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.03</i>	<i>0.03</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.15</u>	<u>0.40</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.90	1.15

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$92	\$287	\$498	\$1,108
Investor	\$117	\$365	\$633	\$1,398

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 41.86% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of mid cap companies. The fund currently considers mid cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that are within the market capitalization range of companies comprising the Russell Midcap[®] Index. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalizations of the largest and smallest companies in the Russell Midcap[®] Index were approximately \$60 billion and \$654 million, respectively, and the weighted average and median market capitalizations of the index were approximately \$20 billion and \$9 billion, respectively. The fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and unaffiliated sub-investment advisers that invest primarily in equity securities issued by mid cap companies. The fund is designed to provide exposure to various mid cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles. The fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including those in emerging market countries.

BNYM Investment Adviser determines the investment strategies and sets the target allocations and ranges. The investment strategies and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the investment strategies as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Investment Strategy	Target	Range
Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy	30%	0% to 50%
Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy	17%	0% to 30%
Mid Cap Growth Strategy	17%	0% to 30%
Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy	18%	0% to 30%
Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy	18%	0% to 30%

The Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy is employed by BNYM Investment Adviser, the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy and the Mid Cap Growth Strategy are employed by BNYM Investment Adviser using a proprietary investment process of Mellon and the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy and the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy are employed by unaffiliated sub-investment advisers, namely, Boston Partners Global Investors, Inc. (Boston Partners), and Geneva Capital Management LLC (GCM), respectively.

BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the investment strategies, including whether to implement a strategy employed by BNYM Investment Adviser or a sub-investment adviser, and the target allocations and ranges when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of mid cap companies included in the Russell Midcap[®] Index. In selecting securities for the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy, the portfolio manager uses an optimization program to establish portfolio characteristics and risk factors that the portfolio manager determines are within an acceptable range of the Russell Midcap[®] Index. The Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy does not seek to add value through active security selection, nor does it target index replication. The portfolio manager seeks to actively and opportunistically realize capital gains and/or losses within this strategy as determined to be appropriate to improve the tax-sensitivity of the portfolio's investment performance. The Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy may realize losses to offset gains incurred as a result of more closely aligning the portfolio with the characteristics of the Russell Midcap[®] Index, or to allow more flexibility for offsetting gains incurred through subsequent rebalancing of the portfolio. In addition, the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy may realize capital losses to offset any realized capital gains of the fund's other investment strategies.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of mid cap value companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers use an opportunistic value approach to identify stocks whose current market prices trade at a large discount to their intrinsic value, as calculated by the portfolio managers. The opportunistic value style attempts to benefit from valuation inefficiencies and underappreciated fundamental prospects present in the marketplace. For this portion of its portfolio, the fund generally seeks exposure to stocks and sectors that the portfolio managers perceive to be attractive from a valuation and fundamental standpoint.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Mid Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of mid cap companies with favorable growth prospects. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers use a "growth style" of investing, searching for companies whose fundamental strengths suggest the potential to provide superior earnings growth over time. The portfolio managers use a consistent, bottom-up approach which emphasizes individual stock selection. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Mid Cap Growth Strategy does not have any limitations regarding portfolio turnover, and may have portfolio turnover rates significantly in excess of 100%.

Boston Partners is the fund's sub-investment adviser responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy normally is invested in a diversified portfolio of mid cap stocks identified by Boston Partners as having value characteristics. Boston Partners employs a fundamental bottom-up, disciplined value investment process. Valuation, fundamentals and momentum are analyzed using a bottom-up blend of qualitative and quantitative inputs.

GCM is the fund's sub-investment adviser responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy. GCM seeks to identify high quality companies with low leverage, superior management, leadership positions within their industries, and a consistent, sustainable record of growth in managing its allocated portion of the fund's assets. In selecting stocks, GCM emphasizes bottom-up fundamental analysis to develop an understanding of a company supplemented by top-down considerations which include reviewing general economic and market trends and analyzing their effect on various industries. GCM also seeks to screen out high risk ideas, such as turnaround stories, initial public offerings and companies that are highly leveraged, non-U.S. based, or do not have earnings.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Strategy allocation risk.* The ability of the fund to achieve its investment goal depends, in part, on the ability of the investment adviser to allocate effectively the fund's assets among multiple investment strategies. There can be no assurance that the actual allocations will be effective in achieving the fund's investment goal or that an investment strategy will achieve its particular investment objective.
- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Midsized company risk.* Midsized companies carry additional risks because the operating histories of these companies tend to be more limited, their earnings and revenues less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards.
- *Emerging market risk.* The securities of issuers located or doing substantial business in emerging market countries tend to be more volatile and less liquid than the securities of issuers located in countries with more mature economies. Emerging markets generally have less diverse and less mature economic structures and less stable political systems than those of developed countries. Investments in these countries may be subject to political, economic, legal, market and currency risks. Special risks associated with investments in emerging market issuers may include the lack of publicly available information, the lack of uniform disclosure, accounting and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards, and limited investor protections applicable in developed economies. The risks also may include unpredictable political and economic policies, the imposition of capital controls and/or foreign investment limitations by a country, nationalization of businesses, and the imposition of sanctions or restrictions on certain investments by other countries, such as the United States.
- *Market sector risk.* To the extent the fund invests more heavily in particular sectors, its performance will be especially sensitive to developments that significantly affect those sectors. Individual sectors may be more volatile, and may perform differently, than the broader market. The industries that constitute a sector may all react in the same way to economic, political or regulatory events.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes

may be more difficult to value. Investments in foreign securities, particularly those of issuers located in emerging markets, tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities.

- *Short-term trading risk.* At times, the fund may engage in short-term trading, which could produce higher transaction costs and taxable distributions and lower the fund's after-tax performance.

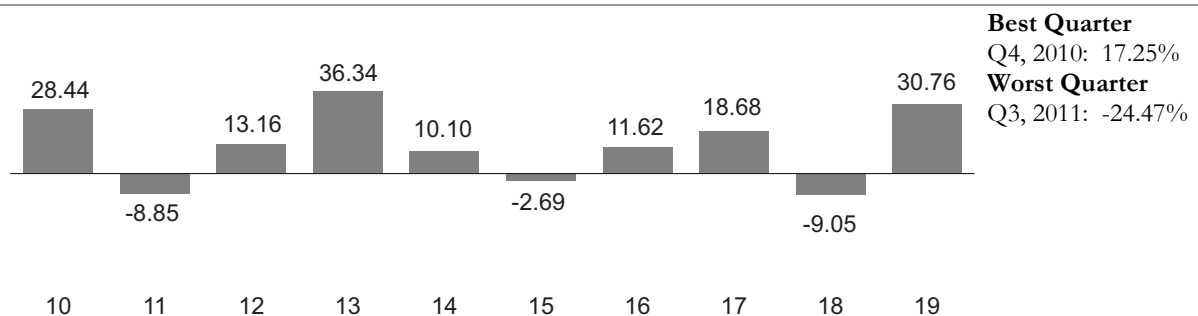
Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the Russell Midcap® Index. The table also compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of additional indices to show how the fund's performance compares with the returns of an index of mid-cap value stocks and an index of mid-cap growth stocks.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses. The fund changed its investment strategy on August 20, 2012. Prior to that date, the fund generally had a single primary portfolio manager and investment strategy—selecting stocks of mid cap domestic companies through a disciplined investment process that combined computer modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. Different investment strategies may lead to different performance results. The fund's performance for periods prior to August 20, 2012 shown in the bar chart and table reflects the fund's investment strategy in effect prior to that date.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%) Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 2.67%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	30.76%	8.92%	11.79%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	29.74%	7.76%	10.60%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	18.93%	6.83%	9.49%
Investor returns before taxes	30.32%	8.66%	11.52%
Russell Midcap® Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	30.54%	9.33%	13.19%
Russell Midcap® Value Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	27.06%	7.62%	12.41%
Russell Midcap® Growth Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	35.47%	11.60%	14.24%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser. BNYM Investment Adviser has engaged Boston Partners and GCM to serve as the fund's sub-investment advisers responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy and the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy, respectively.

Caroline Lee is the fund's primary portfolio manager responsible for investment allocation decisions, a position she has held since December 2015. Ms. Lee is a senior investment strategist for BNY Mellon Wealth Management. She also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the fund in her capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Thomas Murphy is the primary portfolio manager responsible for the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy, a position he has held since August 2012. Mr. Murphy is a managing director on the Tax-Managed Equity team at The Bank of New York Mellon. He also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in his capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy have been made since August 2012 by a team of portfolio managers employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and Mellon. The team members who are jointly and primarily responsible for managing the fund's portfolio are Patrick Kent, CFA, CMT and James Boyd, CFA. Mr. Kent is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager. He is the lead portfolio manager for opportunistic value strategies and head of the small mid cap equity research team at Mellon. Mr. Boyd is a managing director, equity research analyst and senior portfolio manager at Mellon.

Investment decisions for the Mid Cap Growth Strategy are made by a team of portfolio managers employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and Mellon. The team has consisted of Todd W. Wakefield, CFA since May 2013, Robert C. Zeuthen, CFA since August 2012 and John R. Porter since March 2017. Mr. Porter is an executive vice president, and Chief Investment Officer, Head of Equity at Mellon. Mr. Wakefield is an executive vice president, senior portfolio manager and a member of the U.S. small mid cap team at Mellon. Mr. Zeuthen is a managing director, senior portfolio manager on the small mid cap equity team and the lead portfolio manager for the mobility innovation strategy at Mellon. Messrs. Porter, Wakefield and Zeuthen also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy have been made since August 2012 by Steven L. Pollack, CFA and Joseph F. Feeney, Jr., CFA. Mr. Pollack is a senior portfolio manager at Boston Partners. Mr. Feeney is Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of Boston Partners (effective January 1, 2020).

Investment decisions for the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy have been made since March 2013 by William A. Priebe, CFA, and William Scott Priebe, and since July 2017, José Muñoz, CFA, was added as a co-portfolio manager. Mr. William A. Priebe is a Managing Partner and portfolio manager at GCM, of which he is a co-founder. Mr. William Scott Priebe is a Managing Partner and portfolio manager at GCM. Mr. Muñoz is a Managing Partner and portfolio manager at GCM. Each member of the GCM investment team is responsible for both research and portfolio management functions.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks capital appreciation.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.85	0.85
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.06</i>	<i>0.06</i>
Total other expenses	0.18	0.43
Total annual fund operating expenses	1.03	1.28

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$105	\$328	\$569	\$1,259
Investor	\$130	\$406	\$702	\$1,545

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 74.33% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of small cap companies. The fund currently considers small cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that are equal to or less than the market capitalization of the largest company included in the Russell 2000® Index. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalization of the largest company in the Russell 2000® Index was approximately \$13 billion, and the weighted average and median market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Index were approximately \$3 billion and \$796 million, respectively. The fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser that invest primarily in equity securities issued by small cap companies. The fund is designed to provide exposure to various small cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles. The fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including up to 10% of its assets in the equity securities of issuers located in emerging market countries.

BNYM Investment Adviser determines the investment strategies and sets the target allocations and ranges. The investment strategies and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the investment strategies as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Investment Strategy	Target	Range
Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy	40%	0% to 50%
Small Cap Value Strategy	30%	0% to 40%
Small Cap Growth Strategy	30%	0% to 40%

BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the investment strategies and the target allocations and ranges when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers use a disciplined investment process that relies, in general, on proprietary fundamental research and valuation. Generally, elements of the process include analysis of mid-cycle business prospects, estimation of the intrinsic value of the company and the identification of a revaluation catalyst. The portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy select securities that are believed to have attractive reward to risk opportunities and may actively adjust this portion of the fund's portfolio to reflect new developments.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small Cap Value Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap value companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers employ a value-based investment style, which means that they seek to identify those companies with stocks trading at prices below what are believed to be their intrinsic value. The portfolio managers responsible for the Small Cap Value Strategy focus primarily on individual stock selection instead of trying to predict which industries or sectors will perform best. The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio of companies that the portfolio managers believe are undervalued relative to expected business growth, with the presence of a catalyst (such as a corporate restructuring, change in management or spin-off) that will trigger a near-term or mid-term price increase.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap companies with favorable growth prospects. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers employ a growth-oriented investment style, which means the portfolio managers seek to identify those small cap companies which are experiencing or are expected to experience rapid earnings or revenue growth. The portfolio managers responsible for the Small Cap Growth Strategy look for high quality companies, especially those with products or services that are believed to be leaders in their market niches. The portfolio managers focus on individual stock selection instead of trying to predict which industries or sectors will perform best. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small Cap Growth Strategy does not have any limitations regarding portfolio turnover, and may have portfolio turnover rates significantly in excess of 100%.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Strategy allocation risk.* The ability of the fund to achieve its investment goal depends, in part, on the ability of the investment adviser to allocate effectively the fund's assets among multiple investment strategies. There can be no assurance that the actual allocations will be effective in achieving the fund's investment goal or that an investment strategy will achieve its particular investment objective.
- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Small and midsize company risk.* Small and midsize companies carry additional risks because the operating histories of these companies tend to be more limited, their earnings and revenues less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies. The shares of smaller companies tend to trade less frequently than those of larger, more established companies, which can adversely affect the pricing of these securities and the fund's ability to sell these securities.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the

dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.

- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards.
- *Emerging market risk.* The securities of issuers located or doing substantial business in emerging market countries tend to be more volatile and less liquid than the securities of issuers located in countries with more mature economies. Emerging markets generally have less diverse and less mature economic structures and less stable political systems than those of developed countries. Investments in these countries may be subject to political, economic, legal, market and currency risks. Special risks associated with investments in emerging market issuers may include the lack of publicly available information, the lack of uniform disclosure, accounting and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards, and limited investor protections applicable in developed economies. The risks also may include unpredictable political and economic policies, the imposition of capital controls and/or foreign investment limitations by a country, nationalization of businesses, and the imposition of sanctions or restrictions on certain investments by other countries, such as the United States.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. Investments in foreign securities, particularly those of issuers located in emerging markets, tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities.
- *Short-term trading risk.* At times, the fund may engage in short-term trading, which could produce higher transaction costs and taxable distributions and lower the fund's after-tax performance.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

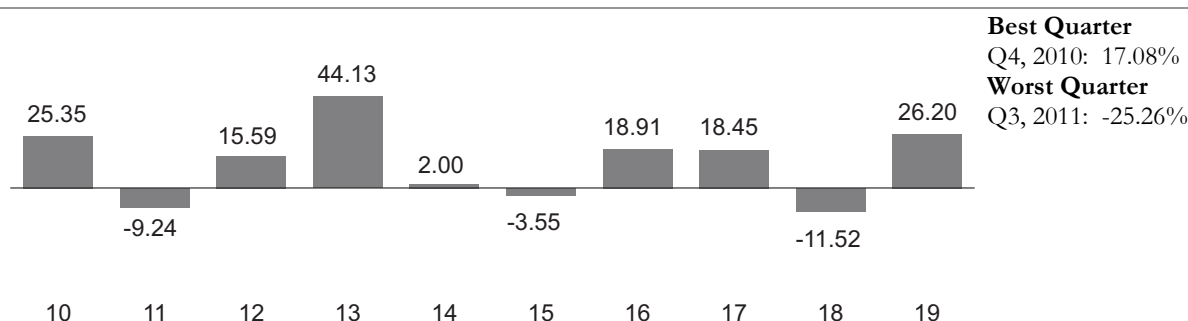
Performance

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After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses. The fund changed its investment strategy on August 20, 2012. Prior to that date, the fund generally had a single primary portfolio manager and investment strategy—selecting stocks of small-capitalization domestic companies through a disciplined investment process that combined computer modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. Different investment strategies may lead to different performance results. The fund's performance for periods prior to August 20, 2012 shown in the bar chart and table reflects the fund's investment strategy in effect prior to that date.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 1.76%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	26.20%	8.69%	11.36%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	25.22%	6.94%	10.23%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	16.19%	6.53%	9.18%
Investor returns before taxes	25.87%	8.42%	11.07%
Russell 2000® Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	25.52%	8.23%	11.83%
Russell 2000® Value Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	22.39%	6.99%	10.56%
Russell 2000® Growth Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	28.48%	9.34%	13.01%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Caroline Lee is the fund's primary portfolio manager responsible for investment allocation decisions, a position she has held since December 2015. Ms. Lee is a senior investment strategist for BNY Mellon Wealth Management. She also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the fund in her capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy are made by a team of portfolio managers employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and Mellon. The team consists of Patrick Kent, CFA, CMT and James Boyd. Mr. Kent has served as lead portfolio manager for the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy since March 2019. Mr. Boyd has been a portfolio manager for the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy since August 2012. Mr. Kent is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager. He is the lead portfolio manager for the U.S. opportunistic equity strategies and head of the small mid cap equity research team at Mellon. Mr. Boyd is a managing director and senior portfolio manager at Mellon. Messrs. Kent and Boyd also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the Small Cap Value Strategy are made by a team of portfolio managers employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and Mellon. The team consists of Joseph M. Corrado, CFA, Stephanie K. Brandaleone, CFA, Edward R. Walter, CFA and Nicholas Cohn. Messrs. Corrado and Walter and Ms. Brandaleone have been primary portfolio managers for the Small Cap Value Strategy since August 2012. Mr. Cohn has been a primary portfolio manager for the Small Cap Value Strategy since December 2019. Mr. Corrado is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager on the U.S. small mid cap equity team and the lead portfolio manager for the U.S. small cap value strategy at Mellon. Ms. Brandaleone is a director and senior research analyst on the small mid cap equity team at Mellon. Mr. Walter is a managing director and senior portfolio manager on the small mid cap equity investment team at Mellon. Mr. Cohn is a director, portfolio manager and senior research analyst for active equity strategies at Mellon. Messrs. Corrado, Walter and Cohn and Ms. Brandaleone also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the Small Cap Growth Strategy are made by a team of portfolio managers employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and Mellon. The team has consisted of Todd W. Wakefield, CFA and Robert C. Zeuthen, CFA since May 2013 and John R. Porter since March 2017. Mr. Porter is an executive vice president and Chief Investment Officer, Head of Equity at Mellon. Mr. Wakefield is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager on the U.S. small mid cap team at Mellon. Mr. Zeuthen is a managing director, senior portfolio manager on the small mid cap equity team and the lead portfolio manager for the mobility innovation strategy at Mellon. Messrs. Porter, Wakefield

and Zeuthen also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

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Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks capital appreciation.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.70	0.70
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.05</i>	<i>0.05</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.17</u>	<u>0.42</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.87	1.12

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$89	\$278	\$482	\$1,073
Investor	\$114	\$356	\$617	\$1,363

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 43.62% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities. The fund invests, under normal circumstances, in approximately 25-30 companies that are considered by BNYM Investment Adviser to be positioned for long-term earnings growth. The fund may hold growth or value stocks or a blend of both. The fund may invest in the stocks of companies of any size, although it focuses on large-cap companies (generally, those companies with market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more at the time of purchase). The fund invests primarily in equity securities of U.S. issuers, but may invest up to 25% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including those in emerging market countries.

The fund's portfolio managers monitor sector and security weightings and regularly evaluate the fund's risk-adjusted returns to manage the risk profile of the fund's portfolio. The portfolio managers adjust exposure limits as necessary.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Large-cap stock risk.* To the extent the fund invests in large capitalization stocks, the fund may underperform funds that invest primarily in the stocks of lower quality, smaller capitalization companies during periods when the stocks of such companies are in favor.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards.
- *Emerging market risk.* The securities of issuers located or doing substantial business in emerging market countries tend to be more volatile and less liquid than the securities of issuers located in countries with more mature economies. Emerging markets generally have less diverse and less mature economic structures and less stable political systems than those of developed countries. Investments in these countries may be subject to political, economic, legal, market and currency risks. Special risks associated with investments in emerging market issuers may include the lack of publicly available information, the lack of uniform disclosure, accounting and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards, and limited investor protections applicable in developed economies. The risks also may include unpredictable political and economic policies, the imposition of capital controls and/or foreign investment limitations by a country, nationalization of businesses, and the imposition of sanctions or restrictions on certain investments by other countries, such as the United States.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- *Market sector risk.* To the extent the fund invests more heavily in particular sectors, its performance will be especially sensitive to developments that significantly affect those sectors. Individual sectors may be more volatile, and may perform differently, than the broader market. The industries that constitute a sector may all react in the same way to economic, political or regulatory events.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.
- *Non-diversification risk.* The fund is non-diversified, which means that the fund may invest a relatively high percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers. Therefore, the fund's performance may be more vulnerable to changes in the market value of a single issuer or group of issuers and more susceptible to risks associated with a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence than a diversified fund.

Performance

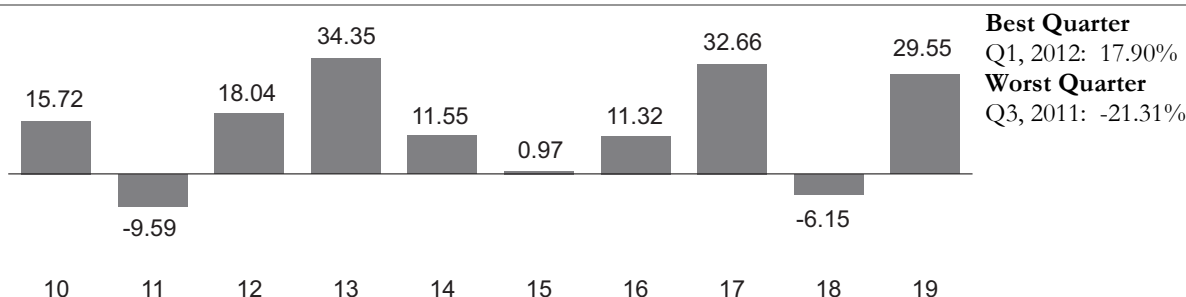
The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the S&P 500® Index (S&P 500).

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)

Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 6.63%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	29.55%	12.63%	12.87%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	27.48%	9.89%	10.72%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	18.91%	9.55%	10.16%
Investor returns before taxes	29.37%	12.37%	12.61%
S&P 500 reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	31.46%	11.69%	13.55%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Donald M. Sauber and Thomas Lee are the fund's primary portfolio managers, positions they have held since March 2018. Messrs. Sauber and Lee are portfolio managers and senior equity analysts at BNY Mellon Wealth Management. They also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks capital appreciation.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.75	0.75
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.08</i>	<i>0.08</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.20</u>	<u>0.45</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.95	1.20

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$97	\$303	\$525	\$1,166
Investor	\$122	\$381	\$660	\$1,455

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 57.41% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of small cap and mid cap companies. The fund currently considers small cap and mid cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that are within the market capitalization range of the smallest company included in the Russell 2000® Index and the largest company included in the Russell Midcap® Index. This corresponds to companies with market capitalizations as of November 30, 2020 of between approximately \$33 million and \$60 billion. As of November 30, 2020, the weighted average market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Index and the Russell Midcap® Index were approximately \$3 billion and \$20 billion, respectively, and the median market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Index and the Russell Midcap® Index were approximately \$776 million and \$9 billion, respectively. The fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser that invest primarily in equity securities issued by small cap and mid cap companies. The fund is

designed to provide exposure to various small cap and mid cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles. The fund invests principally in common stocks. The fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including up to 10% of its assets in the equity securities of issuers located in emerging market countries.

BNYM Investment Adviser determines the investment strategies and sets the target allocations and ranges. The investment strategies and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the investment strategies as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Investment Strategy	Target	Range
Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy	40%	0% to 50%
Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy	30%	0% to 40%
Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy	30%	0% to 40%

BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the investment strategies and the target allocations and ranges when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap and mid cap companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers use a disciplined investment process that relies, in general, on proprietary fundamental research and valuation. Generally, elements of the process include analysis of mid-cycle business prospects, estimation of the intrinsic value of the company and the identification of a revaluation catalyst. The portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy select securities that are believed to have attractive reward to risk opportunities and may actively adjust this portion of the fund's portfolio to reflect new developments.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap and mid cap value companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers employ a value-based investment style, which means that they seek to identify those companies with stocks trading at prices below what are believed to be their intrinsic value. The portfolio managers responsible for the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy focus primarily on individual stock selection instead of trying to predict which industries or sectors will perform best. The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio of companies that the portfolio managers believe are undervalued relative to expected business growth, with the presence of a catalyst (such as a corporate restructuring, change in management or spin-off) that will trigger a near-term or mid-term price increase.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap and mid cap companies with favorable growth prospects. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers employ a growth-oriented investment style, which means the portfolio managers seek to identify those small cap and mid cap companies which are experiencing or are expected to experience rapid earnings or revenue growth. The portfolio managers responsible for the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy look for high quality companies, especially those with products or services that are believed to be leaders in their market niches. The portfolio managers focus on individual stock selection instead of trying to predict which industries or sectors will perform best. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy does not have any limitations regarding portfolio turnover, and may have portfolio turnover rates significantly in excess of 100%.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Strategy allocation risk.* The ability of the fund to achieve its investment goal depends, in part, on the ability of the investment adviser to allocate effectively the fund's assets among multiple investment strategies. There can be no assurance that the actual allocations will be effective in achieving the fund's investment goal or that an investment strategy will achieve its particular investment objective.
- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Small and midsize company risk.* Small and midsize companies carry additional risks because the operating histories of these companies tend to be more limited, their earnings and revenues less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies.

The shares of smaller companies tend to trade less frequently than those of larger, more established companies, which can adversely affect the pricing of these securities and the fund's ability to sell these securities.

- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards.
- *Emerging market risk.* The securities of issuers located or doing substantial business in emerging market countries tend to be more volatile and less liquid than the securities of issuers located in countries with more mature economies. Emerging markets generally have less diverse and less mature economic structures and less stable political systems than those of developed countries. Investments in these countries may be subject to political, economic, legal, market and currency risks. Special risks associated with investments in emerging market issuers may include the lack of publicly available information, the lack of uniform disclosure, accounting and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards, and limited investor protections applicable in developed economies. The risks also may include unpredictable political and economic policies, the imposition of capital controls and/or foreign investment limitations by a country, nationalization of businesses, and the imposition of sanctions or restrictions on certain investments by other countries, such as the United States.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. Investments in foreign securities, particularly those of issuers located in emerging markets, tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities.
- *Short-term trading risk.* At times, the fund may engage in short-term trading, which could produce higher transaction costs and taxable distributions and lower the fund's after-tax performance.
- *Market sector risk.* To the extent the fund invests more heavily in particular sectors, its performance will be especially sensitive to developments that significantly affect those sectors. Individual sectors may be more volatile, and may perform differently, than the broader market. The industries that constitute a sector may all react in the same way to economic, political or regulatory events.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

Performance

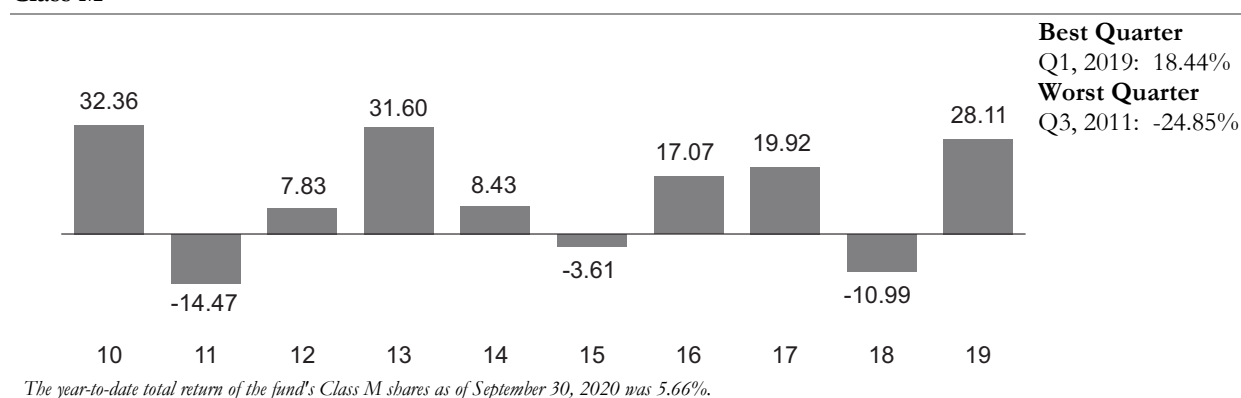
The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the Russell 2500™ Index. The table also compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of additional indices to show how the fund's performance compares with the returns of an index of small to mid cap value stocks and an index of small to mid cap growth stocks.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those

shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses. The fund changed its investment strategy on August 20, 2012 and April 28, 2014. From August 20, 2012 to April 28, 2014, the fund's investment adviser selected securities for the fund using a disciplined investment process that combined quantitative modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. Prior to August 20, 2012, the fund's investment adviser selected securities for the fund using proprietary computer models, along with fundamental analysis, to identify and rank stocks within industries or sectors, based on several characteristics, including value, growth and financial profile. Different investment strategies may lead to different performance results. The fund's performance for the periods from August 20, 2012 through April 27, 2014 and prior to August 20, 2012 shown in the bar chart and table reflects the fund's investment strategy in effect during those periods.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%) Class M



Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	28.11%	9.06%	10.39%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	26.94%	7.00%	8.22%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	17.43%	6.72%	7.89%
Investor returns before taxes	27.79%	8.77%	10.09%
Russell 2500™ Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	27.77%	8.93%	12.58%
Russell 2500™ Value Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	23.56%	7.18%	11.25%
Russell 2500™ Growth Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	32.65%	10.84%	14.01%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Caroline Lee is the fund's primary portfolio manager responsible for investment allocation decisions, a position she has held since December 2015. Ms. Lee is a senior investment strategist for BNY Mellon Wealth Management. She also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the fund in her capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy are made by a team of portfolio managers employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and Mellon. The team consists of Patrick Kent, CFA, CMT and James Boyd, CFA. Mr. Kent has served as lead portfolio manager for the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy since March 2019. Mr. Boyd has been a portfolio manager for the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy since April 2014. Mr. Kent is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager. He is the lead portfolio manager for the U.S. opportunistic equity strategies and head of the small mid cap equity research team at Mellon. Mr. Boyd is a managing director and senior portfolio manager at Mellon. Messrs. Kent and Boyd also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy are made by a team of portfolio managers employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and Mellon. The team consists of Joseph M. Corrado, CFA, Stephanie K. Brandaleone, CFA, Edward R. Walter, CFA and Nicholas Cohn. Messrs. Corrado and Walter and Ms. Brandaleone have been primary portfolio managers for the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy since April 2014. Mr. Cohn has been a primary

portfolio manager for the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy since December 2019. Mr. Corrado is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager on the U.S. small mid cap equity team and the lead portfolio manager for the U.S. small cap value strategies at Mellon. Ms. Brandaleone is a director and senior research analyst on the small mid cap equity team at Mellon. Mr. Walter is a managing director and senior portfolio manager on the small mid cap equity investment team at Mellon. Mr. Cohn is a director, portfolio manager and senior research analyst for active equity strategy at Mellon. Messrs. Corrado, Walter and Cohn and Ms. Brandaleone also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Investment decisions for the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy are made by a team of portfolio managers employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and Mellon. The team has consisted of Todd W. Wakefield, CFA and Robert C. Zeuthen, CFA since April 2014 and John R. Porter since March 2017. Mr. Porter is an executive vice president and Chief Investment Officer, Head of Equity at Mellon. Mr. Wakefield is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager on the U.S. Small Mid Cap team at Mellon. Mr. Zeuthen is a managing director, senior portfolio manager on the Small Mid Cap Equity team and the lead portfolio manager for the mobility innovation strategy at Mellon. Messrs. Porter, Wakefield and Zeuthen also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon International Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks long-term capital growth.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.85	0.85
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.06</i>	<i>0.06</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.18</u>	<u>0.43</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	1.03	1.28

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$105	\$328	\$569	\$1,259
Investor	\$130	\$406	\$702	\$1,545

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 66.41% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 65% of its total assets in equity securities of foreign issuers. Foreign issuers are companies organized under the laws of a foreign country, whose principal trading market is in a foreign country or with a majority of their assets or business outside the United States. The fund may invest in companies of any size. Though not specifically limited, the fund ordinarily will invest in a broad range of (and in any case at least five different) countries. The fund will limit its investments in any single company to no more than 5% of the fund's assets at the time of purchase.

The stocks purchased may have value and/or growth characteristics. The portfolio managers employ a bottom-up investment approach which emphasizes individual stock selection.

The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio that, relative to the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) Europe, Australasia and Far East (EAFE) Index, has a below-average price/earnings ratio and an above-average earnings growth trend.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Large-cap stock risk.* To the extent the fund invests in large capitalization stocks, the fund may underperform funds that invest primarily in the stocks of lower quality, smaller capitalization companies during periods when the stocks of such companies are in favor.
- *Small and midsize company risk.* Small and midsize companies carry additional risks because the operating histories of these companies tend to be more limited, their earnings and revenues less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies. The shares of smaller companies tend to trade less frequently than those of larger, more established companies, which can adversely affect the pricing of these securities and the fund's ability to sell these securities.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards.
- *Foreign currency risk.* Investments in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar or, in the case of hedged positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline relative to the currency being hedged. Foreign currencies are also subject to risks caused by inflation, interest rates, budget deficits and low savings rates, political factors and government intervention and controls.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. Investments in foreign securities tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

Performance

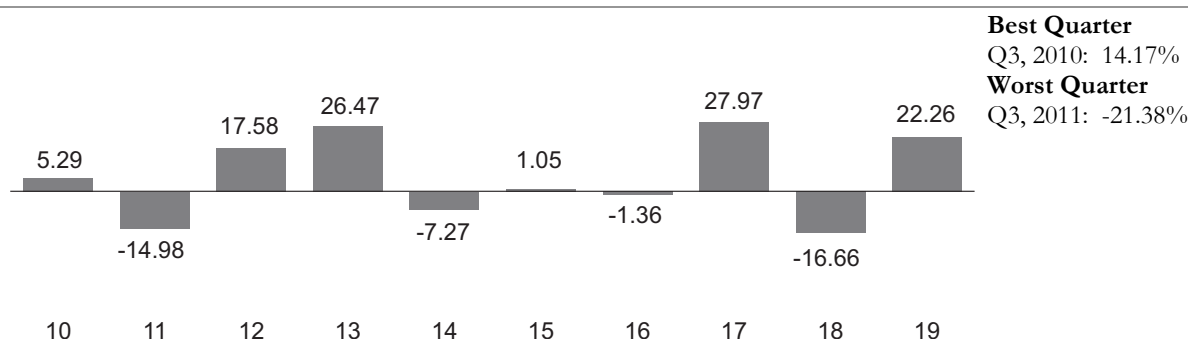
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Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%) Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was -8.02%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	22.26%	5.38%	4.84%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	21.81%	5.11%	4.59%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	13.95%	4.35%	4.04%
Investor returns before taxes	21.99%	5.12%	4.58%
MSCI EAFE Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	22.01%	5.67%	5.50%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

James A. Lydotes, CFA, and Chris Yao, CFA, are the fund's primary portfolio managers. Messrs. Lydotes and Yao have been primary portfolio managers of the fund since December 2015 and December 2019, respectively. Mr. Lydotes is a managing director and senior portfolio manager for the Global Equity team at Mellon. Mr. Yao is a managing director and head of Quantitative Equity research at Mellon. Messrs. Lydotes and Yao also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose

accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks long-term capital growth.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	1.15	1.15
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.24</u>	<u>0.49</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	1.39	1.64

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$142	\$440	\$761	\$1,669
Investor	\$167	\$517	\$892	\$1,944

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 34.44% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of companies organized, or with a majority of assets or operations, in countries considered to be emerging markets. Emerging market countries generally include all countries represented by the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) Emerging Markets Index. The fund may invest in companies of any size.

Normally, the fund will invest in a broad range of (and in any case at least five different) emerging market countries.

The stocks purchased may have value and/or growth characteristics. The portfolio managers employ a bottom-up investment approach which emphasizes individual stock selection.

The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio that, relative to the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, has a below-average price/earnings ratio and an above-average earnings growth trend.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards.
- *Foreign currency risk.* Investments in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar or, in the case of hedged positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline relative to the currency being hedged. Foreign currencies, particularly the currencies of emerging market countries, are also subject to risks caused by inflation, interest rates, budget deficits and low savings rates, political factors and government intervention and controls.
- *Emerging market risk.* The securities of issuers located or doing substantial business in emerging market countries tend to be more volatile and less liquid than the securities of issuers located in countries with more mature economies. Emerging markets generally have less diverse and less mature economic structures and less stable political systems than those of developed countries. Investments in these countries may be subject to political, economic, legal, market and currency risks. Special risks associated with investments in emerging market issuers may include the lack of publicly available information, the lack of uniform disclosure, accounting and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards, and limited investor protections applicable in developed economies. The risks also may include unpredictable political and economic policies, the imposition of capital controls and/or foreign investment limitations by a country, nationalization of businesses, and the imposition of sanctions or restrictions on certain investments by other countries, such as the United States.
- *Small and midsize company risk.* Small and midsize companies carry additional risks because the operating histories of these companies tend to be more limited, their earnings and revenues less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies. The shares of smaller companies tend to trade less frequently than those of larger, more established companies, which can adversely affect the pricing of these securities and the fund's ability to sell these securities.
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Performance

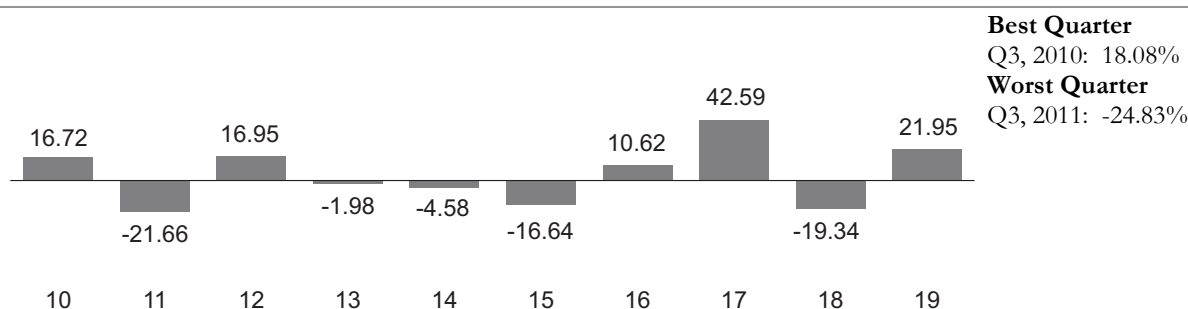
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Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was -2.68%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	21.95%	5.28%	2.61%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	21.95%	5.38%	2.65%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	13.55%	4.41%	2.34%
Investor returns before taxes	21.60%	5.01%	2.35%
MSCI Emerging Markets Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	18.44%	5.61%	3.68%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Julianne D. McHugh and Chris Yao, CFA are the fund's primary portfolio managers. Ms. McHugh and Mr. Yao have been primary portfolio managers of the fund since December 2019. Ms. McHugh is a managing director and a senior portfolio manager at Mellon. Mr. Yao is head of Equity Quantitative research at Mellon. Ms. McHugh and Mr. Yao also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

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Tax Information

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and income).

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.85	0.85
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.17</i>	<i>0.17</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.29</u>	<u>0.54</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	1.14	1.39

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$116	\$362	\$628	\$1,386
Investor	\$142	\$440	\$761	\$1,669

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 55.03% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities. The fund focuses on dividend-paying stocks of foreign companies, including those in emerging market countries. The fund normally invests substantially all of its assets in the equity securities of issuers located outside the United States and diversifies broadly among developed and emerging market countries. The fund may invest in the stocks of companies of any market capitalization.

The fund's portfolio managers select stocks through a disciplined investment process using proprietary quantitative computer models that analyze a diverse set of stock characteristics to identify and rank stocks based on earnings quality. Based on this analysis, the portfolio managers generally select from the higher ranked dividend-paying securities those stocks that they believe will continue to pay above-average dividends. The portfolio managers will seek to overweight higher dividend-paying stocks, while maintaining country and sector weights generally similar to those of the Morgan

Stanley Capital International All Country World Ex-U.S.A. Index (MSCI ACWI Ex-USA), an unmanaged index that measures the equity market performance of developed and emerging market countries, excluding the United States.

Principal Risks

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- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- *Market sector risk.* To the extent the fund invests more heavily in particular sectors, its performance will be especially sensitive to developments that significantly affect those sectors. Individual sectors may be more volatile, and may perform differently, than the broader market. The industries that constitute a sector may all react in the same way to economic, political or regulatory events.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and

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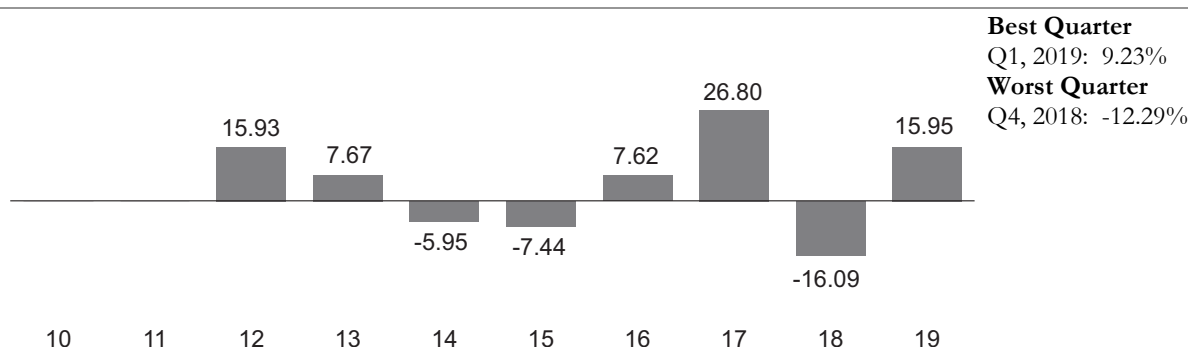
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Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)

Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was -16.52%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	Since Inception (12/15/11)
Class M returns before taxes	15.95%	4.21%	4.82%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	15.31%	3.71%	4.24%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	10.84%	3.60%	4.09%
Investor returns before taxes	15.53%	3.86%	4.48%
MSCI ACWI ex-USA Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	21.51%	5.51%	6.58%*

*For comparative purposes, the value of the MSCI ACWI ex-USA Index on 11/30/11 is used as the beginning value on 12/15/11.

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Peter D. Goslin, CFA, Syed A. Zamil, CFA and Tao Wang are the fund's primary portfolio managers. Messrs. Goslin, Zamil and Wang have been primary portfolio managers of the fund since July 2015, March 2017 and December 2019, respectively. Mr. Goslin is a director and senior portfolio manager at Mellon, where he leads the Multi-Factor Equity team. Mr. Zamil is a managing director and global investment strategist for the Multi-Factor Equity team at Mellon. Mr. Wang is a director and senior quantitative research analyst, providing core research to domestic, global and emerging markets quantitative equity models, as well as designing, enhancing and maintain the production models for Mellon's quantitative equity portfolios. Messrs. Goslin, Zamil and Wang also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Bond Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and current income).

Fees and Expenses

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Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.40	0.40
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.03</i>	<i>0.03</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.15</u>	<u>0.40</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.55	0.80

Example

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	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$56	\$176	\$307	\$689
Investor	\$82	\$255	\$444	\$990

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 93.11% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in bonds. BNYM Investment Adviser actively manages the fund's bond market and maturity exposure and credit profile and uses a disciplined process to select bonds and manage risk. The process includes computer modeling and scenario testing of possible changes in market conditions. BNYM Investment Adviser will use other techniques in an attempt to manage market risk and duration.

The fund's investments in bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Investments in bonds may include government securities, corporate bonds, mortgage-related securities and municipal securities. Generally, the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any duration. There are no restrictions on the dollar-weighted average maturity of the fund's portfolio or on the maturities of the

individual bonds the fund may purchase. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Dollar-weighted average maturity is an average of the stated maturities of the securities held by the fund, based on their dollar-weighted proportions in the fund. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Fixed-income market risk.* The market value of a fixed-income security may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. The fixed-income securities market can be susceptible to increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions or credit tightening. Increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates). An unexpected increase in fund redemption requests, including requests from shareholders who may own a significant percentage of the fund's shares, which may be triggered by market turmoil or an increase in interest rates, could cause the fund to sell its holdings at a loss or at undesirable prices and adversely affect the fund's share price and increase the fund's liquidity risk, fund expenses and/or taxable distributions. Federal Reserve policy in response to market conditions, including with respect to interest rates, may adversely affect the value, volatility and liquidity of dividend and interest paying securities. Policy and legislative changes worldwide are affecting many aspects of financial regulation. The impact of these changes on the markets and the practical implications for market participants may not be fully known for some time.
- *Government securities risk.* Not all obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Some obligations are backed only by the credit of the issuing agency or instrumentality, and in some cases there may be some risk of default by the issuer. Any guarantee by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities of a security held by the fund does not apply to the market value of such security or to shares of the fund itself.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
- *Prepayment risk.* Some securities give the issuer the option to prepay or call the securities before their maturity date, which may reduce the market value of the security and the anticipated yield-to-maturity. Issuers often exercise this right when interest rates fall. If an issuer "calls" its securities during a time of declining interest rates, the fund might have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of "callable" issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.
- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall. The lower a security's credit rating, the greater the chance that the issuer of the security will default or fail to meet its payment obligations.
- *Mortgage-related securities risk.* Mortgage-related securities are complex derivative instruments, subject to credit, prepayment and extension risk, and may be more volatile, less liquid and more difficult to price accurately than more traditional debt securities. The fund is subject to the credit risk associated with these securities, including the market's perception of the creditworthiness of the issuing federal agency, as well as the credit quality of the underlying assets. Although certain mortgage-related securities are guaranteed as to the timely payment of interest and principal by a

third party (such as a U.S. government agency or instrumentality with respect to government-related mortgage-backed securities) the market prices for such securities are not guaranteed and will fluctuate. Declining interest rates may result in the prepayment of higher yielding underlying mortgages and the reinvestment of proceeds at lower interest rates can reduce the fund's potential price gain in response to falling interest rates, reduce the fund's yield and/or cause the fund's share price to fall (prepayment risk). Rising interest rates may result in a drop in prepayments of the underlying mortgages, which would increase the fund's sensitivity to rising interest rates and its potential for price declines (extension risk).

