GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC Form 13F-HR July 30, 2002

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Form 13F

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Report for the Calendar Year or Quarter Ended: June 30, 2002

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: 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 July 30, 2002

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List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager: NONE

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

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| Adams Express Company                       | COMMON | 006212104              | 1,045,668                | 85,291 N               | Х      |
|---|--------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------|
| American International Gro                  | COMMON | 026874107              | 20,469,000               | 300,000 N              | Х      |
| Alkermes, Inc.                              | COMMON | 01642T108              | 3,842,400                | 240,000 N              | Х      |
| AmerUs Group Co.                            | COMMON | 03072M108              | 10,202,500               | 275,000 N              | Х      |
| Annuity and Life Re (Holdi                  | COMMON | G03910109              | 12,663,000               | 700,000 N              | Х      |
| ASM International N.V.                      | COMMON | N07045102              | 5,074,440                | 294,000 N              | Х      |
| The Boeing Company                          | COMMON | 097023105              | 22,500,000               | 500,000 N              | Х      |
| Bancroft Convertible Fund                   |        |                        | 336 <b>,</b> 875         | 17,500 N               | Х      |
| Bristol-Myers Squibb Compa                  |        |                        | 7,710,000                | 300,000 N              | Х      |
| BioReliance Corporation                     |        | 090951104              | 1,835,200                | 74,000 N               | Х      |
| Berkshire Hathaway Inc.                     |        | 084670108              | 21,042,000               | 315 N                  | Х      |
| Brooks-PRI Automation, Inc                  |        |                        | 8,623,944                | 337,400 N              | Х      |
| Central Securities Corpora                  |        |                        | 2,095,945                | 98,912 N               | Х      |
| CIENA Corporation                           |        | 171779101              | 2,304,500                | 550,000 N              | Х      |
| Costco Wholesale Corporati                  |        |                        | 26,068,500               | 675,000 N              | Х      |
| Cox Communications, Inc                     |        |                        | 20,075,685               | 728,700 N              | Х      |
| Cisco Systems, Inc.                         |        | 17275R102              | 7,463,250                | 535,000 N              | Х      |
| Genentech, Inc.                             |        | 368710406              | 20,100,000               | 600,000 N              | Х      |
| EMCORE Corporation                          |        | 290846104              | 1,182,000                | 197,000 N              | Х      |
| El Paso Corporation                         |        | 28336L109              | 17,518,500               | 850,000 N              | X      |
| Ethan Allen Interiors Inc.                  |        |                        | 9,583,750                | 275,000 N              | X      |
| Ford Motor Company<br>Golden West Financial |        | 345370860<br>381317106 | 14,008,000<br>34,390,000 | 875,500 N<br>500,000 N | X      |
|   |        | 36867G100              |                          | •                      | X      |
| Genaera Corporation<br>Genta Incorporated   |        | 37245M207              | 480,600<br>3,316,000     | 270,000 N<br>400,000 N | X<br>X |
| Halliburton Company                         |        | 406216101              | 19,925,000               | 1,250,000 N            | X      |
| The Home Depot, Inc.                        |        | 400210101 437076102    | 75,112,850               | 2,045,000 N            | X      |
| Health Net, Inc.                            |        | 42222G108              | 12,046,500               | 450,000 N              | X      |
| IDEC Pharmaceuticals Corpo                  |        |                        | 17,547,750               | 495,000 N              | X      |
| John Hancock Financial Ser                  |        |                        | 15,488,000               | 440,000 N              | X      |
| Lucent Technologies Inc.                    |        | 549463107              | 1,514,750                | 912,500 N              | X      |
| Medtronic, Inc.                             |        | 585055106              | 12,426,500               | 290,000 N              | X      |
| MedImmune, Inc.                             |        | 584699102              | 6,969,600                | 264,000 N              | X      |
| MetLife, Inc.                               |        | 59156R108              | 8,640,000                | 300,000 N              | X      |
| Millennium Pharmaceuticals                  |        |                        | 1,701,000                | 140,000 N              | X      |
| Molex Incorporated Class A                  |        |                        | 18,995,275               | 692,500 N              | Х      |
| M&T Bank Corporation                        |        | 55261F104              | 30,016,000               | 350,000 N              | Х      |
| Max Re Capital Ltd.                         | COMMON | G6052F103              | 2,700,000                | 200,000 N              | Х      |
| Annaly Mortgage Management                  | COMMON | 035710409              | 9,700,000                | 500,000 N              | Х      |
| NTL Incorporated                            |        | 629407107              | 5,760                    | 180,000 N              | Х      |
| Newell Rubbermaid Inc.                      | COMMON | 651229106              | 5,259,000                | 150,000 N              | Х      |
| OSI Pharmaceuticals, Inc.                   | COMMON | 671040103              | 3,603,000                | 150,000 N              | Х      |
| PepsiCo, Inc.                               | COMMON | 713448108              | 7,230,000                | 150,000 N              | Х      |
| Pfizer Inc                                  | COMMON | 717081103              | 35,000,000               | 1,000,000 N            | Х      |
| PartnerRe Ltd.                              | COMMON | G6852T105              | 26,922,500               | 550,000 N              | Х      |
| PSC Inc.                                    | COMMON | 69361E107              | 175 <b>,</b> 820         | 298,000 N              | Х      |
| Everest Re Group, Ltd.                      | COMMON | G3223R108              | 34,968,750               | 625,000 N              | Х      |
| Reinsurance Group of Ameri                  | COMMON | 759351109              | 18,492,000               | 600,000 N              | Х      |
| Royce Value Trust                           | COMMON | 780910105              | 1,238,585                | 74,839 N               | Х      |
| SunTrust Banks, Inc.                        | COMMON | 867914103              | 17,607,200               | 260,000 N              | Х      |
| The TJX Companies, Inc.                     |        | 872540109              | 51,966,500               | 2,650,000 N            | Х      |
| Transatlantic Holdings, In                  |        |                        | 18,000,000               | 225,000 N              | Х      |
| Wind River Systems, Inc.                    |        | 973149107              | 1,700,895                | 339,500 N              | Х      |
| Waste Management, Inc.                      |        | 94106L109              | 15,630,000               | 600,000 N              | Х      |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.                       |        | 931142103              | 31,355,700               | 570,000 N              | Х      |
| Zarlink Semiconductor Inc.                  | COMMON | 989139100              | 1,272,500                | 250,000 N              | Х      |
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