

BROWN FORMAN CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BROWN W L LYONS JR**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA, BFB]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/11/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

850 DIXIE HIGHWAY

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

LOUISVILLE, KY 40210

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Class A Common <u>(1)</u>	01/11/2005		J <sup>(2)</sup>	1,500	A	\$ 0	422,712	D
Class A Common							418,912	I
Class A Common	01/11/2005		J <sup>(2)</sup>	1,500	D	\$ 0	604,978	I
Class A Common							3,444.6	I
Class A Common							438,008.6	I
								2002 LLC
								GRAT (Grantor trust)
								Partnership/Nectar
								Trust/Partnership

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Class A Common	2,036,694.6	I	Trust/Remainder
Class A Common	326,886	I	by Spouse
Class B Common	19,615	D	
Class B Common	3,300	I	Partnership/Hebe
Class B Common	924,017	I	Trust/Partnership
Class B Common	2,316,744.6	I	Trust/Remainder
Class B Common	26,898	I	by Spouse

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BROWN W L LYONS JR 850 DIXIE HIGHWAY LOUISVILLE, KY 40210		X		

## Signatures

Nelea A. Absher Attn. in Fact for: W.L. Lyons  
Brown, Jr.

01/12/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Filing this form should not be construed as an admission that the filing person is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the "beneficial owner" of any equity securities held in a limited partnership or in trust and reported on this form.
- (2) Transfer of shares from an irrevocable annuity trust to direct ownership.

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