- *Municipal securities risk.* The amount of public information available about municipal securities is generally less than that for corporate equities or bonds. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal securities. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal securities market, the size of the particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's share price. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. The secondary market for certain municipal bonds tends to be less well developed or liquid than many other securities markets, which may adversely affect the fund's ability to sell such municipal bonds at attractive prices. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value.
- *Issuer risk.* A security's market value may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the issuer's products or services, or factors that affect the issuer's industry, such as labor shortages or increased production costs and competitive conditions within an industry.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

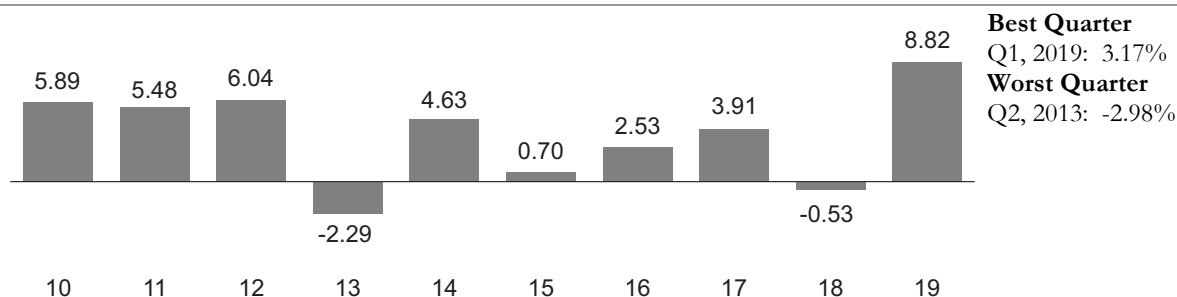
Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



Best Quarter
Q1, 2019: 3.17%
Worst Quarter
Q2, 2013: -2.98%

The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 6.71%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	8.82%	3.03%	3.47%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	7.54%	1.78%	2.16%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	5.20%	1.75%	2.14%
Investor returns before taxes	8.54%	2.76%	3.20%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	8.72%	3.05%	3.75%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

John F. Flahive and Timothy J. Sanville are the fund's primary portfolio managers, positions they have held since August 2005 and September 2015, respectively. Messrs. Flahive and Sanville are senior vice president and first vice president, respectively, of The Bank of New York Mellon. Messrs. Flahive and Sanville also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives

may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and current income).

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.40	0.40
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.03</i>	<i>0.03</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.15</u>	<u>0.40</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.55	0.80

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$56	\$176	\$307	\$689
Investor	\$82	\$255	\$444	\$990

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 41.86% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

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The fund's investments in bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Investments in bonds may include government securities, corporate bonds and municipal securities. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between 3 and 10 years and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will be between 2.5 and 5.5 years. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the

principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

Principal Risks

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maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's share price. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.

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- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
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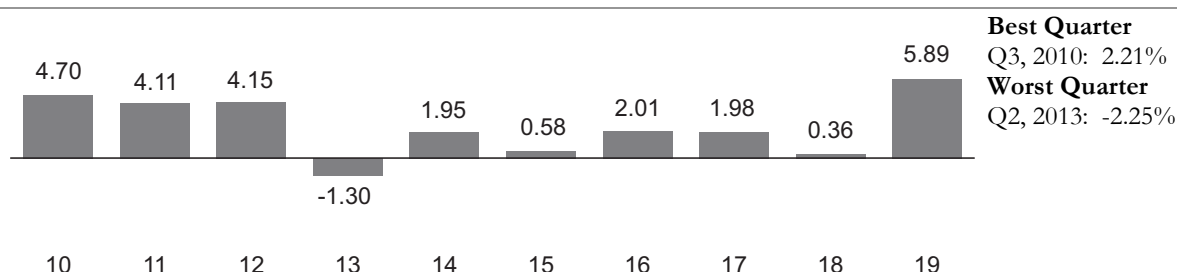
Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Intermediate Government/Credit Index.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. Returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares may be higher than returns before taxes or returns after taxes on distributions due to an assumed tax benefit from losses on a sale of the fund's shares at the end of the period.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 4.74%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	5.89%	2.15%	2.42%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	4.91%	1.24%	1.44%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	3.48%	1.23%	1.46%
Investor returns before taxes	5.61%	1.90%	2.17%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Intermediate Government/Credit Index	6.80%	2.57%	3.05%
reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes			

Portfolio Management

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Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and current income).

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.40	0.40
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.04</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.16</u>	<u>0.41</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.56	0.81

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$57	\$179	\$313	\$701
Investor	\$83	\$259	\$450	\$1,002

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 25.67% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in corporate bonds. BNYM Investment Adviser uses a disciplined process to select bonds and manage risk. The process includes computer modeling and scenario testing of possible changes in market conditions. BNYM Investment Adviser will use other techniques in an attempt to manage market risk and duration.

BNYM Investment Adviser actively manages the fund's bond market and maturity exposure and credit profile. The fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in bonds rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser, with at least 65% of such investment grade bonds issued by corporations or the U.S. government or its agencies. Generally, the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any duration. There are no restrictions on the dollar-weighted average maturity of the fund's portfolio or on the maturities of the

individual bonds the fund may purchase. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Dollar-weighted average maturity is an average of the stated maturities of the securities held by the fund, based on their dollar-weighted proportions in the fund. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

In selecting corporate bonds for investment, the fund's portfolio managers analyze fundamental metrics, including the issuer's cash flow, leverage and operating margins, as well as its business strategy and operating performance, and macro economic factors. The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or has identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Fixed-income market risk.* The market value of a fixed-income security may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. The fixed-income securities market can be susceptible to increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions or credit tightening. Increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates). An unexpected increase in fund redemption requests, including requests from shareholders who may own a significant percentage of the fund's shares, which may be triggered by market turmoil or an increase in interest rates, could cause the fund to sell its holdings at a loss or at undesirable prices and adversely affect the fund's share price and increase the fund's liquidity risk, fund expenses and/or taxable distributions. Federal Reserve policy in response to market conditions, including with respect to interest rates, may adversely affect the value, volatility and liquidity of dividend and interest paying securities. Policy and legislative changes worldwide are affecting many aspects of financial regulation. The impact of these changes on the markets and the practical implications for market participants may not be fully known for some time.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
- *Prepayment risk.* Some securities give the issuer the option to prepay or call the securities before their maturity date, which may reduce the market value of the security and the anticipated yield-to-maturity. Issuers often exercise this right when interest rates fall. If an issuer "calls" its securities during a time of declining interest rates, the fund might have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of "callable" issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.
- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall. The lower a security's credit rating, the greater the chance that the issuer of the security will default or fail to meet its payment obligations.
- *Government securities risk.* Not all obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Some obligations are backed only by the credit of the issuing agency or instrumentality, and in some cases there may be some risk of default by the issuer. Any guarantee by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities of a security held by the fund does not apply to the market value of such security or to shares of the fund itself.

- **Liquidity risk.** When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value.
- **Issuer risk.** A security's market value may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the issuer's products or services, or factors that affect the issuer's industry, such as labor shortages or increased production costs and competitive conditions within an industry.
- **Management risk.** The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- **Market sector risk.** To the extent the fund invests more heavily in particular sectors, its performance will be especially sensitive to developments that significantly affect those sectors. Individual sectors may be more volatile, and may perform differently, than the broader market. The industries that constitute a sector may all react in the same way to economic, political or regulatory events.
- **Market risk.** The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

Performance

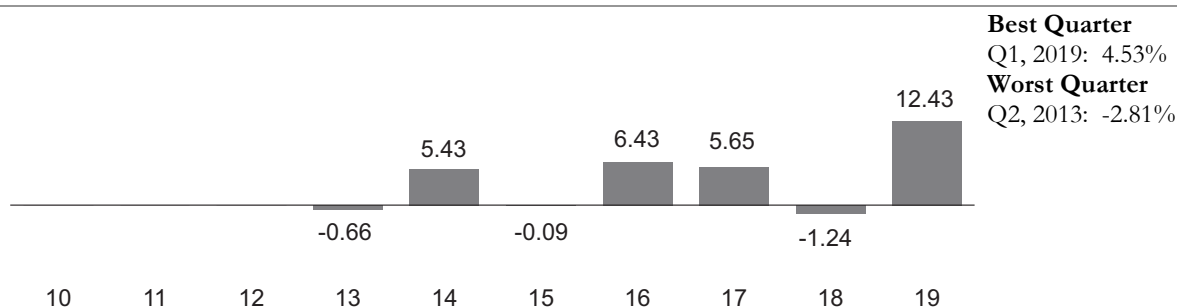
The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Intermediate Credit Index and the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit Index.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)

Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 5.05%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	Since Inception (3/2/2012)
Class M returns before taxes	12.43%	4.52%	4.35%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	10.75%	2.93%	2.87%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	7.32%	2.74%	2.68%
Investor returns before taxes	12.21%	4.28%	4.10%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Intermediate Credit Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	9.52%	3.50%	3.41%*
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	13.80%	4.39%	4.28%*

* For comparative purposes, the value of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Intermediate Credit Index and the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit Index on February 29, 2012 is used as the beginning value on March 2, 2012.

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

John F. Flahive and Timothy J. Sanville are the fund's primary portfolio managers, positions they have held since March 2012 and September 2015, respectively. Messrs. Flahive and Sanville are senior vice president and first vice president, respectively, of The Bank of New York Mellon. Messrs. Flahive and Sanville also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks to provide as high a level of current income as is consistent with the preservation of capital.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.35	0.35
Other expenses:		
Shareholder services fees	none	0.25
Administration fees	0.12	0.12
Miscellaneous other expenses	0.08	0.08
Total other expenses	0.20	0.45
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.55	0.80
Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement*	(0.05)	(0.05)
Total annual fund operating expenses (after fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement)	0.50	0.75

*The fund's investment adviser, BNYM Investment Adviser, has contractually agreed, until March 31, 2022, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the direct expenses of the fund so that the direct expenses of neither class (excluding shareholder services fees, taxes, interest expense, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) exceed 0.50%. On or after March 31, 2022, BNYM Investment Adviser may terminate this expense limitation agreement at any time.

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. The one-year example and the first year of the three-, five- and ten-years examples are based on net operating expenses, which reflect the expense limitation agreement by BNYM Investment Adviser. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$51	\$171	\$302	\$684
Investor	\$77	\$250	\$439	\$985

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 65.00% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, and in repurchase

agreements in respect of such securities. The fund may invest in mortgage-related securities issued by U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities. The securities in which the fund invests include those backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government and those that are neither insured nor guaranteed by the U.S. government.

Typically in choosing securities, the fund's portfolio managers first examine U.S. and global economic conditions and other market factors in order to estimate long- and short-term interest rates. Using a research-driven investment process, generally the portfolio managers then seek to identify potentially profitable sectors before they are widely perceived by the market, and seeks underpriced or mispriced securities that appear likely to perform well over time. The fund may engage in frequent trading.

Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will be less than three years. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

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- *Government securities risk.* Not all obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Some obligations are backed only by the credit of the issuing agency or instrumentality, and in some cases there may be some risk of default by the issuer. Any guarantee by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities of a security held by the fund does not apply to the market value of such security or to shares of the fund itself.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
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have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of "callable" issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.

- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall. The lower a security's credit rating, the greater the chance that the issuer of the security will default or fail to meet its payment obligations.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value.
- *Mortgage-related securities risk.* Mortgage-related securities are complex derivative instruments, subject to credit, prepayment and extension risk, and may be more volatile, less liquid and more difficult to price accurately than more traditional debt securities. The fund is subject to the credit risk associated with these securities, including the market's perception of the creditworthiness of the issuing federal agency, as well as the credit quality of the underlying assets. Although certain mortgage-related securities are guaranteed as to the timely payment of interest and principal by a third party (such as a U.S. government agency or instrumentality with respect to government-related mortgage-backed securities) the market prices for such securities are not guaranteed and will fluctuate. Declining interest rates may result in the prepayment of higher yielding underlying mortgages and the reinvestment of proceeds at lower interest rates can reduce the fund's potential price gain in response to falling interest rates, reduce the fund's yield and/or cause the fund's share price to fall (prepayment risk). Rising interest rates may result in a drop in prepayments of the underlying mortgages, which would increase the fund's sensitivity to rising interest rates and its potential for price declines (extension risk).
- *Repurchase agreement counterparty risk.* The fund is subject to the risk that a counterparty in a repurchase agreement could fail to honor the terms of the agreement.
- *Short-term trading risk.* At times, the fund may engage in short-term trading, which could produce higher transaction costs and taxable distributions and lower the fund's after-tax performance.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

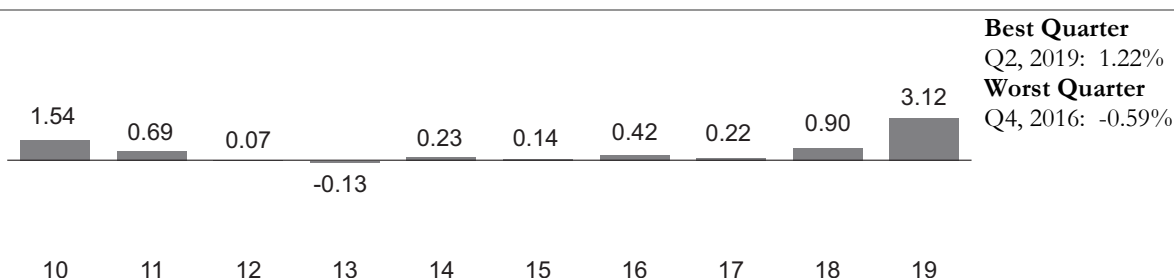
Performance

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After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. Returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares may be higher than returns before taxes or returns after taxes on distributions due to an assumed tax benefit from losses on a sale of the fund's shares at the end of the period.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 2.68%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	3.12%	0.96%	0.72%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	2.23%	0.37%	0.19%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	1.84%	0.47%	0.33%
Investor returns before taxes	2.74%	0.69%	0.44%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Government 1-3 Year Bond Index	3.59%	1.40%	1.25%
reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes			

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Lawrence R. Dunn and Timothy J. Sanville are the fund's primary portfolio managers. Mr. Dunn has held that position since the fund's inception in October 2000. Mr. Sanville has held that position since September 2015. Messrs. Dunn and Sanville are vice president and first vice president, respectively, of The Bank of New York Mellon. Messrs. Dunn and Sanville also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the

compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks to maximize current income exempt from federal income tax to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.35	0.35
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.03</i>	<i>0.03</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.15</u>	<u>0.40</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.50	0.75

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$51	\$160	\$280	\$628
Investor	\$77	\$240	\$417	\$930

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 45.62% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal income tax. Municipal bonds are debt securities or other obligations issued by states, territories and possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between three and ten years and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or

duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Municipal securities risk.* The amount of public information available about municipal securities is generally less than that for corporate equities or bonds. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal securities. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal securities market, the size of the particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's share price. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
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- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall. The lower a security's credit rating, the greater the chance that the issuer of the security will default or fail to meet its payment obligations.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. The secondary market for certain municipal bonds tends to be less well developed or liquid than many other securities markets, which may adversely affect the fund's ability to sell such municipal bonds at attractive prices.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.

- **Market risk.** The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.
- **Non-diversification risk.** The fund is non-diversified, which means that the fund may invest a relatively high percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers. Therefore, the fund's performance may be more vulnerable to changes in the market value of a single issuer or group of issuers and more susceptible to risks associated with a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence than a diversified fund.

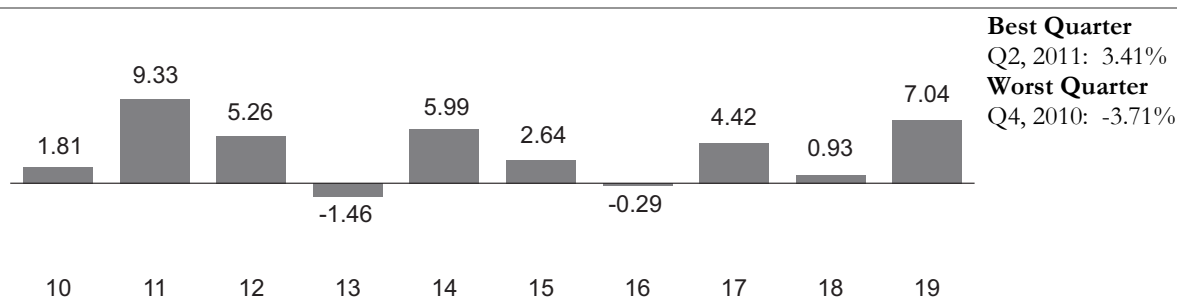
Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Intermediate Index and the S&P Municipal Bond Intermediate Index.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 2.62%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	7.04%	2.91%	3.51%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	7.04%	2.87%	3.46%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	5.15%	2.81%	3.37%
Investor returns before taxes	6.86%	2.66%	3.26%
S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Intermediate Index	6.87%	3.23%	N/A*
reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes			
S&P Municipal Bond Intermediate Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	6.92%	3.30%	4.13%

*The S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Intermediate Index was first calculated on March 19, 2013. Accordingly, the fund will continue to report the performance of the S&P Municipal Bond Intermediate Index until the S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Intermediate Index has been calculated for a 10-year period.

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

John F. Flahive and Mary Collette O'Brien are the fund's primary portfolio managers, positions they have held since October 2000 and March 2006, respectively. Mr. Flahive and Ms. O'Brien are senior vice president and managing director, respectively, of The Bank of New York Mellon. Mr. Flahive and Ms. O'Brien also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund anticipates that dividends paid by the fund generally will be exempt from federal income taxes. However, the fund may realize and distribute taxable income and capital gains from time to time as a result of the fund's normal investment activities. Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of its holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks to maximize current income exempt from federal income tax to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.35	0.35
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.04</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.16</u>	<u>0.41</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.51	0.76
Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement*	(0.07)	(0.07)
Total annual fund operating expenses <i>(after fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement)</i>	0.44	0.69

**The fund's investment adviser, BNYM Investment Adviser, has contractually agreed, until March 31, 2022, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the direct expenses of the fund so that the direct expenses of neither class (excluding shareholder services fees, taxes, interest expense, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) exceed 0.44%. On or after March 31, 2022, BNYM Investment Adviser may terminate this expense limitation agreement at any time.*

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. The one-year example and the first year of the three-, five- and ten-years examples are based on net operating expenses, which reflect the expense limitation agreement by BNYM Investment Adviser. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$45	\$156	\$278	\$634
Investor	\$70	\$236	\$415	\$936

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 92.41% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal income tax. Municipal bonds are debt securities or other

obligations issued by states, territories and possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will be less than three years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Municipal securities risk.* The amount of public information available about municipal securities is generally less than that for corporate equities or bonds. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal securities. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal securities market, the size of the particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's share price. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
- *Prepayment risk.* Some securities give the issuer the option to prepay or call the securities before their maturity date, which may reduce the market value of the security and the anticipated yield-to-maturity. Issuers often exercise this right when interest rates fall. If an issuer "calls" its securities during a time of declining interest rates, the fund might have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of "callable" issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.
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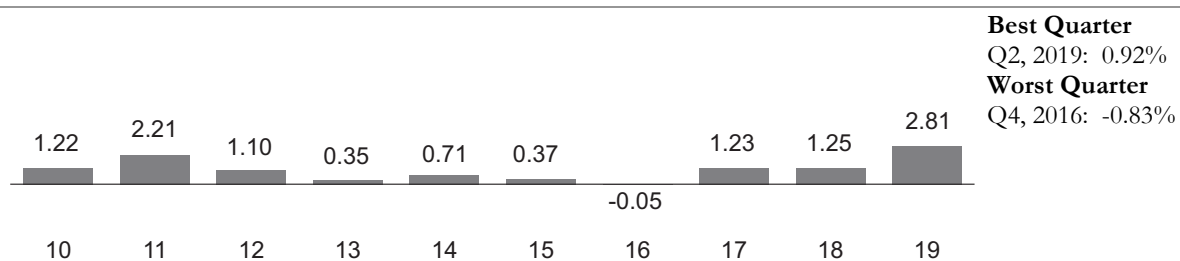
- **Management risk.** The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
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- **Non-diversification risk.** The fund is non-diversified, which means that the fund may invest a relatively high percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers. Therefore, the fund's performance may be more vulnerable to changes in the market value of a single issuer or group of issuers and more susceptible to risks associated with a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence than a diversified fund.

Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Short Index and the S&P Municipal Bond Short Index.

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Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 1.42%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	2.81%	1.12%	1.12%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	2.81%	1.11%	1.11%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	2.26%	1.11%	1.11%
Investor returns before taxes	2.55%	0.85%	0.87%
S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Short Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	3.08%	1.43%	N/A*
S&P Municipal Bond Short Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	3.11%	1.46%	1.52%

**The S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Short Index was first calculated on March 19, 2013. Accordingly, the fund will continue to report the performance of the S&P Municipal Bond Short Index until the S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Short Index has been calculated for a 10-year period.*

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

John F. Flahive is the fund's primary portfolio manager, a position he has held since September 2015. Mr. Flahive is a senior vice president of The Bank of New York Mellon. He also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the fund in his capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund anticipates that dividends paid by the fund generally will be exempt from federal income taxes. However, the fund may realize and distribute taxable income and capital gains from time to time as a result of the fund's normal investment activities. Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of its holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks as high a level of current income exempt from federal and Pennsylvania state income taxes as is consistent with the preservation of capital.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.50	0.50
Other expenses:		
Shareholder services fees	none	0.25
Administration fees	0.12	0.12
Miscellaneous other expenses	0.10	0.10
Total other expenses	0.22	0.47
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.72	0.97
Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement*	(0.13)	(0.13)
Total annual fund operating expenses (after fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement)	0.59	0.84

**The fund's investment adviser, BNYM Investment Adviser, has contractually agreed, until March 31, 2022, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the direct expenses of the fund so that the direct expenses of neither class (excluding shareholder services fees, taxes, interest expense, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) exceed 0.59%. On or after March 31, 2022, BNYM Investment Adviser may terminate this expense limitation agreement at any time.*

Example

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	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$60	\$217	\$388	\$882
Investor	\$86	\$396	\$524	\$1,178

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 51.36% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal and Pennsylvania state personal income taxes. These

municipal bonds include those issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as well as those issued by territories and possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between three and ten years and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal and Pennsylvania state income taxes, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Principal Risks

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- **State-specific risk.** The fund is subject to the risk that Pennsylvania's economy, and the revenues underlying its municipal obligations, may decline. Investing primarily in the municipal obligations of a single state makes the fund more sensitive to risks specific to that state and may entail more risk than investing in the municipal obligations of multiple states as a result of potentially less diversification.
- **Management risk.** The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
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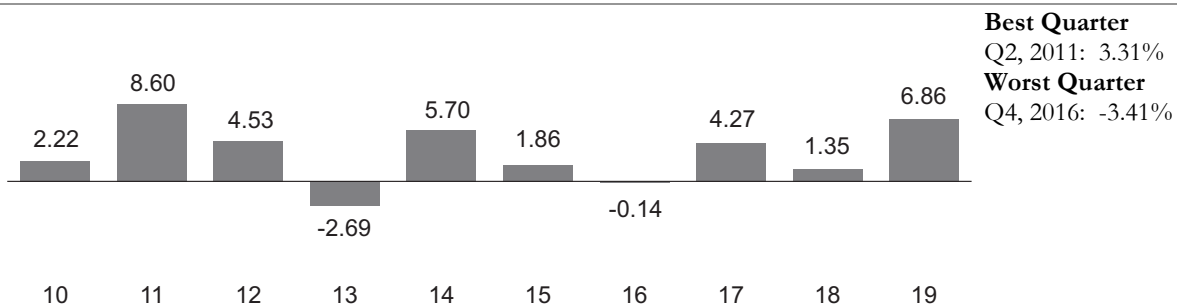
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The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%) Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 2.82%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	6.86%	2.81%	3.21%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	6.81%	2.69%	3.11%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	5.06%	2.71%	3.12%
Investor returns before taxes	6.61%	2.56%	2.96%
S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Intermediate Index* reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	6.87%	3.23%	N/A**
S&P Municipal Bond Intermediate Index* reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	6.92%	3.30%	4.13%

**Unlike the fund, the index is not limited to obligations issued by a single state or municipalities in that state.*

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Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Mary Collette O'Brien and Gregory J. Conant are the fund's primary portfolio managers. Ms. O'Brien has held that position since the fund's inception in October 2000. Mr. Conant has held that position since September 2015.

Ms. O'Brien and Mr. Conant are managing director and vice president, respectively, of The Bank of New York Mellon. Ms. O'Brien and Mr. Conant also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund anticipates that dividends paid by the fund generally will be exempt from federal income taxes. However, the fund may realize and distribute taxable income and capital gains from time to time as a result of the fund's normal investment activities. Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of its holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks as high a level of income exempt from federal and Massachusetts state income taxes as is consistent with the preservation of capital.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.35	0.35
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous Other expenses</i>	<i>0.07</i>	<i>0.07</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.19</u>	<u>0.44</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.54	0.79

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$55	\$173	\$302	\$677
Investor	\$81	\$252	\$439	\$978

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 52.29% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal and Massachusetts state personal income taxes. These municipal bonds include those issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as well as those issued by territories and possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between three and ten years and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or

duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal and Massachusetts state income taxes, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Municipal securities risk.* The amount of public information available about municipal securities is generally less than that for corporate equities or bonds. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal securities. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal securities market, the size of the particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's share price. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
- *Prepayment risk.* Some securities give the issuer the option to prepay or call the securities before their maturity date, which may reduce the market value of the security and the anticipated yield-to-maturity. Issuers often exercise this right when interest rates fall. If an issuer "calls" its securities during a time of declining interest rates, the fund might have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of "callable" issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.
- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall. The lower a security's credit rating, the greater the chance that the issuer of the security will default or fail to meet its payment obligations.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. The secondary market for certain municipal bonds tends to be less well developed or liquid than many other securities markets, which may adversely affect the fund's ability to sell such municipal bonds at attractive prices.
- *State-specific risk.* The fund is subject to the risk that Massachusetts' economy, and the revenues underlying its municipal obligations, may decline. Investing primarily in the municipal obligations of a single state makes the fund

more sensitive to risks specific to that state and may entail more risk than investing in the municipal obligations of multiple states as a result of potentially less diversification.

- **Management risk.** The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- **Market risk.** The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.
- **Non-diversification risk.** The fund is non-diversified, which means that the fund may invest a relatively high percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers. Therefore, the fund's performance may be more vulnerable to changes in the market value of a single issuer or group of issuers and more susceptible to risks associated with a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence than a diversified fund.

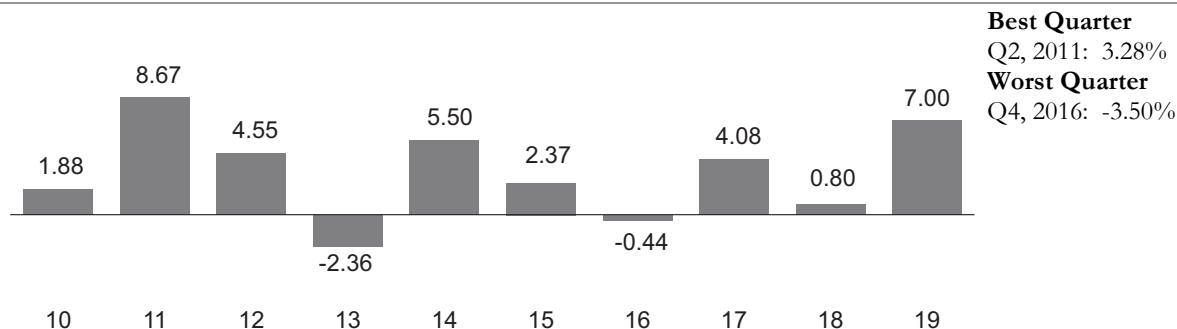
Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Intermediate Index and the S&P Municipal Bond Intermediate Index.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 2.33%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	7.00%	2.73%	3.15%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	7.00%	2.68%	3.08%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	5.08%	2.64%	3.07%
Investor returns before taxes	6.65%	2.46%	2.89%
S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Intermediate Index* reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	6.87%	3.23%	N/A**
S&P Municipal Bond Intermediate Index* reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	6.92%	3.30%	4.13%

**Unlike the fund, the index is not limited to obligations issued by a single state or municipalities in that state.*

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Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Mary Collette O'Brien and Stephen J. O'Brien are the fund's primary portfolio managers, positions they have held since March 2006 and September 2015, respectively. Ms. O'Brien and Mr. O'Brien are managing director and senior associate, respectively, of The Bank of New York Mellon. Ms. O'Brien and Mr. O'Brien also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the fund in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund anticipates that dividends paid by the fund generally will be exempt from federal income taxes. However, the fund may realize and distribute taxable income and capital gains from time to time as a result of the fund's normal investment activities. Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of its holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks as high a level of income exempt from federal, New York state and New York city income taxes as is consistent with the preservation of capital.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.50	0.50
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.11</i>	<i>0.11</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.23</u>	<u>0.48</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.73	0.98
Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement*	(0.14)	(0.14)
Total annual fund operating expenses <i>(after fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement)</i>	0.59	0.84

*The fund's investment adviser, BNYM Investment Adviser, has contractually agreed, until December 31, 2021, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the direct expenses of the fund so that the direct expenses of neither class (excluding shareholder services fees, taxes, interest expense, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) exceed 0.59%. On or after December 31, 2021, BNYM Investment Adviser may terminate this expense limitation agreement at any time.

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. The one-year example and the first year of the three-, five- and ten-years examples are based on net operating expenses, which reflect the expense limitation agreement by BNYM Investment Adviser. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$60	\$219	\$392	\$893
Investor	\$86	\$298	\$528	\$1,189

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 79.52% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal, New York state and New York city personal income

taxes. These municipal bonds include those issued by New York state and New York city as well as those issued by territories and possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between three and ten years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

The fund normally expects to be fully invested in tax-exempt securities, but may invest up to 20% of its assets in fixed-income securities the income from which is subject to federal income tax, the federal alternative minimum tax, and/or New York state and New York city income taxes.

Principal Risks

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- *Municipal securities risk.* The amount of public information available about municipal securities is generally less than that for corporate equities or bonds. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal securities. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal securities market, the size of the particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's share price. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
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- *State-specific risk.* The fund is subject to the risk that New York's economy, and the revenues underlying its municipal obligations, may decline. Investing primarily in the municipal obligations of a single state makes the fund more sensitive to risks specific to that state and may entail more risk than investing in the municipal obligations of multiple states as a result of potentially less diversification. The effects of this risk may be particularly heightened during economic and social disruptions associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 in New York state and New York city.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
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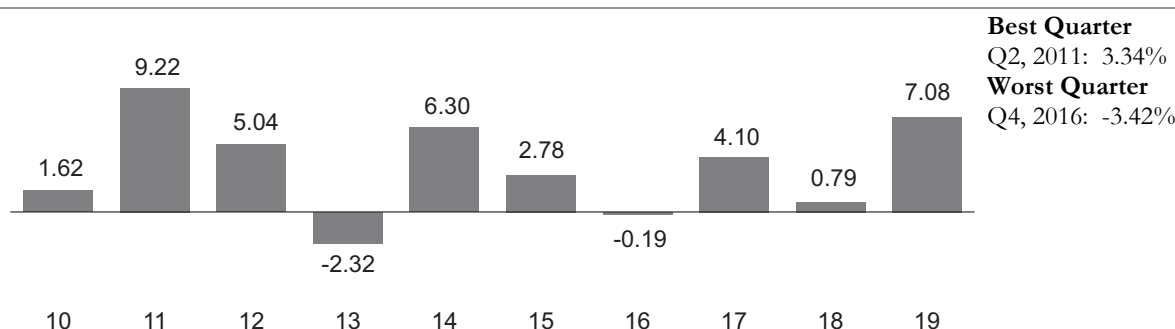
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Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 1.23%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	7.08%	2.88%	3.38%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	6.89%	2.73%	3.24%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	5.24%	2.74%	3.23%
Investor returns before taxes	6.81%	2.62%	3.12%
S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Intermediate Index* reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	6.87%	3.23%	N/A**
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In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund anticipates that dividends paid by the fund generally will be exempt from federal income taxes. However, the fund may realize and distribute taxable income and capital gains from time to time as a result of the fund's normal investment activities. Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of its holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that

the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks to maximize total return consisting of high current income exempt from federal income tax and capital appreciation.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and examples below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.50	0.50
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.07</i>	<i>0.07</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.19</u>	<u>0.44</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.69	0.94

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$70	\$221	\$384	\$859
Investor	\$96	\$300	\$520	\$1,155

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 75.12% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in U.S. dollar-denominated fixed-income securities that provide income exempt from federal income tax (municipal bonds). Municipal bonds are debt securities or other obligations issued by states, territories and possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities. While the fund typically invests in a diversified portfolio of municipal bonds, it may invest up to 20% of its assets in taxable fixed-income securities, including taxable municipal bonds and non-U.S. dollar-denominated foreign debt securities such as Brady bonds and sovereign debt obligations.

The fund invests at least 50% of its assets in fixed-income securities that are rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) or are the unrated equivalent as determined by BNYM Investment Adviser. For additional yield, the fund may invest up to 50% of its assets in fixed-income securities that are rated below investment grade ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) or are the unrated equivalent as determined by BNYM Investment Adviser. The fund may invest in bonds of any maturity or duration and does not expect to target any specific range of maturity or duration. The dollar-weighted average maturity of the fund's portfolio will vary from time to time depending on the portfolio manager's views on the direction of interest rates. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Dollar-weighted average maturity is an average of the stated maturities of the securities held by the fund, based on their dollar-weighted proportions in the fund. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, interest from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

The fund's portfolio manager seeks to deliver value added excess returns ("alpha") by applying an investment approach designed to identify and exploit relative value opportunities within the municipal bond market and other fixed-income markets.

The fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration, interest rate or foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), swap agreements and inverse floaters. The fund may buy securities that pay interest at rates that float inversely with changes in prevailing interest rates (inverse floaters). The fund also may make forward commitments in which the fund agrees to buy or sell a security in the future at an agreed upon price. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. The fund's share price fluctuates, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Municipal securities risk.* The amount of public information available about municipal securities is generally less than that for corporate equities or bonds. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal securities. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal securities market, the size of the particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's share price. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
- *Prepayment risk.* Some securities give the issuer the option to prepay or call the securities before their maturity date, which may reduce the market value of the security and the anticipated yield-to-maturity. Issuers often exercise this

right when interest rates fall. If an issuer "calls" its securities during a time of declining interest rates, the fund might have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of "callable" issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.

- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall. The lower a security's credit rating, the greater the chance that the issuer of the security will default or fail to meet its payment obligations.
- *High yield securities risk.* High yield ("junk") securities involve greater credit risk, including the risk of default, than investment grade securities, and are considered predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's ability to make principal and interest payments. The prices of high yield securities can fall in response to bad news about the issuer or its industry, or the economy in general, to a greater extent than those of higher rated securities.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. The secondary market for certain municipal bonds tends to be less well developed or liquid than many other securities markets, which may adversely affect the fund's ability to sell such municipal bonds at attractive prices. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. Investments in foreign securities tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities.
- *Derivatives risk.* A small investment in derivatives could have a potentially large impact on the fund's performance. The use of derivatives involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in the underlying assets, and the fund's use of derivatives may result in losses to the fund. Derivatives in which the fund may invest can be highly volatile, illiquid and difficult to value, and there is the risk that changes in the value of a derivative held by the fund will not correlate with the underlying assets or the fund's other investments in the manner intended. Certain derivatives have the potential for unlimited loss, regardless of the size of the initial investment, and involve greater risks than the underlying assets because, in addition to general market risks, they are subject to liquidity risk, credit and counterparty risk (failure of the counterparty to the derivatives transaction to honor its obligation) and pricing risk (risk that the derivative cannot or will not be accurately valued).
- *Inverse floating rate securities risk.* The interest payment received on inverse floating rate securities generally will decrease when short-term interest rates increase. Inverse floaters involve leverage and could magnify the fund's gains or losses.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to currency fluctuations, less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards. Investments denominated in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that such currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar and affect the value of these investments held by the fund.
- *Management risk.* The investment process used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal and cause your fund investment to lose value.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.
- *Non-diversification risk.* The fund is non-diversified, which means that the fund may invest a relatively high percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers. Therefore, the fund's performance may be more vulnerable to changes in the market value of a single issuer or group of issuers and more susceptible to risks associated with a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence than a diversified fund.

Performance

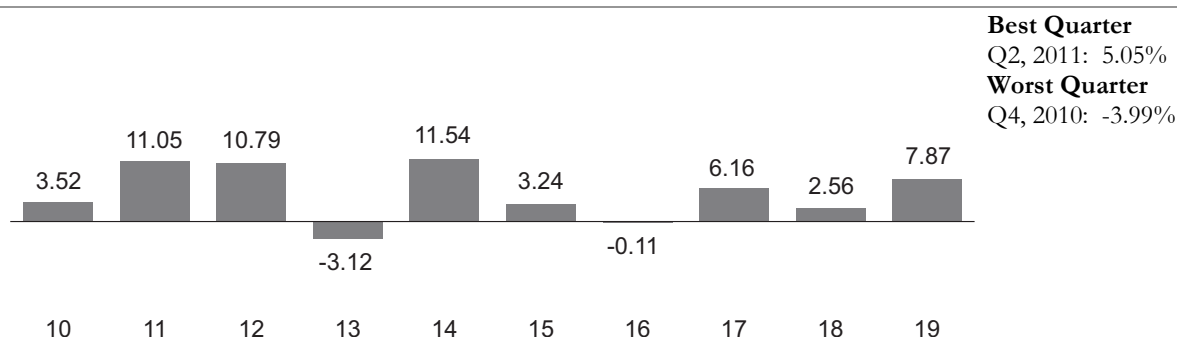
The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Municipal Bond Index.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)

Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 1.28%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	7.87%	3.91%	5.24%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	7.84%	3.87%	5.05%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	5.97%	3.76%	4.84%
Investor returns before taxes	7.52%	3.65%	4.99%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Municipal Bond Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	7.54%	3.53%	4.34%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

John F. Flahive is the fund's primary portfolio manager, a position he has held since the fund's inception in October 2008. Mr. Flahive is senior vice president of The Bank of New York Mellon. He also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the fund in his capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors or BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

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Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks long-term growth of principal in conjunction with current income.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the fund.

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees*	0.30	0.30
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.05</i>	<i>0.05</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.04</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.09</u>	<u>0.34</u>
Acquired fund fees and expenses**	0.56	0.56
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.95	1.20
Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement***	(0.08)	(0.08)
Total annual fund operating expenses (after fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement)	0.87	1.12

*The fund has agreed to pay an investment advisory fee at the rate of 0.65% applied to that portion of its average daily net assets allocated to direct investments in equity securities, at the rate of 0.40% applied to that portion of its average daily net assets allocated to direct investments in debt securities, and at the rate of 0.15% applied to that portion of its average daily net assets allocated to money market instruments or the underlying funds.

***Acquired fund fees and expenses" are incurred indirectly by the fund as a result of its investment in investment companies (underlying funds). These fees and expenses are not included in the Financial Highlights tables; accordingly, total annual fund operating expenses do not correlate to the ratio of expenses to average net assets in the Financial Highlights tables.

***The fund's investment adviser, BNYM Investment Adviser, has contractually agreed, until December 31, 2021, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the expenses of the fund so that the total annual fund operating expenses of neither class (including indirect fees and expenses of the underlying funds, but excluding shareholder services fees, taxes, interest, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) exceed 0.87%. On or after December 31, 2021, BNYM Investment Adviser may terminate this expense limitation agreement at any time.

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. The one-year example and the first year of the three-, five- and ten-years examples are based on net operating expenses, which reflect the expense limitation agreement by BNYM Investment Adviser. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$89	\$295	\$518	\$1,159
Investor	\$114	\$373	\$652	\$1,447

Portfolio Turnover

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund's portfolio turnover rate was 35.71% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategy

The fund may invest in both individual securities and other investment companies, including other series of BNY Mellon Funds Trust, funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds and unaffiliated open-end funds, closed-end funds and exchange-traded funds (referred to below as the "underlying funds"), which in turn may invest directly in the asset classes described below. To pursue its goal, the fund currently intends to allocate its assets, directly and/or through investment in the underlying funds, to gain investment exposure to the following asset classes: Large Cap Equities, Small Cap and Mid Cap Equities, Developed International and Global Equities, Emerging Markets Equities, Investment Grade Bonds, High Yield Bonds, Emerging Markets Debt, Diversifying Strategies and Money Market Instruments.

BNYM Investment Adviser allocates the fund's investments (directly and/or through investment in the underlying funds) among these asset classes using fundamental and quantitative analysis, and its outlook for the economy and financial markets. The underlying funds are selected by BNYM Investment Adviser based on their investment objectives and management policies, portfolio holdings, risk/reward profiles, historical performance, and other factors, including the correlation and covariance among the underlying funds. The fund may change the underlying funds – whether affiliated or unaffiliated – from time to time without notice to fund shareholders. The fund may invest directly in the equity securities of large-cap companies (generally those with total market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more) and in fixed-income securities rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) or, if unrated, deemed to be of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser, at the time of purchase.

The fund is not required to maintain exposure to any particular asset class and BNYM Investment Adviser determines whether to invest in a particular asset class and whether to invest directly in securities or through an underlying fund, and sets the target allocations. The asset classes and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the asset classes, and the underlying funds selected by BNYM Investment Adviser as fund investment options as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Asset Class	Target	Range
Large Cap Equities	24%	20% to 45%
Direct Investments		
BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund		
BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund		
BNY Mellon Appreciation Fund, Inc.		
BNY Mellon U.S. Equity Fund		
BNY Mellon Research Growth Fund, Inc.		
BNY Mellon Dynamic Value Fund		
Small Cap and Mid Cap Equities	11%	5% to 20%
BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund		
BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund		
BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund		
BNY Mellon Select Managers Small Cap Value Fund		
BNY Mellon Select Managers Small Cap Growth Fund		
Developed International and Global Equities	12%	5% to 20%
BNY Mellon International Fund		
BNY Mellon International Equity Fund		
BNY Mellon Global Stock Fund		
BNY Mellon International Stock Fund		
BNY Mellon Global Real Estate Securities Fund		
BNY Mellon International Small Cap Fund		
Emerging Markets Equities	5%	0% to 20%
BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund		
Investment Grade Bonds	27%	20% to 55%
Direct Investments		
BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund		
BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund		
BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund		
Unaffiliated Investment Company		

Asset Class	Target	Range
High Yield Bonds BNY Mellon High Yield Fund BNY Mellon Floating Rate Income Fund	3%	0% to 10%
Emerging Markets Debt Unaffiliated Investment Company	0%	0% to 10%
Diversifying Strategies BNY Mellon Dynamic Total Return Fund Unaffiliated Investment Companies	17%	0% to 20%
Money Market Instruments Direct Investments	1%	0% to 10%

The asset classes and the target weightings and ranges have been selected for investment over longer time periods based on BNYM Investment Adviser's expectation that the selected securities and underlying funds, in combination, will be appropriate to achieve the fund's investment objective. The target weightings will deviate over the short term because of market movements and fund cash flows. If appreciation or depreciation in the value of selected securities or an underlying fund's shares causes the percentage of the fund's assets invested in an asset class to fall outside the applicable investment range, BNYM Investment Adviser will consider whether to reallocate the fund's assets, but is not required to do so. BNYM Investment Adviser normally considers reallocating the fund's investments at least quarterly, but may do so more often in response to market conditions. Any changes to the asset classes, underlying funds or the allocation weightings may be implemented over a reasonable period of time. BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the asset classes, whether to invest directly in securities or through an underlying fund, and the target allocations and ranges, without shareholder approval or prior notice, when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate. To the extent an underlying fund offers multiple classes of shares, the fund will purchase shares of the class with the lowest expense ratio and without a sales load or distribution and/or service fee.

