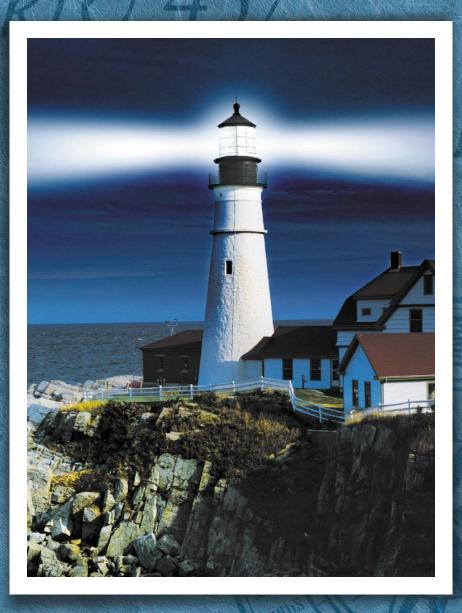


PERFORMANCE UPDATE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

401(k) & 457 Plans Roth & Traditional IRAs Investment Options



2005

Charting Your Course

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# Plan Ahead to Get Ahead!

# 401(k)

Lower tax bill now!

# Tax deferred Pay income tax

Tax deferred Pay income tax when withdrawn

# Roth IRA

Tax-free growth! After-tax deposits

Tax-free withdrawals

### Traditional IRA

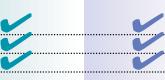
Tax deferred growth! May be tax-deductible

Pay income tax whén withdrawn

#### **Deposits**

Payroll-deduction (if allowed by employer) Rollovers

Transfers Personal deposits (certified check or money order)







#### Withdrawals

- Termination ■ Age 59 1/2 if
- still employed Hardship

when withdrawn

- Termination ■ Age 70 1/2 if
- still employed
- Unforeseeable **Emergency**
- Any time
- Any time

**Yes** – if withdrawn

after age 591/2 or for

No

#### **Penalty-Free Withdrawals**

Yes - if withdrawn after age 59 1/2, or if you work into the the calendar year you turn age 55

#### Yes

**Contributions: Yes** Earnings: Yes – if the account has been open more than 5 years and if withdrawn after age 59 1/2 or for exceptions such as first home

■ higher education

- exceptions such as first home higher education
  - payout based on life expectancy
- payout based on life expectancy **Loan Provision** Yes Yes No

Annual \$14,000 \$14,000 \$4,000 \$4,000 2005 Contribution \$15,000 \$15,000 2006 \$4,000 \$4,000 Limits With Age 50+ 2005 \$18,000 \$18,000 \$4,500 \$4,500 Catch-Up 2006 \$20,000 \$20,000 \$5,000 \$5,000 **Provision** 

Special 457 Catch-Up **Provision** 

The three years prior to the year you qualify to retire, your limit on 457 contributions is double the standard limit (depending on past contributions). For example, you could contribute \$28,000 in 2005; \$30,000 in 20<mark>06, etc.</mark>

Note: You cannot use the 457 "Age 50+ Catch-Up" the same period as the "Special Catch-Up."

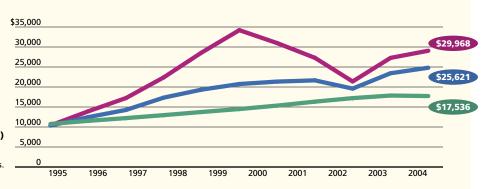
#### **Watch Your Money Grow**

#### \$10,000 Invested for 10 Years

This chart shows how much money you would have at the end of 2004 if you had invested \$10,000 on December 31, 1994, in the following fund options:

Stock Index Fund (S&P 500) **Balanced Fund (Stock and Bond Mix) Income Fund (Stable Value)** 

Based on returns shown on the preceding pages.





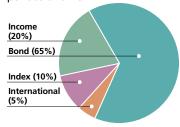
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# Horizon Funds

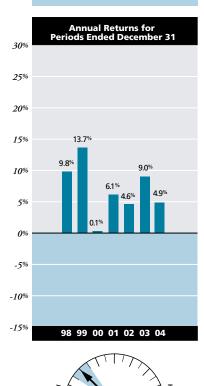
A Horizon Fund asset allocation is designed to help those who want to diversify their portfolios. If you select one of the three Horizon Funds, your balance or contributions will be allocated to the indicated investment options. The Horizon Funds will automatically rebalance quarterly when target ranges are exceeded.

# Short Horizon Fund

The Short Horizon Fund is designed for investors with an investment time frame of **5 years**. This fund provides a relatively conservative investment with a more stable rate of return. However, with reduced market risk, there is generally a lower rate of return over longer periods of time.

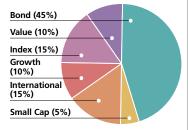


Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004			
1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	
4.9%	<i>6.2</i> %	<i>4.9</i> %	

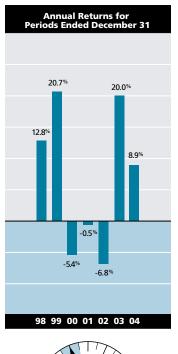


# Medium Horizon Fund

The Medium Horizon Fund is designed for investors planning to withdraw their funds in **5 to 10 years**. This fund emphasizes moderate risk and moderate earnings potential. It has more risk than the Short Horizon Fund but less than the Long Horizon Fund.



Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004			
1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	
8.9%	6.8%	2.8%	



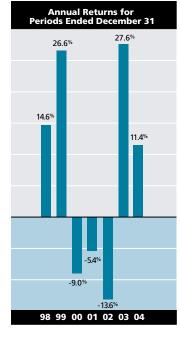


# Long Horizon Fund

The Long Horizon Fund is designed for investors with **10 or more years** to invest before withdrawing their funds. This fund offers the potential for higher returns over a long period of time. There is higher market risk with the Long Horizon Fund, along with higher potential returns.

Bond (20%)		
Value (10%)		
Index (25%)	<u>_</u> , \	
Growth (10%)	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	
International (25%)		
Small Cap (10%	)	

Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004			
1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	
11.4%	7.1%	1.2%	





# Income Fund

The Income Fund is a stable value option and the most conservative of the investment choices. Approximately 50% is invested in products consisting of fixed income securities (e.g., corporate bonds, Treasury debt) insured by a third party, which reduces risk and smooths return fluctuations. The remaining amount is invested in money market and similar funds.

#### **Investment Manager** American Express

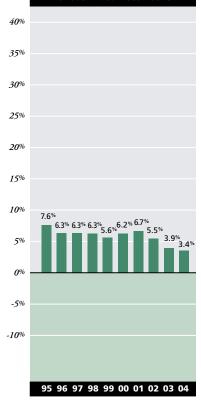
#### Sample of Portfolio Securities

AET Federal Income Fund AET Money Market Fund Investment Contracts

#### Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004

1 3 5 10 Year Years Years Years 3.4% 4.3% 5.1% 5.8%

#### Annual Returns for Periods Ended December 31





# Bond Fund

The Bond Fund invests in a diversified portfolio consisting of U.S. government obligations, mortgage and asset-backed securities, corporate bonds, and short-term funds. This fund's returns are affected by changes in interest rates.

#### Investment Manager

Dodge & Cox

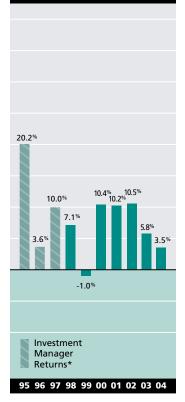
#### Sample of Portfolio Securities

US Treasury and Gov't. Agency Ford Motor Credit AT&T Corp.

#### Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004

1 3 5 10\* Year Years Years Years 3.5% 6.5% 8.0% 8.1%

#### Annual Returns for Periods Ended December 31



# RISK / REWARD

# Balanced Fund

The Balanced Fund invests in a portfolio consisting of approximately 60% stocks, 35% bonds, and 5% short-term funds. This fund is considered less risky than most stock investments but has higher risk than most fixed income investments.

#### **Investment Managers**

Dodge & Cox / Alliance Capital

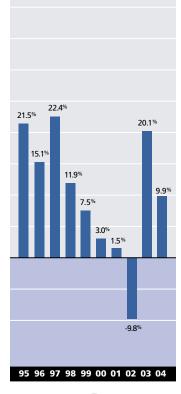
## Sample of Portfolio Securities

McDonald's Hewlett-Packard General Electric Bonds

#### Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004

1 3 5 10 Year Years Years Years 9.9% 6.0% 4.5% 9.9%

#### Annual Returns for Periods Ended December 31





# Large Cap Stock Value Fund

The Large Cap Stock Value Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of common stocks that appear to be undervalued by the stock market but have a favorable outlook for long-term growth.

#### Investment Manager

Dodge & Cox

#### Sample of Portfolio Securities

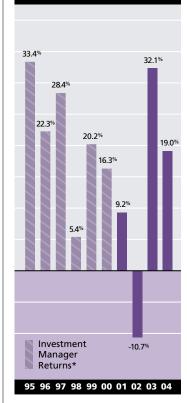
FedEx Comcast

Dow Chemical

#### Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004

1 3 5\* 10\* Year Years Years Years 19.0% 12.0% 12.4% 16.9%

#### Annual Returns for Periods Ended December 31





# Large Cap StockLarge Cap StockInternationalIndex FundGrowth FundFund

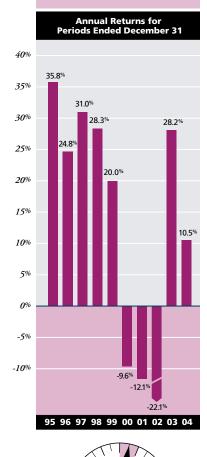
The Large Cap Stock Index Fund invests in stocks included in the S&P 500 Index. This index is widely regarded as the standard for measuring the performance of large capitalization stocks. The Large Cap Stock Index Fund represents a broad range of industries in the U.S. economy.

