

Municipal Short Duration

Portfolio Highlights

Strategy Overview

Research driven managers with an active, bottom-up approach, focusing on total return. To complement their fundamental investment approach, the team uses proprietary software and AI tools for research and together with the depth of veteran portfolio traders with significant access to securities in both the primary and secondary markets, we believe we are well positioned going forward.

Investment Philosophy

- We believe the municipal market is highly fragmented and value can be added through security selection, yield curve exposure, controlled duration and institutional execution
- Our portfolios are unique and customized to each client. Tax status, residency, income needs and gain/loss management are evaluated at each purchase
- We believe our seasoned team of Portfolio Managers is invaluable in helping to navigate this inefficient marketplace
- Clients have access to the Portfolio Management Team
- Portfolio returns can further be enhanced by forward looking proprietary research, which in turn can lead to opportunistic trading

Investment Process Highlights

- The team approach focuses on an engaged discussion on every security prior to purchase and regularly monitored for potential credit events
- Quantitative analysis helps to identify opportunities and manage risk, thus ensuring that portfolios are consistent with the strategy's objectives
- ESG considerations are a component of our credit analysis and a natural extension of our philosophy and not simply a list of bolt-on factors
 - Governance:** good management practices, including transparency & disclosure, and sound financial management
 - Social and Environmental:** management of material, social, and environmental risk, and track record of implementing policies that are apolitical and have a balanced focus across all constituencies.

Management Team

KRISTIAN LIND

22 Years of Industry Experience

PETER MOUKIOS

40 Years of Industry Experience

Investment Performance (%)

	QTD	YTD	Annualized Returns			Period Ended 3/31/25	
			1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception (06/01/09)
Municipal Short Duration (Gross of Fees)	1.09	1.09	3.92	2.61	1.58	1.54	1.63
Municipal Short Duration (Net of Fees)	0.99	0.99	3.51	2.20	1.17	1.14	1.22
ICE 1-3 Year US Municipal Securities Index	1.01	1.01	3.58	2.40	1.48	1.37	1.42

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. See GIPS® composite report disclosures for details on fees and net calculations.

Credit Quality (%)¹

	Municipal Short Duration
AAA	35.51
AA	39.08
A	23.16
BBB	0.54
Short-Term [‡]	0.00
Cash	1.47
Weighted Average Quality [†]	Aa1

Duration Distribution (%)

	Municipal Short Duration
0-1 Year	31.38
1-2 Years	23.83
2-3 Years	23.70
3-4 Years	13.43
4-5 Years	5.17
5-6 Years	1.90
6+ Years	0.59

Portfolio Characteristics

	Municipal Short Duration	Index ¹
Wtd. Avg. Maturity (Years)	2.25	1.87
Effective Duration (Years)	1.90	1.61
Wtd. Avg. Convexity	-0.07	0.00
Wtd. Avg. YTM ³ (%)	3.40	-
Wtd. Avg. YTW ³ (%)	3.31	2.99
Wtd. Avg. Coupon (%)	3.89	4.52
Wtd. Avg. Current Yield (%)	3.85	4.42
Wtd. Avg. Price (\$)	101.32	102.37
# of Holdings	627	3,271

Sector Weightings (%)

	Municipal Short Duration
Revenue Bonds	69.24
General Obligations	24.47
Pre-Refunded Bonds	2.61
US Treasury	2.22
Cash	1.47

Source: FactSet and Neuberger Berman.

[‡] Prere or Short-Term Rated

[†] For simplicity, levels within each rating designation have been placed into a generic rating following the commonly used S&P ratings system. As an example, a bond with a Moody's rating of Aa3 would be reflected as "AA."

¹ Credit quality ratings use the highest quality rating based on Moody's, S&P, and Fitch expressed in Moody's nomenclature as follows: 1) If Moody's, S&P and Fitch all provide a credit rating, the Index Rating is the highest of the three agency ratings; 2) If only two agencies provide ratings, the Index Rating is the highest rating; 3) If only one agency provides a rating, the Index Rating reflects that agency's rating; or 4) If none of the agencies provide ratings, the security is considered not rated and may be assigned an equivalent rating by the investment advisor. No rating agency has been involved with the calculation of such credit quality and the ratings of underlying portfolio holdings should not be viewed as a rating of the portfolio itself. Portfolio holdings, underlying ratings of holdings and average credit may change materially over time.