Principal Risks

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The fund invests in shares of the underlying funds and thus the fund is subject to the same principal investment risks as the underlying funds in which it invests, which are described in the fund's prospectus and/or below. For more information regarding these risks, see the prospectus for the specific underlying fund. The fund's investments in shares of the underlying funds may involve duplication of advisory fees and certain other expenses.

- *Strategy allocation risk.* The ability of the fund to achieve its investment goal depends, in part, on the ability of the investment adviser to allocate effectively the fund's assets among the asset classes and the underlying funds. There can be no assurance that the actual allocations will be effective in achieving the fund's investment goal. The underlying funds may not achieve their investment objectives, and their performance may be lower than that of the asset class the underlying funds were selected to represent.
- *Large-cap stock risk.* To the extent the fund invests in large capitalization stocks, the fund may underperform funds that invest primarily in the stocks of lower quality, smaller capitalization companies during periods when the stocks of such companies are in favor.
- *Correlation risk.* Because the fund allocates its investments among different asset classes, the fund is subject to correlation risk. Although the prices of equity securities and fixed-income securities often rise and fall at different times so that a fall in the price of one may be offset by a rise in the price of the other, in down markets the prices of these securities can also fall in tandem.
- *Conflicts of interest risk.* BNYM Investment Adviser will have the authority to change the investment strategies, including whether to implement a strategy by investing directly in securities or through an underlying fund. BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates may serve as investment adviser to the underlying funds. The interests of the fund on the one hand, and those of an underlying fund on the other, will not always be the same. Therefore, conflicts may arise as BNYM Investment Adviser fulfills its fiduciary duty to the fund and the underlying funds. In addition, BNYM Investment Adviser recommends asset allocations among these underlying funds, each of which pays advisory

fees at different rates to BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates. These situations are considered by the fund's board when it reviews the asset allocations for the fund.

- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions or because of factors that affect the particular company or the company's industry.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged. They also may decline in price even though in theory they are already undervalued.
- *Small and midsize company risk.* Small and midsize companies carry additional risks because the operating histories of these companies tend to be more limited, their earnings and revenues less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies. The shares of smaller companies tend to trade less frequently than those of larger, more established companies, which can adversely affect the pricing of these securities and the fund's ability to sell these securities.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards.
- *Emerging market risk.* The securities of issuers located or doing substantial business in emerging market countries tend to be more volatile and less liquid than the securities of issuers located in countries with more mature economies. Emerging markets generally have less diverse and less mature economic structures and less stable political systems than those of developed countries. Investments in these countries may be subject to political, economic, legal, market and currency risks. Special risks associated with investments in emerging market issuers may include the lack of publicly available information, the lack of uniform disclosure, accounting and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards, and limited investor protections applicable in developed economies. The risks also may include unpredictable political and economic policies, the imposition of capital controls and/or foreign investment limitations by a country, nationalization of businesses, and the imposition of sanctions or restrictions on certain investments by other countries, such as the United States.
- *Foreign currency risk.* Investments in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar or, in the case of hedged positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline relative to the currency being hedged. Foreign currencies are also subject to risks caused by inflation, interest rates, budget deficits and low savings rates, political factors and government intervention and controls.
- *Fixed-income market risk.* The market value of a fixed-income security may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. The fixed-income securities market can be susceptible to increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions or credit tightening. Increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates). An unexpected increase in fund redemption requests, including requests from shareholders who may own a significant percentage of the fund's shares, which may be triggered by market turmoil or an increase in interest rates, could cause the fund to sell its holdings at a loss or at undesirable prices and adversely affect the fund's share price and increase the fund's liquidity risk, fund expenses and/or taxable distributions. Federal Reserve policy in response to market conditions, including with respect to interest rates, may adversely affect the value, volatility and liquidity of dividend and interest paying securities. Policy and legislative changes worldwide are affecting many aspects of financial regulation. The impact of these changes on the markets and the practical implications for market participants may not be fully known for some time.
- *Government securities risk.* Not all obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Some obligations are backed only by the credit of the issuing agency or instrumentality, and in some cases there may be some risk of default by the issuer. Any guarantee by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities of a security held by the fund does not apply to the market value of such security or to shares of the fund itself.

- *Prepayment risk.* Some securities give the issuer the option to prepay or call the securities before their maturity date, which may reduce the market value of the security and the anticipated yield-to-maturity. Issuers often exercise this right when interest rates fall. If an issuer "calls" its securities during a time of declining interest rates, the fund might have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of "callable" issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time.
- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall. The lower a security's credit rating, the greater the chance that the issuer of the security will default or fail to meet its payment obligations.
- *High yield securities risk.* High yield ("junk") securities involve greater credit risk, including the risk of default, than investment grade securities, and are considered predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's ability to make principal and interest payments. The prices of high yield securities can fall in response to bad news about the issuer or its industry, or the economy in general, to a greater extent than those of higher rated securities.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. The secondary market for certain municipal bonds tends to be less well developed or liquid than many other securities markets, which may adversely affect the fund's ability to sell such municipal bonds at attractive prices. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. The market for below investment grade securities may be less liquid and therefore securities may be harder to value or sell at an acceptable price, especially during times of market volatility or decline. Investments in foreign securities, particularly those of issuers located in emerging markets, tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities. No active trading market may exist for some of the floating rate loans in which the fund invests and certain loans may be subject to restrictions on resale. Because some floating rate loans that the fund invests in may have a more limited secondary market, liquidity risk is more pronounced for the fund than for mutual funds that invest primarily in other types of fixed income instruments or equity securities.
- *ETF and other investment company risk.* To the extent the fund invests in pooled investment vehicles, such as ETFs and other investment companies, the fund will be affected by the investment policies, practices and performance of such entities in direct proportion to the amount of assets the fund has invested therein. The risks of investing in other investment companies, including ETFs, typically reflect the risks associated with the types of instruments in which the investment companies invest. When the fund invests in an ETF or other investment company, shareholders of the fund will bear indirectly their proportionate share of the expenses of the ETF or other investment company (including management fees) in addition to the expenses of the fund. ETFs are exchange-traded investment companies that are, in many cases, designed to provide investment results corresponding to an index. The value of the underlying securities can fluctuate in response to activities of individual companies or in response to general market and/or economic conditions. Additional risks of investments in ETFs include: (i) the market price of an ETF's shares may trade at a discount to its net asset value; (ii) an active trading market for an ETF's shares may not develop or be maintained; or (iii) trading may be halted if the listing exchanges' officials deem such action appropriate, the shares are delisted from the exchange, or the activation of market-wide "circuit breakers" (which are tied to large decreases in stock prices) halts trading generally. The fund will incur brokerage costs when purchasing and selling shares of ETFs.
- *Issuer risk.* A security's market value may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the issuer's products or services, or factors that affect the issuer's industry, such as labor shortages or increased production costs and competitive conditions within an industry.

- **Market risk.** The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

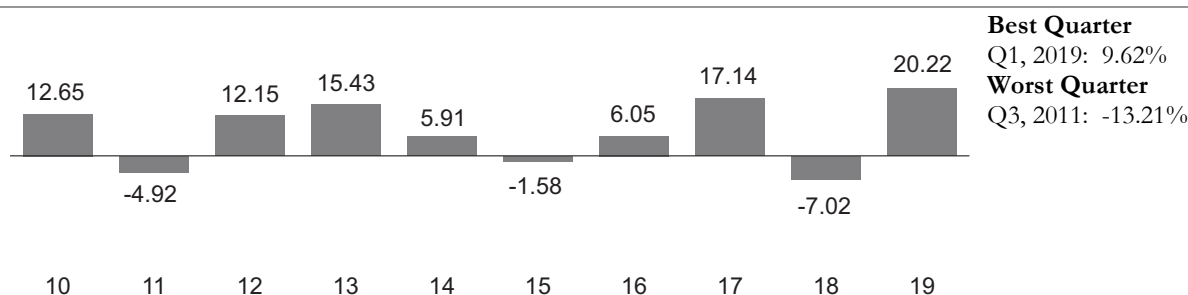
Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares to those of the Morningstar Moderate Target Risk Index.

After-tax performance is shown only for Class M shares. After-tax performance of the fund's Investor shares will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through U.S. tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

The fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses. The fund changed its investment strategy on September 15, 2011. Prior to that date, the fund invested in individual securities and BNY Mellon funds only and its target allocation was 60% of its assets invested in equity securities (directly and through underlying funds) and 40% of its assets invested in bonds and money market instruments (directly), with a range of 15% above or below such target amount. Different investment strategies may lead to different performance results. The fund's performance for periods prior to September 15, 2011 shown in the bar chart and table reflects the investment strategy in effect prior to that date.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 2.93%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M returns before taxes	20.22%	6.45%	7.22%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions	18.10%	4.97%	5.86%
Class M returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	13.27%	4.76%	5.48%
Investor returns before taxes	19.92%	6.20%	6.96%
Morningstar Moderate Target Risk Index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes	19.03%	6.74%	7.72%

Portfolio Management

The fund's investment adviser is BNYM Investment Adviser.

Jeffrey M. Mortimer is the fund's primary portfolio manager responsible for investment allocation decisions, a position he has held since March 2013. Mr. Mortimer is Director of Investment Strategy for BNY Mellon Wealth Management. He also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the fund in his capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Thomas Murphy and Michael Mongelluzzo are the fund's primary portfolio managers responsible for managing the portion of the fund's assets invested directly in large cap equity securities. Messrs. Murphy and Mongelluzzo have been primary portfolio managers of the fund with respect to such portion of the fund's assets since December 2019. Mr. Murphy is a managing director on the Tax-Managed Equity team at The Bank of New York Mellon. Mr. Mongelluzzo is vice president and portfolio manager on the Tax-Managed Equity team at The Bank of New York Mellon. Messrs. Murphy and Mongelluzzo also are employees of BNYM Investment Adviser and manage the portion of the fund's assets invested directly in large cap equity securities in their capacity as employees of BNYM Investment Adviser.

John F. Flahive is the fund's primary portfolio manager responsible for managing the portion of the fund's assets allocated to individual fixed-income securities, a position he has held since March 2006. Mr. Flahive is a senior vice president of The Bank of New York Mellon. He also is an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser and manages the portion of the fund's assets allocated to individual fixed-income securities in his capacity as an employee of BNYM Investment Adviser.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains, except when your investment is through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan (in which case you may be taxed upon withdrawal of your investment from such account).

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks as high a level of current income as is consistent with the preservation of capital and the maintenance of liquidity.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the fund.

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.15	0.15
Other expenses:		
<i>Shareholder services fees</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>0.25</i>
<i>Administration fees</i>	<i>0.12</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Miscellaneous other expenses</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.04</i>
Total other expenses	<u>0.16</u>	<u>0.41</u>
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.31	0.56

Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then hold or redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$32	\$100	\$174	\$393
Investor	\$57	\$179	\$313	\$701

Principal Investment Strategy

The fund pursues its investment objective by investing only in government securities (i.e., securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, including those with floating or variable rates of interest), repurchase agreements collateralized solely by government securities and/or cash, and cash. The fund is a money market fund subject to the maturity, quality, liquidity and diversification requirements of Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and seeks to maintain a stable share price of \$1.00.

The fund is a "government money market fund," as that term is defined in Rule 2a-7, and as such is required to invest at least 99.5% of its total assets in securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, repurchase agreements collateralized solely by government securities and/or cash, and cash. The fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in government securities and repurchase agreements collateralized solely by government securities (i.e., under normal circumstances, the fund will not invest more than 20% of its net assets in cash and/or repurchase agreements collateralized by cash). The securities in which the fund invests include those backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, which include U.S. Treasury securities as well as securities issued by certain agencies of the U.S. government, and those that are neither insured nor guaranteed by the U.S. government.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. You could lose money by investing in the fund. Although the fund seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so. The fund's yield will fluctuate as the short-term securities in its portfolio mature or are sold and the proceeds are reinvested in securities with different interest rates. The fund currently is not permitted to impose a fee upon the sale of shares (a "liquidity fee") or temporarily suspend redemptions (a redemption "gate") under distressed conditions as some other types of money market funds are, and the fund's board has no intention to impose a liquidity fee or redemption gate. Neither BNYM Investment Adviser nor its affiliates have a legal obligation to provide financial support to the fund, and you should not expect that BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates will provide financial support to the fund at any time. The following are the principal risks that could reduce the fund's income level and/or share price:

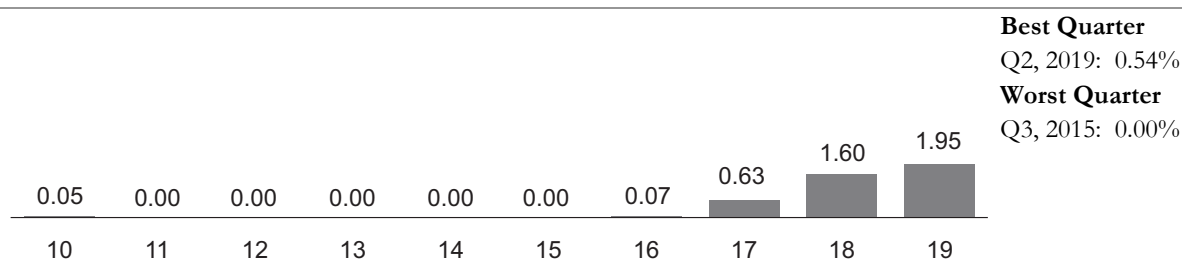
- *Interest rate risk.* This risk refers to the decline in the prices of fixed-income securities that may accompany a rise in the overall level of interest rates. A sharp and unexpected rise in interest rates could impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. In addition, a low interest rate environment may prevent the fund from providing a positive yield or paying fund expenses out of fund assets and could impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities may fall dramatically, potentially impairing the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value.
- *Government securities risk.* Not all obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Some obligations are backed only by the credit of the issuing agency or instrumentality, and in some cases there may be some risk of default by the issuer. Any guarantee by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities of a security held by the fund does not apply to the market value of such security or to shares of the fund itself.
- *Repurchase agreement counterparty risk.* The fund is subject to the risk that a counterparty in a repurchase agreement could fail to honor the terms of the agreement.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments. Events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issue, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the fund and its investments. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows changes in the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table shows the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares over time. The fund's past performance is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Prior to May 1, 2016, the fund operated as a prime money market fund and invested in certain types of securities that the fund is no longer permitted to hold. Consequently, the performance information shown may have been different if the current investment limitations had been in effect during the period prior to the fund's conversion to a government money market fund.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)**Class M**



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 0.31%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	1.95%	0.85%	0.43%
Investor	1.70%	0.68%	0.34%

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manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Summary

BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund Investment Objective

The fund seeks as high a level of current income exempt from federal income tax as is consistent with the preservation of capital and the maintenance of liquidity.

Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the fund.

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)		
	Class M	Investor
Investment advisory fees	0.15	0.15
Other expenses:		
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Example

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	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	\$32	\$100	\$174	\$393
Investor	\$57	\$179	\$313	\$701

Principal Investment Strategy

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets in short-term, high quality municipal obligations that provide income exempt from federal income tax. Among these are municipal notes, short-term municipal bonds, tax-exempt commercial paper and municipal leases.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

The fund is a money market fund subject to the maturity, quality, liquidity and diversification requirements of Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and seeks to maintain a stable share price of \$1.00.

Principal Risks

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. You could lose money by investing in the fund. Although the fund seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so. The fund's yield will fluctuate as the short-term securities in its portfolio mature or are sold and the proceeds are reinvested in securities with different interest rates. The fund may impose a fee upon the sale of your shares (a "liquidity fee") or may temporarily suspend your ability to sell shares (a redemption "gate") if the fund's liquidity falls below required minimums because of market conditions or other factors. Neither BNYM Investment Adviser nor its affiliates have a legal obligation to provide financial support to the fund, and you should not expect that BNYM Investment Adviser or its

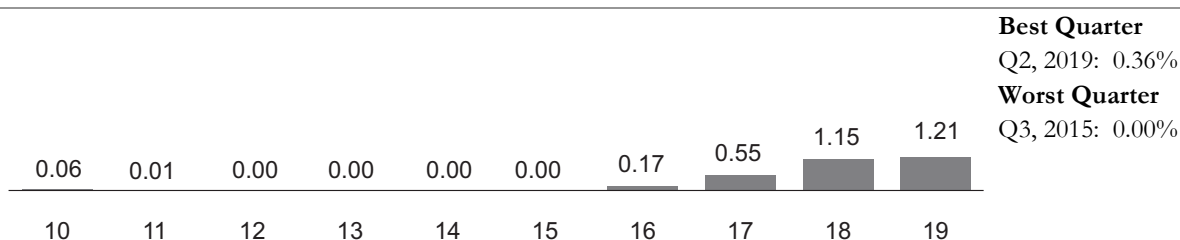
affiliates will provide financial support to the fund at any time. The following are the principal risks that could reduce the fund's income level and/or share price:

- *Interest rate risk.* This risk refers to the decline in the prices of fixed-income securities that may accompany a rise in the overall level of interest rates. A sharp and unexpected rise in interest rates could impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. In addition, a low interest rate environment may prevent the fund from providing a positive yield or paying fund expenses out of fund assets and could impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance.
- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall. Although the fund invests only in high quality debt securities, the credit quality of the securities held by the fund can change rapidly in certain market environments, and the default or a significant price decline of a single holding could impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities may fall dramatically, potentially impairing the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value.
- *Liquidity fee and/or redemption gate risk.* The fund may impose a fee upon the sale of your shares (a "liquidity fee") or may temporarily suspend your ability to sell shares (a redemption "gate") if the fund's liquidity falls below required minimums because of unusual market conditions, an unusually high volume of redemption requests, redemptions by a few large investors, or other reasons. If a liquidity fee is imposed by the fund, it would reduce the amount you will receive upon the redemption of your shares. A "gate" will suspend your ability to redeem your shares while the gate is imposed and may prevent the fund from being able to pay redemption proceeds within the allowable time period stated in this prospectus.
- *Tax risk.* To be tax-exempt, municipal obligations generally must meet certain regulatory requirements. If any such municipal obligation fails to meet these regulatory requirements, the interest received by the fund from its investment in such obligations and distributed to fund shareholders will be taxable.
- *Municipal securities risk.* Municipal securities may be fully or partially backed or enhanced by the taxing authority of a local government, by the current or anticipated revenues from a specific project or specific assets, or by the credit of, or liquidity enhancement provided by, a private issuer. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments. Events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issue, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the fund and its investments. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff.

Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows changes in the performance of the fund's Class M shares from year to year. The table shows the average annual total returns of the fund's Class M shares and Investor shares over time. The fund's past performance is not necessarily an indication of how the fund will perform in the future. Performance for each share class will vary due to differences in expenses.

Year-by-Year Total Returns as of 12/31 each year (%)
Class M



The year-to-date total return of the fund's Class M shares as of September 30, 2020 was 0.38%.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 12/31/19

Class	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class M	1.21%	0.61%	0.31%
Investor	0.96%	0.44%	0.22%

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Portfolio Management

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Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

Investments in the fund are limited to accounts beneficially owned by natural persons.

In general, the fund's shares are offered only to current or former Wealth Management clients of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and to certain investment advisory firms, individuals and entities that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management client, former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services or brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, and certain employee benefit plans. You should contact BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative for information on the minimum initial and subsequent investment amount requirements. You may sell (redeem) your shares on any business day by contacting BNY Mellon Wealth Management or your financial representative.

Tax Information

The fund anticipates that dividends paid by the fund generally will be exempt from federal income tax. However, the fund may realize and distribute taxable income and capital gains from time to time as a result of the fund's normal investment activities.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund's distributor and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. To the extent that the intermediary may receive lesser or no payments in connection with the sale of other investments, the payments from the fund's distributor and its related companies may create a potential conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your financial representative to recommend the fund over the other investments. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the

manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates and other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Ask your financial representative or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Fund Details

BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund

The fund seeks capital appreciation. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in stocks of large capitalization companies with market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more at the time of purchase. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders.

The portfolio managers apply a systematic, quantitative investment approach designed to identify and exploit relative misvaluations primarily within large-cap stocks in the U.S. stock market.

The portfolio managers use a proprietary valuation model that identifies and ranks stocks (Composite Alpha Ranking or CAR) based on:

- a long-term relative valuation model that utilizes forward looking estimates of risk and return;
- an Earnings Sustainability (ES) model that gauges how well earnings forecasts are likely to reflect changes in future cash flows. Measures of ES help stock selection strategy by tilting the fund's portfolio away from stocks with poor ES and tilting it towards stocks with strong ES; and
- a set of Behavioral Factors, including earnings revisions and share buybacks that provide the portfolio managers with information about potential misvaluations of stocks.

The portfolio managers construct the fund's portfolio through a systematic structured approach, focusing on stock selection as opposed to making proactive decisions as to industry or sector exposure. Within each sector and style subset, the fund overweights the most attractive stocks and underweights or zero weights the stocks that have been ranked least attractive. This approach differs from conventional portfolio management in that, generally, the portfolio managers will strictly adhere to underlying models in selecting portfolio securities. In unusual circumstances, the portfolio managers may deviate from the models.

The fund typically will hold between 100 and 250 securities selected using these models. The fund's portfolio managers will periodically rebalance the fund's portfolio, which will result in changes in fund holdings. The portfolio managers may enhance the models from time to time, depending on their ongoing research efforts.

The portfolio managers monitor the holdings in the fund's portfolio, and consider selling a security if the company's relative attractiveness deteriorates or if valuation becomes excessive. The portfolio managers also may sell a security if an event occurs that contradicts the portfolio managers' rationale for owning it, such as deterioration in the company's fundamentals. In addition, the portfolio managers may sell a security if better investment opportunities emerge elsewhere. These sell decisions generally are based on the portfolio managers' adherence to the underlying models.

The fund generally attempts to have a neutral exposure to sectors, industries and capitalizations relative to the S&P 500® Index (S&P 500).

The fund invests principally in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund's stock investments also may include preferred stocks and convertible securities, including those purchased in initial public offerings (IPOs). The fund also may invest in foreign stocks.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to securities, foreign currencies and indices) and forward contracts. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to stocks of large capitalization companies with market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into

offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund

The fund seeks long-term capital appreciation. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of large cap companies. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The fund currently considers large cap companies to be those companies with total market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more at the time of purchase. The fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates that invest primarily in equity securities issued by large cap companies. The fund is designed to provide exposure to various large cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles and uses tax-sensitive strategies to reduce the impact of federal and state income taxes on the fund's after tax returns. The fund invests directly in securities or in other mutual funds advised by BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates, referred to as underlying funds, which in turn may invest directly in securities as described below.

BNYM Investment Adviser determines the investment strategies, including whether to implement such strategy by investing directly in securities or through an underlying fund, and sets the target allocations. The investment strategies and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the investment strategies as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Investment Strategy	Target	Range
Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy	40%	20% to 60%
Large Cap Core Strategy	0%	0% to 30%
Focused Equity Strategy	18%	0% to 30%
U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy	5%	0% to 30%
Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy	12%	0% to 30%
Large Cap Growth Strategy	0%	0% to 30%
U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy	15%	0% to 30%
Income Stock Strategy	10%	0% to 30%
Appreciation Strategy	0%	0% to 30%
Large Cap Dividend Strategy	0%	0% to 30%

The investment strategies and the target weightings and ranges have been selected for investment over longer time periods, but may be changed without shareholder approval or prior notice. The target weightings will deviate over the short term because of market movements and fund cash flows. The target weightings do not reflect the fund's working cash balance — a portion of the fund's portfolio will be held in cash due to purchase and redemption activity and other short term cash needs. BNYM Investment Adviser normally considers reallocating the fund's investments at least quarterly, but may do so more often in response to market conditions. Any changes to the investment strategies (including to any underlying funds) or the allocation weightings may be implemented over a reasonable period of time. BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the investment strategies, including whether to implement a strategy by investing directly in securities or through an underlying fund, and the target allocations and ranges when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate. To the extent an underlying fund offers multiple classes of shares, the fund will purchase shares of the class with the lowest expense ratio and without a sales load.

BNYM Investment Adviser monitors the portfolio trading activity within the investment strategies to promote tax efficiency and avoid wash sale transactions, and executes all purchases and sales of portfolio securities of the fund. The fund will seek to reduce the impact of federal and state income taxes on the fund's after-tax returns by using certain tax-sensitive strategies, which include for the fund as a whole generally selling first the highest cost securities to reduce the amount of any capital gain and preferring the sale of securities producing long-term capital gains to those producing short-term capital gains. Although the fund uses certain tax-sensitive strategies, the fund does not have any limitations regarding portfolio turnover and the fund may engage in short-term trading, which could produce higher transaction costs and taxable distributions and lower the fund's after-tax performance.

The fund invests primarily in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund's equity investments also may include preferred stocks, convertible securities, depositary receipts and warrants. The fund also may invest in ETFs and similarly structured pooled investments. Although the fund typically invests in seasoned issuers,

it may purchase securities of companies in IPOs or shortly thereafter. The fund may invest up to 25% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including those in emerging market countries. Emerging markets generally include all countries represented by the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, or any other country that the fund's portfolio managers believe has an emerging economy or market.

Although not a principal investment strategy of the fund, the fund, and certain underlying funds in which the fund may invest, may, but are not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns or income, to manage interest rate or foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund, and certain underlying funds, may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to equity securities of large cap companies, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. The fund also may engage in short-selling.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund, and certain underlying funds in which the fund may invest, may lend portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of a fund's total assets.

Description of the Investment Strategies

The following describes the investment strategies employed by the portfolio managers in choosing investments for the fund or the underlying fund in which the fund invests.

Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of large cap companies included in the S&P 500. In selecting securities for the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy, the portfolio manager uses an optimization program to establish portfolio characteristics and risk factors that the portfolio manager determines are desirable relative to the aggregate characteristics and risk factors of the securities in the S&P 500. The portfolio characteristics and risk factors could be considered to have more or less risk than the S&P 500. The Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy does not seek to add value through active security selection, nor does it target index replication. The portfolio manager responsible for the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy seeks to actively and opportunistically realize capital gains and/or losses within this strategy as determined to be appropriate to improve the tax-sensitivity of the portfolio's investment performance. The Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy may realize losses to offset gains incurred as a result of more closely aligning the portfolio with the characteristics of the S&P 500, or to allow more flexibility for offsetting gains incurred through subsequent rebalancing of the portfolio. The Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy is not characterized by low turnover.

The portfolio manager responsible for the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy assesses both portfolio risk and tax considerations, analyzing the portfolio's realized and unrealized gains and losses, as well as the impact of market movements. The portfolio manager rebalances this portion of the fund's portfolio opportunistically, as the portfolio manager determines, based on the tradeoff between portfolio risk characteristics and realized and unrealized capital gains or losses. In addition, the portfolio manager responsible for the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy monitors trading activity for the fund as a whole to avoid wash sale transactions (i.e., selling a security at a loss, and within 30 days before or after the sale acquiring the same security, causing the loss to be disallowed and the security's basis adjusted), and may seek to offset any realized capital gains of the fund's other investment strategies.

Large Cap Core Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Core Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of large, established companies that the portfolio managers believe have proven track records and the potential for superior relative earnings growth. The investment process for the Large Cap Core Strategy begins with a top-down assessment of broad economic, political and social trends and their implications for different market and industry sectors. Next, using a bottom-up approach, fundamental research is used to identify companies that the portfolio managers responsible for the Large Cap Core Strategy believe offer one or more of the following characteristics, among others:

- earnings power unrecognized by the market;
- sustainable revenue and cash flow growth;
- positive operational and/or financial catalysts;
- attractive relative value versus history and peers; and
- strong or improving financial condition.

The portfolio managers typically sell a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the fundamental factors surrounding the company, sector weights change to reflect a revised macro-economic view, the company has become fully valued or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

Focused Equity Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Focused Equity Strategy normally is invested in approximately 25-30 companies that are considered by the portfolio managers to be positioned for long-term earnings growth. This portion of the fund's assets may be invested in the stocks of companies of any size, although the strategy focuses on large cap companies. Fund assets allocated to the Focused Equity Strategy are invested primarily in equity securities of U.S. issuers.

The investment process for the Focused Equity Strategy begins with a top-down assessment of broad economic, political and social trends and their implications for different market and industry sectors. The portfolio managers responsible for the Focused Equity Strategy seek to develop strategic investment themes and identify secular and cyclical changes within sectors and industries. The goal is to determine those sectors and industries most likely to benefit from trends that are identified, with a focus on those sectors and industries that the portfolio managers believe have the most attractive growth outlook.

Next, the portfolio managers responsible for the Focused Equity Strategy use a bottom-up, fundamental approach to analyze individual companies in the sectors and industries identified as most attractive given the competitive landscape and business trends. The portfolio managers conduct a thorough assessment of company fundamentals and seek to meet regularly with company management and to validate growth expectations through suppliers, customers and industry sources. The goal is to identify companies that the portfolio managers believe offer one or more of the following characteristics, among others:

- earnings power that is either unrecognized or underestimated by the market;
- sustainable revenue and cash flow;
- positive operational or financial catalysts;
- attractive valuation based on growth prospects; and
- strong or improving financial condition.

The portfolio managers responsible for the Focused Equity Strategy then select the 25-30 best opportunities from the companies identified in the prior step.

With respect to the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Focused Equity Strategy, the portfolio managers monitor sector and security weightings and regularly evaluate the risk-adjusted returns to manage the risk profile of this portion of the fund's assets. The portfolio managers adjust exposure limits as necessary. The portfolio managers typically sell a security when the portfolio managers believe that the investment themes, such as economic, regulatory or social changes that could impact a company's fundamentals, have changed, or there has been a negative change in the fundamental factors surrounding the company, sector weights change to reflect a revised macro-economic view, the company has become fully valued or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy

Walter Scott is the fund's sub-investment adviser responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy. This portion of the fund's assets normally is invested primarily in equity securities of companies located in the United States of any market capitalization, although the strategy focuses on large cap companies. Through extensive fundamental research, Walter Scott seeks investment opportunities in companies with the financial, operational and strategic strengths to underpin the potential for sustainable growth. Walter Scott focuses on individual stock selection, building a portfolio from the bottom up through extensive fundamental research. Market capitalization and sector allocations are results of, not part of, the investment process.

The investment process for the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy begins with the screening of reported company financials. Companies that meet certain broad absolute and trend criteria are candidates for more detailed financial analysis. For these companies, Walter Scott restates the company's income statement, flow of funds, and balance sheet to a cash basis. This analysis assists Walter Scott in identifying the nature of operating margin and value added, the variables contributing to value added, the operating efficiencies, the working capital management, the profitability and the financing model of the company. If a company passes Walter Scott's more stringent financial criteria, Walter Scott then conducts a detailed investigation of the company's products, cost and pricing, competition and industry position and outlook. Walter Scott may visit companies that meet its collective criteria with a view to understanding whether the company has the ability to generate sustained growth in the future. Walter Scott uses various valuation measures, including price-to-earnings ratio versus growth rate, price-to-cash and price-to-book. The fund's portfolio managers responsible for the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy select those stocks that meet Walter Scott's criteria where the expected growth rate is available at reasonable valuations. A buy proposal must obtain the unanimous backing of Walter Scott's research team before the proposal is put forward to the firm's Investment Executive for consideration, while a sell decision requires only one dissenting voice prior to ratification by the Investment Executive.

Walter Scott believes that a patient investment approach is necessary to give the companies in which the fund invests an opportunity to realize their growth potential. Accordingly, it is expected that the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy typically will maintain a low annual portfolio turnover rate.

Walter Scott typically sells a stock when it no longer possesses the characteristics that caused its purchase. A stock may be a sell candidate when its valuation reaches or exceeds its calculated fair value, or there are deteriorating fundamentals. Walter Scott may reduce the weighting of a stock held by the fund pursuant to this strategy if it becomes overweighted as determined by Walter Scott.

Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of companies of any market capitalization, although the strategy focuses on large cap companies. At times, this portion of the fund's assets may overweight industry and security positions, and invest in small cap companies, high-yield debt securities and private placements. The portfolio manager responsible for this portion of the fund's assets identifies potential investments through extensive quantitative and fundamental research. The portfolio manager responsible for the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy focuses on individual stock selection (a "bottom-up" approach), emphasizing three key factors:

- **value:** quantitative screens track traditional measures, such as price-to-earnings, price-to-book, and price-to-sales ratios, which are analyzed and compared against the market;
- **sound business fundamentals:** a company's balance sheet and income data are examined to determine the company's financial history; and
- **positive business momentum:** a company's earnings and forecast changes are analyzed and sales and earnings trends are reviewed to determine the company's financial condition or the presence of a catalyst that will trigger a price increase near- to mid-term.

The portfolio manager responsible for the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy typically sells a stock when the portfolio manager believes there is a more attractive alternative, the stock's valuation is excessive or there are deteriorating fundamentals, such as a loss of competitive advantage, a failure in management execution or deteriorating capital structure. The portfolio manager also may sell stocks when the portfolio manager's evaluation of a sector has changed.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy also may be invested in BNY Mellon Dynamic Value Fund, a mutual fund advised by BNYM Investment Adviser and co-managed by the same portfolio manager responsible for the fund's Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy using substantially similar investment strategies as those used in managing this portion of the fund's assets. The underlying fund seeks capital appreciation. To pursue its goal, the underlying fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in

stocks. The underlying fund may invest up to 30% of its assets in foreign securities. Although the underlying fund typically invests in seasoned issuers, it may purchase securities of companies in IPOs or shortly thereafter.

Large Cap Growth Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of large cap companies that are considered by the portfolio managers to be growth companies. The investment process for the Large Cap Growth Strategy is based on the premise that earnings growth is the primary determinant of long term stock appreciation. The portfolio managers responsible for the Large Cap Growth Strategy use an approach that combines top-down and bottom-up analysis and focuses on "growth" stocks. Stock selection and sector allocation are both factors in determining the holdings for this portion of the fund's assets. Fundamental financial analysis is used to identify companies that the portfolio managers responsible for the Large Cap Growth Strategy believe offer one or more of the following characteristics, among others:

- expected earnings growth rate exceeds market and industry trends;
- potential for positive earnings surprise relative to market expectations;
- positive operational or financial catalysts;
- attractive valuation based on growth prospects; and
- strong financial condition.

The portfolio managers typically sell a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the fundamental factors surrounding the company, sector weights change to reflect a revised macro-economic view, the company has become fully valued or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of companies of any market capitalization, although the strategy focuses on large cap U.S. companies. Investments for the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy are selected by a team of core research analysts, with each analyst responsible for investments in his or her area of expertise. As the portfolio managers responsible for this portion of the fund's assets, these analysts utilize a fundamental, bottom-up research process to identify investments for the fund. The fund invests its assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy in those companies in which the analysts have the highest degree of conviction or have identified a strong near-term catalyst for earnings growth or share price appreciation. The analysts, under the direction of the director of the core research team, determine the allocations among market sectors. This portion of the fund's portfolio is structured so that its sector weightings generally are similar to those of the Russell 1000® Growth Index.

The portfolio managers responsible for the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy typically sell a security when the research analyst responsible for the investment believes there has been a negative change in the fundamental factors surrounding the company, the company has become fully valued, or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy also may be invested in BNY Mellon Research Growth Fund, Inc., a mutual fund advised by BNYM Investment Adviser and managed by the same portfolio managers responsible for the fund's U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy using substantially similar investment strategies as those used in managing this portion of the fund's assets. The underlying fund seeks long-term capital growth consistent with the preservation of capital. Current income is a secondary goal. To pursue its goals, the underlying fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in common stocks. The underlying fund may invest up to 25% of its assets in foreign securities. The underlying fund invests principally in common stocks, but its stock investments may include preferred stocks and convertible securities, including to a limited degree, those purchased in IPOs.

Income Stock Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Income Stock Strategy is invested in BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund, a mutual fund advised by BNYM Investment Adviser. The underlying fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and income). To pursue its goal, the underlying fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in stocks. The underlying fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of at least 80% of its net assets may be changed by the underlying fund's board upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The underlying fund seeks to focus on dividend-paying stocks and other investments and investment techniques that provide income. The underlying fund's portfolio managers choose stocks through a disciplined investment process that combines computer modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. The underlying fund emphasizes those stocks with value characteristics, although it may also purchase

growth stocks. The underlying fund may invest in the stocks of companies of any size, although it focuses on large-cap companies. The underlying fund's investment process is designed to provide investors with investment exposure to sector weightings and risk characteristics generally similar to those of the Dow Jones Index, which is comprised of 100 of the highest dividend-yielding securities (excluding REITs) in the Dow Jones U.S. Index, a broad-based index that is representative of the total U.S. equity market. The underlying fund's portfolio allocations, however, may differ from those of the Dow Jones Index.

In selecting securities, the underlying fund's portfolio managers use a computer model to identify and rank stocks within an industry or sector, based on several characteristics, including:

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

Next, based on fundamental analysis, the underlying fund's portfolio managers generally select the most attractive of the higher ranked securities, drawing on a variety of sources, including internal research as well as Wall Street research, and company management.

Finally, the underlying fund's portfolio managers manage risk by diversifying across companies and industries, seeking to limit the potential adverse impact from any one stock or industry. The fund may at times overweight certain sectors in attempting to achieve higher yields.

The underlying fund typically sells a security when the company's potential dividend yield declines, the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the fundamental factors surrounding the company, the company has lost favor in the current market or economic environment or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

The underlying fund invests primarily in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the underlying fund's stock investments also may include convertible securities (up to 10% of the underlying fund's assets), preferred stocks (up to 10% of the underlying fund's assets), and ADRs, including those purchased in IPOs. The underlying fund also may invest in fixed-income securities and money market instruments.

Appreciation Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Appreciation Strategy is invested in BNY Mellon Appreciation Fund, Inc., a mutual fund advised by BNYM Investment Adviser and sub-advised by Fayed Sarofim & Co. The underlying fund seeks long-term capital growth consistent with the preservation of capital. Its secondary goal is current income. To pursue its goals, the underlying fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in common stocks. The underlying fund focuses on "blue chip" companies with total market capitalizations of more than \$5 billion at the time of purchase, including multinational companies. These are established companies that have demonstrated sustained patterns of profitability, strong balance sheets, an expanding global presence and the potential to achieve predictable, above-average earnings growth.

In choosing stocks, the underlying fund's portfolio managers first identify economic sectors they believe will expand over the next three to five years or longer. Using fundamental analysis, the underlying fund's portfolio managers then seek companies within these sectors that have proven track records and dominant positions in their industries. The underlying fund also may invest in companies which the underlying fund's portfolio managers consider undervalued in terms of earnings, assets or growth prospects.

In addition to direct investments, the underlying fund may invest in securities of foreign companies in the form of U.S. dollar-denominated ADRs, which are considered common stock for purposes of the underlying fund's policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets. ADRs typically are issued by U.S. banks or trust companies and represent indirect ownership interest in securities of non-U.S. issuers that are publicly-traded in overseas markets. ADRs are traded in the United States on national securities exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, and may be converted into the underlying foreign securities. The underlying fund may purchase ADRs through "sponsored" or "unsponsored" facilities. A sponsored facility is established jointly by the issuer of the underlying security and a depositary. A depositary may establish an unsponsored facility without participation by the issuer of the deposited security.

The underlying fund employs a "buy-and-hold" investment strategy, which generally has resulted in an annual portfolio turnover rate below 15%. A low portfolio turnover rate helps reduce the underlying fund's trading costs and can help limit the distribution of capital gains generated due to portfolio turnover.

The underlying fund typically sells a stock when the portfolio managers believe there is a significant adverse change in the company's business fundamentals that may lead to a sustained impairment in earnings power.

Large Cap Dividend Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Dividend Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities, focusing on dividend-paying stocks and other investments and investment techniques that provide income. The portfolio managers responsible for the Large Cap Dividend Strategy choose securities through a disciplined investment process that combines fundamental analysis and risk management. The Large Cap Dividend Strategy emphasizes those securities with above market average yield, although the portfolio managers may purchase those securities with low or no dividend. This portion of the fund's assets may be invested in the stocks of companies of any size, although the strategy focuses on large cap companies. The investment process for the Large Cap Dividend Strategy is designed to provide investors with investment exposure to sector weightings and risk characteristics generally similar to those of the Dow Jones Index, which is comprised of 100 of the highest dividend-yielding securities (excluding REITs) in the Dow Jones U.S. Index, a broad-based index that is representative of the total U.S. equity market. The Large Cap Dividend Strategy's portfolio allocations, however, may differ from those of the Dow Jones Index. The fund invests its assets allocated to the Large Cap Dividend Strategy in common stocks, but such investments also may include convertible securities (up to 25% of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy), preferred stocks (up to 25% of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy), REITs (up to 25% of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy) and ADRs (up to 25% of the fund's assets allocated to this strategy), including those purchased in IPOs. The fund's assets allocated to the Large Cap Dividend Strategy also may be invested in fixed-income securities and money market instruments.

In selecting securities, the portfolio managers responsible for the Large Cap Dividend Strategy screen the universe of large cap companies focusing on those with above average dividend yield. The portfolio managers assess the outlook for earnings and dividend growth among these companies. Next, based on fundamental analysis, the portfolio managers select the most attractive securities, drawing on a variety of sources, including internal research as well as Wall Street research, and company management.

Finally, the portfolio managers responsible for the Large Cap Dividend Strategy manage risk by diversifying across companies and industries, seeking to limit the potential adverse impact from any one stock or industry. The Large Cap Dividend Strategy may at times overweight certain sectors in attempting to achieve higher yields.

The portfolio managers responsible for the Large Cap Dividend Strategy typically sell a security when the company's potential dividend yield declines, the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the fundamental factors surrounding the company, the company has lost favor in the current market or economic environment or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and income). To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in stocks. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of at least 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The fund seeks to focus on dividend-paying stocks and other investments and investment techniques that provide income. The investment adviser chooses stocks for the fund through a disciplined investment process that combines computer modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. The fund emphasizes those stocks with value characteristics, although it may also purchase growth stocks. The fund may invest in the stocks of companies of any size, although it focuses on large-cap companies. The fund's investment process is designed to provide investors with investment exposure to sector weightings and risk characteristics generally similar to those of the Dow Jones Index, which is comprised of 100 of the highest dividend-yielding securities (excluding real estate investment trusts) in the Dow Jones U.S. Index, a broad-based index that is representative of the total U.S. equity market. The fund's portfolio allocations, however, may differ from those of the Dow Jones Index.

In selecting securities, the investment adviser uses a computer model to identify and rank stocks within an industry or sector, based on several characteristics, including:

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

Next, based on fundamental analysis, the investment adviser generally selects the most attractive of the higher ranked securities, drawing on a variety of sources, including internal research as well as Wall Street research, and company management.

Finally, the investment adviser manages risk by diversifying across companies and industries, seeking to limit the potential adverse impact from any one stock or industry. The fund may at times overweight certain sectors in attempting to achieve higher yields.

The fund typically sells a security when the company's potential dividend yield declines, the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the fundamental factors surrounding the company, the company has lost favor in the current market or economic environment or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

The fund invests primarily in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund's stock investments also may include convertible securities (up to 10% of the fund's assets), preferred stocks (up to 10% of the fund's assets), and ADRs, including those purchased in IPOs. The fund also may invest in fixed-income securities and money market instruments.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivative instruments as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns or income, to manage interest rate risk, as part of a hedging strategy or for other purposes related to the management of the fund. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options and futures (including those relating to stocks, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivatives or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to stocks, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund

The fund seeks capital appreciation. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of mid cap companies. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The fund currently considers mid cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that are within the market capitalization range of companies comprising the Russell Midcap® Index. The fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and unaffiliated sub-investment advisers that invest primarily in equity securities issued by mid cap companies. The fund is designed to provide exposure to various mid cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles. The fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including those in emerging market countries.

BNYM Investment Adviser determines the investment strategies and sets the target allocations and ranges. The investment strategies and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the investment strategies as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Investment Strategy	Target	Range
Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy	30%	0% to 50%
Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy	17%	0% to 30%
Mid Cap Growth Strategy	17%	0% to 30%
Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy	18%	0% to 30%
Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy	18%	0% to 30%

The Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy is employed by BNYM Investment Adviser, the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy and the Mid Cap Growth Strategy are employed by BNYM Investment Adviser using a proprietary investment process of Mellon, and the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy and the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy are employed by unaffiliated sub-investment advisers, namely, Boston Partners Global Investors, Inc. (Boston Partners), and Geneva Capital Management LLC (GCM), respectively.

