# BlackRock.

# **2023 Annual Report**

# BlackRock Funds<sup>SM</sup>

• BlackRock Exchange Portfolio

# The Markets in Review

Dear Shareholder.

The combination of continued economic growth and cooling inflation provided a supportive backdrop for investors during the 12-month reporting period ended December 31, 2023. Significantly tighter monetary policy helped to rein in inflation, and the Consumer Price Index decelerated substantially in the first half of the year before stalling between 3% and 4% in the second half. A moderating labor market helped ease inflationary pressure, although wages continued to grow. Wage and job growth powered robust consumer spending, backstopping the economy. On October 7, 2023, Hamas launched a horrific attack on Israel. The ensuing war will have a significant humanitarian impact and could lead to heightened economic and market volatility. We see geopolitics as a structural market risk going forward. See our geopolitical risk dashboard at blackrock.com for more details.

Equity returns were robust during the period, as interest rates stabilized and the economy proved to be more resilient than many investors expected. The U.S. economy continued to show strength, and growth further accelerated in the third quarter of 2023. Large-capitalization U.S. stocks posted particularly substantial gains, supported by the performance of a few notable technology companies and small-capitalization U.S. stocks also advanced. Meanwhile, international developed market equities and emerging market stocks posted solid gains.

The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield ended 2023 where it began despite an eventful year that saw significant moves in bond markets. Overall, U.S. Treasuries gained as investors began to anticipate looser financial conditions. The corporate bond market benefited from improving economic sentiment, although high-yield corporate bond prices fared significantly better than investment-grade bonds as demand from yield-seeking investors remained strong.

The U.S. Federal Reserve (the "Fed"), attempting to manage persistent inflation, raised interest rates four times during the 12-month period, but paused its tightening in the second half of the period. The Fed also wound down its bond-buying programs and incrementally reduced its balance sheet by not replacing securities that reach maturity.

Supply constraints appear to have become an embedded feature of the new macroeconomic environment, making it difficult for developed economies to increase production without sparking higher inflation. Geopolitical fragmentation and an aging population risk further exacerbating these constraints, keeping the labor market tight and wage growth high. Although the Fed has stopped tightening for now, we believe that the new economic regime means that the Fed will need to maintain high rates for an extended period despite the market's hopes for interest rate cuts, as reflected in the recent rally. In this new regime, we anticipate greater volatility and dispersion of returns, creating more opportunities for selective portfolio management.

We believe developed market equities have priced in an optimistic scenario for rate cuts, which we view as premature, so we prefer an underweight stance in the near term. Nevertheless, we are overweight on Japanese stocks as shareholder-friendly policies generate increased investor interest. We also believe that stocks with an Al tilt should benefit from an investment cycle that is set to support revenues and margins. In credit, there are selective opportunities in the near term despite tighter credit and financial conditions. For fixed income investing with a six- to twelve-month horizon, we see the most attractive investments in short-term U.S. Treasuries, U.S. mortgage-backed securities, and hard-currency emerging market bonds.

Overall, our view is that investors need to think globally, position themselves to be prepared for a decarbonizing economy, and be nimble as market conditions change. We encourage you to talk with your financial advisor and visit **blackrock.com** for further insight about investing in today's markets.

Sincerely,

Rob Kapito
President, BlackRock Advisors, LLC



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### Total Returns as of December 31, 2023

6-Month	12-Month
8.04%	26.29%
8.18	16.93
5.88	18.24
4.71	9.83
2.70	5.02
1.11	2.83
3.37	5.53
3.63	6.40
7.65	13.44
	8.04% 8.18 5.88 4.71 2.70 1.11 3.37 3.63

Past performance is not an indication of future results. Index performance is shown for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in an index.

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# **Investment Objective**

BlackRock Exchange Portfolio's (the "Fund") investment objective is long-term growth of capital and consequent long-term growth of income.

# **Portfolio Management Commentary**

# How did the Fund perform?

For the 12-month period ended December 31, 2023, the Fund underperformed its benchmark, the S&P 500® Index.

# What factors influenced performance?

The U.S. equity market produced robust returns in 2023 thanks to stronger-than-expected economic growth and a more favorable outlook for Fed policy.

Positioning in the communication services sector was the primary detractor from Fund performance, largely as a result of a zero weighting in Meta Platforms, Inc. A zero weighting in the consumer discretionary sector, which outperformed, was an additional detractor. The Fund also lost some relative performance from stock positioning in healthcare, particularly an out-of-benchmark holding in AstraZeneca PLC.

Positioning in the information technology and utilities sectors made the largest contributions to performance, followed by stock positioning in the financials sector. In information technology, an overweight in the software industry contributed, led by Microsoft Corp. The positive result in utilities was primarily the result of zero weightings in the underperforming electric utilities and multi-utilities industries. A position in JP Morgan Chase & Co was the leading contributor in financials.

# Describe recent portfolio activity.

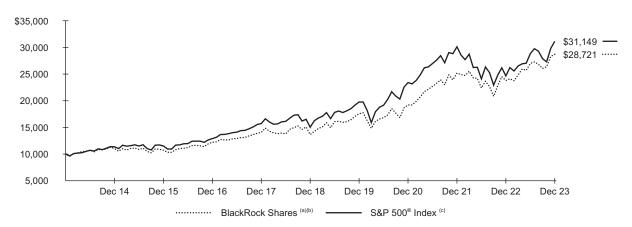
Due to a combination of market changes and portfolio activity, the Fund's allocations to the information technology and financials sectors increased, while its weightings in healthcare and consumer staples decreased.

# Describe portfolio positioning at period end.

The Fund's largest overweight position was in the financials sector, followed by information technology and consumer staples. Its largest underweights were in consumer discretionary, communication services, and real estate.

The views expressed reflect the opinions of BlackRock as of the date of this report and are subject to change based on changes in market, economic or other conditions. These views are not intended to be a forecast of future events and are no guarantee of future results.

# **GROWTH OF \$10,000 INVESTMENT**



<sup>(</sup>a) Assuming transaction costs and other operating expenses, including investment advisory fees and administration fees, if any.

# **Performance**

	Average A	Annual Total	Returns <sup>(a)</sup>
	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
BlackRock Shares	20.71%	16.02%	11.13%
S&P 500® Index	26.29	15.69	12.03

<sup>(</sup>a) See "About Fund Performance" for a detailed description of performance related information.

Past performance is not an indication of future results.

Performance results may include adjustments made for financial reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

# **Expense Example**

		Actual					Hypothetical 5% Return						
		Beginning		Ending	Е	xpenses		Beginning		Ending	Е	xpenses	Annualized
	Aco	count Value	Ac	count Value	Pai	d During	Ac	count Value	Ac	count Value	Pai	d During	Expense
		(07/01/23)		(12/31/23)	th	e Period <sup>(a)</sup>		(07/01/23)		(12/31/23)	th	e Period <sup>(a)</sup>	Ratio
BlackRock Shares	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,064.00	\$	4.70	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,020.66	\$	4.58	0.90%

<sup>(</sup>a) Expenses are equal to the annualized expense ratio for the class, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period shown).

See "Disclosure of Expenses" for further information on how expenses were calculated.

<sup>(</sup>b) Under normal circumstances, the Fund invests largely in a diversified and supervised portfolio of common stocks or convertible securities, believed by management to have growth potential over the years. Shares of the Fund are not currently available for purchase.

<sup>(</sup>c) An unmanaged index that covers 500 leading companies and captures approximately 80% coverage of available market capitalization.

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# **Portfolio Information**

# TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS

### **SECTOR ALLOCATION** Percent of Sector<sup>(b)</sup> Net Assets 34.4% Financials..... 27.6 Health Care ..... 15.4 Consumer Staples..... 9.3 8.8 Industrials.... 4.4 Energy..... Short-Term Securities..... 0.3

Security <sup>(a)</sup>	Percent of Net Assets
Microsoft Corp	33.4%
Berkshire Hathaway, Inc., Class B	11.5
General Dynamics Corp	8.7
JPMorgan Chase & Co	6.7
American Express Co	4.9
Visa, Inc., Class A	4.5
Johnson & Johnson	3.7
AstraZeneca PLC, ADR	3.7
Merck & Co., Inc	3.2
Novartis AG, ADR	3.0

<sup>(</sup>a) Excludes short-term securities.

<sup>(</sup>b) For Fund compliance purposes, the Fund's sector classifications refer to one or more of the sector sub-classifications used by one or more widely recognized market indexes or ratings group indexes, and/or as defined by the investment adviser. These definitions may not apply for purposes of this report, which may combine such sector sub-classifications for reporting ease.

# About Fund Performance

BlackRock Shares are not subject to any sales charge. These shares bear no ongoing distribution or service fees and are not currently available for purchase. These shares are only available through distribution reinvestments by current holders.

