

# Dreyfus BASIC Money Market Fund, Inc.

## Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government Money Market Fund

Each fund seeks current income, safety of principal and liquidity  
by investing in high quality, short-term securities

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# The Funds

**Dreyfus BASIC  
Money Market Fund, Inc.**

**Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government  
Money Market Fund**



## INTRODUCTION

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Each fund is a money market mutual fund with a separate investment portfolio. The operations and results of a fund are unrelated to those of the other fund. This combined prospectus has been prepared for your convenience so that you can consider two investment choices in one document.

As a money market fund, each fund is subject to maturity, quality and diversification requirements designed to help it maintain a stable share price.

The main difference between the funds is that Dreyfus BASIC Money Market Fund, Inc. invests in a broad range of high quality, short-term money market instruments, and Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government Money Market Fund invests only in U.S. government securities and repurchase agreements secured by such securities.

An investment in a fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Although each fund seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it is possible to lose money by investing in a fund.



## GOAL/APPROACH

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

To pursue this goal, the fund invests in a diversified portfolio of high quality, short-term debt securities, including:

- securities issued or guaranteed 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 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
- repurchase agreements
- asset-backed securities
- "taxable" municipal obligations, such as private activity bonds issued by or on behalf of states or their agencies to finance private facilities
- dollar-denominated obligations issued or guaranteed by one or more foreign governments or any of their political subdivisions or agencies

Normally, the fund invests at least 25% of its total assets in bank obligations.

## Concepts to understand

**Money market fund:** a specific type of fund that seeks to maintain a \$1.00 price per share. Money market funds are subject to strict federal requirements and must:

- maintain an average dollar-weighted portfolio maturity of 90 days or less
- buy individual securities that have remaining maturities of 13 months or less
- invest only in high quality, dollar-denominated obligations

**Repurchase agreement:** a U.S. commercial bank or securities dealer sells securities (typically U.S. government securities) to the fund and agrees to repurchase them at an agreed-upon date (usually the next day) and price. These agreements offer the fund a means of investing money for a short period of time.

**Credit rating:** a measure of the issuer's expected ability to make all required interest and principal payments in a timely manner. An issuer with the highest credit rating has a very strong degree of certainty (or safety) with respect to making all payments. An issuer with the second-highest credit rating has a strong capacity to make all payments, but the degree of safety is somewhat less.

While the fund is required by law to invest at least 95% of its assets in the securities of issuers with the highest credit rating, or the unrated equivalent as determined by Dreyfus, the fund's policy currently is to invest all of its assets in securities of the highest credit quality.



## MAIN RISKS

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The fund's yield will fluctuate as the short-term securities in its portfolio mature and the proceeds are reinvested in securities with different interest rates.

While the fund has maintained a constant share price since inception, and will continue to try to do so, the following factors could reduce the fund's income level and/or share price:

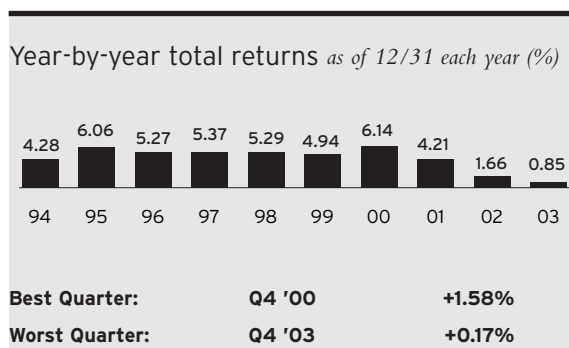
- interest rates could rise sharply, causing the value of the fund's investments and its share price to drop
- interest rates could drop, thereby reducing the fund's yield
- any of the fund's holdings could have its credit rating downgraded or could default
- the risks generally associated with concentrating investments in the banking industry, such as interest rate risk, credit risk and regulatory developments relating to the banking industry
- the risks generally associated with dollar-denominated foreign investments, such as economic and political developments, seizure or nationalization of deposits, imposition of taxes or other restrictions on the payment of principal and interest

- the risk that a counterparty in a repurchase agreement could fail to honor the terms of its agreement



## PAST PERFORMANCE

The bar chart and table shown illustrate the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the changes in the fund's performance from year to year. The table shows the fund's average annual total returns over time. All returns assume reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Of course, past performance is no guarantee of future results.



