DREYFUS HIGH YIELD STRATEGIES FUND Form N-Q August 23, 2013

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number

811-08703

Dreyfus High Yield Strategies Fund (Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

c/o The Dreyfus Corporation

200 Park Avenue

New York, New York 10166 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

John Pak, Esq.

200 Park Avenue

New York, New York 10166 (Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 922-6000

Date of fiscal year end: 3/31

Date of reporting period: 6/30/13

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments.

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

Dreyfus High Yield Strategies Fund June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)

	Coupon	Maturity	Principal	
Bonds and Notes139.9%	Rate (%)	Date	Amount (\$) a	Value (\$)
Casinos5.7%				
Ameristar Casinos,				
Gtd. Notes	7.50	4/15/21	1,695,000 b	1,771,275
MGM Resorts International,				
Gtd. Notes	7.75	3/15/22	740,000	807,525
MGM Resorts International,				
Gtd. Notes	10.00	11/1/16	2,370,000 b	2,790,675
MGM Resorts International,				
Gtd. Notes	11.38	3/1/18	3,940,000 b	4,944,700
Peninsula Gaming,				
Gtd. Notes	8.38	2/15/18	770,000 b,c	804,650
Penn National Gaming,				
Sr. Sub. Notes	8.75	8/15/19	2,580,000 b	2,838,000
Pinnacle Entertainment,				
Gtd. Notes	8.75	5/15/20	1,095,000 b	1,179,862
Scientific Games International,				
Gtd. Notes	9.25	6/15/19	900,000 b	978,750
				16,115,437
Consumer Discretionary19.6%				
Allbritton Communications,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	8.00	5/15/18	1,855,000 b	1,980,212
AMC Networks,				
Gtd. Notes	7.75	7/15/21	1,215,000 b	1,333,463
Brookfield Residential Properties,				
Gtd. Notes	6.50	12/15/20	1,575,000 b,c	1,594,688
Brookfield Residential Properties,				
Gtd. Notes	6.13	7/1/22	270,000 c	266,288
Cablevision Systems,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	8.00	4/15/20	555,000 b	607,725
Cablevision Systems,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	8.63	9/15/17	1,775,000 b	2,023,500
Chrysler Group,				
Scd. Notes	8.25	6/15/21	3,660,000 b	4,058,025
Cirsa Funding Luxembourg,				

Gtd. Notes	EUR	8.75	5/15/18	395,000	519,804
Clear Channel Communications,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		9.00	12/15/19	1,515,000 b,c	1,477,125
Clear Channel Communications,					
Gtd. Notes		10.75	8/1/16	670,000	584,575
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings,					
Gtd. Notes		6.50	11/15/22	375,000 b,c	386,250
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings,					
Gtd. Notes		6.50	11/15/22	765,000 b,c	791,775
Cumulus Media Holdings,					
Gtd. Notes		7.75	5/1/19	1,765,000 b	1,734,113
Goodyear Tire & Rubber,					
Gtd. Notes		8.25	8/15/20	1,450,000 b	1,595,000
Hillman Group,					
Gtd. Notes		10.88	6/1/18	1,855,000 b	2,017,313
J.Crew Group,					
Gtd. Notes		8.13	3/1/19	1,355,000 b	1,429,525
Lear,					
Gtd. Notes		8.13	3/15/20	550,000 b	605,000
Nara Cable Funding,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.88	12/1/18	1,200,000 C	1,254,000
Nexstar Broadcasting,					
Gtd. Notes		6.88	11/15/20	1,200,000 b,c	1,242,000
Nexstar/Mission Broadcasting,					
Scd. Notes		8.88	4/15/17	220,000 b	236,500
Ono Finance II,					
Gtd. Notes		10.88	7/15/19	1,370,000 b,c	1,431,650
Quebecor Media,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		7.75	3/15/16	1,099,000 b	1,119,606
Rite Aid,					
Gtd. Notes		6.75	6/15/21	1,860,000 C	1,836,750
Rite Aid,					
Gtd. Notes		9.50	6/15/17	2,920,000 b	3,034,026
Schaeffler Finance,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.75	2/15/17	390,000 b,c	432,900
Schaeffler Finance,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.50	2/15/19	1,850,000 b,c	2,072,000
Shea Homes Funding,					

