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Putnam Short Duration Income Fund

Flexibility and liquidity with a lower risk profile than typical ultra-short bond funds

A broader opportunity set

The fund invests in a diversified portfolio composed of short-duration, investment-grade money market instruments, and other fixed-income securities.

Active risk management

In today's complex bond market, the fund's experienced managers actively manage risk with the goal of superior risk-adjusted performance over time.

Higher income potential

Access to a wider range of income opportunities means the fund may offer higher income potential than other short-term investments.



Money Market Funds Lipper category: Taxable Money Market Funds *				Ultra-Short Bond Funds Lipper category: Ultra-Short Obligations Funds			
0.70%				1.30%			
1 YR	3 YRS	5 YRS	10 YRS	Average SEC yield†			
0.06%	0.06%	0.05%	0.26%	Standard deviation			
0.39%	0.17%	0.10%	0.39%	Average annualized returns			
1.03%	0.61%	0.45%	1.25%	Maximum annualized return			
0.00%	-0.01%	-0.01%	0.02%	Minimum annualized return			
				0.28%	0.40%	0.41%	1.12%
				1.24%	0.76%	0.66%	1.25%
				2.72%	1.79%	1.61%	2.22%
				-0.41%	-0.66%	-0.50%	0.32%

* Includes funds from the following Lipper classifications: Institutional Money Market Funds, Institutional U.S. Government Money Market Funds, Institutional U.S. Treasury Money Market Funds, Money Market Funds, U.S. Government Money Market Funds, U.S. Treasury Money Market Funds.

† 30-day yield for Taxable Money Funds is based on the Crane Money Fund average.
30-day SEC yield average for Ultra-Short Obligation Funds provided by Lipper.

Sources: Lipper; Crane Data, as of 9/30/17.

Past performance is not indicative of future results. Performance does not reflect any sales charge. All performance and volatility data are based on Lipper categories. The taxable money market fund averages are based on the arithmetic average of all funds within the following Lipper categories: Institutional Money Market Funds, Institutional U.S. Government Money Market Funds, Institutional U.S. Treasury Money Market Funds, Money Market Funds, U.S. Government Money Market Funds, and U.S. Treasury Money Market Funds. Maximum and minimum annual returns are for the best- and worst-performing funds in the Lipper category or grouping for the respective time periods. Performance of the Putnam fund will differ. The average 30-day yield for all taxable money market funds is provided by Crane Data. The average 30-day SEC yield for Ultra-Short Obligation Funds is provided by Lipper. *Although a money market fund seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so. An investment in a money market fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The fund's sponsor has no legal obligation to provide financial support to the fund, and you should not expect that the sponsor will provide financial support to the fund at any time. It is possible to lose money by investing in this fund.*

Not FDIC insured | May lose value | No bank guarantee

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Putnam Short Duration Income Fund



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The fund may be attractive to

- Investors seeking a broader range of income opportunities for their conservative allocations
- Investors who are in, or near, retirement and are seeking capital preservation and monthly income distributions
- Investors seeking a fund that employs modern portfolio strategies in an effort to limit market risk

The fund is managed by industry veterans with an average of more than two decades of investment experience and more than 15 years of tenure at the firm.

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Consider these risks before investing: Putnam Short Duration Income Fund is not a money market fund. The effects of inflation may erode the value of your investment over time. Funds that invest in government securities are not guaranteed. Mortgage-backed securities are subject to the risk that they may increase in value less when interest rates decline and decline in value more when interest rates rise. We may have to invest the proceeds from prepaid investments in other investments with less attractive terms and yields. The value of bonds in the fund’s portfolio may fall or fail to rise over extended periods of time for a variety of reasons, including general financial market conditions, changing market perceptions of the risk of default, changes in government intervention, and factors related to a specific issuer. These factors may also lead to periods of high volatility and reduced liquidity in the bond markets. 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 greater for longer-term bonds, and credit risk is greater for below-investment-grade bonds. Risks associated with derivatives include increased investment exposure (which may be considered leverage) and, in the case of over-the-counter instruments, the potential inability to terminate or sell derivatives positions and the potential failure of the other party to the instrument to meet its obligations. Unlike bonds, funds that invest in bonds have fees and expenses. You can lose money by investing in the fund.

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Annualized total return performance as of September 30, 2017

Class Y shares Inception 10/17/11	Net asset value	BofA Merrill Lynch U.S. Treasury Bill Index
1 year	1.34%	0.64%
3 years	0.86	0.34
5 years	0.83	0.24
Life of fund	0.85	0.22
Total expense ratio: 0.45%		
What you pay: 0.30%		

“What you pay” reflects Putnam Management’s decision to contractually limit expenses through 11/30/17. The fund’s expense ratio is taken from its most recent prospectus.

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 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. For the most recent month-end performance, please visit putnam.com.

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