The investment strategies and the target weightings and ranges have been selected for investment over longer time periods, but may be changed without shareholder approval or prior notice. The target weightings will deviate over the short term because of market movements and fund cash flows. The target weightings do not reflect the fund's working

cash balance — a portion of the fund's portfolio will be held in cash due to purchase and redemption activity and other short term cash needs. BNYM Investment Adviser normally considers reallocating the fund's investments at least quarterly, but may do so more often in response to market conditions. Any changes to the investment strategies or the allocation weightings may be implemented over a reasonable period of time. BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the investment strategies, including whether to implement a strategy employed by BNYM Investment Adviser or a sub-investment adviser, and the target allocations and ranges when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate.

The fund invests principally in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund's equity investments also may include preferred stocks, convertible securities, ADRs and warrants, including those purchased in IPOs or shortly thereafter. The fund also may invest in publicly-traded REITs and ETFs and similarly structured pooled investments.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indices and foreign currencies), and forward contracts. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to equity securities of mid cap companies, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

The Russell Midcap[®] Index, the fund's primary benchmark, is an unmanaged index designed to measure the performance of the mid cap segment of the U.S. stock market. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalizations of the largest and smallest companies included in the Russell Midcap[®] Index were approximately \$60 billion and \$654 million, respectively, and the weighted average and median market capitalizations of the Russell Midcap[®] Index were approximately \$20 billion and \$9 billion, respectively. These capitalization measures vary with market changes and reconstitutions of the Russell Midcap[®] Index.

Description of the Investment Strategies

The following describes the investment strategies employed by the portfolio managers in choosing investments for the fund.

Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of mid cap companies included in the Russell Midcap[®] Index. In selecting securities for the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy, the portfolio manager uses an optimization program to establish portfolio characteristics and risk factors that the portfolio manager determines are within an acceptable range of the Russell Midcap[®] Index. The Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy does not seek to add value through active security selection, nor does it target index replication. The portfolio manager responsible for the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy seeks to actively and opportunistically realize capital gains and/or losses within this strategy as determined to be appropriate to improve the tax-sensitivity of the portfolio's investment performance. The Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy may realize losses to offset gains incurred as a result of more closely aligning the portfolio with the characteristics of the Russell Midcap[®] Index, or to allow more flexibility for offsetting gains incurred through subsequent rebalancing of the portfolio. In addition, the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy may realize capital losses to offset any realized capital gains of the fund's other investment strategies. The Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy is not characterized by low portfolio turnover.

The portfolio manager responsible for the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy assesses both portfolio risk and tax considerations, analyzing the realized and unrealized gains and losses of this portion of the fund's portfolio, as well as the impact of market movements. The portfolio manager rebalances this portion of the fund's portfolio opportunistically, as the portfolio manager determines, based on the tradeoff between portfolio risk characteristics and realized and unrealized capital gains or losses.

Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of mid cap value companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers use an opportunistic value approach to identify stocks whose current market prices trade at a large discount to their intrinsic value, as calculated by the portfolio managers. Intrinsic value is based on the combination of the valuation assessment of the company's operating divisions with its economic balance sheet. The opportunistic value style attempts to benefit from valuation inefficiencies and underappreciated fundamental prospects present in the marketplace. To do this, the portfolio managers use mid-cycle estimates, growth prospects, the identification of a revaluation catalyst and competitive advantages as some of the factors in the valuation assessment. Additionally, a company's stated and hidden liabilities and assets are included in the portfolio managers' economic balance sheet calculation for the company. For this portion of its portfolio, the fund generally seeks exposure to stocks and sectors that the portfolio managers perceive to be attractive from a valuation and fundamental standpoint.

The sector weightings and risk characteristics for this portion of the fund's portfolio are a result of bottom-up fundamental analysis and may vary at any given time from those of the Russell Midcap® Value Index, the benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy. The Russell Midcap® Value Index includes those Russell Midcap® Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values. The portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy typically sell a security when, in the portfolio managers' view, it approaches its intrinsic value, a significant deterioration of fundamental expectations develops, the revaluation catalyst becomes impaired or a better risk/reward opportunity is presented in the marketplace.

Mid Cap Growth Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Mid Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of mid cap companies with favorable growth prospects. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers use a "growth style" of investing, searching for companies whose fundamental strengths suggest the potential to provide superior earnings growth over time. The portfolio managers use a consistent, bottom-up approach which emphasizes individual stock selection. The portfolio managers go beyond Wall Street analysis and perform intensive qualitative and quantitative in-house research to determine whether companies meet the Mid Cap Growth Strategy's investment criteria. The portfolio managers monitor the securities in the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Mid Cap Growth Strategy, and will consider selling a security if the issuer's business momentum deteriorates or valuation becomes excessive. The portfolio managers responsible for the Mid Cap Growth Strategy also may sell a security if an event occurs that contradicts the portfolio managers' rationale for owning it, such as deterioration in the company's financial fundamentals. In addition, the portfolio managers may sell a security if better investment opportunities emerge elsewhere or if the fund's industry or sector weightings change.

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Mid Cap Growth Strategy does not have any limitations regarding portfolio turnover, and may have portfolio turnover rates significantly in excess of 100%. The benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Mid Cap Growth Strategy is the Russell Midcap® Growth Index, which includes those Russell Midcap® Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values.

Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy

Boston Partners is the fund's sub-investment adviser responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy. Boston Partners is not affiliated with BNYM Investment Adviser. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy normally is invested in a diversified portfolio of mid cap stocks identified by Boston Partners as having value characteristics. Boston Partners employs a fundamental bottom-up, disciplined value investment process. Valuation, fundamentals and momentum are analyzed using a bottom-up blend of qualitative and quantitative inputs. Boston Partners examines various factors in determining the value characteristics of issuers, including price to book value ratios and price to earnings ratios. These value characteristics are examined in the context of the issuer's operating and financial fundamentals, such as return on equity and earnings growth and cash flow. Boston Partners also looks for an identifiable catalyst for positive change that has not been priced into the issuer's stock. Boston Partners then studies trends in industries and companies, earnings power and growth and other investment criteria. Boston Partners will sell a security when Boston Partners determines it has appreciated to the price target, the issuer has weakening business fundamentals or there is a reversal of the catalyst.

The benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy is the Russell Midcap® Value Index, which includes those Russell Midcap® Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values.

Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy

GCM is the fund's sub-investment adviser responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy. GCM is not affiliated with BNYM Investment Adviser. GCM seeks to identify high quality companies with low leverage, superior management, leadership positions within their industries, and a consistent, sustainable record of growth in managing its allocated portion of the fund's assets. In selecting stocks, GCM emphasizes bottom-up fundamental analysis to develop an understanding of a company supplemented by top-down considerations which include reviewing general economic and market trends and analyzing their effect on various industries. GCM also seeks to screen out high risk ideas, such as turnaround stories, IPOs and companies that are highly leveraged, non-U.S. based or do not have earnings. GCM's objective is to find companies that perform well over long periods of time. Portfolio managers occasionally trim positions to take profits and maintain diversification or if the stock becomes extremely overvalued. GCM generally will sell a stock if it perceives a major change in the long-term outlook for the company or its industry.

The benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy is the Russell Midcap[®] Growth Index, which includes those Russell Midcap[®] Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values.

BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund

The fund seeks capital appreciation. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of small cap companies. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The fund currently considers small cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that are equal to or less than the market capitalization of the largest company included in the Russell 2000[®] Index. The fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser that invest primarily in equity securities issued by small cap companies. The fund is designed to provide exposure to various small cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles. The fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including up to 10% of its assets in the equity securities of issuers located in emerging market countries.

BNYM Investment Adviser determines the investment strategies and sets the target allocations and ranges. The investment strategies and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the investment strategies as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Investment Strategy	Target	Range
Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy	40%	0% to 50%
Small Cap Value Strategy	30%	0% to 40%
Small Cap Growth Strategy	30%	0% to 40%

The investment strategies and the target weightings and ranges have been selected for investment over longer time periods, but may be changed without shareholder approval or prior notice. The target weightings will deviate over the short term because of market movements and fund cash flows. The target weightings do not reflect the fund's working cash balance — a portion of the fund's portfolio will be held in cash due to purchase and redemption activity and other short term cash needs. BNYM Investment Adviser normally considers reallocating the fund's investments at least quarterly, but may do so more often in response to market conditions. Any changes to the investment strategies or the allocation weightings may be implemented over a reasonable period of time. BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the investment strategies and the target allocations and ranges when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate.

The fund invests principally in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund's equity investments also may include preferred stocks, convertible securities, ADRs and warrants, including those purchased in IPOs or shortly thereafter. The fund also may invest in publicly-traded REITs and ETFs and similarly structured pooled investments.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indices and foreign currencies), and forward contracts. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to equity securities of small cap companies, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash

payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

The Russell 2000® Index, the fund's primary benchmark, is an unmanaged index designed to measure the performance of the small cap segment of the U.S. stock market. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalization of the largest company in the Russell 2000® Index was approximately \$13 billion, and the weighted average and median market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Index were approximately \$3 billion and \$796 million, respectively. These capitalization measures vary with market changes and reconstitutions of the Russell 2000® Index.

Description of the Investment Strategies

The following describes the investment strategies employed by the portfolio managers in choosing investments for the fund.

Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers use a disciplined investment process that relies, in general, on proprietary fundamental research and valuation. Generally, elements of the process include analysis of mid-cycle business prospects, estimation of the intrinsic value of the company and the identification of a revaluation catalyst. Intrinsic value is based on the combination of the valuation assessment of the company's operating divisions with the firm's economic balance sheet. Mid-cycle estimates, growth prospects and competitive advantages are some of the factors used in the valuation assessment. A company's stated and hidden liabilities and assets are included in the portfolio managers' economic balance sheet calculation. Sector overweights and underweights are a function of the relative attractiveness of securities within the investable universe of the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy. The portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy select securities that are believed to have attractive reward to risk opportunities and may actively adjust this portion of the fund's portfolio to reflect new developments.

For this portion of its portfolio, the fund generally seeks exposure to securities and sectors that the portfolio managers perceive to be attractive from a valuation and fundamental standpoint. The sector weightings and risk characteristics for this portion of the fund's portfolio are a result of bottom-up fundamental analysis and may vary at any given time from those of the Russell 2000® Index, the benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy.

The portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy typically sell a security when, in the portfolio managers' view, it approaches its intrinsic value, a significant deterioration of fundamental expectations develops, the revaluation catalyst becomes impaired or a better risk/reward opportunity is presented in the marketplace.

Small Cap Value Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small Cap Value Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap value companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers employ a value-based investment style, which means that they seek to identify those companies with stocks trading at prices below what are believed to be their intrinsic value. The portfolio managers measure value by evaluating a company's valuation multiples (price/earnings, price/sales, price/cash flow), current competitive position, and expected business growth relative to its industry. The portfolio managers responsible for the Small Cap Value Strategy focus primarily on individual stock selection instead of trying to predict which industries or sectors will perform best. The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio of companies that the portfolio managers believe are undervalued relative to expected business growth, with the presence of a catalyst (such as a corporate restructuring, change in management or spin-off) that will trigger a near-term or mid-term price increase. The Russell 2000® Value Index, which includes those Russell 2000® Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values, is the benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Small Cap Value Strategy.

The portfolio managers responsible for the Small Cap Value Strategy typically sell a security when they believe that there has been a negative change in the company's fundamentals, the company has met its price objective or has become fully valued. The portfolio managers also generally will sell a security when the company has lost favor in the current market or economic environment or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

Small Cap Growth Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap companies with favorable growth prospects. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers employ a growth-oriented investment style, which means the portfolio managers seek to identify those small cap companies which are experiencing or are expected to experience rapid earnings or revenue growth. The portfolio managers responsible for the Small Cap Growth Strategy look for high quality companies, especially those with products or services that are believed to be leaders in their market niches. The portfolio managers focus on individual stock selection instead of trying to predict which industries or sectors will perform best. The portfolio managers use fundamental research to identify and follow companies considered to have attractive characteristics, such as strong business and competitive positions, solid cash flows and balance sheets, high quality management and high sustainable growth. The portfolio managers invest in a company when their research indicates that the company will experience accelerating revenues and expanding operating margins, which may lead to rising estimate trends and favorable earnings surprises.

The Small Cap Growth Strategy may lead to an emphasis in investing in certain sectors. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small Cap Growth Strategy does not have any limitations regarding portfolio turnover, and may have portfolio turnover rates significantly in excess of 100%. The Russell 2000® Growth Index, which includes those Russell 2000® Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values, is the benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Small Cap Growth Strategy.

The portfolio managers responsible for the Small Cap Growth Strategy monitor the securities in this portion of the fund's portfolio, and will consider selling a security if an event occurs that contradicts the portfolio managers' rationale for owning it, such as deterioration in the company's financial fundamentals. In addition, the portfolio managers may sell a security if better investment opportunities emerge elsewhere.

BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund

The fund seeks capital appreciation. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The fund invests, under normal circumstances, in approximately 25-30 companies that are considered by BNYM Investment Adviser to be positioned for long-term earnings growth. The fund may hold growth or value stocks or a blend of both. The fund may invest in the stocks of companies of any size, although it focuses on large-cap companies (generally, those companies with market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more at the time of purchase). The fund invests primarily in equity securities of U.S. issuers, but may invest up to 25% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including those in emerging market countries. Emerging markets generally include all countries represented by the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, or any other country that the fund's portfolio manager believes has an emerging economy or market.

The investment process begins with a top-down assessment of broad economic, political and social trends and their implications for different market and industry sectors. BNYM Investment Adviser seeks to develop strategic investment themes and identify secular and cyclical changes within sectors and industries. The goal is to determine those sectors and industries most likely to benefit from trends that are identified, with a focus on those sectors and industries that BNYM Investment Adviser believes have the most attractive growth outlook.

Next, BNYM Investment Adviser uses a bottom-up, fundamental approach to analyze individual companies in the sectors and industries identified as most attractive given the competitive landscape and business trends. BNYM Investment Adviser conducts a thorough assessment of company fundamentals and seeks to meet regularly with company management and to validate growth expectations through suppliers, customers and industry sources. The goal is to identify companies that BNYM Investment Adviser believes offer one or more of the following characteristics, among others:

- earnings power that is either unrecognized or underestimated by the market;
- sustainable revenue and cash flow;
- positive operational or financial catalysts;
- attractive valuation based on growth prospects; and
- strong or improving financial condition.

The fund's portfolio managers then select the 25-30 best opportunities from the companies identified in the prior step.

The portfolio managers monitor sector and security weightings and regularly evaluate the fund's risk-adjusted returns to manage the risk profile of the fund's portfolio. The portfolio managers adjust exposure limits as necessary. The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that the investment themes have changed or there has been a negative change in the fundamental factors surrounding the company, sector weights change to reflect a revised macro-economic view, the company has become fully valued or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

BNYM Investment Adviser does not use benchmark indices as a tool for active portfolio management of the fund. Traditional benchmark indices, however, may be helpful in measuring investment returns, and the fund's investment returns generally will be compared to those of the S&P 500. The S&P 500 is an unmanaged index of 500 common stocks designed to measure performance of the broad domestic economy through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks chosen to reflect the industries of the U.S. economy.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage interest rate risk, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options and futures (including those relating to stocks, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to equity securities, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

The fund is non-diversified.

BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund

The fund seeks capital appreciation. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of small cap and mid cap companies. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The fund currently considers small cap and mid cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that are within the market capitalization range of the smallest company included in the Russell 2000® Index and the largest company included in the Russell Midcap® Index. This corresponds to companies with market capitalizations as of November 30, 2020 of between approximately \$33 million and \$60 billion. The fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by the fund's investment adviser that invest primarily in equity securities issued by small cap and mid cap companies. The fund is designed to provide exposure to various small cap and mid cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles. The fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including up to 10% of its assets in the equity securities of issuers located in emerging market countries.

BNYM Investment Adviser determines the investment strategies and sets the target allocations and ranges. The investment strategies and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the investment strategies as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Investment Strategy	Target	Range
Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy	40%	0% to 50%
Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy	30%	0% to 40%
Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy	30%	0% to 40%

The investment strategies and the target weightings and ranges have been selected for investment over longer time periods, but may be changed without shareholder approval or prior notice. The target weightings will deviate over the short term because of market movements and fund cash flows. The target weightings do not reflect the fund's working cash balance — a portion of the fund's portfolio will be held in cash due to purchase and redemption activity and other short term cash needs. BNYM Investment Adviser normally considers reallocating the fund's investments at least quarterly, but may do so more often in response to market conditions. Any changes to the investment strategies or the allocation weightings may be implemented over a reasonable period of time. BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the investment strategies and the target allocations and ranges when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate.

The fund invests principally in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund's equity investments also may include preferred stocks, convertible securities, ADRs and warrants, including those purchased in IPOs or shortly thereafter. The fund also may invest in publicly-traded REITs and ETFs and similarly structured pooled investments.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indices and foreign currencies), and forward contracts. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to equity securities of small cap and mid cap companies, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

As of November 30, 2020, the weighted average market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Index and Russell Midcap® Index were approximately \$3 billion and \$20 billion, respectively, and the median market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Index and the Russell Midcap® Index were approximately \$796 million and \$9 billion, respectively. These capitalization measures vary with market changes and reconstitutions of the Russell 2000® Index and the Russell Midcap® Index.

Description of the Investment Strategies

The following describes the investment strategies employed by the portfolio managers in choosing investments for the fund.

Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap and mid cap companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers use a disciplined investment process that relies, in general, on proprietary fundamental research and valuation. Generally, elements of the process include analysis of mid-cycle business prospects, estimation of the intrinsic value of the company and the identification of a revaluation catalyst. Intrinsic value is based on the combination of the valuation assessment of the company's operating divisions with the firm's economic balance sheet. Mid-cycle estimates, growth prospects and competitive advantages are some of the factors used in the valuation assessment. A company's stated and hidden liabilities and assets are included in the portfolio managers' economic balance sheet calculation. Sector overweights and underweights are a function of the relative attractiveness of securities within the investable universe of the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy. The portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy select securities that are believed to have attractive reward to risk opportunities and may actively adjust this portion of the fund's portfolio to reflect new developments.

For this portion of its portfolio, the fund generally seeks exposure to securities and sectors that the portfolio managers perceive to be attractive from a valuation and fundamental standpoint. The sector weightings and risk characteristics for this portion of the fund's portfolio are a result of bottom-up fundamental analysis and may vary at any given time from those of the Russell 2500™ Index, the benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy.

The portfolio managers responsible for the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy typically sell a security when, in the portfolio managers' view, it approaches its intrinsic value, a significant deterioration of fundamental expectations develops, the revaluation catalyst becomes impaired or a better risk/reward opportunity is presented in the marketplace.

Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap and mid cap value companies. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers employ a value-based investment style, which means that they seek to identify those companies with stocks trading at prices below what are believed to be their intrinsic value. The portfolio managers measure value by evaluating a company's valuation multiples (price/earnings, price/sales, price/cash flow), current competitive position, and

expected business growth relative to its industry. The portfolio managers responsible for the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy focus primarily on individual stock selection instead of trying to predict which industries or sectors will perform best. The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio of companies that the portfolio managers believe are undervalued relative to expected business growth, with the presence of a catalyst (such as a corporate restructuring, change in management or spin-off) that will trigger a near-term or mid-term price increase. The Russell 2500™ Value Index, which includes those Russell 2500™ Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values, is the benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy.

The portfolio managers responsible for the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy typically sell a security when they believe that there has been a negative change in the company's fundamentals, the company has met its price objective or has become fully valued. The portfolio managers also generally will sell a security when the company has lost favor in the current market or economic environment or a more attractive opportunity has been identified.

Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy normally is invested primarily in equity securities of small cap and mid cap companies with favorable growth prospects. In constructing this portion of the fund's portfolio, the portfolio managers employ a growth-oriented investment style, which means the portfolio managers seek to identify those small cap and mid cap companies which are experiencing or are expected to experience rapid earnings or revenue growth. The portfolio managers responsible for the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy look for high quality companies, especially those with products or services that are believed to be leaders in their market niches. The portfolio managers focus on individual stock selection instead of trying to predict which industries or sectors will perform best. The portfolio managers use fundamental research to identify and follow companies considered to have attractive characteristics, such as strong business and competitive positions, solid cash flows and balance sheets, high quality management and high sustainable growth. The portfolio managers invest in a company when their research indicates that the company will experience accelerating revenues and expanding operating margins, which may lead to rising estimate trends and favorable earnings surprises.

The Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy may lead to an emphasis in investing in certain sectors. The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy does not have any limitations regarding portfolio turnover, and may have portfolio turnover rates significantly in excess of 100%. The Russell 2500™ Growth Index, which includes those Russell 2500™ Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values, is the benchmark for the portfolio managers responsible for the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy.

The portfolio managers responsible for the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy monitor the securities in this portion of the fund's portfolio, and will consider selling a security if an event occurs that contradicts the portfolio managers' rationale for owning it, such as deterioration in the company's financial fundamentals. In addition, the portfolio managers may sell a security if better investment opportunities emerge elsewhere.

BNY Mellon International Fund

The fund seeks long-term capital growth. The fund's investment objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 65% of its total assets in equity securities of foreign issuers. Foreign issuers are companies organized under the laws of a foreign country, whose principal trading market is in a foreign country or with a majority of their assets or business outside the United States. The fund may invest in companies of any size. Though not specifically limited, the fund ordinarily will invest in a broad range of (and in any case at least five different) countries. The fund will limit its investments in any single company to no more than 5% of the fund's assets at the time of purchase.

The stocks purchased may have value and/or growth characteristics. The portfolio managers employ a bottom-up investment approach which emphasizes individual stock selection. The portfolio managers consider:

- **stock selection**, using proprietary quantitative models and traditional qualitative analysis to identify attractive stocks with low relative price multiples and positive trends in earnings forecasts
- **country allocations**, generally seeking to allocate country weightings in accordance with the MSCI Europe, Australasia and Far East (EAFE) Index, but deviations from the MSCI EAFE Index country weightings may occur
- **sector and industry allocations**, grouping stocks into micro-universes of similar companies within each country to facilitate comparisons and using the sector allocations of the MSCI EAFE Index as a guide, but allocations may differ from those of the MSCI EAFE Index

The MSCI EAFE Index is an unmanaged, market capitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure the performance of publicly-traded stocks issued by companies in developed markets, excluding the United States and Canada.

The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio that, relative to the MSCI EAFE Index, has a below-average price/earnings ratio and an above-average earnings growth trend.

The portfolio managers typically sell a stock when it appears less likely to benefit from the current market and economic environment, shows deteriorating fundamentals or declining momentum, or falls short of BNYM Investment Adviser's expectations.

The fund invests principally in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund's equity investments also may include preferred stocks and convertible securities, including those purchased in IPOs or shortly thereafter. The fund may invest in companies of any size. To a limited extent, the fund may invest in debt securities of foreign issuers and foreign governments.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may invest in ADRs, which are U.S. dollar-denominated securities that represent indirect ownership of securities issued by foreign companies. The fund also may invest in ETFs and similarly structured pooled investments in order to provide exposure to certain equity markets while maintaining liquidity.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to equity securities of foreign issuers, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 65% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund

The fund seeks long-term capital growth. To pursue its goal, the fund invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities of companies organized, or with a majority of assets or operations, in countries considered to be emerging markets. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. Emerging market countries generally include all countries represented by the MSCI Emerging Markets Index. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index is an unmanaged, market capitalization-weighted index designed to measure the equity performance of emerging markets countries in Europe, Latin America and the Pacific Basin. The fund invests principally in common stocks, but the fund's equity investments also may include preferred stocks and convertible securities, including those purchased in IPOs or shortly thereafter. The fund may invest in companies of any size.

Normally, the fund will invest in a broad range of (and in any case at least five different) emerging market countries.

The stocks purchased may have value and/or growth characteristics. The portfolio managers employ a bottom-up investment approach which emphasizes individual stock selection. The portfolio managers consider:

- **stock selection**, using proprietary quantitative models and traditional qualitative analysis to identify attractive stocks with low relative price multiples and positive trends in earnings forecasts
- **country allocations**, generally seeking to allocate country weightings in accordance with the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, but deviations from the MSCI Emerging Markets Index country weightings may occur
- **sector and industry allocations**, grouping stocks into micro-universes of similar companies within each country to facilitate comparisons and using the sector allocations of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index as a guide, but allocations may differ from those of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index

The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio that, relative to the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, has a below-average price/earnings ratio and an above-average earnings growth trend.

The portfolio managers typically sell a stock when it appears less likely to benefit from the current market and economic environment, shows deteriorating fundamentals or declining momentum, or falls short of BNYM Investment Adviser's expectations.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may invest in ADRs, which are U.S. dollar-denominated securities that represent indirect ownership of securities issued by foreign companies. The fund also may invest in ETFs and similarly structured pooled investments in order to provide exposure to certain equity markets while maintaining liquidity.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to equity securities of companies organized, or with a majority of assets or operations, in countries considered to be emerging markets, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and income). To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity securities. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The fund focuses on dividend-paying stocks of foreign companies, including those in emerging market countries. The fund normally invests substantially all of its assets in the equity securities of issuers located outside the United States and diversifies broadly among developed and emerging market countries.

The fund's portfolio managers select stocks through a disciplined investment process using proprietary quantitative computer models that analyze a diverse set of stock characteristics to identify and rank stocks based on earnings quality. Based on this analysis, the portfolio managers generally select from the higher ranked dividend-paying securities those stocks that they believe will continue to pay above-average dividends. The portfolio managers will seek to overweight higher dividend-paying stocks, while maintaining country and sector weights generally similar to those of the MSCI All Country World Ex-U.S.A. Index (MSCI ACWI Ex-USA), the fund's benchmark index. The fund typically invests in countries represented in the MSCI ACWI Ex-USA. The fund generally invests in the stocks of companies in each country with a 10% or greater weighting in the MSCI ACWI Ex-USA, but is not required to invest in the stocks of companies in those countries with lower index weights. The MSCI ACWI Ex-USA is an unmanaged, free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that measures the equity market performance of developed and emerging market countries, excluding the United States.

The fund's portfolio managers typically sell a stock when it becomes less attractive based on the stock's dividend yield and/or earnings quality. The portfolio managers also may reduce the weighting of a stock held by the fund if it or the country in which the issuer is located becomes overweighted as determined by the portfolio managers.

The fund invests principally in common stocks. Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund's equity investments also may include preferred stocks, convertible securities, depositary receipts and REITs. Although the fund typically invests in seasoned issuers, it may purchase securities of companies in IPOs or shortly thereafter.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic

characteristics similar to equity securities, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or, for hedging purposes only, through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. The currency exposure of the fund's portfolio may be substantially unhedged to the U.S. dollar, but, at times, the fund's portfolio managers may seek to manage currency risk by hedging a portion of the fund's currency exposure to the U.S. dollar. The fund also may invest in ETFs.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon Bond Fund

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and current income). To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in bonds, such as:

- U.S. Government and agency bonds
- corporate bonds
- mortgage-related securities, including commercial mortgage-backed securities
- foreign corporate and government bonds (up to 20% of total assets)
- municipal bonds

The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. BNYM Investment Adviser actively manages the fund's bond market and maturity exposure and credit profile. The fund's investments in bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. Investments in bonds may include government securities, corporate bonds, mortgage-related securities and municipal securities. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any duration. There are no restrictions on the dollar-weighted average maturity of the fund's portfolio or on the maturities of the individual bonds the fund may purchase. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Dollar-weighted average maturity is an average of the stated maturities of the securities held by the fund, based on their dollar-weighted proportions in the fund. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective portfolio maturity and average effective duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

BNYM Investment Adviser uses a disciplined process to select bonds and manage risk. BNYM Investment Adviser chooses bonds based on yield, credit quality, the level of interest rates and inflation, general economic and financial trends, and its outlook for the securities markets. Bonds selected must fit within management's predetermined targeted positions for quality, duration, coupon, maturity and sector. The process includes computer modeling and scenario testing of possible changes in market conditions. BNYM Investment Adviser will use other techniques in an attempt to manage market risk and duration.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or has identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to securities, indexes, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to bonds, the market value of such instruments will be

included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. To enhance current income, the fund also may engage in a series of purchase and sale contracts or forward roll transactions in which the fund sells a mortgage-related security, for example, to a financial institution and simultaneously agrees to purchase a similar security from the institution at a later date at an agreed-upon price.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and current income). To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in bonds, such as:

- U.S. government and agency bonds
- corporate bonds
- mortgage-related securities, including commercial mortgage-backed securities (up to 25% of total assets)
- foreign corporate and government bonds (up to 20% of total assets)
- municipal bonds

The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. BNYM Investment Adviser actively manages bond market and maturity exposure and credit profile. The fund's investments in bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Investments in bonds may include government securities, corporate bonds and municipal securities. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between 3 and 10 years and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will be between 2.5 and 5.5 years. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective portfolio maturity and average effective duration, the fund may treat a bond that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

BNYM Investment Adviser uses a disciplined process to select bonds and manage risk. BNYM Investment Adviser chooses bonds based on yield, credit quality, the level of interest rates and inflation, general economic and financial trends, and its outlook for the securities markets. Bonds selected must fit within management's predetermined targeted positions for quality, duration, coupon, maturity and sector. The process includes computer modeling and scenario testing of possible changes in market conditions. BNYM Investment Adviser will use other techniques in an attempt to manage market risk and duration.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or has identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to bonds, the market value of such instruments will be

included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. To enhance current income, the fund also may engage in a series of purchase and sale contracts or forward roll transactions in which the fund sells a mortgage-related security, for example, to a financial institution and simultaneously agrees to purchase a similar security from the institution at a later date at an agreed-upon price.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund

The fund seeks total return (consisting of capital appreciation and current income). To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in corporate bonds, which include U.S. dollar-denominated bonds issued by U.S. and foreign corporations. Although not a principal investment strategy, the remainder of the fund's assets may be invested in U.S. government and agency bonds, mortgage-related securities, including commercial mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities, foreign corporate bonds denominated in foreign currencies, foreign government bonds, municipal bonds and commercial paper and other money market instruments. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders.

BNYM Investment Adviser actively manages the fund's bond market and maturity exposure and credit profile. The fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in bonds rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser, with at least 65% of such investment grade bonds issued by corporations or the U.S. government or its agencies. Although not a principal investment strategy, for additional yield, the fund may invest up to 20% of its assets in fixed-income securities rated below investment grade ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) or the unrated equivalent as determined by BNYM Investment Adviser, but no lower than Ba-/BB- (or the unrated equivalent as determined by BNYM Investment Adviser) in the case of mortgage-related and asset-backed securities. The fund's investments in foreign securities generally will be denominated in U.S. dollars.

Generally, the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any duration. There are no restrictions on the dollar-weighted average maturity of the fund's portfolio or on the maturities of the individual bonds the fund may purchase. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Dollar-weighted average maturity is an average of the stated maturities of the securities held by the fund, based on their dollar-weighted proportions in the fund. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

BNYM Investment Adviser uses a disciplined process to select bonds and manage risk. BNYM Investment Adviser chooses bonds based on yield, credit quality, the level of interest rates and inflation, general economic and financial trends, and its outlook for the securities markets. In selecting corporate bonds for investment, the fund's portfolio managers analyze fundamental metrics, including the issuer's cash flow, leverage and operating margins, as well as its business strategy and operating performance, and macro economic factors. Bonds selected must fit within management's predetermined targeted positions for quality, duration, coupon, maturity and sector. The process includes computer modeling and scenario testing of possible changes in market conditions. BNYM Investment Adviser will use other techniques in an attempt to manage market risk and duration.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or has identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, to manage foreign

currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to corporate bonds, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or, for hedging purposes only, through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. To enhance current income, the fund also may engage in a series of purchase and sale contracts or forward roll transactions in which the fund sells a mortgage-related security, for example, to a financial institution and simultaneously agrees to purchase a similar security from the institution at a later date at an agreed-upon price. The fund also may make forward commitments in which the fund agrees to buy or sell a security in the future at an agreed upon price. Forward commitments typically involve new issues of U.S. Treasury and other government securities, which are often offered on a forward commitment or when-issued basis.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund

The fund seeks to provide as high a level of current income as is consistent with the preservation of capital. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, and in repurchase agreements in respect of such securities. The fund's investment objective and policy with respect to the investment of 80% of its net assets may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. The fund may invest in mortgage-related securities issued by U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities, such as mortgage pass through securities issued by the Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation. Although not a principal investment strategy, fund also may invest in collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs), including stripped mortgage-backed securities. The securities in which the fund invests include those backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government and those that are neither insured nor guaranteed by the U.S. government.

Typically in choosing securities, the portfolio managers first examine U.S. and global economic conditions and other market factors in order to estimate long- and short-term interest rates. Using a research-driven investment process, generally the portfolio managers then seek to identify potentially profitable sectors before they are widely perceived by the market, and seeks underpriced or mispriced securities that appear likely to perform well over time. The fund may engage in frequent trading.

Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will be less than three years. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective portfolio maturity and average effective duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or has identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and

options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices and interest rates), forward contracts and swap agreements. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of the fund's total assets.

BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund

The fund seeks to maximize current income exempt from federal income tax to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital. The fund's investment objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal income tax. Municipal bonds are debt securities or other obligations issued by states, territories and possessions of the United States (such as Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands) and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities..

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between three and ten years and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective portfolio maturity and average effective duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax. The fund also may invest temporarily in taxable bonds. During such periods, the fund may not achieve its investment objective.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or have identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures, options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices and interest rates), swap agreements and inverse floaters. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal income tax, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. The fund may buy securities that pay interest at rates that float inversely with changes in prevailing interest rates (inverse floaters). Inverse floaters are created by depositing municipal bonds in a trust which divides the bond's income

stream into two parts: a short term variable rate demand note and a residual interest bond (the inverse floater) which receives interest based on the remaining cash flow of the trust after payment of interest on the note and various trust expenses. Interest on the inverse floater usually moves in the opposite direction as the interest on the variable rate demand note. The fund also may make forward commitments in which the fund agrees to buy or sell a security in the future at an agreed upon price.

The fund is non-diversified.

BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund

The fund seeks to maximize current income exempt from federal income tax to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital. The fund's investment objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal income tax. Municipal bonds are debt securities or other obligations issued by states, territories and possessions of the United States (such as Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands) and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will be less than three years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective maturity and average effective portfolio duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax. The fund also may invest temporarily in taxable bonds. During such periods, the fund may not achieve its investment objective.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or have identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures, options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices and interest rates), swap agreements and inverse floaters. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal income tax, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. The fund may buy securities that pay interest at rates that float inversely with changes in prevailing interest rates (inverse floaters). Inverse floaters are created by depositing municipal bonds in a trust which divides the bond's income stream into two parts: a short term variable rate demand note and a residual interest bond (the inverse floater) which receives interest based on the remaining cash flow of the trust after payment of interest on the note and various trust expenses. Interest on the inverse floater usually moves in the opposite direction as the interest on the variable rate demand note. The fund also may make forward commitments in which the fund agrees to buy or sell a security in the future at an agreed upon price.

The fund is non-diversified.

BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund

The fund seeks as high a level of current income exempt from federal and Pennsylvania state income taxes as is consistent with the preservation of capital. The fund's investment objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal and Pennsylvania state personal income taxes. These municipal bonds include those issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as well as those issued by territories and possessions of the United States (such as Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands) and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between three and ten years and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective portfolio maturity and average effective duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal and Pennsylvania state income taxes, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax. The fund also may invest temporarily in taxable bonds, including when the portfolio managers believe acceptable Pennsylvania municipal bonds are not available for investment. During such periods, the fund may not achieve its investment objective. In addition, a portion of the fund's assets may be invested in municipal bonds that do not pay income that is exempt from Pennsylvania state income taxes.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or have identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures, options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices and interest rates), swap agreements and inverse floaters. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal and Pennsylvania state personal income taxes, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. The fund may buy securities that pay interest at rates that float inversely with changes in prevailing interest rates (inverse floaters). Inverse floaters are created by depositing municipal bonds in a trust which divides the bond's income stream into two parts: a short term variable rate demand note and a residual interest bond (the inverse floater) which receives interest based on the remaining cash flow of the trust after payment of interest on the note and various trust expenses. Interest on the inverse floater usually moves in the opposite direction as the interest on the variable rate demand note. The fund also may make forward commitments in which the fund agrees to buy or sell a security in the future at an agreed upon price.

The fund is non-diversified.

BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund

The fund seeks as high a level of income exempt from federal and Massachusetts state income taxes as is consistent with the preservation of capital. The fund's investment objective may be changed by the fund's board upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal and Massachusetts state personal income taxes. These municipal bonds include those issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as well as those issued by territories and possessions of the United States (such as Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands) and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between three and ten years and the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective portfolio maturity and average effective duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal and Massachusetts state income taxes, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax. The fund also may invest temporarily in taxable bonds, including when the portfolio managers believe acceptable Massachusetts municipal bonds are not available for investment. During such periods, the fund may not achieve its investment objective. In addition, a portion of the fund's assets may be invested in municipal bonds that do not pay income that is exempt from Massachusetts state income taxes.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or have identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures, options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices and interest rates), swap agreements and inverse floaters. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal and Massachusetts state personal income taxes, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. The fund may buy securities that pay interest at rates that float inversely with changes in prevailing interest rates (inverse floaters). Inverse floaters are created by depositing municipal bonds in a trust which divides the bond's income stream into two parts: a short term variable rate demand note and a residual interest bond (the inverse floater) which receives interest based on the remaining cash flow of the trust after payment of interest on the note and various trust expenses. Interest on the inverse floater usually moves in the opposite direction as the interest on the variable rate demand note. The fund also may make forward commitments in which the fund agrees to buy or sell a security in the future at an agreed upon price.

The fund is non-diversified.

BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund

The fund seeks as high a level of income exempt from federal, New York state and New York city income taxes as is consistent with the preservation of capital. The fund's investment objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal, New York state and New York city personal income taxes. These municipal bonds include those issued by New York state and New York city as well as those issued by territories and possessions of the United States (such as Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands) and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities.

The fund's investments in municipal and taxable bonds must be rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser. Generally, the fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between three and ten years. The fund may invest in individual municipal and taxable bonds of any maturity or duration. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Average effective portfolio maturity is an average of the maturities of bonds held by the fund directly and the bonds underlying derivative instruments entered into by the fund, if any, adjusted to reflect provisions or market conditions that may cause a bond's principal to be repaid earlier than at its stated maturity. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective portfolio maturity and average effective duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

The fund normally expects to be fully invested in tax-exempt securities, but may invest up to 20% of its assets in fixed-income securities the income from which is subject to federal income tax, the federal alternative minimum tax, and/or New York state and New York city income taxes. The fund may not achieve its investment objective when investing in taxable bonds.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio managers believe that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or has identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio managers seek to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices and interest rates), swap agreements and inverse floaters). To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to municipal bonds that provide income exempt from federal, New York state and New York city personal income taxes, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. The fund may buy securities that pay interest at rates that float inversely with changes in prevailing interest rates (inverse floaters). Inverse floaters are created by depositing municipal bonds in a trust which divides the bond's income stream into two parts: a short term variable rate demand note and a residual interest bond (the inverse floater) which receives interest based on the remaining cash flow of the trust after payment of interest on the note and various trust expenses. Interest on the inverse floaters usually moves in the opposite direction as the interest on the variable rate demand note. The fund also may make forward commitments in which the fund agrees to buy or sell a security in the future at an agreed upon price.

The fund is non-diversified.

BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund

The fund seeks to maximize total return consisting of high current income exempt from federal income tax and capital appreciation. The fund's investment objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders. To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for

investment purposes, in U.S. dollar-denominated fixed-income securities that provide income exempt from federal income tax (municipal bonds). Municipal bonds are debt securities or other obligations issued by states, territories and possessions of the United States (such as Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands) and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multistate agencies and authorities, and certain other specified securities. While the fund typically invests in a diversified portfolio of municipal bonds, it may invest up to 20% of its assets in taxable fixed-income securities, including taxable municipal bonds and non-U.S. dollar-denominated foreign debt securities such as Brady bonds and sovereign debt obligations. The fund may not achieve its investment objective when investing in taxable bonds.

The fund invests at least 50% of its assets in fixed-income securities that are rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) or are the unrated equivalent as determined by BNYM Investment Adviser. For additional yield, the fund may invest up to 50% of its assets in fixed-income securities that are rated below investment grade ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) or are the unrated equivalent as determined by BNYM Investment Adviser. The fund may invest in bonds of any maturity or duration and does not expect to target any specific range of maturity or duration. The dollar-weighted average maturity of the fund's portfolio will vary from time to time depending on the portfolio manager's views on the direction of interest rates. A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal must be fully repaid with interest. Dollar-weighted average maturity is an average of the stated maturities of the securities held by the fund, based on their dollar-weighted proportions in the fund. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating average effective portfolio maturity and average effective duration, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

Although the fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in municipal bonds, the income from which is exempt from federal income tax, the fund may invest up to 50% of its assets in municipal bonds, the income from which is subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

The fund's portfolio manager seeks to deliver value added excess returns ("alpha") by applying an investment approach designed to identify and exploit relative value opportunities within the municipal bond market and other fixed-income markets. Although the fund seeks to be diversified by geography and sector, the fund may at times invest a significant portion of its assets in a particular state or region or in a particular sector due to market conditions.

The fund typically sells a security when the portfolio manager believes that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or has identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio manager seeks to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

The fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration, interest rate or foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates), swap agreements and inverse floaters. Swap agreements, such as credit default swaps, can be used to transfer the credit risk of a security without actually transferring ownership of the security or to customize exposure to a particular credit. To the extent that the fund invests in derivative or other strategic instruments with economic characteristics similar to municipal bonds, the market value of such instruments will be included for purposes of the fund's 80% investment policy. Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open. In the case of swaps, futures contracts, options, forward contracts and other derivative instruments that provide for full payment of the value of the underlying asset, in cash or by physical delivery, at the settlement date, for example, the fund may be required to set aside liquid assets equal to the full notional amount of the instrument (generally, the total numerical value of the asset underlying the derivatives contract) while the positions are open, to the extent there is not an offsetting position. However, with respect to certain swaps, futures contracts, options, forward contracts and other derivative instruments that require periodic cash settlement during the term of the transaction or cash payment of the gain or loss under the transaction at the settlement date, the fund may segregate liquid assets in an amount equal to the fund's daily marked-to-market net obligations (i.e., the fund's daily net liability) under the instrument, if any, rather than its full notional amount. By setting aside assets equal to only the fund's net obligations under the instrument, the fund will have the ability to employ leverage to a greater extent than if the fund

were required to segregate liquid assets equal to the full notional value of such instruments. The fund may buy securities that pay interest at rates that float inversely with changes in prevailing interest rates (inverse floaters). Inverse floaters are created by depositing municipal bonds in a trust which divides the bond's income stream into two parts: a short-term variable rate demand note and a residual interest bond (the inverse floater) which receives interest based on the remaining cash flow of the trust after payment of interest on the note and various trust expenses. Interest on the inverse floater usually moves in the opposite direction as the interest on the variable rate demand note. The fund also may make forward commitments in which the fund agrees to buy or sell a security in the future at an agreed upon price.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund may also invest in ETFs.

The fund is non-diversified.

BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund

The fund seeks long-term growth of principal in conjunction with current income. This objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders.

The fund may invest in both individual securities and other investment companies, including other series of BNY Mellon Funds Trust, funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds and unaffiliated open-end funds, closed-end funds and ETFs (referred to below as the "underlying funds"), which in turn may invest directly in the asset classes described below. To pursue its goal, the fund currently intends to allocate its assets, directly and/or through investment in the underlying funds, to gain investment exposure to the following asset classes: Large Cap Equities, Small Cap and Mid Cap Equities, Developed International and Global Equities, Emerging Markets Equities, Investment Grade Bonds, High Yield Bonds, Emerging Markets Debt, Diversifying Strategies and Money Market Instruments.

BNYM Investment Adviser allocates the fund's investments (directly and/or through investment in the underlying funds) among these asset classes using fundamental and quantitative analysis, and its outlook for the economy and financial markets. The underlying funds are selected by BNYM Investment Adviser based on their investment objectives and management policies, portfolio holdings, risk/reward profiles, historical performance, and other factors, including the correlation and covariance among the underlying funds. The fund may change the underlying funds – whether affiliated or unaffiliated – from time to time without notice to fund shareholders. The fund may invest directly in the equity securities of large-cap companies (generally those with total market capitalizations of \$5 billion or more) and in fixed-income securities rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) or, if unrated, deemed to be of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser, at the time of purchase.