Investment Manager **Utah Retirement Systems** 

#### Sample of Portfolio Securities IRM

Exxon Mobil Wal-Mart

#### Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004 3 5 10 Year Vears Vears Years 10.5% 3.3% -2.6% 11.6%



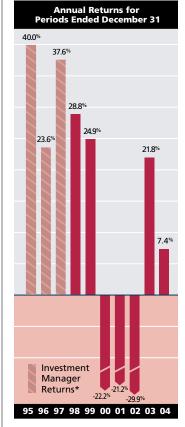
The Large Cap Stock Growth Fund emphasizes capital appreciation and seeks to identify companies with future relative earnings strength at a reasonable valuation. The portfolio is actively managed to react quickly to changing company fundamentals and prevailing market forces.

#### Investment Manager Alliance Capital

#### Sample of Portfolio Securities eBay

Yahoo! Lowes

#### Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004 3 5 10\* Years Year Years Years -2.9% -10.9% 12.1%





The International Fund invests primarily in stocks of companies outside the United States. The fund generally emphasizes strong, well-managed companies in Europe, Canada, Australia, and the Far East. This fund offers international diversification but adds currency risk and country risk not found in a domestic fund.

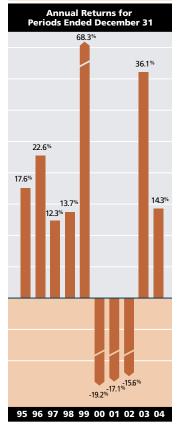
# Investment Manager

Capital Guardian Trust

## Sample of Portfolio Securities

Vodafone (UK) **Royal Dutch Petroleum** (Netherlands) Novartis (Switzerland)

#### Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004 3 5 10 Years Years Year Vears 14.3% 9.5% -2.5% 10.5%





# Small Cap Stock Fund

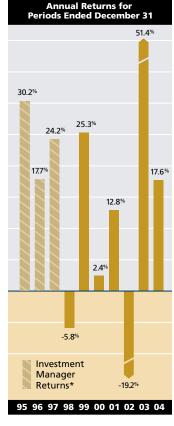
The Small Cap Stock Fund is invested in a broad cross-section of U.S. small companies whose size (market capitalization) falls within the smallest 8% of the market universe. The market universe is comprised of companies listed on the NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAO.

#### Investment Manager **Dimensional Fund Advisors**

### Sample of Portfolio Securities

Ask Jeeves Inc. Tesoro Petroleum InfoSpace Inc.

#### Average Annual Returns for Periods Ended Dec. 31, 2004 3 5 10\* Year Years Years Years 17.6% 12.9% 10.7% 14.2%





# Financial Markets (as of December 31, 2004)

#### Below are some indices that can be used for comparative purposes:

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General Market Rates of Return	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years
Treasury Bills Index	1.33%	1.42%	2.95%	4.11%
Lehman Aggregate Bond Index	4.33%	6.19%	7.71%	7.72%
Russell 1000 Value Index	16.49%	8.57%	5.27%	13.83%
S&P 500 Index	10.88%	3.59%	-2.30%	12.07%
Russell 1000 Growth Index	6.30%	-0.18%	-9.29%	9.59%
MSCI EAFE Index (International)	20.25%	11.89%	-1.14%	5.62%
Russell 2000 Index (Small Cap)	18.33%	11.48%	6.61%	11.54%

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Further information for each fund is available on the web at www.urs.org, or by calling (801) 366-7720 or (800) 688-401k.

# **Short-term Trading Fee**

**Annualized** 

Because of costs generated by frequent trading and the potential impact on other participants' accounts, it is necessary to impose a short-term trading fee. Individuals, who transfer any or all of their current account among investment options more often than once every 30 days, will be charged 2% of their total plan balance for each additional trade. Each transfer starts a new 30-day period. Each savings plan is treated individually; for example, transfers in your 401(k) will not affect your ability to transfer funds in your 457 plan.

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- Visit the URS web site at www.urs.org and click "myURS."
- 3 Enter your URS ID. (typically your Social Security Number)
- **4 Enter your URS PIN.** (the number you set up via the phone)
- 5 Then click "Log On."

It's as easy as that!

#### **Low Annual Fees**

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C	Annual Invest- ment	Annual Admini- strative	Total Annual
Fund	Fees	Fees	Fees
Income	.14%	.27%	.41%
Bond	.37%	.27%	.64%
Balanced	.38%	.27%	.65%
Large Cap Stock Value	.44%	.27%	.71%
Large Cap Stock Index	.03%	.27%	.30%
Large Cap Stock Growth	.34%	.27%	.61%
International	.35%	.27%	.62%
Small Cap Stock	.41%	.27%	.68%
Short Horizon	.29%	.27%	.56%
Medium Horizon	.32%	.27%	.59%
Long Horizon	.29%	.27%	.56%

The Group Annuity Fund, which is closed to further contributions, is subject to 1.13% in annual investment fees and .27% in annual administration fees for a total of 1.4% in annual fees.

Note: An annual account maintenance fee of \$15 will be assessed to *inactive* accounts with combined 401(k) and 457 plan balances of less than \$5.000.



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