Sr. Scd. Notes		8.63	5/15/19	3,200,000 b	3,432,000
Silver II Borrower/Silver II US				0,200,000	-, - ,
Holdings, Gtd. Notes		7.75	12/15/20	1,960,000 b,c	1,979,600
Sinclair Television Group,				1,000,000	,,
Scd. Notes		9.25	11/1/17	1,945,000 b,c	2,066,563
Standard Pacific,				,, ,	, ,
Gtd. Notes		8.38	5/15/18	2,025,000 b	2,318,625
StoneMor Partners,					
Gtd. Notes		7.88	6/1/21	740,000 c	728,900
Taylor Morrison Communities,					
Gtd. Notes		7.75	4/15/20	1,671,000 b,c	1,808,858
UCI International,					
Gtd. Notes		8.63	2/15/19	2,540,000 b	2,603,500
Unitymedia Hessen & Co.,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.50	3/15/19	1,870,000 b,c	1,977,525
Unitymedia,					
Scd. Notes	EUR	9.63	12/1/19	1,310,000	1,884,193
William Lyon Homes,					
Gtd. Notes		8.50	11/15/20	1,115,000 b,c	1,218,137
					55,681,714
Consumer Staples2.7%					
Albea Beauty Holdings,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.38	11/1/19	1,690,000 b,c	1,664,650
Bakkavor Finance 2,					
Sr. Scd. Notes	GBP	8.75	6/15/20	525,000	805,490
Michael Foods Group,					
Gtd. Notes		9.75	7/15/18	2,898,000 b	3,187,800
Post Holdings,					
Gtd. Notes		7.38	2/15/22	1,530,000 b	1,644,750
RSI Home Products,					
Scd. Notes		6.88	3/1/18	395,000 b,c	405,862
Scd. Notes		6.88	3/1/18	395,000 b,c	405,862 7,708,552
Scd. Notes Energy12.3%		6.88	3/1/18	395,000 b,c	
			3/1/18	395,000 b,c	
Energy12.3% Alpha Natural Resources, Gtd. Notes		6.88 9.75	3/1/18 4/15/18	395,000 b,c 1,830,000 b	
Energy12.3% Alpha Natural Resources, Gtd. Notes Antero Resources Finance,		9.75	4/15/18	1,830,000 b	7,708,552 1,772,812
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Energy12.3% Alpha Natural Resources, Gtd. Notes Antero Resources Finance, Gtd. Notes Aurora USA Oil & Gas, Gtd. Notes		9.75	4/15/18	1,830,000 b	7,708,552 1,772,812
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Carrizo Oil & Gas,					
Gtd. Notes	7.50		9/15/20	1,920,000	2,006,400
Chesapeake Energy,					
Gtd. Notes	9.50		2/15/15	3,185,000 b	3,535,350
EP Energy Finance,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes	9.38		5/1/20	2,200,000 b	2,497,000
Halcon Resources,					
Gtd. Notes	8.88		5/15/21	820,000 b	799,500
Halcon Resources,					
Gtd. Notes	9.75		7/15/20	2,820,000 b	2,827,050
Hercules Offshore,					
Gtd. Notes	8.75		7/15/21	1,605,000 c	1,629,075
Kodiak Oil & Gas,					
Gtd. Notes	8.13		12/1/19	1,765,000 b	1,923,850
Murray Energy,					
Sr. Scd. Notes	8.63		6/15/21	1,200,000 c	1,206,000
Newfield Exploration,					
Sr. Sub. Notes		6.88	2/1/20	1,550,000 b	1,604,250
Northern Oil and Gas,		0.00	2,1,20	1,000,000 0	1,004,200
Gtd. Notes		8.00	6/1/20	1,955,000 b	1,984,325
Offshore Group Investment,		0.00	5, 1, 25	1,000,000	.,00.,020
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.50	11/1/19	1,805,000 b	1,890,737
Rex Energy,				, ,	
Gtd. Notes		8.88	12/1/20	1,535,000 c	1,584,888
Welltec,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.00	2/1/19	1,990,000 b,c	2,079,550
					34,735,287
Entertainment & Gaming1.9%					
AMC Entertaiment,					
Gtd. Notes		9.75	12/1/20	3,715,000 b	4,225,812
Regal Entertainment Group,					
Gtd. Notes		9.13	8/15/18	1,075,000 b	1,187,875
					5,413,687
Financial16.3%					
Ahern Rentals,					
Scd. Notes		9.50	6/15/18	860,000 c	861,075
Ally Financial,					
Gtd. Notes		7.50	9/15/20	1,410,000 b	1,630,313