Past performance is not an indication of future results. Financial markets have experienced extreme volatility and trading in many instruments has been disrupted. These circumstances may continue for an extended period of time and may continue to affect adversely the value and liquidity of the Fund's investments. As a result, current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Refer to **blackrock.com** to obtain performance data current to the most recent month-end. Performance results do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares. Figures shown in the performance table assumes reinvestment of all distributions, if any, at net asset value ("NAV") on the ex-dividend date or payable date, as applicable. Investment return and principal value of shares will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

BlackRock Advisors, LLC (the "Manager"), the Fund's investment adviser, has contractually and/or voluntarily agreed to waive and/or reimburse a portion of the Fund's expenses. Without such waiver(s) and/or reimbursement(s), the Fund's performance would have been lower. With respect to the Fund's voluntary waiver(s), if any, the Manager is under no obligation to waive and/or reimburse or to continue waiving and/or reimbursing its fees and such voluntary waiver(s) may be reduced or discontinued at any time. With respect to the Fund's contractual waiver(s), if any, the Manager is under no obligation to continue waiving and/or reimbursing its fees after the applicable termination date of such agreement. See the Notes to Financial Statements for additional information on waivers and/or reimbursements.

# Disclosure of Expenses

Shareholders of the Fund may incur the following charges: (a) transactional expenses; and (b) operating expenses, including investment advisory fees, administration fees and other fund expenses. The expense example shown (which is based on a hypothetical investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held through the end of the period) is intended to assist shareholders both in calculating expenses based on an investment in the Fund and in comparing these expenses with similar costs of investing in other mutual funds.

The expense example provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. Annualized expense ratios reflect contractual and voluntary fee waivers, if any. In order to estimate the expenses a shareholder paid during the period covered by this report, shareholders can divide their account value by \$1,000 and then multiply the result by the number corresponding to their share class under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During the Period."

The expense example also provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses. In order to assist shareholders in comparing the ongoing expenses of investing in the Fund and other funds, compare the 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in shareholder reports of other funds.

The expenses shown in the expense example are intended to highlight shareholders' ongoing costs only and do not reflect transactional expenses, such as sales charges, if any. Therefore, the hypothetical example is useful in comparing ongoing expenses only and will not help shareholders determine the relative total expenses of owning different funds. If these transactional expenses were included, shareholder expenses would have been higher.

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Security	Shares	Value	Security Shares	s Value
Common Stocks			Pharmaceuticals (continued)	
Aerospace & Defense — 8.8% General Dynamics Corp	78,065	\$ 20,271,138	Merck & Co., Inc.       68,117         Novartis AG, ADR       68,681         Organon & Co.       6,811	6,934,720
Banks — 6.7% JPMorgan Chase & Co	90,739	15,434,704	Pfizer, Inc.         76,397           Sandoz Group AG, ADR <sup>(a)(b)</sup> 13,736	2,199,470
Consumer Finance — 4.9% American Express Co	61,141	11,454,155	Viatris, Inc	34,558,016
Consumer Staples Distribution & Retail — 1.9% Walmart, Inc.	27,424	4,323,394	Software — 33.4%           Microsoft Corp.         205,989	77,460,104
Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components — 1.0% Keysight Technologies, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	14,874	2,366,305	Tobacco — 3.4% Altria Group, Inc	, ,
Energy Equipment & Services — 1.6% Schlumberger NV	70,328	3,659,869	Philip Morris International, Inc. 50,136	4,716,795 7,822,975
Financial Services — 16.0%  Berkshire Hathaway, Inc., Class B <sup>(a)</sup> Visa, Inc., Class A	75,033 39,748	26,761,270 10,348,392	Total Long-Term Investments — 99.9% (Cost: \$14,922,076)	231,537,663
Food Products — 1.5%  Kraft Heinz Co. (The)  Mondelez International, Inc., Class A	17,761 40,283	37,109,662 656,802 2,917,697 3,574,499	Money Market Funds — 0.3%           BlackRock Liquidity Funds, T-Fund, Institutional Class,         487,469           5.26% <sup>(c)(d)</sup> 487,469           SL Liquidity Series, LLC, Money Market Series,         300,350	,
Health Care Equipment & Supplies — 0.5% Alcon, Inc	13,736	1,073,056	Total Short-Term Securities — 0.3% (Cost: \$787,939)	
Household Products — 2.5% Procter & Gamble Co. (The)	39,631	5,807,527	Total Investments — 100.2%  (Cost: \$15,710,015)	. 232,325,572
Machinery — 0.0% Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corp	380	48,222	Net Assets — 100.0%	
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels — 2.8% BP PLC, ADR  Exxon Mobil Corp.  Pharmaceuticals — 14.9%	31,546 54,584	1,116,729 5,457,308 6,574,037	<ul> <li>(a) Non-income producing security.</li> <li>(b) All or a portion of this security is on loan.</li> <li>(c) Affiliate of the Fund.</li> <li>(d) Annualized 7-day yield as of period end.</li> <li>(e) All or a portion of this security was purchased with the cash colla securities.</li> </ul>	
AstraZeneca PLC, ADR	128,000 55,418	8,620,800 8,686,217	obdition.	

# **Affiliates**

Investments in issuers considered to be affiliate(s) of the Fund during the year ended December 31, 2023 for purposes of Section 2(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, were as follows:

Affiliated Issuer	Value at 12/31/22	Purchases at Cost	Proceeds from Sale	Net Realized Gain (Loss)	Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	Value at 12/31/23	Shares Held at 12/31/23	Income	Capital Gain Distributions from Underlying Funds
BlackRock Liquidity Funds, T-Fund, Institutional Class	\$ 595,592	\$ —	\$ (108,123) <sup>(a</sup>	) \$ —	\$ -	\$ 487,469	487,469	\$ 37,984	\$ –
SL Liquidity Series, LLC, Money Market Series	-	300,352 <sup>(a)</sup>	_	118 \$ 118	(30) \$ (30)	300,440 \$ 787,909	300,350	\$ 38,839	<u> </u>

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents net amount purchased (sold).

<sup>(</sup>b) All or a portion represents securities lending income earned from the reinvestment of cash collateral from loaned securities, net of fees and collateral investment expenses, and other payments to and from borrowers of securities.

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For Fund compliance purposes, the Fund's industry classifications refer to one or more of the industry sub-classifications used by one or more widely recognized market indexes or rating group indexes, and/or as defined by the investment adviser. These definitions may not apply for purposes of this report, which may combine such industry sub-classifications for reporting ease.

# Fair Value Hierarchy as of Period End

Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of financial instruments. For a description of the input levels and information about the Fund's policy regarding valuation of financial instruments, refer to the Notes to Financial Statements.

The following table summarizes the Fund's financial instruments categorized in the fair value hierarchy. The breakdown of the Fund's financial instruments into major categories is disclosed in the Schedule of Investments above.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets Investments				
Long-Term Investments Common Stocks	\$ 231,537,663	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 231,537,663
Short-Term Securities  Money Market Funds	487,469			487,469
Investments valued at NAV <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 232,025,132	<u> </u>	<u>\$</u>	232,025,132 300,440
intoditiona value at tive				\$ 232,325,572

<sup>(</sup>a) Certain investments of the Fund were fair valued using NAV as a practical expedient as no quoted market value is available and therefore have been excluded from the fair value hierarchy.

	Portfolio
ASSETS	
Investments, at value — unaffiliated <sup>(a)(b)</sup>	\$ 231,537,663
Investments, at value — affiliated <sup>(c)</sup>	787,909
Receivables:	
Securities lending income — affiliated.	303
Dividends — unaffiliated	245,087
Dividends — affiliated	2,915
From the Manager	1,088
Prepaid expenses	604
Total assets	232,575,569
LIABILITIES	
Collateral on securities loaned	300,352
Payables:	
Administration fees	8,415
Capital shares redeemed	41,005
Federal income tax	315,323
Investment advisory fees	69,661
Trustees' and Officer's fees	1,686
Other accrued expenses	30,852
Other affiliate fees	45
Professional fees	46,975
Total liabilities	814,314
Commitments and contingent liabilities	
NET ASSETS	\$ 231,761,255
	<del>\$ 201,101,200</del>
NET ASSETS CONSIST OF:	
Paid-in capital	\$ 15,117,202
Accumulated earnings	216,644,053
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NET ASSETS	\$ 231,761,255
NET ASSET VALUE	
BlackRock Shares	
Net assets.	\$ 231,761,255
Shares outstanding	116,989.7
Net asset value	\$ 1,981.04
Shares authorized	Unlimited
Par value	\$ 0.001
(a) Investments, at cost — unaffiliated	\$ 14,922,076
(b) Securities loaned, at value	\$ 296,861
(c) Investments, at cost — affiliated	\$ 787,939

	Portfolio
INVESTMENT INCOME	
INVESTMENT INCOME Dividends — unaffiliated	\$ 3,847,968
Dividends — affiliated.	37,984
Securities lending income — affiliated — net	855
Foreign taxes withheld	(84,589)
Total investment income	3,802,218
EXPENSES	
Investment advisory	1,068,432
Administration	133,554
Professional	100,081
Accounting services	48,184
Printing and postage	26,654
Transfer agent	15,437
Trustees and Officer	7,727
Custodian	6,944
Miscellaneous	6,938
Total expenses excluding federal income tax	1,413,951
Federal income tax.	315,323
Total expenses	1,729,274
Less:	1,729,274
	(42,028)
Administration fees waived by the Manager	, ,
Fees waived and/or reimbursed by the Manager	(35,018)
Transfer agent fees waived and/or reimbursed by the Manager	(12,008)
Total expenses after fees waived and/or reimbursed	1,640,220
Net investment income.	2,161,998
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS)	
Net realized gain from:	
Investments — unaffiliated	1,501,790
Investments — affiliated	118
Foreign currency transactions	1
In-kind redemptions <sup>(a)</sup>	2,311,791
	3,813,700
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:	
Investments — unaffiliated	34,456,983
Investments — affiliated	(30)
Foreign currency translations	126
	34,457,079
Net realized and unrealized gain	38,270,779
NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 40,432,777
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<sup>(</sup>a) See Note 2 of the Notes to Financial Statements.

