

The Public Sector Deposit Fund

Fund fact sheet – 31 March 2024

Investment objective

To maximise the current income consistent with the preservation of principal and liquidity.

Investment policy

The fund will be invested in a diversified portfolio of high-quality sterling denominated deposits and instruments. All investments at the time of purchase will have the highest short-term credit rating or an equivalent strong long-term rating. The fund is actively managed, which means the authorised corporate director uses their discretion to pick investments, in pursuit of the investment objective.

The weighted average maturity of the investments will not exceed 60 days. The fund will not invest in derivatives or other collective investment schemes.

Target investors

The fund is designed for investors who are looking for capital security and a competitive yield for their short-term investments.

Who can invest?

Any public sector organisation can invest in the fund, but it may be marketed to any retail or professional client. Share class 4 is reserved for public sector organisation investment only.

Responsible investment policy

The fund is managed in accordance with CCLA's values-based screening policy which can be found in the policies and reports section on our website.

We monitor our counterparties' environmental, social and governance risk management on a regular basis and take action if necessary. This process is based on the work of our in-house Sustainability team and their data providers. Additional information is available on request.

Key risks

Investors should consider the following risk factors before investing: issuer/credit risk (issuer/financial institution may not pay), market risk (investment value affected by market conditions), operational risk (general business operational risks), maturity profile (timings of investment maturity), liquidity risk (investment in non-readily realisable assets), concentration risk (need for diversification and suitability of investment) and interest rate risk (changes to interest rate affecting income). Please see the fund prospectus for more details.

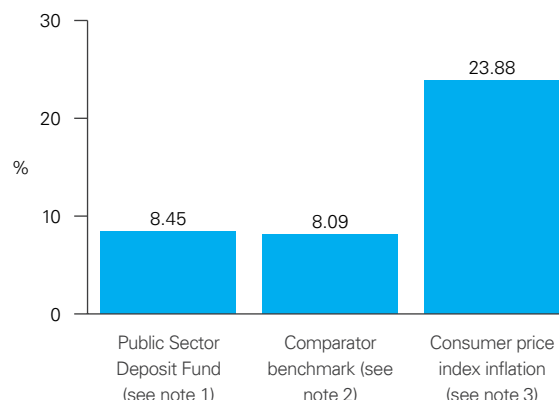
Top 10 counterparty exposures (%)

9.78%	Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg
9.78%	Yorkshire Building Society
6.90%	DBS Bank Limited
4.60%	BNP Paribas
4.60%	Landesbank Hessen-Thüringen Girozentrale
4.60%	MUFG Bank
4.60%	Nordea Bank AB
4.60%	Royal Bank of Canada
4.60%	SMBC Bank International plc
4.60%	Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank

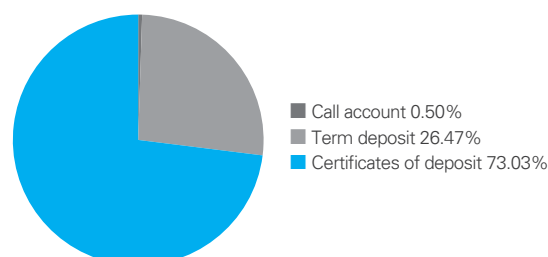
Share class 4 yield as at 31 March 2024

5.26%

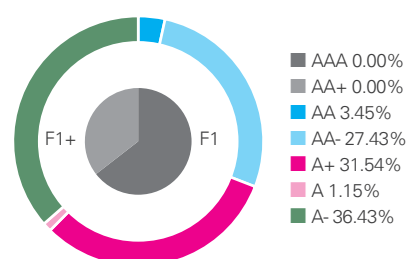
5 years performance



Asset type (%)



Credit rating (%) see note 4



Top 10 country exposures (%)

19.87%	UK
16.69%	Japan
15.54%	Germany
11.69%	France
11.51%	Singapore
9.21%	Canada
4.60%	Finland
3.68%	Denmark
3.45%	Sweden
1.27%	Netherlands

Note 1: Source: CCLA - Performance shown after management fees and other expenses, with the income reinvested. The daily yield on the fund will fluctuate, and past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Note 2: From 1 January 2021, the comparator benchmark is the Sterling Overnight Index Average. Before 1 January 2021, the comparator benchmark was the 7-Day Sterling London Interbank Bid Rate. Note 3: consumer price index inflation is lagged one month. Note 4: Using Fitch Ratings methodology.

Income

Average yield over the month	5.23%
Yield at the month-end shown	5.26%

Total return performance by year

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
12 months to 31 March					
The Public Sector Deposit Fund	+0.72%	+0.15%	+0.11%	+2.17%	+5.11%
Comparator benchmark	+0.52%	-0.04%	+0.14%	+2.25%	+5.05%
Relative (difference)	+0.20%	+0.19%	-0.03%	-0.08%	+0.06%

Annualised total return performance

	1 year	3 years	5 years
Performance to 31 March			
The Public Sector Deposit Fund	+5.11%	+2.44%	+1.64%
Comparator benchmark	+5.05%	+2.46%	+1.57%
Relative (difference)	+0.06%	-0.02%	+0.07%

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Market update

In the UK consumer price inflation (CPI) fell significantly to an annual rate of 3.4% in February from 4.0% the previous month, according to the latest figures. A sharp reduction in the rate of food price inflation was a key driver of the decline in the headline rate; though core CPI, which strips out the especially volatile elements of the headline figure including food and energy prices, also fell, from 5.1% to 4.6%. Other UK data confirmed that the economy had contracted slightly in each of the final two quarters of 2023, representing a technical recession. However, the latest releases from the Office of National Statistics (ONS) suggested some improvement in activity levels. Real (after inflation) household income was reported to have risen slightly in the final quarter of last year; while economic growth in the month of January 2024 had returned to positive territory, at 0.2%. A key leading indicator, the S&P Global purchasing managers' index (PMI), also pointed to modestly positive momentum overall over the first quarter of the year. The services sector has for some time shown greater resilience than the manufacturing sector.

The UK appeared to have trailed its global peers in terms of growth. The Office for National Statistics (ONS) presented its first estimate of economic activity in the final quarter of 2023, finding that there had been a contraction of 0.3%. Following on from a decrease of 0.1% in the previous quarter, this represented a technical recession. For the full year, the economy was believed to have moved largely sideways with a GDP increase of 0.1%.

Key facts

Authorised corporate director	CCLA Investment Management Limited
Fund size	£869m
Fitch money-market fund rating	AAAmf
Weighted average maturity	51.59 days
Launch date	May 2011
Dealing day	Each business day (see note 5)
Withdrawals	On demand
Fund domicile	United Kingdom
ISIN (share class 4)	GB00B3LDFH01
Interest payment frequency	Monthly
Ongoing charges figure	0.08% (see note 6)

Note 5: Dealing instructions (including cleared funds for purchases) must be received by 11:30am.
Note 6: The ongoing charges figure is based on the annual management charge (including portfolio transaction costs).

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