*The fund's year-to-date total return as of 3/31/04 was 0.17%.*

### Average annual total returns *as of 12/31/03*

1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
<b>0.85%</b>	<b>3.54%</b>	<b>4.39%</b>

For the fund's current yield, call toll-free:  
**1-800-645-6561.**

### What this fund is – and isn't

This fund is a mutual fund: a pooled investment that is professionally managed and gives you the opportunity to participate in financial markets. It strives to reach its stated goal, although as with all mutual funds, it cannot offer guaranteed results.

An investment in this fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. You could lose money in this fund, but you also have the potential to make money.



## EXPENSES

As an investor, you pay certain fees and expenses in connection with the fund, which are described in the table below. Shareholder transaction fees are paid from your account. Annual fund operating expenses are paid out of fund assets, so their effect is included in the share price. The fund has no sales charge (load) or Rule 12b-1 distribution fees.

### Fee table

#### Shareholder transaction fees

Exchange fee	\$5.00
Account closeout fee	\$5.00
Wire and Dreyfus TeleTransfer redemption fee	\$5.00
Checkwriting charge	\$2.00

#### Annual fund operating expenses

% of average daily net assets

Management fees	0.50%
Shareholder services fee	0.07%
Other expenses	0.06%

#### Total annual fund operating expenses

Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement (0.18%)

**Net operating expenses\*** **0.45%**

*\* Dreyfus has agreed to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the expenses of the fund so that total annual fund operating expenses do not exceed 0.45%. Dreyfus may terminate this agreement upon at least 90 days' prior notice to shareholders, but has committed not to do so at least through June 30, 2005.*

From time to time, Dreyfus may further limit expenses to the extent it deems appropriate to enhance the yield of the fund during periods when fixed expenses have a significant impact on the fund's yield because of low interest rates. This expense limitation policy is voluntary and temporary and may be revised or terminated by Dreyfus at any time without notice.

### Expense example

1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
<b>\$46</b>	<b>\$184</b>	<b>\$333</b>	<b>\$769</b>

This example shows what you could pay in expenses over time. It uses the same hypothetical conditions other funds use in their prospectuses: \$10,000 initial investment, 5% total return each year and no changes in expenses. 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 waiver/reimbursement by Dreyfus. Because actual returns and expenses will be different, the example is for comparison only.

### Concepts to understand

**Management fee:** the fee paid to Dreyfus for managing the fund's portfolio and assisting in all aspects of the fund's operations.

**Shareholder services fee:** a fee of up to 0.25% used to reimburse the fund's distributor for shareholder account service and maintenance.

**Other expenses:** fees paid by the fund for miscellaneous items such as transfer agency, custody, professional and registration fees.

**Shareholder transaction fees:** fees paid from your account and retained by the fund to help lower operating expenses. They are charged only if your account balance is less than \$50,000 at the time of the transaction.

# Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government Money Market Fund

Ticker Symbol: **DBGXX**



## GOAL/APPROACH

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

To pursue this goal, the fund invests exclusively in securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, and in repurchase agreements secured by these obligations. 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.

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**U.S. government securities:** these securities are generally considered to be among the highest-quality investments available. By investing in these securities, the fund seeks greater credit safety for investors. In exchange for the higher level of credit safety that U.S. government securities offer, the fund's yields may be lower than those of money market funds that do not limit their investments to U.S. government securities.





