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Market Commentary

## Dear Shareholder

Most major global stock and bond indexes produced positive returns during the first half of your fund's fiscal year, the six-month period ended June 30, 2023. Despite turmoil in the banking sector and a protracted debt ceiling standoff, markets were resilient as growth remained positive in the major economies and corporate earnings results came in stronger than expected.

For the six-month period, the technology-oriented Nasdaq Composite Index gained more than 30%, the strongest result of the major benchmarks, as tech companies benefited from investor enthusiasm for artificial intelligence applications. Growth stocks outperformed value shares, and developed market stocks generally outpaced their emerging market counterparts. Currency movements were mixed over the period, although a weaker dollar versus major European currencies was beneficial for U.S. investors in European securities.

Within the S&P 500 Index, the information technology, communication services, and consumer discretionary sectors were all lifted by the tech rally and recorded significant gains. Conversely, the defensive utilities sector had the weakest returns in the growth-focused environment, and the energy sector also lost ground amid declining oil prices. The financials sector partly recovered from the failure of three large regional banks during the period but still finished with modest losses.

Cheaper oil contributed to slowing inflation, although core inflation readings—which exclude volatile food and energy prices—remained stubbornly high. In response, the Federal Reserve raised its short-term lending benchmark rate to a target range of 5.00% to 5.25% by early May, the highest level since 2007. The Fed held rates steady at its June meeting, but policymakers indicated that two more rate hikes could come by the end of the year.

In the fixed income market, returns were generally positive across most sectors as investors benefited from the higher interest rates that have become available over the past year. Investment-grade corporate bonds were supported by generally solid balance sheets and were among the strongest performers.

Global economies and markets showed surprising resilience in recent months, but, moving into the second half of 2023, we believe investors could face potential challenges. The impact of the Fed's rate hikes has yet to be fully felt in the economy, and while the regional banking turmoil appears to have been contained by the swift actions of regulators, it could weigh on credit conditions. Moreover, market consensus still seems to point to a coming recession, although hopes have emerged that such a downturn could be more modest.

We believe this environment makes skilled active management a critical tool for identifying risks and opportunities, and our investment teams will continue to use fundamental research to identify securities that can add value to your portfolio over the long term.

You may notice that this report no longer contains the commentary on your fund's performance and positioning that we previously included in the semiannual shareholder letters. The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) adopted new rules in January that will require fund reports to transition to a new format known as a Tailored Shareholder Report. This change will require a much more concise summary of performance rather than the level of detail we have provided historically while also aiming to be more visually engaging. As we prepare to make changes to the annual reports to meet the new report regulatory requirements by mid-2024, we felt the time was right to discontinue the optional six-month semiannual fund letter to focus on the changes to come.

While semiannual fund letters will no longer be produced, you may continue to access current fund information as well as insights and perspectives from our investment team on our personal investing website.

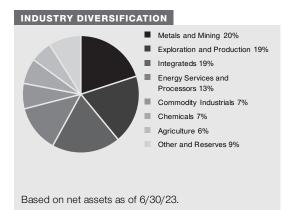
Thank you for your continued confidence in T. Rowe Price.

Sincerely,

Robert Sharps
CEO and President

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Portfolio Summary



## PORTFOLIO HIGHLIGHTS

	Percent of Net Asset 6/30/2
TotalEnergies	3.4%
Exxon Mobil	3.3
ConocoPhillips	3.1
Shell	2.9
Hess	2.8
Chevron	2.4
EOG Resources	2.3
Venture Global LNG	2.1
BP	2.0
Linde	1.9
Schlumberger	1.8
EQT	1.8
Equinor	1.8
Suncor Energy	1.7
Freeport-McMoRan	1.7
Cameco	1.6
Pioneer Natural Resources	1.6
TechnipFMC	1.5
Southern Copper	1.4
First Quantum Minerals	1.4
Range Resources	1.4
Darling Ingredients	1.4
BHP Group	1.3
Chesapeake Energy	1.3
Nutrien	1.2
Total	49.1%

Note: The information shown does not reflect any exchange-traded funds (ETFs), cash reserves, or collateral for securities lending that may be held in the portfolio.

#### **FUND EXPENSE EXAMPLE**

As a mutual fund shareholder, you may incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs, such as redemption fees or sales loads, and (2) ongoing costs, including management fees, distribution and service (12b-1) fees, and other fund expenses. The following example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. The example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the most recent six-month period and held for the entire period.

Please note that the fund has two share classes: The original share class (Investor Class) charges no distribution and service (12b-1) fee, and the I Class shares are also available to institutionally oriented clients and impose no 12b-1 or administrative fee payment. Each share class is presented separately in the table.

#### **Actual Expenses**

The first line of the following table (Actual) provides information about actual account values and expenses based on the fund's actual returns. You may use the information on this line, together with your account balance, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number on the first line under the heading "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

#### **Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes**

The information on the second line of the table (Hypothetical) is based on hypothetical account values and expenses derived from the fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed 5% per year rate of return before expenses (not the fund's actual return). You may compare the ongoing costs of investing in the fund with other funds by contrasting this 5% hypothetical example and the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period.

**Note:** T. Rowe Price charges an annual account service fee of \$20, generally for accounts with less than \$10,000. The fee is waived for any investor whose T. Rowe Price mutual fund accounts total \$50,000 or more; accounts electing to receive electronic delivery of account statements, transaction confirmations, prospectuses, and shareholder reports; or accounts of an investor who is a T. Rowe Price Personal Services or Enhanced Personal Services client (enrollment in these programs generally requires T. Rowe Price assets of at least \$250,000). This fee is not included in the accompanying table. If you are subject to the fee, keep it in mind when you are estimating the ongoing expenses of investing in the fund and when comparing the expenses of this fund with other funds.

You should also be aware that the expenses shown in the table highlight only your ongoing costs and do not reflect any transaction costs, such as redemption fees or sales loads. Therefore, the second line of the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. To the extent a fund charges transaction costs, however, the total cost of owning that fund is higher.

#### **FUND EXPENSE EXAMPLE (CONTINUED)**

## NEW ERA FUND

	Beginning Account Value 1/1/23	Ending Account Value 6/30/23	Expenses Paid During Period* 1/1/23 to 6/30/23
Investor Class			
Actual	\$1,000.00	\$992.20	\$3.66
Hypothetical (assumes 5% return before expenses)	1,000.00	1,021.12	3.71
I Class			
Actual	1,000.00	993.20	2.82
Hypothetical (assumes 5% return before expenses)	1,000.00	1,021.97	2.86

<sup>\*</sup> Expenses are equal to the fund's annualized expense ratio for the 6-month period, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by the number of days in the most recent fiscal half year (181), and divided by the days in the year (365) to reflect the half-year period. The annualized expense ratio of the Investor Class was 0.74%, and the I Class was 0.57%.

