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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, 2004

Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report:

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

13F File Number: 28-461

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:

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

Signature, Place and Date of Signing:

Eugene L. DeStaebler, Jr. New York, NY May 7, 2004

Report Type (Check only one.):

13F HOLDINGS REPORT  
 13F NOTICE  
 13F COMBINATION REPORT

List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager:

NONE

I am signing this report as required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

FORM 13F SUMMARY PAGE

Report Summary:

Number of Other Included Managers: 0  
Form 13F Information Table Entry Total: 60  
Form 13F Information Table Value Total: \$1,034,033,328

NAME OF ISSUER	TITLE OF CLASS	CUSIP NUMBER	FAIR MARKET VALUE	SHARES OR PRINCIPAL AMOUNT	SH/ PRN	INVEST. DISC. SHARE
						SOLE (A) SHARED (B) OTHER (C)

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Adams Express Company	COMMON	006212104	1,193,061	94,090	N	X
Agere Systems Inc. Class A	COMMON	00845V100	3,210,000	1,000,000	N	X
American International Gro	COMMON	026874107	20,691,500	290,000	N	X
Alkermes, Inc.	COMMON	01642T108	5,436,600	340,000	N	X
Applied Materials, Inc.	COMMON	038222105	2,836,890	133,000	N	X
Annuity and Life Re (Holdi	COMMON	G03910109	1,070,000	1,000,000	N	X
Bank of America Corporatio	COMMON	060505104	8,098,000	100,000	N	X
Baxter International Inc.	COMMON	071813109	27,801,000	900,000	N	X
Bancroft Convertible Fund	COMMON	059695106	404,805	20,877	N	X
Biogen Idec Inc.	COMMON	09062X103	13,900,000	250,000	N	X
Bristol-Myers Squibb Compa	COMMON	110122108	7,269,000	300,000	N	X
Berkshire Hathaway Inc.	COMMON	084670108	27,990,000	300	N	X
Brooks Automation, Inc.	COMMON	114340102	10,341,160	491,500	N	X
Central Securities Corpora	COMMON	155123102	2,424,708	113,040	N	X
CIENA Corporation	COMMON	171779101	2,733,500	550,000	N	X
Costco Wholesale Corporati	COMMON	22160K105	26,327,000	700,000	N	X
Cox Communications, Inc. -	COMMON	224044107	19,592,000	620,000	N	X
Cisco Systems, Inc.	COMMON	17275R102	21,213,000	900,000	N	X
CEMEX, S.A. de C.V.	COMMON	151290889	15,312,570	513,500	N	X
Diageo plc	COMMON	25243Q205	15,864,000	300,000	N	X
Genentech, Inc.	COMMON	368710406	30,687,800	290,000	N	X
Devon Energy Corporation	COMMON	25179M103	37,797,500	650,000	N	X
EMC Corporation	COMMON	268648102	4,083,000	300,000	N	X
EMCORE Corporation	COMMON	290846104	801,790	197,000	N	X
El Paso Corporation 0%	CONV C	28336LAC3	10,490,625	22,500,000	N	X
Ethan Allen Interiors Inc.	COMMON	297602104	11,346,500	275,000	N	X
FleetBoston Financial	COMMON	339030108	6,735,000	150,000	N	X
Golden West Financial	COMMON	381317106	36,383,750	325,000	N	X
Genaera Corporation	COMMON	36867G100	1,206,900	270,000	N	X
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	COMMON	375558103	2,772,500	50,000	N	X
Genta Incorporated	COMMON	37245M207	3,937,500	375,000	N	X
Halliburton Company	COMMON	406216101	18,993,750	625,000	N	X
The Home Depot, Inc.	COMMON	437076102	71,731,200	1,920,000	N	X
Health Net, Inc.	COMMON	42222G108	19,944,000	800,000	N	X
John Hancock Financial Ser	COMMON	41014S106	11,577,850	265,000	N	X
Juniper Networks, Inc.	COMMON	48203R104	11,709,000	450,000	N	X
Medtronic, Inc.	COMMON	585055106	21,487,500	450,000	N	X
MedImmune, Inc.	COMMON	584699102	10,501,400	455,000	N	X
MetLife, Inc.	COMMON	59156R108	15,520,800	435,000	N	X
MFA Mortgage Investments,	COMMON	55272X102	7,070,000	700,000	N	X
Millennium Pharmaceuticals	COMMON	599902103	2,028,000	120,000	N	X
Molex Incorporated Class A	COMMON	608554200	18,039,625	692,500	N	X
Montpelier Re Holdings Ltd	COMMON	G62185106	3,724,000	100,000	N	X
Microsoft Corporation	COMMON	594918104	38,018,250	1,525,000	N	X
M&T Bank Corporation	COMMON	55261F104	28,752,000	320,000	N	X
Annaly Mortgage Management	COMMON	035710409	15,151,250	775,000	N	X
NetIQ Corporation	COMMON	64115P102	6,043,680	432,000	N	X
PepsiCo, Inc.	COMMON	713448108	8,077,500	150,000	N	X
Pfizer Inc	COMMON	717081103	46,441,250	1,325,000	N	X
PartnerRe Ltd.	COMMON	G6852T105	28,225,000	500,000	N	X
Everest Re Group, Ltd.	COMMON	G3223R108	55,536,000	650,000	N	X
Reinsurance Group of Ameri	COMMON	759351109	17,412,250	425,000	N	X
Republic Services, Inc.	COMMON	760759100	31,807,250	1,175,000	N	X
Royce Value Trust	COMMON	780910105	1,720,014	96,630	N	X
SunTrust Banks, Inc.	COMMON	867914103	14,290,550	205,000	N	X
The TJX Companies, Inc.	COMMON	872540109	61,400,000	2,500,000	N	X
Total S.A. ADR	COMMON	89151E109	22,724,000	247,000	N	X
Transatlantic Holdings, In	COMMON	893521104	20,058,300	230,000	N	X
VeriSign, Inc.	COMMON	92343E102	5,806,500	350,000	N	X
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	COMMON	931142103	40,290,750	675,000	N	X

