

Portfolio Managers

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Objective

The fund seeks high current income exempt from federal income tax.

Morningstar category

Muni National Long

Lipper category

General & Insured Municipal Debt

Fund symbols

Class A	PPNAX
Class B	PTFIX
Class C	PAMTX
Class M	PPMTX
Class R6	PAMLX
Class Y	PAMYX

Number of holdings

259

Net assets

\$316.95M

Dividend frequency

Monthly

Putnam AMT-Free Municipal Fund

Pursuing a high level of income exempt from taxes, including the AMT

Investment-grade credit quality

The fund invests mainly in investment-grade municipal bonds to provide tax-exempt income.

AMT protection

The fund pursues attractive tax-adjusted income by investing in bonds exempt from both federal income tax and alternative minimum tax (AMT).

A diversified portfolio

A broadly diversified portfolio enables the managers to pursue current tax-free income opportunities while managing risk and seeking to preserve capital.

Sector weightings

Health care	16.7%
Utilities	13.6
Transportation	12.7
Special tax	12.3
Local debt	9.3
State debt	9.2
Education	8.0
Prerefunded	3.9
Other sectors	11.7
Cash and net other assets	2.5

Portfolio quality

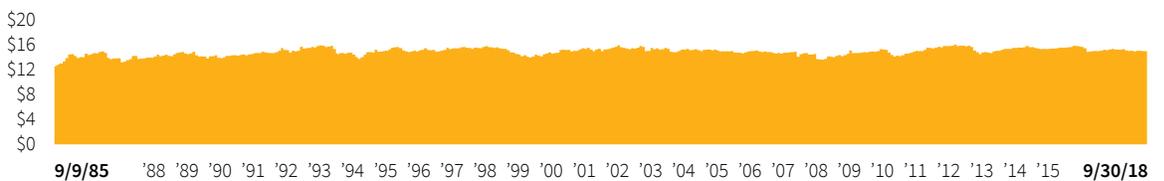
AAA	11.3%
AA	31.2
A	39.8
BBB	12.9
B	0.5
Not rated	1.8
Cash and net other assets	2.5

The fund invests 95.2% of its assets in investment-grade tax-exempt bonds.

Credit qualities are shown as a percentage of the fund's net assets. A bond rated BBB or higher (SP-3 or higher, for short-term debt) is considered investment grade. This chart reflects the highest security rating provided by one or more of Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and Fitch. Ratings may vary over time. Cash and net other assets, if any, represent the market value weights of cash, derivatives, and short-term securities in the portfolio. **The fund itself has not been rated by an independent rating agency**

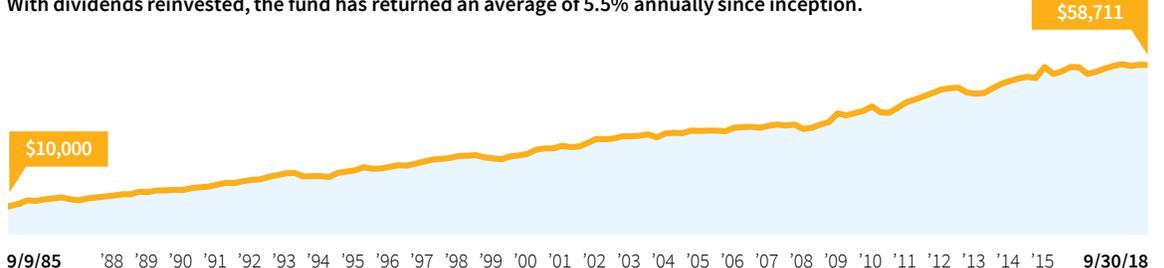
Sectors represent 100% of the portfolio and will vary over time.

Protecting investors' principal, the fund's net asset value has remained stable



Growth of a \$10,000 investment

With dividends reinvested, the fund has returned an average of 5.5% annually since inception.



Current performance may be lower or higher than the quoted past performance, which cannot guarantee future results. Share price, principal value, and return will vary, and you may have a gain or a loss when you sell your shares. Performance of class Y shares assumes reinvestment of distributions and does not account for taxes. Class Y shares, available to investors through an asset-based fee program or for institutional clients, are sold without an initial sales charge and have no CDSC. Performance for class Y shares before their inception are derived from the historical performance of class B shares (inception 9/9/85), which have not been adjusted for the lower expenses; had they, returns would have been higher. For the most recent month-end performance, please visit putnam.com.