The fund is not required to maintain exposure to any particular asset class and BNYM Investment Adviser determines whether to invest in a particular asset class and whether to invest directly in securities or through an underlying fund, and sets the target allocations. The asset classes and the fund's targets and ranges (expressed as a percentage of the fund's investable assets) for allocating its assets among the asset classes, and the underlying funds selected by BNYM Investment Adviser as fund investment options as of the date of this prospectus were as follows:

Asset Class	Target	Range
Large Cap Equities	24%	20% to 45%
Direct Investments		
BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund		
BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund		
BNY Mellon Appreciation Fund, Inc.		
BNY Mellon U.S. Equity Fund		
BNY Mellon Research Growth Fund, Inc.		
BNY Mellon Dynamic Value Fund		
Small Cap and Mid Cap Equities	11%	5% to 20%
BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund		
BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund		
BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund		
BNY Mellon Select Managers Small Cap Value Fund		
BNY Mellon Select Managers Small Cap Growth Fund		
Developed International and Global Equities	12%	5% to 20%
BNY Mellon International Fund		
BNY Mellon International Equity Fund		
BNY Mellon Global Stock Fund		
BNY Mellon International Stock Fund		
BNY Mellon Global Real Estate Securities Fund		

Asset Class	Target	Range
BNY Mellon International Small Cap Fund		
Emerging Markets Equities BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund	5%	0% to 20%
Investment Grade Bonds Direct Investments BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund Unaffiliated Investment Company	27%	20% to 55%
High Yield Bonds BNY Mellon High Yield Fund BNY Mellon Floating Rate Income Fund	3%	0% to 10%
Emerging Markets Debt Unaffiliated Investment Company	0%	0% to 10%
Diversifying Strategies BNY Mellon Dynamic Total Return Fund Unaffiliated Investment Companies	17%	0% to 20%
Money Market Instruments Direct Investments	1%	0% to 10%

The asset classes and the target weightings and ranges have been selected for investment over longer time periods based on BNYM Investment Adviser's expectation that the selected securities and underlying funds, in combination, will be appropriate to achieve the fund's investment objective. The target weightings will deviate over the short term because of market movements and fund cash flows. If appreciation or depreciation in the value of selected securities or an underlying fund's shares causes the percentage of the fund's assets invested in an asset class to fall outside the applicable investment range, BNYM Investment Adviser will consider whether to reallocate the fund's assets, but is not required to do so. BNYM Investment Adviser normally considers reallocating the fund's investments at least quarterly, but may do so more often in response to market conditions. Any changes to the asset classes, underlying funds or the allocation weightings may be implemented over a reasonable period of time. BNYM Investment Adviser has the discretion to change the asset classes, whether to invest directly in securities or through an underlying fund, and the target allocations and ranges, without shareholder approval or prior notice, when BNYM Investment Adviser deems it appropriate. To the extent an underlying fund offers multiple classes of shares, the fund will purchase shares of the class with the lowest expense ratio and without a sales load or distribution and/or service fee. The fund's investments in shares of the underlying funds may involve duplication of advisory fees and certain other expenses.

Although not a principal investment strategy of the fund, the fund, and certain of the underlying funds in which the fund may invest, may, but are not required to, use derivatives as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage duration or interest rate risk or as part of a hedging strategy. The derivative instruments in which the fund, and certain of the underlying funds, may invest include principally options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to securities, indices, foreign currencies and interest rates). Derivatives may be entered into on established exchanges or through privately negotiated transactions referred to as over-the-counter derivatives. A derivatives contract will obligate or entitle the fund or the underlying fund to deliver or receive an asset or cash payment based on the change in value of the underlying asset. When the fund or the underlying fund enters into derivatives transactions, it may be required to segregate liquid assets or enter into offsetting positions or otherwise cover its obligations, in accordance with applicable regulations, while the positions are open.

Although not a principal investment strategy, the fund, and certain of the underlying funds in which the fund may invest, may lend their portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions needing to borrow securities to complete certain transactions. Loans of portfolio securities may not exceed 33-1/3% of the value of a fund's total assets.

Description of the Asset Classes

The following describes the asset classes in which the fund currently intends to allocate its assets, directly and/or through investment in the underlying funds, which in turn may invest directly in securities as described below.

Large Cap Equities

The portion of the fund's assets that is invested directly in large cap equity securities is normally invested primarily in the equity securities of large cap companies included in the S&P 500® Index (S&P 500). In selecting securities in which the fund invests directly for the large cap equities asset class, the portfolio managers use an optimization program to establish portfolio characteristics and risk factors that the portfolio managers determine are desirable relative to the aggregate characteristics and risk factors of the securities in the S&P 500. The portfolio characteristics and risk factors could be considered to have more or less risk than the S&P 500. This portion of the fund's large cap equities asset class does not seek to add value through active security selection, nor does it target index replication. The portfolio managers responsible for the portion of the fund's assets that is invested directly in large cap equity securities seek to actively and opportunistically realize capital gains and/or losses as determined to be appropriate to improve the tax-sensitivity of the investment performance of this portion of the fund's portfolio. The portion of the fund's assets that is invested directly in large cap equity securities may realize losses to offset gains incurred as a result of more closely aligning the portfolio with the characteristics of the S&P 500, or to allow more flexibility for offsetting gains incurred through subsequent rebalancing of this portion of the fund's portfolio. The portion of the fund's assets that is invested directly in large cap equity securities is not characterized by low turnover.

The portfolio managers responsible for the portion of the fund's assets that is invested directly in large cap equity securities assess both portfolio risk and tax considerations by analyzing the realized and unrealized gains and losses, as well as the impact of market movements, on this portion of the fund's portfolio. The portfolio managers rebalance this portion of the fund's portfolio opportunistically, as the portfolio managers determine, based on the tradeoff between portfolio risk characteristics and realized and unrealized capital gains or losses.

The underlying funds in which the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the large cap equities asset class may be invested currently include BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund, BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund, BNY Mellon Appreciation Fund, Inc., BNY Mellon U.S. Equity Fund, BNY Mellon Research Growth Fund, Inc. and BNY Mellon Dynamic Value Fund.

BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund normally invests in approximately 25-30 companies that are considered by BNYM Investment Adviser to be positioned for long-term earnings growth. This underlying fund's portfolio managers monitor sector and security weightings and regularly evaluate the risk-adjusted returns to manage the risk profile of this underlying fund's assets. This underlying fund may invest in the stocks of companies of any size, although it focuses on large cap companies. This underlying fund invests primarily in equity securities of U.S. issuers.

BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund seeks to focus on dividend-paying stocks and other investments and investment techniques that provide income. This underlying fund's portfolio managers choose stocks through a disciplined investment process that combines computer modeling techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. This underlying fund emphasizes those stocks with value characteristics, although it may also purchase growth stocks. This underlying fund may invest in the stocks of companies of any size, although it focuses on large-cap companies. This underlying fund's investment process is designed to provide investors with investment exposure to sector weightings and risk characteristics generally similar to those of the Dow Jones Index, which is comprised of 100 of the highest dividend-yielding securities (excluding REITs) in the Dow Jones U.S. Index, a broad-based index that is representative of the total U.S. equity market. This underlying fund's portfolio allocations, however, may differ from those of the Dow Jones Index.

BNY Mellon Appreciation Fund, Inc. focuses on "blue chip" companies with total market capitalizations of more than \$5 billion at the time of purchase, including multinational companies. These are established companies that have demonstrated sustained patterns of profitability, strong balance sheets, an expanding global presence and the potential to achieve predictable, above-average earnings growth. In choosing stocks, this underlying fund's portfolio managers first identify economic sectors they believe will expand over the next three to five years or longer. Using fundamental analysis, this underlying fund's portfolio managers then seek companies within these sectors that have proven track records and dominant positions in their industries. In addition to direct investments, the underlying fund may invest in securities of foreign companies in the form of U.S. dollar-denominated ADRs. This underlying fund employs a "buy-and-hold" investment strategy, which generally has resulted in an annual portfolio turnover of below 15%.

BNY Mellon U.S. Equity Fund invests primarily in equity securities of companies located in the United States of any market capitalization. This underlying fund seeks investment opportunities in companies with fundamental strengths that indicate the potential for sustainable growth. The approach of this underlying fund's portfolio managers focuses on individual stock selection, building a portfolio from the bottom up through extensive fundamental research. Market capitalization and sector allocations are results of, not part of, the investment process.

BNY Mellon Research Growth Fund, Inc. invests in stocks selected by a team of core research analysts, with each analyst responsible for this underlying fund's investments in his or her area of expertise. As the portfolio managers for this underlying fund, these analysts utilize a fundamental, bottom-up research process to identify investments for the

fund. This underlying fund invests in those companies in which the analysts have the highest degree of conviction or have identified a strong near-term catalyst for earnings growth or share price appreciation. The analysts, under the direction of the director of the core research team, determine this underlying fund's allocations among market sectors. This underlying fund's portfolio is structured so that its sector weightings generally are similar to those of its benchmark, the Russell 1000® Growth Index.

BNY Mellon Dynamic Value Fund invests in stocks through a process in which this underlying fund's portfolio managers identify potential investments through extensive quantitative and fundamental research. The fund focuses on individual stock selection (a "bottom-up" approach), emphasizing three key factors: value, sound business fundamentals and positive business momentum.

Small Cap and Mid Cap Equities

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the small cap and mid cap equities asset class normally is invested in underlying funds that generally focus on stocks of small- or mid-capitalization companies. Small cap companies generally are new and often entrepreneurial companies. Small cap companies can, if successful, grow faster than large cap companies and typically use profits for expansion rather than for paying dividends. Their share prices are more volatile than those of larger companies. Small companies fail more often. Mid cap companies generally are established companies that may not be well known. Mid cap companies may lack the resources to weather economic shifts, though they can be faster to innovate than large companies.

The underlying funds in which the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the small cap and mid cap equities asset class may be invested currently include BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund, BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund, BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund, BNY Mellon Select Managers Small Cap Value Fund, and BNY Mellon Select Managers Small Cap Growth Fund.

BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund normally invests in equity securities of companies with market capitalizations that fall within the market capitalization range of companies in the Russell Midcap® Index. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalizations of the largest and smallest companies included in the Russell Midcap® Index were approximately \$60 billion and \$654 million, respectively, and the weighted average and median market capitalizations of the Russell Midcap® Index were approximately \$20 billion and \$9 billion, respectively. This underlying fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser and unaffiliated sub-investment advisers that invest primarily in equity securities issued by mid cap companies. This underlying fund is designed to provide exposure to various mid cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles.

BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund normally invests in equity securities of small cap and mid cap companies. This underlying fund currently considers small cap and mid cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that are within the market capitalization range of the smallest company included in the Russell 2000® Index and the largest company included in the Russell Midcap® Index. This corresponds to companies with market capitalizations as of November 30, 2020 of between approximately \$33 million and \$60 billion. This underlying fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser that invest primarily in equity securities issued by small cap and mid cap companies. This underlying fund is designed to provide exposure to various small cap and mid cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles.

BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund normally invests in equity securities of small cap companies. This underlying fund currently considers small cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that are equal to or less than the market capitalization of the largest company included in the Russell 2000® Index. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalization of the largest company in the Russell 2000® Index was approximately \$13 billion, and the weighted average and median market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Index were approximately \$3 billion and \$796 million, respectively. This underlying fund normally allocates its assets among multiple investment strategies employed by BNYM Investment Adviser that invest primarily in equity securities issued by small cap companies. This underlying fund is designed to provide exposure to various small cap equity portfolio managers and investment strategies and styles.

BNY Mellon Select Managers Small Cap Value Fund normally invests in stocks of small cap companies. This underlying fund currently considers small cap companies to be those companies with market capitalizations that fall within the range of companies in the Russell 2000® Value Index. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalizations of the largest and smallest companies included in the Russell 2000 Value Index were approximately \$13 billion and \$33 million, respectively, and the weighted average and median market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Value Index were approximately \$2 billion and \$686 million, respectively. This underlying fund's portfolio is constructed so as to have a value tilt. This underlying fund uses a "multi-manager" approach by selecting one or more sub-investment advisers to manage its assets. This underlying fund may hire, terminate or replace sub-investment advisers and modify material terms and conditions of sub-investment advisory arrangements without shareholder approval. This underlying fund's

assets are currently allocated among six unaffiliated sub-investment advisers, each of which acts independently of the others and uses its own methodology to select portfolio investments.

BNY Mellon Select Managers Small Cap Growth Fund normally invests in stocks of companies with market capitalizations that fall within the range of companies in the Russell 2000® Growth Index. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalizations of the largest and smallest companies included in the Russell 2000® Growth Index were approximately \$13 billion and \$33 million, respectively, and the weighted average and median market capitalizations of the Russell 2000® Growth Index were approximately \$4 billion and \$1 billion, respectively. This underlying fund's portfolio is constructed so as to have a growth tilt. This underlying fund uses a "multi-manager" approach by selecting one or more sub-investment advisers to manage its assets. This underlying fund may hire, terminate or replace sub-investment advisers and modify material terms and conditions of sub-investment advisory arrangements without shareholder approval. This underlying fund's assets are currently allocated among six unaffiliated sub-investment advisers, each of which acts independently of the others and uses its own methodology to select portfolio investments.

Developed International and Global Equities

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the developed international and global equities asset class normally is invested in underlying funds that generally invest in equity securities of companies located in the developed markets, such as Canada, Japan, Australia, Hong Kong, Western Europe and, to a limited extent for global underlying funds, the United States.

The underlying funds in which the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the developed international and global equities asset class may be invested currently include BNY Mellon International Fund, BNY Mellon International Equity Fund, BNY Mellon Global Stock Fund, BNY Mellon International Stock Fund and BNY Mellon Global Real Estate Securities Fund.

BNY Mellon International Fund invests primarily in equity securities of foreign issuers. Though not specifically limited, this underlying fund ordinarily will invest in a broad range of (and in any case at least five different) countries. The stocks purchased may have value and/or growth characteristics. The portfolio managers employ a bottom-up investment approach which emphasizes individual stock selection. The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio that, relative to the MSCI EAFE Index, has a below-average price/earnings ratio and an above-average earnings growth trend.

BNY Mellon International Equity Fund invests primarily in equity securities of foreign companies and depository receipts evidencing ownership of such securities. At least 75% of this underlying fund's net assets is invested in countries represented in the MSCI EAFE Index. This underlying fund may invest up to 25% of its assets in stocks of companies located in countries (other than the United States) not represented in the MSCI EAFE Index, including up to 20% in emerging market countries. The core of the investment philosophy of this underlying fund's portfolio managers is the belief that no company, market or economy can be considered in isolation; each must be understood within a global context. This underlying fund's portfolio managers believe that a global comparison of companies is the most effective method of stock analysis, and their global analysts research investment opportunities by global sector rather than by region. The process begins by identifying a core list of investment themes that the portfolio managers believe will positively or negatively affect certain sectors or industries and cause stocks within these sectors or industries to outperform or underperform others. The portfolio managers for this underlying fund then identify specific companies using these investment themes to help focus on areas where the thematic and strategic research indicates superior returns are likely to be achieved.

BNY Mellon Global Stock Fund focuses on companies located in the developed markets, such as the United States, Canada, Japan, Australia, Hong Kong and Western Europe. This underlying fund ordinarily invests in at least three countries, and, at times, may invest a substantial portion of its assets in a single country. This underlying fund may invest in the securities of companies of any market capitalization. This underlying fund seeks investment opportunities in companies with fundamental strengths that indicate the potential for sustainable growth. The approach of this underlying fund's portfolio managers focuses on individual stock selection, building a portfolio from the bottom up through extensive fundamental research. Geographic and sector allocations are results of, not part of, the investment process.

BNY Mellon International Stock Fund focuses on foreign companies located in the developed markets, such as Canada, Japan, Australia, Hong Kong, and Western Europe. This underlying fund ordinarily invests in at least three countries, and, at times, may invest a substantial portion of its assets in a single country. This underlying fund may invest in the securities of companies of any market capitalization. This underlying fund seeks investment opportunities in companies with fundamental strengths that indicate the potential for sustainable growth. The approach of this underlying fund's portfolio managers focuses on individual stock selection, building a portfolio from the bottom up through extensive fundamental research. Geographic and sector allocations are results of, not part of, the investment process.

BNY Mellon Global Real Estate Securities Fund normally invests in publicly-traded equity securities of companies principally engaged in the real estate sector. This underlying fund normally invests in a global portfolio of equity securities of real estate companies, including REITs and real estate operating companies, with principal places of business located in, but not limited to, the developed markets of Europe, Australia, Asia and North America (including the United States). Although the fund invests primarily in developed markets, it also may invest in equity securities of located in emerging market countries, and may invest in equity securities of companies of any market capitalization, including smaller companies.

BNY Mellon International Small Cap Fund invests in common stocks and other equity securities of small cap foreign companies. This underlying fund considers foreign companies to be those companies organized or with their principal place of business, or majority of assets or business, in countries represented in the S&P® Developed Ex-U.S. Small Cap Index, the underlying fund's benchmark. This underlying fund considers small cap companies to be those companies with total market capitalizations that fall within the range of the capitalizations of the companies that comprise the S&P Developed Ex-U.S. Small Cap Index. As of November 30, 2020, the market capitalizations of the largest and smallest companies included in the S&P Developed Ex-U.S. Small Cap Index were approximately \$21 billion and \$10 million, respectively, and the mean and median total market capitalizations of the index were approximately \$1 billion and \$669 million, respectively. This underlying 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. This underlying fund's portfolio managers employ a bottom-up investment approach using proprietary quantitative models and traditional qualitative analysis to identify attractive stocks. The portfolio managers seek to allocate country weights generally in accordance with the S&P Developed Ex-U.S. Small Cap Index and use the sector weightings of the index as a guide, but the fund's country and sector weightings may vary from those of the index. This underlying fund's stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio that, relative to the S&P Developed Ex-U.S. Small Cap Index, has a below-average price/earnings ratio and an above-average earnings growth trend.

Emerging Markets Equities

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the emerging markets equities asset class normally is invested in underlying funds that generally invest in equity securities of companies organized, or with a majority of assets or operations, in emerging market countries. These underlying funds generally consider emerging markets to include all countries represented by the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, or any other country that the underlying fund's portfolio managers believe has an emerging economy or market.

The underlying fund in which the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the emerging markets equities asset class may be invested currently is BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund.

BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund invests primarily in equity securities of companies organized, or with a majority of assets or operations, in countries considered to be emerging markets. This underlying fund may invest in companies of any size. Normally, this underlying fund will invest in a broad range of (and in any case at least five different) emerging market countries. The stocks purchased may have value and/or growth characteristics. The portfolio managers employ a bottom-up investment approach which emphasizes individual stock selection. The stock selection process is designed to produce a diversified portfolio that, relative to the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, has a below-average price/earnings ratio and an above-average earnings growth trend.

Investment Grade Bonds

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the investment grade bonds asset class normally is invested directly in fixed-income securities rated investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB or higher) at the time of purchase or, if unrated, deemed to be of comparable quality by BNYM Investment Adviser, or in underlying funds that invest in such securities. The fixed-income investments in which the fund and these underlying funds invest generally may include bonds, notes (including structured notes), mortgage-related securities, asset-backed securities, convertible securities, eurodollar and Yankee dollar instruments, preferred stocks, and inflation-indexed securities of varying duration or remaining maturity. Fixed-income securities may be issued by U.S. and foreign corporations or entities; U.S. and foreign banks; the U.S. government, its agencies, authorities, instrumentalities or sponsored enterprises; state and municipal governments; foreign governments and their political subdivisions; and supranational entities. These securities may have all types of interest rate payment and reset terms, including fixed rate, adjustable rate, zero coupon, contingent, deferred, payment in kind and auction rate features.

Generally, the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio allocated to the investment grade bonds asset class will not exceed eight years. The fund may invest in individual bonds of any duration. Duration is an indication of an investment's "interest rate risk," or how sensitive a bond or the fund's fixed-income portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. Generally, the longer a bond's duration, the more likely it is to react to interest rate fluctuations and the greater its long-term risk/return potential. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be

approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. In calculating the average effective duration of the fund's portfolio allocated to the investment grade bonds asset class, the fund may treat a security that can be repurchased by its issuer on an earlier date (known as a "call date") as maturing on the call date rather than on its stated maturity date.

BNYM Investment Adviser uses a disciplined process to select investment grade fixed-income securities and manage risk. BNYM Investment Adviser chooses fixed-income securities based on yield, credit quality, the level of interest rates and inflation, general economic and financial trends, and its outlook for the securities markets. Fixed-income securities selected must fit within BNYM Investment Adviser's predetermined targeted positions for quality, duration, coupon, maturity and sector. The process includes computer modeling and scenario testing of possible changes in market conditions. BNYM Investment Adviser will use other techniques in an attempt to manage market risk and duration.

The fund typically sells an individual fixed-income security when the portfolio manager believes that there has been a negative change in the credit quality of the issuer or has identified a more attractive opportunity or when the portfolio manager seeks to manage the fund's duration or tax position or to provide liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

The underlying funds in which the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the investment grade bonds asset class may be invested currently include BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund, BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund and an unaffiliated investment company.

BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund normally invests in securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, and in repurchase agreements in respect of such securities. This underlying fund may invest in mortgage-related securities issued by U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities. The securities in which this underlying fund invests include those backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government and those that are neither insured nor guaranteed by the U.S. government. Typically in choosing securities, this underlying fund's portfolio managers first examine U.S. and global economic conditions and other market factors in order to estimate long- and short-term interest rates. Using a research-driven investment process, generally the portfolio managers then seek to identify potentially profitable sectors before they are widely perceived by the market, and seeks underpriced or mispriced securities that appear likely to perform well over time. Generally, this underlying fund's average effective portfolio maturity and average effective portfolio duration will be less than three years. This underlying fund may invest in individual bonds of any maturity or duration.

BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund actively manages bond market and maturity exposure. BNYM Investment Adviser uses a disciplined process to select bonds and manage risk. The process includes computer modeling and scenario testing of possible changes in market conditions. BNYM Investment Adviser will use other techniques in an attempt to manage market risk and duration. Generally, this underlying fund's average effective portfolio maturity will be between 3 and 10 years and its average effective portfolio duration will be between 2.5 and 5.5 years. This underlying fund may invest in individual bonds of any maturity or duration.

BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund normally invests in corporate bonds, which include U.S. dollar-denominated bonds issued by U.S. and foreign corporations. BNYM Investment Adviser uses a disciplined process to select bonds and manage risk, actively managing the underlying fund's bond market and maturity exposure and credit profile. Bonds selected must fit within management's predetermined targeted positions for quality, duration, coupon, maturity and sector. The process includes computer modeling and scenario testing of possible changes in market conditions. BNYM Investment Adviser will use other techniques in an attempt to manage market risk and duration. This underlying fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in bonds rated investment grade or the unrated equivalent at the time of purchase, with at least 65% of such investment grade bonds issued by corporations or the U.S. government or its agencies. Generally, the average effective duration of this underlying fund's portfolio will not exceed eight years. This underlying fund may invest in individual bonds of any maturity or duration.

The unaffiliated underlying fund seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index, which tracks the inflation-protected sector of the United States Treasury market. Under normal market conditions, this underlying fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the index and in securities that the underlying fund's adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the index. In addition, in seeking to track the index this underlying fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds.

High Yield Bonds

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the high yield bond asset class normally is invested in underlying funds that generally invest in fixed-income securities rated below investment grade ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) or the unrated equivalent at the time of purchase, and may hold fixed-income securities of varying duration or remaining maturity. Because the issuers of high yield securities may be at an early stage of development or may have been unable to repay past debts, these bonds typically must offer higher yields than investment grade bonds to compensate investors for greater credit risk.

The underlying funds in which the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the high yield bonds asset class may be invested currently include BNY Mellon High Yield Fund and BNY Mellon Floating Rate Income Fund.

BNY Mellon High Yield Fund normally invests in various types of high yield fixed-income securities ("junk bonds"), such as corporate bonds and notes, mortgage-related securities, asset-backed securities, floating rate loans (limited to up to 20% of the fund's net assets) and other floating rate securities, zero coupon securities, convertible securities, preferred stock and other debt instruments of U.S. and foreign issuers. In choosing securities, this underlying fund's portfolio managers seek to capture the higher yields offered by junk bonds, while managing credit risk and the volatility caused by interest rate movements. This underlying fund's investment process involves a "top down" approach to security selection, looking at a variety of factors when assessing a potential investment, including the state of the industry or sector, the company's financial strength, and the company's management. This underlying fund also looks for companies that are underleveraged, have positive free cash flow, and are self-financing. There are no restrictions on the dollar-weighted average maturity or average effective duration of this underlying fund's portfolio or on the maturities or durations of the individual fixed-income securities the underlying fund may purchase.

BNY Mellon Floating Rate Income Fund normally invests in floating rate loans and other floating rate securities. Floating rate loans and other floating rate securities effectively should enable this underlying fund to achieve a floating rate of income. This underlying fund, which is non-diversified, normally will focus on senior secured floating rate loans, which are loans secured by specific collateral of the borrower and are senior to most other securities of the borrower in the event of bankruptcy. This underlying fund currently intends to invest principally in floating rate loans and other floating rate securities of U.S. issuers, but may invest up to 30% of its net assets in securities of foreign issuers, typically those located in foreign countries that are members of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. This underlying fund may invest in floating rate loans and other securities of any credit quality, maturity and duration. The floating rate loans and other floating rate securities in which this underlying fund invests typically will be rated, at the time of investment, below investment grade or the unrated equivalent (commonly referred to as "junk" or "high yield" instruments). The sub-adviser for this underlying fund buys and sells securities through a value-oriented, bottom up research process that incorporates a macroeconomic overlay to analyze investment opportunities. The sub-adviser uses fundamental credit analysis to identify favorable and unfavorable risk/reward opportunities across sectors, industries and structures while seeking to mitigate credit risk. The sub-adviser's fundamental analysis is complemented by its macroeconomic outlook as it relates to observed default trends, performance drivers and capital market liquidity.

Emerging Markets Debt

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the emerging markets debt asset class normally is invested in an underlying fund that generally invests in debt securities of emerging market companies or governments.

The underlying fund in which the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the emerging markets debt asset class may be invested currently is an unaffiliated investment company that normally invests in debt securities issued or guaranteed by companies, financial institutions and government entities in emerging market countries. This underlying fund generally will invest in at least four emerging market countries. This underlying fund may invest in securities rated below investment grade or the unrated equivalent, and may invest in defaulted corporate securities where its portfolio managers believe the restructured enterprise valuations or liquidation valuations may significantly exceed current market values. In addition, this underlying fund may invest in defaulted sovereign investments where its portfolio managers believe the expected debt sustainability of the country exceeds current market valuations. In allocating investments among various emerging market countries, the portfolio managers for this underlying fund attempt to analyze internal political, market and economic factors.

Diversifying Strategies

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the diversifying strategies asset class normally is invested in underlying funds that provide exposure to alternative or non-traditional asset categories or investment strategies. These underlying funds generally maintain a low or negative correlation over time with the returns of major equity indices.

The underlying funds in which the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the diversifying strategies asset class may be invested currently include BNY Mellon Dynamic Total Return Fund and four unaffiliated investment companies.

BNY Mellon Dynamic Total Return Fund invests in instruments that provide investment exposure to global equity, bond, currency and commodity markets, and in fixed-income securities. This underlying fund, which is non-diversified, may invest in instruments that provide economic exposure to developed and, to a limited extent, emerging market issuers. This underlying fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets in emerging market issuers. This underlying fund will seek to achieve investment exposure to global equity, bond, currency and commodity markets primarily through long and short positions in futures, options, forward contracts, swap agreements or ETFs, and normally will use economic leverage as part of its investment strategy. This underlying fund also may invest directly in equity securities, fixed-income securities and money market instruments. This underlying fund's portfolio managers apply a systematic, analytical investment approach designed to identify and exploit relative misvaluation opportunities across and within global capital markets. This underlying fund may use to a significant degree derivative instruments as a substitute for investing directly in equities, bonds, currencies or commodities in connection with its investment strategy. This underlying fund also may gain investment exposure to global commodity markets through a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary.

One of these unaffiliated underlying funds intends to invest in multiple proprietary and third-party investment strategies that seek to identify and profit from upcoming movements in any combination of global fixed income, currency, commodity or equity markets. The strategies of this underlying fund may be quantitative or fundamental in nature, and may use market data and macroeconomic analysis to determine positions. The proprietary strategies of the underlying fund may range from broad strategies that seek to provide exposure to all markets to focused strategies that seek to provide exposure to a single asset class, sector or market. The underlying fund also will take long and short positions in a particular asset class, sector or market that the underlying fund's investment advisor expects to rise or fall in value, respectively. This underlying fund will seek to implement its investment strategies by investing in: commodity, currency, equity, fixed income and other futures, forwards, options, and options on futures; exchange-traded funds; other pooled investment vehicles that provide exposure to the commodity, currency, equity and fixed income futures markets; commodity, currency and financial-linked instruments, such as swap agreements and structured notes; exchange-traded notes and common stock. The underlying fund may purchase and sell options and futures contracts. This underlying fund may invest up to 25% of its total assets in a wholly-owned and controlled Cayman Islands subsidiary, which has the same investment objective as the underlying fund, but which may invest to a greater extent than the underlying fund in commodity-linked derivative instruments.

Another unaffiliated underlying fund seeks to achieve long and short exposure to global equity, bond, currency and commodity markets through a wide range of derivative instruments and direct investments. Under normal market conditions, this underlying fund typically will make extensive use of derivative instruments, in particular futures and forward contracts on global equity and fixed-income securities, securities indices (including both broad- and narrow-based securities indices), currencies, commodities and other instruments. These investments are intended to provide this underlying fund with risk and return characteristics similar to those of a diversified portfolio of hedge funds, without investing in hedge funds. This underlying fund seeks to generate absolute returns over time, rather than track the performance of any particular index of hedge fund returns, using quantitative models to estimate the market exposures that drive the aggregate returns of a diverse set of hedge funds. This underlying fund also may invest up to 25% of its total assets in a wholly-owned and controlled Cayman Islands subsidiary, which may invest without limitation in commodity-related derivatives.

Another unaffiliated underlying fund seeks to generate positive absolute returns over time. This underlying fund typically will make extensive use of a variety of derivative instruments, including futures and forward contracts, to capture the exposures suggested by its absolute return strategy while also seeking to add value through volatility management. This underlying fund uses proprietary quantitative models to identify price trends in equity, fixed-income, currency and commodity instruments across time periods of various lengths, and may have both short and long exposures within an asset class. This underlying fund also may obtain investment exposure to commodities and commodity-related derivatives by investing a portion of its assets in a wholly-owned subsidiary organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands that will make commodity-related investments.

Another unaffiliated underlying fund invests in a universe of allowable commodity-linked derivative instruments and fixed-income investment opportunities. This underlying fund, which is non-diversified, gains exposure to commodities markets by investing in commodity-linked derivative instruments, such as structured notes and swap agreements. This underlying fund also may obtain investment exposure to commodities and commodity-related derivatives by investing a portion of its assets in a wholly-owned subsidiary organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands that will make commodity-related investments. This underlying fund invests in obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. and foreign governments, their agencies and instrumentalities, bank obligations, commercial paper, repurchase agreements, obligations of other domestic and foreign issuers having investment grade ratings, securities of domestic or foreign issuers denominated in U.S. dollars but not trading in the United States, and obligations of supranational organizations. This underlying fund maintains an average portfolio duration of three years or less and its fixed-income securities

primarily will mature within five years from the date of settlement. This underlying fund's investments may include foreign securities denominated in foreign currencies.

Money Market Instruments

The portion of the fund's assets allocated to the money market instruments asset class normally is invested directly in high quality, short-term debt securities, including: securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities; 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 dollar-denominated foreign commercial paper, and other short-term corporate obligations, including those with floating or variable rates of interest; dollar-denominated 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; and municipal securities. The fund will only buy individual securities with remaining maturities of 13 months or less, or that have features with the effect of reducing their maturities to 13 months or less at the time of purchase.

BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund

The fund seeks as high a level of current income as is consistent with the preservation of capital and the maintenance of liquidity. The fund's objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders.

The fund pursues its investment objective by investing only in government securities (i.e., securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, including those with floating or variable rates of interest), repurchase agreements collateralized solely by government securities and/or cash, and cash. The fund is a money market fund subject to the maturity, quality, liquidity and diversification requirements of Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and seeks to maintain a stable share price of \$1.00.

The fund is a "government money market fund" as that term is defined in Rule 2a-7, and as such is required to invest at least 99.5% of its total assets in securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, repurchase agreements collateralized solely by government securities and/or cash, and cash. The fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in government securities and repurchase agreements collateralized solely by government securities (i.e., under normal circumstances, the fund will not invest more than 20% of its net assets in cash and/or repurchase agreements collateralized by cash). The securities in which the fund invests include those backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, which include U.S. Treasury securities as well as securities issued by certain agencies of the U.S. government, and those that are neither insured nor guaranteed by the U.S. government. The repurchase agreements that the fund invests in may include tri-party repurchase agreements executed through a third party bank that provides payment administration, collateral custody and management services to the parties to the repurchase agreements.

Among other requirements, the fund is required to hold at least 30% of its assets in cash, U.S. Treasury securities, certain other government securities with remaining maturities of 60 days or less, or securities that can readily be converted into cash within five business days. In addition, the fund is required to hold at least 10% of its assets in cash, U.S. Treasury securities, or securities that can readily be converted into cash within one business day. The fund must maintain an average dollar-weighted portfolio maturity of 60 days or less and a maximum weighted average life to maturity of 120 days.

In response to liquidity needs or unusual market conditions, the fund may hold all or a significant portion of its total assets in cash for temporary defensive purposes. This may result in a lower current yield and prevent the fund from achieving its investment objective.

BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund

The fund seeks as high a level of current income exempt from federal income tax as is consistent with the preservation of capital and the maintenance of liquidity. The fund's investment objective may be changed by the fund's board, upon 60 days' prior notice to shareholders.

To pursue its goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets in short-term, high quality municipal obligations that provide income exempt from federal income tax. Among these are municipal notes, short-term municipal bonds, tax-exempt commercial paper and municipal leases. The fund reserves the right to invest up to 20% of total assets in taxable money market securities, such as U.S. government obligations, U.S. and foreign bank and corporate obligations and commercial paper. The fund may not achieve its investment objective when investing in taxable securities. The fund also may invest in custodial receipts.

Although the fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, income from some of the fund's holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

The fund is a money market fund subject to the maturity, quality, liquidity and diversification requirements of Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and seeks to maintain a stable share price of \$1.00.

The fund is limited to investing in high quality securities that BNYM Investment Adviser has determined present minimal credit risks.

Among other requirements, the fund is required to hold at least 30% of its assets in cash, U.S. Treasury securities, certain other government securities with remaining maturities of 60 days or less, or securities that can readily be converted into cash within five business days. The fund must maintain an average dollar-weighted portfolio maturity of 60 days or less and a maximum weighted average life to maturity of 120 days.

In response to liquidity needs or unusual market conditions, the fund may hold all or a significant portion of its total assets in cash for temporary defensive purposes. This may result in a lower current yield and prevent the fund from achieving its investment objective.

Investment Risks – Non-Money Market Funds

Investments in the funds are not bank deposits. They are not insured or guaranteed by The Bank of New York Mellon, any of its affiliates or any other bank, or the FDIC or any other government agency. None of the funds should be relied upon as a complete investment program. The share prices of the funds fluctuate, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

The funds also are subject to the principal risks and additional risks listed in the tables below. For a description of the risks listed in the tables, please see "Glossary – Investment Risks – Non-Money Market Funds" beginning on page 150. See also the funds' Statement of Additional Information for information on certain other investments in which the funds may invest and other investment techniques in which the funds may engage from time to time and related risks.

Principal Risks

	Large Cap Stock Fund	Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Income Stock Fund	Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Focused Equity Opportunities Fund	Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund
ADR risk		✓					
Conflicts of interest risk		✓					
Convertible securities risk			✓				
Emerging markets risk				✓	✓	✓	✓
ETF and other investment company risk		✓					
Foreign investment risk				✓	✓	✓	✓
Growth and value stock risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Large cap stock risk	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Liquidity risk				✓	✓		✓
Management risk	✓		✓			✓	
Market risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Market Sector risk	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
Midsize company risk				✓			
Non-diversification risk						✓	
Preferred stock risk			✓				
Risks of stock investing	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Short-term trading risk				✓	✓		✓
Small and midsize company risk					✓		✓
Strategy allocation risk		✓		✓	✓		✓

Principal Risks (cont'd)

	International Fund	Emerging Markets Fund	International Equity Income Fund	Bond Fund	Intermediate Bond Fund	Corporate Bond Fund	Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund
Credit risk				✓	✓	✓	✓
Emerging markets risk		✓	✓				
Fixed- income market risk				✓	✓	✓	✓
Foreign currency risk	✓	✓	✓				
Foreign investment risk	✓	✓	✓				
Government securities risk				✓	✓	✓	✓
Growth and value stock risk	✓	✓					
Interest rate risk				✓	✓	✓	✓
Issuer risk				✓	✓	✓	
Large cap stock risk	✓						
Liquidity risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Management risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Market risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Market Sector risk			✓			✓	
Mortgage- related securities risk				✓			✓
Municipal securities risk				✓	✓		
Prepayment risk				✓	✓	✓	✓
Repurchase agreement counterparty risk							✓
Risks of stock investing	✓	✓	✓				
Small and midsize company risk	✓	✓	✓				
Short-term trading risk							✓

Principal Risks (cont'd)

	National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	Municipal Opportunities Fund	Asset Allocation Fund
Conflicts of interest risk							✓
Correlation risk							✓
Credit risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Derivatives risk						✓	
Emerging markets risk							✓
ETF and other investment company risk							✓
Fixed-income market risk							✓
Foreign currency risk							✓
Foreign investment risk						✓	✓
Government securities risk							✓
Growth and value stock risk							✓
High yield securities risk						✓	✓
Interest rate risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Inverse floating rate securities risk						✓	
Issuer risk							✓
Large Cap Stock Risk							✓
Liquidity risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Market risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Management risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Municipal securities risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Non-diversification risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Prepayment risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Risks of stock investing							✓
Small and midsize company risk							✓
State-specific risk			✓	✓	✓		
Strategy allocation risk							✓

In addition to the principal risks identified above, each fund may be subject to the following additional risks that are not anticipated to be principal risks of investing in the fund.

Additional Risks

	Large Cap Stock Fund	Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Income Stock Fund	Mid Cap Multi- Strategy Fund	Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Focused Equity Opportunities Fund	Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund
ADR Risk	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Convertible securities risk	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
Credit risk		✓	✓				
Derivatives risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Emerging markets risk		✓					
ETF and other investment company risk		✓		✓	✓		✓
Foreign currency risk	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Foreign investment risk	✓	✓					
Interest rate risk		✓	✓				
IPO risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Leverage risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Liquidity risk	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Market sector risk		✓			✓		
Order delay risk		✓					
Preferred stock risk	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
Real estate sector risk		✓					
REIT risk		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Securities lending risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Short sale risk		✓				✓	✓
Short-term trading risk	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Small and midsize company risk	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Temporary investment risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Additional Risks (cont'd)

	International Fund	Emerging Markets Fund	International Equity Income Fund	Bond Fund	Intermediate Bond Fund	Corporate Bond Fund	Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund
ADR risk	✓	✓	✓				
Asset-backed securities risk				✓	✓	✓	
Country and sector allocation risk	✓	✓	✓				
Derivatives risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ETF and other investment company risk	✓	✓	✓				
Foreign currency risk				✓	✓	✓	
Foreign investment risk				✓	✓	✓	
Growth and value stock risk			✓				
IPO risk	✓	✓					
Leverage risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LIBOR risk				✓	✓	✓	
Market sector risk	✓	✓		✓	✓		
Mortgage-related securities risk					✓	✓	
Municipal securities risk						✓	✓
REIT risk			✓				
Securities lending risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Small and midsize company risk							
Short-term trading risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Temporary investment risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Additional Risks (cont'd)

	National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	Municipal Opportunities Fund	Asset Allocation Fund
ADR Risk							✓
Alternative asset categories and investment strategies risk							✓
Commodity sector risk							✓
Convertible securities risk							✓
Derivatives risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
ETF and other investment company risk						✓	
Floating rate loan risk							✓
Foreign currency risk						✓	
Foreign government obligations and securities of supranational entities risk							✓
Inflation- indexed securities risk							✓
Inverse floating rate securities risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
IPO risk							✓
Issuer concentration risk							✓
Leverage risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Loan valuation risk							✓
Management conflicts risk							✓
Market Sector risk							✓
Mortgage-related securities risk							✓
Municipal securities risk							✓
Municipal securities sector risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Participation interests and assignments risk							✓
Preferred stock risk							✓

Additional Risks (cont'd)

	National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	Municipal Opportunities Fund	Asset Allocation Fund
Real estate sector risk							✓
REIT risk							✓
Repurchase agreement counterparty risk							✓
RIC tax risk							✓
Securities lending risk							✓
Short-term trading risk							✓
Subordinated securities risk							✓
Subsidiary risk							✓
Tax risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Temporary investment risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Glossary – Investment Risks – Non-Money Market Funds

- *ADR risk.* ADRs may be subject to certain of the risks associated with direct investments in the securities of foreign companies, such as currency risk, political and economic risk and market risk, because their values depend on the performance of the non-dollar denominated underlying foreign securities. Certain countries may limit the ability to convert ADRs into the underlying foreign securities and vice versa, which may cause the securities of the foreign company to trade at a discount or premium to the market price of the related ADR. The fund may invest in ADRs through an unsponsored facility where the depositary issues the depositary receipts without an agreement with the company that issues the underlying securities. Holders of unsponsored ADRs generally bear all the costs of such facilities, and the depositary of an unsponsored facility frequently is under no obligation to distribute shareholder communications received from the issuer of the deposited security or to pass through voting rights to the holders of the ADRs with respect to the deposited securities. As a result, available information concerning the issuer may not be as current as for sponsored ADRs, and the prices of unsponsored ADRs may be more volatile than if such instruments were sponsored by the issuer.
- *Alternative asset categories and investment strategies risk.* Because certain underlying funds seek to provide exposure to alternative or non-traditional asset categories or investment strategies, the performance of these underlying funds will be linked to the performance of these highly volatile asset categories and strategies. Accordingly, investors should consider purchasing shares of the fund only as part of an overall diversified portfolio and should be willing to assume the risks of potentially significant fluctuations in the value of the fund's assets allocated to such asset class.
- *Asset-backed securities risk.* Asset-backed securities are subject to credit, prepayment and extension risk, and may be more volatile, less liquid and more difficult to price accurately than more traditional debt securities. General downturns in the economy could cause the value of asset-backed securities to fall. Asset-backed securities are often subject to more rapid repayment than their stated maturity date would indicate as a result of the pass-through of prepayments of principal on the underlying loans. During periods of declining interest rates, prepayment of loans underlying asset-backed securities can be expected to accelerate. Accordingly, the fund's ability to maintain positions in such securities will be affected by reductions in the principal amount of such securities resulting from prepayments, and its ability to reinvest the returns of principal at comparable yields is subject to generally prevailing interest rates at that time. The value of some asset-backed securities may be particularly sensitive to changes in prevailing interest rates.
- *Commodity sector risk.* Exposure to the commodities markets may subject the fund to greater volatility than investments in traditional securities. The values of commodities and commodity-linked investments are affected by events that might have less impact on the values of stocks and bonds. Investments linked to the prices of commodities are considered speculative. Because the value of a commodity-linked derivative instrument, such as a structured note, typically is based upon the price movements of physical commodities, the value of these securities will rise or fall in response to changes in the underlying commodities or related index of investment. Prices of commodities and commodity-linked investments may fluctuate significantly over short periods for a variety of factors, including: changes in supply and demand relationships, weather, agriculture, trade, fiscal, monetary and exchange control programs, disease, pestilence, acts of terrorism, embargoes, tariffs and international economic, political, military and regulatory developments. The commodity markets are subject to temporary distortions or other disruptions due to a variety of factors, including the lack of liquidity in the markets, the participation of speculators and government regulation and intervention. United States futures exchanges and some foreign exchanges have regulations that limit the amount of fluctuation in futures contract prices, which may occur during a single business day. These limits are generally referred to as "daily price fluctuation limits" and the maximum or minimum price of a contract on any given day as a result of these limits is referred to as a "limit price." Once the limit price has been reached in a particular contract, no trades may be made at a different price. Limit prices have the effect of precluding trading in a particular contract or forcing the liquidation of contracts at disadvantageous times or prices. These circumstances could adversely affect the value of the commodity-linked investments.
- *Conflicts of interest risk.* BNYM Investment Adviser will have the authority to change the investment strategies, including whether to implement a strategy by investing directly in securities or through an underlying fund. BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates may serve as investment adviser to the underlying funds. The interests of the fund on the one hand, and those of an underlying fund on the other, will not always be the same. Therefore, conflicts may arise as BNYM Investment Adviser fulfills its fiduciary duty to the fund and the underlying funds. In addition, BNYM Investment Adviser recommends asset allocations among these underlying funds, each of which pays advisory fees at different rates to BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates. These situations are considered by the fund's board when it reviews the asset allocations for the fund.
- *Convertible securities risk.* Convertible securities may be converted at either a stated price or stated rate into underlying shares of common stock. Convertible securities generally are subordinated to other similar but non-convertible

securities of the same issuer. Although to a lesser extent than with fixed-income securities, the market value of convertible securities tends to decline as interest rates increase. In addition, because of the conversion feature, the market value of convertible securities tends to vary with fluctuations in the market value of the underlying common stock. Although convertible securities provide for a stable stream of income, they are subject to the risk that their issuers may default on their obligations. Convertible securities also offer the potential for capital appreciation through the conversion feature, although there can be no assurance of capital appreciation because securities prices fluctuate. Convertible securities generally offer lower interest or dividend yields than non-convertible securities of similar quality because of the potential for capital appreciation.

