

# the DC funds

Cash – active  
as at 31 March 2018

## fund objective

To protect the absolute value of the investment by investing in deposits and other short-term money market instruments. The fund aims to perform in line with the benchmark.

### fund facts

**Launch date:**  
23 February 2007

**Fund size:**  
£105.68m

**Price per share:**  
189.60p

**Charges:**  
Inv Mgmt Charges: 0.00%  
Additional Charges: 0.00%

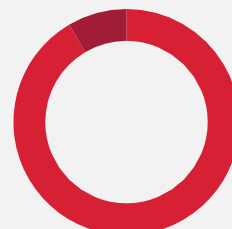
**Current underlying fund(s):**  
Legal & General Cash Fund

### top 10 holdings

	%
1. Lloyds Deposit 0.4 10/04/2018	8.90
2. ANZ Banking Group Ltd	8.90
3. Bank Of China Ltd	8.90
4. United Overseas Bank	8.90
5. GBP Loan	8.45
6. Bank Of Tokyo Mitsubishi UFJ	8.21
7. Bred Banque Populaire Deposit 0.52 17/04/2018	6.85
8. BNP Paribas Capital Markets Deposit 0.46 24/04/2	6.84
9. DZ Bank Deposit 0.44 17/04/2018	6.84
10. National Bank Of Abu Dhabi	6.84
<b>Total</b>	<b>79.63</b>

### asset breakdown

	%
■ Term Deposits	91.55
■ Others	8.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>

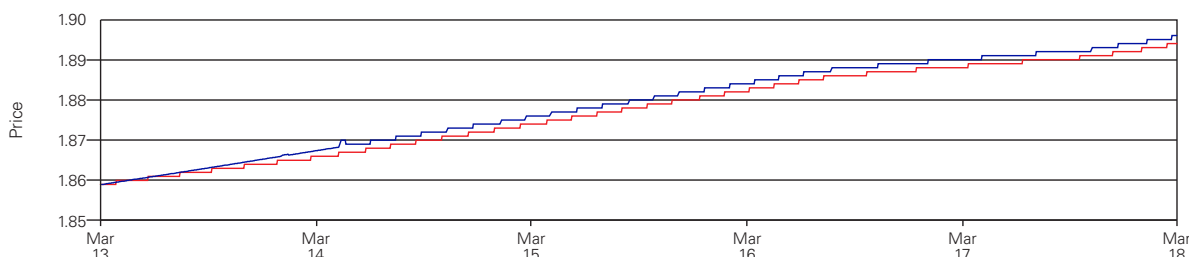


### Benchmark:

7 Day LIBID  
Prior to 22 September 2008 1 Month LIBID

## fund performance

	31 Mar 2017 - 31 Mar 2018 %	31 Mar 2016 - 31 Mar 2017 %	31 Mar 2015 - 31 Mar 2016 %	31 Mar 2014 - 31 Mar 2015 %	31 Mar 2013 - 31 Mar 2014 %
<b>Fund</b>	0.32%	0.32%	0.43%	0.46%	0.46%
<b>Benchmark</b>	0.29%	0.32%	0.46%	0.45%	0.35%
<b>Relative Performance</b>	0.03%	0.00%	-0.03%	0.01%	0.11%



Rolling time period	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 year p.a.	5 year p.a.	Since launch
Fund	0.11%	0.21%	0.32%	0.35%	0.40%	14.99%
Benchmark	0.10%	0.19%	0.29%	0.35%	0.37%	14.69%
Relative Performance	0.01%	0.02%	0.03%	0.00%	0.03%	0.31%

Past performance isn't a guide to future performance. The figures are shown in sterling and have been calculated using actual returns since the introduction of the current DC fund range.

**Source:** Morningstar, FIL Life Insurance Ltd. Single priced (i.e. no bid/offer spread), gross income reinvested and gross of fees. Indicative prices have been used if a portfolio valuation fell on a non-trading day.

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## market commentary

The Bank of England (BoE) kept interest rates on hold in March, but left the way open for a rate hike in May. As a result, yields on long-dated UK government bonds (Gilts) fell to their lowest levels of 2018, while short dated Gilt yields, which are most sensitive to the short-term outlook for interest rates, rose. On the economic front, the UK economy continued to exhibit positive momentum. In February, the services PMI rose to a four-month high due to faster new order growth, while the manufacturing PMI was in positive territory. Employment also surged over the November–January period, while the unemployment rate ticked down and nominal wage growth showed signs of picking up following a prolonged period of depressed readings. The inflation rate declined to 2.7% in February, the lowest figure recorded since July 2017.

## risk rating

Very Low Low Low/Medium Medium Medium/High High Very High

All investments carry a level of risk. You need to decide how much of each type of risk you're prepared to take. The table below gives an overview of some of the risks associated with this fund.

risk type	description of risk	level of risk for this fund
<b>Capital Risk</b>	This is the risk that the value of your investments will fall. The younger you are, the less worried you might be about capital risk, because your investments have time to recover their value before your retire.	Very Low
<b>Inflation Risk</b>	This is the risk that the value of your investments will grow more slowly than prices rise. Inflation can be a problem for pension savings invested in cash funds particularly if the interest you're earning is less than the rate of inflation.	Med High
<b>Pension Conversion Risk</b>	The price of an annuity changes on a regular basis. This means that the amount of income you can secure with the same amount of money will change. Pension conversion risk is the risk that the amount of income you can buy drops before you retire, because your money is invested differently to annuity funds. That's why putting more of your DC pension pot into bonds to try to match annuity prices as you get closer to retirement age can help protect against this risk.	Med

## About the factsheet

It is important to remember that the price of units can go down as well as up. There's no guarantee that you'll get back the amount that goes into your DC pension pot. Changes in rates of currency exchange, particularly where overseas securities are held, could also affect the value of your investment.

All funds are provided through FIL Life Insurance Ltd and may invest in securities issued by or hold deposits with HSBC Holdings plc and associated companies.

The Trustee can change the underlying managers or funds at any time without member consent or prior notification.

**Valuation time:** Business days at 5:00pm (UK time)

**Dealing Process:** The cut off time for switch instructions is 2:00pm each business day.

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### Charges

HSBC pays the investment management charges – not you. However, there may be costs within some of the funds and these will be reflected in the unit price. These nominal costs are variable and are likely to be between nil and 0.2% a year.

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