#### T. ROWE PRICE NEW ERA FUND

(Unaudited)

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

For a share outstanding throughout each period

Investor Class						
	6 Months Ended 6/30/23	Year Ended 12/31/22	12/31/21	12/31/20	12/31/19	12/31/18
NET ASSET VALUE	-,,	,,	,,	,,	, ,	
Beginning of period	\$ 41.12	\$ 40.07	\$ 32.65	\$ 34.40	\$ 30.09	\$ 36.50
Investment activities Net investment						
income <sup>(1)(2)</sup> Net realized and	0.55	1.31	0.73	0.61	0.73	0.61
unrealized gain/loss Total from	(0.87)	1.58	7.52	(1.53)	4.33	(6.51)
investment activities	(0.32)	2.89	8.25	(0.92)	5.06	(5.90)
Distributions Net investment						
income	_	(1.79)	(0.83)	(0.78)	(0.75)	(0.51)
Net realized gain Total distributions	· <del>-</del>	(0.05)	(0.83)	(0.05)	— (0.75)	(0.51)
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NET ASSET VALUE End of period	\$ 40.80	\$ 41.12	\$ 40.07	\$ 32.65	\$ 34.40	\$ 30.09

#### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

For a share outstanding throughout each period

#### **Investor Class**

6 Months Year Ended Ended

6/30/23 12/31/22 12/31/21 12/31/20 12/31/19 12/31/18

#### **Ratios/Supplemental Data**

Total return(2)(3)	(0.78)%	7.22%	25.33%	(2.67)%	16.88%	(16.21)%
Ratios to average net ass Gross expenses before waivers/ payments by Price	sets: <sup>(2)</sup>					
Associates	0.74%(4)	0.74%	0.70%	0.72%	0.69%	0.69%
Net expenses after waivers/payments						
by Price Associates Net investment	0.74%(4)	0.74%	0.70%	0.72%	0.69%	0.69%
income	2.70%(4)	3.18%	1.95%	2.13%	2.22%	1.69%
Portfolio turnover rate Net assets, end of	43.5%	41.5%	33.8%	47.7%	45.2%	51.9%
period (in millions)	\$1,149	\$1,407	\$1,664	\$1,451	\$2,057	\$1,905

<sup>(1)</sup> Per share amounts calculated using average shares outstanding method.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

<sup>(2)</sup> See Note 6 for details of expense-related arrangements with Price Associates.

<sup>(3)</sup> Total return reflects the rate that an investor would have earned on an investment in the fund during each period, assuming reinvestment of all distributions, and payment of no redemption or account fees, if applicable. Total return is not annualized for periods less than one year.

<sup>(4)</sup> Annualized

#### T. ROWE PRICE NEW ERA FUND

(Unaudited)

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

For a share outstanding throughout each period

I Class						
	6 Months Ended	Year Ended				
	6/30/23	12/31/22	12/31/21	12/31/20	12/31/19	12/31/18
NET ASSET VALUE						
Beginning of period	\$ 41.11	\$ 40.08	\$ 32.66	\$ 34.40	\$ 30.08	\$ 36.50
Investment activities Net investment						
income <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	0.59	1.43	0.79	0.65	0.78	0.66
Net realized and unrealized gain/loss	(0.87)	1.53	7.52	(1.51)	4.33	(6.52)
Total from investment activities	(0.28)	2.96	8.31	(0.86)	5.11	(5.86)
Distributions Net investment						
income	_	(1.88)	(0.89)	(0.83)	(0.79)	(0.56)
Net realized gain Total distributions	· <u>-</u>	(0.05) (1.93)	(0.89)	(0.05)	(0.79)	(0.56)
NET ASSET VALUE End of period	\$ 40.83	\$ 41.11	\$ 40.08	\$ 32.66	\$ 34.40	\$ 30.08
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#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

**Ratios/Supplemental Data** 

For a share outstanding throughout each period

#### I Class

6 Months Year Ended Ended 6/30/23 12/31/22 12/31/21 12/31/20 12/31/19 12/31/18

#### Total return(2)(3) (0.68)% 7.41% 25.51% (2.49)% 17.05% (16.10)% Ratios to average net assets:(2) Gross expenses before waivers/ payments by Price Associates 0.57%(4) 0.56% 0.55% 0.56% 0.56% 0.56% Net expenses after waivers/payments by Price Associates 0.57%(4) 0.56% 0.55% 0.56% 0.56% 0.56%

Net investment

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

<sup>2.92%(4)</sup> 3.47% income 2.10% 2.28% 2.36% 1.83% Portfolio turnover rate 41.5% 33.8% 47.7% 45.2% 51.9% 43.5% Net assets, end of period (in millions) \$1.597 \$1.696 \$1.407 \$1.285 \$1.488 \$1.367

<sup>(1)</sup> Per share amounts calculated using average shares outstanding method.

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<sup>(4)</sup> Annualized

June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS <sup>‡</sup>	Shares	\$ Value
(Cost and value in \$000s)		
COMMON STOCKS 95.9%		
AGRICULTURE 4.5%		
Agricultural Products 1.4%		
Darling Ingredients (1)	584,919	37,312
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Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals 2.0%		
CF Industries Holdings	318,504	22,111
Nutrien	573,566	33,869
		55,980
Packaged Foods & Meats 1.1%		
Bakkafrost (NOK)	250,198	14,967
Minerva (BRL)	7,466,700	16,421
		31,388
Total Agriculture		124,680
CHEMICALS 6.5%		
Diversified Chemicals 1.6%		
Covestro (EUR) (1)(2)	393,812	20,491
FMC	216,187	22,557
		43,048
Industrial Gases 2.7%		
Air Products & Chemicals	72,618	21,752
Linde	138,095	52,625
		74,377
Specialty Chemicals 2.2%		
Akzo Nobel (EUR)	216,704	17,716
RPM International Sherwin-Williams	220,628	19,797
Sherwin-williams	88,743	23,563
		61,076
Total Chemicals		178,501
COMMODITY INDUSTRIALS 6.5%		
Construction & Engineering 0.6%		
Quanta Services	89,603	17,602
		17,602
Construction & Farm Machinery & Heavy Trucks 0.5%		
Cummins	60,717	14,885
		14,885
Construction Materials 0.6%		
Vulcan Materials	67,833	15,292
		15,292

	Shares	\$ Value
(Cost and value in \$000s)		
Electrical Components & Equipment 1.8%		
Hubbell	91,355	30,290
Schneider Electric (EUR)	106,003	19,258
		49,548
Industrial Machinery 1.1%		
Epiroc, Class B (SEK)	858,248	13,891
Sandvik (SEK)	807,263	15,761
		29,652
Metal & Glass Containers 0.7%		
Ball	328,922	19,147
		19,147
Railroads 1.2%		
Norfolk Southern	81,653	18,516
Union Pacific	67,477	13,807
		32,323
Total Commodity Industrials		178,449
ENERGY SERVICES & PROCESSORS 12.6%		
Oil & Gas Equipment & Services 6.2%		
Baker Hughes	937,190	29,624
Cactus, Class A	268,736	11,373
ChampionX	651,835	20,233
Energy Reservoir Holdings, Class A-1, Acquisition Date: 4/30/19,	40.400.000	4.540
Cost \$10,109 (1)(3)(4)(5)	10,108,939	4,549
Halliburton Schlumberger	390,008 1,003,009	12,866 49,268
TechnipFMC (1)	2,536,630	42,159
Teornipi MO (1)	2,000,000	
Oil & Gas Refining & Marketing 2.6%		170,072
Marathon Petroleum	254,198	29,639
Noble (1)	277,400	11,459
Valero Energy	255,512	29,972
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Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation 2.4%		
Equitrans Midstream	359,946	3,441
Venture Global LNG, Series B, Acquisition Date: 3/8/18,		
Cost \$489 (1)(4)(5)	162	2,916
Venture Global LNG, Series C, Acquisition Date: 5/25/17 - 3/8/18,		
Cost \$11,184 (1)(4)(5)	3,124	56,232
Williams	123,622	4,034
0		66,623
Semiconductor Equipment 1.4%		
Shoals Technologies Group, Class A (1)	588,763	15,049
40		