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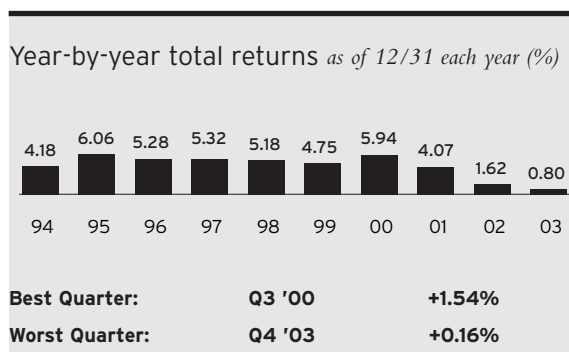
- interest rates could rise sharply, causing the value of the fund's investments and its share price to drop
- interest rates could drop, thereby reducing the fund's yield
- a security backed by the U.S. Treasury or the full faith and credit of the U.S. government is guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and principal if held to maturity, but the market prices for such securities are not guaranteed and will fluctuate
- certain U.S. government agency securities are backed by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury, or are supported only by the credit of the issuer or instrumentality (while the U.S. government provides financial support to U.S. government-sponsored agencies or instrumentalities, no assurance can be given that it will always do so)
- the risk that a counterparty in a repurchase agreement could fail to honor the terms of its agreement

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, such as those issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, 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. In addition, because many types of U.S. government securities trade actively outside the U.S., their prices may rise and fall as changes in global economic conditions affect the demand for these securities.



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The fund's year-to-date total return as of 3/31/04 was 0.16%.

### Average annual total returns as of 12/31/03

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<b>0.80%</b>	<b>3.42%</b>	<b>4.31%</b>

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## MANAGEMENT

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The investment adviser for each fund is The Dreyfus Corporation (Dreyfus), 200 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10166. Founded in 1947, Dreyfus manages approximately \$168 billion in approximately 200 mutual fund portfolios. For the past fiscal year, Dreyfus BASIC Money Market Fund and Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government Money Market Fund paid Dreyfus a management fee at the annual rate of 0.32% and 0.33%, respectively, of the fund's average daily net assets. Dreyfus is the primary mutual fund business of Mellon Financial Corporation (Mellon Financial), a global financial services company with approximately \$3.6 trillion of assets under management, administration or custody, including approximately \$675 billion under management. Mellon Financial provides financial services for institutions, corporations and individuals, offering institutional asset management, mutual funds, private wealth management, asset servicing, human resources services and treasury services. Mellon Financial is headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

On March 30, 2004, Mellon Bank, N.A., a wholly owned subsidiary of Mellon Financial and the then-current parent company of Dreyfus, transferred its entire interest in Dreyfus, including Dreyfus Service Corporation (each fund's distributor) and all of Dreyfus' other direct and indirect subsidiaries, to Mellon Financial. The reorganization did not result in a change in the control or management of Dreyfus under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, or the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act); Dreyfus merely became a direct, rather than indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Mellon Financial. The reorganization was part of a larger reorganization of Mellon Financial that is expected to increase organizational synergies and create a more efficient capital structure throughout the organization.

The Dreyfus asset management philosophy is based on the belief that discipline and consistency are important to investment success. For each fund, Dreyfus seeks to establish clear guidelines for portfolio management and to be systematic in making decisions. This approach is designed to provide each fund with a distinct, stable identity.

The funds, Dreyfus and Dreyfus Service Corporation 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 the fund. The Dreyfus code of ethics restricts the personal securities transactions of its employees, and requires portfolio managers and other investment personnel to comply with the code's preclearance and disclosure procedures. Its primary purpose is to ensure that personal trading by Dreyfus employees does not disadvantage any Dreyfus-managed fund.

Two class actions (which have been consolidated) have been filed against Mellon Financial and Mellon Bank, N.A., and Dreyfus and Founders Asset Management LLC (the Investment Advisers), and the directors of all or substantially all of the Dreyfus funds, alleging that the Investment Advisers improperly used assets of the Dreyfus funds, in the form of directed brokerage commissions and 12b-1 fees, to pay brokers to promote sales of Dreyfus funds, and that the use of fund assets to make these payments was not properly disclosed to investors. The complaints further allege that the directors breached their fiduciary duties to fund shareholders under the 1940 Act and at common law. The complaints seek unspecified compensatory and punitive damages, rescission of the funds' contracts with the Investment Advisers, an accounting of all fees paid, and an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. Dreyfus and the Dreyfus funds believe the allegations to be totally without merit and will defend the actions vigorously.

