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# Short Duration Government Income Fund (A)

Diversified exposure to high-quality U.S. government securities—with limited interest-rate risk.



**EALDX** 

Symbol

NAV as of Apr 24, 2024





Commentary Mar 31, 2024

## The Fund

This investment offering primarily provides broad exposure to a portfolio of securities issued, backed or otherwise guaranteed by the U.S. Government, or its agencies or instrumentalities. The Fund seeks to provide a core fixed income solution for investor portfolios. As a low duration strategy, the Fund offers limited interest-rate risk, as its dollar-weighted average duration will not exceed three years.

## The Approach

The Fund's strategy draws upon Eaton Vance's decades of experience actively managing high-quality government bond portfolios. The investment team applies a time-tested process centered upon a combination of fundamental research and relative value trading. The Fund primarily invests in U.S. government agency mortgage-backed securities as well as U.S. government-issued Treasury bills and bonds.

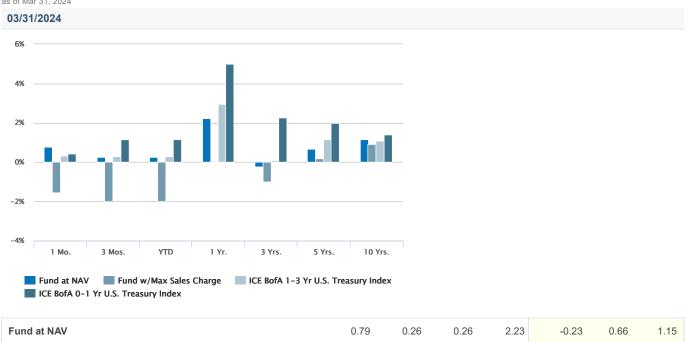
#### The Features

Designed for income investors wishing to mitigate portfolio risk through a high-quality allocation, the Fund may be complementary to many lower-quality segments of the fixed-income markets. The Fund may serve as a core holding for building diversified income portfolios. Managed by Eaton Vance, a government bond investing leader.

#### Overview

## Historical Returns (%)

as of Mar 31, 2024



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Fund w/Max Sales Charge	-1.53	-2.01	-2.01	-0.03	-0.99	0.20	0.91
ICE BofA 1-3 Yr U.S. Treasury Index <sup>1</sup>	0.32	0.30	0.30	2.97	0.08	1.16	1.07
ICE BofA 0-1 Yr U.S. Treasury Index <sup>2</sup>	0.43	1.15	1.15	5.01	2.27	1.97	1.41

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## **Fund Facts**

as of Mar 31, 2024	
Class A Inception	09/30/2002
Investment Objective	Total return
Total Net Assets	\$2.6B
Minimum Investment	\$1000
Expense Ratio <sup>3</sup>	1.02%
Adjusted Expense Ratio	0.82%
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Adjusted Expense Ratios excludes certain investment expenses such as interest expense from borrowings and repurchase agreements and dividend expense from short sales, incurred directly by the Fund or indirectly through the Fund's investment in underlying Eaton Vance Funds, if applicable none of which are paid to Eaton Vance.

## Morningstar Rating™

as of Mar 31, 2024

Time Period	Rating	Funds in Short Government Category
Overall	***	89
3 Years	***	89
5 Years	***	84

The Morningstar Rating™ for funds, or "star rating", is calculated for managed products (including mutual funds and exchange-traded funds) with at least a three-year history. Exchange-traded funds and open-ended mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star.

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**10 Years** ★★★ 75

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## Portfolio Management

Andrew Szczurowski, CFA

Managed Fund since 2014

Alex Payne, CFA

Managed Fund since 2020

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## RISK CONSIDERATIONS

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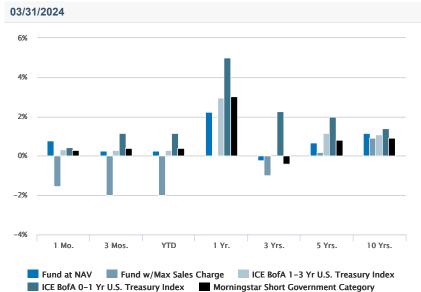
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## Performance

## Historical Returns (%)

as of Mar 31, 2024



Fund at NAV	0.79	0.26	0.26	2.23	-0.23	0.66	1.15
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ICE BofA 1-3 Yr U.S. Treasury Index 1	0.32	0.30	0.30	2.97	0.08	1.16	1.07
ICE BofA 0-1 Yr U.S. Treasury Index <sup>2</sup>	0.43	1.15	1.15	5.01	2.27	1.97	1.41
Morningstar Short Government Category <sup>4</sup>	0.30	0.40	0.40	3.02	-0.40	0.80	0.90

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## Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fund at NAV	2.47	1.15	1.21	1.56	2.00	1.72	2.53	-0.51	-3.28	3.33
ICE BofA 1-3 Yr U.S. Treasury Index <sup>1</sup>	0.62	0.54	0.89	0.42	1.58	3.55	3.10	-0.55	-3.65	4.26
ICE BofA 0-1 Yr U.S. Treasury Index <sup>2</sup>	0.11	0.16	0.61	0.83	1.92	2.57	1.12	0.06	0.68	5.05

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Expense Ratio <sup>3</sup>	1.02%
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Distribution Frequency	Monthly
Distribution Frequency	