	Shares	\$ Value
(Cost and value in \$000s)		
SolarEdge Technologies (1)	84,700	22,788
		37,837
Total Energy Services & Processors		345,602
EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION 19.1%		
OUS Oil & Gas Exploration & Production 3.0%		
Canadian Natural Resources (CAD) (2)	591,225	33,240
Kosmos Energy (1)	3,771,241	22,590
Tourmaline Oil (CAD)	239,143	11,268
Whitecap Resources (CAD) (2)	2,330,745	16,309
		83,407
U.S. Mixed Exploration & Production 5.8%		
Chesapeake Energy	431,300	36,091
Comstock Resources	997,300	11,569
EQT	1,193,300	49,080
Range Resources	1,302,000	38,279
Southwestern Energy (1)	4,098,000	24,629
U.C. Oil Fundamention & Bundmation 40.00/		159,648
U.S. Oil Exploration & Production 10.3%		
ConocoPhillips	822,804	85,251
EOG Resources	544,408	62,302
Hess	554,966	75,447
Magnolia Oil & Gas, Class A Pioneer Natural Resources	762,694 211,057	15,940 43,727
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Total Exploration & Production INTEGRATEDS 18.9%		525,722
Integrated Oil & Gas 18.9%	4 545 400	F0 470
BP, ADR	1,515,166	53,470
Chevron	425,871 1,675,637	67,011
Equinor (NOK) Exxon Mobil	842,400	90,347
Galp Energia (EUR)	1,390,686	16,252
OMV (EUR)	539,493	22,908
Shell (GBP)	2,682,395	80,020
Suncor Energy (CAD)	1,622,329	47,589
TotalEnergies (EUR)	1,613,520	92,624
Total Integrateds		519.014
METALS & MINING 18.3%		
Coal & Consumable Fuels 1.9%		
Cameco	1,424,600	44,633
NAC Kazatomprom, GDR	327,316	8,790
	JL1,010	53,423
		30,420

	Shares	\$ Value
(Cost and value in \$000s)		
Diversified Metals & Mining 11.9%		
Allkem (AUD) (1)	852,812	9,171
BHP Group (AUD)	1,218,936	36,644
ERO Copper (CAD) (1)	1,317,841	26,660
First Quantum Minerals (CAD)	1,636,100	38,706
Freeport-McMoRan	1,174,300	46,972
Glencore (GBP)	3,382,699	19,180
IGO (AUD)	1,299,031	13,259
Ivanhoe Electric (1)	551,400	7,190
Norsk Hydro (NOK)	2,338,753	13,942
Pilbara Minerals (AUD)	2,948,078	9,689
Reliance Steel & Aluminum	46,843	12,722
Rio Tinto (AUD)	241,164	18,468
South32 (AUD)	5,028,748	12,660
Southern Copper	548,622	39,358
Teck Resources, Class B	543,700	22,890
		327,511
Precious Metals & Minerals 4.5%		
Agnico Eagle Mines	405,034	20,243
Franco-Nevada (CAD)	217,903	31,057
Newcrest Mining (AUD)	789,575	14,085
Newmont	599,534	25,576
Northern Star Resources (AUD)	3,083,479	25,121
Wesdome Gold Mines (CAD) (1)	1,229,861	6,406
		122,488
Total Metals & Mining		503,422
OTHER 4.5%		
Building Products 0.6%		
Carrier Global	306,974	15,260
		15,260
Paper & Forest Products 2.8%		
Avery Dennison	67,741	11,638
Packaging Corp. of America	150,854	19,937
Suzano (BRL)	1,733,300	16,026
Svenska Cellulosa, Class B (SEK)	912,903	11,653
West Fraser Timber (CAD)	80,073	6,879
Westrock	326,734	9,498
		75,631
Specialized Real Estate Investment Trusts 1.1%		
PotlatchDeltic, REIT	302,082	15,965
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	Shares	\$ Value
(Cost and value in \$000s)		
Rayonier, REIT	427,670	13,429
		29,394
Total Other		120,285
UTILITIES 4.9%		
Electric Utilities 2.7%		
FirstEnergy	338,160	13,148
Iberdrola (EUR)	562,040	7,340
NextEra Energy Southern	336,553 405,643	24,972
Southern	405,643	28,496
Multi-Utilities 2.2%		73,956
Ameren	191,525	15,642
CMS Energy	230,468	13,540
Dominion Energy	257,386	13,330
PG&E (1)	958,221	16,558
		59,070
Total Utilities		133,026
Total Miscellaneous Common Stocks 0.1% (6)		3,236
Total Common Stocks (Cost \$2,053,782)		2,631,937
CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCKS 3.0%		
AGRICULTURE 1.1%		
Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals 1.1%		
Farmers Business Network, Series D, Acquisition Date: 11/3/17, Cost \$11,372 (1)(4)(5)	615,892	30,813
Total Agriculture		30,813
COMMODITY INDUSTRIALS 0.2%		
Electrical Components & Equipment 0.2%		
Tonian Holdings, Series A, Non-Voting Units, Acquisition Date:		
1/15/21, Cost \$1,716 (1)(4)(5)	1,796,201	2,156
Tonian Holdings, Series A, Voting Units, Acquisition Date: 1/15/21,	0.500.010	2.021
Cost \$2,413 (1)(4)(5)	2,526,018	3,031
Total Commodity Industrials  METALS & MINING 1.7%		5,187
Diversified Metals & Mining 1.7%		
Jetti Holdings, Series C, Acquisition Date: 5/24/21 - 6/30/21,		
Cost \$4,843 (1)(4)(5)	83,662	11,118
Jetti Holdings, Series D, Acquisition Date: 9/20/22,	96 590	11 500
Cost \$11,506 (1)(4)(5) Kobold Metals, Series B-1, Acquisition Date: 1/10/22,	86,580	11,506
Cost \$7,697 (1)(4)(5)	280,805	12,013
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	Shares	\$ Value
(Cost and value in \$000s)		
Kobold Metals, Series B-Prime, Acquisition Date: 3/21/23, Cost \$2,262 (1)(4)(5)	52,878	2,262
Lilac Solutions, Series B, Acquisition Date: 9/8/21, Cost \$7,899 (1)		
(4)(5)	601,655	8,213
Total Metals & Mining		45,112
Total Convertible Preferred Stocks (Cost \$49,708)		81,112
PREFERRED STOCKS 0.0%		
ENERGY SERVICES & PROCESSORS 0.0%		
Oil & Gas Equipment & Services 0.0%		
Energy Reservoir Holdings, Class A-3, Acquisition Date: 11/30/22, Cost \$234 (1)(4)(5)	234,367	234
Total Energy Services & Processors		234
Total Preferred Stocks (Cost \$234)		234
CHORT TERM INVESTMENTS O 00/		
SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS 0.8%		
Money Market Funds 0.8%		
T. Rowe Price Government Reserve Fund, 5.13% (7)(8)	23,125,091	23,125
Total Short-Term Investments (Cost \$23,125)		23,125
SECURITIES LENDING COLLATERAL 1.2%		
INVESTMENTS IN A POOLED ACCOUNT THROUGH SECURITIES LENDING PROGRAM WITH JPMORGAN CHASE BANK 1.0%		
Money Market Funds 1.0%		
T. Rowe Price Government Reserve Fund, 5.13% (7)(8)	27,674,739	27,675
Total Investments in a Pooled Account through Securities Lending Program with JPMorgan Chase Bank		27,675
INVESTMENTS IN A POOLED ACCOUNT THROUGH SECURITIES LENDING PROGRAM WITH STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY 0.2%		
Money Market Funds 0.2%		
T. Rowe Price Government Reserve Fund, 5.13% (7)(8)	6,543,105	6,543
Total Investments in a Pooled Account through Securities Lending Program with State Street Bank and Trust Company		6,543
Total Securities Lending Collateral (Cost \$34,218)		34,218
Total Investments in Securities		
100.9% of Net Assets		
(Cost \$2,161,067)	<u>\$</u>	2,770,626