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



## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe each fund's performance for the fiscal periods indicated. "Total return" shows how much your investment in a fund would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends

and distributions. These figures have been independently audited by Ernst & Young LLP, whose report for each fund, along with each fund's financial statements, is included in the fund's annual report, which is available upon request.

<b>Dreyfus BASIC Money Market Fund, Inc.</b>	<b>2004</b>	<i>Year Ended February 28/29,</i>			
		2003	2002	2001	2000
<b>Per-Share Data (\$):</b>					
Net asset value, beginning of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Investment operations:					
Investment income – net	.008	.015	.035	.061	.050
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income – net	(.008)	(.015)	(.035)	(.061)	(.050)
Net asset value, end of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Return (%)	.78	1.50	3.54	6.23	5.10
<b>Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):</b>					
Ratio of expenses to average net assets	.45	.45	.45	.45	.45
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.79	1.51	3.50	6.06	4.98
Decrease reflected in above expense ratios due to undertakings by Dreyfus	.18	.18	.17	.17	.15
Net assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	1,141,745	1,417,442	1,812,439	1,854,935	1,913,618

<b>Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government Money Market Fund</b>	<b>2004</b>	<i>Year Ended February 28/29,</i>			
		2003	2002	2001	2000
<b>Per-Share Data (\$):</b>					
Net asset value, beginning of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Investment operations:					
Investment income – net	.007	.015	.034	.059	.048
Distributions:					
Dividends from investment income – net	(.007)	(.015)	(.034)	(.059)	(.048)
Net asset value, end of period	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Return (%)	.74	1.46	3.44	6.04	4.88
<b>Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):</b>					
Ratio of expenses to average net assets	.45	.45	.45	.45	.45
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	.75	1.47	3.40	5.89	4.75
Decrease reflected in above expense ratios due to undertakings by Dreyfus	.17	.16	.13	.16	.17
Net assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	601,253	739,219	885,038	954,691	996,297

# Your Investment



## ACCOUNT POLICIES

### Buying shares

You pay **no sales charges** to invest in these funds. Your price for fund shares is the fund's net asset value per share (NAV), which is generally calculated as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange (usually 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on days the exchange\* is open for regular business. Each fund also may process purchase and sale orders and calculate its NAV on days that the fund's primary trading markets are open and the fund's management determines to do so. Your order will be priced at the next NAV calculated after your order is accepted by the fund's transfer agent or other authorized entity. Each fund's investments are valued based on amortized cost.

*\* or the fund's transfer agent for the Dreyfus BASIC Money Market Fund*

#### Minimum investments

	Initial	Additional
<b>Regular accounts</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
<b>Traditional IRAs</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
<b>Spousal IRAs</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
<b>Roth IRAs</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>

All investments must be in U.S. dollars. Third-party checks cannot be accepted. You may be charged a fee for any check that does not clear. Maximum Dreyfus TeleTransfer purchase is \$150,000 per day.

### Concepts to understand

**Net asset value (NAV):** a mutual fund's share price on a given day. A fund's NAV is calculated by dividing the value of its net assets by the number of existing shares.

**Amortized cost:** a method of valuing a money market fund's securities, 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. This method of valuation is designed to permit each fund to maintain a stable NAV.

## Selling shares

You may sell (redeem) shares at any time. Your shares will be sold at the next NAV calculated after your order is accepted by the fund's transfer agent or other authorized entity. Any certificates representing fund shares being sold must be returned with your redemption request. Your order will be processed promptly and you will generally receive the proceeds within a week.

Before selling or writing a check against shares recently purchased by check or Dreyfus TeleTransfer, please note that:

- if you send a written request to sell such shares, the fund may delay selling the shares for up to eight business days following the purchase of those shares
- the fund will not honor redemption checks, or process wire, telephone, online or Dreyfus TeleTransfer redemption requests, for up to eight business days following the purchase of those shares

### Limitations on selling shares by phone or online through Dreyfus.com

Proceeds sent by	Minimum phone/online	Maximum phone/online
<b>Check*</b>	<b>no minimum</b>	<b>\$250,000</b> per day
<b>Wire</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$500,000</b> for joint accounts every 30 days/ <b>\$20,000</b> per day
<b>Dreyfus TeleTransfer</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$500,000</b> for joint accounts every 30 days/ <b>\$20,000</b> per day

#### Shareholder transaction fees

*charged if your account balance is less than \$50,000 at the time of the transaction*

Exchange fee	\$5.00
Account closeout fee **	\$5.00
Wire and Dreyfus TeleTransfer redemption fee	\$5.00
Checkwriting charge	\$2.00

\* Not available online on accounts whose address has been changed within the last 30 days.