Ally Financial,					
Gtd. Notes		8.00	11/1/31	1,840,000 b	2,221,800
Ashton Woods USA/Finance,					
Unscd. Notes		6.88	2/15/21	370,000 b,c	374,625
Boparan Finance,					
Gtd. Notes	EUR	9.75	4/30/18	1,530,000	2,168,260
Hub International,					
Gtd. Notes		8.13	10/15/18	3,050,000 b,c	3,187,250
Icahn Enterprises Finance,					
Gtd. Notes		8.00	1/15/18	4,465,000 b	4,699,412
Interactive Data,					
Gtd. Notes		10.25	8/1/18	1,580,000 b	1,745,900
International Lease Finance,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		8.25	12/15/20	3,195,000 b	3,598,369
International Lease Finance,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		8.63	9/15/15	1,155,000 b,d	1,269,056
International Lease Finance,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		8.88	9/1/17	1,675,000 b	1,896,938
Lloyds TSB Bank,					
Sub. Notes	GBP	10.75	12/16/21	2,385,000 d	4,256,921
Lloyds TSB Bank,					
Sub. Notes	EUR	11.88	12/16/21	690,000 d	1,090,626
Nuveen Investments,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		9.50	10/15/20	1,790,000 b,c	1,790,000
Odeon & UCI Finco,					
Sr. Scd. Notes	GBP	9.00	8/1/18	950,000	1,531,606
Onex USI Acquisition,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		7.75	1/15/21	2,355,000 b,c	2,331,450
Provident Funding,					
Gtd. Notes		6.75	6/15/21	1,205,000 c	1,208,012
ROC Finance,					
Scd. Notes		12.13	9/1/18	2,750,000 b,c	3,141,875
Royal Bank of Scotland,					
Sub. Notes		9.50	3/16/22	2,815,000 d	3,118,640
SLM,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		8.00	3/25/20	940,000 b	1,021,075
SLM,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		8.45	6/15/18	2,675,000 b	2,982,625
					46,125,828

Health Care--6.2%

CHS/Community Health Systems,

Gtd. Notes		8.00	11/15/19	1,900,000	2,030,625
Envision Healthcare Holdings,					
Sr. Notes		9.25	10/1/17	1,350,000 b,c	1,373,625
HCA Holdings,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		7.75	5/15/21	5,650,000 b	6,116,125
IASIS Healthcare,					
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Gtd. Notes		8.38	5/15/19	2,055,000 b	2,084,541
Physio-Control International,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		9.88	1/15/19	1,285,000 b,c	1,419,925
STHI Holding,					
Scd. Notes		8.00	3/15/18	1,940,000 b,c	2,104,900
United Surgical Partners					
International, Gtd. Notes		9.00	4/1/20	1,425,000 b	1,546,125
VPII Escrow,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		6.75	8/15/18	850,000 c	872,313
					17,548,179
Industrial20.1%					
AA Bond,					
Scd. Notes	GBP	9.50	7/31/43	490,000	745,270
ADS Waste Holdings,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		8.25	10/1/20	1,930,000 b,c	1,978,250
Ainsworth Lumber,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.50	12/15/17	480,000 b,c	511,200
Algeco Scotsman Global Finar					
Sr. Scd. Notes	EUR	9.00	10/15/18	610,000	804,086
Algeco Scotsman Global Finar	nce,	10.75	10/15/10	4 005 000 h a	1 750 000
Gtd. Notes		10.75	10/15/19	1,825,000 b,c	1,752,000
Brickman Group Holdings, Sr. Notes		9.13	11/1/18	2,695,000 b,c	2,897,125
Cemex SAB de CV,		3.13	11/1/10	2,693,000 0,0	2,097,123
Sr. Scd. Notes		9.50	6/15/18	1,795,000 c	1,947,575
Ceridian,		0.00	5, 15, 10	1,790,000 0	1,071,010
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.88	7/15/19	700,000 b,c	781,375
Ceridian,				. 50,000 5,0	- ',- ' -
Sr. Unscd. Notes		11.00	3/15/21	1,085,000 b,c	1,204,350
Ceridian,				, ,	•
Gtd. Notes		12.25	11/15/15	351,150 b	357,295
Envision Healthcare,					