- ‡ Shares are denominated in U.S. dollars unless otherwise noted.
- (1) Non-income producing
- (2) See Note 3. All or a portion of this security is on loan at June 30, 2023.
- (3) Investment in a partnership held indirectly through a limited liability company that is owned by the fund and treated as a corporation for U.S. tax purposes.
- (4) See Note 2. Level 3 in fair value hierarchy.
- (5) Security cannot be offered for public resale without first being registered under the Securities Act of 1933 and related rules ("restricted security"). Acquisition date represents the day on which an enforceable right to acquire such security is obtained and is presented along with related cost in the security description. The fund may have registration rights for certain restricted securities. Any costs related to such registration are generally borne by the issuer. The aggregate value of restricted securities (excluding 144A holdings) at period end amounts to \$145.043 and represents 5.3% of net assets.
- (6) The identity of certain securities has been concealed to protect the fund while it completes a purchase or selling program for the securities.
- (7) Seven-day yield
- (8) Affiliated Companies
- ADR American Depositary Receipts
- AUD Australian Dollar
- BRI Brazilian Real
- CAD Canadian Dollar
- EUR Euro
- GBP British Pound
- GDR Global Depositary Receipts
- NOK Norwegian Krone
- REIT A domestic Real Estate Investment Trust whose distributions pass-through with original tax character to the shareholder
- SEK Swedish Krona

#### **AFFILIATED COMPANIES**

(\$000s)

The fund may invest in certain securities that are considered affiliated companies. As defined by the 1940 Act, an affiliated company is one in which the fund owns 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities, or a company that is under common ownership or control. The following securities were considered affiliated companies for all or some portion of the six months ended June 30, 2023. Net realized gain (loss), investment income, change in net unrealized gain/loss, and purchase and sales cost reflect all activity for the period then ended.

	Change in Net				
	Net Realized		Unrealized		Investment
Affiliate	Gain (Loss)		Gain/Loss		Income
T. Rowe Price Government Reserve Fund, 5.13% \$	<del>.</del> <del>-</del>	\$		\$	726++
Totals §	-#	\$		\$	726+

	Value	Purchase	Sales	Value
Affiliate	12/31/22	Cost	Cost	06/30/23
T. Rowe Price Government				
Reserve Fund, 5.13%	\$ 59,054	¤	<b>¤</b> \$	57,343
Total			\$	57,343^

- # Capital gain distributions from underlying Price funds represented \$0 of the net realized gain (loss).
- ++ Excludes earnings on securities lending collateral, which are subject to rebates and fees as described in Note 3.
- + Investment income comprised \$726 of dividend income and \$0 of interest income.
- Purchase and sale information not shown for cash management funds.
- ^ The cost basis of investments in affiliated companies was \$57,343.

June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

#### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

(\$000s, except shares and per share amounts)

Assets	
Investments in securities, at value (cost \$2,161,067)	\$ 2,770,626
Receivable for investment securities sold	29,663
Dividends receivable	3,119
Foreign currency (cost \$2,637)	2,634
Receivable for shares sold	1,859
Other assets	6,085
Total assets	 2,813,986
Liabilities	
Obligation to return securities lending collateral	34,218
Payable for investment securities purchased	20,750
Payable for shares redeemed	1,831
Investment management fees payable	1,202
Due to affiliates	143
Payable to directors	3
Other liabilities	 10,132
Total liabilities	 68,279
NET ASSETS	\$ 2,745,707
Net Assets Consist of:	
Total distributable earnings (loss)	\$ 747,242
Paid-in capital applicable to 67,269,799 shares of \$1.00 par	•
value capital stock outstanding; 300,000,000 shares authorized	 1,998,465
NET ASSETS	\$ 2,745,707
NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE	
Investor Class	
(Net assets: \$1,148,705; Shares outstanding: 28,153,912)	\$ 40.80
I Class	
(Net assets: \$1,597,002; Shares outstanding: 39,115,887)	\$ 40.83

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(\$000s)

			6 Months Ended
Investment Income (Loss)			6/30/23
Income			
Dividend (net of foreign taxes of \$2,488)		\$	50,485
Securities lending		•	592
Total income			51,077
Expenses			
Investment management			7,906
Shareholder servicing			7,000
Investor Class	\$	1,194	
I Class	Ψ	82	1.276
Prospectus and shareholder reports			,
Investor Class		40	
I Class		8	48
Custody and accounting			189
Registration			47
Proxy and annual meeting			36
Legal and audit			29
Directors			5
Miscellaneous			26
Total expenses			9,562
Net investment income			41,515

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(\$000s)

	6 Months Ended 6/30/23
Realized and Unrealized Gain / Loss	
Net realized gain (loss)	
Securities	304,471
Foreign currency transactions	(296)
Net realized gain	304,175
Change in net unrealized gain / loss Securities Other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies Change in net unrealized gain / loss Net realized and unrealized gain / loss	(372,619) 56 (372,563) (68,388)
DECREASE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS	\$ (26,873)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

(\$000s)

Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Operations	6 Months Ended 6/30/23	Year Ended 12/31/22
Net investment income	\$ 41.515	\$ 107,318
Net realized gain	304,175	• •
Change in net unrealized gain / loss	(372,563)	,
Increase (decrease) in net assets from operations		193,422
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Distributions to shareholders		
Net earnings		
Investor Class	_	(60,447)
I Class		
Decrease in net assets from distributions	<del>-</del>	(142 615)
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Capital share transactions*		
Shares sold		
Investor Class	98,003	565,476
I Class	86,640	745,741
Distributions reinvested		
Investor Class	_	58,100
I Class	_	78,265
Shares redeemed		
Investor Class	(340,101)	(899,588)
I Class	(174,535)	(567,688)
Decrease in net assets from capital share		
transactions	(329,993)	(19,694)

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

(\$000s)

	6 Months Ended 6/30/23	Year Ended 12/31/22
Net Assets		
Increase (decrease) during period	(356,866)	31,113
Beginning of period	3,102,573	3,071,460
End of period	\$ 2,745,707	\$ 3,102,573
*Share information (000s) Shares sold Investor Class I Class Distributions reinvested Investor Class	2,353 2,107	13,610 18,269 1,418
I Class	_	1,911
Shares redeemed		
Investor Class	(8,401)	(22,344)
I Class	(4,251)	(14,041)
Decrease in shares outstanding	(8,192)	(1,177)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Unaudited

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

T. Rowe Price New Era Fund, Inc. (the fund) is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the 1940 Act) as a diversified, open-end management investment company. The fund seeks to provide long-term capital growth primarily through the common stocks of companies that own or develop natural resources and other basic commodities, and also through the stocks of selected nonresource growth companies. The fund has two classes of shares: the New Era Fund (Investor Class) and the New Era Fund–I Class (I Class). I Class shares require a \$500,000 initial investment minimum, although the minimum generally is waived or reduced for financial intermediaries, eligible retirement plans, and certain other accounts. Each class has exclusive voting rights on matters related solely to that class; separate voting rights on matters that relate to both classes; and, in all other respects, the same rights and obligations as the other class.

