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Inception date: 1 October 2004
Class: A

Fund description

The Fund invests in South African interest bearing securities. Securities include national government, parastatal, municipal, corporate bonds and money market instruments. The Fund price is sensitive to interest rate movements because of the long-term nature of the Fund's investments. The duration of the Fund may differ materially from the benchmark. The Fund is managed to comply with investment limits governing retirement funds.

ASISA unit trust category: Domestic - Fixed Interest - Bond

Fund objective and benchmark

The Fund aims to provide investors with a real return over the long-term and outperform the All Bond Index at no greater risk.

How we aim to achieve the Fund's objective

We formulate a view of the long-term inflation rate. This forecast together with an estimate of a reasonable real return requirement for bond investors is used to determine a fair value for the various bonds in the South African market. The assets in the fund are then optimised to give investors the highest returns based on the managers' fair value estimates.

Suitable for those investors who

- Seek a bond 'building block' for a diversified multi-asset class portfolio
- Are looking for returns in excess of those provided by money market or cash investments
- Are prepared to accept more risk of capital depreciation than in a money market or cash investment

Minimum investment amounts

Minimum lump sum per investor account: R20 000
 Additional lump sum: R500
 Minimum debit order*: R500

*Only available to South African residents.

Annual management fee

The annual management fee rate is dependent on the return of the Fund relative to its benchmark, the BEASSA Total Return All Bond Index (adjusted for fund expenses and cash flows) over a rolling one-year period. The fee hurdle (above which a fee greater than the minimum fee of 0.25% is charged) is performance equal to the benchmark. The manager's sharing rate is 25% of the outperformance of the benchmark over a rolling one-year period with a maximum fee of 0.75% (excl. VAT) per annum.

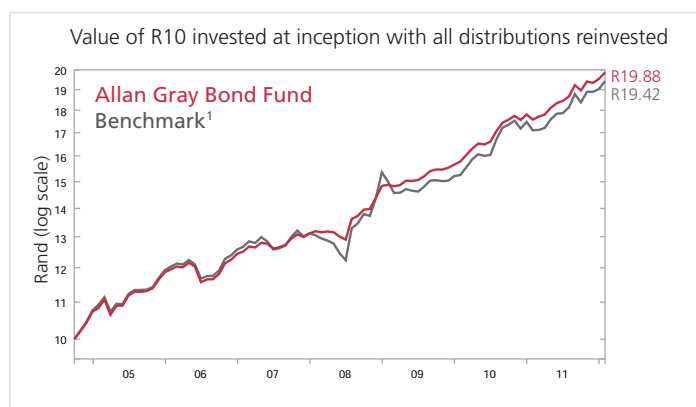
Fund information on 31 January 2012

Fund size: R473m
Fund price: R11.11
Number of holdings: 43
Fund duration (years): 4.51
Gross yield (before fees): 7.50%

Income distributions for the last 12 months

Actual payout, the Fund distributes quarterly	31 Mar 2011	30 Jun 2011	30 Sept 2011	31 Dec 2011
Cents per unit	20.9568	21.1033	20.0630	19.1141

Performance net of all fees and expenses



% Returns	Fund	Benchmark ¹	CPI inflation ²
<i>Unannualised:</i>			
Since inception	98.8	94.2	53.7
<i>Annualised:</i>			
Since inception	9.8	9.5	6.1
Latest 5 years	9.7	8.9	6.9
Latest 3 years	10.1	9.0	5.3
Latest 2 years	12.2	12.8	4.8
Latest 1 year	12.9	13.5	6.1
Year-to-date (unannualised)	1.7	2.1	-
Risk measures (since inception)			
Maximum drawdown ³	-5.8	-8.4	n/a
Percentage positive months ⁴	76.1	71.6	n/a
Annualised monthly volatility ⁵	4.7	6.8	n/a

1. All Bond Index (Source: I-Net Bridge), performance as calculated by Allan Gray as at 31 January 2012.
2. This is based on the latest numbers published by I-Net Bridge as at 31 December 2011.
3. Maximum percentage decline over any period. The maximum drawdown occurred from 25 April 2006 to 26 June 2006 and maximum benchmark drawdown occurred from 15 January 2008 to 1 July 2008. Drawdown is calculated on the total return of the Fund/benchmark (i.e. including income).
4. The percentage of calendar months in which the Fund produced a positive monthly return since inception.
5. The standard deviation of the Fund's monthly return. This is a measure of how much an investment's return varies from its average over time.

Total expense ratio (TER)

The TER for the year ending 31 December 2011 is 0.59% and included in this is a performance fee of 0.27% and trading costs of 0%. The annual management fee rate for the three months ending 31 January 2012 was 0.62% (annualised). These figures are inclusive of VAT, where applicable. Fund returns are quoted after deduction of costs incurred within the Fund so the TER should not be deducted from Fund returns (refer to page 2 for further information).