Gtd. Notes		8.13	6/1/19	975,000 b	1,040,812
Garda World Security,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		9.75	3/15/17	2,000,000 b,c	2,135,000
Good Sam Enterprises,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		11.50	12/1/16	1,790,000 b	1,915,300
Interline Brands,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		10.00	11/15/18	2,420,000 b	2,613,600
Kratos Defense & Security					
Solutions, Sr. Scd. Notes		10.00	6/1/17	1,965,000 b	2,112,375
Manitowoc,					
Gtd. Notes		8.50	11/1/20	3,100,000 b	3,394,500
Manitowoc,					
Gtd. Notes		9.50	2/15/18	900,000 b	972,000
Marquette Transportation Finance,					
Scd. Notes		10.88	1/15/17	2,940,000 b	3,160,500
Mobile Mini,					
Gtd. Notes		7.88	12/1/20	2,460,000 b	2,656,800
Navios Maritime Acquisition,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.63	11/1/17	850,000 b	873,375
Navios Maritime Holdings,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.88	11/1/17	910,000 b	946,400
Navios South American Logistics,					
Gtd. Notes		9.25	4/15/19	140,000 c	150,850
Navios South American Logistics,					
Gtd. Notes		9.25	4/15/19	1,180,000 b	1,271,450
Nortek,					
Gtd. Notes		8.50	4/15/21	230,000 b	247,250
Nortek,					
Gtd. Notes		8.50	4/15/21	1,340,000 b,c	1,427,100
Obrascon Huarte Lain,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes	EUR	8.75	3/15/18	735,000	1,030,852
Ply Gem Industries,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.25	2/15/18	711,000 b	760,770
RBS Global/Rexnord,					
Gtd. Notes		8.50	5/1/18	2,395,000 b	2,556,662
Reliance Intermediate Holdings,					
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Sr. Scd. Notes		9.50	12/15/19	2,515,000 b,c	2,728,775
Roofing Supply Group,					