- *Correlation risk.* Because the fund allocates its investments among different asset classes, the fund is subject to correlation risk. Although the prices of equity securities and fixed-income securities often rise and fall at different times so that a fall in the price of one may be offset by a rise in the price of the other, in down markets the prices of these securities can also fall in tandem.
- *Country and sector allocation risk.* While the portfolio managers use the country and sector weightings of the fund's benchmark index as a guide in structuring the fund's portfolio, they may overweight or underweight certain countries or sectors relative to the index. This may cause the fund's performance to be more or less sensitive to developments affecting those countries or sectors.
- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall, lowering the value of the fund's investment in such security. The lower a security's credit rating, the greater the chance that the issuer of the security will default or fail to meet its payment obligations.
- *Derivatives risk.* A small investment in derivatives could have a potentially large impact on the fund's performance. The use of derivatives involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in the underlying assets, and the fund's use of derivatives may result in losses to the fund and increased portfolio volatility. Derivatives in which the fund may invest can be highly volatile, illiquid and difficult to value, and there is the risk that changes in the value of a derivative held by the fund will not correlate with the underlying assets or the fund's other investments in the manner intended. Derivative instruments, such as over-the-counter swap agreements, forward contracts and other over-the-counter transactions, also involve the risk that a loss may be sustained as a result of the failure of the counterparty to the derivative instruments to make required payments or otherwise comply with the derivative instruments' terms. Many of the regulatory protections afforded participants on organized exchanges for futures contracts and exchange-traded options, such as the performance guarantee of an exchange clearing house, are not available in connection with over-the-counter derivative transactions. Certain derivatives, such as written call options, have the potential for unlimited loss, regardless of the size of the initial investment, and involve greater risks than the underlying assets because, in addition to general market risks, they are subject to liquidity risk, credit and counterparty risk (failure of the counterparty to the derivatives transaction to honor its obligation) and pricing risk (risk that the derivative cannot or will not be accurately valued). If a derivative transaction is particularly large or if the relevant market is illiquid (as is the case with many privately-negotiated derivatives, including swap agreements), it may not be possible to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position at an advantageous time or price. The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) recently adopted Rule 18f-4 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (1940 Act), which will regulate the use of derivatives for certain funds registered under the 1940 Act. Unless the fund qualifies as a "limited derivatives user" as defined in Rule 18f-4, the rule would, among other things, require the fund to establish a comprehensive derivatives risk management program, to comply with certain value-at-risk based leverage limits, to appoint a derivatives risk manager and to provide additional disclosure both publicly and to the SEC regarding its derivatives positions. If the fund qualifies as a limited derivatives user, Rule 18f-4 would require the fund to have policies and procedures to manage its aggregate derivatives risk. These requirements could have an impact on the fund, including a potential increase in cost to enter into derivatives transactions and may require the fund to alter, perhaps materially, its use of derivatives.
- *Emerging market risk.* The securities of issuers located or doing substantial business in emerging market countries tend to be more volatile and less liquid than the securities of issuers located in countries with more mature economies, potentially making prompt liquidation at an attractive price difficult. The economies of countries with emerging markets may be based predominantly on only a few industries, may be highly vulnerable to changes in local or global trade conditions, and may suffer from extreme debt burdens or volatile inflation rates. Transaction settlement and dividend collection procedures also may be less reliable in emerging markets than in developed markets. Emerging markets generally have less diverse and less mature economic structures and less stable political systems than those of developed countries. Investments in these countries may be subject to political, economic, legal, market and currency risks. Special risks associated with investments in emerging market issuers may include a lack of publicly available information, the lack of uniform disclosure, accounting and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards, and limited investor protections applicable in developed economies. The risks also may include unpredictable political and

economic policies, the imposition of capital controls and/or foreign investment limitations by a country, nationalization of businesses, and the imposition of sanctions or restrictions on certain investments by other countries, such as the United States. For example, in response to recent political and military actions undertaken by Russia, the United States and certain other countries, as well as the European Union, have instituted economic sanctions against certain Russian individuals and companies. The political and economic situation in Russia, and the current and any future sanctions or other government actions against Russia may result in the decline in the value and liquidity of Russian securities, devaluation of Russian currency, a downgrade in Russia's credit rating, the inability to freely trade sanctioned companies (either due to the sanctions imposed or related operational issues) and/or other adverse consequences to the Russian economy, any of which could negatively impact a fund's investments in Russian securities.

- *ETF and other investment company risk.* To the extent the fund invests in pooled investment vehicles, such as ETFs and other investment companies, the fund will be affected by the investment policies, practices and performance of such entities in direct proportion to the amount of assets the fund has invested therein. The risks of investing in other investment companies, including ETFs, typically reflect the risks associated with the types of instruments in which the investment companies invest. When the fund invests in an ETF or other investment company, shareholders of the fund will bear indirectly their proportionate share of the expenses of the ETF or other investment company (including management fees) in addition to the expenses of the fund. ETFs are exchange-traded investment companies that are, in many cases, designed to provide investment results corresponding to an index. The value of the underlying securities can fluctuate in response to activities of individual companies or in response to general market and/or economic conditions. Additional risks of investments in ETFs include: (i) the market price of an ETF's shares may trade at a discount to its net asset value; (ii) an active trading market for an ETF's shares may not develop or be maintained; or (iii) trading may be halted if the listing exchanges' officials deem such action appropriate, the shares are delisted from the exchange, or the activation of market-wide "circuit breakers" (which are tied to large decreases in stock prices) halts trading generally. The fund will incur brokerage costs when purchasing and selling shares of ETFs.
- *Fixed-income market risk.* The market value of a fixed-income security may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. The fixed-income securities market can be susceptible to increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions or credit tightening. Increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates). During periods of reduced market liquidity, the fund may not be able to readily sell fixed-income securities at prices at or near their perceived value. If the fund needed to sell large blocks of fixed-income securities to meet shareholder redemption requests or to raise cash, those sales could further reduce the prices of such securities. An unexpected increase in fund redemption requests, including requests from shareholders who may own a significant percentage of the fund's shares, which may be triggered by market turmoil or an increase in interest rates, could cause the fund to sell its holdings at a loss or at undesirable prices and adversely affect the fund's share price and increase the fund's liquidity risk, fund expenses and/or taxable distributions. Economic and other market developments can adversely affect fixed-income securities markets. Regulations and business practices, for example, have led some financial intermediaries to curtail their capacity to engage in trading (i.e., "market making") activities for certain fixed-income securities, which could have the potential to decrease liquidity and increase volatility in the fixed-income securities markets. Federal Reserve policy in response to market conditions, including with respect to interest rates, may adversely affect the value, volatility and liquidity of dividend and interest paying securities. Policy and legislative changes worldwide are affecting many aspects of financial regulation. The impact of these changes on the markets, and the practical implications for market participants, may not be fully known for some time.
- *Floating rate loan risk.* Unlike publicly traded common stocks which trade on national exchanges, there is no central market or exchange for loans to trade. Loans trade in an over-the-counter market, and confirmation and settlement, which are effected through standardized procedures and documentation, may take significantly longer than seven days to complete. Extended trade settlement periods may, in unusual market conditions with a high volume of shareholder redemptions, present a risk to shareholders regarding the fund's ability to pay redemption proceeds within the allowable time periods stated in this prospectus. The secondary market for floating rate loans also may be subject to irregular trading activity and wide bid/ask spreads. The lack of an active trading market for certain floating rate loans may impair the ability of the fund to realize full value in the event of the need to sell a floating rate loan and may make it difficult to value such loans. There may be less readily available, reliable information about certain floating rate loans than is the case for many other types of securities, and the fund's portfolio managers may be required to rely primarily on their own evaluation of a borrower's credit quality rather than on any available independent sources. The value of collateral, if any, securing a floating rate loan can decline, and may be insufficient to meet the issuer's obligations in the event of non-payment of scheduled interest or principal or may be difficult to readily liquidate. In the event of the bankruptcy of a borrower, the fund could experience delays or limitations imposed by bankruptcy or

other insolvency laws with respect to its ability to realize the benefits of the collateral securing a loan. These laws may be less developed and more cumbersome with respect to the fund's non-U.S. investments. Uncollateralized senior loans involve a greater risk of loss. Some floating rate loans are subject to the risk that a court, pursuant to fraudulent conveyance or other similar laws, could subordinate the loans to presently existing or future indebtedness of the borrower or take other action detrimental to lenders, including the fund, such as invalidation of loans. The floating rate loans in which the fund invests typically will be below investment grade quality and, like other below investment grade securities, are inherently speculative. As a result, the risks associated with such floating rate loans are similar to the risks of below investment grade securities, although senior loans are typically senior and secured in contrast to other below investment grade securities, which are often subordinated and unsecured. Floating rate loans may not be considered to be "securities" for purposes of the anti-fraud protections of the federal securities laws, including those with respect to the use of material non-public information, so that purchasers, such as the fund, may not have the benefit of these protections.

- *Foreign currency risk.* Investments in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar or, in the case of hedged positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline relative to the currency being hedged. Currency exchange rates may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time. Foreign currencies, particularly the currencies of emerging market countries, are also subject to risks caused by inflation, interest rates, budget deficits and low savings rates, political factors and government intervention and controls.
- *Foreign government obligations and securities of supranational entities risk.* Investing in foreign government obligations, debt obligations of supranational entities and the sovereign debt of foreign countries, including emerging market countries, creates exposure to the direct or indirect consequences of political, social or economic changes in the countries that issue the securities or in which the issuers are located. The ability and willingness of sovereign obligors or the governmental authorities that control repayment of their debt to pay principal and interest on such debt when due may depend on general economic and political conditions within the relevant country. Certain countries in which the fund may invest have historically experienced, and may continue to experience, high rates of inflation, high interest rates and extreme poverty and unemployment. Some of these countries are also characterized by political uncertainty or instability. Additional factors which may influence the ability or willingness of a foreign government or country to service debt include a country's cash flow situation, the availability of sufficient foreign exchange on the date a payment is due, the relative size of its debt service burden to the economy as a whole and its government's policy towards the International Monetary Fund, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and other international agencies. The ability of a foreign sovereign obligor to make timely payments on its external debt obligations also will be strongly influenced by the obligor's balance of payments, including export performance, its access to international credit and investments, fluctuations in interest rates and the extent of its foreign reserves. A governmental obligor may default on its obligations. Some sovereign obligors have been among the world's largest debtors to commercial banks, other governments, international financial organizations and other financial institutions. These obligors, in the past, have experienced substantial difficulties in servicing their external debt obligations, which led to defaults on certain obligations and the restructuring of certain indebtedness.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to currency fluctuations, less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards. Investments denominated in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that such currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar and affect the value of these investments held by the fund. To the extent the fund's investments are focused in a limited number of foreign countries, the fund's performance could be more volatile than that of more geographically diversified funds.
- *Government securities risk.* Not all obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Some obligations are backed only by the credit of the issuing agency or instrumentality, and in some cases there may be some risk of default by the issuer. Any guarantee by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities of a security held by the fund does not apply to the market value of such security or to shares of the fund itself. A security backed by the U.S. Treasury or the full faith and credit of the United States is guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and principal when held to maturity. In addition, because many types of U.S. government securities trade actively outside the United States, their prices may rise and fall as changes in global economic conditions affect the demand for these securities.
- *Growth and value stock risk.* By investing in a mix of growth and value companies, the fund assumes the risks of both. Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks may lack the dividend yield that may cushion stock prices in market downturns. Value stocks involve the risk that they may never

reach their expected full market value, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic worth or the expected value was misgauged. They also may decline in price even though in theory they are already undervalued.

- *High yield securities risk.* High yield ("junk") securities involve greater credit risk, including the risk of default, than investment grade securities, and are considered predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's ability to make principal and interest payments. The prices of high yield securities can fall in response to bad news about the issuer or its industry, or the economy in general, to a greater extent than those of higher rated securities. Securities rated investment grade when purchased by the fund may subsequently be downgraded.
- *Inflation-indexed security risk.* Interest payments on inflation-indexed securities can be unpredictable and will vary as the principal and/or interest is periodically adjusted based on the rate of inflation. If the index measuring inflation falls, the interest payable on these securities will be reduced. The U.S. Treasury has guaranteed that in the event of a drop in prices, it would repay the par amount of its inflation-indexed securities. Inflation-indexed securities issued by corporations generally do not guarantee repayment of principal. Any increase in the principal amount of an inflation-indexed security will be considered taxable ordinary income, even though investors do not receive their principal until maturity. As a result, the fund may be required to make annual distributions to shareholders that exceed the cash the fund received, which may cause the fund to liquidate certain investments when it is not advantageous to do so. Also, if the principal value of an inflation-indexed security is adjusted downward due to deflation, amounts previously distributed may be characterized in some circumstances as a return of capital.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of bonds and other fixed rate fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund's investments in these securities to decline. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the values of already-issued fixed rate fixed-income securities generally rise. However, when interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time. Unlike investment grade bonds, however, the prices of high yield ("junk") bonds may fluctuate unpredictably and not necessarily inversely with changes in interest rates. Interest rate changes may have different effects on the values of mortgage-related securities because of prepayment and extension risks. In addition, the rates on floating rate instruments adjust periodically with changes in market interest rates. Although these instruments are generally less sensitive to interest rate changes than fixed-rate instruments, the value of floating rate loans and other floating rate securities may decline if their interest rates do not rise as quickly, or as much, as general interest rates.
- *Inverse floating rate securities risk.* The interest payment received on inverse floating rate securities generally will decrease when short-term interest rates increase. Inverse floaters are derivatives that involve leverage and could magnify the fund's gains or losses.
- *IPO risk.* The prices of securities purchased in IPOs can be very volatile. The effect of IPOs on the fund's performance depends on a variety of factors, including the number of IPOs the fund invests in relative to the size of the fund and whether and to what extent a security purchased in an IPO appreciates or depreciates in value. As a fund's asset base increases, IPOs often have a diminished effect on such fund's performance.
- *Issuer risk.* A security's market value may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the issuer's products or services, or factors that affect the issuer's industry, such as labor shortages or increased production costs and competitive conditions within an industry.
- *Issuer concentration risk.* Because the availability of local currency emerging market securities, including from sovereign issuers, may be more limited than other asset classes, the fund may have increased issuer concentration and, in order to comply with Internal Revenue Service diversification requirements for registered investment companies, may experience higher portfolio turnover. Higher portfolio turnover may cause the realization of gains and losses, which may impact the taxable income available for distribution to shareholders as ordinary income.
- *Large-cap stock risk.* To the extent the fund invests in large capitalization stocks, the fund may underperform funds that invest primarily in the stocks of lower quality, smaller capitalization companies during periods when the stocks of such companies are in favor.

- *Leverage risk.* The use of leverage, such as engaging in reverse repurchase agreements, lending portfolio securities, entering into futures contracts or forward currency contracts, investing in inverse floaters and engaging in forward commitment transactions, may magnify the fund's gains or losses. Because many derivatives have a leverage component, adverse changes in the value of the underlying asset can result in a loss substantially greater than the amount invested in the derivative itself.
- *LIBOR rate risk.* Many financial instruments, including those in which the fund may invest, utilize LIBOR as the reference or benchmark rate for variable interest rate calculations. LIBOR is used globally and is currently calculated for five currencies (USD, GBP, EUR, CHF and JPY). In July 2017, the United Kingdom's financial regulatory body announced plans to phase out the use of LIBOR by the end of 2021. Various financial industry groups have begun planning the transition to the use of different benchmarks. In the United States, the Federal Reserve Board and the New York Fed convened the Alternative Reference Rates Committee, comprised of a group of private-market participants, to help ensure a successful transition from USD LIBOR to a replacement reference rate. The Committee recommended the Secured Overnight Financing Rate as an alternative reference rate to USD LIBOR. Neither the effect of the transition process, in the United States or elsewhere, nor its ultimate success, can yet be known. The transition process might lead to increased volatility and illiquidity in markets that currently rely on LIBOR to determine interest rates. It could also lead to a reduction in the value of some LIBOR-based investments and reduce the effectiveness of new hedges placed against existing LIBOR-based instruments. While some instruments tied to LIBOR may include a replacement rate in the event LIBOR is discontinued, not all instruments have such fallback provisions and the effectiveness of such replacement rates remains uncertain. The potential cessation of LIBOR could affect the value and liquidity of investments tied to LIBOR, especially those that do not include fallback provisions, and may result in costs incurred in connection with closing out positions and entering new trades. Due to the uncertainty regarding the future utilization of LIBOR and the nature of any replacement rate, the potential effect of a transition away from LIBOR on the fund or the financial instruments in which the fund invests cannot yet be determined. Since the usefulness of LIBOR as a benchmark could deteriorate during the transition period, these effects could occur prior to the end of 2021.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Other market developments can adversely affect fixed-income securities markets. Regulations and business practices, for example, have led some financial intermediaries to curtail their capacity to engage in trading (i.e., "market making") activities for certain fixed-income securities, which could have the potential to decrease liquidity and increase volatility in the fixed-income securities markets. The secondary market for certain municipal bonds tends to be less well developed or liquid than many other securities markets, which may adversely affect the fund's ability to sell such municipal bonds at attractive prices. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. The market for below investment grade securities may be less liquid and therefore these securities may be harder to value or sell at an acceptable price, especially during times of market volatility or decline. Investments in foreign securities, particularly those of issuers located in emerging markets, tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities. No active trading market may exist for some of the floating rate loans in which certain funds may invest and certain loans may be subject to restrictions on resale. Because some floating rate loans that certain funds may invest in may have a more limited secondary market, liquidity risk is more pronounced for these funds than for mutual funds that invest primarily in other types of fixed-income instruments or equity securities. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions or credit tightening. Increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates). Liquidity risk also may refer to the risk that the fund will not be able to pay redemption proceeds within the allowable time period stated in this prospectus because of unusual market conditions, an unusually high volume of redemption requests, or other reasons. To meet redemption requests, the fund may be forced to sell securities at an unfavorable time and/or under unfavorable conditions, which may adversely affect the fund's share price.
- *Loan valuation risk.* Because there may be a lack of centralized information and trading for certain loans in which the fund may invest, reliable market value quotations may not be readily available for such loans and their valuation may require more research than for securities with a more developed secondary market. Moreover, the valuation of such loans may be affected by uncertainties in the conditions of the financial market, unreliable reference data, lack of transparency and inconsistency of valuation models and processes.
- *Management conflicts risk.* The fund's subadviser and its affiliates may participate in the primary and secondary market for loan obligations. Because of limitations imposed by applicable law, the presence of the subadviser and its affiliates in the loan obligations market may restrict the fund's ability to acquire some loan obligations or affect the timing or price of such acquisitions. The fund's subadviser and its affiliates engage in a broad spectrum of financial services and asset management activities in which their interests or the interests of their clients may conflict with those of the fund. In addition, because of the financial services and asset management activities of the subadviser and its affiliates, the

subadviser may not have access to material non-public information regarding the borrower to which other lenders have access.

- *Management risk.* The investment process and techniques used by the fund's portfolio managers could fail to achieve the fund's investment goal, may cause your fund investment to lose value or may cause the fund to underperform other funds with similar investment goals.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff. The effects of COVID-19 have contributed to increased volatility in global markets and will likely affect certain countries, companies, industries and market sectors more dramatically than others. The COVID-19 pandemic has had, and any other outbreak of an infectious disease or other serious public health concern could have, a significant negative impact on economic and market conditions and could trigger a prolonged period of global economic slowdown. To the extent the fund may overweight its investments in certain countries, companies, industries or market sectors, such positions will increase the fund's exposure to risk of loss from adverse developments affecting those countries, companies, industries or sectors.
- *Market sector risk.* To the extent the fund invests more heavily in particular sectors, its performance will be especially sensitive to developments that significantly affect those sectors. Individual sectors may be more volatile, and may perform differently, than the broader market. The industries that constitute a sector may all react in the same way to economic, political or regulatory events.
- *Midsized company risk.* Midsized companies carry additional risks because the operating histories of these companies tend to be more limited, their earnings and revenues less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies.
- *Mortgage-related securities risk.* Mortgage-related securities are complex derivative instruments, subject to credit, prepayment and extension risk, and may be more volatile, less liquid and more difficult to price accurately than more traditional debt securities. The fund is subject to the credit risk associated with these securities, including the market's perception of the creditworthiness of the issuing federal agency, as well as the credit quality of the underlying assets. Although certain mortgage-related securities are guaranteed as to the timely payment of interest and principal by a third party (such as a U.S. government agency or instrumentality with respect to government-related mortgage-backed securities) the market prices for such securities are not guaranteed and will fluctuate. Privately issued mortgage-related securities also are subject to credit risks associated with the performance of the underlying mortgage properties, and may be more volatile and less liquid than more traditional government-backed debt securities. As with other interest-bearing securities, the prices of certain mortgage-related securities are inversely affected by changes in interest rates. However, although the value of a mortgage-related security may decline when interest rates rise, the converse is not necessarily true, since in periods of declining interest rates the mortgages underlying the security are more likely to be prepaid causing the fund to purchase new securities at current market rates, which usually will be lower. The loss of higher yielding underlying mortgages and the reinvestment of proceeds at lower interest rates, known as prepayment risk, can reduce the fund's potential price gain in response to falling interest rates, reduce the fund's yield and/or cause the fund's share price to fall. Moreover, with respect to certain stripped mortgage-backed securities, if the underlying mortgage securities experience greater than anticipated prepayments of principal, the fund may fail to fully recoup its initial investment even if the securities are rated in the highest rating category by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. When interest rates rise, the effective duration of the fund's mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities may lengthen due to a drop in prepayments of the underlying mortgages or other assets. This is known as extension risk and would increase the fund's sensitivity to rising interest rates and its potential for price declines.
- *Municipal securities risk.* The amount of public information available about municipal securities is generally less than that for corporate equities or bonds. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal securities. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal securities market, the size of the particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. The municipal securities market can be susceptible to increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions

or credit tightening. Increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates). During periods of reduced market liquidity, the fund may not be able to readily sell municipal securities at prices at or near their perceived value. If the fund needed to sell large blocks of municipal securities to meet shareholder redemption requests or to raise cash, those sales could further reduce the prices of such securities. An unexpected increase in fund redemption requests, including requests from shareholders who may own a significant percentage of the fund's shares, which may be triggered by market turmoil or an increase in interest rates, could cause the fund to sell its holdings at a loss or at undesirable prices and adversely affect the fund's share price and increase the fund's liquidity risk and fund expenses. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's share price. A credit rating downgrade relating to, default by, or insolvency or bankruptcy of, one or several municipal security issuers of a state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests could affect the market values and marketability of many or all municipal securities of such state, territory or possession. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.

- *Municipal securities sector risk.* The fund may significantly overweight or underweight certain municipal securities that finance projects in specific municipal sectors, such as utilities, hospitals, higher education or transportation, and this may cause the fund's performance to be more or less sensitive to developments affecting those sectors.
- *Non-diversification risk.* The fund is non-diversified, which means that the fund may invest a relatively high percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers. Therefore, the fund's performance may be more vulnerable to changes in the market value of a single issuer or group of issuers and more susceptible to risks associated with a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence than a diversified fund.
- *Order delay risk.* Portfolio managers responsible for the investment strategies used by the fund also manage other mutual funds or accounts and may submit purchase and sales orders for portfolio securities concurrently for the fund and such other funds or accounts. Orders on behalf of the fund are submitted to BNYM Investment Adviser's trading desk; whereas, orders for the other funds or accounts may be submitted to the trading desk of an affiliate of BNYM Investment Adviser or the trading desk of Walter Scott. Because BNYM Investment Adviser seeks to promote tax efficiency and avoid wash sale transactions for the fund, certain orders submitted on behalf of the fund may be delayed and not aggregated (or "bunched") with those of the other funds or accounts managed by the fund's portfolio managers. In some cases, the delay may adversely affect the price paid or received by the fund for such portfolio securities or the amount of the commission paid to the broker or dealer.
- *Participation interests and assignments risk.* A participation interest gives the fund an undivided interest in a loan in the proportion that the fund's participation interest bears to the total principal amount of the loan, but does not establish any direct relationship between the fund and the borrower. If a floating rate loan is acquired through a participation, the fund generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement against the borrower, and the fund may not directly benefit from the collateral supporting the debt obligation in which it has purchased the participation. As a result, the fund will be exposed to the credit risk of both the borrower and the institution selling the participation. The fund also may invest in a loan through an assignment of all or a portion of such loan from a third party. If a floating rate loan is acquired through an assignment, the fund may not be able to unilaterally enforce all rights and remedies under the loan and with regard to any associated collateral.
- *Preferred stock risk.* Preferred stock is a class of a capital stock that typically pays dividends at a specified rate. Preferred stock is generally senior to common stock, but subordinate to debt securities, with respect to the payment of dividends and on liquidation of the issuer. The market value of preferred stock generally decreases when interest rates rise and is also affected by the issuer's ability to make payments on the preferred stock.
- *Prepayment risk.* Some securities give the issuer the option to prepay or call the securities before their maturity date, which may reduce the market value of the security and the anticipated yield-to-maturity. Issuers often exercise this right when interest rates fall. In addition, floating rate loans may not have call protection and may be prepaid partially or in full at any time without penalty. If an issuer "calls" its securities during a time of declining interest rates, the fund might have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of "callable" issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.
- *Real estate sector risk.* The securities of issuers that are principally engaged in the real estate sector may be subject to risks similar to those associated with the direct ownership of real estate. These include: declines in real estate values; defaults by mortgagors or other borrowers and tenants; increases in property taxes and operating expenses;

overbuilding; fluctuations in rental income; changes in interest rates; possible lack of availability of mortgage funds or financing; extended vacancies of properties; changes in tax and regulatory requirements (including zoning laws and environmental restrictions); losses due to costs resulting from the clean-up of environmental problems; liability to third parties for damages resulting from environmental problems; and casualty or condemnation losses. In addition, the performance of the economy in each of the regions and countries in which the real estate owned by a portfolio company is located affects occupancy, market rental rates and expenses and, consequently, has an impact on the income from such properties and their underlying values. Moreover, certain real estate investments may be illiquid and, therefore, the ability of real estate companies to reposition their portfolios promptly in response to changes in economic or other conditions is limited.

- *REIT risk.* Investments in REITs expose the fund to risks similar to investing directly in real estate. REITs are characterized as equity REITs, mortgage REITs and hybrid REITs, which combine the characteristics of both equity and mortgage REITs. Equity REITs, which may include operating or finance companies, own real estate directly and the value of, and income earned by, the REITs depends upon the income of the underlying properties and the rental income they earn. Equity REITs also can realize capital gains (or losses) by selling properties that have appreciated (or depreciated) in value. Mortgage REITs can make construction, development or long-term mortgage loans and are sensitive to the credit quality of the borrower. Mortgage REITs derive their income from interest payments on such loans. Hybrid REITs generally hold both ownership interests and mortgage interests in real estate. The value of securities issued by REITs is affected by tax and regulatory requirements and by perceptions of management skill. They also may be affected by general economic conditions and are subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers or tenants, self-liquidation at an economically disadvantageous time, and the possibility of failing to qualify for favorable tax treatment under applicable U.S. or foreign law and/or to maintain exempt status under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- *Repurchase agreement counterparty risk.* The fund is subject to the risk that a counterparty in a repurchase agreement and/or, for a tri-party repurchase agreement, the third party bank providing payment administration, collateral custody and management services for the transaction, could fail to honor the terms of the agreement.
- *RIC tax risk.* A regulated investment company (RIC) must derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from sources treated as "qualifying income" under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Certain underlying funds that are RICs intend to achieve exposure to currency markets primarily through entering into forward currency contracts. Although foreign currency gains currently constitute qualifying income, the Treasury Department has the authority to issue regulations excluding from the definition of "qualifying income" a RIC's foreign currency gains not "directly related" to its "principal business" of investing in stock or securities (or options and futures with respect thereto). Such regulations might treat gains from some foreign currency-denominated positions as not qualifying income. Certain underlying funds may gain exposure to commodity markets through investments in commodity-linked derivative instruments, including commodity options and futures, and commodity index-linked structured notes and swap agreements. Certain underlying funds also may gain exposure indirectly to commodity markets by investing in a subsidiary of such underlying fund. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued private letter rulings to these underlying funds confirming that income from such underlying funds' investment in their respective subsidiaries will constitute "qualifying income" for purposes of the 90% income test described above. The tax treatment of commodity-linked notes and other commodity-linked derivatives and the underlying funds' investment in such subsidiaries may be adversely affected by future legislation, Treasury regulations or guidance issued by the IRS that could affect the character, timing or amount of an underlying fund's taxable income or any gains and distributions made by such underlying fund.
- *Risks of stock investing.* Stocks generally fluctuate more in value than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is the chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and falling prices. The market value of a stock may decline due to general market conditions that are not related to the particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the general outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. A security's market value also may decline because of factors that affect the particular company, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the company's products or services, or factors that affect the company's industry, such as labor shortages or increased production costs and competitive conditions within an industry.
- *Securities lending risk.* The fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions. In connection with such loans, the fund will receive collateral from the borrower equal to at least 100% of the value of the loaned securities. If the borrower of the securities fails financially, there could be delays in recovering the loaned securities or exercising rights to the collateral.
- *Short sale risk.* The fund may make short sales, which involves selling a security it does not own in anticipation that the security's price will decline. Short sales expose the fund to the risk that it will be required to buy the security sold

short (also known as "covering" the short position) at a time when the security has appreciated in value, thus resulting in a loss to the fund. Short positions in stocks involve more risk than long positions in stocks because the maximum sustainable loss on a stock purchased is limited to the amount paid for the stock plus the transaction costs, whereas there is no maximum attainable price on the shorted stock. As such, theoretically, stocks sold short have unlimited risk. The fund may not always be able to close out a short position at a particular time or at an acceptable price. The fund may not always be able to borrow a security the fund seeks to sell short at a particular time or at an acceptable price. Moreover, if the lender of a borrowed security requires the fund to return the security to it on short notice, and the fund is unable to borrow the security from another lender, the fund may have to buy the borrowed security at an unfavorable price, resulting in a loss. Thus, there is a risk that the fund may be unable to engage in short selling due to a lack of available stocks or for some other reason. It is possible that the market value of the securities the fund holds in long positions will decline at the same time that the market value of the securities the fund has sold short increases, thereby increasing the fund's potential volatility.

- *Short-term trading risk.* At times, the fund may engage in short-term trading, which could produce higher transaction costs and taxable distributions and lower the fund's after-tax performance.
- *Small and midsize company risk.* Small and midsize companies carry additional risks because the operating histories of these companies tend to be more limited, their earnings and revenues less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies. These companies may have limited product lines, markets or financial resources, or may depend on a limited management group. Other investments are made in anticipation of future products, services or events whose delay or cancellation could cause the stock price to drop. The shares of smaller companies tend to trade less frequently than those of larger, more established companies, which can adversely affect the pricing of these securities and the fund's ability to sell these securities. Some of the fund's investments will rise and fall based on investor perception rather than economic factors.
- *State-specific risk.* The fund is subject to the risk that relevant state's economy, and the revenues underlying its municipal obligations, may decline. Investing primarily in the municipal obligations of a single state makes the fund more sensitive to risks specific to that state and may entail more risk than investing in the municipal obligations of multiple states as a result of potentially less diversification. The effects of this risk may be particularly heightened during economic and social disruptions associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 in the relevant state.
- *Strategy allocation risk.* The ability of the fund to achieve its investment goal depends, in part, on the ability of the investment adviser to allocate effectively the fund's assets among multiple investment strategies or underlying funds. There can be no assurance that the actual allocations will be effective in achieving the fund's investment goal or that an investment strategy will achieve its particular investment objective. Portfolio managers responsible for the investment strategies used by the fund make investment decisions independently and it is possible that the investment strategies may not complement one another. As a result, the fund's exposure to a given stock, industry or investment style could unintentionally be greater or smaller than it would have been if the fund had a single investment strategy. Underlying funds may not achieve their investment objectives, and their performance may be lower than that of the asset class the underlying funds were selected to represent.
- *Subordinated securities risk.* Holders of securities that are subordinated or "junior" to more senior securities of an issuer are entitled to payment after holders of more senior securities of the issuer. Subordinated securities are more likely to suffer a credit loss than non-subordinated securities of the same issuer, any loss incurred by the subordinated securities is likely to be proportionately greater, and any recovery of interest or principal may take more time. As a result, even a perceived decline in creditworthiness of the issuer is likely to have a greater impact on the market value of these securities. Subordinated loans generally are subject to similar risks as those associated with investments in senior loans, except that such loans are subordinated in payment and/or lower in lien priority to first lien holders. Consequently, subordinated loans generally have greater price volatility than senior loans and may be less liquid. The risks associated with subordinated unsecured loans, which are not backed by a security interest in any specific collateral, are higher than those for comparable loans that are secured by specific collateral.
- *Subsidiary risk.* Certain underlying funds may gain exposure indirectly to commodity markets by investing in a subsidiary of such underlying fund. By investing in the subsidiary, the underlying fund will be indirectly exposed to the risks associated with the subsidiary's investments in commodities. The subsidiary is not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and generally is not subject to the investor protections of said Act. As an investor in the subsidiary, the underlying fund does not have all of the protections offered to investors by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. Changes in the laws of the United States and/or the Cayman Islands could prevent such an underlying fund or its subsidiary from operating as described in the underlying fund's prospectus and could negatively affect such underlying fund and its shareholders. In addition, the Cayman Islands currently does not impose any income, corporate, capital gain or withholding taxes on such subsidiaries. If this were

to change and the subsidiary was required to pay Cayman Island taxes, the investment returns of the underlying fund would be adversely affected.

- *Tax risk.* To be tax-exempt, municipal obligations generally must meet certain regulatory requirements. If any such municipal obligation fails to meet these regulatory requirements, the interest received by the fund from its investment in such obligations and distributed to fund shareholders will be taxable.
- *Temporary investment risk.* Under adverse market conditions, the fund could invest some or all of its assets in U.S. Treasury securities and money market securities. Although the fund would do this for temporary defensive purposes, it could reduce the benefit from any upswing in the market. During such periods, the fund's investments may not be consistent with its principal investment strategy, and the fund may not achieve its investment objective.

Investment Risks – Money Market Funds

Investments in the funds are not a bank deposit. They are not insured or guaranteed by The Bank of New York Mellon, any of its affiliates or any other bank, or the FDIC or any other government agency. You could lose money by investing in a fund. Each fund's yield will fluctuate as the short-term securities in its portfolio mature or are sold and the proceeds are reinvested in securities with different interest rates. Neither BNYM Investment Adviser nor its affiliates have a legal obligation to provide financial support to the funds, and you should not expect that BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates will provide financial support to the funds at any time.

Although each fund seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so.

BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund may impose a fee upon the sale of shares (a "liquidity fee") or may temporarily suspend your ability to sell shares (a redemption "gate") if the fund's liquidity falls below required minimums because of market conditions or other factors. BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund currently is not permitted to impose liquidity fees or redemption gates, and the fund's board has no intention to impose a liquidity fee or redemption gate.

The funds also are subject to the investment risks listed in the table below. For a description of the risks listed in the table, please see "Glossary – Investment Risks – Money Market Funds" below. See also the funds' Statement of Additional Information for information on certain other investments in which the funds may invest and other investment techniques in which the funds may engage from time to time and related risks.

	Government Money Market Fund	National Municipal Money Market Fund
Credit risk		✓
Government securities risk	✓	
Interest rate risk	✓	✓
Liquidity fee and/or redemption gate risk		✓
Liquidity risk	✓	✓
Market Risk	✓	✓
Municipal securities risk		✓
Repurchase agreement counterparty risk	✓	
Tax risk		✓

Glossary – Investment Risks – Money Market Funds

- *Credit risk.* Failure of an issuer of a security to make timely interest or principal payments when due, or a decline or perception of a decline in the credit quality of the security, can cause the security's price to fall, lowering the value of the fund's investment in such security. Although the fund invests only in high quality debt securities, any of the fund's holdings could have its credit rating downgraded or could default. The credit quality and prices of the securities held by the fund can change rapidly in certain market environments, and the default or a significant price decline of a single holding could impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value.
- *Government securities risk.* Not all obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Some obligations are backed only by the credit of the issuing agency or instrumentality, and in some cases there may be some risk of default by the issuer. Any guarantee by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities of a security held by the fund does not apply to the market value of such security or to shares of the fund itself. A security backed by the U.S. Treasury or the full faith and credit of the United States is guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and principal when held to maturity. In addition, because many types of U.S. government securities trade actively outside the United States, their prices may rise and fall as changes in global economic conditions affect the demand for these securities.
- *Interest rate risk.* Prices of fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Interest rate risk refers to the decline in the prices of fixed-income securities that may accompany a rise in the overall level of interest rates. Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. A sharp and unexpected rise in interest rates could impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. In addition, a low interest rate environment may prevent the fund from providing a positive yield or paying fund expenses out of fund assets and could impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. Interest rates in the United States currently are at or

near historic lows due to market forces and actions of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., primarily in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant market disruptions. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance. In such an interest rate environment, the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates.

- *Liquidity fee and/or redemption gate risk.* The fund may impose a fee upon the sale of your shares (a "liquidity fee") or may temporarily suspend your ability to sell shares (a redemption "gate") if the fund's liquidity falls below required minimums because of unusual market conditions, an unusually high volume of redemption requests, redemptions by a few large investors, or other reasons. If a liquidity fee is imposed by the fund, it would reduce the amount you will receive upon the redemption of your shares. A "gate" will suspend your ability to redeem your shares while the gate is imposed and may prevent the fund from being able to pay redemption proceeds within the allowable time period stated in this prospectus. If the fund receives a liquidity fee, it is possible that it may return the fee to shareholders in the form of a distribution at a later time. When a fee or a gate is in place, the fund may elect to stop selling shares or to impose additional conditions on the purchase of shares.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities may fall dramatically, potentially impairing the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. To meet redemption requests, the fund may be forced to sell securities at an unfavorable time and/or under unfavorable conditions, which may impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value.
- *Market risk.* The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments. Events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issue, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the fund and its investments. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken world-wide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff. The COVID-19 pandemic has had, and any other outbreak of an infectious disease or other serious public health concern could have, a significant negative impact on economic and market conditions and could trigger a prolonged period of global economic slowdown.
- *Municipal securities risk.* Municipal securities may be fully or partially backed or enhanced by the taxing authority of a local government, by the current or anticipated revenues from a specific project or specific assets, or by the credit of, or liquidity enhancement provided by, a private issuer. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal securities. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal securities market, the size of the particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. The municipal securities market can be susceptible to increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions or credit tightening. Increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates). Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may impair the fund's ability to maintain a stable net asset value. Various types of municipal securities are often related in such a way that political, economic or business developments affecting one obligation could affect other municipal securities held by the fund. In addition, the cost associated with combating the outbreak of COVID-19 and its negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many state and local governments. The effects of this outbreak could affect the ability of state and local governments to make payments on debt obligations when due and could adversely impact the value of their bonds, which could negatively impact the performance of the fund.
- *Repurchase agreement counterparty risk.* The fund is subject to the risk that a counterparty in a repurchase agreement and/or, for a tri-party repurchase agreement, the third party bank providing payment administration, collateral custody and management services for the transaction, could fail to honor the terms of the agreement.
- *Tax risk.* To be tax-exempt, municipal obligations generally must meet certain regulatory requirements. If any such municipal obligation fails to meet these regulatory requirements, the interest received by the fund from its investment in such obligations and distributed to fund shareholders will be taxable.

Management

Investment Adviser

The investment adviser for the funds is BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc., 240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286. Founded in 1947, BNYM Investment Adviser manages approximately \$304 billion in 130 mutual fund portfolios. BNYM Investment Adviser is the primary mutual fund business of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation (BNY Mellon), a global investments company dedicated to helping its clients manage and service their financial assets throughout the investment lifecycle. Whether providing financial services for institutions, corporations or individual investors, BNY Mellon delivers informed investment management and investment services in 35 countries. BNY Mellon has \$41.1 trillion in assets under custody and administration and \$2.2 trillion in assets under management. BNY Mellon is the corporate brand of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation. BNY Mellon Investment Management is one of the world's leading investment management organizations, and one of the top U.S. wealth managers, encompassing BNY Mellon's affiliated investment management firms, wealth management services and global distribution companies. Additional information is available at www.bnymellon.com.

Sub-Investment Advisers

BNYM Investment Adviser has engaged its affiliate, Walter Scott & Partners Limited (Walter Scott), located at One Charlotte Square, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, to serve as the sub-investment adviser of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund responsible for the portion of the respective fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy. Walter Scott is a wholly-owned subsidiary of BNY Mellon. As of November 30, 2020, Walter Scott had approximately \$95.0 billion in assets under management. Walter Scott, subject to BNYM Investment Adviser's supervision and approval, provides investment advisory assistance and research and the day-to-day management of the portion of the respective fund's assets allocated to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy.

BNYM Investment Adviser has engaged Boston Partners Global Investors, Inc. (Boston Partners), to serve as the sub-investment adviser of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy. Boston Partners is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of ORIX Corporation, located at World Trade Center Building, 2-4-1 Hamamatsu-cho, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-6135 Japan. As of November 30, 2020, Boston Partners had approximately \$74.4 billion in assets under management. Boston Partners, subject to BNYM Investment Adviser's supervision and approval, provides investment advisory assistance and research and the day-to-day management of the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy.

BNYM Investment Adviser has engaged Geneva Capital Management LLC (GCM), to serve as the sub-investment adviser of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund responsible for the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy. GCM, located at 100 East Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 2550, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, is majority employee-owned. As of November 30, 2020, GCM had approximately \$6.46 billion in assets under management. GCM, subject to BNYM Investment Adviser's supervision and approval, provides investment advisory assistance and research and the day-to-day management of the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy.

BNYM Investment Adviser has obtained from the SEC an exemptive order, upon which BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund may rely, to use a manager of managers approach that permits BNYM Investments Adviser, subject to certain conditions and approval by the Trust's board, to enter into and materially amend sub-investment advisory agreements with one or more sub-investment advisers who are either unaffiliated or affiliated with BNYM Investment Adviser, without obtaining shareholder approval. The exemptive order also relieves the fund from disclosing the sub-investment advisory fee paid by BNYM Investment Adviser to a sub-investment adviser in documents filed with the SEC and provided to shareholders. The fund is required to disclose (as a dollar amount and a percentage of the fund's assets) (i) the aggregate fees paid to BNYM Investment Adviser and any wholly-owned sub-investment adviser (as defined in the 1940 Act) and (ii) the aggregate fees paid to affiliated (i.e., less than wholly-owned) and unaffiliated sub-investment advisers. BNYM Investment Adviser has ultimate responsibility (subject to oversight by the Trust's board) to supervise any sub-investment adviser and recommend the hiring, termination, and replacement of any sub-investment adviser to the Trust's board. The Trust's board, including a majority of the "non-interested" board members, must approve each new sub-investment adviser. In addition, the fund is required to provide shareholders with information about each new sub-investment adviser within 90 days of the hiring of any new sub-investment adviser.

Distributor

BNY Mellon Securities Corporation (BNYMSC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of BNYM Investment Adviser, serves as distributor of each fund (i.e., principal underwriter). Shareholder services fees are paid to BNYMSC for providing shareholder account service and maintenance. BNYM Investment Adviser or BNYMSC may provide cash payments

out of its own resources to financial intermediaries that sell shares of a fund or provide other services (other than Class M shares). Such payments are separate from any shareholder services fees or other expenses may be paid by the funds to those financial intermediaries. Because those payments are not made by fund shareholders or the fund, the fund's total expense ratio will not be affected by any such payments. These payments may be made to financial intermediaries, including affiliates, that provide shareholder servicing, sub-administration, recordkeeping and/or sub-transfer agency services, marketing support and/or access to sales meetings, sales representatives and management representatives of the financial intermediary. Cash compensation also may be paid from BNYM Investment Adviser's or BNYMSC's own resources to financial intermediaries for inclusion of a fund on a sales list, including a preferred or select sales list or in other sales programs. These payments sometimes are referred to as "revenue sharing." From time to time, BNYM Investment Adviser or BNYMSC also may provide cash or non-cash compensation to financial intermediaries or their representatives in the form of occasional gifts; occasional meals, tickets or other entertainment; support for due diligence trips; educational conference sponsorships; support for recognition programs; technology or infrastructure support; and other forms of cash or non-cash compensation permissible under broker-dealer regulations. In some cases, these payments or compensation may create an incentive for a financial intermediary or its employees to recommend or sell shares of a fund to you. This potential conflict of interest may be addressed by policies, procedures or practices that are adopted by the financial intermediary. As there may be many different policies, procedures or practices adopted by different intermediaries to address the manner in which compensation is earned through the sale of investments or the provision of related services, the compensation rates or other payment arrangements that may apply to a financial intermediary and its representatives may vary by intermediary. Please contact your financial representative for details about any payments they or their firm may receive in connection with the sale of fund shares or the provision of services to a fund.

