

BROWN FORMAN CORP

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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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 \*  
WELCH JAMES S 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)  
850 DIXIE HIGHWAY  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/12/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Vice Chairman Strategy and HR

LOUISVILLE, KY 40210

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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) | (A) or (D) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount     | Price   |  |  |
| Class A Common                  |                                      |  |                                |   |            | 12,050  | D  |  |
| Class B Common                  | 06/12/2008                           |  | M                              |   | 12,011     | \$ 30.37  | 18,333   | D  |
| Class B Common                  | 06/12/2008                           |  | F                              |   | 7,943      | \$ 76.31  | 10,390   | D  |
| Class B Common                  | 06/12/2008                           |  | S                              |   | 100        | \$ 75.85  | 10,290   | D  |
| Class B Common                  | 06/12/2008                           |  | S                              |   | 200        | \$ 75.86  | 10,090   | D  |

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|                   |            |   |     |   |          |       |   |
|-------------------|------------|---|-----|---|----------|-------|---|
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 300 | D | \$ 75.9  | 9,790 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 500 | D | \$ 75.91 | 9,290 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 100 | D | \$ 75.93 | 9,190 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 300 | D | \$ 75.95 | 8,890 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 400 | D | \$ 75.97 | 8,490 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 300 | D | \$ 76.03 | 8,190 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 300 | D | \$ 76.06 | 7,890 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 300 | D | \$ 76.08 | 7,590 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 100 | D | \$ 76.19 | 7,490 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 60  | D | \$ 76.2  | 7,430 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 68  | D | \$ 76.21 | 7,362 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 640 | D | \$ 76.22 | 6,722 | D |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/12/2008 | S | 400 | D | \$ 76.25 | 6,322 | D |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   |  | Title   |

|   |          |            |   |        | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date |                | Am or Num of S |
|---|----------|------------|---|--------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 30.37 | 06/12/2008 | M | 12,011 | 05/01/2002       | 04/30/2009      | Class B Common | 12             |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 33.34 |            |   |        | 05/01/2004       | 04/30/2011      | Class B Common | 7,             |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 31.33 |            |   |        | 05/01/2005       | 04/30/2012      | Class B Common | 7,             |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 45.44 |            |   |        | 05/01/2007       | 04/30/2014      | Class B Common | 12             |
| Stock Appreciation Rights                 | \$ 57.74 |            |   |        | 05/01/2008       | 04/30/2015      | Class B Common | 11             |
| Stock Appreciation Right                  | \$ 70.63 |            |   |        | 05/01/2009       | 04/30/2016      | Class B Common | 6,             |
| Stock Appreciation Right                  | \$ 68.22 |            |   |        | 05/01/2010       | 04/30/2017      | Class B Common | 11             |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| WELCH JAMES S JR<br>850 DIXIE HIGHWAY<br>LOUISVILLE, KY 40210 | X             |           | Vice Chairman Strategy and HR |       |

## Signatures

Nelea A. Absher, Attn. in Fact for: James S. Welch, Jr. 06/16/2008

\_\_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).

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