# Statements of Changes in Net Assets

	BlackRock Exc	hange Portfolio
	Year Ended 12/31/23	Year Ended 12/31/22
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS		
OPERATIONS  Net investment income.  Net realized gain.  Net realized gain from in-kind redemption transactions.  Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation).		\$ 2,109,618 1,400,257 6,354,288 (22,047,141)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations.	40,432,777	(12,182,978)
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS <sup>(a)</sup> BlackRock Shares	(2,471,337)	(2,410,562)
CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Net decrease in net assets derived from capital share transactions.	(3,739,118)	(7,885,504)
NETASSETS Total increase (decrease) in net assets Beginning of year.	34,222,322 197,538,933	(22,479,044) 220,017,977
End of year	\$ 231,761,255	\$ 197,538,933

<sup>(</sup>a) Distributions for annual periods determined in accordance with U.S. federal income tax regulations.

# Financial Highlights

(For a share outstanding throughout each period)

	BlackRock Exchange Portfolio						
			BlackRock Shares		_		
	Year Ended 12/31/23	Year Ended 12/31/22	Year Ended 12/31/21	Year Ended 12/31/20	Year Ended 12/31/19		
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$ 1,658.98	\$ 1,777.46	\$ 1,368.32	\$ 1,270.46	\$ 1,001.87		
Net investment income <sup>(a)</sup>	18.34 324.85	17.47 (115.72)	14.63 412.41	15.80 100.33	15.81 270.58		
Net increase (decrease) from investment operations	343.19	(98.25)	427.04	116.13	286.39		
Distributions from net investment income <sup>(b)</sup>	(21.13)	(20.23)	(17.90)	(18.27)	(17.80)		
Net asset value, end of year	\$ 1,981.04	\$ 1,658.98	\$ 1,777.46	\$ 1,368.32	\$ 1,270.46		
Total Return <sup>(c)</sup> Based on net asset value	20.71%	(5.52)%	31.23%	9.19%	28.63%		
Ratios to Average Net Assets <sup>(d)</sup> Total expenses	0.81%	0.80%	0.84%	0.83%	0.82%		
Total expenses after fees waived and/or reimbursed <sup>(e)</sup>	0.77%	0.77%	0.81%	0.79%	0.76%		
Net investment income	1.01%	1.05%	0.92%	1.27%	1.37%		
Supplemental Data  Net assets, end of year (000)  Portfolio turnover rate	\$ 231,761 —%	\$ 197,539 —%	\$ 220,018 —%	\$ 182,217 —%	\$ 185,706 —%		

<sup>(</sup>a) Based on average shares outstanding.

<sup>(</sup>e) Includes U.S. federal income taxes. Excluding such tax expense, total expenses after fees waived and/or reimbursed would have been as follows:

	Year Ended				
	12/31/23	12/31/22	12/31/21	12/31/20	12/31/19
Excluding U.S. federal income taxes	0.62%	0.62%	0.62%	0.62%	0.62%

<sup>(</sup>b) Distributions for annual periods determined in accordance with U.S. federal income tax regulations.

<sup>(</sup>c) Where applicable, assumes the reinvestment of distributions.

<sup>(</sup>d) Excludes fees and expenses incurred indirectly as a result of investments in underlying funds.

# Notes to Financial Statements

# 1. ORGANIZATION

BlackRock Funds<sup>SM</sup> (the "Trust") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as an open-end management investment company. The Trust is organized as a Massachusetts business trust. BlackRock Exchange Portfolio (the "Fund") is a series of the Trust. The Fund is classified as diversified.

The Fund, together with certain other registered investment companies advised by BlackRock Advisors, LLC (the "Manager") or its affiliates, is included in a complex of funds referred to as the BlackRock Multi-Asset Complex.

# 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"), which may require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets from operations during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The Fund is considered an investment company under U.S. GAAP and follows the accounting and reporting guidance applicable to investment companies. Below is a summary of significant accounting policies:

Investment Transactions and Income Recognition: For financial reporting purposes, investment transactions are recorded on the dates the transactions are executed. Realized gains and losses on investment transactions are determined using the specific identification method. In 2005, the Fund acquired all of the assets and liabilities of State Street Research Exchange Fund (the "Predecessor Fund"). For securities exchanged into the Predecessor Fund at its inception in 1976, the cost for financial reporting purposes is the value of those securities as used in the exchange. The cost, for income tax purposes, of securities exchanged into the Predecessor Fund is the tax basis of the individual investor. Dividend income and capital gain distributions, if any, are recorded on the ex-dividend dates. Non-cash dividends, if any, are recorded on the ex-dividend dates at fair value. Dividends from foreign securities where the ex-dividend dates may have passed are subsequently recorded when the Fund is informed of the ex-dividend dates. Under the applicable foreign tax laws, a withholding tax at various rates may be imposed on capital gains, dividends and interest.

Foreign Currency Translation: The Fund's books and records are maintained in U.S. dollars. Securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars using exchange rates determined as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). Purchases and sales of investments are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions. Generally, when the U.S. dollar rises in value against a foreign currency, the investments denominated in that currency will lose value; the opposite effect occurs if the U.S. dollar falls in relative value.

The Fund does not isolate the effect of fluctuations in foreign exchange rates from the effect of fluctuations in the market prices of investments for financial reporting purposes. Accordingly, the effects of changes in exchange rates on investments are not segregated in the Statement of Operations from the effects of changes in market prices of those investments, but are included as a component of net realized and unrealized gain (loss) from investments. The Fund reports realized currency gains (losses) on foreign currency related transactions as components of net realized gain (loss) for financial reporting purposes, whereas such components are generally treated as ordinary income for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Foreign Taxes: The Fund may be subject to foreign taxes (a portion of which may be reclaimable) on income, stock dividends, capital gains on investments, or certain foreign currency transactions. All foreign taxes are recorded in accordance with the applicable foreign tax regulations and rates that exist in the foreign jurisdictions in which the Fund invests. These foreign taxes, if any, are paid by the Fund and are reflected in its Statement of Operations as follows: foreign taxes withheld at source are presented as a reduction of income, foreign taxes on stock dividends are presented as "Foreign taxes withheld", and foreign taxes on capital gains from sales of investments and foreign taxes on foreign currency transactions are included in their respective net realized gain (loss) categories. Foreign taxes payable or deferred as of December 31, 2023, if any, are disclosed in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The Fund files withholding tax reclaims in certain jurisdictions to recover a portion of amounts previously withheld. The Fund may record a reclaim receivable based on collectability, which includes factors such as the jurisdiction's applicable laws, payment history and market convention. The Statement of Operations includes tax reclaims recorded as well as professional and other fees, if any, associated with recovery of foreign withholding taxes.

Collateralization: If required by an exchange or counterparty agreement, the Fund may be required to deliver/deposit cash and/or securities to/with an exchange, or broker-dealer or custodian as collateral for certain investments.

In-Kind Redemptions: The Fund transferred securities and cash to shareholders in connection with in-kind redemption transactions. For financial reporting purposes, these transactions were treated as a sale of securities and the resulting gains and losses were recognized based on the market value of the securities on the date of the redemption. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund had in-kind redemptions of \$2,391,800. For tax purposes, no gains or losses were recognized. Net gains and losses resulting from such in-kind redemptions are shown in the Statement of Operations.

**Distributions:** Distributions paid by the Fund are recorded on the ex-dividend dates. The character and timing of distributions are determined in accordance with U.S. federal income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. GAAP.

**Indemnifications:** In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of representations that provide general indemnification. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown because it involves future potential claims against the Fund, which cannot be predicted with any certainty.

Other: Expenses directly related to the Fund are charged to the Fund. Other operating expenses shared by several funds, including other funds managed by the Manager, are prorated among those funds on the basis of relative net assets or other appropriate methods.

The Fund has an arrangement with its custodian whereby credits are earned on uninvested cash balances, which could be used to reduce custody fees and/or overdraft charges. The Fund may incur charges on overdrafts, subject to certain conditions.