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INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT: MUNICIPAL SHORT DURATION

	Composite		Benchmark		Composite				3 Year Standard Deviation	
	Total Return (%, Gross of Fees)	Total Return (%, Net of Fees)	ICE BofA 1-3 Year US Municipal Securities Index (%)	No. of Accounts	Market Value (\$, m)	Total Firm Assets (\$, bn)*	% of Firm Assets	Internal Dispersion	Composite (%)	ICE BofA 1-3 Year US Municipal Securities Index (%)
YTD Mar-2025	1.09	0.99	1.01	30	184.7	-	-	-	2.34	2.30
2024	2.97	2.56	2.59	28	134.2	387.0	0.03	0.25	2.58	2.49
2023	3.95	3.54	3.32	28	112.5	360.6	0.03	0.35	2.43	2.37
2022	-2.82	-3.21	-2.05	24	128.7	317.0	0.04	0.75	1.92	1.98
2021	0.52	0.12	0.34	25	143.4	460.5	0.03	0.15	1.01	1.05
2020	2.44	2.03	2.16	27	142.9	405.4	0.04	0.26	0.97	1.10
2019	3.12	2.70	2.88	18	96.5	355.8	0.03	0.19	0.68	0.87
2018	1.69	1.28	1.76	21	122.8	304.1	0.04	0.07	0.74	0.97
2017	1.45	1.04	0.99	17	93.2	295.2	0.03	--	0.66	0.87
2016	0.51	0.11	0.33	7	49.6	255.2	0.02	0.05	0.54	0.68
2015	0.96	0.56	0.76	10	622.3	240.4	0.26	0.09	0.39	0.43

* The redefining of the firm in December 2022 by excluding NB Alternatives Advisors LLC resulted in \$120.6 billion of assets being removed from the GIPS total firm assets as of December 2024.

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Policies

Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request.

Composite Description

The Municipal Short Duration Composite (the "Composite") includes the performance of all Municipal Short Duration portfolios with a minimum \$2,000,000 managed on a fully discretionary basis by the municipal team. The Municipal Short Duration strategy is designed for investors whose portfolios have been constructed to provide effective after tax returns. The strategy is primarily invested in investment grade municipal fixed income securities with maturities of up to 10 years, with an average duration of approximately 1.6 years, and have a maximum cash weight of 10%. The Composite creation and performance inception date is June 2009. A complete list of Neuberger Berman's composites is available upon request.

Primary Benchmark Description

The benchmark is the ICE 1-3 Year US Municipal Securities Index (the "Index"). The Index is a subset of the ICE US Municipal Securities Index including all securities with a remaining term to final maturity less than 3 years. The index tracks the performance of US dollar denominated investment grade tax-exempt debt publicly issued by US states and territories, and their political subdivisions, in the US domestic market. Qualifying securities must have at least one year remaining term to final maturity, at least 18 months to final maturity at the time of issuance, a fixed coupon schedule and an investment grade rating (based on an average of Moody's, S&P and Fitch). Minimum size requirements vary based on the initial term to final maturity at time of issuance. Securities with an initial term to final maturity greater than or equal to one year and less than five years must have a current amount outstanding of at least \$10 million. Securities with an initial term to final maturity greater than or equal to five years and less than ten years must have a current amount outstanding of at least \$15 million. Securities with an initial term to final maturity of ten years or more must have a current amount outstanding of at least \$25 million. The call date on which a pre-refunded bond will be redeemed is used for purposes of determining qualification with respect to final maturity requirements. Original issue zero coupon bonds are included in the Index. Taxable municipal securities, 144 securities and securities in legal default are excluded from the Index.

Reporting Currency

Valuations are computed and performance is reported in U.S. Dollars. Performance includes reinvestment of dividends and other earnings.

Fees

Composite Gross of Fee returns are the return on investments reduced by any trading expenses incurred during the period. Composite Net of Fee returns are the Gross of Fee returns reduced by model investment advisory fees of 0.40%.

Composite Net of Fee returns calculated using model fees deduct 1/12th of the highest tier of the fee schedule from the monthly composite gross returns.

Presented risk measures are calculated using gross-of-fee composite returns.

To the extent that a composite contains fund(s) whereby performance is calculated based on changes in monthly NAV's, net returns reflect miscellaneous fund expenses (admin, legal, etc.) in addition to investment management fees for the portion of composite containing these vehicles.

Fee Schedule

The annual investment advisory fee, generally payable quarterly, is as follows: 0.40% on the first \$5mn; 0.30% on the next \$15mn; 0.275% on the next \$30mn; 0.25% on the next \$100mn; 0.20% on the next \$100mn; 0.15% on the next \$250mn; 0.12% thereafter.

Internal Dispersion

Internal dispersion is calculated using the asset-weighted standard deviation of annual gross returns of those portfolios that were in the Composite for the entire year. Internal dispersion is not calculated if the Composite does not contain at least 6 portfolios for the entire year.

Annualized Standard Deviation

The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the Composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. The standard deviation is not required for periods prior to 2011.

Availability and Trademark Disclosures

The firm's list of composite descriptions, limited distribution pooled fund descriptions, and broad distribution pooled fund descriptions are available upon request.

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