#### **NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of Preparation The fund is an investment company and follows accounting and reporting guidance in the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) *Accounting Standards Codification* Topic 946 (ASC 946). The accompanying financial statements were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), including, but not limited to, ASC 946. GAAP requires the use of estimates made by management. Management believes that estimates and valuations are appropriate; however, actual results may differ from those estimates, and the valuations reflected in the accompanying financial statements may differ from the value ultimately realized upon sale or maturity.

Investment Transactions, Investment Income, and Distributions Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date basis. Income and expenses are recorded on the accrual basis. Realized gains and losses are reported on the identified cost basis. Income tax-related interest and penalties, if incurred, are recorded as income tax expense. Dividends received from other investment companies are reflected as dividend income; capital gain distributions are reflected as realized gain/loss. Dividend income and capital gain distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Distributions from REITs are initially recorded as dividend income and, to the extent such represent a return of capital or capital gain for tax purposes, are reclassified when such information becomes available. Non-cash dividends, if any, are recorded at the fair market value of the asset received. Proceeds from litigation payments, if any, are included in either net realized gain (loss) or change in net unrealized gain/loss from

securities. Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Income distributions, if any, are declared and paid by each class annually. A capital gain distribution, if any, may also be declared and paid by the fund annually.

Currency Translation Assets, including investments, and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollar values each day at the prevailing exchange rate, using the mean of the bid and asked prices of such currencies against U.S. dollars as provided by an outside pricing service. Purchases and sales of securities, income, and expenses are translated into U.S. dollars at the prevailing exchange rate on the respective date of such transaction. The effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates on realized and unrealized security gains and losses is not bifurcated from the portion attributable to changes in market prices.

Class Accounting Shareholder servicing, prospectus, and shareholder report expenses incurred by each class are charged directly to the class to which they relate. Expenses common to all classes, investment income, and realized and unrealized gains and losses are allocated to the classes based upon the relative daily net assets of each class.

Capital Transactions Each investor's interest in the net assets of the fund is represented by fund shares. The fund's net asset value (NAV) per share is computed at the close of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), normally 4 p.m. ET, each day the NYSE is open for business. However, the NAV per share may be calculated at a time other than the normal close of the NYSE if trading on the NYSE is restricted, if the NYSE closes earlier, or as may be permitted by the SEC. Purchases and redemptions of fund shares are transacted at the next-computed NAV per share, after receipt of the transaction order by T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc., or its agents.

New Accounting Guidance In June 2022, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU), ASU 2022-03, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820) – Fair Value Measurement of Equity Securities Subject to Contractual Sale Restrictions, which clarifies that a contractual restriction on the sale of an equity security is not considered part of the unit of account of the equity security and, therefore, is not considered in measuring fair value. The amendments under this ASU are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023; however, the fund opted to early adopt, as permitted, effective December 1, 2022. Adoption of the guidance did not have a material impact on the fund's financial statements.

**Indemnification** In the normal course of business, the fund may provide indemnification in connection with its officers and directors, service providers, and/or private company investments. The fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown; however, the risk of material loss is currently considered to be remote.

#### **NOTE 2 - VALUATION**

Fair Value The fund's financial instruments are valued at the close of the NYSE and are reported at fair value, which GAAP defines as the price 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. The fund's Board of Directors (the Board) has designated T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. as the fund's valuation designee (Valuation Designee). Subject to oversight by the Board, the Valuation Designee performs the following functions in performing fair value determinations: assesses and manages valuation risks; establishes and applies fair value methodologies; tests fair value methodologies; and evaluates pricing vendors and pricing agents. The duties and responsibilities of the Valuation Designee are performed by its Valuation Committee. The Valuation Designee provides periodic reporting to the Board on valuation matters.

Various valuation techniques and inputs are used to determine the fair value of financial instruments. GAAP establishes the following fair value hierarchy that categorizes the inputs used to measure fair value:

- Level 1 quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical financial instruments that the fund can access at the reporting date
- Level 2 inputs other than Level 1 quoted prices that are observable, either directly or indirectly (including, but not limited to, quoted prices for similar financial instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar financial instruments in inactive markets, interest rates and yield curves, implied volatilities, and credit spreads)
- Level 3 unobservable inputs (including the Valuation Designee's assumptions in determining fair value)

Observable inputs are developed using market data, such as publicly available information about actual events or transactions, and reflect the assumptions that market participants would use to price the financial instrument. Unobservable inputs are those for which market data are not available and are developed using the best information available about the assumptions that market participants would use to price the financial instrument. GAAP requires valuation techniques to maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. When multiple inputs are used to derive fair value, the financial instrument is assigned to the level within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest-level input that is significant to the fair value of the financial instrument. Input levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with financial instruments at that level but rather the degree of judgment used in determining those values.

Valuation Techniques Equity securities, including exchange-traded funds, listed or regularly traded on a securities exchange or in the over-the-counter (OTC) market are valued at the last quoted sale price or, for certain markets, the official closing price at the time the valuations are made. OTC Bulletin Board securities are valued at the mean of the closing bid and asked prices. A security that is listed or traded on more than one exchange is valued at the quotation on the exchange determined to be the primary market for such security. Listed securities not traded on a particular day are valued at the mean of the closing bid and asked prices for domestic securities and the last quoted sale or closing price for international securities.

The last quoted prices of non-U.S. equity securities may be adjusted to reflect the fair value of such securities at the close of the NYSE, if the Valuation Designee determines that developments between the close of a foreign market and the close of the NYSE will affect the value of some or all of the fund's portfolio securities. Each business day, the Valuation Designee uses information from outside pricing services to evaluate the quoted prices of portfolio securities and, if appropriate, decide whether it is necessary to adjust quoted prices to reflect fair value by reviewing a variety of factors, including developments in foreign markets, the performance of U.S. securities markets, and the performance of instruments trading in U.S. markets that represent foreign securities and baskets of foreign securities. The Valuation Designee uses outside pricing services to provide it with quoted prices and information to evaluate or adjust those prices. The Valuation Designee cannot predict how often it will use quoted prices and how often it will determine it necessary to adjust those prices to reflect fair value.

Investments in mutual funds are valued at the mutual fund's closing NAV per share on the day of valuation. Assets and liabilities other than financial instruments, including short-term receivables and payables, are carried at cost, or estimated realizable value, if less, which approximates fair value.

Investments for which market quotations are not readily available or deemed unreliable are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Valuation Designee. The Valuation Designee has adopted methodologies for determining the fair value of investments for which market quotations are not readily available or deemed unreliable, including the use of other pricing sources. Factors used in determining fair value vary by type of investment and may include market or investment specific considerations. The Valuation Designee typically will afford greatest weight to actual prices in arm's length transactions, to the extent they represent orderly transactions between market participants, transaction information can be reliably obtained, and prices are deemed representative of fair value. However, the Valuation Designee may also consider other valuation methods such as market-based valuation multiples; a discount or premium from market value of a similar, freely traded security of the same issuer; discounted cash

flows; yield to maturity; or some combination. Fair value determinations are reviewed on a regular basis. Because any fair value determination involves a significant amount of judgment, there is a degree of subjectivity inherent in such pricing decisions. Fair value prices determined by the Valuation Designee could differ from those of other market participants, and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security may be materially different from the value that could be realized upon the sale of that security.

