

# abrdn UK Government Bond Fund

Platform 1 Inc GBP



31 March 2024

## Objective

To generate income and some growth over the long term (5 years or more) by investing in UK Government bonds.

**Performance Target:** To achieve the return of the FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts All Stocks Index plus 0.5% per annum (before charges). There is no certainty or promise that the Performance Target will be achieved.

**Performance Comparator:** Investment Association UK Gilt Sector Average.

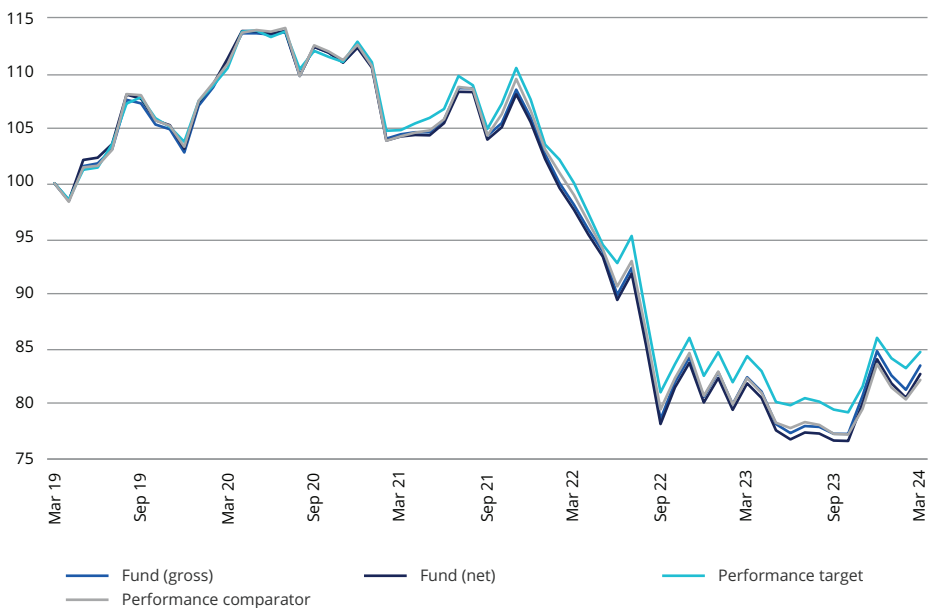
The FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts All Stocks Index (the "Index") is a representative index of the market for UK Government bonds.

The Investment Association UK Gilt Sector (the "Sector") is a representative group of investment funds with a focus on UK Government bonds.

## Portfolio securities

- The fund will invest at least 80% in government bonds (which are like loans to government that pay interest) issued or guaranteed by the UK Government.
- The fund may also invest in other bonds (including those issued by corporations) issued anywhere in the world. The fund will employ techniques to reduce (hedge) risk related to currency movements on non-sterling bonds.
- The fund may also invest in other funds (including those managed by abrdn), cash and assets that can be turned into cash quickly.

## Performance



## Cumulative and annualised performance

|                            | 1 month | 6 months | Year to date | 1 year | 3 years (p.a.) | 5 years (p.a.) |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|--------------|--------|----------------|----------------|
| Fund (gross) (%)           | 2.71    | 6.74     | -1.54        | 0.08   | -7.58          | -3.78          |
| Fund (net) (%)             | 2.68    | 6.60     | -1.60        | -0.17  | -7.81          | -3.96          |
| Performance target (%)     | 1.77    | 6.59     | -1.49        | 0.45   | -6.87          | -3.27          |
| Performance comparator (%) | 2.21    | 6.35     | -1.73        | -0.19  | -7.65          | -3.86          |

## Discrete annual returns - year to 31/3

|                            | 2024  | 2023   | 2022  | 2021  | 2020  |
|----------------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| Fund (gross) (%)           | 0.08  | -15.99 | -6.13 | -5.98 | 11.10 |
| Fund (net) (%)             | -0.17 | -16.18 | -6.40 | -6.35 | 11.38 |
| Performance target (%)     | 0.45  | -15.73 | -4.58 | -5.09 | 10.45 |
| Performance comparator (%) | -0.19 | -16.83 | -5.12 | -5.94 | 10.85 |

Performance Data: Share Class Platform 1 Inc GBP.

Benchmark history: Performance comparator - IA UK Gilts Sector Average

Source: abrdn (Fund & Benchmark) and Morningstar (Sector). Basis: Total Return, NAV to NAV, UK Net/Gross Income Reinvested.

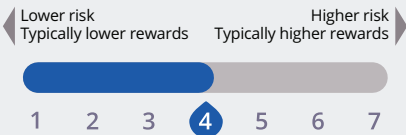
"Fund (Net)" refers to the actual unit price performance of the shareclass shown; "Fund(Gross)" adds back charges such as the annual management charge to present performance on the same basis as the performance target / performance comparator / portfolio constraining benchmark. These figures do not include the initial charge; if this is paid it will reduce performance from that shown.