Gtd. Notes	10.00	6/1/20	1,250,000 b,c	1,365,625
ServiceMaster,				
Gtd. Notes	8.00	2/15/20	375,000 b	375,938
Titan International,				
Sr. Scd. Notes	7.88	10/1/17	1,150,000 b,c	1,213,250
TransUnion Holding,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	9.63	6/15/18	1,915,000 b	2,053,838
Trinseo Materials Operating,				
Sr. Scd. Notes	8.75	2/1/19	1,485,000 C	1,425,600
United Rentals North America,				
Gtd. Notes	8.38	9/15/20	1,900,000 b	2,066,250
United Rentals North America,				
Gtd. Notes	9.25	12/15/19	1,675,000 b	1,855,063
Watco Companies,				
Gtd. Notes	6.38	4/1/23	305,000 b,c	305,000
Zachry Holdings,				
Sr. Notes	7.50	2/1/20	1,245,000 b,c	1,288,575
				56,922,036
Information Technology7.0%				
CDW Finance,				
Gtd. Notes	8.50	4/1/19	3,748,000 b	4,047,840
Epicor Software,				
Gtd. Notes	8.63	5/1/19	2,565,000 b	2,641,950
First Data,				
Scd. Notes	8.25	1/15/21	1,636,000 b,c	1,676,900
First Data,				
Gtd. Notes	10.63	6/15/21	225,000 c	223,312
First Data,				
Gtd. Notes	12.63	1/15/21	3,900,000 b	4,143,750
Infor US,				
Gtd. Notes	9.38	4/1/19	1,475,000 b	1,605,906
Sophia,				
Gtd. Notes	9.75	1/15/19	1,553,000 b,c	1,669,475
WireCo WorldGroup,				
Gtd. Notes	9.50	5/15/17	3,675,000 b	3,822,000
				19,831,133
Materials27.4%				
AEP Industries,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	8.25	4/15/19	2,125,000 b	2,297,656
American Gilsonite,				
Sr. Scd. Notes	11.50	9/1/17	1,665,000 b,c	1,760,737

Amkor Technology,						
Sr. Unscd. Notes		6.38	10/1/22	880,000 c	866,800	
ArcelorMittal,						
Sr. Unscd. Notes		6.75	2/25/22	500,000 b,d	515,000	
ArcelorMittal,						
Sr. Unscd. Bonds		10.35	6/1/19	3,323,000 b,d	3,946,062	
ARD Finance,						
Sr. Scd. Notes		11.13	6/1/18	2,025,544 b,c	2,157,205	
Ardagh Packaging Finance,						
Gtd. Notes		9.13	10/15/20	2,000,000 c	2,142,500	
Ardagh Packaging Finance,						
Gtd. Notes	EUR	9.25	10/15/20	1,625,000	2,226,216	
Beverage Packaging Holdings						
Luxembourg II, Scd. Notes	EUR	8.00	12/15/16	325,000	422,188	
BOE Intermediate Holding,						
Sr. Unscd. Notes		9.00	11/1/17	835,000 c	805,775	
BOE Merger,						
Sr. Unscd. Notes		9.50	11/1/17	1,225,000 c	1,255,625	
Builders FirstSource,						
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.63	6/1/21	340,000 c	329,800	
BWAY Holding,						
Gtd. Notes		10.00	6/15/18	1,080,000 b	1,188,000	
Consolidated Container,						
Gtd. Notes		10.13	7/15/20	2,320,000 b,c	2,447,600	
Dynacast International,						
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Scd. Notes		9.25	7/15/19	2,375,000 b	2,600,625	
Eagle Midco,				,,		
Sr. Unscd. Notes		9.00	6/15/18	455,000 c	445,900	
Edgen Murray,						
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.75	11/1/20	1,705,000 b,c	1,705,000	
FMG Resources (August 2006),						
Gtd. Notes		8.25	11/1/19	3,415,000 b,c	3,534,525	
Gestamp Funding Luxembourg,						
Sr. Scd. Notes		5.63	5/31/20	1,365,000 c	1,303,575	
Global Brass & Copper,						
Sr. Scd. Notes		9.50	6/1/19	930,000 b,c	999,750	
Hexion U.S. Finance/Nova Scotia,						
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.88	2/1/18	585,000	599,625	
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Hexion U.S. Finance/Nova Scotia,					
Scd. Notes		9.00	11/15/20	1,860,000 b	1,785,600
Huntsman International,					
Gtd. Notes		8.63	3/15/20	2,030,000 b	2,217,775
Huntsman International,					
Gtd. Notes		8.63	3/15/21	1,515,000 b	1,670,287
INEOS Finance,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.50	5/1/20	305,000 b,c	325,588
INEOS Finance,					
Sr. Scd. Bonds		8.38	2/15/19	1,225,000 b,c	1,342,906
INEOS Group Holdings,					
Gtd. Notes	EUR	6.50	8/15/18	2,480,000	3,095,852
JMC Steel Group,					
Sr. Notes		8.25	3/15/18	995,000 b,c	977,588
OXEA Finance,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		9.50	7/15/17	1,493,000 b,c	1,606,543
Packaging Dynamics,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.75	2/1/16	740,000 b,c	751,100
Plastipak Holdings,					
Sr. Notes		10.63	8/15/19	1,539,000 b,c	1,700,595
Rain CII Carbon,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.25	1/15/21	2,965,000 c	2,979,825
Rentech Nitrogen Partners,					
Scd. Notes		6.50	4/15/21	1,625,000 c	1,614,844
Reynolds Group,					
Gtd. Notes		8.50	5/15/18	4,155,000 b,d	4,300,425
Reynolds Group,					
Gtd. Notes		9.88	8/15/19	2,230,000 b	2,397,250
Ryerson,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		9.00	10/15/17	955,000 c	972,906
Sappi Papier Holding,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.75	7/15/17	730,000 b,c	773,800
Sappi Papier Holding,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		8.38	6/15/19	1,910,000 b,c	2,022,213
Sealed Air,					
Gtd. Notes		8.13	9/15/19	1,270,000 b,c	1,422,400
Sealed Air,					
Gtd. Notes		8.38	9/15/21	1,030,000 b,c	1,169,050
Severstal Columbus,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		10.25	2/15/18	4,885,000 b	5,086,506
TPC Group,					