**Not FDIC insured
May lose value
No bank guarantee**

Lipper rankings

(Y shares, based on total return)

1 year	34% (89/261)
3 years	45% (105/235)
5 years	47% (93/200)
10 years	41% (63/156)

Total expense ratio(Y shares)
0.56%**Option adjusted duration**

6.83

Duration to worst

4.77

Average stated maturity

16.78

Average effective maturity

5.87

AMT exposure

0.00

Top 10 state allocations

TX	14.65%
IL	9.74%
PA	8.54%
NY	6.93%
CA	6.37%
MI	5.16%
MA	4.71%
FL	4.71%
AZ	4.00%
GA	3.32%

Annual performance at net asset value (all distributions reinvested)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 YTD
Y shares	11.6%	2.2%	10.7%	8.3%	-3.3%	10.4%	2.9%	0.1%	6.0%	-0.5%
BBG Barclays Municipal Bond Index	12.9	2.4	10.7	6.8	-2.6	9.1	3.3	0.3	5.5	-0.4

Annualized total return performance

Inception 1/2/08	Class Y shares	BBG Barclays Municipal Bond Index
1 year	0.63%	0.35%
3 years	2.30	2.24
5 years	3.75	3.54
10 years	4.84	4.75
Life of fund	5.50	6.34

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Attractive yield

	Net asset value
Current 30-day SEC yield*	2.48%
Taxable equivalent†	4.19%

* Based only on investment income, calculated using the maximum offering price in accordance with SEC guidelines..

† Assumes a maximum 40.80% combined federal and state tax rate inclusive of the 3.80% Medicare surtax.

Highlights of five-year performance periods (9/9/85–9/30/18)*

Best 5-year return	Best period end date	Worst 5-year return	Worst period end date	Average 5-year return	% of 5-year periods with positive returns	Number of positive 5-year periods	Number of negative 5-year periods
9.74%	9/30/92	1.47%	9/30/08	5.29%	100%	113	0

*Based on annualized returns for quarterly rolling periods.

The Bloomberg (BBG) Barclays Municipal Bond Index is an unmanaged index of long-term fixed-rate investment-grade tax-exempt bonds. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Lipper rankings for class Y shares are based on total return without sales charge relative to all share classes of funds with similar objectives as determined by Lipper.

Average effective maturity depends on the maturity of the underlying bonds within each fund. The longer the maturity, the greater the interest-rate risk. **Average stated maturity** is determined based on the legal final maturity of a bond. **Duration to worst** is the duration of a bond computed assuming the bond is called at the worst possible time and uses the date associated with the lowest yield. Depending on the interest-rate environment and structure of the bond, there may be scenarios in which the worst possible time for the bond to be paid off is the maturity date. **Option adjusted duration** is the modified duration of a bond after adjusting for any embedded optionality.

Not all share classes are available on all platforms.

Consider these risks before investing: Capital gains, if any, are taxable for federal and, in most cases, state purposes. Income from federally tax-exempt funds may be subject to state and local taxes. Bond investments are subject to interest-rate risk (the risk of bond prices falling if interest rates rise) and credit risk (the risk of an issuer defaulting on interest or principal payments). Interest-rate risk is generally greater for longer-term bonds, and credit risk is generally greater for below-investment-grade bonds. Unlike bonds, funds that invest in bonds have fees and expenses. The fund may invest significantly in particular segments of the tax-exempt debt market, making it more vulnerable to fluctuations in the values of the securities it holds than a fund that invests more broadly. Interest the fund receives might be taxable. Bond prices may fall or fail to rise over time for several reasons, including general financial market conditions, changing market perceptions (including perceptions about the risk of default and expectations about monetary policy or interest rates), changes in government intervention in the financial markets, and factors related to a specific issuer or industry. These and other factors may lead to increased volatility and reduced liquidity in the fund's portfolio holdings. You can lose money by investing in the fund.

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