

# 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 0.19%  
Platform: Up to 0.15%

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
<b>2019</b>	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	0.5%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%	<b>7.9%</b>	<b>7.3%</b>
<b>2020</b>	0.7%	0.5%	0.7%	0.6%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	-0.4%	0.2%	0.4%	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>
<b>2021</b>	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	-0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
<b>2022</b>	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.6%	0.4%	0.8%	0.6%	0.7%	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>
<b>2023</b>	0.8%	0.5%	0.6%	0.2%	0.6%	0.6%	0.8%	0.5%					<b>4.7%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>

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## PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception
7.3%	5.1%	6.0%	7.7%

## PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY

Markets declined in August before recovering slightly. Tensions heightened after Fitch downgraded the US credit rating, driving US real bond yields to their highest level since 2009. European natural gas prices shot up by nearly 40% due to potential disruptions in the global supply of liquefied natural gas from Australia. Concurrently, oil prices reached a nine-month peak, further intensifying overarching inflation concerns.

The Chinese economy remains of concern. In response to escalating concerns over deflationary pressures and a sagging property market, Chinese authorities intensified their yuan interventions to prevent swift depreciation, and the People's Bank of China announced cuts to its mortgage rates for the first time since the great financial crisis – but the market believes further stimulus is required. President Xi attended the BRICS summit in Johannesburg, where membership was expanded from five to eleven nations as top oil exporter Saudi Arabia joined the bloc along with Iran, Egypt, Argentina, Ethiopia and the United Arab Emirates in an ambitious push to expand global influence.

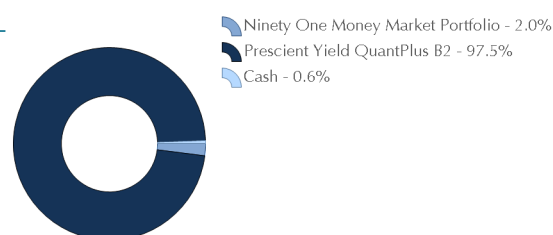
In the US, remarkable consumer endurance has maintained inflation above the 2% mark, prompting the US Federal Reserve to again underscore its commitment to curtail it. Trump was booked on felony charges in Georgia and his mug shot went viral along with his popularity, highlighting the US presidential elections on the horizon.

The US remains resilient, and a cyclical manufacturing turnaround is possible. The tailwinds suggest good news over the coming months, but history suggests that the aggressive monetary tightening of the past year will eventually lead to an economic slowdown. While we expect inflation to remain sticky, it will fall along with growth as excess savings from Covid run out and China continues to export deflation. This is bullish for bonds and the dollar. As the global economy is not out of the woods quite yet, we remain cautiously positioned.

The FTSE/JSE CAPPED SWIX Index decreased by 4.8%, Industrials were down 5.1% and Financials dropped by 1.8%. The JSE All Bond Index declined by 0.2%, while the rand depreciated by 6.5% relative to the US dollar.

## PERFORMANCE

PERIOD	FUND	STeFI
1 month	0.5%	0.7%
3 month	1.9%	2.0%
6 month	3.3%	3.9%
Year to date	4.7%	5.1%
1 year	7.3%	7.2%
2 year	6.4%	5.8%
3 year	5.1%	5.1%
5 year	6.0%	5.8%
10 year	6.9%	6.3%
Since Inception (back dated)	7.7%	6.9%



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

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