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## Yield Information<sup>5</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

Distribution Rate at NAV	6.04%
SEC 30-day Yield <sup>5</sup>	5.98%

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# **NAV** History

Date	NAV	NAV Change
Apr 24, 2024	\$7.12	-\$0.01
Apr 23, 2024	\$7.13	\$0.01
Apr 22, 2024	\$7.12	\$0.00
Apr 19, 2024	\$7.12	\$0.01
Apr 18, 2024	\$7.11	-\$0.03
Apr 17, 2024	\$7.14	\$0.03
Apr 16, 2024	\$7.11	-\$0.02
Apr 15, 2024	\$7.13	-\$0.03
Apr 12, 2024	\$7.16	\$0.01

Date	NAV	NAV Change
Apr 11, 2024	\$7.15	\$0.02

# Distribution History<sup>6</sup>

Ex-Date	Distribution	Reinvest NAV
Mar 28, 2024	\$0.03704	\$7.24
Feb 29, 2024	\$0.03465	\$7.22
Jan 31, 2024	\$0.03704	\$7.33
Dec 29, 2023	\$0.05971	\$7.33
Nov 30, 2023	\$0.03551	\$7.31
Oct 31, 2023	\$0.03559	\$7.17
Sep 29, 2023	\$0.03296	\$7.25
Aug 31, 2023	\$0.03229	\$7.38
Jul 31, 2023	\$0.03230	\$7.39
Jun 30, 2023	\$0.03126	\$7.39
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# Capital Gain History<sup>6</sup>

**Ex-Date** Short-Term Long-Term Reinvest NAV

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## Portfolio

# Asset Mix (%)<sup>7</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024 03/31/2024

# Ginnie Mae Agency MBS Fannie Mae Agency MBS Freddie Mac Agency MBS Other Government

Ginnie Mae Agency MBS	59.20
Fannie Mae Agency MBS	24.24
Freddie Mac Agency MBS	12.96
Other Government	3.60
Total	100.00

## Portfolio Statistics

as of Mar 31, 2024

Number of Holdings	704
Average Coupon	4.89%
Average Duration	2.60 yrs.
Weighted Average Price 8	\$92.77
Weighted Average Price (Floating Rate) <sup>8</sup>	\$99.60
Weighted Average Price (Fixed Rate) <sup>8</sup>	\$91.75

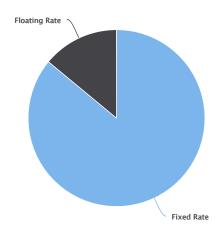
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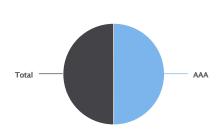
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# Credit Quality (%)<sup>7</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

03/31/2024





Fixed Rate	86.0
Floating Rate	14.0

AAA	100.00
Total	100.00

Ratings are based on Moody's, S&P or Fitch, as applicable. If securities are rated differently by the ratings agencies, the highest rating is applied. Ratings, which are subject to change, apply to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the underlying securities and not to the Fund or its shares. Credit ratings measure the quality of a bond based on the issuer's creditworthiness, with ratings ranging from AAA, being the highest, to D, being the lowest based on S&P's measures. Ratings of BBB or higher by S&P or Fitch (Baa or higher by Moody's) are considered to be investment-grade quality. Credit ratings are based largely on the ratings agency's analysis at the time of rating. The rating assigned to any particular security is not necessarily a reflection of the issuer's current financial condition and does not necessarily reflect its assessment of the volatility of a security's market value or of the liquidity of an investment in the security. Holdings designated as "Not Rated" are not rated by the national ratings agencies stated above.

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- 7. Percent of bond holdings.
- 8. Reflects weighted average price of investments that receive both principal and interest payments.

## Management



Andrew Szczurowski, CFA
Managing Director, Co-Head of Mortgage
& Securitized
Joined Eaton Vance 2007

#### **Biography**

Andrew Szczurowski is Co-Head of the Mortgage and Securitized investment team and a portfolio manager on Mortgage and Securitized investment team. He joined Eaton Vance in 2007. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021. Previously at Eaton Vance, he was a portfolio manager on Eaton Vance's Global Income team, responsible for buy and sell decisions, portfolio construction, and risk management for the firm's mortgage-backed strategies.

Andrew began his career in the investment industry in 2005. Before joining Eaton Vance, he was affiliated with BNY Mellon. Andrew earned a B.S., cum laude, from the Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics at the University of New Hampshire. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation and is a member of the CFA Society Boston.

#### Education

• B.S. University of New Hampshire

#### Experience

Managed Fund since 2014

#### Other funds managed

- Government Opportunities Fund
- Strategic Income Fund (formerly Short Duration Strategic Income Fund)



Alex Payne, CFA
Managing Director, Portfolio Manager
Joined Eaton Vance 2015

#### Biography

Alexander Payne is a portfolio manager on the Mortgage and Securitized investment team He is responsible for buy and sell decisions, portfolio construction, and risk management. He joined Eaton Vance in 2015. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021.

Alex began his career in the investment industry in 2007. Before joining Eaton Vance, he was a mortgage trader at Goldman Sachs. Alex earned a B.A. in government from Dartmouth College and holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

#### Education

• B.A. Dartmouth College

#### Experience

• Managed Fund since 2020

#### Other funds managed

• Government Opportunities Fund

#### Literature

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