

# SHORT TERM FIXED INTEREST TRUST

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### **OVERVIEW**

Reference Index	Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index
Inception Date	8 June 1999
Responsible Entity	DFA Australia Limited
APIR	DFA0100AU
Trust Net Assets	\$485.1 Million

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

Within the risk constraints of investing in eligible short-term, high credit quality instruments, the objective of the Trust is to maximise the return of a broadly diversified portfolio of domestic and global fixed interest and money market securities. The Trust is not managed with the objective of achieving a particular return relative to a benchmark index. However, to compare the performance of the Trust with a cash index, reference may be made to the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index. Investors should note that the index is referred to for comparison purposes only. The index is not intended to represent the current or targeted asset allocation of the Trust. The performance of the Trust may differ significantly from the index.

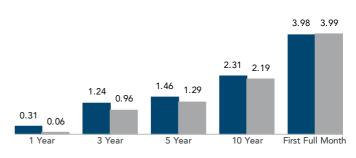
# PRINCIPAL RISKS

All investing is subject to risks, including market fluctuations and possible loss of the principal amount invested. Section 4 of the Product Disclosure Statement contains further information about other relevant risk factors.

CHARACTERISTICS	
Number of Holdings	101
Average Maturity (Years)	0.57
Yield to Maturity	0.24%
Average Duration (Years)	0.56

# **ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%)**

Trust Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index<sup>1</sup>



First Full Month refers to performance since July 1999.

#### CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (%)

	TRUST	REFERENCE INDEX
2020	0.63%	0.37%
2019	1.91%	1.50%
2018	2.04%	1.92%
2017	1.74%	1.75%
2016	2.15%	2.07%
2015	2.31%	2.33%
2014	2.64%	2.69%
2013	2.89%	2.87%
2012	4.02%	3.97%
2011	5.73%	5.00%

Performance shown represents past performance and is not indicative of future performance. Returns for periods shorter than one year are not annualised. Returns are net of fees and costs and assume income is reinvested and are gross of tax. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's units, when redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. The trust is not managed with the objective of achieving a particular return relative to a benchmark index. A reference index has been provided for comparison purposes only and is not intended to represent the current or targeted asset allocation. Trust performance may differ significantly from the reference index.

All figures are measured in Australian dollars unless stated otherwise

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## **CREDIT ALLOCATION 2**

Short Term Rated	
BBB	
A	22.82%
АА	40.10%
ΑΑΑ	37.08%

## MATURITY ALLOCATION

0 - 3 Months	50.67%
3 - 6 Months	6.78%
6 - 9 Months	13.78%
9 - 12 Months	8.73%
1 - 3 Years	20.04%

## TOP COUNTRIES

Australia	22.62%
Canada	18.07%
Supranational	15.93%
Germany	8.54%
United States	8.49%

# FEES AND COSTS

Management Cost	0.190%
Transaction Costs Allowance - entry	0.03%
Transaction Costs Allowance - exit	-0.03%

Management costs comprise management fees, expense recoveries and indirect costs. Section 6 of the Product Disclosure Statement contains further information on fees and costs including a breakdown of management costs into management fees, indirect costs and expense recoveries. The expense recoveries and indirect costs components are calculated based on the relevant costs incurred for the financial year to 30 June 2019.

Where applicable, the Transaction Costs Allowance is paid to the trust and is not a fee paid to Dimensional.

# Holdings are subject to change. Numbers may not total 100% due to rounding.

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## Maturity based on effective date of securities.

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