

# Western Asset Short-Term Bond Fund

**Class A: SBSTX Class C: LWSOX Class I: SBSYX Class IS: LWSTX Class R: LWARX**

**Multi-Sector | Factsheet as of March 31, 2026**

## Investment Overview

Seeks to provide current income while preserving capital and maintaining liquidity via a portfolio of primarily investment grade securities with an average effective maturity of not more than three years. Uses the global breadth of Western Asset's investment platform, fundamental value-oriented investment philosophy and a process that combines top down macro economic views with bottom up fundamental research. May be appropriate for investors that are seeking to mitigate volatility from a low duration fixed income portfolio.

## Average Annual Total Returns (%)

|           | Without Sales Charges |      |      |       | With Sales Charges |      |      |      | Inception |           |            |
|-----------|-----------------------|------|------|-------|--------------------|------|------|------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|           | 1-Yr                  | 3-Yr | 5-Yr | 10-Yr | Inception          | 1-Yr | 3-Yr | 5-Yr | 10-Yr     | Inception | Date       |
| Class A   | 4.23                  | 4.47 | 1.90 | 2.20  | 3.17               | 2.02 | 3.72 | 1.44 | 1.97      | 3.10      | 11/11/1991 |
| Class C   | 3.12                  | 3.64 | 1.04 | 1.40  | 1.04               | 2.12 | 3.64 | 1.04 | 1.40      | 1.04      | 8/1/2012   |
| Class I   | 4.35                  | 4.71 | 2.10 | 2.46  | 3.10               | 4.35 | 4.71 | 2.10 | 2.46      | 3.10      | 2/7/1996   |
| Class IS  | 4.28                  | 4.79 | 2.21 | 2.53  | 2.13               | 4.28 | 4.79 | 2.21 | 2.53      | 2.13      | 10/5/2012  |
| Class R   | 3.57                  | 3.98 | 1.45 | 1.80  | 1.53               | 3.57 | 3.98 | 1.45 | 1.80      | 1.53      | 1/31/2014  |
| Benchmark | 3.96                  | 4.35 | 2.04 | 2.02  | —                  | 3.96 | 4.35 | 2.04 | 2.02      | —         | —          |

## Cumulative Total Returns (% Without Sales Charge)

|           | 3-Mo | YTD  | 2025 | 2024 | 2023 | 2022  | 2021  | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Class A   | 0.48 | 0.48 | 5.37 | 4.28 | 4.98 | -5.01 | -0.55 | 3.72 | 4.49 | 1.29 | 2.23 | 1.85 |
| Class C   | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.53 | 3.46 | 4.44 | -6.02 | -1.08 | 2.95 | 3.44 | 0.80 | 1.23 | 1.12 |
| Class I   | 0.28 | 0.28 | 5.77 | 4.60 | 5.27 | -4.75 | -0.30 | 3.96 | 4.74 | 1.54 | 2.46 | 2.14 |
| Class IS  | 0.28 | 0.28 | 5.70 | 4.87 | 5.29 | -4.73 | -0.25 | 4.06 | 4.84 | 1.63 | 2.56 | 2.19 |
| Class R   | 0.11 | 0.11 | 4.98 | 3.88 | 4.85 | -5.64 | -0.95 | 3.34 | 4.12 | 1.19 | 1.60 | 1.53 |
| Benchmark | 0.28 | 0.28 | 5.35 | 4.36 | 4.61 | -3.69 | -0.47 | 3.33 | 4.03 | 1.60 | 0.84 | 1.28 |

**Performance data quoted represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results.** Current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. Principal value and investment returns will fluctuate, and investors' shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Performance would have been lower if fees had not been waived in various periods. Total returns assume the reinvestment of all distributions and the deduction of all fund expenses. Returns with sales charge reflect a deduction of the stated maximum sales charge. An investor cannot invest directly in an index, and unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized. All classes of shares may not be available to all investors or through all distribution channels. For current month-end performance, please visit [franklintempleton.com](http://franklintempleton.com).

Effective August 2, 2021, except as noted below, Class C [including Class C, Class C-1 & Class C-2] shares will automatically convert to Class A shares after the shares have been held for 8 years from their original purchase date. The initial conversion took place on August 16, 2021. Refer to the fund's prospectus or contact your Service Agent for more information.

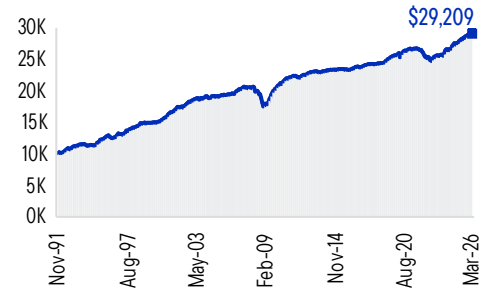
## Share Class Details

|          | CUSIP     | Ticker | Sales Charges (%) |      | Expenses (%) |      | 30-Day SEC Yield (%) |             |
|----------|-----------|--------|-------------------|------|--------------|------|----------------------|-------------|
|          |           |        | Max               | CDSC | Gross        | Net  | Without Waiver       | With Waiver |
| Class A  | 52469E500 | SBSTX  | 2.25              | —    | 0.77         | 0.71 | 3.68                 | 3.80        |
| Class C  | 52468A756 | LWSOX  | 0.00              | 1.00 | 1.52         | 1.52 | 2.99                 | 3.07        |
| Class I  | 52469E807 | SBSYX  | 0.00              | —    | 0.56         | 0.43 | 4.03                 | 4.16        |
| Class IS | 52468A731 | LWSTX  | 0.00              | —    | 0.45         | 0.41 | 4.11                 | 4.18        |
| Class R  | 52470V707 | LWARX  | 0.00              | —    | 1.21         | 1.11 | 3.33                 | 3.48        |