# 3. INVESTMENT VALUATION AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Investment Valuation Policies: The Fund's investments are valued at fair value (also referred to as "market value" within the financial statements) each day that the Fund is open for business and, for financial reporting purposes, as of the report date. U.S. GAAP defines fair value as the price a fund would receive to sell an asset or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Board of Trustees of the Trust (the "Board") has approved the designation of the Fund's Manager as the valuation designee for the Fund. The Fund determines the fair values of its financial instruments using various independent dealers or pricing services under the Manager's policies. If a security's market price is not readily available or does not otherwise accurately represent the fair value of the security, the security will be valued in accordance with the Manager's policies and procedures as reflecting fair value. The Manager has formed a committee (the "Valuation Committee") to develop pricing policies and procedures and to oversee the pricing function for all financial instruments, with assistance from other BlackRock pricing committees.

Fair Value Inputs and Methodologies: The following methods and inputs are used to establish the fair value of the Fund's assets and liabilities:

- Equity investments traded on a recognized securities exchange are valued at that day's official closing price, as applicable, on the exchange where the stock is primarily traded. Equity investments traded on a recognized exchange for which there were no sales on that day may be valued at the last available bid (long positions) or ask (short positions) price.
- Investments in open-end U.S. mutual funds (including money market funds) are valued at that day's published net asset value ("NAV").
- The Fund values its investment in SL Liquidity Series, LLC, Money Market Series (the "Money Market Series") at fair value, which is ordinarily based upon its pro rata
  ownership in the underlying fund's net assets.

Generally, trading in foreign instruments is substantially completed each day at various times prior to the close of trading on the NYSE. Each business day, the Fund uses current market factors supplied by independent pricing services to value certain foreign instruments ("Systematic Fair Value Price"). The Systematic Fair Value Price is designed to value such foreign securities at fair value as of the close of trading on the NYSE, which follows the close of the local markets.

If events (e.g., market volatility, company announcement or a natural disaster) occur that are expected to materially affect the value of such investment, or in the event that application of these methods of valuation results in a price for an investment that is deemed not to be representative of the market value of such investment, or if a price is not available, the investment will be valued by the Valuation Committee in accordance with the Manager's policies and procedures as reflecting fair value ("Fair Valued Investments"). The fair valuation approaches that may be used by the Valuation Committee include market approach, income approach and cost approach. Valuation techniques such as discounted cash flow, use of market comparables and matrix pricing are types of valuation approaches and are typically used in determining fair value. When determining the price for Fair Valued Investments, the Valuation Committee seeks to determine the price that the Fund might reasonably expect to receive or pay from the current sale or purchase of that asset or liability in an arm's-length transaction. Fair value determinations shall be based upon all available factors that the Valuation Committee deems relevant and consistent with the principles of fair value measurement.

Fair Value Hierarchy: Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of financial instruments. These inputs to valuation techniques are categorized into a fair value hierarchy consisting of three broad levels for financial reporting purposes as follows:

- Level 1 Unadjusted price quotations in active markets/exchanges for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access;
- Level 2 Other observable inputs (including, but not limited to, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in markets that are active, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the assets or liabilities (such as interest rates, yield curves, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks and default rates) or other market–corroborated inputs); and
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs based on the best information available in the circumstances, to the extent observable inputs are not available (including the Valuation Committee's assumptions used in determining the fair value of financial instruments).

The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3. The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the fair value hierarchy classification is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. Investments classified within Level 3 have significant unobservable inputs used by the Valuation Committee in determining the price for Fair Valued Investments. Level 3 investments include equity or debt issued by privately held companies or funds that may not have a secondary market and/or may have a limited number of investors. The categorization of a value determined for financial instruments is based on the pricing transparency of the financial instruments and is not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities.

As of December 31,2023, certain investments of the Fund were fair valued using NAV as a practical expedient as no quoted market value is available and therefore have been excluded from the fair value hierarchy.

### 4. SECURITIES AND OTHER INVESTMENTS

Securities Lending: The Fund may lend its securities to approved borrowers, such as brokers, dealers and other financial institutions. The borrower pledges and maintains with the Fund collateral consisting of cash, an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank, or securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government. The initial collateral received by the Fund is required to have a value of at least 102% of the current value of the loaned securities for securities traded on U.S. exchanges and a value of at least 105% for all other securities. The collateral is maintained thereafter at a value equal to at least 100% of the current market value of the securities on loan. The market value of the loaned securities is determined at the close of each business day of the Fund and any additional required collateral is delivered to the Fund, or excess collateral returned by the Fund, on the next business day. During the term of the loan, the Fund is entitled to all distributions made on or in respect of the loaned securities, but does not receive interest income on securities received as collateral. Loans of securities are terminable at any time and the borrower, after notice, is required to return borrowed securities within the standard time period for settlement of securities transactions.

# Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

As of period end, any securities on loan were collateralized by cash and/or U.S. Government obligations. Cash collateral invested by the securities lending agent, BlackRock Investment Management, LLC ("BIM"), if any, is disclosed in the Schedule of Investments. Any non-cash collateral received cannot be sold, re-invested or pledged by the Fund, except in the event of borrower default. The securities on loan, if any, are disclosed in the Fund's Schedule of Investments. The market value of any securities on loan and the value of related collateral, if any, are shown separately in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as a component of investments at value – unaffiliated and collateral on securities loaned, respectively.

Securities lending transactions are entered into by the Fund under Master Securities Lending Agreements (each, an "MSLA"), which provide the right, in the event of default (including bankruptcy or insolvency), for the non-defaulting party to liquidate the collateral and calculate a net exposure to the defaulting party or request additional collateral. In the event that a borrower defaults, the Fund, as lender, would offset the market value of the collateral received against the market value of the securities loaned. When the value of the collateral is greater than that of the market value of the securities loaned, the lender is left with a net amount payable to the defaulting party. However, bankruptcy or insolvency laws of a particular jurisdiction may impose restrictions on or prohibitions against such a right of offset in the event of an MSLA counterparty's bankruptcy or insolvency. Under the MSLA, absent an event of default, the borrower can resell or re-pledge the loaned securities, and the Fund can reinvest cash collateral received in connection with loaned securities. Upon an event of default, the parties' obligations to return the securities or collateral to the other party are extinguished, and the parties can resell or re-pledge the loaned securities or the collateral received in connection with the loaned securities in order to satisfy the defaulting party's net payment obligation for all transactions under the MSLA. The defaulting party remains liable for any deficiency.

As of period end, the following table is a summary of the Fund's securities on loan by counterparty which are subject to offset under an MSLA:

						Non-Cash		
		Securities		Cash	Colla	ateral Received,		Net
Counterparty	Loar	ned at Value	Collat	eral Received <sup>(a)</sup>		at Fair Value <sup>(a)</sup>	Am	nount
Citigroup Global Markets, Inc.	\$	149,615	\$	(149,615)	\$	_	\$	_
Morgan Stanley		147,246		(147,246)		_		_
	\$	296,861	\$	(296,861)	\$	_	\$	_

<sup>(</sup>a) Collateral received, if any, in excess of the market value of securities on loan is not presented in this table. The total cash collateral received by the Fund is disclosed in the Fund's Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The risks of securities lending include the risk that the borrower may not provide additional collateral when required or may not return the securities when due. To mitigate these risks, the Fund benefits from a borrower default indemnity provided by BIM. BIM's indemnity allows for full replacement of the securities loaned to the extent the collateral received does not cover the value on the securities loaned in the event of borrower default. The Fund could incur a loss if the value of an investment purchased with cash collateral falls below the market value of loaned securities or if the value of an investment purchased with cash collateral falls below the value of the original cash collateral received. Such losses are borne entirely by the Fund.

# INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

Investment Advisory: The Trust, on behalf of the Fund, entered into an Investment Advisory Agreement with the Manager, the Fund's investment adviser and an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of BlackRock, Inc. ("BlackRock"), to provide investment advisory services. The Manager is responsible for the management of the Fund's portfolio and provides the personnel, facilities, equipment and certain other services necessary to the operations of the Fund.

For such services, the Fund pays the Manager a monthly fee at an annual rate equal to the following percentages of the average daily value of the Fund's net assets:

Average Daily Net Assets	Investment Advisory Fees
First \$1 billion	0.50%
\$1 billion - \$3 billion	0.47
\$3 billion - \$5 billion	0.45
\$5 billion - \$10 billion	0.44
Greater than \$10 billion.	0.43

**Administration:** The Trust, on behalf of the Fund, entered into an Administration Agreement with the Manager, an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of BlackRock, to provide administrative services. For these services, the Manager receives an administration fee computed daily and payable monthly, based on a percentage of the average daily net assets of the Fund. The administration fee, which is shown as administration in the Statement of Operations, is paid at the annual rates below.

