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SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)*

Investors Financial Services Corp.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

461915100

(CUSIP Number)

12/31/2005

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

|X| Rule 13d-1(b)

|_| Rule 13d-1(c)

L Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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CUSIP No. 461915100

1.	Names of Ro I.R.S. Identi		g Persons. Nos. of above persons (entities only).		
	ARIEL CAF # 02-071241		MANAGEMENT, LLC		
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)			(a) _ (b) _	
	Not Applicable				
3.	SEC Use Or	nly			
4.	Citizenship or Place of Organization				
	Delaware Limited Liability Company				
		5.	Sole Voting Power		
	Number of Shares		Ariel - 5,687,945		
	Beneficially Owned By	6.	Shared Voting Power		
	Each Reporting		Ariel - 0		
	Person With	7.	Sole Dispositive Power		
			Ariel - 5,587,945		
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power		
			Ariel - 0		

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

Ariel - 5,687,945

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

Not Applicable

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

Ariel - 5,687,945/ 64,982,015= 8.75%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

Ariel - IA

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Item 1.

(a) Name of Issuer

Investors Financial Services

(b) Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices

200 Clarendon St., PO Box 9130, Boston, MA 02116

Item 2.

(a) Name of Person Filing

Ariel Capital Management, LLC

- (b) Address of Principal Business Office, or if none, Residence200 E. Randolph Drive, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60601
- (c) Citizenship

a Delaware Limited Liability Company

(d) Title of Class of Securities

Common Stock

(e) CUSIP Number

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Item 3.	If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the
	person filing is a:

- (a) |_| Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780).
- (b) || Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c) |_| Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d) |_| Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).
- (e) |X| An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) |-| An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) $||_{|}$ A parent holding company or control person in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) |_| A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) |_| A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) || Group, in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

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Item 4. Ownership.

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: (See Page 2, No. 9)
- (b) Percent of class: (See Page 2, No. 11)
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote (See Page 2, No. 5)
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote (See Page 2, No. 6)
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of (See Page 2, No. 7)
 - (iv)

Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of (See Page 2, No. 8)

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities check the following $|_{-}|$.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

All securities reported upon this Schedule are owned by investment advisory clients of Ariel Capital Management, LLC, who have the right to dividends and proceeds of any sale of the subject security. Ariel Fund, a series of Ariel Investment Trust, a registered investment company, owns more than five percent of the subject security.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

Not Applicable

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not Applicable

Item 10. Certifications.

(a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to §240.13d-1(b):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

(b) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to §240.13d-1(c):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

ARIEL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC By:

/s/ John P. Miller, CFA

John P. Miller, CFA Senior Vice President, Portfolio Management

The original statement shall be signed by each person on whose behalf the statement is filed or his authorized representative. If the statement is signed on behalf of a person by his authorized representative other than an executive officer or general partner of the filing person, evidence of the representative s authority to sign on behalf of such person shall be filed with the statement, provided, however, that a power of attorney for this purpose which is already on file with the Commission may be incorporated by reference. The name and any title of each person who signs the statement shall be typed or printed beneath his signature.

NOTE: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. *See* §240.13d-7 for other parties for whom copies are to be sent.

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)

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