

FTSD

Franklin Short Duration U.S. Government ETF Analyst Report

The Franklin Liberty Short Duration U.S. Government ETF (FTSD) is an actively managed fund that invests in short-term investment-grade U.S. government bonds. The ETF invests in Treasuries with a remaining maturity of three years or less. The ETF provides minimal credit risk and low interest rate risk. By investing in shorter-term securities, FTSD reduces duration, a measure of bond price sensitivity to interest rate changes. Typically bond prices fall when rates rise. FTSD is reasonably priced for active fund, though there are cheaper index-tracking options available, like the Vanguard Short-Term Treasury ETF (VGSH), the Schwab Short-Term U.S. Treasury ETF (SCHO), and the SPDR Portfolio Short Term Treasury ETF (SPTS)

For those willing to take on more credit risk, ultra-short debt ETFs are another popular option for investors looking for a relatively safe way to eke out more yield than brokerage sweep accounts or long-term Treasuries provide. There are several competitors, such as the JPMorgan Ultra-Short Income ETF (JPST), the iShares Ultra Short-Term Bond ETF (ICSH), and the Goldman Sachs Access Ultra Short Bond ETF (GSST).

ESG Themes and Scores

N/A	N/A	N/A
ESG Rate	Global Percentile	Peer Percentile

Performance Data

	FTSD	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	0.64%	1.39%	0.64%
3 Month	1.15%	0.69%	1.15%
YTD Return	2.14%	-0.11%	2.14%
1 Year Return	5.30%	2.62%	5.30%
3 Year Return	1.06%	-1.46%	1.06%
5 Year Return	1.32%	0.08%	1.32%

Top 5 Holdings

Symbol	Holding	% Assets
Other	United States Treasury Notes 3.125% 15-AUG-2025	11.64%
Other	United States Treasury Notes 4.5% 15-NOV-2025	5.69%
Other	United States Treasury Notes 3.0% 30-JUN-2024	5.40%
Other	FNMA 30yr Pool#MA5139 6.000% 01-Sep-2053 6.0% 01-	5.28%
Other	FNMA 30yr Pool#MA4941 5.500% 01-Mar-2053 5.5% 01-	4.27%

Vitals

Issuer	Franklin Templeton
Brand	Franklin
Structure	ETF
Expense Ratio	0.25%
Inception	Nov 04, 2013
Index Tracked	N/A

ETF Database Themes

Category	Mortgage Backed Securities
Asset Class	Bond
Asset Class Size	N/A
Asset Class Style	N/A
Region (General)	North America
Region (Specific)	U.S.

FactSet Classifications

Segment	Fixed Income: U.S. - Government, Broad-based Investment Grade Short-Term
Category	Government, Broad-based
Focus	Investment Grade
Niche	Short-Term
Strategy	Active
Weighting	Proprietary