Sr. Scd. Notes	8.75	12/15/20	2,000,000 b,c	2,055,000
Tronox Finance,				
Gtd. Notes	6.38	8/15/20	1,240,000 b,c	1,174,900
US Coatings Acquisition/Axalta				
Coating Systems Dutch Holding,				
Gtd. Notes, Cl. B	7.38	5/1/21	2,625,000 b,c	2,687,344
				77,680,461
Telecommunications15.5%				
Cincinnati Bell,				
Gtd. Notes	8.38	10/15/20	1,215,000 b	1,257,525
CommScope Holdings,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	6.63	6/1/20	1,030,000 c	988,800
CommScope,				
Gtd. Notes	8.25	1/15/19	2,755,000 b,c	2,954,737
CPI International,				
Gtd. Notes	8.00	2/15/18	1,355,000 b	1,402,425
Digicel,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	8.25	9/1/17	1,215,000 c	1,269,675
Digicel Group,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	8.25	9/30/20	1,725,000 c	1,794,000
Digicel Group,				
Sr. Unscd. Notes	10.50	4/15/18	3,231,000 c	3,441,015
Eileme 2 AB,				
Sr. Scd. Notes	11.63	1/31/20	2,900,000 b,c	3,306,000
Goodman Networks,				
Sr. Scd. Notes	13.13	7/1/18	1,060,000 b,c,d	1,128,900
Hughes Satellite Systems,				
Gtd. Notes	7.63	6/15/21	2,010,000 b	2,145,675
Intelsat Luxembourg,				
Gtd. Notes	7.75	6/1/21	2,445,000 c	2,478,619
Level 3 Financing,				
Gtd. Notes	8.13	7/1/19	1,000,000 b	1,057,500
Level 3 Financing,				
Gtd. Notes	8.63	7/15/20	2,430,000 b	2,597,062
Sable International Finance,				
Sr. Scd. Notes	8.75	2/1/20	1,845,000 b,c	2,038,725
Sprint Nextel,				
Gtd. Notes	9.00	11/15/18	930,000 b,c	1,090,425

