

Sasfin A Money Market Product



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The Money Market Portfolio is a low risk money market fund that aims to deliver returns in excess of the STeFI consistently over time. The portfolio aims to exploit multiple sources of low risk excess returns within the money market and short term credit instrument arena. This portfolio is managed on a multi-manager basis. Each manager appointed to manage a portion of the portfolio has been selected on the basis of rigorous quantitative and qualitative analysis. The underlying managers are monitored and reviewed by Sasfin Asset Consulting on behalf of their clients.

The portfolio complies with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act, 1956 as amended.

The portfolio is offered on a pooled and utilised basis on the Sygnia Life license.

ABOUT SYGNIA

Sygnia is a financial services group specialising in the design and management of customised multi-manager product solutions for institutional clients in South Africa and globally. Sygnia Life is a registered life assurance company within the group.

ABOUT SASFIN

Sasfin is a premier South African banking group, providing business banking, wealth management, capital, specialised services and treasury services. Sasfin Asset Consulting, a division of Sasfin, provides a comprehensive, independent and highly professional financial advisory service to institutional clients.

FEES

Investment Managers: Up to 0.15%
Platform: Up to 0.28%

The above fees exclude VAT, performance fees and fund expenses. The investment management fees consist of fees charged by the underlying investment managers and Sasfin Asset Managers. The indicative investment management fees are based on the respective strategic weightings of the underlying investment managers. The investment management fees will vary from time to time based on the actual manager weightings.

HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year	STeFI
2016	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	8.5%	7.4%
2017	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	8.7%	7.5%
2018	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	8.5%	7.3%
2019	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	0.5%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%	7.9%	7.3%
2020	0.7%	0.5%	0.7%	0.6%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%						3.9%	3.6%

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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception
7.0%	7.9%	8.2%	8.2%

PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY

Markets rallied on strong economic data surprises as pent-up demand from the lockdown continued to drive a growth rebound. This was supported by positive news from the Moderna Covid-19 vaccine trial, and similar positive news from Johnson and Johnson and the AstraZeneca/Oxford Covid-19 vaccine trials.

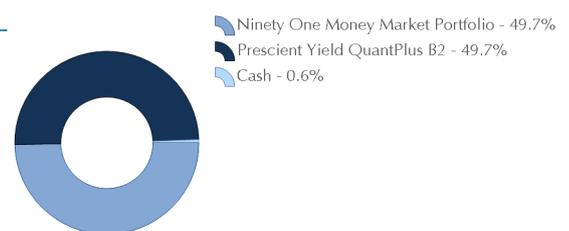
The dollar had its weakest month in 5 years as US data disappointed, the number of confirmed Covid-19 cases rose, and the probability of a Democratic victory increased. While Trump trailed Hillary Clinton in the 2016 presidential polls, he only lagged by 3%, and national opinion polls put Biden almost 10% ahead of the incumbent going into November's US elections. Nevertheless, Trump stole the headlines, implementing sanctions against Chinese and Hong Kong officials, stripping Hong Kong of visa-free travel to the US and removing Hong Kong's special economic status. The US rejected China's claims to resources in the South China Sea and plans to prevent investment in US-listed Chinese firms. The US also ordered China to close its consulate in Houston to protect American IP and subsequently invaded the consulate. Despite this, China's stock market led the equity rally in July, as Trump's influence begins to wane.

SA has the world's fifth-highest caseload, above Mexico, Chile, the UK, Spain and Italy. As active cases in South Africa exploded, the country refined the lockdown; banning alcohol sales again and closing public schools for four weeks, while opening up inter-provincial accommodation for leisure. The epicentre is clearly now in Gauteng, while the Western Cape has actually experienced a declining rate of new cases despite lockdown restrictions opening up to level 3.

May's headline inflation decreased to 2.1%, its lowest point since October 2004, which allowed the SARB to cut rates a further 25bp to 3.5%. Despite these low cash yields, South Africa has the highest 10-year real yields, hedged into dollars, in the investable EM universe, followed by Brazil, which will keep South African bonds and currency in demand due to the global search for yield. However, South Africa does have a lot of debt to finance, and though this has been partly achieved through the IMF's approval of \$4.3bn in emergency funding to assist fighting the coronavirus pandemic, they noted that "there is a pressing need to ensure debt sustainability and implement structural reforms". The FTSE/JSE SWIX Index gained 2.4%, with Industrials down 1.2% and Financials up 1.2%. The JSE All Bond Index added 0.6%, while the rand appreciated by 2.0% relative to the US dollar.

PERFORMANCE

PERIOD	FUND	STeFI
1 month	0.4%	0.4%
3 month	1.4%	1.4%
6 month	3.2%	3.0%
Year to date	3.9%	3.6%
1 year	7.0%	6.6%
2 year	7.6%	7.0%
3 year	7.9%	7.1%
5 year	8.2%	7.2%
10 year	7.4%	6.5%
Since Inception (back dated)	8.2%	7.3%



Returns are gross of fees. Past investment returns are not indicative of future returns and the returns are not guaranteed.

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