Code of Ethics

The funds, BNYM Investment Adviser, Walter Scott, Boston Partners, GCM and BNYMSC have each adopted a code of ethics that permits its personnel, subject to such code, to invest in securities, including securities that may be purchased or held by a fund. Each code of ethics restricts the personal securities transactions of employees, and requires portfolio managers and other investment personnel to comply with the code's preclearance and disclosure procedures. A primary purpose of the respective codes is to ensure that personal trading by employees is done in a manner that does not disadvantage the fund or other client accounts.

Portfolio Managers*

Name of Fund	Primary Portfolio Manager(s)
BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund	Peter D. Goslin, Syed A. Zamil and Chris Yao
BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Caroline Lee (investment allocation), Donald M. Sauber and Thomas Lee (Large Cap Core Strategy, Focused Equity Strategy, Large Cap Growth Strategy and Large Cap Dividend Strategy), Thomas Murphy (Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy), John C. Bailer, Brian C. Ferguson and David S. Intoppa (Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy) and Leigh N. Todd (U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy)
BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund	John C. Bailer, Brian C. Ferguson and David S. Intoppa
BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Caroline Lee (investment allocation), Thomas Murphy (Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy), Patrick Kent (lead portfolio manager) and James Boyd (Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy), John R. Porter, Todd W. Wakefield and Robert C. Zeuthen (Mid Cap Growth Strategy), Joseph F. Feeney, Jr. and Steven L. Pollack (Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy) and William A. Priebe, José Muñoz and William Scott Priebe (Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy)
BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Caroline Lee (investment allocation), Patrick Kent (lead portfolio manager) and James Boyd (Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy), Joseph M. Corrado, Stephanie K. Brandaleone, Edward R. Walter and Nicholas Cohn (Small Cap Value Strategy) and John R. Porter, Todd W. Wakefield and Robert C. Zeuthen (Small Cap Growth Strategy)
BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund	Donald M. Sauber and Thomas Lee

Name of Fund	Primary Portfolio Manager(s)
BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Caroline Lee (investment allocation), Patrick Kent (lead portfolio manager) and James Boyd (Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy), Joseph M. Corrado, Stephanie K. Brandaleone, Edward R. Walter and Nicholas Cohn (Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy) and John R. Porter, Todd W. Wakefield and Robert C. Zeuthen (Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy)
BNY Mellon International Fund	James A. Lydotes and Chris Yao
BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund	Julianne McHugh and Chris Yao
BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund	Peter D. Goslin, Syed A. Zamil and Tao Wang
BNY Mellon Bond Fund	John F. Flahive and Timothy J. Sanville
BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund	John F. Flahive and Timothy J. Sanville
BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund	John F. Flahive and Timothy J. Sanville
BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund	Lawrence R. Dunn and Timothy J. Sanville
BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	John F. Flahive and Mary Collette O'Brien
BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	John F. Flahive
BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	Gregory J. Conant and Mary Collette O'Brien
BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	Mary Collette O'Brien and Stephen J. O'Brien
BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	Gregory J. Conant and John F. Flahive
BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund	John F. Flahive
BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund	Jeffrey Mortimer (investment allocation), Thomas Murphy and Michael Mongelluzzo (equity portion) and John F. Flahive (fixed-income portion)

**Except as otherwise disclosed, each portfolio manager is jointly and primarily responsible for managing the fund's assets (or the portion of the fund's assets allocated to the strategy for which the portfolio manager is responsible).*

Biographical Information

John C. Bailer, CFA, has been the primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund since December 2011 and of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy since March 2019. Mr. Bailer has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since September 2003. He is an executive vice president and a senior portfolio manager of U.S. dividend-oriented and large-cap strategies and is a senior research analyst on the Dynamic Large Cap Value strategy at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since November 1992.

James Boyd, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy and of BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy since August 2012 and of BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy since April 2014. Mr. Boyd has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2008. He is a managing director, equity research analyst, and portfolio manager at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2005.

Stephanie K. Brandaleone, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small Cap Value Strategy since August 2012 and of BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy since April 2014. Ms. Brandaleone has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since November 2008. Ms. Brandaleone is a director, senior research analyst on the small mid cap equity team at Mellon. She has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2003.

Nicholas Cohn has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small Cap Value Strategy, and BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy since December 2019. Mr. Cohn is a portfolio manager and senior research analyst for the active equity strategies at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since May 2015, and by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2019. Prior to joining Mellon, he was employed as an equity research analyst at BlackRock, Inc. from August 2012 to May 2015.

Gregory J. Conant, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund and BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund since September 2015. Mr. Conant has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since September 2015. He is a vice president of The Bank of New York Mellon, which he joined in June 1998.

Joseph M. Corrado, CFA has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small Cap Value Strategy and of BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy since August 2012 and April 2014, respectively. Mr. Corrado has been employed by

BNYM Investment Adviser since November 2008. Mr. Corrado is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager on the U.S. small mid cap equity team and the lead portfolio manager for the U.S. small cap value strategy at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2003.

Lawrence R. Dunn, CFA, has been a portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund since its inception in October 2000. Mr. Dunn has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since November 1995. He is a vice president of The Bank of New York Mellon, which he joined in April 1990.

Joseph F. Feeney, Jr., CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy since August 2012. Mr. Feeney is chief executive officer and chief investment officer of Boston Partners (effective January 1, 2020), which he joined in 1995.

Brian C. Ferguson has been the primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy since the fund's inception in July 2010, and of BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund since December 2015. Mr. Ferguson has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since October 2002. He is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager of the Dynamic Large Cap Value strategy and the head of the large cap value team at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since June 1997.

John F. Flahive, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund since its inception in October 2000, of BNY Mellon Bond Fund since August 2005, of BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund since its inception in October 2008 and of BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund since its inception in March 2012. He also has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund and BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund since March 2006, of BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund since September 2008 and of BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund since September 2015. Mr. Flahive has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since November 1994. He is a senior vice president of The Bank of New York Mellon, which he joined in October 1994.

Peter D. Goslin, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund and BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund since July 2015. Mr. Goslin has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since January 2014. He is a director and senior portfolio manager at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 1999.

Jane Henderson has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy since the fund's inception in July 2010. Ms. Henderson is the managing director of Walter Scott, which she joined in 1995, and is a member of its Investment Executive, a group within Walter Scott including three senior investment professionals.

David S. Intoppa has been a portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund since December 2015 and of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Dynamic Large Cap Value Strategy since March 2019. Mr. Intoppa has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2015. He is a senior research analyst and portfolio manager on the Global Natural Resources and Large Cap Core Equity strategies at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2006.

Patrick Kent, CFA, has been the lead primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Opportunistic Mid Cap Value Strategy, of BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Opportunistic Small Cap Strategy and of BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Opportunistic Small/Mid Cap Strategy since March 2019. He is an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager. He is the lead portfolio manager for the U.S. opportunistic equity strategy and head of the small mid cap equity research team at Mellon, which he joined in 2019. Previously, Mr. Kent was a portfolio manager at Wellington Management, where he co-managed the firm's global all-cap impact investing strategy, which paired top-down thematic research with bottom-up stock selection and focused on positive social and environmental impact.

Roy Leckie has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy since the fund's inception in July 2010. Mr. Leckie is a director of Walter Scott, which he joined in 1995, and is a member of its Investment Executive, a group within Walter Scott including three senior investment professionals.

Caroline Lee has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund, BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund, BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund and BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund responsible for investment allocation decisions since December 2015. Ms. Lee has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2015. She is a senior investment strategist at the Bank of New York Mellon, which she joined in August 2013.

Thomas Lee has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Large Cap Core Strategy, the Focused Equity Strategy, the Large Cap Growth Strategy and the Large Cap Dividend Strategy, and of BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund since March 2018. Mr. Lee has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since November 2017. He is a senior equity analyst and a member of its Large Cap Equity Team at BNY Mellon Wealth Management, which he joined in 2005.

James A. Lydotes, CFA, has been a portfolio manager of BNY Mellon International Fund since December 2015. Mr. Lydotes has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2015. He is a managing director and senior portfolio manager for the Global Equity team at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2007.

Charlie Macquaker has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the U.S. Large Cap Equity Strategy since the fund's inception in July 2010. Mr. Macquaker is a director of Walter Scott, which he joined in 1991, and is a member of its Investment Executive, a group within Walter Scott including three senior investment professionals.

Julianne D. McHugh has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund since December 2019. Ms. McHugh is a managing director and a senior portfolio manager at Mellon. She has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2004, and by BNYM Investment Adviser since March 2019.

Michael Mongelluzzo has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund with respect to the portion of the fund's assets invested directly in large cap equity securities since December 2019. Mr. Mongelluzzo is a portfolio manager on the Tax-Managed Equity team at BNY Mellon. He has been employed by The Bank of New York Mellon since 2002; and by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2019.

Jeffrey M. Mortimer has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund responsible for investment allocation decisions since March 2013. Mr. Mortimer has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since March 2013. He is Director of Investment Strategy for BNY Mellon Wealth Management and has been employed by The Bank of New York Mellon since June 2012.

José Muñoz, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund since July 2017. Mr. Muñoz is a portfolio manager at GCM, which he joined in 2011, and has co-managed the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy since July 2017.

Thomas Murphy has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Large Cap Tax-Sensitive Strategy since its inception in July 2010, BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Mid Cap Tax-Sensitive Core Strategy since August 2012, and BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund with respect to the portion of the fund's assets invested directly in large cap equity securities since December 2019. Mr. Murphy is a managing director of the Tax-Managed Equity team at BNY Mellon. He has been employed by The Bank of New York Mellon since 1981, and by BNYM Investment Adviser since 2010.

Mary Collette O'Brien, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund since its inception in October 2000, and of BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund and BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund since March 2006. Ms. O'Brien has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since July 1996. She is a managing director of The Bank of New York Mellon, which she joined in April 1995.

Stephen J. O'Brien has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund since September 2015. Mr. O'Brien has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since September 2015. He is a senior associate of The Bank of New York Mellon, which he joined in June 2006.

Steven L. Pollack, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Boston Partners Mid Cap Value Strategy since August 2012. Mr. Pollack is a senior portfolio manager of Boston Partners, which he joined in 2000.

John R. Porter III has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Mid Cap Growth Strategy, of BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small Cap Growth Strategy and of BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy since March 2017. Mr. Porter has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since March 2017. He is an executive vice president, Chief Investment Officer, Head of Equity, at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since August 2016. Previously, Mr. Porter served as President and chair of the investment committee at Seaward Management, where he was employed from September 2013 to August 2016.

William A. Priebe, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy since March 2013. He is a portfolio manager of GCM, which he co-founded in 1987.

William Scott Priebe has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Geneva Mid Cap Growth Strategy since March 2013. He is a portfolio manager of GCM, which he joined in 2004.

Timothy J. Sanville, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund and BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund since September 2015. Mr. Sanville has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since July 2000. He is a first vice president of The Bank of New York Mellon, which he joined in 1992.

Donald M. Sauber has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Large Cap Core Strategy, the Focused Equity Strategy, the Large Cap Growth Strategy and the Large Cap Dividend Strategy, and of BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund since March 2018. Mr. Sauber has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since February 2018. He is a portfolio manager and senior equity analyst at BNY Mellon Wealth Management, which he joined in 2006, and is a member of its Large Cap Equity Team.

Leigh Todd, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the U.S. Large Cap Growth Strategy since March 2019. Ms. Todd has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since 2001. She is the Director of Global Equity Research Strategies and a portfolio manager on the U.S. Large Cap Growth Equity strategy at Mellon. Ms. Todd has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2005. She is also a senior research analyst on the Global Equity Research team, covering the consumer sectors.

Todd W. Wakefield, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Mid Cap Growth Strategy and of BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small Cap Growth Strategy since May 2013 and of BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy since April 2014. Mr. Wakefield has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2008. He is an executive vice president, senior portfolio manager and a member of the U.S. Small Mid Cap Equity investment team at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2003.

Edward R. Walter, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small Cap Value Strategy and of BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small/Mid Cap Value Strategy since August 2012 and April 2014, respectively. Mr. Walter has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since August 2012. Mr. Walter is a managing director, senior portfolio manager on the small mid cap equity investment team at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2003.

Tao Wang has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund since December 2019. Mr. Wang is a director and senior quantitative analyst focusing on quantitative equity models and portfolios at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since January 2013, and by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2019.

Chris Yao, CFA has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund, BNY Mellon International Fund and BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund since December 2019. Mr. Yao is a managing director and head of Quantitative Equity research at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2006, and by BNYM Investment Adviser since December 2019.

Syed A. Zamil, CFA has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund and BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund since March 2017. Mr. Zamil has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since March 2017. He is a managing director and global investment strategist at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since October 2015. Previously, Mr. Zamil served as client portfolio manager at American Century Investments, where he was employed from October 2012 to October 2015.

Robert C. Zeuthen, CFA, has been a primary portfolio manager of BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Mid Cap Growth Strategy, BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small Cap Growth Strategy and BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund with respect to the Small/Mid Cap Growth Strategy since August 2012, May 2013 and April 2014, respectively. Mr. Zeuthen has been employed by BNYM Investment Adviser since March 2010. He is a managing director, senior portfolio manager on the small mid cap equity team and the lead portfolio manager for the mobility innovation strategy at Mellon. He has been employed by Mellon or a predecessor company since 2006.

The funds' Statement of Additional Information (SAI) provides additional portfolio manager information, including compensation, other accounts managed and ownership of fund shares.

Investment Advisory Fee

For the fiscal year ended August 31, 2020, each of the funds paid BNYM Investment Adviser an investment advisory fee at the effective annual rate set forth in the table below.

A discussion regarding the basis for the board's approving each fund's investment advisory agreement with BNYM Investment Adviser is available in the fund's annual report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2020.

Investment Advisory Fees	Effective Investment Advisory Fee (as a percentage of the value of the fund's average daily net assets)
Name of Fund	
BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund	0.65%
BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	0.50%
BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund	0.65%*
BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	0.75%
BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	0.85%
BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund	0.70%
BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	0.75%
BNY Mellon International Fund	0.85%
BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund	1.15%
BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund	0.85%
BNY Mellon Bond Fund	0.40%
BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund	0.40%
BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund	0.40%
BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund	0.35%
BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	0.35%
BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	0.35%
BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	0.50%
BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	0.35%
BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	0.36%*
BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund	0.50%
BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund	0.22%*
BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund	0.13%*
BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund	0.13%*

*The effective investment advisory fee reflects a fee waiver/expense reimbursement in effect during the fund's fiscal year ended August 31, 2020.

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Buying, Selling and Exchanging Shares

Each fund is offering its Class M shares and Investor shares in this prospectus. Certain funds also may offer one or more other classes of shares, described in a separate prospectus. The classes differ in their expenses, eligibility and minimum purchase requirements, and the services they offer to shareholders. Investor shares are subject to an annual shareholder services fee of .25% paid to the funds' distributor for shareholder account service and maintenance.

Class M shares are generally offered only to Wealth Management Clients of BNY Mellon that maintain qualified fiduciary, custody, advisory or other accounts with various affiliates of BNY Mellon (Wealth Management Clients). Such qualified fiduciary, custody, advisory or other accounts maintained by Wealth Management Clients with various affiliates of BNY Mellon (BNY Mellon Affiliates) are referred to herein as "Qualified Accounts." Class M shares owned by Wealth Management Clients will be held in omnibus accounts, or separate accounts, with the funds' transfer agent (BNY Mellon Fund Accounts). Class M shares of BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund, BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund and BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund also are offered to certain investment advisory firms on behalf of their high-net-worth and related clients, provided that such firms are approved by BNY Mellon Wealth Management and invest in the fund through an omnibus account (Investment Advisory Firms). Investment Advisory Firms are subject to a minimum initial investment requirement of \$1 million. Class M shares owned by clients of Investment Advisory Firms will be held in omnibus accounts in the name of the Investment Advisory Firms. Records relating to the client accounts of Investment Advisory Firms generally will not be maintained by BNYM Investment Adviser, The Bank of New York Mellon or their affiliates. Class M shares of each fund, except BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund, BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund, BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund and BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund, also may be purchased by (i) institutional investors, acting for themselves or on behalf of their clients, that have entered into an agreement with the funds' distributor, and except as otherwise may be approved by BNY Mellon Wealth Management with respect to certain Retirement Plans, that make an initial investment in Class M shares of a fund of at least \$1 million and (ii) certain institutional clients of a BNY Mellon investment advisory subsidiary, provided that such clients are approved by BNY Mellon Wealth Management and make an initial investment in Class M shares of a fund of at least \$1 million (collectively, Institutional Investors). Generally, each such Institutional Investor will be required to open and maintain a single master account with the Trust for all purposes. Institutional Investors purchasing fund shares on behalf of their clients determine whether Class M shares will be available for their clients. Accordingly, the availability of Class M shares of a fund will depend on the policies of the Institutional Investor. Class M shares of each fund, except for BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund, BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large-Cap Multi-Strategy Fund, BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund, BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund and BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund, also are offered to unaffiliated investment companies approved by BNY Mellon Wealth Management. In addition, BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund and BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund may be used as "sweep vehicles" for cash held in Qualified Accounts. Any such investments must be in the respective fund's Class M shares.

Institutional Investors holding Class M shares of BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund as of May 31, 2016 may continue to purchase Class M shares of such fund for their existing accounts. After May 31, 2016, Institutional Investors may purchase Class Y shares of BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund for new accounts. Class Y shares of BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund are offered in a separate prospectus. Investors may obtain a copy of the prospectus for Class Y shares of the fund by calling 1-800-373-9387.

The funds, BNYM Investment Adviser or the funds' distributor or their affiliates will not make any shareholder servicing, sub-transfer agency, administrative or recordkeeping payments, nor will BNYM Investment Adviser or the funds' distributor or their affiliates provide any "revenue sharing" payments, with respect to Class M shares.

Investor shares are generally offered only to Wealth Management Clients who terminate their relationship with BNY Mellon Affiliates, and to individuals, corporations, partnerships and other entities that are not Wealth Management Clients and that receive a transfer of fund shares from a Wealth Management Client (collectively, Individual Clients), except that Individual Clients of a fund on July 10, 2001 will continue to be eligible to purchase Class M shares of that fund for their then existing accounts. Fund shares owned by Individual Clients will be held in separate accounts

(Individual Accounts). Investor shares may also be offered to former brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Advisors whose accounts were converted to accounts that are now held by BNY Mellon Brokerage Services, a division of BNYMSC, for their then existing accounts or to brokerage clients of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Direct, a division of BNYMSC (collectively, BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Clients). Fund shares owned by BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Clients also will be held in separate accounts (BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Accounts). In addition, Investor shares may be offered to certain employee benefit plans, including pension, profit-sharing and other deferred compensation plans, that are not Wealth Management Clients and that are serviced by an administrator or recordkeeper with which BNYM Investment Adviser or certain of its affiliates have entered into an agreement (Qualified Employee Benefit Plans) that have held Investor shares of a fund since on or before December 16, 2013 and who, therefore, may continue to purchase and hold Investor shares of that fund for their then-existing accounts, exchange their fund shares for shares of another fund and purchase additional Investor shares of funds into which they exchange. Investor shares owned by participants in Qualified Employee Benefit Plans generally will be held in accounts maintained by an administrator or recordkeeper retained by the plan sponsor (Qualified Employee Benefit Plan Accounts) and records relating to these accounts generally will not be maintained by BNYM Investment Adviser, The Bank of New York Mellon or their affiliates.

Wealth Management Clients may transfer Class M shares from a BNY Mellon Fund Account to other existing Wealth Management Clients for their BNY Mellon Fund Accounts. Wealth Management Clients also may transfer shares from a BNY Mellon Fund Account to an Individual Account or a BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Account. Before any such transfer (other than a transfer to Individual Clients of a fund as of July 10, 2001 for their then-existing accounts), the Wealth Management Client's Class M shares will be converted into Investor shares of equivalent value (at the time of conversion) and, accordingly, the Individual Client or BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Client will receive Investor shares. Wealth Management Clients who terminate their relationship with BNY Mellon Affiliates, but who wish to continue to hold fund shares may do so only by establishing Individual Accounts or BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Accounts, and their Class M shares generally will be converted into Investor shares. The conversion of such shareholder's Class M shares into Investor shares will be at the equivalent net asset value (NAV) of each class at the time of the conversion. Individual Clients and BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Clients in the Investor class of a fund who make subsequent investments in that fund will receive Investor shares of that fund. Holders of Investor shares of a fund at the time they become Wealth Management Clients (Converting Investor Shareholders) generally may request to have their Investor shares converted into Class M shares of the fund. The conversion of such shareholder's Investor shares into Class M shares will be at the equivalent NAV of each class at the time of the conversion. Converting Investor Shareholders in Class M shares of a fund who make subsequent investments in that fund will receive Class M shares of that fund. See the SAI for more information.

As a "retail" money market fund, investments in BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund are limited to accounts beneficially owned by natural persons (i.e., human beings). As a "retail" money market fund, BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund has adopted policies and procedures reasonably designed to limit all beneficial owners of the fund to natural persons. Natural persons may invest in the fund directly, jointly with other natural persons or through certain tax-advantaged savings accounts, trusts and other retirement and investment accounts, which may include, among others: participant-directed defined contribution plans; IRAs; custodial accounts; deferred compensation plans for government or tax-exempt organization employees; medical savings accounts; college savings plans; health savings account plans; ordinary trusts and estates of natural persons; or certain other retirement and investment accounts with ultimate investment authority held by the natural person beneficial owner, notwithstanding having an institutional decision maker making day to day decisions (e.g., a plan sponsor in certain retirement arrangements or an investment adviser managing discretionary investment accounts). If a shareholder account is identified as potentially not being beneficially owned by a natural person, and it cannot be established that the shareholder can be re-categorized, the shareholder will be contacted and requested to redeem its fund shares. If the shareholder is not responsive and/or does not redeem the shares as requested (typically within five business days of the request), the shares will be redeemed at the initiation of the fund. The fund and its agents will not be responsible for any loss in an investor's account or tax liability resulting from an involuntary redemption.

Financial intermediaries are required, to the extent that they hold investments in BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund, to ensure compliance of such investments with the terms and conditions for investor eligibility as set forth above. Such financial intermediaries will be expected to have policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to limit all beneficial owners of the fund on behalf of whom they place purchase orders to natural persons. The fund may involuntarily redeem shares held through intermediaries that do not assist the fund so that the fund may conclude that such shares are beneficially owned by natural persons. Financial intermediaries must promptly report to the fund the identification of any beneficial owner of shares of the fund that is not a natural person of which they are aware and promptly take steps to redeem any such shares of the fund.

Because BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate

Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund and BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund seek tax-exempt income, they are not recommended for purchase by qualified Retirement Plans or other U.S. tax-advantaged accounts.

Applicable to the non-Money Market Funds:

You pay no sales charges to invest in either share class of any fund. Your price for fund shares is the fund's NAV per share, which is calculated as of the scheduled close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) (usually 4:00 p.m., Eastern time) on days the NYSE is scheduled to be open for regular business. Your order will be priced at the next NAV calculated after your order is received in proper form by the fund or a financial intermediary that serves as agent for the fund. "Proper form" refers to completion of an account application (if applicable), satisfaction of requirements in this section (subject to "Shareholder Guide—General Policies") and any applicable conditions in "How to Redeem Shares" in the SAI. Equity investments are valued on the basis of market quotations or official closing prices.

Investments in debt securities generally are valued based on values supplied by an independent pricing service approved by the Trust's board. The pricing service's procedures are reviewed under the general supervision of the board. If market quotations or official closing prices or valuations from a pricing service are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value, the fund may value those investments at fair value as determined in accordance with procedures approved by the Trust's board. Fair value of investments may be determined by the Trust's board, its pricing committee or its valuation committee in good faith using such information as it deems appropriate under the circumstances. Using fair value to price investments may result in a value that is different from a security's most recent closing price and from the prices used by other mutual funds to calculate their NAVs. Over-the-counter derivative instruments generally will be valued based on values supplied by an independent pricing service approved by the Trust's board. Forward current contracts will be valued using the forward rate obtained from an independent pricing service approved by the board. Futures contracts will be valued at the most recent settlement price. Foreign securities held by a fund may trade on days when the fund does not calculate its NAV and thus may affect such fund's NAV on days when investors will not be able to purchase or sell (redeem) fund shares. The effect on NAV may be more pronounced for BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund, BNY Mellon International Fund and BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund, which invest primarily in foreign securities. Under certain circumstances, the fair value of foreign equity securities will be provided by an independent pricing service. Using fair value to price securities may result in a value that is different from a security's most recent closing price and from the prices used by other mutual funds to calculate their NAVs. Forward currency contracts will be valued using the forward rate obtained from an independent pricing service approved by the Trust's board. ETFs will be valued at their market price.

Investments in foreign securities, small-capitalization equity securities, certain municipal bonds and certain other thinly traded securities may provide short-term traders arbitrage opportunities with respect to a fund's shares. For example, arbitrage opportunities may exist when trading in a portfolio security or securities is halted and does not resume, or the market on which such securities are traded closes before the fund calculates its NAV. If short-term investors in the fund were able to take advantage of these arbitrage opportunities, they could dilute the NAV of fund shares held by long-term investors. Portfolio valuation policies can serve to reduce arbitrage opportunities available to short-term traders, but there is no assurance that such valuation policies will prevent dilution of a fund's NAV by short-term traders. While the funds have a policy regarding frequent trading, it too may not be completely effective to prevent short-term NAV arbitrage trading, particularly in regard to omnibus accounts. Please see "Shareholder Guide — General Policies" for further information about the funds' frequent trading policy.

Applicable to the Money Market Funds:

You pay no sales charges to invest in the Investor shares of either fund.

Each fund's NAV is calculated on any day the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) is open. In addition, each fund's NAV will be calculated on any day the NYSE is closed but the Federal Reserve Bank is open and the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA) recommends that fixed income securities markets be open for the day or a portion of the day.

The time at which a fund's NAV is calculated, and the trading deadline for orders "in proper form" (as defined below), is reflected in the table below. Each fund reserves the right to change the time at which the fund's NAV is calculated and the trading deadline to an earlier time than stated below in the case of an emergency, if regular trading on the NYSE is restricted or closes early, the fixed income securities markets or the Federal Reserve Bank close early, or as otherwise permitted by the SEC.

Name of Fund	Fund Calculation of NAV/Trading Deadline for Orders in Proper Form
BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund	12:00 p.m.
BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund	12:00 p.m.

All times are Eastern time.

Orders in proper form received and accepted by a fund or a financial intermediary that serves as agent for the fund by the time of day at which the fund calculates its NAV will become effective at the NAV determined on that day and shares purchased will receive the dividend declared on that day. An order to purchase shares received by a fund will be deemed to be "in proper form" if the fund receives "federal funds" or other immediately available funds promptly thereafter. Unless other arrangements have been agreed to in advance, each fund generally expects to receive the funds within two hours after the order is received by the fund or a financial intermediary that serves as agent for the fund, or by the close of the Federal Reserve wire transfer system (normally, 6:00 p.m., Eastern time), whichever is earlier. Orders submitted through a financial intermediary that does not serve as an agent for a fund are priced at the fund's NAV next calculated after the fund receives the order in proper form from the intermediary and accepts it, which may not occur on the day the order is submitted to the intermediary.

An order in proper form received and accepted after the time of day at which a fund determines its NAV will be priced at the NAV determined on the following business day and will begin to accrue dividends on such business day. If payment is not received within the appropriate time period, the fund reserves the right to cancel the purchase order at its discretion, and the investor would be liable for any resulting losses or expenses incurred by the fund or the fund's transfer agent, including interest charges.

Certain financial intermediaries serve as agents for the funds and accept orders on behalf of the funds. If a financial intermediary serves as agent of a fund, the order is priced at the fund's NAV next calculated after the order is accepted by the intermediary. Orders submitted through a financial intermediary that does not serve as an agent for a fund are priced at the fund's NAV next calculated after the fund receives the order in proper form from the intermediary and accepts it, which may not occur on the day the order is submitted to the intermediary.

Each fund's portfolio securities are valued at amortized cost, which does not take into account unrealized gains or losses. As a result, portfolio securities are valued at their acquisition cost, adjusted over time based on the discounts or premiums reflected in their purchase price. Each fund uses this valuation method pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, in order to be able to maintain a price of \$1.00 per share.

Selling Shares

You may sell (redeem) shares at any time. Your shares will be sold at the next NAV calculated after your order is received in proper form by the fund or a financial intermediary that serves as agent for the fund. Your order will be processed promptly.

The processing of redemptions may be suspended, and the delivery of redemption proceeds may be delayed beyond seven days, depending on the circumstances, for any period: (i) during which the NYSE is closed (other than on holidays or weekends), or during which trading on the NYSE is restricted; (ii) when an emergency exists that makes the disposal of securities owned by a fund or the determination of the fair value of the fund's net assets not reasonably practicable; or (iii) as permitted by order of the SEC for the protection of fund shareholders. For these purposes, the SEC determines the conditions under which trading shall be deemed to be restricted and an emergency shall be deemed to exist.

If you request the fund to transmit your redemption proceeds to you by check, the funds expect that your redemption proceeds normally will be sent within two business days after your request is received in proper form. If you request the fund to transmit your redemption proceeds to you by wire (\$1,000 minimum) or electronic check via TeleTransfer (\$500 minimum), and the fund has your bank account information on file, the fund expects that your redemption proceeds normally will be wired within one business day or sent by electronic check within two business days, as applicable, to your bank account after your request is received in proper form. Payment of redemption proceeds may take longer than the number of days the funds typically expect and may take up to seven days after your order is received in proper form by the funds' transfer agent or other authorized entity, particularly during periods of stressed market conditions or very large redemptions or excessive trading.

Additionally, BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund may impose a fee upon the sale of your shares or may temporarily suspend your ability to sell shares (a redemption "gate") if the fund's liquidity falls below required minimums. See "Potential Restrictions on Fund Redemptions—Fees and Gates" below for more information.

Before selling or writing a check against shares recently purchased by check, TeleTransfer or Automatic Asset Builder, please note that:

- if you send a written request to sell such shares, the fund may delay sending the proceeds for up to eight business days following the purchase of those shares or until the fund receives verification of clearance of the funds used to purchase such shares, whichever is earlier
- the fund will not honor redemption checks or process wire, telephone or TeleTransfer redemption requests for up to eight business days following the purchase of those shares or until the fund receives verification of clearance of the funds used to purchase such shares, whichever is earlier

Under normal circumstances, each fund expects to meet redemption requests by using cash it holds in its portfolio or selling portfolio securities to generate cash. In addition, each non-money market fund, and certain other funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds, may draw upon an unsecured credit facility for temporary or emergency purposes to meet redemption requests, and, pursuant to an interfund lending order granted by the SEC, each money market fund, and certain other money market funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds, may borrow money from certain money market funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds for temporary or emergency purposes to meet redemption requests. Each fund also reserves the right to pay redemption proceeds in securities rather than cash (i.e., "redeem in-kind"), to the extent the composition of the fund's investment portfolio enables it to do so. Generally, a redemption in-kind may be made under the following circumstances: (1) BNYM Investment Adviser determines that a redemption in-kind (i) is more advantageous to the fund (e.g., due to advantageous tax consequences or lower transaction costs) than selling/purchasing portfolio securities, (ii) will not favor the redeeming shareholder to the detriment of any other shareholder or the fund and (iii) is in the best interests of the fund; (2) to manage liquidity risk (i.e., the risk that the fund could not meet redemption requests without significant dilution of remaining investors' interests in the fund); (3) in stressed market conditions; or (4) subject to the approval of the fund's board in other circumstances identified by BNYM Investment Adviser. Securities distributed in connection with any such redemption in-kind are expected to generally represent your pro rata portion of assets held by a fund immediately prior to the redemption, with adjustments as may be necessary in connection with, for example, certain derivatives, restricted securities, odd lots or fractional shares. Any securities distributed in-kind will remain exposed to market risk until sold, and you may incur transaction costs and taxable gain when selling the securities.

Potential Restrictions on Fund Redemptions—Fees and Gates

Applicable to BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund only:

If the fund's weekly liquid assets fall below 30% of its total assets, the Trust's board, if it determines it is in the best interests of the fund, may impose liquidity fees of up to 2% of the value of the shares redeemed and/or redemption gates beginning as early as the same day. In addition, if the fund's weekly liquid assets fall below 10% of its total assets at the end of any business day, the fund must impose a 1% liquidity fee on shareholder redemptions, beginning on the next business day, unless the Trust's board, including a majority of the board members who are not "interested persons" of the fund, determines that a lower or higher fee (not to exceed 2%), or no fee, is in the best interests of the fund. "Weekly liquid assets" include cash, government securities and securities readily convertible into cash within five business days. It is anticipated that the need to impose liquidity fees and redemption gates would occur very rarely, if at all, during times of extraordinary market stress.

Shareholders and financial intermediaries generally will be notified before a liquidity fee is imposed on the fund (although the Trust's board, in its discretion, may elect otherwise). A liquidity fee would be imposed on all redemption requests (including redemptions by exchange into another fund) processed at the first NAV calculation following the announcement that the fund would impose a liquidity fee, which may be the same day. Liquidity fees generally would operate to reduce the amount an investor receives upon redemption of fund shares, including upon an exchange of fund shares for shares of another fund, although under certain arrangements through which an intermediary remits the liquidity fee to the fund and charges an investor directly the fund will pay gross redemption proceeds to the intermediary. Liquidity fee proceeds would generally be retained by the fund and may be used to assist the fund to restore its \$1.00 share price. If the fund receives a liquidity fee, it is possible that it may return the fee to shareholders in the form of a distribution at a later time.

Shareholders and financial intermediaries will not be notified prior to the imposition of a redemption gate; however, financial intermediaries may be notified after the last NAV is calculated on the day the Trust's board has made a decision to impose a redemption gate. Redemption requests (including redemptions by exchange into another fund) submitted while a redemption gate is imposed will be cancelled without further notice. If shareholders still wish to redeem their shares after a redemption gate has been lifted, they will need to submit a new redemption request at that time.

When a liquidity fee or a redemption gate is in place, the fund may elect to stop selling shares or to impose additional conditions on the purchase of shares.

The Trust's board may, in its discretion, terminate a liquidity fee or redemption gate at any time if it believes such action to be in the best interest of the fund. In addition, a liquidity fee or redemption gate will automatically terminate at the

beginning of the next business day once the fund's weekly liquid assets reach at least 30% of its total assets. Redemption gates may only last up to 10 business days in any 90-day period.

The imposition and termination of a liquidity fee or redemption gate would be announced on the fund's website (www.dreyfus.com). In addition, the fund will communicate such action through a disclosure supplement to this prospectus and may further communicate such action by other means.

The Trust's board also may determine to permanently suspend redemptions and liquidate the fund if the fund, at the end of a business day, has less than 10% of its total assets invested in weekly liquid assets and the Trust's board determines that it would not be in the best interests of the fund to continue operating. In the event that the board approves liquidation of the fund, BNYM Investment Adviser will commence the orderly liquidation of the fund's portfolio securities, following which the fund's net assets will be distributed to shareholders pursuant to a plan of liquidation adopted by the board.

Purchases, Redemptions and Exchanges Through BNY Mellon Funds Trust Accounts and BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Accounts

Persons who hold fund shares through BNY Mellon Funds Trust Accounts or BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Accounts should contact their account officer or financial advisor, respectively, for information concerning purchasing, selling (redeeming), and exchanging fund shares. The policies and fees applicable to these accounts may differ from those described in this prospectus, and different minimum investments or limitations on buying, selling and exchanging shares may apply.

Purchases, Redemptions and Exchanges Through Institutional Investors

Institutional Investors that purchase fund shares for themselves or on behalf of their clients should contact their financial advisor directly for information concerning purchasing, selling (redeeming), and exchanging fund shares. Institutional Investors may impose policies, limitations (including with respect to buying, selling and exchanging fund shares) and fees on their clients that are different from those described in this prospectus.

Purchases, Redemptions and Exchanges Through Qualified Employee Benefit Plan Accounts

Persons who hold fund shares through Qualified Employee Benefit Plan Accounts should contact their plan sponsor or administrator for information concerning purchasing, selling (redeeming), and exchanging fund shares. The policies and fees applicable to these accounts may differ from those described in this prospectus, and different minimum investments or limitations on buying, selling and exchanging shares may apply.

Purchases and Redemptions Through Individual Accounts

Purchasing shares

Individual Accounts generally may be opened only by the transfer of fund shares from a BNY Mellon Funds Trust Account, by Wealth Management Clients who terminate their relationship with BNY Mellon Affiliates, but who wish to continue to hold fund shares, or by exchange from Individual Accounts holding other fund of BNY Mellon Funds Trust as described below under "Individual Account Services and Policies – Exchange Privilege." The minimum initial investment in a fund through an Individual Account is \$10,000, and the minimum for subsequent investments is \$100. You may purchase additional shares for an Individual Account by mail, wire, electronic check or TeleTransfer, or automatically.

Mail. To purchase additional shares by mail, fill out an investment slip and send the slip and a check with your account number written on it to:

Name of Fund
BNY Mellon Funds Trust
P.O. Box 9879, Providence, RI 02940-8079

Make checks payable to: BNY Mellon Funds Trust.

Electronic Check or Wire. To purchase shares by wire or electronic check, please call 1-800-373-9387 (inside the U.S. only) for more information.

TeleTransfer. To purchase additional shares through TeleTransfer call 1-800-373-9387 (inside the U.S. only) to request your transaction.

Automatically. Call us at 1-800-373-9387 (inside the U.S. only) to request a form to add any automatic investing service. Complete and return the forms along with any other required materials. These services are available only for holders of Individual Accounts. See "Individual Account Services and Policies—Automatic Services."

IRAs. For information on how to purchase additional shares for IRA accounts, call 1-800-373-9387 (inside the U.S. only), consult your financial representative, or refer to the SAI.

Selling (redeeming) shares

You may sell (redeem) shares in writing, or by telephone, wire or TeleTransfer, or automatically.

Written sell orders. Some circumstances require written sell orders along with medallion signature guarantees. These include:

- amounts of \$10,000 or more on accounts whose address has been changed within the last 30 days
- requests to send the proceeds to a different payee or address

Written sell orders of \$100,000 or more must also be medallion signature guaranteed.

A medallion signature guarantee helps protect against fraud. You can obtain one from most banks or securities dealers, but not from a notary public. For joint accounts, each signature must be guaranteed. Please call us to ensure that your medallion signature guarantee will be processed correctly.

In writing or by check. You may sell (redeem) shares by writing a letter of instruction and, for the funds specified below under "Individual Account Services and Policies — Checkwriting Privilege" only, by writing a redemption check. The letter of instruction or redemption check should include the following information:

- your name(s) and signatures(s)
- your account number
- the fund name
- the share class
- the dollar amount you want to sell
- how and where to send the proceeds

Obtain a medallion signature guarantee or other documentation, if required. Mail your request to:

BNY Mellon Funds Trust
P.O. Box 9879
Providence, RI 02940-8079

Telephone. Unless you have declined telephone privileges on your account application, you may also redeem your shares by telephone (maximum \$250,000 per day) by calling 1-800-373-9387 (inside the U.S. only). A check will be mailed to your address of record.

IRAs. For information on how to sell (redeem) shares held in IRA accounts, call 1-800-373-9387 (inside the U.S. only), consult your financial representative, or refer to the SAI.

Individual Account Services and Policies

The services and privileges described in this section are available only to holders of Individual Accounts.

Automatic services. Buying or selling shares automatically is easy with the services described below. With each service, you select a schedule and amount, subject to certain restrictions. You can set up most of these services with your application or by calling 1-800-373-9387 (inside the U.S. only).

Automatic Asset Builder permits you to purchase fund shares (minimum of \$100 and maximum of \$150,000 per transaction) at regular intervals selected by you. Fund shares are purchased by transferring funds from the bank account designated by you.

Payroll Savings Plan permits you to purchase fund shares (minimum \$100 per transaction) automatically through a payroll deduction.

Government Direct Deposit permits you to purchase shares (minimum of \$100 and maximum of \$50,000 per transaction) automatically from your federal employment, Social Security or other regular federal government check.

Dividend Sweep permits you to automatically reinvest dividends and distributions from one fund of BNY Mellon Funds Trust into the same class of another. Shares held through a Coverdell Education Savings Account sponsored by BNYM Investment Adviser or its affiliates are not eligible for this privilege.

Auto-Exchange Privilege permits you to exchange your shares from one fund of BNY Mellon Funds Trust into another.

Automatic Withdrawal Plan permits you to make withdrawals (minimum \$50) on a monthly or quarterly basis, provided your account balance is at least \$5,000.

Checkwriting Privilege. (Fixed-Income Funds and Money Market Funds only). Holders of Individual Accounts in BNY Mellon Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund, BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund, BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund and BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund may sell (redeem) shares by check. You may write redemption checks against your fund account in amounts of \$500 or more. These checks are free. However, a fee will be charged if you request a stop payment or if the transfer agent cannot honor a redemption check due to insufficient funds or another valid reason. Please do not postdate your checks or use them to close your account. Allow approximately two weeks after the fund's receipt of your initial investment for receipt of your checkbook.

Exchange Privilege. You generally can exchange shares of a class of a BNY Mellon fund worth \$500 or more into shares of the same class of any other fund of BNY Mellon Funds Trust. However, each fund account, including those established through exchanges, must meet the minimum account balance requirement of \$10,000. You can request your exchange in writing or by phone. Be sure to read the current prospectus for any fund into which you are exchanging before investing. Any new account established through an exchange will generally have the same privileges as your original account (as long as they are available). There is currently no fee for exchanges. Your exchange request will be processed on the same business day it is received in proper form, provided that each fund is open at the time of the request (i.e., the request is received by the latest time each fund calculates its NAV for that business day). If the exchange is accepted at a time of day after one or both of the funds is closed (i.e., at a time after the NAV for the fund has been calculated for that business day), the exchange will be processed on the next business day.

General Policies

The fund and the funds' transfer agent are authorized to act on telephone or online instructions from any person representing himself or herself to be you and reasonably believed by the fund or the transfer agent to be genuine. You may be responsible for any fraudulent telephone or online order as long as the fund or the funds' transfer agent (as applicable) takes reasonable measures to confirm that the instructions are genuine.

The fund reserves the right to reject any purchase or exchange request in whole or in part. All shareholder services and privileges offered to shareholders may be modified or terminated at any time, except as otherwise stated in the fund's SAI. Please see the fund's SAI for additional information on buying and selling shares, privileges and other shareholder services.

The funds (other than the money market funds) are designed for long-term investors. Frequent purchases, redemptions and exchanges may disrupt portfolio management strategies and harm fund performance by diluting the value of fund shares and increasing brokerage and administrative costs. As a result, BNYM Investment Adviser and the Trust's board have adopted a policy of discouraging excessive trading, short-term market timing and other abusive trading practices (frequent trading) that could adversely affect the fund or its operations. BNYM Investment Adviser and the funds will not enter into arrangements with any person or group to permit frequent trading.

Each fund also reserves the right to:

- change or discontinue fund exchanges, or temporarily suspend exchanges during unusual market conditions
- change its minimum investment amount
- refuse any purchase or exchange request in whole or in part, including those from any individual or group who, in BNYM Investment Adviser's view, is likely to engage in frequent trading

More than four roundtrips within a rolling 12-month period generally is considered to be frequent trading. A roundtrip consists of an investment that is substantially liquidated within 60 days. Based on the facts and circumstances of the trades, the fund may also view as frequent trading a pattern of investments that are partially liquidated within 60 days.

Transactions made through the Automatic Withdrawal Plan, Auto-Exchange Privilege, automatic investment plans (including Automatic Asset Builder), automatic non-discretionary rebalancing programs and minimum required retirement distributions generally are not considered to be frequent trading. For Retirement Plans, generally only participant-initiated exchange transactions are subject to the roundtrip limit.

