# BNY Mellon International Equity Fund

ANNUAL SHAREHOLDER REPORT SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

### Class Y - NIEYX

This annual shareholder report contains important information about BNY Mellon International Equity Fund (the "Fund") for the period of October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024. You can find additional information about the Fund at bny.com/investments/literaturecenter. You can also request this information by calling 1-800-373-9387 (inside the U.S. only) or by sending an e-mail request to info@bny.com.

This report describes changes to the Fund that occurred during the reporting period.

## What were the Fund's costs for the last year?

(based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

Share Class	Costs of a \$10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment
Class Y*	\$93	0.83%

During the period, fees were waived and/or expenses reimbused pursuant to an agreement with the Fund's investment adviser, BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. If this agreement is not extended in the future, expenses could be higher.

## How did the Fund perform last year?

- For the 12-month period ended September 30, 2024, the Fund's Class Y shares returned 23.80%.
- In comparison, the MSCI EAFE® Index (the "Index") returned 24.77% for the same period.

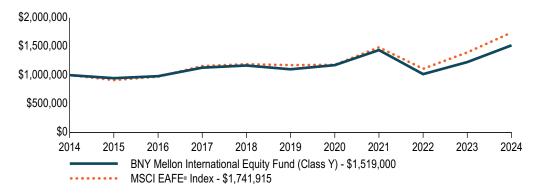
## What affected the Fund's performance?

- International equity markets rose on hopes for, and the subsequent arrival of, interest rate cuts, as well as enthusiasm regarding artificial intelligence ("AI").
- The Fund's returns relative to the Index benefited from strong stock selection in the industrials and consumer discretionary sectors.
- Overweight exposure to the information technology sector bolstered returns amid investor enthusiasm for AI early in the reporting period, while lack of energy exposure also proved beneficial.
- Stock selection in financials proved the most significant detractor from relative returns by far.
- · On a regional basis, stock selection in emerging markets was weak, particularly in South Korea.

How did the Fund perform over the past 10 years?

The Fund's past performance is not a good predictor of the Fund's future performance. The graph and table do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or redemption of fund shares.

# Cumulative Performance from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2024 Initial Investment of \$1,000,000



The above graph compares a hypothetical \$1,000,000 investment in the Fund's Class Y shares to a hypothetical investment of \$1,000,000 made in the MSCI EAFE® Index (the "Index") on 9/30/2014. The performance shown is for years ended 9/30 and takes into account applicable fees and expenses of the Fund, including management fees and other expenses. The Fund's performance also assumes the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Unlike the Fund, the Index is not subject to charges, fees and other expenses. Investors cannot invest directly in any index.

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (AS OF 9/30/24)

Share Class	1YR	5YR	10YR
Class Y Shares	23.80%	6.63%	4.27%
MSCI EAFE® Index	24.77%	8.20%	5.71%

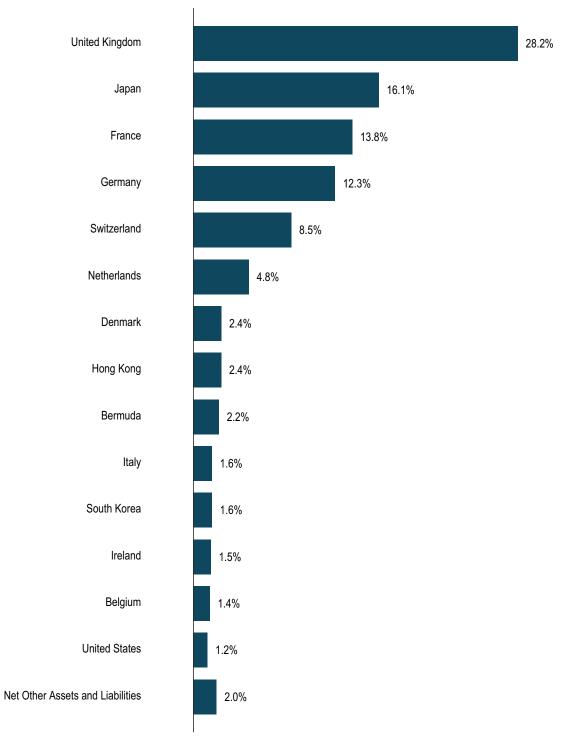
The performance data quoted represent past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. For more current information visit bny.com/investments/literaturecenter.

**KEY FUND STATISTICS (AS OF 9/30/24)** 

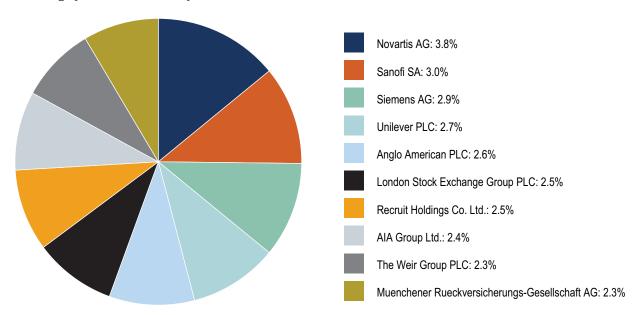
Fund Size (Millions)	Number of Holdings	Total Advisory Fee Paid During Period	Annual Portfolio Turnover
\$294	61	\$2,205,575	95.93%

# PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (AS OF 9/30/24)

# **Country Allocation (Based on Net Assets)**



#### Top Ten Holdings (Based on Net Assets)\*



<sup>\*</sup> Excludes money market funds or other short-term securities held for the investment of cash and cash collateral for securities loaned, if any.

## How has the Fund changed?

• Effective September 1, 2024, the Fund's investment adviser, BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc., has contractually agreed, until February 1, 2025, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the direct expenses of the Fund so that the direct expenses of none of the Fund's share classes (excluding Rule 12b-1 fees, shareholder services fees, taxes, interest expense, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) exceed 0.77%. On February 1, 2025, BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. may terminate this expense limitation agreement at any time.

This is a summary of certain changes to the Fund since October 1, 2023. For more complete information, you may review the Fund's next prospectus, which we expect to be available by January 31, 2025 at bny.com/investments/literaturecenter or upon request at 1-800-373-9387.

For additional information about the Fund, including its prospectus, financial information, portfolio holdings and proxy voting information, please visit bny.com/investments/literaturecenter.

