

# abrdn Sterling Short Term Government Bond Fund

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## Objective

To generate income and some growth over the medium to long term (3 to 5 years) by investing in UK Government bonds with a maturity of up to five years.

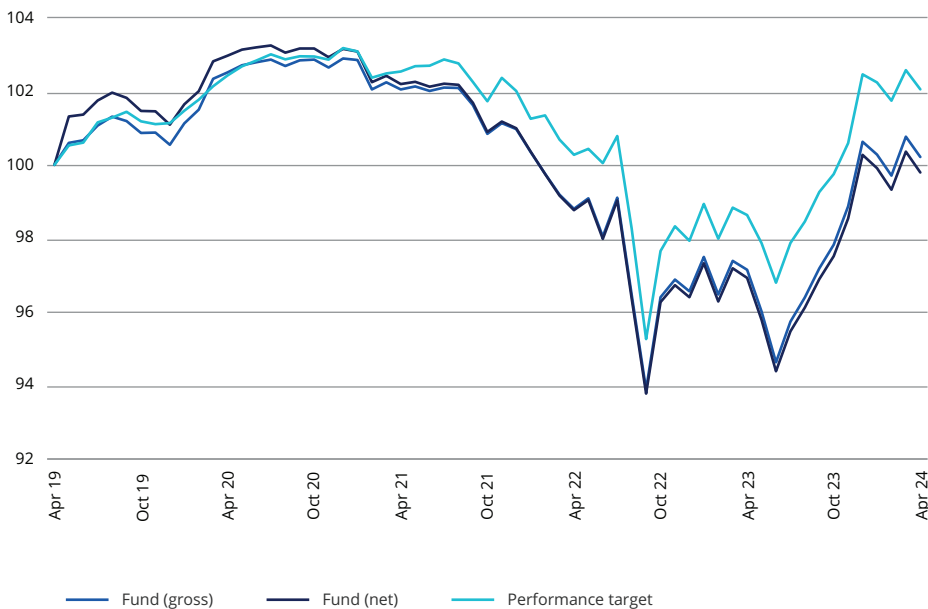
**Performance Target:** To achieve the return of the FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts (1-5 Years) Index plus 0.5% per annum (before charges). There is no certainty or promise that the Performance Target will be achieved.

The FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts (1-5 Years) Index (the "Index") is a representative index of the market for UK Government bonds with a maturity of up to 5 years.

## Portfolio securities

- The fund invests at least 80% in government bonds (which are like loans to governments that pay interest) issued or guaranteed by the UK Government with a maturity of up to 5 years.
- The fund may also invest in other bonds (including those issued by government-related bodies and corporations) of any maturity, 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) (%)	-0.55	2.45	-0.41	3.20	-0.59	0.05
Fund (net) (%)	-0.57	2.34	-0.48	2.99	-0.79	-0.04
Performance target (%)	-0.51	2.32	-0.40	3.47	-0.16	0.41

## Discrete annual returns - year to 30/4

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund (gross) (%)	3.20	-1.69	-3.18	-0.44	2.53
Fund (net) (%)	2.99	-1.88	-3.38	-0.74	2.98
Performance target (%)	3.47	-1.64	-2.21	0.10	2.44

Performance Data: Share Class I Acc.

Benchmark history: Performance target – FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts up to 5 Years +0.50%

Source: Lipper. 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.

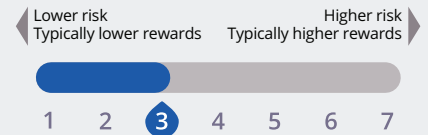
**Past performance is not a guide to future returns and future returns are not guaranteed.**



## Key facts

Fund manager(s)	Liam O'Donnell
Fund managers start date	07 November 2018
Fund launch date	19 June 2015
Share class launch date	19 June 2015
Authorised corporate director (ACD)	abrdn Fund Managers Limited
Fund size	£109.7m
Number of holdings	18
Performance target	FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts up to 5 Years +0.50%
Yield to maturity exc derivatives <sup>1</sup>	5.00%
Distribution frequency	Quarterly
Entry charge (up to) <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Annual management charge	0.20%
Ongoing charge figure <sup>3</sup>	0.25%
Minimum initial investment	GBP 1,000,000
Fund type	OEIC
Valuation point	12:00 (UK time)
Base currency	GBP
Sedol	BWK25K4
ISIN	GB00BWK25K43
Bloomberg	ABSSTIA LN
Citicode	MDXL
Reuters	LP68318728
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 is not expected to deviate significantly from that of the Index over the long term.

## Top Ten Holdings

UK (Govt of) 3.5% 2025	23.5
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United Kingdom 4.5% 2028	14.2
UK (Govt of) 0.25% 2025	12.9
UK (Govt of) 0.5% 2029	7.3
CPPIB Capital 6% 2025	4.8
Intl BK Recon & Develop 3.875% 2028	3.4
Asian Infrastructure Inv 4% 2027	3.1
UK (Govt of) 1.625% 2054	1.7
UK (Govt of) 2.75% 2024	1.1
<b>Assets in top ten holdings</b>	<b>94.2</b>

## Currency (%)

GBP	100.0
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## Credit rating (%)

AAA	13.4
AA	86.5
N/R	0.1

## Composition by asset (%)

Government	82.9
Quasi Sovereign	9.9
Supranational	6.5
Financials	0.6
Cash	0.2

Source : abrdn 30/04/2024

Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

(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 <sup>^</sup>	0.12
Benchmark Volatility (SD) <sup>^</sup>	3.56
Beta <sup>^</sup>	1.05
Fund Volatility (SD) <sup>^</sup>	3.78
Information Ratio <sup>^</sup>	0.14
R-Squared <sup>^</sup>	0.97
Sharpe Ratio <sup>^</sup>	-0.75
Tracking Error <sup>^</sup>	0.62
Effective duration (years)	2.35

Source : abrdn. <sup>^</sup> Three year annualised.

## Derivative usage

- The fund will make routine use of derivatives to reduce risk, to 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 30/04/2024 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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