

28 February 2025

## Life Fund

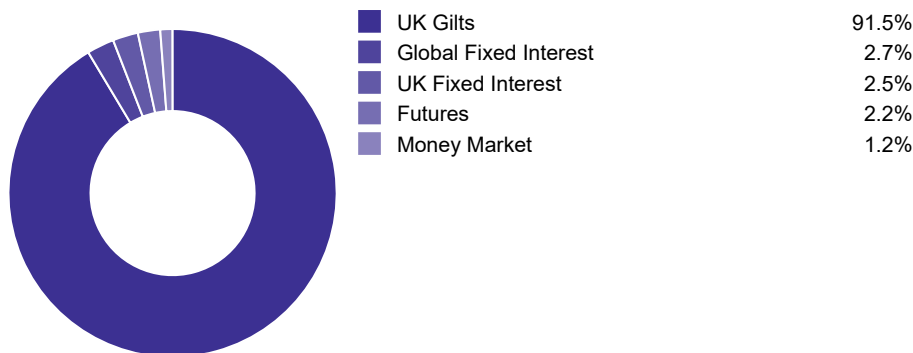
## UK Gilt

### Fund Aim

The fund aims to maximise total returns by investing primarily in interest bearing securities issued by the UK government with flexibility to gain exposure to a minority holding in other fixed interest stocks.

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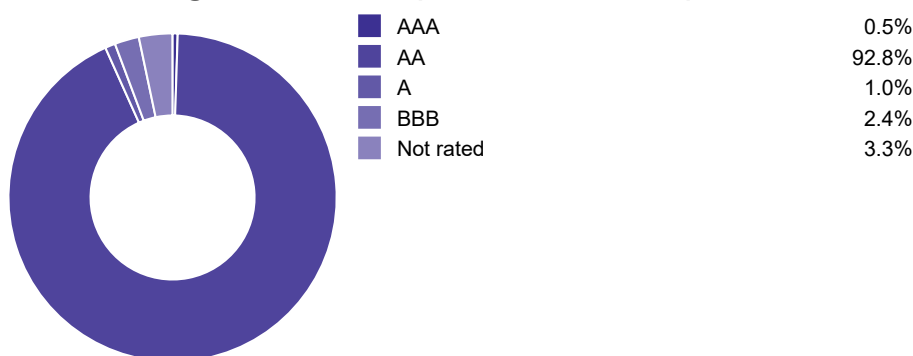
### Asset Allocation (as at 31/12/2024)



### Basic Fund Information

Fund Launch Date	24/11/2008
Fund Size	£1.6m
Sector	ABI UK Gilts
ISIN	GB00B29VBF97
MEX ID	CMUKGT
SEDOL	B29VBF9
Manager Name	Julien Houdain
Manager Since	01/07/2023

### Credit Rating Breakdown (as at 31/12/2024)

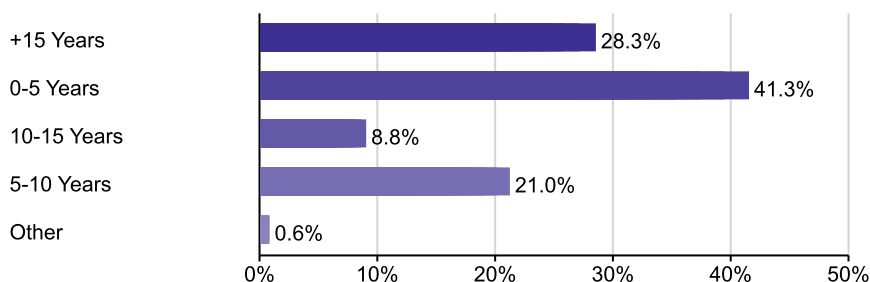


### Top Ten Holdings

(as at 31/12/2024)