\*\* Unless by exchange or wire for which a charge applies.

## Written sell orders

Some circumstances require written sell orders along with 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 signature guaranteed.

**A 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 signature guarantee will be processed correctly.

## General policies

Unless you decline teleservice privileges on your application, the fund's transfer agent is authorized to act on telephone or online instructions from any person representing himself or herself to be you and reasonably believed by the transfer agent to be genuine. You may be responsible for any fraudulent telephone or online order as long as the fund's transfer agent takes reasonable measures to confirm that instructions are genuine.

**Each fund also reserves the right to:**

- refuse any purchase or exchange request
- change or discontinue its exchange privilege, or temporarily suspend the privilege during unusual market conditions
- change its minimum investment amounts
- delay sending out redemption proceeds for up to seven days (generally applies only in cases of very large redemptions, excessive trading or during unusual market conditions)
- "redeem in kind," or make payments in securities rather than cash, if the amount you are redeeming is large enough to affect fund operations (for example, if it exceeds 1% of the fund's assets)

Each fund may also process purchase and sale orders and calculate its net asset value on days that the fund's primary trading markets are open and the fund's management determines to do so.

## Small account policies

(Only U.S. Government Money Market Fund) To offset the relatively higher costs of servicing smaller accounts, the fund charges regular accounts with balances below \$2,000 an annual fee of \$12. The fee will be imposed during the fourth quarter of each calendar year. The fee will be waived for: any investor whose aggregate Dreyfus mutual fund investments total at least \$25,000; IRA accounts; and accounts opened through a financial institution.

(For each fund) If your fund account falls below \$10,000, the fund may ask you to increase your balance. If it is still below \$10,000 after 45 days, the fund may close your account and send you the proceeds.





## DISTRIBUTIONS AND TAXES

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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 normally pays dividends once a month and capital gain distributions annually. Fund dividends and capital gain distributions will be reinvested in the fund unless you instruct the fund otherwise. There are no fees or sales charges on reinvestments.

**Distributions paid by the funds** are subject to federal income tax, and may also be subject to state or local taxes (unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged retirement account). For federal tax purposes, in general, certain fund distributions, including distributions of short-term capital gains, are taxable to you as ordinary income.

**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 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 the 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 distributions will be detailed in your annual tax statement from the fund. Because everyone’s tax situation is unique, please consult your tax advisor before investing.



## SERVICES FOR FUND INVESTORS

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### **Dreyfus Dividend Sweep**

For automatically reinvesting the dividends and distributions from one Dreyfus fund into another, use Dreyfus Dividend Sweep (not available for IRAs). You can set up this service with your application or by calling 1-800-645-6561.

### **Retirement plans**

Dreyfus offers a variety of retirement plans, including traditional and Roth IRAs. Here's where you call for information:

- for traditional, rollover and Roth IRAs, call 1-800-645-6561
- for SEP-IRAs and Keogh accounts, call 1-800-358-0910

### **Checkwriting privilege**

You may write redemption checks against your account in amounts of \$1,000 or more. There is a \$2.00 charge for each check written, unless you meet the \$50,000 minimum balance requirement at the time of the transaction. The charge is retained by the fund. An additional fee will be charged by the transfer agent 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.

### **Exchange privilege**

You can exchange shares worth \$1,000 or more from one Dreyfus fund into another. You are allowed only four exchanges out of the fund in a calendar year. You can request your exchange in writing, by phone or online. Be sure to read the current prospectus for any fund into which you are exchanging. Any new account established through an exchange will have the same privileges as your original account (as long as they are available). There is a \$5.00 exchange fee, unless you meet the \$50,000 minimum balance requirement at the time of the transaction. The charge is retained by the fund. You may be charged a sales load when exchanging into any fund that has one.