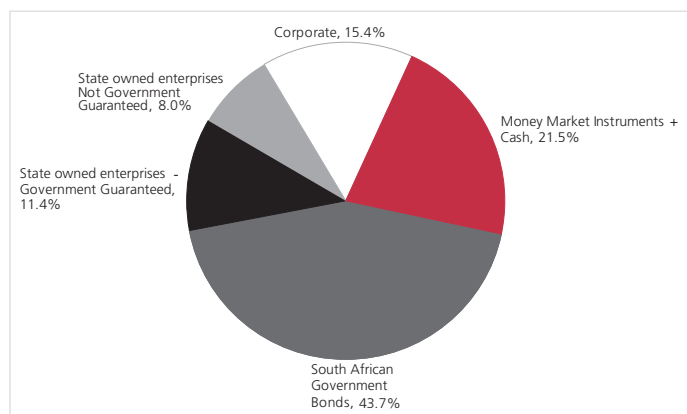
Fund manager quarterly commentary as at 31 December 2011

The Euro crisis has created a very uncertain investment climate. During the last quarter of 2011 bond markets were very volatile. While there were no net foreign purchases of South African bonds over the quarter, there have been significant daily flows in and out of our market. In a world of zero interest rates SA bonds look attractive, but the impact of domestic political issues is becoming increasingly important.

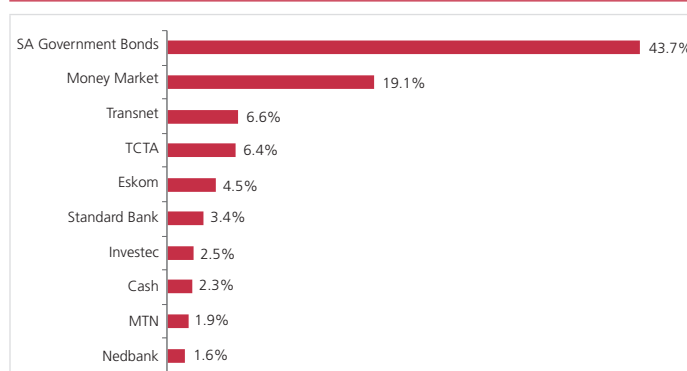
Inflation has broken through the 6% upper band of the Reserve Bank's target. A weaker currency has stoked inflationary pressures. Political tensions in the ANC, market-unfriendly policies and declining commodity prices promote rand weakness. South Africa is experiencing stagflation, a weak economy with rising prices. The Reserve Bank is hesitant to raise rates while business conditions are poor. It is likely the short rates will remain fixed at current levels for some time to come.

The slope of the yield curve reflects this situation. At the end of 2011 30-year SA government bonds were at about 9% and call money was at 5.5%. Investors are now compensated for taking the risk of owning longer dated bonds. Accordingly, while the Fund's duration remains below its ALBI benchmark, it does include a significant number of higher yielding longer dated bonds.

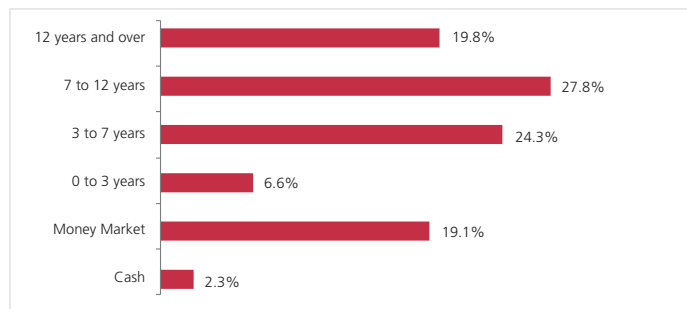
Fund allocation on 31 January 2012



Top 10 credit exposure on 31 January 2012



Maturity profile on 31 January 2012



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Compliance with Regulation 28

The Fund is managed to comply with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act. Exposures in excess of the limits will be corrected immediately, except where due to a change in the fair value or characteristic of an asset, e.g market value fluctuations, in which case they will be corrected within a reasonable time period. Allan Gray Unit Trust Management (RF) Proprietary Limited does not monitor compliance by retirement funds with section 19(4) of the Pension Funds Act (item 6 of Table 1 to Regulation 28).

Unit price

Unit trust prices are calculated on a net asset value basis, which is the total market value of all assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions from the portfolio divided by the number of units in issue. Forward pricing is used and Fund valuations take place at approximately 16:00 each business day. Purchase and redemption requests must be received by the manager by 14:00 each business day to receive that day's price.

Fees

A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available on request from the manager. Commission and incentives may be paid and if so, would be included in the overall costs.

TER

*TERs are shown for class A units only

The Total Expense Ratio (TER) is the percentage of the fund's average assets under management that has been used to pay the fund's operating expenses over the past year. The TER includes the annual management fees that have been charged (both the fee at benchmark and any performance component charged), trading costs (including brokerage, STT, STRATE and insider trading levy), VAT and other expenses. Since unit trust expenses vary, the current TER cannot be used as an indication of future TERs. All Allan Gray performance figures are quoted after the deduction of costs incurred within the Fund so the TER is not a new cost. A higher TER ratio does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. Instead, when investing, the investment objective of the Fund should be aligned with the investor's objective and compared against the performance of the Fund. TERs should then be used to evaluate whether the Fund performance offers value for money.

Performance

Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (unit trusts) are generally medium- to long-term investments. The value of units may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily a guide to the future. Performance figures are from Allan Gray Proprietary Limited and are for lump sum investments with income distributions reinvested.