**Past performance is not a guide to future returns and future returns are not guaranteed.**

## Key facts

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| Fund manager(s)                                | Liam O'Donnell   |
| Fund managers start date                       | 01 October 2012  |
| Fund launch date                               | 01 May 1986  |
| Share class launch date                        | 22 May 2012  |
| Authorised corporate director (ACD)            | abrdn Fund Managers Limited                            |
| Fund size                                      | £159.0m  |
| Number of holdings                             | 42   |
| Performance target                             | FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts All Stocks +0.50% |
| Performance comparator                         | IA UK Gilts Sector Average                             |
| Yield to maturity exc derivatives <sup>1</sup> | 4.45%  |
| Distribution frequency                         | Semi-Annual  |
| Entry charge (up to) <sup>2</sup>              | 0.00%  |
| Annual management charge                       | 0.20%  |
| Ongoing charge figure <sup>3</sup>             | 0.31%  |
| Minimum initial investment                     | GBP 1,000,000  |
| Fund type                                      | OEIC   |
| Valuation point                                | 12:00 (UK time)  |
| Base currency                                  | GBP  |
| Sedol  | B5MP568  |
| ISIN   | GB00B5MP5686   |
| Bloomberg                                      | SLUXRPI LN   |
| Citicode                                       | 10GD   |
| Domicile                                       | United Kingdom   |

## Risk and reward profile



This indicator reflects the volatility of the fund's share price. See the relevant UCITS Key Investor Information Document (KIID) or PRIIPs Key Information Document (KID) for details

## Key risks

- The value of investments and the income from them can fall and investors may get back less than the amount invested.
- Credit Risk - The fund invests in securities which are subject to the risk that the issuer may default on interest or capital payments.
- Interest Rate Risk - The fund invests in securities which can be subject to price fluctuation for a variety of reasons including changes in interest rates or inflation expectations.

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Management process

- The management team use their discretion (active management) to identify investments based on analysis of global economics along with analysis of an investment's prospects and creditworthiness (debt repayment ability) compared to that of the market.
- Due to the fund's risk constraints, the fund's performance profile is not expected to deviate significantly from that of the Index over the long term.

Top Ten Holdings

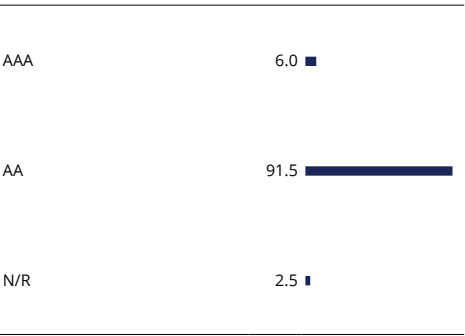
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| UK (Govt of) 4.125% 2027        | 11.2 |
| UK (Govt of) 4.5% 2034          | 10.5 |
| UK (Govt of) 0.5% 2029          | 9.3  |
| UK (Govt of) 4.5% 2042          | 6.8  |
| UK (Govt of) 3.25% 2033         | 6.0  |
| United Kingdom 4.5% 2028        | 5.9  |
| UK (Govt of) 3.5% 2025          | 4.9  |
| UK (Govt of) 4.75% 2038         | 4.2  |
| UK (Govt of) 1.5% 2053          | 4.2  |
| United Kingdom (Govt of) 4%2063 | 4.1  |
| Assets in top ten holdings      | 67.1 |

Composition by asset (%)

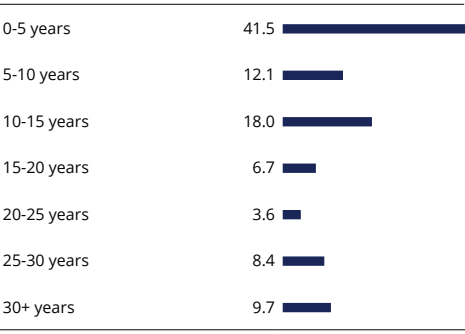
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| Government      | 88.2 |
| Quasi Sovereign | 7.8  |
| Financials      | 1.5  |
| Other           | 0.1  |
| Cash            | 2.5  |

Source : abrdn 31/03/2024  
Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

Credit rating (%)



Maturity (%)



(d) Derivatives Risk - The use of derivatives may involve additional liquidity, credit and counterparty risks and may lead to substantial loss and increased volatility in adverse market conditions. The use of derivatives may result in the fund being leveraged (where market exposure and thus the potential for loss by the fund exceeds the amount it has invested) and in these market conditions the effect of leverage will be to magnify losses.

Risk stats

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Alpha^                     | 0.29  |
| Benchmark Volatility (SD)^ | 10.33 |
| Beta^                      | 1.01  |
| Fund Volatility (SD)^      | 10.49 |
| Information Ratio^         | 0.23  |
| R-Squared^                 | 1.00  |
| Sharpe Ratio^              | -0.96 |
| Tracking Error^            | 0.71  |
| Effective duration (years) | 8.83  |

Source : abrdn. ^ Three year annualised.

Derivative usage

- The fund may use derivatives to reduce risk, reduce cost and/or generate additional income or growth consistent with the risk profile of the fund.
- Derivatives are linked to the value of other assets. In other words, they derive their price from one or more underlying asset. They can generate returns when the value of these underlying assets rise (long positions) or fall (short positions).
- Derivatives include instruments used to manage expected changes in interest rates, inflation, currencies or creditworthiness of corporations or governments.

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To help you understand this fund and for a full explanation of risks and the overall risk profile of this fund and the shareclasses within it, please refer to the Key Investor Information Documents and Prospectus which are available on our website [www.abrdn.com](http://www.abrdn.com) The Prospectus also contains a glossary of key terms used in this document.

<sup>1</sup>Yield to Maturity as at 31/03/2024 is the yield that would be realised on a bond or other debt instrument if the security was held until the maturity date.

<sup>2</sup>These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested. In some cases, the charges may be less and you should speak to your financial advisor about this.

<sup>3</sup>The Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF), is the overall cost shown as a percentage of the value of the assets of the fund. It is made up of the Annual Management Charge (AMC) of 0.20% and other charges. It does not include any initial charges or the cost of buying and selling stocks for the fund. The Ongoing Charges figure can help you compare the annual operating expenses of different funds.

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