**Valuation Inputs** The following table summarizes the fund's financial instruments, based on the inputs used to determine their fair values on June 30, 2023 (for further detail by category, please refer to the accompanying Portfolio of Investments):

(\$000s)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Value
Assets				
Common Stocks	\$ 1,754,996 \$	813,244	\$ 63,697	\$ 2,631,937
Convertible Preferred Stocks	_	_	81,112	81,112
Preferred Stocks	_	_	234	234
Short-Term Investments	23,125	_	_	23,125
Securities Lending Collateral	34,218	_	_	34,218
		•		
Total	\$ 1,812,339 \$	813,244	\$ 145,043	\$ 2,770,626

Following is a reconciliation of the fund's Level 3 holdings for the six months ended June 30, 2023. Gain (loss) reflects both realized and change in unrealized gain/loss on Level 3 holdings during the period, if any, and is included on the accompanying Statement of Operations. The change in unrealized gain/loss on Level 3 instruments held at June 30, 2023, totaled \$14,847,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

(\$000s)	E	ginning Balance /31/22	(Loss) During Period	Total chases	Ending Balance 6/30/23
Investment in Securities					
Common Stocks	\$	53,166	\$ 10,531	\$ _	\$ 63,697
Convertible Preferred Stocks		74,534	4,316	2,262	81,112
Preferred Stocks		234	_	_	234
Total	\$ 1	27,934	\$ 14,847	\$ 2,262	\$ 145,043

In accordance with GAAP, the following table provides quantitative information about significant unobservable inputs used to determine the fair valuations of the fund's Level 3 assets, by class of financial instrument. Because the Valuation Designee considers a wide variety of factors and inputs, both observable and unobservable, in determining fair values, the unobservable inputs presented do not reflect all inputs significant to the fair value determination.

Investments in Securities	Value (000s)	Valuation Technique(s)+	Significant Unobservable Input(s)	Range of	Weighted Average of Input(s)*	Impact to Valuation from an Increase in Input**
Common Stocks	\$ 63,697	Recent comparable transaction price(s)	<b>-</b> #	-#	-#	<b>—</b> #
		Market comparable	Enterprise value to sales multiple	2.4x	2.4x	Increase
			Enterprise value to EBITDA multiple	16.5x	16.5x	Increase
			Discount for lack of marketability	10%	10%	Decrease
Preferred Stocks	\$ 234	Recent comparable transaction price(s)	Discount for uncertainty	5%	5%	Decrease
Convertible Preferred Stocks	\$ 81,112	Recent comparable transaction price(s)	<u>-</u> #	<b>-</b> #	<b>-</b> #	<b>-</b> #
		Market comparable	Enterprise value to sales multiple	2.3x - 2.6x	2.4x	Increase
			Sales growth rate	32% - 34%	33%	Increase

Investments in Securities	Value (000s)	Valuation Technique(s)+	Significant Unobservable Input(s)	Range of	Weighted Average of Input(s)*	Impact to Valuation from an Increase in Input**
			Projected enterprise value to EBITDA multiple	10.5x	10.5x	Increase
			Discount rate for cost of capital	20%	20%	Decrease
			Discount for lack of marketability	10%	10%	Decrease

- + Valuation techniques may change in order to reflect the Valuation Designee's judgment of current market participant assumptions.
- \* Unobservable inputs were weighted by the relative fair value of the instruments.
- \*\*Represents the directional change in the fair value of the Level 3 investment(s) that would have resulted from an increase in the corresponding input at period end. A decrease in the unobservable input would have had the opposite effect. Significant increases and decreases in these inputs in isolation could result in significantly higher or lower fair value measurements.
- # No quantitative unobservable inputs significant to the valuation technique were created by the Valuation Designee.

#### **NOTE 3 - OTHER INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS**

Consistent with its investment objective, the fund engages in the following practices to manage exposure to certain risks and/or to enhance performance. The investment objective, policies, program, and risk factors of the fund are described more fully in the fund's prospectus and Statement of Additional Information.

**Restricted Securities** The fund invests in securities that are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale. Prompt sale of such securities at an acceptable price may be difficult and may involve substantial delays and additional costs.

**Securities Lending** The fund may lend its securities to approved borrowers to earn additional income. Its securities lending activities are administered by a lending agent in accordance with a securities lending agreement. Security loans generally do not have

stated maturity dates, and the fund may recall a security at any time. The fund receives collateral in the form of cash or U.S. government securities. Collateral is maintained over the life of the loan in an amount not less than the value of loaned securities; any additional collateral required due to changes in security values is delivered to the fund the next business day. Cash collateral is invested in accordance with investment guidelines approved by fund management. Additionally, the lending agent indemnifies the fund against losses resulting from borrower default. Although risk is mitigated by the collateral and indemnification, the fund could experience a delay in recovering its securities and a possible loss of income or value if the borrower fails to return the securities, collateral investments decline in value, and the lending agent fails to perform. Securities lending revenue consists of earnings on invested collateral and borrowing fees, net of any rebates to the borrower, compensation to the lending agent, and other administrative costs. In accordance with GAAP, investments made with cash collateral are reflected in the accompanying financial statements, but collateral received in the form of securities is not. At June 30, 2023, the value of loaned securities was \$33,093,000; including securities sold but not yet settled, which are not reflected in the accompanying Portfolio of Investments; the value of cash collateral and related investments was \$34,218,000.

**Other** Purchases and sales of portfolio securities other than short-term securities aggregated \$1,267,270,000 and \$1,523,182,000, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

#### **NOTE 4 - FEDERAL INCOME TAXES**

Generally, no provision for federal income taxes is required since the fund intends to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code and distribute to shareholders all of its taxable income and gains. Distributions determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations may differ in amount or character from net investment income and realized gains for financial reporting purposes. Financial reporting records are adjusted for permanent book/ tax differences to reflect tax character but are not adjusted for temporary differences. The amount and character of tax-basis distributions and composition of net assets are finalized at fiscal year-end; accordingly, tax-basis balances have not been determined as of the date of this report.

The fund intends to retain realized gains to the extent of available capital loss carryforwards. Net realized capital losses may be carried forward indefinitely to offset future realized capital gains. As of December 31, 2022, the fund had \$171,683,000 of available capital loss carryforwards.

At June 30, 2023, the cost of investments (including derivatives, if any) for federal income tax purposes was \$2,188,362,000. Net unrealized gain aggregated \$582,176,000 at period-end, of which \$703,862,000 related to appreciated investments and \$121,686,000 related to depreciated investments.