### **Dreyfus TeleTransfer privilege**

To move money between your bank account and your Dreyfus fund account with a phone call or online, use the Dreyfus TeleTransfer privilege. You can set up Dreyfus TeleTransfer on your account by providing bank account information and following the instructions on your application. For accounts with a balance below \$50,000, there is a \$5.00 fee for Dreyfus TeleTransfer redemptions.

### **Dreyfus Express® voice-activated account access**

You can easily manage your Dreyfus accounts, check your account balances, purchase fund shares, transfer money between your Dreyfus funds, get price and yield information and much more — when it's convenient for you — by calling 1-800-645-6561. Certain requests may require the services of a representative.

### **Account statements**

Every Dreyfus investor automatically receives regular account statements. You'll also be sent a yearly statement detailing the tax characteristics of any dividends and distributions you have received.

### **Dreyfus Financial Centers**

Through a nationwide network of Dreyfus Financial Centers, Dreyfus offers a full array of investment services and products. This includes information on mutual funds, brokerage services, tax-advantaged products and retirement planning.

Experienced financial consultants can help you make informed choices and provide you with personalized attention in handling account transactions. The Financial Centers also offer informative seminars and events. To find the Financial Center nearest you, call 1-800-499-3327.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGULAR ACCOUNTS

### TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT



#### In Writing

Complete the application.  
Mail your application and a check to:  
The Dreyfus Family of Funds  
P.O. Box 55299, Boston, MA 02205-8553

### TO ADD TO AN ACCOUNT

Fill out an investment slip, and write your account number on your check.  
Mail the slip and the check to:  
The Dreyfus Family of Funds  
P.O. Box 105, Newark, NJ 07101-0105

### TO SELL SHARES

Write a redemption check **or** write a letter of instruction that includes:

- your name(s) and signature(s)
- your account number
- the fund name
- the dollar amount you want to sell
- how and where to send the proceeds

Obtain a signature guarantee or other documentation, if required (see "Account Policies – Selling Shares").

Mail your request to:  
The Dreyfus Family of Funds  
P.O. Box 55263, Boston, MA 02205-8501



#### By Telephone

**Wire** Call us to request an account application and an account number. Have your bank send your investment to The Bank of New York, with these instructions:

- ABA# 021000018
- the fund name and DDA#:
  - Dreyfus BASIC Money Market Fund, Inc. DDA# 8900204419
  - Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government Money Market Fund DDA# 8900204427
- your account number
- name(s) of investor(s)

Return your application with the account number on the application.

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- your account number
- name(s) of investor(s)

**Electronic check** Same as wire, but insert "111" before your 14-digit account number.

**Dreyfus TeleTransfer** Request Dreyfus TeleTransfer on your application. Call us to request your transaction.

**Wire** Be sure the fund has your bank account information on file. Call us to request your transaction. Proceeds will be wired to your bank.

**Dreyfus TeleTransfer** Be sure the fund has your bank account information on file. Call us to request your transaction. Proceeds will be sent to your bank by electronic check.

**Check** Call us to request your transaction. A check will be sent to the address of record.

## Concepts to understand

**Wire transfer:** for transferring money from one financial institution to another. Wiring is the fastest way to move money, although your bank may charge a fee to send or receive wire transfers. Wire redemptions from the fund are subject to a \$5,000 minimum.

**Electronic check:** for transferring money out of a bank account. Your transaction is entered electronically, but may take up to eight business days to clear. Electronic checks usually are available without a fee at all Automated Clearing House (ACH) banks.

To reach Dreyfus, call toll free in the U.S.

**1-800-645-6561**

Outside the U.S. 516-794-5452

Make checks payable to:

**The Dreyfus Family of Funds**

You also can deliver requests to any Dreyfus Financial Center. Because processing time may vary, please ask the representative when your account will be credited or debited.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR **REGULAR ACCOUNTS** (continued)

## TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT

## TO ADD TO AN ACCOUNT

## TO SELL SHARES



Online ([www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com))

**Dreyfus TeleTransfer** Request Dreyfus TeleTransfer on your application. Visit the Dreyfus Web site to request your transaction.

