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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

Form 13F

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Report for the Calendar Year or Quarter Ended: March 31, 2005

Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report:

Name: General American Investors Company, Inc.  
Address: 450 Lexington Avenue, Suite 3300  
New York, NY 10017

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The institutional investment manager filing this report and the person by whom it is signed hereby represent that the person signing the report is authorized to submit it, that all information contained herein is true, correct and complete, and that it is understood that all required items, statements, schedules, lists, and tables, are considered integral parts of this form.

Person Signing this Report on Behalf of Reporting Manager:

Name: Eugene L. DeStaebler, Jr.  
Title: Vice-President, Administration  
Phone: 212-916-8400

Signature, Place and Date of Signing:

/s/ Eugene L. DeStaebler, Jr. New York, NY May 13, 2005

Report Type (Check only one.):

13F HOLDINGS REPORT  
 13F NOTICE  
 13F COMBINATION REPORT

List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager:

NONE

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Report Summary:

Number of Other Included Managers: 0  
Form 13F Information Table Entry Total: 61  
Form 13F Information Table Value Total: \$1,154,751  
(thousands)

FORM 13F INFORMATION TABLE

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COLUMN1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5		COLUMN 6
NAME OF ISSUER	TITLE OF CLASS	CUSIP	VALUE (x\$1000)	SHRS OR PRN AMT	SH/ PUT/ CALL	INVESTMENT DISCRETION
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	COMMON	G0450A105	13,614	340,000	SH	SOLE
Adams Express Company	COMMON	006212104	1,281	99,518	SH	SOLE
Aspen Insurance Holdings L	COMMON	G05384105	1,639	65,000	SH	SOLE
American International Gro	COMMON	026874107	21,056	380,000	SH	SOLE
Alkermes, Inc.	COMMON	01642T108	3,529	340,000	SH	SOLE
American Tower Corporation	COMMON	029912201	10,027	550,000	SH	SOLE
Annuity and Life Re (Holdi	COMMON	G03910109	470	500,000	SH	SOLE
Apache Corporation	COMMON	037411105	40,718	665,000	SH	SOLE
Bank of America Corporatio	COMMON	060505104	16,229	368,000	SH	SOLE
Bancroft Convertible Fund	COMMON	059695106	372	21,088	SH	SOLE
Biogen Idec Inc.	COMMON	09062X103	6,902	200,000	SH	SOLE
Bristol-Myers Squibb Compa	COMMON	110122108	7,638	300,000	SH	SOLE
Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Cl	COMMON	084670108	26,100	300	SH	SOLE
Brooks Automation, Inc.	COMMON	114340102	7,461	491,500	SH	SOLE
Central Securities Corpora	COMMON	155123102	2,797	119,319	SH	SOLE
CIENA Corporation	COMMON	171779101	946	550,000	SH	SOLE
Costco Wholesale Corporati	COMMON	22160K105	30,926	700,000	SH	SOLE
Cisco Systems, Inc.	COMMON	17275R102	16,101	900,000	SH	SOLE
CEMEX, S.A. de C.V. ADR	COMMON	151290889	39,875	1,100,000	SH	SOLE
Cytokinetics, Incorporated	COMMON	23282W100	1,804	275,000	SH	SOLE
Diageo plc	COMMON	25243Q205	19,915	350,000	SH	SOLE
Dollar General Corporation	COMMON	256669102	10,955	500,000	SH	SOLE
Genentech, Inc.	COMMON	368710406	22,644	400,000	SH	SOLE
Devon Energy Corporation	COMMON	25179M103	76,400	1,600,000	SH	SOLE
EMC Corporation	COMMON	268648102	3,696	300,000	SH	SOLE
EMCORE Corporation	COMMON	290846104	664	197,000	SH	SOLE
EOG Resources, Inc.	COMMON	26875P101	29,244	600,000	SH	SOLE
Ethan Allen Interiors Inc.	COMMON	297602104	8,800	275,000	SH	SOLE
Golden West Financial	COMMON	381317106	36,300	600,000	SH	SOLE
Genaera Corporation	COMMON	36867G100	616	270,000	SH	SOLE
Halliburton Company	COMMON	406216101	22,706	525,000	SH	SOLE
The Home Depot, Inc.	COMMON	437076102	73,421	1,920,000	SH	SOLE
Juniper Networks, Inc.	COMMON	48203R104	3,309	150,000	SH	SOLE
Lafarge North America Inc.	COMMON	505862102	5,307	90,800	SH	SOLE
Lamar Advertising Company	COMMON	512815101	20,145	500,000	SH	SOLE
Medtronic, Inc.	COMMON	585055106	22,928	450,000	SH	SOLE
MedImmune, Inc.	COMMON	584699102	10,834	455,000	SH	SOLE
MetLife, Inc.	COMMON	59156R108	15,640	400,000	SH	SOLE
MFA Mortgage Investments,	COMMON	55272X102	5,898	775,000	SH	SOLE
Millennium Pharmaceuticals	COMMON	599902103	1,010	120,000	SH	SOLE
Molex Incorporated Class A	COMMON	608554200	16,874	715,000	SH	SOLE
Montpelier Re Holdings Ltd	COMMON	G62185106	3,866	110,000	SH	SOLE
Microsoft Corporation	COMMON	594918104	36,859	1,525,000	SH	SOLE
M&T Bank Corporation	COMMON	55261F104	31,639	310,000	SH	SOLE
Annaly Mortgage Management	COMMON	035710409	5,159	275,000	SH	SOLE
NetIQ Corporation	COMMON	64115P102	7,121	623,000	SH	SOLE
PepsiCo, Inc.	COMMON	713448108	7,954	150,000	SH	SOLE
Pfizer Inc	COMMON	717081103	33,494	1,275,000	SH	SOLE
PartnerRe Ltd.	COMMON	G6852T105	30,685	475,000	SH	SOLE
Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc.	COMMON	703481101	16,263	650,000	SH	SOLE
Everest Re Group, Ltd.	COMMON	G3223R108	53,194	625,000	SH	SOLE
Reinsurance Group of Ameri	COMMON	759351109	14,903	350,000	SH	SOLE
Republic Services, Inc.	COMMON	760759100	39,339	1,175,000	SH	SOLE
Royce Value Trust	COMMON	780910105	2,005	105,654	SH	SOLE
SunTrust Banks, Inc.	COMMON	867914103	14,774	205,000	SH	SOLE
The TJX Companies, Inc.	COMMON	872540109	61,575	2,500,000	SH	SOLE

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Total S.A. ADR	COMMON	89151E109	38,686	330,000	SH	SOLE
Transatlantic Holdings, In	COMMON	893521104	16,522	249,500	SH	SOLE
Unocal Corporation	COMMON	915289102	46,267	750,000	SH	SOLE
VeriSign, Inc.	COMMON	92343E102	3,831	133,500	SH	SOLE
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	COMMON	931142103	33,824	675,000	SH	SOLE