#### **NOTE 5 - FOREIGN TAXES**

The fund is subject to foreign income taxes imposed by certain countries in which it invests. Additionally, capital gains realized upon disposition of securities issued in or by certain foreign countries are subject to capital gains tax imposed by those countries. All taxes are computed in accordance with the applicable foreign tax law, and, to the extent permitted, capital losses are used to offset capital gains. Taxes attributable to income are accrued by the fund as a reduction of income. Current and deferred tax expense attributable to capital gains is reflected as a component of realized or change in unrealized gain/loss on securities in the accompanying financial statements. To the extent that the fund has country specific capital loss carryforwards, such carryforwards are applied against net unrealized gains when determining the deferred tax liability. Any deferred tax liability incurred by the fund is included in either Other liabilities or Deferred tax liability on the accompanying Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

## **NOTE 6 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The fund is managed by T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. (Price Associates), a wholly owned subsidiary of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. (Price Group). The investment management agreement between the fund and Price Associates provides for an annual investment management fee, which is computed daily and paid monthly. The fee consists of an individual fund fee, equal to 0.25% of the fund's average daily net assets, and a group fee. The group fee rate is calculated based on the combined net assets of certain mutual funds sponsored by Price Associates (the group) applied to a graduated fee schedule, with rates ranging from 0.48% for the first \$1 billion of assets to 0.260% for assets in excess of \$845 billion. The fund's group fee is determined by applying the group fee rate to the fund's average daily net assets. At June 30, 2023, the effective annual group fee rate was 0.29%.

The I Class is subject to an operating expense limitation (I Class Limit) pursuant to which Price Associates is contractually required to pay all operating expenses of the I Class, excluding management fees; interest; expenses related to borrowings, taxes, and brokerage; non-recurring, extraordinary expenses; and acquired fund fees and expenses, to the extent such operating expenses, on an annualized basis, exceed the

I Class Limit. This agreement will continue through the expense limitation date indicated in the table below, and may be renewed, revised, or revoked only with approval of the fund's Board. The I Class is required to repay Price Associates for expenses previously paid to the extent the class's net assets grow or expenses decline sufficiently to allow repayment without causing the class's operating expenses (after the repayment is taken into account) to exceed the lesser of: (1) the I Class Limit in place at the time such amounts were paid; or (2) the current I Class Limit. However, no repayment will be made more than three years after the date of a payment or waiver.

	I Class
Expense limitation/I Class Limit	0.05%
Expense limitation date	04/30/24
(Waived)/repaid during the period (\$000s)	\$-

In addition, the fund has entered into service agreements with Price Associates and two wholly owned subsidiaries of Price Associates, each an affiliate of the fund (collectively, Price). Price Associates provides certain accounting and administrative services to the fund. T. Rowe Price Services, Inc. provides shareholder and administrative services in its capacity as the fund's transfer and dividend-disbursing agent. T. Rowe Price Retirement Plan Services, Inc. provides subaccounting and recordkeeping services for certain retirement accounts invested in the Investor Class. For the six months ended June 30, 2023, expenses incurred pursuant to these service agreements were \$60,000 for Price Associates; \$726,000 for T. Rowe Price Services, Inc.; and \$31,000 for T. Rowe Price Retirement Plan Services, Inc. All amounts due to and due from Price, exclusive of investment management fees payable, are presented net on the accompanying Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The fund may invest its cash reserves in certain open-end management investment companies managed by Price Associates and considered affiliates of the fund: the T. Rowe Price Government Reserve Fund or the T. Rowe Price Treasury Reserve Fund, organized as money market funds (together, the Price Reserve Funds). The Price Reserve Funds are offered as short-term investment options to mutual funds, trusts, and other accounts managed by Price Associates or its affiliates and are not available for direct purchase by members of the public. Cash collateral from securities lending, if any, is invested in the T. Rowe Price Government Reserve Fund. The Price Reserve Funds pay no investment management fees.

The fund may participate in securities purchase and sale transactions with other funds or accounts advised by Price Associates (cross trades), in accordance with procedures adopted by the fund's Board and Securities and Exchange Commission rules, which require, among other things, that such purchase and sale cross trades be effected at the independent current market price of the security. During the six months ended June 30, 2023, the fund had no purchases or sales cross trades with other funds or accounts advised by Price Associates.

Price Associates has voluntarily agreed to reimburse the fund from its own resources on a monthly basis for the cost of investment research embedded in the cost of the fund's securities trades. This agreement may be rescinded at any time. For the six months ended June 30, 2023, this reimbursement amounted to \$213,000, which is included in Net realized gain (loss) on Securities in the Statement of Operations.

#### **NOTE 7 - OTHER MATTERS**

Unpredictable events such as environmental or natural disasters, war, terrorism, pandemics, outbreaks of infectious diseases, and similar public health threats may significantly affect the economy and the markets and issuers in which the fund invests. Certain events may cause instability across global markets, including reduced liquidity and disruptions in trading markets, while some events may affect certain geographic regions, countries, sectors, and industries more significantly than others, and exacerbate other pre-existing political, social, and economic risks.

Since 2020, a novel strain of coronavirus (COVID-19) has resulted in disruptions to global business activity and caused significant volatility and declines in global financial markets.

In February 2022, Russian forces entered Ukraine and commenced an armed conflict leading to economic sanctions being imposed on Russia and certain of its citizens, creating impacts on Russian-related stocks and debt and greater volatility in global markets.

In March 2023, the collapse of some US regional and global banks as well as overall concerns around the soundness and stability of the global banking sector has sparked concerns of a broader financial crisis impacting the overall global banking sector. In certain cases, government agencies have assumed control or otherwise intervened in the operations of certain banks due to liquidity and solvency concerns. The extent of impact of these events on the US and global markets is highly uncertain.

These are recent examples of global events which may have a negative impact on the values of certain portfolio holdings or the fund's overall performance. Management is actively monitoring the risks and financial impacts arising from these events.

# INFORMATION ON PROXY VOTING POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND RECORDS

A description of the policies and procedures used by T. Rowe Price funds to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available in each fund's Statement of Additional Information. You may request this document by calling 1-800-225-5132 or by accessing the SEC's website, sec.gov.

The description of our proxy voting policies and procedures is also available on our corporate website. To access it, please visit the following Web page:

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Scroll down to the section near the bottom of the page that says, "Proxy Voting Guidelines." Click on the links in the shaded box.

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# **RESULTS OF PROXY VOTING**

A Special Meeting of Shareholders was held on July 24, 2023 for shareholders of record on April 7, 2023, to elect the following director-nominees to serve on the Board of all Price Funds. The newly elected Directors took office effective July 24, 2023.

The results of the voting were as follows:

	Votes For	Votes Withheld
Melody Bianchetto	34,795,859	308,246
Mark J. Parrell	34,820,377	275,187
Kellye L. Walker	34,839,410	280,882
Eric L. Veiel	34,818,492	283,909

Teresa Bryce Bazemore, Bruce W. Duncan, Robert J. Gerrard, Jr., Paul F. McBride and David Oestreicher continue to serve as Directors on the Board of all Price Funds.

### **HOW TO OBTAIN QUARTERLY PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS**

The fund files a complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year as an exhibit to its reports on Form N-PORT. The fund's reports on Form N-PORT are available electronically on the SEC's website (sec.gov). In addition, most T. Rowe Price funds disclose their first and third fiscal quarter-end holdings on **troweprice.com**.

#### APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Each year, the fund's Board of Directors (Board) considers the continuation of the investment management agreement (Advisory Contract) between the fund and its investment adviser, T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. (Adviser). In that regard, at a meeting held on March 6–7, 2023 (Meeting), the Board, including all of the fund's independent directors, approved the continuation of the fund's Advisory Contract. At the Meeting, the Board considered the factors and reached the conclusions described below relating to the selection of the Adviser and the approval of the Advisory Contract. The independent directors were assisted in their evaluation of the Advisory Contract by independent legal counsel from whom they received separate legal advice and with whom they met separately.