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Sprint Nextel, Sr. Unscd. Notes		11.50	11/15/21	5,325,000 b	7,108,875
West,		11.30	11/13/21	5,525,000 b	7,100,675
Gtd. Notes		7.88	1/15/19	1,400,000 b	1,461,250
West,		7.00	1, 10, 10	1,400,000 5	1,401,230
Gtd. Notes		8.63	10/1/18	3,145,000 b	3,376,944
Wind Acquisition Finance,				3,1 10,000 2	0,070,011
Sr. Scd. Notes		6.50	4/30/20	460,000 c	458,850
Wind Acquisition Finance,				,	,
Scd. Notes		11.75	7/15/17	2,365,000 b,c	2,471,425
				, , .	43,828,427
Utilities5.2%					, ,
AES,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		9.75	4/15/16	3,195,000 b	3,698,212
Calpine,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.50	2/15/21	1,291,000 b,c	1,384,597
Calpine,					
Sr. Scd. Notes		7.88	1/15/23	2,096,000 b,c	2,263,680
GenOn Energy,					
Sr. Unscd. Notes		9.50	10/15/18	3,064,000 b	3,416,360
NRG Energy,					
Gtd. Notes		7.63	5/15/19	2,015,000 b	2,115,750
Techem Energy Metering Service &					
Co., Gtd. Notes	EUR	7.88	10/1/20	1,435,000 c	1,987,587
					14,866,186
Total Bonds and Notes					
(cost \$381,730,103)					396,456,927
Preferred Stocks9%				Shares	Value (\$)
Financial					
GMAC Capital Trust I,					
Ser. 2, Cum. \$2.03					
(cost \$2,492,932)				98,738 ^d	2,572,125
Other Investment2%					
Registered Investment Company;					
Dreyfus Institutional Preferred					
Plus Money Market Fund					
(cost \$492,220)				492,220 ^e	492,220
Total Investments (cost					
\$384,715,255)				141.0 %	399,521,272

Liabilities, Less Cash and

Receivables (41.0 %) (116,088,376) **Net Assets** 100.0 % 283,432,896

- a Principal amount stated in U.S. Dollars unless otherwise noted.
 - EUR--Euro
 - GBP--British Pound
- Collateral for Revolving Credit and Security Agreement.
- c Securities exempt from registration pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. At June 30, 2013, these securities were valued at \$153,336,175 or 54.1% of net assets.
- Variable rate security--interest rate subject to periodic change.
- Investment in affiliated money market mutual fund.

At June 30, 2013, net unrealized appreciation on investments was \$14,806,017 of which \$17,091,752 related to appreciated investment securities and \$2,285,735 related to depreciated investment securities. At June 30, 2013, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes.

Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) † Value (%) Corporate Bonds 139.9 Preferred Stocks .9 .2 Money Market Investment 141.0

† Based on net assets.

STATEMENT OF FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE CONTRACTS June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)

	Foreign		Unrealized		
Forward Foreign Currency	Currency			Appreciation	
Exchange Contracts	Amounts	Cost (\$)	Value (\$)	(Depreciation) (\$)	
Purchases:					
British Pound,					
Expiring					
7/2/2013 a	490,000	753,784	745,270	(8,514)	

Sales:		Proceeds (\$)		
British Pound, Expiring				
7/31/2013 b	5,065,000	7,802,777	7,701,852	100,925
Euro,				
Expiring:				
7/31/2013 b	1,590,000	2,082,956	2,069,911	13,045
7/31/2013 c	2,640,000	3,458,928	3,436,833	22,095
7/31/2013 d	3,755,000	4,919,688	4,888,375	31,313
7/31/2013 e	3,970,000	5,199,549	5,168,268	31,281
Gross Unrealized Appreciation Gross Unrealized				198,659
Depreciation Depreciation				(8,514)

Counterparties:

- a Deutsche Bank
- b Goldman Sachs International
- c Commonwealth Bank of Australia
- d Credit Suisse
- e Morgan Stanley Capital Services

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of June 30, 2013 in valuing the fund's investments:

	Level 3 -					
	Level 1 -	Level 2 - Other	Significant			
	Unadjusted					
	Quoted	Significant	Unobservable			
		Observable				
Assets (\$)	Prices	Inputs	Inputs	Total		
Investments in Securities:						
Corporate Bonds+	-	396,456,927	-	396,456,927		
Mutual Funds	492,220	-	-	492,220		
Preferred Stocks+	-	2,572,125	-	2,572,125		
Other Financial Instruments:						

Forward Foreign Currency

Exchange Contracts++ - 198,659 - **198,659**

Liabilities (\$)

Other Financial Instruments:

Forward Foreign Currency

Exchange Contracts++ - (8,514) - (8,514)

- + See Statement of Investments for additional detailed categorizations.
- ++ Amount shown represents unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at period end.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") is the exclusive reference of authoritative U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP")ecognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under authority of federal laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. The fund's financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Portfolio valuation: The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e. the exit price). GAAP establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs of valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This 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).

