



**DIAMOND HILL FUNDS  
INCOME FROM U.S. GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS  
CALENDAR YEAR 2009**

During the calendar year, certain funds invested in securities issued by the United States government or other federal agencies (collectively, "U.S. Government Securities"). Under federal law, the interest on these securities is exempt from state taxation. Certain states also exempt from state income tax the dividend income a mutual fund shareholder receives that is derived from the fund's investment in these U.S. Government Securities.

The table below provides the percentages of calendar year 2009 ordinary income dividends derived from investments in U.S. Government Securities. To determine the amount which may be exempt from state income tax multiply the amount reported in box 1a of Form 1099-DIV by the total percentage of the first two columns in the table below.

California, Connecticut, and New York require that a mutual fund maintain certain minimum investments in U.S. Government Securities in order for the dividend income derived from these obligations to be exempt from state income tax. None of the funds listed below met these requirements for calendar year 2009.

This notice is provided to you for informational purposes only, and should not be considered tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor for further assistance.

For any other questions, please contact the fund(s) at 1-888-226-5595.

Fund Name	Treasury Income	Other Agency Income	GNMA/FNMA Income	Repo Income	Other Income	Total
Small Cap Fund	1.17%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	98.83%	100.00%
Large Cap Fund	0.39%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	99.61%	100.00%
Long-Short Fund	0.62%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	99.38%	100.00%
Financial Long-Short Fund	0.23%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	99.77%	100.00%
Strategic Income Fund	0.04%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	99.96%	100.00%
Small-Mid Cap Fund	0.78%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	99.22%	100.00%
Select Fund	0.46%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	99.54%	100.00%
Financial Trends Fund, Inc.	0.17%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	99.83%	100.00%