In providing information to the Board, the Adviser was guided by a detailed set of requests for information submitted by independent legal counsel on behalf of the independent directors. In considering and approving the continuation of the Advisory Contract, the Board considered the information it believed was relevant, including, but not limited to, the information discussed below. The Board considered not only the specific information presented in connection with the Meeting but also the knowledge gained over time through interaction with the Adviser about various topics. The Board meets regularly and, at each of its meetings, covers an extensive agenda of topics and materials and considers factors that are relevant to its annual consideration of the renewal of the T. Rowe Price funds' advisory contracts, including performance and the services and support provided to the funds and their shareholders.

#### Services Provided by the Adviser

The Board considered the nature, quality, and extent of the services provided to the fund by the Adviser. These services included, but were not limited to, directing the fund's investments in accordance with its investment program and the overall management of the fund's portfolio, as well as a variety of related activities such as financial, investment operations, and administrative services; compliance; maintaining the fund's records and registrations; and shareholder communications. The Board also reviewed the background and experience of the Adviser's senior management team and investment personnel involved in the management of the fund, as well as the Adviser's compliance record. The Board concluded that the information it considered with respect to the nature, quality, and extent of the services provided by the Adviser, as well as the other factors considered at the Meeting, supported the Board's approval of the continuation of the Advisory Contract.

#### Investment Performance of the Fund

The Board took into account discussions with the Adviser and detailed reports that it regularly receives throughout the year on relative and absolute performance for the T. Rowe Price funds. In connection with the Meeting, the Board reviewed information provided by the Adviser that compared the fund's total returns, as well as a wide variety of other previously agreed-upon performance measures and market data, against relevant benchmark indexes and peer groups of funds with similar investment programs for

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various periods through December 31, 2022. Additionally, the Board reviewed the fund's relative performance information as of September 30, 2022, which ranked the returns of the fund's Investor Class for various periods against a universe of funds with similar investment programs selected by Broadridge, an independent provider of mutual fund data. In the course of its deliberations, the Board considered performance information provided throughout the year and in connection with the Advisory Contract review at the Meeting, as well as information provided during investment review meetings conducted with portfolio managers and senior investment personnel during the course of the year regarding the fund's performance. The Board also considered relevant factors, such as overall market conditions and trends that could adversely impact the fund's performance, length of the fund's performance track record, and how closely the fund's strategies align with its benchmarks and peer groups. The Board concluded that the information it considered with respect to the fund's performance, as well as the other factors considered at the Meeting, supported the Board's approval of the continuation of the Advisory Contract.

#### Costs, Benefits, Profits, and Economies of Scale

The Board reviewed detailed information regarding the revenues received by the Adviser under the Advisory Contract and other direct and indirect benefits that the Adviser (and its affiliates) may have realized from its relationship with the fund. In considering soft-dollar arrangements pursuant to which research may be received from broker-dealers that execute the fund's portfolio transactions, the Board noted that the Adviser bears the cost of research services for all client accounts that it advises, including the T. Rowe Price funds. The Board received information on the estimated costs incurred and profits realized by the Adviser from managing the T. Rowe Price funds. The Board also reviewed estimates of the profits realized from managing the fund in particular, and the Board concluded that the Adviser's profits were reasonable in light of the services provided to the fund.

The Board also considered whether the fund benefits under the fee levels set forth in the Advisory Contract or otherwise from any economies of scale realized by the Adviser. Under the Advisory Contract, the fund pays a fee to the Adviser for investment management services composed of two components—a group fee rate based on the combined average net assets of most of the T. Rowe Price funds (including the fund) that declines at certain asset levels and an individual fund fee rate based on the fund's average daily net assets—and the fund pays its own expenses of operations. The group fee rate decreases as total T. Rowe Price fund assets grow, which reduces the management fee rate for any fund that has a group fee component to its management fee, and reflects that certain resources utilized to operate the fund are shared with other T. Rowe Price funds thus allowing shareholders of those funds to share potential economies of scale. The fund's shareholders also benefit from potential economies of scale through a decline in certain operating expenses as the fund grows in size.

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In addition, the Board noted that the fund potentially shares in indirect economies of scale through the Adviser's ongoing investments in its business in support of the T. Rowe Price funds, including investments in trading systems, technology, and regulatory support enhancements, and the ability to possibly negotiate lower fee arrangements with third-party service providers. The Board concluded that the advisory fee structure for the fund provides for a reasonable sharing of benefits from any economies of scale with the fund's investors.

# Fees and Expenses

The Board was provided with information regarding industry trends in management fees and expenses. Among other things, the Board reviewed data for peer groups that were compiled by Broadridge, which compared: (i) contractual management fees, actual management fees, nonmanagement expenses, and total expenses of the Investor Class of the fund with a group of competitor funds selected by Broadridge (Expense Group) and (ii) actual management fees, nonmanagement expenses, and total expenses of the Investor Class of the fund with a broader set of funds within the Lipper investment classification (Expense Universe). The Board considered the fund's contractual management fee rate, actual management fee rate (which reflects the management fees actually received from the fund by the Adviser after any applicable waivers, reductions. or reimbursements), operating expenses, and total expenses (which reflect the net total expense ratio of the fund after any waivers, reductions, or reimbursements) in comparison with the information for the Broadridge peer groups. Broadridge generally constructed the peer groups by seeking the most comparable funds based on similar investment classifications and objectives, expense structure, asset size, and operating components and attributes and ranked funds into quintiles, with the first quintile representing the funds with the lowest relative expenses and the fifth quintile representing the funds with the highest relative expenses. The information provided to the Board indicated that the fund's contractual management fee ranked in the first quintile (Expense Group). the fund's actual management fee rate ranked in the first quintile (Expense Group and Expense Universe), and the fund's total expenses ranked in the first quintile (Expense Group and Expense Universe).

The Board also reviewed the fee schedules for other investment portfolios with similar mandates that are advised or subadvised by the Adviser and its affiliates, including separately managed accounts for institutional and individual investors; subadvised funds; and other sponsored investment portfolios, including collective investment trusts and pooled vehicles organized and offered to investors outside the United States. Management provided the Board with information about the Adviser's responsibilities and services provided to subadvisory and other institutional account clients, including information about how the requirements and economics of the institutional business are fundamentally different from those of the proprietary mutual fund business. The Board considered information showing that the Adviser's mutual fund business is generally more complex from a business and compliance perspective than its institutional

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account business and considered various relevant factors, such as the broader scope of operations and oversight, more extensive shareholder communication infrastructure, greater asset flows, heightened business risks, and differences in applicable laws and regulations associated with the Adviser's proprietary mutual fund business. In assessing the reasonableness of the fund's management fee rate, the Board considered the differences in the nature of the services required for the Adviser to manage its mutual fund business versus managing a discrete pool of assets as a subadviser to another institution's mutual fund or for an institutional account and that the Adviser generally performs significant additional services and assumes greater risk in managing the fund and other T. Rowe Price funds than it does for institutional account clients, including subadvised funds.

On the basis of the information provided and the factors considered, the Board concluded that the fees paid by the fund under the Advisory Contract are reasonable.

## **Approval of the Advisory Contract**

As noted, the Board approved the continuation of the Advisory Contract. No single factor was considered in isolation or to be determinative to the decision. Rather, the Board concluded, in light of a weighting and balancing of all factors considered, that it was in the best interests of the fund and its shareholders for the Board to approve the continuation of the Advisory Contract (including the fees to be charged for services thereunder).











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