Average Daily Net Assets	Administration Fees
First \$500 million	0.0425%
\$500 million - \$1 billion	0.0400
\$1 billion - \$2 billion	0.0375
\$2 billion - \$4 billion	0.0350
\$4 billion - \$13 billion	0.0325
Greater than \$13 billion	0.0300

In addition, the Manager charges BlackRock Shares an administration fee, which is shown as administration in the Statement of Operations, at an annual rate of 0.02% of the average daily net assets of BlackRock Shares.

# Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Transfer Agent: Pursuant to written agreements, certain financial intermediaries, some of which may be affiliates, provide the Fund with sub-accounting, recordkeeping, sub-transfer agency and other administrative services with respect to servicing of underlying investor accounts. For these services, these entities receive an asset-based fee or an annual fee per shareholder account, which will vary depending on share class and/or net assets. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund did not pay any amounts to affiliates in return for these services.

The Manager maintains a call center that is responsible for providing certain shareholder services to the Fund. Shareholder services include responding to inquiries and processing purchases and sales based upon instructions from shareholders. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund reimbursed the Manager \$2,315 for costs incurred in running the call center, which are included in transfer agent in the Statement of Operations.

Expense Limitations, Waivers and Reimbursements: The Manager contractually agreed to waive its investment advisory fees by the amount of investment advisory fees the Fund pays to the Manager indirectly through its investment in affiliated money market funds (the "affiliated money market fund waiver") through June 30, 2024. The contractual agreement may be terminated upon 90 days' notice by a majority of the trustees who are not "interested persons" of the Trust, as defined in the 1940 Act ("Independent Trustees"), or by a vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund. The amount of waivers and/or reimbursements of fees and expenses made pursuant to the expense limitation described below will be reduced by the amount of the affiliated money market fund waiver. This amount is included in fees waived and/or reimbursed by the Manager in the Statement of Operations. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the amount waived was \$572.

The Manager has contractually agreed to waive its investment advisory fee with respect to any portion of the Fund's assets invested in affiliated equity and fixed-income mutual funds and affiliated exchange-traded funds that have a contractual management fee through June 30, 2024. The contractual agreement may be terminated upon 90 days' notice by a majority of the Independent Trustees, or by a vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no fees waived by the Manager pursuant to this arrangement.

The Manager contractually agreed to waive and/or reimburse fees or expenses in order to limit expenses, excluding interest expense, dividend expense, tax expense, acquired fund fees and expenses, and certain other fund expenses, which constitute extraordinary expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the Fund's business ("expense limitation"). The expense limitation as a percentage of average daily net assets is 0.62%.

The Manager has agreed not to reduce or discontinue the contractual expense limitation through June 30, 2024, unless approved by the Board, including a majority of the Independent Trustees, or by a vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Manager waived and/or reimbursed investment advisory fees of \$34,446 which is included in fees waived and/or reimbursed by the Manager in the Statement of Operations.

In addition, these amounts waived and/or reimbursed by the Manager are included in administration fees waived by the Manager and transfer agent fees waived and/or reimbursed by the Manager, respectively, in the Statement of Operations. For the year ended December 31, 2023, expense waivers and/or reimbursements were as follows:

	BlackF	Rock Shares
Administration fees waived by the Manager	\$	42,028
Transfer agent fees waived and/or reimbursed by the Manager		12,008

Securities Lending: The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") has issued an exemptive order which permits BIM, an affiliate of the Manager, to serve as securities lending agent for the Fund, subject to applicable conditions. As securities lending agent, BIM bears all operational costs directly related to securities lending. The Fund is responsible for expenses in connection with the investment of cash collateral received for securities on loan (the "collateral investment expenses"). The cash collateral is invested in a private investment company, Money Market Series, managed by the Manager or its affiliates. However, BIM has agreed to cap the collateral investment expenses of the Money Market Series to an annual rate of 0.04%. The investment adviser to the Money Market Series will not charge any advisory fees with respect to shares purchased by the Fund. The Money Market Series may impose a discretionary liquidity fee of up to 2% of the value withdrawn, if such fee is determined to be in the best interests of the Money Market Series. The Money Market Series seeks current income consistent with maintaining liquidity and preserving capital. Although the Money Market Series is not registered under the 1940 Act, its investments may follow the parameters of investments by a money market fund that is subject to Rule 2a-7 under the 1940 Act.

Securities lending income is equal to the total of income earned from the reinvestment of cash collateral, net of fees and other payments to and from borrowers of securities, and less the collateral investment expenses. The Fund retains a portion of securities lending income and remits a remaining portion to BIM as compensation for its services as securities lending agent.

Pursuant to the current securities lending agreement, the Fund retains 81% of securities lending income (which excludes collateral investment expenses), and this amount retained can never be less than 70% of the total of securities lending income plus the collateral investment expenses.

In addition, commencing the business day following the date that the aggregate securities lending income earned across the BlackRock Multi-Asset Complex in a calendar year exceeds a specified threshold, the Fund, pursuant to the securities lending agreement, will retain for the remainder of that calendar year securities lending income in an amount equal to 81% of securities lending income (which excludes collateral investment expenses), and this amount retained can never be less than 70% of the total of securities lending income plus the collateral investment expenses.

The share of securities lending income earned by the Fund is shown as securities lending income — affiliated — net in the Statement of Operations. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund paid BIM \$190 for securities lending agent services.

Trustees and Officers: Certain trustees and/or officers of the Trust are directors and/or officers of BlackRock or its affiliates. The Fund reimburses the Manager for a portion of the compensation paid to the Trust's Chief Compliance Officer, which is included in Trustees and Officer in the Statement of Operations.

# 6. PURCHASES AND SALES

For the year ended December 31, 2023, sales of investments, excluding short-term securities and in-kind redemptions, were \$1,507,614. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no purchases.

### 7. INCOME TAX INFORMATION

It is the Fund's policy to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, applicable to regulated investment companies, and to distribute substantially all of its taxable income to its shareholders. The Fund's current practice is to retain long-term capital gains, if any, and to pay U.S. federal taxes thereon at corporate tax rates on behalf of the shareholders. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, shareholders will be required to include their proportionate share of the retained capital gains in income and are entitled to report a credit for their share of the tax paid by the Fund.

The Fund files U.S. federal and various state and local tax returns. No income tax returns are currently under examination. The statute of limitations on the Fund's U.S. federal tax returns generally remains open for a period of three years after they are filed. The statutes of limitations on the Fund's state and local tax returns may remain open for an additional year depending upon the jurisdiction.

Management has analyzed tax laws and regulations and their application to the Fund as of December 31, 2023, inclusive of the open tax return years, and does not believe that there are any uncertain tax positions that require recognition of a tax liability in the Fund's financial statements.

U.S. GAAP requires that certain components of net assets be adjusted to reflect permanent differences between financial and tax reporting. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or NAVs per share. As of period end, permanent differences attributable to redemption in-kind transactions, non-deductible expenses and long-term capital gains deemed distributed to shareholders were reclassified to the following accounts:

Paid-in capital	*** Amounts \$ 3,497,777 (3,497,777)
The tax character of distributions paid was as follows:	
Year Ended 12/31/23	Year Ended 12/31/22
Ordinary income	\$ 2,410,562

	Undistributed	Net Unrealized	
Fund Name	Ordinary Income	Gains (Losses) <sup>(a)</sup>	Total
BlackRock Exchange Portfolio.	\$ 26,847	\$ 216,617,206	\$ 216,644,053

<sup>(</sup>a) The difference between book-basis and tax-basis net unrealized gains was attributable primarily to the basis differences on contributed securities and timing and recognition of partnership income.

As of December 31, 2023, gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation based on cost of investments (including short positions and derivatives, if any) for U.S. federal income tax purposes were as follows:

			Gross Unrealized		Net Unrealized
		Gross Unrealized			<b>Appreciation</b>
Fund Name	Tax Cost	Appreciation	iation Depreciation		(Depreciation)
BlackRock Exchange Portfolio	\$ 15,717,940	\$ 216,607,662	\$	(30)	\$ 216,607,632

# 8. BANK BORROWINGS

The Trust, on behalf of the Fund, along with certain other funds managed by the Manager and its affiliates ("Participating Funds"), is party to a 364-day, \$2.50 billion credit agreement with a group of lenders. Under this agreement, the Fund may borrow to fund shareholder redemptions. Excluding commitments designated for certain individual funds, the Participating Funds, including the Fund, can borrow up to an aggregate commitment amount of \$1.75 billion at any time outstanding, subject to asset coverage and other limitations as specified in the agreement. The credit agreement has the following terms: a fee of 0.10% per annum on unused commitment amounts and interest at a rate equal to the higher of (a) Overnight Bank Funding Rate ("OBFR") (but, in any event, not less than 0.00%) on the date the loan is made plus 0.80% per annum, (b) the Fed Funds rate (but, in any event, not less than 0.00%) in effect from time to time plus 0.80% per annum on amounts borrowed or (c) the sum of (x) Daily Simple Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") (but, in any event, not less than 0.00%) on the date the loan is made plus 0.10% and (y) 0.80% per annum. The agreement expires in April 2024 unless extended or renewed. These fees were allocated among such funds based upon portions of the aggregate commitment available to them and relative net assets of Participating Funds. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund did not borrow under the credit agreement.

# Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

# 9. PRINCIPAL RISKS

In the normal course of business, the Fund invests in securities or other instruments and may enter into certain transactions, and such activities subject the Fund to various risks, including among others, fluctuations in the market (market risk) or failure of an issuer to meet all of its obligations. The value of securities or other instruments may also be affected by various factors, including, without limitation: (i) the general economy; (ii) the overall market as well as local, regional or global political and/or social instability; (iii) regulation, taxation or international tax treaties between various countries; or (iv) currency, interest rate and price fluctuations. Local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the Fund and its investments. The Fund's prospectus provides details of the risks to which the Fund is subject.

The Fund may be exposed to additional risks when reinvesting cash collateral in money market funds that do not seek to maintain a stable NAV per share of \$1.00, which may be subject to discretionary liquidity fees under certain circumstances.

Valuation Risk: The market values of equities, such as common stocks and preferred securities or equity related investments, such as futures and options, may decline due to general market conditions which are not specifically related to a particular company. They may also decline due to factors which affect a particular industry or industries. The Fund may invest in illiquid investments. An illiquid investment is any investment that the Fund reasonably expects cannot be sold or disposed of in current market conditions in seven calendar days or less without the sale or disposition significantly changing the market value of the investment. The Fund may experience difficulty in selling illiquid investments in a timely manner at the price that it believes the investments are worth. Prices may fluctuate widely over short or extended periods in response to company, market or economic news. Markets also tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising and falling prices. This volatility may cause the Fund's NAV to experience significant increases or decreases over short periods of time. If there is a general decline in the securities and other markets, the NAV of the Fund may lose value, regardless of the individual results of the securities and other instruments in which the Fund invests.

Counterparty Credit Risk: The Fund may be exposed to counterparty credit risk, or the risk that an entity may fail to or be unable to perform on its commitments related to unsettled or open transactions, including making timely interest and/or principal payments or otherwise honoring its obligations. The Fund manages counterparty credit risk by entering into transactions only with counterparties that the Manager believes have the financial resources to honor their obligations and by monitoring the financial stability of those counterparties. Financial assets, which potentially expose the Fund to market, issuer and counterparty credit risks, consist principally of financial instruments and receivables due from counterparties. The extent of the Fund's exposure to market, issuer and counterparty credit risks with respect to these financial assets is approximately their value recorded in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, less any collateral held by the Fund.

Geographic/Asset Class Risk: A diversified portfolio, where this is appropriate and consistent with a fund's objectives, minimizes the risk that a price change of a particular investment will have a material impact on the NAV of a fund. The investment concentrations within the Fund's portfolio are disclosed in its Schedule of Investments.

The Fund invests a significant portion of its assets in securities within a single or limited number of market sectors. When a fund concentrates its investments in this manner, it assumes the risk that economic, regulatory, political and social conditions affecting such sectors may have a significant impact on the Fund and could affect the income from, or the value or liquidity of, the Fund's portfolio. Investment percentages in specific sectors are presented in the Schedule of Investments.

The Fund invests a significant portion of its assets in securities of issuers located in the United States. A decrease in imports or exports, changes in trade regulations, inflation and/or an economic recession in the United States may have a material adverse effect on the U.S. economy and the securities listed on U.S. exchanges. Proposed and adopted policy and legislative changes in the United States may also have a significant effect on U.S. markets generally, as well as on the value of certain securities. Governmental agencies project that the United States will continue to maintain elevated public debt levels for the foreseeable future which may constrain future economic growth. Circumstances could arise that could prevent the timely payment of interest or principal on U.S. government debt, such as reaching the legislative "debt ceiling." Such non-payment would result in substantial negative consequences for the U.S. economy and the global financial system. If U.S. relations with certain countries deteriorate, it could adversely affect issuers that rely on the United States for trade. The United States has also experienced increased internal unrest and discord. If these trends were to continue, they may have an adverse impact on the U.S. economy and the issuers in which the Fund invests.

Significant Shareholder Redemption Risk: Certain shareholders may own or manage a substantial amount of fund shares and/or hold their fund investments for a limited period of time. Large redemptions of fund shares by these shareholders may force a fund to sell portfolio securities, which may negatively impact the fund's NAV, increase the fund's brokerage costs, and/or accelerate the realization of taxable income/gains and cause the fund to make additional taxable distributions to shareholders.

# Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

# 10. CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS

Transactions in capital shares were as follows:

	Year Ended 12/31/23		Year Ended 12/31/22	
Share Class	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount
BlackRock Shares				
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions	307	\$ 600,524	272	\$ 449,644
Shares redeemed	(2,389) <sup>(a)</sup>	(4,339,642)	$(4,982)^{(b)}$	(8,335,148)
	(2,082)	\$ (3,739,118)	(4,710)	\$ (7,885,504)

<sup>(</sup>a) Including (1,339) representing in-kind redemptions.

# 11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated the impact of all subsequent events on the Fund through the date the financial statements were issued and has determined that there were no subsequent events requiring adjustment or additional disclosure in the financial statements.

<sup>(</sup>b) Including (3,869) representing in-kind redemptions.

# Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders of BlackRock Exchange Portfolio and the Board of Trustees of BlackRock Funds<sup>SM</sup>:

### Opinion on the Financial Statements and Financial Highlights

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of BlackRock Exchange Portfolio of BlackRock Funds<sup>SM</sup> (the "Fund"), including the schedule of investments, as of December 31, 2023, the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, and the related notes. In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2023, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Fund is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and financial highlights, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and financial highlights. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements and financial highlights. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2023, by correspondence with custodians or counterparties; when replies were not received, we performed other auditing procedures. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Deloitte & Touche LLP Boston, Massachusetts February 23, 2024

We have served as the auditor of one or more BlackRock investment companies since 1992.

# Important Tax Information (unaudited)

The following amount, or maximum amount allowable by law are hereby designated as qualified dividend income for individuals for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023:

	Quali	fied Dividend
Fund Name		Income
BlackRock Exchange Portfolio	\$	3,797,252

The Fund hereby designates the following amount, or maximum amount allowable by law, of distributions from direct federal obligation interest for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023:

	Federal	Obligation
Fund Name		Interest
BlackRock Exchange Portfolio	\$	3,880

The law varies in each state as to whether and what percent of ordinary income dividends attributable to federal obligations is exempt from state income tax. Shareholders are advised to check with their tax advisers to determine if any portion of the dividends received is exempt from state income tax.

The following percentage, or maximum percentage allowable by law, of ordinary income distributions paid during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 qualified for the dividends-received deduction for corporate shareholders:

	Dividends-Received
Fund Name	Deduction
BlackRock Exchange Portfolio.	100.00%

The Fund hereby designates the following amount, or maximum amount allowable by law, as interest income eligible to be treated as a Section 163(j) interest dividend for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023:

Fund Name	Interes	t Dividends
BlackRock Exchange Portfolio	\$	24,745

The Fund hereby designates the following amount, or maximum amount allowable by law, as interest-related dividends eligible for exemption from U.S. withholding tax for nonresident aliens and foreign corporations, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023:

Fund Name	Inte	rest-Related Dividends
BlackRock Exchange Portfolio	\$	24,745

# Statement Regarding Liquidity Risk Management Program

In compliance with Rule 22e-4 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Liquidity Rule"), BlackRock Funds<sup>SM</sup> (the "Trust") has adopted and implemented a liquidity risk management program (the "Program") for BlackRock Exchange Portfolio (the "Fund"), a series of the Trust, which is reasonably designed to assess and manage the Fund's liquidity risk.

The Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Trust, on behalf of the Fund, met on November 16-17, 2023 (the "Meeting") to review the Program. The Board previously appointed BlackRock Advisors, LLC or BlackRock Fund Advisors ("BlackRock"), each an investment adviser to certain BlackRock funds, as the program administrator for the Fund's Program, as applicable. BlackRock also previously delegated oversight of the Program to the 40 Act Liquidity Risk Management Committee (the "Committee"). At the Meeting, the Committee, on behalf of BlackRock, provided the Board with a report that addressed the operation of the Program and assessed its adequacy and effectiveness of implementation, including the management of the Fund's Highly Liquid Investment Minimum ("HLIM") where applicable, and any material changes to the Program (the "Report"). The Report covered the period from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 (the "Program Reporting Period").

The Report described the Program's liquidity classification methodology for categorizing the Fund's investments (including derivative transactions) into one of four liquidity buckets. It also referenced the methodology used by BlackRock to establish the Fund's HLIM and noted that the Committee reviews and ratifies the HLIM assigned to the Fund no less frequently than annually. The Report also discussed notable events affecting liquidity over the Program Reporting Period, including the imposition of capital controls in certain countries.