BNYM Investment Adviser monitors selected transactions to identify frequent trading. When its surveillance systems identify multiple roundtrips, BNYM Investment Adviser evaluates trading activity in the account for evidence of

frequent trading. BNYM Investment Adviser considers the investor's trading history in other accounts under common ownership or control, in funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds, and if known, in non-affiliated mutual funds and accounts under common control. These evaluations involve judgments that are inherently subjective, and while BNYM Investment Adviser seeks to apply the policy and procedures uniformly, it is possible that similar transactions may be treated differently. In all instances, BNYM Investment Adviser seeks to make these judgments to the best of its abilities in a manner that it believes is consistent with shareholder interests. If BNYM Investment Adviser concludes the account is likely to engage in frequent trading, BNYM Investment Adviser may cancel or revoke the purchase or exchange on the following business day. BNYM Investment Adviser may also temporarily or permanently bar such investor's future purchases into the fund in lieu of, or in addition to, canceling or revoking the trade. At its discretion, BNYM Investment Adviser may apply these restrictions across all accounts under common ownership, control or perceived affiliation.

The funds' shares often are held through omnibus accounts maintained by financial intermediaries, such as brokers and Retirement Plan administrators, where the holdings of multiple shareholders, such as all the clients of a particular broker, are aggregated. BNYM Investment Adviser's ability to monitor the trading activity of investors whose shares are held in omnibus accounts is limited. However, the agreements between the distributor and financial intermediaries include obligations to comply with the terms of this prospectus and to provide BNYM Investment Adviser, upon request, with information concerning the trading activity of investors whose shares are held in omnibus accounts. If BNYM Investment Adviser determines that any such investor has engaged in frequent trading of fund shares, BNYM Investment Adviser may require the financial intermediary to restrict or prohibit future purchases or exchanges of fund shares by that investor.

Certain Retirement Plans and intermediaries that maintain omnibus accounts with the fund may have developed policies designed to control frequent trading that may differ from the fund's policy. At its sole discretion, the fund may permit such intermediaries to apply their own frequent trading policy. If you are investing in fund shares through a financial intermediary (or in the case of a Retirement Plan, your plan sponsor), please contact the financial intermediary for information on the frequent trading policies applicable to your account.

To the extent a fund significantly invests in foreign securities traded on markets that close before the fund calculates its NAV, events that influence the value of these foreign securities may occur after the close of these foreign markets and before the fund calculates its NAV. As a result, certain investors may seek to trade fund shares in an effort to benefit from their understanding of the value of these foreign securities at the time the fund calculates its NAV (referred to as price arbitrage). This type of frequent trading may dilute the value of fund shares held by other shareholders. The fund has adopted procedures designed to adjust closing market prices of foreign equity securities under certain circumstances to reflect what it believes to be their fair value.

To the extent a fund significantly invests in thinly traded securities, certain investors may seek to trade fund shares in an effort to benefit from their understanding of the value of these securities (referred to as price arbitrage). Any such frequent trading strategies may interfere with efficient management of the fund's portfolio to a greater degree than funds that invest in highly liquid securities, in part because the fund may have difficulty selling these portfolio securities at advantageous times or prices to satisfy large and/or frequent redemption requests. Any successful price arbitrage may also cause dilution in the value of fund shares held by other shareholders.

Although the funds' frequent trading and fair valuation policies and procedures are designed to discourage market timing and excessive trading, none of these tools alone, nor all of them together, completely eliminates the potential for frequent trading.

Money market funds generally are used by investors for short-term investments, often in place of bank checking or savings accounts, or for cash management purposes. Investors value the ability to add and withdraw their funds quickly, without restriction. For this reason, although BNYM Investment Adviser discourages excessive trading and other abusive trading practices, BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund and BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund (collectively, Money Market Funds) have not adopted policies and procedures, or imposed redemption fees or other restrictions such as minimum holding periods, to deter frequent purchases and redemptions of shares of the Money Market Funds. BNYM Investment Adviser also believes that money market funds, such as the Money Market Funds, are not typically targets of abusive trading practices. However, frequent purchases and redemptions of a Money Market Fund's shares could increase the Money Market Fund's transaction costs, such as market spreads and custodial fees, and may interfere with the efficient management of the Money Market Fund's portfolio, which could detract from the Money Market Fund's performance. Accordingly, each Money Market Fund reserves the right to reject any purchase or exchange request.

Escheatment

If your account is deemed "abandoned" or "unclaimed" under state law, the fund may be required to "escheat" or transfer the assets in your account to the applicable state's unclaimed property administration. The state may sell escheated shares and, if you subsequently seek to reclaim your proceeds of liquidation from the state, you may only be able to recover the amount received when the shares were sold. It is your responsibility to ensure that you maintain a correct address for your account, keep your account active by contacting the fund's transfer agent or distributor by mail or telephone or accessing your account through the fund's website at least once a year, and promptly cash all checks for dividends, capital gains and redemptions. The fund, the fund's transfer agent and BNYM Investment Adviser and its affiliates will not be liable to shareholders or their representatives for good faith compliance with state escheatment laws.

Distributions and Taxes

Each fund earns dividends, interest and other income from its investments, and distributes this income (less expenses) to shareholders as dividends. Each fund also realizes capital gains from its investments, and distributes these gains (less any losses) to shareholders as capital gain distributions.

Each fund usually pays its shareholders dividend, if any, from its net investment income as follows:

Fund	Dividend Payment Frequency
BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Annually
BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Annually
BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Annually
BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund	Annually
BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund	Annually
BNY Mellon International Fund	Annually
BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund	Quarterly
BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund	Annually
BNY Mellon Bond Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund	Monthly
BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund	Monthly

Each fund generally distributes any net capital gains it has realized once a year.

Each share class will generate a different dividend because each has different expenses. For Individual Accounts, dividends and other distributions will be reinvested in fund shares unless you instruct the fund otherwise. For information on reinvestment of dividends and other distributions on BNY Mellon Funds Trust Accounts, contact your account officer, and for such information on BNY Mellon Wealth Brokerage Accounts or client accounts of Investment Advisory Firms, contact your financial advisor. There are no fees or sales charges on reinvestments.

Dividends and other distributions paid by a fund are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains (unless you are investing through an IRA, Retirement Plan or other U.S. tax-advantaged investment plan, in which case taxes may be deferred). For federal income tax purposes, in general, certain fund distributions, including interest income and distributions of short-term capital gains, are taxable to you as ordinary income. Other fund distributions, including dividends from certain U.S. companies and certain foreign companies and distributions of long-term capital gains, generally are taxable to you as qualified dividends and capital gains, respectively.

BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund and BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund anticipate that dividends paid by the fund to you generally will be exempt from federal income taxes. However, the fund may realize and distribute taxable income and capital gains from time to time as a result of the fund's normal investment activities. Although BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund seeks to provide income exempt from federal income tax, interest from some of its holdings may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax.

BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund, BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund and BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund anticipate that dividends paid by the fund to you generally will be exempt from federal and, as to the relevant fund, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and New York, respectively, personal income taxes. However, the fund may realize and distribute taxable income and capital gains from time to time as a result of the fund's normal investment activities.

For Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and New York personal income tax purposes, distributions derived from interest on municipal securities of Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and New York issuers, respectively, and from interest on qualifying securities issued by U.S. territories and possessions are generally exempt from tax. Distributions that are federally

taxable as ordinary income or capital gains are generally subject to Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and New York state personal income taxes, respectively.

For BNY Mellon International Fund, BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund, and BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund, the fund's investments in foreign securities may be subject to foreign withholding or other foreign taxes, which would decrease the fund's return on such securities. Under certain circumstances, shareholders may be entitled to claim a credit or deduction with respect to foreign taxes paid by the fund. In addition, investments in foreign securities or foreign currencies may increase or accelerate the fund's recognition of ordinary income and may affect the timing or amount of the fund's distributions.

High portfolio turnover and more volatile markets can result in significant taxable distributions to shareholders, regardless of whether their shares have increased in value. The tax status of any distribution generally is the same regardless of how long you have been in the fund and whether you reinvest your distributions or take them in cash.

If you buy shares of a fund when the fund has realized but not yet distributed ordinary income or capital gains, you will be "buying a dividend" by paying the full price for the shares and then receiving a portion back in the form of a taxable distribution.

Your sale of shares, including exchanges into other funds, may result in a capital gain or loss for tax purposes. A capital gain or loss on your investment in a fund generally is the difference between the cost of your shares and the amount you receive when you sell them.

The tax status of your dividends and distributions will be detailed in your annual tax statement from the fund. Because everyone's tax situation is unique, please consult your tax adviser before investing.

Applicable to BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund:

Because liquidity fees may be imposed on redemptions of BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund, including taxable exchanges into other funds, you may realize a gain or loss for tax purposes upon the redemption or exchange of fund shares. Generally, a shareholder of a money market fund, such as the funds, rather than realizing gain or loss upon each redemption or exchange of fund shares, may use a simplified method of accounting to annually recognize gain or loss (generally treated as short-term capital gain or loss) with respect to its shares in the fund, based on the changes in the aggregate value of the shareholder's shares in the fund during the computation period or periods (selected by the shareholder) comprising the shareholder's taxable year. Under prescribed rules, the change in value in the shareholder's fund shares for each computation period is adjusted appropriately to reflect any acquisitions and redemptions of fund shares by the shareholder during that computation period.

If a liquidity fee is imposed by the fund, it generally would reduce the amount you will receive upon the redemption of your shares, and would generally decrease the amount of any capital gain or increase the amount of any capital loss you will recognize with respect to such redemption. There is some degree of uncertainty with respect to the tax treatment of liquidity fees received by the fund, and such tax treatment may be the subject of future guidance issued by the Internal Revenue Service. If the fund receives liquidity fees, it will consider the appropriate tax treatment of such fees to the fund at such time.

Financial Highlights

These financial highlights describe the performance of each fund's Class M and Investor shares 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 financial highlights have been derived from each fund's financial statements, which have been audited by KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, whose reports, along with the funds' financial statements, are included in the annual reports, which are available upon request.

BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	5.36	6.50	6.25	5.67	5.92
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.06	.06	.07	.07	.08
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.98	(.25)	1.00	.81	.34
Total from Investment Operations	1.04	(.19)	1.07	.88	.42
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.06)	(.07)	(.06)	(.07)	(.08)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.73)	(.88)	(.76)	(.23)	(.59)
Total Distributions	(.79)	(.95)	(.82)	(.30)	(.67)
Net asset value, end of period	5.61	5.36	6.50	6.25	5.67
Total Return (%)	21.31	(1.64)	18.31	16.12	7.31
Ratios/Supplemental Data(%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.86	.84	.82	.84	.83
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.12	1.14	1.05	1.27	1.44
Portfolio Turnover Rate	47.12	53.52	48.73	46.36	49.82
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	146,035	189,137	270,328	278,536	328,113

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Large Cap Stock Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	5.36	6.51	6.26	5.67	5.92
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.04	.05	.05	.06	.07
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.99	(.27)	1.01	.82	.34
Total from Investment Operations	1.03	(.22)	1.06	.88	.41
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.05)	(.05)	(.05)	(.06)	(.07)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.73)	(.88)	(.76)	(.23)	(.59)
Total Distributions	(.78)	(.93)	(.81)	(.29)	(.66)
Net asset value, end of period	5.61	5.36	6.51	6.26	5.67
Total Return (%)	20.99	(2.03)	18.02	16.02	7.04
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.11	1.09	1.07	1.09	1.08
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.87	.89	.79	1.02	1.18
Portfolio Turnover Rate	47.12	53.52	48.73	46.36	49.82
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	7,271	6,828	9,975	10,093	9,801

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	15.86	18.12	16.50	14.98	14.71
Investment Operations:					
Investment income — net ^a	.16	.15	.14	.16	.17
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	2.91	(.35)	3.21	2.31	1.33
Total from Investment Operations	3.07	(.20)	3.35	2.47	1.50
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.17)	(.23)	(.23)	(.23)	(.15)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(1.15)	(1.83)	(1.50)	(.72)	(1.08)
Total Distributions	(1.32)	(2.06)	(1.73)	(.95)	(1.23)
Net asset value, end of period	17.61	15.86	18.12	16.50	14.98
Total Return (%)	20.12	.69	21.44	17.13	10.86
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets ^b	.64	.64	.66	.65	.64
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets ^b	1.01	.96	.80	1.05	1.19
Portfolio Turnover Rate	15.09	25.75	15.03	24.05	13.81
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	326,268	308,921	349,960	336,659	344,867

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount does not include the expenses of the underlying funds.

BNY Mellon Tax-Sensitive Large Cap Multi-Strategy Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	16.28	18.53	16.84	15.28	14.98
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.12	.11	.10	.13	.14
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	2.99	(.34)	3.28	2.35	1.35
Total from Investment Operations	3.11	(.23)	3.38	2.48	1.49
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.14)	(.19)	(.19)	(.20)	(.11)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(1.15)	(1.83)	(1.50)	(.72)	(1.08)
Total Distributions	(1.29)	(2.02)	(1.69)	(.92)	(1.19)
Net asset value, end of period	18.10	16.28	18.53	16.84	15.28
Total Return (%)	19.76	.45	21.15	16.87	10.56
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets ^b	.89	.89	.91	.90	.89
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets ^b	.77	.71	.56	.81	.97
Portfolio Turnover Rate	15.09	25.75	15.03	24.05	13.81
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	5,538	6,949	6,598	6,511	6,081

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount does not include the expenses of the underlying funds.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund					
	Year Ended August 31,				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	8.70	9.78	9.29	8.72	8.57
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.20	.22	.21	.21	.21
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(.66)	(.33)	1.16	.83	.94
Total from Investment Operations	(.46)	(.11)	1.37	1.04	1.15
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income--net	(.19)	(.21)	(.19)	(.19)	(.21)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.71)	(.76)	(.69)	(.28)	(.79)
Total Distributions	(.90)	(.97)	(.88)	(.47)	(1.00)
Net asset value, end of period	7.34	8.70	9.78	9.29	8.72
Total Return (%)	(6.38)	(.36)	15.31	12.33	14.33
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.81	.80	.80	.81	.81
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.81	.80	.80	.81	.81
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.53	2.47	2.17	2.28	2.54
Portfolio Turnover Rate	78.02	59.45	67.57	52.66	54.31
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	578,269	930,683	1,185,755	1,185,723	1,068,292

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund					
	Year Ended August 31,				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	8.82	9.90	9.39	8.81	8.63
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.19	.20	.18	.19	.19
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(.69)	(.33)	1.18	.84	.97
Total from Investment Operations	(.50)	(.13)	1.36	1.03	1.16
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income--net	(.17)	(.19)	(.16)	(.17)	(.19)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.71)	(.76)	(.69)	(.28)	(.79)
Total Distributions	(.88)	(.95)	(.85)	(.45)	(.98)
Net asset value, end of period	7.44	8.82	9.90	9.39	8.81
Total Return (%)	(6.77)	(.60)	15.08	12.02	14.14
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.06	1.05	1.05	1.06	1.06
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	1.06	1.05	1.05	1.06	1.06
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.26	2.24	1.92	2.03	2.27
Portfolio Turnover Rate	78.02	59.45	67.57	52.66	54.31
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	12,282	23,913	31,625	28,204	16,094

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	17.45	19.24	16.72	15.03	14.66
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.09	.08	.05	.07	.08
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	2.36	(.63)	3.28	1.88	.96
Total from Investment Operations	2.45	(.55)	3.33	1.95	1.04
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income--net	(.04)	(.05)	(.04)	(.10)	(.02)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.58)	(1.19)	(.77)	(.16)	(.65)
Total Distributions	(.62)	(1.24)	(.81)	(.26)	(.67)
Net asset value, end of period	19.28	17.45	19.24	16.72	15.03
Total Return (%)	14.24	(1.54)	20.48	13.12	7.51
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.90	.89	.89	.90	.90
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.50	.45	.30	.45	.60
Portfolio Turnover Rate	41.86	44.44	50.53	62.81	74.68
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	2,433,885	2,610,739	3,358,399	2,788,133	2,433,012

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	17.13	18.90	16.45	14.79	14.45
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.04	.04	.01	.03	.05
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	2.31	(.60)	3.22	1.86	.94
Total from Investment Operations	2.35	(.56)	3.23	1.89	.99
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income--net	-	(.02)	(.01)	(.07)	-
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.58)	(1.19)	(.77)	(.16)	(.65)
Total Distributions	(.58)	(1.21)	(.78)	(.23)	(.65)
Net asset value, end of period	18.90	17.13	18.90	16.45	14.79
Total Return (%)	13.93	(1.70)	20.13	12.89	7.26
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.15	1.14	1.14	1.15	1.15
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.26	.21	.05	.20	.34
Portfolio Turnover Rate	41.86	44.44	50.53	62.81	74.68
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	106,907	118,579	123,713	88,697	60,222

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	17.12	23.16	19.48	16.71	16.65
Investment Operations:					
Investment income (loss)—net ^a	.00 ^b	.02	(.03)	.01	.01
Net realized and unrealized					
gain on investments	2.77	(3.16)	5.41	2.86	.68
Total from Investment Operations	2.77	(3.14)	5.38	2.87	.69
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.03)	-	-	-	-
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.58)	(2.90)	(1.70)	(.10)	(.63)
Net asset value, end of period	19.28	17.12	23.16	19.48	16.71
Total Return (%)	16.42	(11.94)	28.97	17.19	4.46
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.03	1.02	1.01	1.03	1.05
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets	.02	.10	(.15)	.05	.04
Portfolio Turnover Rate	74.33	71.58	63.00	75.82	101.40
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	466,531	405,350	625,344	507,703	389,890

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

BNY Mellon Small Cap Multi-Strategy Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	16.12	22.08	18.69	16.07	16.08
Investment Operations:					
Investment (loss) — net ^a	(.04)	(.02)	(.08)	(.04)	(.03)
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	2.61	(3.04)	5.17	2.76	.65
Total from Investment Operations	2.57	(3.06)	5.09	2.72	.62
Distributions:					
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.58)	(2.90)	(1.70)	(.10)	(.63)
Net asset value, end of period	18.11	16.12	22.08	18.69	16.07
Total Return (%)	16.20	(12.20)	28.62	16.94	4.17
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.28	1.27	1.26	1.28	1.30
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	1.28	1.27	1.26	1.28	1.30
Ratio of net investment (loss) to average net assets	(.22)	(.13)	(.40)	(.20)	(.21)
Portfolio Turnover Rate	74.33	71.58	63.00	75.82	101.40
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	20,474	18,823	25,022	19,641	14,285

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	15.57	18.63	16.96	14.63	14.66
Investment Operations:					
Investment income— net ^a	.14	.10	.09	.11	.12
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	3.29	(.53)	3.51	3.56	1.20
Total from Investment Operations	3.43	(.43)	3.60	3.67	1.32
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.13)	(.12)	(.07)	(.19)	(.11)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.99)	(2.51)	(1.86)	(1.15)	(1.24)
Total Distributions	(1.12)	(2.63)	(1.93)	(1.34)	(1.35)
Net asset value, end of period	17.88	15.57	18.63	16.96	14.63
Total Return (%)	23.11	(.59)	22.62	27.04	9.39
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.87	.86	.86	.87	.87
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.90	.66	.53	.72	.83
Portfolio Turnover Rate	43.62	78.12	45.29	62.39	48.25
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	447,927	430,597	577,906	485,040	434,171

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Focused Equity Opportunities Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	15.37	18.43	16.81	14.51	14.55
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.10	.07	.05	.07	.08
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	3.24	(.53)	3.46	3.53	1.19
Total from Investment Operations	3.24	(.46)	3.51	3.60	1.27
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.10)	(.09)	(.03)	(.15)	(.07)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.99)	(2.51)	(1.86)	(1.15)	(1.24)
Total Distributions	(1.09)	(2.60)	(1.89)	(1.30)	(1.31)
Net asset value, end of period	17.62	15.37	18.43	16.81	14.51
Total Return (%)	22.77	(.81)	22.24	26.75	9.13
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.12	1.11	1.11	1.12	1.12
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.67	.42	.32	.49	.59
Portfolio Turnover Rate	43.62	78.12	45.29	62.39	48.25
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	7,968	7,153	11,658	5,947	4,206

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.86	16.86	14.49	12.44	12.72
Investment Operations:					
Investment income (loss)—net ^a	.01	.01	(.01)	.01	.01
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments	2.32	(1.74)	3.86	2.09	.50
Total from Investment Operations	2.33	(1.73)	3.85	2.10	.51
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income-net	(.01)	-	(.00) ^b	(.01)	(.04)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.51)	(2.27)	(1.48)	(.04)	(.75)
Total Distributions	(.52)	(2.27)	(1.48)	(.05)	(.79)
Net asset value, end of period	14.67	12.86	16.86	14.49	12.44
Total Return (%)	18.61	(9.13)	28.25	16.94	4.35
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.95	.94	.93	.94	.95
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets	.10	.08	(.05)	.10	.10
Portfolio Turnover Rate	57.41	68.52	61.78	79.45	99.45
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	194,521	223,000	370,701	327,604	300,557

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

BNY Mellon Small/Mid Cap Multi-Strategy Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.57	16.57	14.30	12.31	12.59
Investment Operations:					
Investment (loss)—net ^a	(.02)	(.02)	(.05)	(.02)	(.01)
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments	2.26	(1.71)	3.80	2.05	.48
Total from Investment Operations	2.24	(1.73)	3.75	2.03	.47
Distributions:					
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.51)	(2.27)	(1.48)	(.04)	(.75)
Net asset value, end of period	14.30	12.57	16.57	14.30	12.31
Total Return (%)	18.32	(9.31)	27.87	16.55	4.08
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.20	1.19	1.18	1.19	1.20
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets	(.16)	(.17)	(.30)	(.17)	(.11)
Portfolio Turnover Rate	57.41	68.52	61.78	79.45	99.45
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	2,164	2,064	4,258	3,227	1,697

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon International Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.31	13.45	13.17	11.22	11.55
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.21	.31	.23	.19	.18
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.60	(1.20)	.26	1.98	(.35)
Total from Investment Operations	.81	(.89)	.49	2.17	(.17)
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.34)	(.25)	(.21)	(.22)	(.16)
Net asset value, end of period	12.78	12.31	13.45	13.17	11.22
Total Return (%)	6.47	(6.50)	3.68	19.80	(1.49)
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.03	1.02	1.02	1.04	1.03
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.67	2.47	1.68	1.64	1.59
Portfolio Turnover Rate	66.41	59.03	54.87	81.88	86.83
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	552,883	897,080	1,124,632	1,076,444	1,007,752

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon International Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.12	14.32	14.02	11.92	12.26
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.20	.29	.22	.20	.15
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.64	(1.27)	.26	2.10	(.37)
Total from Investment Operations	.84	(.98)	.48	2.30	(.22)
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.31)	(.22)	(.18)	(.20)	(.12)
Net asset value, end of period	13.65	13.12	14.32	14.02	11.92
Total Return (%)	6.28	(6.74)	3.41	19.59	(1.78)
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.28	1.27	1.27	1.29	1.28
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.53	2.20	1.44	1.53	1.25
Portfolio Turnover Rate	66.41	59.03	54.87	81.88	86.83
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	14,473	16,755	19,963	18,145	11,553

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	10.14	10.72	11.23	8.96	7.98
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.07	.14	.11	.08	.09
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	1.27	(.64)	(.53)	2.26	.96
Total from Investment Operations	1.34	(.50)	(.42)	2.34	1.05
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.13)	(.08)	(.09)	(.07)	(.07)
Net asset value, end of period	11.35	10.14	10.72	11.23	8.96
Total Return (%)	13.24	(4.68)	(3.76)	26.36	13.35
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.40	1.44
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.71	1.37	.96	.84	1.10
Portfolio Turnover Rate	34.44	90.09	80.86	91.81	103.60
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	762,408	819,164	922,117	904,774	693,652

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Emerging Markets Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	10.41	11.01	11.53	9.20	8.17
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.04	.12	.09	.07	.07
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	1.30	(.67)	(.54)	2.31	1.00
Total from Investment Operations	1.34	(.55)	(.45)	2.38	1.07
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.11)	(.05)	(.07)	(.05)	(.04)
Net asset value, end of period	11.64	10.41	11.01	11.53	9.20
Total Return (%)	12.85	(4.99)	(3.93)	26.05	13.13
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.65	1.69
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.36	1.10	.74	.69	.85
Portfolio Turnover Rate	34.44	90.09	80.86	91.81	103.60
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	20,919	20,970	20,257	17,970	11,263

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.20	13.86	14.20	12.35	11.92
Investment Operations:					
Investment income — net ^a	.37	.59	.57	.42	.34
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(.82)	(1.69)	(.32)	1.84	.41
Total from Investment Operations	(.45)	(1.10)	.25	2.26	.75
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.48)	(.56)	(.59)	(.41)	(.32)
Net asset value, end of period	11.27	12.20	13.86	14.20	12.35
Total Return (%)	(3.94)	(7.98)	1.63	18.72	6.51
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.14	1.07	1.08	1.09	1.09
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	3.05	4.53	3.92	3.27	2.85
Portfolio Turnover Rate	55.03	45.49	54.20	46.42	78.17
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	111,258	282,061	360,816	367,829	282,609

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon International Equity Income Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.35	14.00	14.36	12.47	11.97
Investment Operations:					
Investment income — net ^a	.36	.53	.54	.62	.23
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(.85)	(1.67)	(.34)	1.57	.52
Total from Investment Operations	(.49)	(1.14)	.20	2.19	.75
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.44)	(.51)	(.56)	(.30)	(.25)
Net asset value, end of period	11.42	12.35	14.00	14.36	12.47
Total Return (%)	(4.15)	(8.21)	1.27	17.87	6.40
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.39	1.32	1.33	1.37	1.34
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.97	4.09	3.78	4.13	1.92
Portfolio Turnover Rate	55.03	45.49	54.20	46.42	78.17
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	930	2,318	1,627	2,135	765

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Bond Fund					
	Year Ended August 31,				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.14	12.32	12.82	13.11	12.74
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.30	.35	.34	.32	.31
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.54	.84	(.48)	(.21)	.42
Total from Investment Operations	.84	1.19	(.14)	.11	.73
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.35)	(.37)	(.36)	(.37)	(.36)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	-	-	(.03)	-
Total Distributions	(.35)	(.37)	(.36)	(.40)	(.36)
Net asset value, end of period	13.63	13.14	12.32	12.82	13.11
Total Return (%)	6.49	9.89	(1.10)	.87	5.82
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.55	.55	.55	.56	.56
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.30	2.77	2.70	2.50	2.38
Portfolio Turnover Rate	93.11	79.56	47.36	72.85	72.21
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	1,268,576	1,220,362	1,002,899	1,001,290	1,030,685

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Bond Fund					
	Year Ended August 31,				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.11	12.29	12.79	13.08	12.71
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.28	.32	.31	.28	.27
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.52	.84	(.48)	(.21)	.43
Total from Investment Operations	.80	1.16	(.17)	.07	.70
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.31)	(.34)	(.33)	(.33)	(.33)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	-	-	(.03)	-
Total Distributions	(.31)	(.34)	(.33)	(.36)	(.33)
Net asset value, end of period	13.60	13.11	12.29	12.79	13.08
Total Return (%)	6.22	9.60	(1.35)	.63	5.55
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.80	.80	.80	.81	.81
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.08	2.47	2.46	2.24	2.14
Portfolio Turnover Rate	93.11	79.56	47.36	72.85	72.21
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	9,204	8,697	6,944	9,613	9,619

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.72	12.26	12.60	12.74	12.55
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.25	.27	.25	.22	.20
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	.41	.47	(.32)	(.10)	.25
Total from Investment Operations	.66	.74	(.07)	.12	.45
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.27)	(.28)	(.27)	(.26)	(.26)
Net asset value, end of period	13.11	12.72	12.26	12.60	12.74
Total Return (%)	5.23	6.09	(.58)	1.01	3.60
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.55	.55	.55	.56	.56
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.97	2.15	2.03	1.77	1.61
Portfolio Turnover Rate	41.86	33.30	28.92	48.97	32.99
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	891,782	985,280	833,954	838,741	869,419

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Intermediate Bond Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.73	12.26	12.60	12.74	12.56
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.22	.23	.22	.19	.17
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	.40	.48	(.33)	(.10)	.24
Total from Investment Operations	.62	.71	(.11)	.09	.41
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.23)	(.24)	(.23)	(.23)	(.23)
Net asset value, end of period	13.12	12.73	12.26	12.60	12.74
Total Return (%)	4.93	5.88	(.84)	.75	3.26
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.80	.80	.80	.81	.81
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.68	1.88	1.78	1.52	1.36
Portfolio Turnover Rate	41.86	33.30	28.92	48.97	32.99
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	8,293	6,225	5,756	7,563	8,247

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund					
	Year Ended August 31,				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.36	12.52	13.06	13.07	12.59
Investment Operations:					
Investment income — net ^a	.45	.46	.44	.42	.39
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.35	.86	(.50)	.05	.54
Total from Investment Operations	.80	1.32	(.06)	.47	.93
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.47)	(.48)	(.48)	(.48)	(.45)
Net asset value, end of period	13.69	13.36	12.52	13.06	13.07
Total Return (%)	6.16	10.81	(.48)	3.67	7.55
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.56	.56	.55	.56	.56
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	3.39	3.65	3.43	3.29	3.10
Portfolio Turnover Rate	25.67	30.95	33.36	33.05	34.99
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	849,166	907,433	776,480	784,237	850,017

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Corporate Bond Fund					
	Year Ended August 31,				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.37	12.53	13.07	13.07	12.59
Investment Operations:					
Investment income — net ^a	.43	.43	.37	.42	.35
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.34	.85	(.46)	.03	.55
Total from Investment Operations	.77	1.28	(.09)	.45	.90
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.44)	(.44)	(.45)	(.45)	(.42)
Net asset value, end of period	13.70	13.37	12.53	13.07	13.07
Total Return (%)	5.87	10.50	(.72)	3.53	7.29
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.81	.81	.80	.81	.81
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	3.12	3.41	3.06	3.02	2.83
Portfolio Turnover Rate	25.67	30.95	33.36	33.05	34.99
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	5,448	2,693	2,573	2,807	1,793

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	11.70	11.52	11.72	11.81	11.84
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.19	.21	.14	.08	.04
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.15	.20	(.18)	(.05)	.05
Total from Investment Operations	.34	.41	(.04)	.03	.09
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.23)	(.23)	(.16)	(.12)	(.12)
Net asset value, end of period	11.81	11.70	11.52	11.72	11.81
Total Return (%)	2.95	3.61	(.36)	.26	.77
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.55	.55	.56	.55	.55
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.65	1.84	1.20	.68	.37
Portfolio Turnover Rate	65.00	119.53	61.04	65.98	100.46
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	234,920	255,767	190,515	172,603	214,754

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Short-Term U.S. Government Securities Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	11.68	11.50	11.71	11.79	11.82
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.11	.18	.11	.05	.01
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.21	.20	(.19)	(.04)	.05
Total from Investment Operations	.32	.38	(.08)	.01	.06
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.20)	(.20)	(.13)	(.09)	(.09)
Net asset value, end of period	11.80	11.68	11.50	11.71	11.79
Total Return (%)	2.73	3.31	(.69)	.10	.51
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.80	.80	.81	.80	.80
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.98	1.54	.92	.43	.12
Portfolio Turnover Rate	65.00	119.53	61.04	65.98	100.46
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	5,308	1,727	1,494	1,753	1,906

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund					
		Year Ended August 31,			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	14.04	13.29	13.64	14.00	13.56
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.30	.33	.34	.34	.36
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.05	.75	(.35)	(.27)	.43
Total from Investment Operations	.35	1.08	(.01)	.07	.79
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.30)	(.33)	(.34)	(.34)	(.35)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	-	(.00) ^b	(.09)	(.00) ^b
Total Distributions	(.30)	(.33)	(.34)	(.43)	(.35)
Net asset value, end of period	14.09	14.04	13.29	13.64	14.00
Total Return (%)	2.54	8.26	(.05)	.60	5.94
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.16	2.45	2.54	2.52	2.58
Portfolio Turnover Rate	45.62	61.91	38.75	32.14	18.61
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	2,585,034	2,498,913	2,144,898	2,093,660	2,223,660

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

BNY Mellon National Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund					
		Year Ended August 31,			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	14.02	13.28	13.63	13.99	13.54
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.27	.30	.31	.31	.32
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.04	.74	(.36)	(.27)	.45
Total from Investment Operations	.31	1.04	(.05)	.04	.77
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.26)	(.30)	(.30)	(.31)	(.32)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	-	(.00) ^b	(.09)	(.00) ^b
Total Distributions	(.26)	(.30)	(.30)	(.40)	(.32)
Net asset value, end of period	14.07	14.02	13.28	13.63	13.99
Total Return (%)	2.29	7.92	(.30)	.35	5.76
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.75	.75	.75	.75	.75
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.75	.75	.75	.75	.75
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.92	2.22	2.29	2.27	2.33
Portfolio Turnover Rate	45.62	61.91	38.75	32.14	18.61
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	63,920	51,184	47,265	52,216	55,272

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund					
	Year Ended August 31,				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.91	12.71	12.83	12.87	12.83
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.17	.18	.14	.12	.11
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.04	.20	(.12)	(.02)	.05
Total from Investment Operations	.21	.38	.02	.10	.16
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.17)	(.18)	(.14)	(.12)	(.11)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	-	-	(.02)	(.01)
Total Distributions	(.17)	(.18)	(.14)	(.14)	(.12)
Net asset value, end of period	12.95	12.91	12.71	12.83	12.87
Total Return (%)	1.64	3.03	.18	.76	1.21
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.51	.50	.51	.51	.51
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.51	.50	.51	.51	.51
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.34	1.44	1.12	.94	.84
Portfolio Turnover Rate	92.41	128.58	58.52	35.60	51.47
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	1,043,840	1,129,486	912,838	889,237	1,104,162

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon National Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund					
	Year Ended August 31,				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.90	12.70	12.82	12.86	12.82
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.14	.15	.11	.09	.08
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.04	.20	(.12)	(.02)	.05
Total from Investment Operations	.18	.35	(.01)	.07	.13
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.14)	(.15)	(.11)	(.09)	(.08)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	-	-	(.02)	(.01)
Total Distributions	(.14)	(.15)	(.11)	(.11)	(.09)
Net asset value, end of period	12.94	12.90	12.70	12.82	12.86
Total Return (%)	1.39	2.78	(.07)	.52	.97
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.76	.75	.76	.76	.76
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.76	.75	.76	.76	.76
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.09	1.20	.87	.72	.60
Portfolio Turnover Rate	92.41	128.58	58.52	35.60	51.47
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	13,965	14,608	9,158	13,526	5,880

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.61	11.95	12.24	12.68	12.31
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.27	.29	.29	.30	.32
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.06	.66	(.27)	(.24)	.41
Total from Investment Operations	.33	.95	.02	.06	.73
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.27)	(.29)	(.29)	(.30)	(.32)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.02)	-	(.02)	(.20)	(.04)
Total Distributions	(.29)	(.29)	(.31)	(.50)	(.36)
Net asset value, end of period	12.65	12.61	11.95	12.24	12.68
Total Return (%)	2.68	8.09	.22	.55	5.96
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.72	.70	.70	.70	.69
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.71	.70	.70	.70	.69
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.15	2.41	2.44	2.44	2.52
Portfolio Turnover Rate	51.36	69.91	38.13	20.07	25.94
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	183,861	191,702	184,216	209,457	255,017

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

BNY Mellon Pennsylvania Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.59	11.93	12.23	12.67	12.29
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.24	.26	.27	.27	.28
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	.06	.66	(.29)	(.24)	.42
Total from Investment Operations	.30	.92	(.02)	.03	.70
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.24)	(.26)	(.26)	(.27)	(.28)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.02)	-	(.02)	(.20)	(.04)
Total Distributions	(.26)	(.26)	(.28)	(.47)	(.32)
Net asset value, end of period	12.63	12.59	11.93	12.23	12.67
Total Return (%)	2.43	7.83	(.12)	.30	5.79
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.97	.95	.95	.95	.94
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.97	.95	.95	.95	.94
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.90	2.15	2.19	2.20	2.27
Portfolio Turnover Rate	51.36	69.91	38.13	20.07	25.94
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	9,255	8,063	5,473	5,043	5,981

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.12	12.40	12.75	13.16	12.73
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.27	.29	.30	.30	.31
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(.00) ^b	.72	(.35)	(.28)	.43
Total from Investment Operations	.27	1.01	(.05)	.02	.74
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.27)	(.29)	(.30)	(.30)	(.31)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	-	(.00) ^b	(.13)	-
Total Distributions	(.27)	(.29)	(.30)	(.43)	(.31)
Net asset value, end of period	13.12	13.12	12.40	12.75	13.16
Total Return (%)	2.10	8.28	(.32)	.24	5.88
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.54	.53	.54	.54	.54
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.54	.53	.54	.54	.54
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.08	2.32	2.43	2.35	2.39
Portfolio Turnover Rate	52.29	80.68	38.51	31.61	28.71
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	312,356	316,364	297,515	297,243	360,108

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

BNY Mellon Massachusetts Intermediate Municipal Bond Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.11	12.40	12.75	13.15	12.73
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.24	.26	.27	.27	.28
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(.00) ^b	.71	(.35)	(.27)	.42
Total from Investment Operations	.24	.97	(.08)	-	.70
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.24)	(.26)	(.27)	(.27)	(.28)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	-	(.00) ^b	(.13)	-
Total Distributions	(.24)	(.26)	(.27)	(.40)	(.28)
Net asset value, end of period	13.11	13.11	12.40	12.75	13.15
Total Return (%)	1.92	7.93	(.56)	.06	5.54
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.79	.78	.79	.79	.79
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.79	.78	.79	.79	.79
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.83	2.08	2.18	2.12	2.15
Portfolio Turnover Rate	52.29	80.68	38.51	31.61	28.71
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	8,253	7,437	7,046	9,395	8,410

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	11.53	10.91	11.20	11.62	11.24
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.24	.26	.26	.26	.29
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	(.11)	.63	(.29)	(.24)	.41
Total from Investment Operations	.13	.89	(.03)	.02	.70
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.24)	(.26)	(.26)	(.26)	(.29)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.07)	(.01)	(.00) ^b	(.18)	(.03)
Total Distributions	(.31)	(.27)	(.26)	(.44)	(.32)
Net asset value, end of period	11.35	11.53	10.91	11.20	11.62
Total Return (%)	1.20	8.28	(.22)	.31	6.30
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.73	.72	.72	.73	.72
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.59	.59	.59	.59	.59
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.12	2.35	2.36	2.38	2.53
Portfolio Turnover Rate	79.52	90.17	45.71	37.78	36.53
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	150,490	148,558	147,343	152,923	175,053

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

BNY Mellon New York Intermediate Tax-Exempt Bond Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	11.54	10.92	11.20	11.62	11.24
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.21	.23	.23	.24	.26
Net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) on investments	(.11)	.63	(.28)	(.24)	.41
Total from Investment Operations	.10	.86	(.05)	-	.67
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.21)	(.23)	(.23)	(.24)	(.26)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.07)	(.01)	(.00) ^b	(.18)	(.03)
Total Distributions	(.28)	(.24)	(.23)	(.42)	(.29)
Net asset value, end of period	11.36	11.54	10.92	11.20	11.62
Total Return (%)	.95	8.00	(.38)	.07	6.03
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.98	.97	.97	.98	.97
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.84	.84	.84	.84	.84
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.88	2.11	2.11	2.13	2.28
Portfolio Turnover Rate	79.52	90.17	45.71	37.78	36.53
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	10,509	11,051	11,334	13,093	14,322

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.70	13.12	13.15	13.46	12.99
Investment Operations:					
Investment income — net ^a	.40	.43	.44	.45	.50
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(.17)	.57	(.02)	(.32)	.45
Total from Investment Operations	.23	1.00	.42	.13	.95
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.41)	(.42)	(.45)	(.44)	(.48)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	(.00) ^b	(.00) ^b	(.00) ^b	-
Total Distributions	(.41)	(.42)	(.45)	(.44)	(.48)
Net asset value, end of period	13.52	13.70	13.12	13.15	13.46
Total Return (%)	1.79	7.77	3.27	1.11	7.40
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.69	.73	.75	.73	.71
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.69	.73	.75	.73	.71
Ratio of interest and expense related to floating rate notes issued to average net assets	.04	.08	.10	.07	.05
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	3.02	3.22	3.43	3.44	3.79
Portfolio Turnover Rate	75.12	72.96	41.48	34.78	31.92
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	2,187,170	1,918,499	1,432,351	1,257,498	1,084,650

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

BNY Mellon Municipal Opportunities Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.70	13.13	13.16	13.46	12.99
Investment Operations:					
Investment income — net ^a	.38	.39	.40	.41	.47
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(.18)	.57	(.02)	(.30)	.44
Total from Investment Operations	.20	.96	.38	.11	.91
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.37)	(.39)	(.41)	(.41)	(.44)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	-	(.00) ^b	(.00) ^b	(.00) ^b	-
Total Distributions	(.37)	(.39)	(.41)	(.41)	(.44)
Net asset value, end of period	13.53	13.70	13.13	13.16	13.46
Total Return (%)	1.54	7.50	3.01	.95	7.13
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.94	.98	1.00	.99	.96
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.94	.98	1.00	.99	.96
Ratio of interest and expense related to floating rate notes issued to average net assets	.04	.08	.10	.07	.05
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	2.77	2.97	3.12	3.14	3.55
Portfolio Turnover Rate	75.12	72.96	41.48	34.78	31.92
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	55,217	63,551	32,924	57,865	25,463

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.27	13.16	12.30	11.30	11.51
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.21	.19	.17	.18	.17
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	1.31	(.33)	1.26	1.12	.39
Total from Investment Operations	1.52	(.14)	1.43	1.30	.56
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.23)	(.26)	(.21)	(.20)	(.19)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.68)	(.49)	(.36)	(.10)	(.58)
Total Distributions	(.91)	(.75)	(.57)	(.30)	(.77)
Net asset value, end of period	12.88	12.27	13.16	12.30	11.30
Total Return (%)	12.78	(.44)	11.86	11.73	5.08
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets ^b	.39	.39	.38	.38	.37
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets ^b	.31	.31	.29	.30	.27
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets ^b	1.76	1.55	1.33	1.51	1.52
Portfolio Turnover Rate	35.71	28.14	20.66	27.34	23.99
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	463,184	454,093	489,598	460,142	444,399

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount does not include the expenses of the underlying funds.

BNY Mellon Asset Allocation Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.37	13.25	12.39	11.38	11.58
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net ^a	.18	.13	.14	.15	.14
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	1.32	(.29)	1.26	1.14	.40
Total from Investment Operations	1.50	(.16)	1.40	1.29	.54
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.19)	(.23)	(.18)	(.18)	(.16)
Dividends from net realized gain on investments	(.68)	(.49)	(.36)	(.10)	(.58)
Total Distributions	(.87)	(.72)	(.54)	(.28)	(.74)
Net asset value, end of period	13.00	12.37	13.25	12.39	11.38
Total Return (%)	12.51	(.63)	11.50	11.49	4.89
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets ^b	.64	.64	.63	.63	.62
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets ^b	.56	.56	.54	.55	.52
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets ^b	1.52	1.09	1.06	1.22	1.25
Portfolio Turnover Rate	35.71	28.14	20.66	27.34	23.99
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	6,443	7,083	6,959	6,745	5,131

^a Based on average shares outstanding.

^b Amount does not include the expenses of the underlying funds.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net	.008	.020	.012	.004	.000 ^a
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income--net	(.008)	(.020)	(.012)	(.004)	(.000) ^a
Net asset value, end of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Return (%)	.84	2.06	1.24	.38	.04
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.31	.30	.30	.31	.33
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.29	.30	.30	.31	.30
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.90	2.05	1.23	.36	.04
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	491,999	812,993	774,733	695,342	839,477

^a Amount represents less than \$.001 per share.

BNY Mellon Government Money Market Fund					
		<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>			
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net	.007	.018	.010	.002	.000 ^a
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income--net	(.007)	(.018)	(.010)	(.002)	(.000) ^a
Net asset value, end of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Return (%)	.68	1.80	.98	.18	.01
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.56	.55	.55	.56	.58
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.46	.55	.55	.52	.32
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.70	1.79	.94	.20	.01
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	14,974	17,152	16,904	20,368	8,799

^a Amount represents less than \$.001 per share.

Financial Highlights (cont'd)

BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Class M Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net	.007	.013	.009	.004	.000 ^a
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.007)	(.013)	(.009)	(.004)	(.000) ^a
Net asset value, end of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Return (%)	.72	1.31	.93	.44	.04
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.31	.30	.30	.31	.31
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.29	.30	.30	.31	.16
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.80	1.30	.93	.44	.04
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	361,358	790,984	763,521	621,435	571,287

^a Amount represents less than \$.001 per share.

BNY Mellon National Municipal Money Market Fund					
	<i>Year Ended August 31,</i>				
Investor Shares	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Investment Operations:					
Investment income—net	.006	.011	.007	.002	.000 ^a
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income—net	(.006)	(.011)	(.007)	(.002)	(.000) ^a
Net asset value, end of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Return (%)	.56	1.06	.68	.19	.01
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	.56	.55	.55	.57	.56
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	.44	.55	.55	.57	.17
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.55	1.10	.69	.12	.01
Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	55	55	55	40	2,331

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