UK TREASURY 3.5% 22 OCT 2025	8.3%
UK TREASURY 4.5% 07 JUN 2028	8.0%
UK TREASURY 3.75% 07 MAR 2027	5.7%
UK TREASURY GILT SR REGS 5% 07 MAR 2025	4.5%
UK TREASURY GILT SR REGS 4.75% 07 DEC 2030	4.1%
UK TREASURY 4.625% 31 JAN 2034	2.9%
UK TREASURY GILT SR REGS 4.25% 07 MAR 2036	2.7%
TREASURY 4.25% 07 JUN 2032	2.5%
UK TSY 2029 (REGS) .875% 22 OCT 2029	2.4%
UK TREASURY 4.125% 29 JAN 2027	2.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>43.5%</b>

### Maturity Breakdown (as at 31/12/2024)



The composition of asset mix and asset allocation may change at any time and exclude cash unless otherwise stated

## Past Performance



■ SWIS UK Gilt

■ ABI UK Gilts

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investment value and income from it may fall as well as rise, as a result of market and currency movements. You may not get back the amount originally invested.

## Discrete Performance

	31/12/2023 - 31/12/2024	31/12/2022 - 31/12/2023	31/12/2021 - 31/12/2022	31/12/2020 - 31/12/2021	31/12/2019 - 31/12/2020
UK Gilt	-3.9%	2.4%	-21.2%	-4.6%	6.1%
ABI UK Gilts	-3.8%	2.7%	-21.3%	-5.0%	5.9%

Information is shown as unavailable if prior to the launch of fund.

## Cumulative Performance

	31/01/2025 - 28/02/2025	30/11/2024 - 28/02/2025	29/02/2024 - 28/02/2025	28/02/2022 - 28/02/2025	29/02/2020 - 28/02/2025
UK Gilt	0.5%	-0.8%	0.6%	-17.6%	-23.7%
ABI UK Gilts	0.5%	-0.8%	0.9%	-17.5%	-24.0%
Quartile	2	2	3	3	3

Source: FE fundinfo as at 28/02/2025

Performance figures are in £ Sterling on a single pricing basis, with income (where applicable) reinvested net of UK tax and net of total annual fund charges. These figures do not include any initial charge or other product charge(s) that may be applicable.

## Quarterly Fund Manager Review

The fixed income markets experienced considerable volatility in the last quarter of 2024, primarily driven by geopolitical tensions, central bank decisions, and fluctuating inflation rates. Notably, the period was marked by notable selloffs in major government bond markets, with various factors influencing investor sentiment across the globe. US Treasuries sold off in October amid concerns over potential inflationary policies arising from a possible Republican victory in the presidential election. The 10-year Treasury yield experienced a notable rise, finishing the year at 4.57%, indicating market uncertainty regarding the Fed's future actions amidst rising expectations for inflation if President-elect Trump were to implement all his economic policies. The European Central Bank (ECB) also cut rates over the quarter leaving the base rate at 3% at the end of the period. Political turmoil in France further complicated the landscape, as yields on French bonds briefly surpassed those of Greek bonds for the first time in history, driven by fears of government instability. The 10-year German Bund yield closed the year at 2.37% whilst the euro weakened against the dollar, reflecting the apprehensions in the market. In the UK, the Labour government's first budget at the end of October saw significant reactions in the UK fixed income market. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rachel Reeves, announced a £40 billion tax increase and concerns over projected borrowing were also rising. Consequently, 10-year gilt yields rose, and the pound depreciated against the dollar, reflecting investor anxiety. Meanwhile, the Bank of England cut interest rates to 4.75%, although concerns over elevated inflation and wage growth dampened possibilities for further cuts in the near term. On the credit front, high yield bonds outperformed their investment-grade counterparts, driven by expectations of pro-business policies under a potential Trump administration. US high yield spreads tightened to historical lows due to strong demand. European high yield spreads also tightened over the quarter despite political pressures and economic challenges. (High yield bonds are more speculative compared to their investment grade (IG) counterparts that are the highest quality bonds as determined by a credit rating agency. HY bonds carry a credit rating below IG.)

### Julien Houdain 31/12/2024

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## Fund Rating Information

Overall Morningstar Rating -  
 Morningstar Medalist Rating -  
 FE fundinfo Crown Rating 4.5 of 5

The FE fundinfo Crown Rating relates to this fund. However, the Morningstar ratings are based on the underlying fund. These are supplied by the respective independent ratings agencies and are the latest available at the time this factsheet was issued. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

## Other Information

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