The Report noted that the Program complied with the key factors for consideration under the Liquidity Rule for assessing, managing and periodically reviewing the Fund's liquidity risk, as follows:

- a) The Fund's investment strategy and liquidity of portfolio investments during both normal and reasonably foreseeable stressed conditions. During the Program Reporting Period, the Committee reviewed whether the Fund's strategy is appropriate for an open-end fund structure with a focus on funds with more significant and consistent holdings of less liquid and illiquid assets. The Committee also factored a fund's concentration in an issuer into the liquidity classification methodology by taking issuer position sizes into account. Where a fund participated in borrowings for investment purposes (such as tender option bonds or reverse repurchase agreements), such borrowings were factored into the Program's calculation of a fund's liquidity bucketing. A fund's derivative exposure was also considered in such calculation.
- b) Short-term and long-term cash flow projections during both normal and reasonably foreseeable stressed conditions. During the Program Reporting Period, the Committee reviewed historical redemption activity and used this information as a component to establish the Fund's reasonably anticipated trading size utilized for liquidity classifications. The Fund has adopted an in-kind redemption policy which may be utilized to meet larger redemption requests. The Committee may also take into consideration a fund's shareholder ownership concentration (which, depending on product type and distribution channel, may or may not be available), a fund's distribution channels, and the degree of certainty associated with a fund's short-term and long-term cash flow projections.
- c) Holdings of cash and cash equivalents, as well as borrowing arrangements. The Committee considered the terms of the credit facility committed to the Fund, the financial health of the institution providing the facility and the fact that the credit facility is shared among multiple funds (including that a portion of the aggregate commitment amount is specifically designated for BlackRock Floating Rate Income Portfolio, a series of BlackRock Funds V, and BlackRock Floating Rate Loan ETF, a series of BlackRock ETF Trust II). The Committee also considered other types of borrowing available to the Fund, such as the ability to use reverse repurchase agreements and interfund lending, as applicable.

There were no material changes to the Program during the Program Reporting Period other than the enhancement of certain model components in the Program's classification methodology. The Report provided to the Board stated that the Committee concluded that based on the operation of the functions, as described in the Report, the Program is operating as intended and is effective in implementing the requirements of the Liquidity Rule.

# Independent Trustees<sup>(a)</sup>

Name Year of Birth <sup>(b)</sup>	Position(s) Held (Length of Service) <sup>(c)</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of BlackRock-Advised Registered Investment Companies ("RICs") Consisting of Investment Portfolios ("Portfolios") Overseen	Public Company and Other Investment Company Directorships Held During Past 5 Years
Mark Stalnecker 1951	Chair of the Board (Since 2019) and Trustee (Since 2015)	Chief Investment Officer, University of Delaware from 1999 to 2013; Trustee and Chair of the Finance and Investment Committees, Winterthur Museum and Country Estate from 2005 to 2016; Member of the Investment Committee, Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System since 2002; Member of the Investment Committee, Christiana Care Health System from 2009 to 2017; Member of the Investment Committee, Delaware Community Foundation from 2013 to 2014; Director and Chair of the Audit Committee, SEI Private Trust Co. from 2001 to 2014.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None
Susan J. Carter 1956	Trustee (Since 2016)	Trustee, Financial Accounting Foundation from 2017 to 2021; Advisory Board Member, Center for Private Equity and Entrepreneurship at Tuck School of Business from 1997 to 2021; Director, Pacific Pension Institute from 2014 to 2018; Senior Advisor, Commonfund Capital, Inc. ("CCI") (investment adviser) in 2015; Chief Executive Officer, CCI from 2013 to 2014; President & Chief Executive Officer, CCI from 1997 to 2013; Advisory Board Member, Girls Who Invest from 2015 to 2018 and Board Member thereof from 2018 to 2022; Advisory Board Member, Bridges Fund Management from 2016 to 2018; Practitioner Advisory Board Member, Private Capital Research Institute ("PCRI") since 2017; Lecturer in the Practice of Management, Yale School of Management since 2019; Advisor to Finance Committee, Altman Foundation since 2020; Investment Committee Member, Tostan since 2021; Member of the President's Counsel, Commonfund since 2023.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None
Collette Chilton 1958	Trustee (Since 2015)	Senior advisor, Insignia since 2024; Chief Investment Officer, Williams College from 2006 to 2023; Chief Investment Officer, Lucent Asset Management Corporation from 1998 to 2006; Director, Boys and Girls Club of Boston since 2017; Director, B1 Capital since 2018; Director, David and Lucile Packard Foundation since 2020.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None
Neil A. Cotty 1954	Trustee (Since 2016)	Bank of America Corporation from 1996 to 2015, serving in various senior finance leadership roles, including Chief Accounting Officer from 2009 to 2015, Chief Financial Officer of Global Banking, Markets and Wealth Management from 2008 to 2009, Chief Accounting Officer from 2004 to 2008, Chief Financial Officer of Consumer Bank from 2003 to 2004, Chief Financial Officer of Global Corporate Investment Bank from 1999 to 2002.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None
Lena G. Goldberg 1949	Trustee (Since 2019)	Director, Pioneer Public Interest Law Center since 2023; Director, Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc. from 2013 to 2021; Senior Lecturer, Harvard Business School from 2008 to 2021; FMR LLC/Fidelity Investments (financial services) from 1996 to 2008, serving in various senior roles including Executive Vice President - Strategic Corporate Initiatives and Executive Vice President and General Counsel; Partner, Sullivan & Worcester LLP from 1985 to 1996 and Associate thereof from 1979 to 1985.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None

# Independent Trustees<sup>(a)</sup>

Name Year of Birth <sup>(b)</sup>	Position(s) Held (Length of Service) <sup>(c)</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of BlackRock-Advised Registered Investment Companies ("RICs") Consisting of Investment Portfolios ("Portfolios") Overseen	Public Company and Other Investment Company Directorships Held During Past 5 Years
Henry R. Keizer 1956	Trustee (Since 2019)	Director, Park Indemnity Ltd. (captive insurer) from 2010 to 2022.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	GrafTech International Ltd. (materials manufacturing); Sealed Air Corp. (packaging); WABCO (commercial vehicle safety systems) from 2015 to 2020; Hertz Global Holdings (car rental) from 2015 to 2021.
Cynthia A. Montgomery 1952	Trustee (Since 2007)	Professor, Harvard Business School since 1989.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None
Donald C. Opatrny 1952	Trustee (Since 2019)	Chair of the Board of Phoenix Art Museum since 2022 and Trustee thereof since 2018; Chair of the Investment Committee of The Arizona Community Foundation since 2022 and Trustee thereof since 2020; Director, Athena Capital Advisors LLC (investment management firm) from 2013 to 2020; Trustee, Vice Chair, Member of the Executive Committee and Chair of the Investment Committee, Cornell University from 2004 to 2019; Member of Affordable Housing Supply Board of Jackson, Wyoming from 2017 to 2022; Member, Investment Funds Committee, State of Wyoming from 2017 to 2023; Trustee, Artstor (a Mellon Foundation affiliate) from 2010 to 2015; Member of the Investment Committee, Mellon Foundation from 2009 to 2015; President, Trustee and Member of the Investment Committee, The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum from 2007 to 2014; Trustee and Chair of the Investment Committee, Community Foundation of Jackson Hole since 2014.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None
Kenneth L. Urish 1951	Trustee (Since 2007)	Managing Partner, Urish Popeck & Co., LLC (certified public accountants and consultants) since 1976; Past-Chairman of the Professional Ethics Committee of the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants and Committee Member thereof since 2007; Member of External Advisory Board, The Pennsylvania State University Accounting Department since 2001, Emeritus since 2022; Principal, UP Strategic Wealth Investment Advisors, LLC since 2013; Trustee, The Holy Family Institute from 2001 to 2010; President and Trustee, Pittsburgh Catholic Publishing Associates from 2003 to 2008; Director, Inter-Tel from 2006 to 2007; Member, Advisory Board, ESG Competent Boards since 2020.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None

# Independent Trustees<sup>(a)</sup>

Name Year of Birth <sup>(b)</sup>	Position(s) Held (Length of Service) <sup>(c)</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of BlackRock-Advised Registered Investment Companies ("RICs") Consisting of Investment Portfolios ("Portfolios") Overseen	Public Company and Other Investment Company Directorships Held During Past 5 Years
Claire A. Walton 1957	Trustee (Since 2016)	Advisory Board Member, Grossman School of Business at the University of Vermont since 2023; Advisory Board Member, Scientific Financial Systems since 2022; General Partner of Neon Liberty Capital Management, LLC from 2003 to 2023; Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer of Liberty Square Asset Management, LP from 1998 to 2015; Director, Boston Hedge Fund Group from 2009 to 2018; Director, Massachusetts Council on Economic Education from 2013 to 2015; Director, Woodstock Ski Runners from 2013 to 2022.	28 RICs consisting of 166 Portfolios	None

# Interested Trustees(a)(d)

Name Year of Birth <sup>(b)</sup>	Position(s) Held (Length of Service) <sup>(c)</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of BlackRock-Advised Registered Investment Companies ("RICs") Consisting of Investment Portfolios ("Portfolios") Overseen	Public Company and Other Investment Company Directorships Held During Past 5 Years
Robert Fairbairn 1965	Trustee (Since 2018)	Vice Chairman of BlackRock, Inc. since 2019; Member of BlackRock's Global Executive and Global Operating Committees; Co-Chair of BlackRock's Human Capital Committee; Senior Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. from 2010 to 2019; oversaw BlackRock's Strategic Partner Program and Strategic Product Management Group from 2012 to 2019; Member of the Board of Managers of BlackRock Investments, LLC from 2011 to 2018; Global Head of BlackRock's Retail and iShares* businesses from 2012 to 2016.	97 RICs consisting of 268 Portfolios	None
John M. Perlowski <sup>(e)</sup> 1964	Trustee (Since 2015), President and Chief Executive Officer (Since 2010)	Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. since 2009; Head of BlackRock Global Accounting and Product Services since 2009; Advisory Director of Family Resource Network (charitable foundation) since 2009.	99 RICs consisting of 270 Portfolios	None

<sup>(</sup>a) The address of each Trustee is c/o BlackRock, Inc., 50 Hudson Yards, New York, New York 10001.

