



Royal London

Short Term Money Market Fund

Factsheet 31 March 2024



Investment objective

The Fund's investment objective is to preserve capital and provide an income over rolling 12-month periods by investing at least 80% in cash and cash equivalents. The Fund's performance target is to outperform, after the deduction of charges, the Bank of England Sterling Overnight Interbank Average (SONIA) over rolling 12-month periods. This is the average overnight interest rate UK banks pay for unsecured transactions in sterling and is considered an appropriate benchmark for the Fund's performance. In addition to the benchmark for the Fund's performance as noted above, the IA Short Term Money Market sector is considered an appropriate benchmark for performance comparison.

Asset allocation

	Min	Max	Notes
Money market instruments	25%	100%	Includes certificates of deposit, time deposits, corporates and treasury bills (<397 days)
Covered bonds floating and fixed	0%	30%	Covered bonds issued by banks and building societies (<397 days)
Corporate bonds floating and fixed	0%	20%	Bonds issued by financial and non-financial corporates with a minimum credit rating of AA- (<397 days)
Gilts / supranational	0%	75%	UK government and supranational issuers with a

Asset allocation profile Credit rating profile Cash & cash instruments & forward settlement 77.5 % AAA 3.2 % A+ 34.0 % Treasury bills & short dated gilts 19.3 % AA+ 0.0 % A 10.5 % Covered bonds 3.2 % AA 2.1 % A- 3.3 % ■ Corporate bonds 0.0 % AA- 46.9 % ■ Supranationals & agencies 0.0 % **Fund performance Cumulative performance** RL Short Term Money Market Fund (Y Inc) RL Short Term Money Market Fund (Y Inc) SONIA SONIA 6.0% 6.0% 3.0% 2.0% 1.0%

Monthly performance

	Mar-24	Feb-24	Jan-24
RL Short Term Money Market Fund – Y Inc	0.41%	0.43%	0.48%
SONIA	0.43%	0.40%	0.43%

Distribution history (Net)

	29/12/2023	30/06/2023
RL Short Term Money Market Fund – Y Inc	2.5163p	1.7214p

Table above shows figures as at payment date.

All performance, volatility and yield figures are based on Y Inc share class, gross of fees and tax. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. The impact of fees or other charges including tax, where applicable, can be material on the performance of your investment. Portfolio Characteristics and holdings are subject to change without notice. This does not constitute investment advice. For information purposes only.

Source: RLAM as at 31 March 2024.

The Fund is rated by an external rating agency(ies). Such rating is solicited and financed by RLAM.



Fund managers



Craig Inches has 25 years of industry experience and is responsible for the management and oversight of RLAM's short rate strategies, and jointly manages the government bond strategies.



Tony Cole has 21 years of industry experience and is responsible for co-managing the Royal London Short Term Money Market Fund, the Royal London Short Term Fixed Income Fund and a range of segregated portfolios.

Fund facts

Inception date	22 July 1999*
Assets under management	£6,718 million
Fund management fee	0.10%
Available share classes	Accumulation / Income
Settlement	Trade date + 2 days
Minimum lump sum investment	£1 million (initial)
Weighted average maturity	49.2 days
Weighted average life	70.3 days
Number of issuers	40
Yield to maturity	5.21%
BoE base rate	5.25%
Fund Structure	OEIC
Domicile	GBR
ISA Eligible	Eligible
Benchmark	SONIA
Sector	IA Short Term Money Market
Currency	GBP
SEDOL (Y Inc)	B3P2RZ5

* The fund was initially launched as a unit trust but was converted to an open-ended investment company (OEIC) with effect on 30 April 2010.

Financial exclusions*

× Armaments

Manufacture of armaments, nuclear weapons or associated strategic products

X Tobacco

Growing, processing or sale of tobacco products

X Fossil fuels

The exploration, extraction and refining of oil, gas or coal

* For companies that generate over 10% of their turnover from either one or a combination of the three categories.

Monthly commentary

The Bank of England Monetary Policy Committee left interest rates unchanged in March – to little surprise. However, the split of voting at the MPC did take the market by surprise, moving from a 1-6-2 split in February to an 8-1 split – meaning that two members previously voting for another rate hike were happy to leave rates unchanged. As a result, market pricing of the first rate cut moved from August to June.

With interest rates unchanged, SONIA remained at 5.19% over the month. However, with expectations of UK rate cuts brought forward, yields on two-year gilts, often seen as a proxy for market expectations of BoE rates, fell from 4.59% to 4.19%, virtually back to where these started the year.

Activity was generally in overnight deposits, treasury bills and repo. Other activity remained focused on adding to CDs from selected banks where we like the ESG and governance profiles, generally taking advantage of the attractive yields available in the three-month area, including the likes of First Abu Dhabi, BNP and Nordea.

*Based on Y Inc share class, gross of fees and tax





Top 10 holdings

Holding	Asset Type	Weight
Nationwide Building Society	Deposit	3.7%
Societe Generale	FRN	3.4%
DNB Bank ASA	Certificate of Deposit	3.0%
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (GOVERNMENT)	Treasury Bills	3.0%
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Goldman Sachs	Zero Coupon CD	2.9%
ING Bank	Certificate of Deposit	2.3%
Credit Industriel et Commercial	CP	2.2%
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (GOVERNMENT)	Treasury Bills	2.2%

Top 10 issuers

Issue	Weight
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (GOVERNMENT)	19.3%
Oversea Chinese Banking Corp	4.5%
National Australia Bank	4.4%
Nationwide Building Society	3.7%
KBC Bank	3.6%
Credit Agricole CIB	3.5%
Goldman Sachs	3.4%
Societe Generale	3.4%
Bank of Montreal	3.3%
Nordea Bank AB	3.1%

Fund risks

Investment risk: The value of investments and any income from them may go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount invested.

Credit risk: Should the issuer of a fixed income security become unable to make income or capital payments, or their rating is downgraded, the value of that investment will fall. Fixed income securities that have a lower credit rating can pay a higher level of income and have an increased risk of default.

EPM techniques: The fund may engage in EPM techniques including holdings of derivative instruments. Whilst intended to reduce risk, the use of these instruments may expose the fund to increased price volatility.

Interest rate risk: Fixed interest securities are particularly affected by trends in interest rates and inflation. If interest rates go up, the value of capital may fall, and vice versa. Inflation will also decrease the real value of capital.

Counterparty risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the fund to financial loss.

Inflation risk: Where the income yield is lower than the rate of inflation, the real value of your investment will reduce over time.

Money market fund risks: A money market fund is not a guaranteed investment, and is different from an investment in deposits. The principal invested in the fund is capable of fluctuation and the risk of loss of the principal is to be borne by the investor. The fund does not rely on external support for guaranteeing the liquidity of the fund or stabilising the NAV per share. The Fund has been authorised as a Variable Net Asset Value (VNAV) MMF and is a short term money market fund in accordance with MMF Regulation. The NAV is calculated using mark to market prices where possible otherwise mark to model prices are used. The redemption or issue of Shares will be undertaken at a price that is equal to the Net Asset Value per Share.

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Weighted Average Maturity = average length of time to maturity of all underlying securities in the fund weighted to reflect the relative holdings in each instrument, assuming that the maturity of a floating rate instrument is the time remaining until the next interest rate reset to the money market rate, rather than the time remaining before the principal value of the security must be repaid.

Weighted Average Life = the weighted average of the remaining life (maturity) of each security held in a fund, meaning the time until the principal is repaid in full. For professional clients only, not suitable for retail clients.

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