Additionally, GAAP provides guidance on determining whether the volume and activity in a market has decreased significantly and whether such a decrease in activity results in transactions that are not orderly. GAAP requires enhanced disclosures around valuation inputs and techniques used during annual and interim periods.

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the fund's investments relating to fair value measurements. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level 1—unadjusted quoted prices in active markets foodentical investments.

Level 2—other significant observable inputs (including quoteprices for similar investments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level 3—significant unobservable inputs (including the fundawn assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. Changes in valuation techniques may result in transfers in or out of an assigned level within the disclosure hierarchy. Valuation techniques used to value the fund's investments are as follows:

Investments in debt securities excluding short-term investments (other than U.S. Treasury Bills) are valued each business day by an independent pricing service (the "Service") approved by the Board of Trustees.

Investments for which quoted bid prices are readily available and are representative of the bid side of the market in the judgment of the Service are valued at the mean between the quoted bid prices (as obtained by the Service from dealers in such securities) and asked prices (as calculated by the Service based upon its evaluation of the market for such securities).

Other investments are valued as determined by the Service, based on methods which include consideration of the following: yields or prices of securities of comparable quality, coupon, maturity and type; indications as to values from dealers; and general market conditions. These securities are generally categorized within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

U.S. Treasury Bills are valued at the mean price between quoted bid prices and asked prices by the Service. These securities are generally categorized within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The Service's procedures are reviewed by Dreyfus under the general supervision of the Board of Trustees.

Derivatives: A derivative is a financial instrument whose performance is derived from the performance of another asset. Each type of derivative instrument that was held by the fund during the period ended May 31, 2013 is discussed below.

Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts: The fund enters into forward contracts in order to hedge its exposure to changes in foreign

currency exchange rates on its foreign portfolio holdings, to settle foreign currency transactions or as a part of its investment strategy. When executing forward contracts, the fund is obligated to buy or sell a foreign currency at a specified rate on a certain date in the future. With respect to sales of forward contracts, the fund incurs a loss if the value of the contract increases between the date the forward contract is opened and the date the forward contract is closed. The fund realizes a gain if the value of the contract decreases between those dates. With respect to purchases of forward contracts, the fund incurs a loss if the value of the contract decreases between the date the forward contract is opened and the date the forward contract is closed. The fund realizes a gain if the value of the contract increases between those dates. Any realized gain or loss which occurred during the period is reflected in the Statement of Operations. The fund is exposed to foreign currency risk as a result of changes in value of underlying financial instruments. The fund is also exposed to credit risk associated with counterparty nonperformance on these forward contracts, which is typically limited to the unrealized gain on each open contract.

Additional investment related disclosures are hereby incorporated by reference to the annual and semi-annual reports previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form N-CSR.

Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

- (a) The Registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers have concluded, based on their evaluation of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report, that the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures are reasonably designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Registrant on Form N-Q is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the required time periods and that information required to be disclosed by the Registrant in the reports that it files or submits on Form N-Q is accumulated and communicated to the Registrant's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.
- (b) There were no changes to the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recently ended fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

(a) Certifications of principal executive and principal financial officers as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

FORM N-Q

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dreyfus High Yield Strategies Fund

By: <u>/s/ Bradley J. Skapyak</u> Bradley J. Skapyak,

President

Date: August 20, 2013

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: <u>/s/ Bradley J. Skapyak</u> Bradley J. Skapyak,

President

Date: August 20, 2013

By: <u>/s/ James Windels</u> James Windels,

Treasurer

Date: August 20, 2013

EXHIBIT INDEX

(a) Certifications of principal executive and principal financial officers as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940. (EX-99.CERT)