<sup>(</sup>b) Independent Trustees serve until their resignation, retirement, removal or death, or until December 31 of the year in which they turn 75. The Board may determine to extend the terms of Independent Trustees on a case-by-case basis, as appropriate.

<sup>(</sup>c) Following the combination of Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, L.P. ("MLIM") and BlackRock, Inc. in September 2006, the various legacy MLIM and legacy BlackRock fund boards were realigned and consolidated into three new fund boards in 2007. Furthermore, effective January 1, 2019, three BlackRock Fund Complexes were realigned and consolidated into two BlackRock Fund Complexes. As a result, although the chart shows the year that each Independent Trustee joined the Board, certain Independent Trustees first became members of the boards of other BlackRock-advised Funds, legacy MLIM funds or legacy BlackRock funds as follows: Cynthia A. Montgomery, 1994; Kenneth L. Urish, 1999; Lena G. Goldberg, 2016; Henry R. Keizer, 2016; Donald C. Opatrny, 2015.

<sup>(</sup>d) Mr. Fairbairn and Mr. Perlowski are both "interested persons," as defined in the 1940 Act, of the Trust based on their positions with BlackRock, Inc. and its affiliates. Mr. Fairbairn and Mr. Perlowski are also board members of the BlackRock Fixed-Income Complex.

<sup>(</sup>e) Mr. Perlowski is also a trustee of the BlackRock Credit Strategies Fund and BlackRock Private Investment Fund.

# Officers Who Are Not Trustees(a)

Name Year of Birth <sup>(b)</sup>	Position(s) Held (Length of Service)	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	
Roland Villacorta 1971	Vice President (Since 2022)	Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. since 2022; Head of Global Cash Management and Head of Securities Lending within BlackRock's Portfolio Management Group since 2022; Member of BlackRock's Global Operating Committee since 2022; Head of Portfolio Management in BlackRock's Financial Markets Advisory Group within BlackRock Solutions from 2008 to 2015; Co-Head of BlackRock Solutions' Portfolio Analytics Group; previously Mr. Villacorta was Co-Head of Fixed Income within BlackRock's Risk & Quantitative Analysis Group.	
Jennifer McGovern 1977	Vice President (Since 2014)	Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. since 2016; Director of BlackRock, Inc. from 2011 to 2015; Head of Americas Product Development and Governance for BlackRock's Global Product Group since 2019; Head of Product Structure and Oversight for BlackRock's U.S. Wealth Advisory Group from 2013 to 2019.	
Trent Walker 1974	Chief Financial Officer (Since 2021)	Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. since September 2019; Executive Vice President of PIMCO from 2016 to 2019; Senior Vice President of PIMCO from 2008 to 2015; Treasurer from 2013 to 2019 and Assistant Treasurer from 2007 to 2017 of PIMCO Funds, PIMCO Variable Insurance Trust, PIMCO ETF Trust, PIMCO Equity Series, PIMCO Equity Series VIT, PIMCO Managed Accounts Trust, 2 PIMCO-sponsored interval funds and 21 PIMCO-sponsored closed-end funds.	
Jay M. Fife 1970	Treasurer (Since 2007)	Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. since 2007.	
Aaron Wasserman 1974	Chief Compliance Officer (Since 2023)	Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. since 2018; Chief Compliance Officer of the BlackRock-advised funds in the BlackRock Multi-Asse Complex, the BlackRock Fixed-Income Complex and the iShares Complex since 2023; Deputy Chief Compliance Officer for the BlackRock advised funds in the BlackRock Multi-Asset Complex, the BlackRock Fixed-Income Complex and the iShares Complex from 2014 to 2023.	
Lisa Belle 1968	Anti-Money Laundering Compliance Officer (Since 2019)	Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. since 2019; Global Financial Crime Head for Asset and Wealth Management of JP Morgan from 2013 to 2019; Managing Director of RBS Securities from 2012 to 2013; Head of Financial Crimes for Barclays Wealth Americas from 2010 to 2012.	
Janey Ahn 1975	Secretary (Since 2019)	Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. since 2018; Director of BlackRock, Inc. from 2009 to 2017.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(a)</sup> The address of each Officer is c/o BlackRock, Inc., 50 Hudson Yards, New York, New York 10001.

Further information about the Trust's Trustees and Officers is available in the Fund's Statement of Additional Information, which can be obtained without charge by calling (800) 441-7762.

Effective July 1, 2023, Aaron Wasserman replaced Charles Park as Chief Compliance Officer of the Trust.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\scriptsize (b)}}$  Officers of the Trust serve at the pleasure of the Board.

# Additional Information

# Tailored Shareholder Reports for Open-End Mutual Funds and ETFs

Effective January 24, 2023, the SEC adopted rule and form amendments to require open-end mutual funds and ETFs to transmit concise and visually engaging streamlined annual and semiannual reports to shareholders that highlight key information. Other information, including financial statements, will no longer appear in a streamlined shareholder report but must be available online, delivered free of charge upon request, and filed on a semiannual basis on Form N-CSR. The rule and form amendments have a compliance date of July 24, 2024. At this time, management is evaluating the impact of these amendments on the shareholder reports for the Fund.

### General Information

Quarterly performance, semi-annual and annual reports, current net asset value and other information regarding the Fund may be found on BlackRock's website, which can be accessed at **blackrock.com**. Any reference to BlackRock's website in this report is intended to allow investors public access to information regarding the Fund and does not, and is not intended to, incorporate BlackRock's website in this report.

# Householding

The Fund will mail only one copy of shareholder documents, including prospectuses, annual and semi-annual reports, Rule 30e-3 notices and proxy statements, to shareholders with multiple accounts at the same address. This practice is commonly called "householding" and is intended to reduce expenses and eliminate duplicate mailings of shareholder documents. Mailings of your shareholder documents may be householded indefinitely unless you instruct us otherwise. If you do not want the mailing of these documents to be combined with those for other members of your household, please call the Fund at (800) 441-7762.

# Availability of Quarterly Schedule of Investments

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year as an exhibit to its reports on Form N-PORT. The Fund's Form N-PORT is available on the SEC's website at **sec.gov**. Additionally, the Fund makes its portfolio holdings for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year available at **blackrock.com/fundreports**.

# Availability of Proxy Voting Policies, Procedures and Voting Records

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities and information about how the Fund voted proxies relating to securities held in the Fund's portfolio during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available without charge, upon request (1) by calling (800) 441-7762; (2) on the BlackRock website at **blackrock.com**; and (3) on the SEC's website at **sec.gov**.

### BlackRock's Mutual Fund Family

BlackRock offers a diverse lineup of open-end mutual funds crossing all investment styles and managed by experts in equity, fixed-income and tax-exempt investing. Visit **blackrock.com** for more information.

# Shareholder Privileges

## **Account Information**

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# **Automatic Investment Plans**

Investor class shareholders who want to invest regularly can arrange to have \$50 or more automatically deducted from their checking or savings account and invested in any of the BlackRock funds.

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### **Retirement Plans**

Shareholders may make investments in conjunction with Traditional, Rollover, Roth, Coverdell, Simple IRAs, SEP IRAs and 403(b) Plans.

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BlackRock is committed to maintaining the privacy of its current and former fund investors and individual clients (collectively, "Clients") and to safeguarding their non-public personal information. The following information is provided to help you understand what personal information BlackRock collects, how we protect that information and why in certain cases we share such information with select parties.

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BlackRock obtains or verifies personal non-public information from and about you from different sources, including the following: (i) information we receive from you or, if applicable, your financial intermediary, on applications, forms or other documents; (ii) information about your transactions with us, our affiliates, or others; (iii) information we receive from a consumer reporting agency; and (iv) from visits to our websites.

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# Glossary of Terms Used in this Report

# **Portfolio Abbreviation**

ADR American Depositary Receipt

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