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**Check** Visit the Dreyfus Web site to request your transaction. A check will be sent to the address of record.



Automatically

**With an initial investment** Indicate on your application which automatic service(s) you want. Return your application with your investment.




**Without any initial investment** Check the Dreyfus Step Program option on your application. Return your application, then complete the additional materials when they are sent to you.

**All services** Call us to request a form to add any automatic investing service (see "Services for Fund Investors"). Complete and return the form along with any other required materials.

**Dreyfus Automatic Withdrawal Plan** Call us to request a form to add the plan. Complete the form, specifying the amount and frequency of withdrawals you would like.

Be sure to maintain an account balance of \$5,000 or more.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR IRAS

TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT	TO ADD TO AN ACCOUNT	TO SELL SHARES
<div> In Writing</div> <p>Complete an IRA application, making sure to specify the fund name and to indicate the year the contribution is for.</p> <p>Mail your application and a check to: The Dreyfus Trust Company, Custodian P.O. Box 55552, Boston, MA 02205-8568</p>	<p>Fill out an investment slip, and write your account number on your check. Indicate the year the contribution is for.</p> <p>Mail in the slip and the check (see "To Open an Account" at left).</p>	<p>Write a letter of instruction that includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• your name and signature</li><li>• your account number</li><li>• the fund name</li><li>• the dollar amount you want to sell</li><li>• how and where to send the proceeds</li><li>• whether the distribution is qualified or premature</li><li>• whether the 10% TEFRA should be withheld</li></ul> <p>Obtain a signature guarantee or other documentation, if required, (see "Account Policies - Selling Shares").</p> <p>Mail in your request (see "To Open an Account" at left).</p>
<div> By Telephone</div> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>Wire</b> Have your bank send your investment to The Bank of New York, with these instructions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ABA# 021000018</li><li>• the fund name and DDA#:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dreyfus BASIC Money Market Fund, Inc. DDA# 8900204419</li><li>• Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government Money Market Fund DDA# 8900204427</li></ul></li><li>• your account number</li><li>• name of investor</li><li>• the contribution year</li></ul> <p><b>Electronic check</b> Same as wire, but insert "111" before your 14-digit account number.</p> <p><b>Telephone Contribution</b> Call to request us to move money from a regular Dreyfus account to an IRA (both accounts must be held in the same shareholder name).</p>	<p>_____</p>
<div> Automatically</div> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>All services</b> Call us or your financial representative to request a form to add any automatic investing service (see "Services for Fund Investors"). Complete and return the form along with any other required materials. All contributions will count as current year.</p>	<p><b>Systematic Withdrawal Plan</b> Call us to request instructions to establish the plan.</p>

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# For More Information

## **Dreyfus BASIC Money Market Fund, Inc.**

SEC file number: 811-6604

## **Dreyfus BASIC U.S. Government Money Market Fund**

SEC file number: 811-6606

More information on these funds is available free upon request, including the following:

### **Annual/Semiannual Report**

Describes a fund's performance and lists portfolio holdings.

### **Statement of Additional Information (SAI)**

Provides more details about a fund and its policies. A current combined SAI is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is incorporated by reference (is legally considered part of this prospectus).

To obtain information:

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**By telephone**

Call 1-800-645-6561

**By mail** Write to:

The Dreyfus Family of Funds  
144 Glenn Curtiss Boulevard  
Uniondale, NY 11556-0144

**By E-mail** Send your request to [info@dreyfus.com](mailto:info@dreyfus.com)

**On the Internet** Text-only versions of certain fund documents can be viewed online or downloaded from:

**SEC** <http://www.sec.gov>

**Dreyfus** <http://www.dreyfus.com>

You can also obtain copies, after paying a duplicating fee, by visiting the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC (for information, call 1-202-942-8090) or by E-mail request to [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov), or by writing to the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, DC 20549-0102.