Gross expenses are the fund's total annual operating expenses as of the fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. Actual expenses may be higher and may impact portfolio returns. Net expenses reflect contractual fee waivers, expense caps and/or reimbursements, which cannot be terminated prior to 12/31/2026 without Board consent. Additional amounts may be voluntarily waived and/or reimbursed and may be modified or discontinued at any time without notice. There is a 1% CDSC on any Class C shares you sell within 12 months of purchase.

## Growth of \$10,000

Class A Shares—Inception through March 31, 2026  
Excluding Effects of Sales Charges



## Fund Overview

|                            |                                   |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Dividend Frequency, if any | Monthly                           |
| Morningstar Category       | Short-Term Bond                   |
| Lipper Classification      | Short Investment Grade Debt Funds |
| Turnover (fiscal yr)       | 86%                               |

## Benchmark(s)

Bloomberg U.S. Gov/Credit 1-3 Yr. Index

## Fund Characteristics

|                    | Fund             |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Total Net Assets   | \$240.14 Million |
| Number of Holdings | 476              |
| Average Life       | 4.01 Years       |
| Effective Duration | 2.12 Years       |

## Risk Statistics (3-Year—Class A)

|                        | Fund  |
|------------------------|-------|
| Beta                   | 1.17  |
| R-Squared              | 0.90  |
| Sharpe Ratio           | -0.23 |
| Standard Deviation (%) | 1.98  |

**Sector Allocation (% of Total)**

|  | Fund  |
|--|-------|
| Credit                                 | 48.55 |
| Asset-Backed Securities                | 16.25 |
| Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities | 12.31 |
| Treasury                               | 11.87 |
| Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities  | 7.01  |
| Emerging Market                        | 2.59  |
| Agency                                 | 0.68  |
| Bank Obligations                       | 0.48  |
| Other Cash                             | 0.26  |

**Credit Quality Allocation (% of Total)**

|                         | Fund  |
|-------------------------|-------|
| AAA                     | 20.51 |
| AA                      | 30.27 |
| A                       | 21.78 |
| BBB                     | 19.52 |
| BB                      | 2.82  |
| B                       | 1.34  |
| CCC                     | 0.49  |
| CC                      | 0.22  |
| NR                      | 2.79  |
| Cash & Cash Equivalents | 0.26  |

**Portfolio Data Information**

**Credit Quality** is a measure of a bond issuer's ability to repay interest and principal in a timely manner. The credit ratings shown are based on each portfolio security's rating as provided by S&P Global Ratings, Moody's Investors Service and/or Fitch Ratings, Inc. and typically range from AAA (highest) to D (lowest), or an equivalent and/or similar rating. For this purpose, if two or more of the agencies have assigned differing ratings to a security, the highest rating is used. Securities that are unrated by all three agencies are reflected as such. The credit quality of the investments in the portfolio does not apply to the stability or safety of the portfolio. The methodology used for the calculation of credit quality ratings displayed may differ from the methodology for monitoring investment limits, if applicable. **Please note, the portfolio itself has not been rated by an independent rating agency.**

**Portfolio Description**

Western Asset Management is one of the world's leading global fixed income managers. Founded in 1971, the firm is known for team management and proprietary research, supported by robust risk management and a long-term fundamental value approach.

**What should I know before investing?**

**All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Fixed income securities** involve interest rate, credit, inflation and reinvestment risks, and possible loss of principal. As interest rates rise, the value of fixed income securities falls. **Low-rated, high-yield bonds** are subject to greater price volatility, illiquidity and possibility of default. **Asset-backed, mortgage-backed or mortgage-related securities** are subject to prepayment and extension risks. **International investments** are subject to special risks, including currency fluctuations and social, economic and political uncertainties, which could increase volatility. These risks are magnified in **emerging markets. Derivative instruments** can be illiquid, may disproportionately increase losses, and have a potentially large impact on performance. These and other risks are discussed in the fund's prospectus.

**Glossary**

**Beta:** A measure of the fund's volatility relative to the market, as represented by the stated Index. A beta greater than 1.00 indicates volatility greater than the market. **R-squared** measures the strength of the linear relationship between the fund and its benchmark. R-squared at 1 implies perfect linear relationship and zero implies no relationship exists. **Sharpe Ratio** refers to a risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess returns to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the ratio, the greater the risk-adjusted performance. **Standard Deviation:** Measure of the degree to which a fund's return varies from the average of its previous returns. The larger the standard deviation, the greater the likelihood (and risk) that a fund's performance will fluctuate from the average return. The **30-day SEC yield** is calculated using the net income (interest and dividends) per share earned over a trailing 30-day period (annualized), divided by the fund's share price at the end of that period. It may not equal the fund's actual income distribution rate, which reflects the fund's past dividends paid to shareholders. **Turnover** is a measure of the fund's trading activity which represents the portion of the fund's holdings that has changed over a twelve-month period through the fiscal year end. There is no assurance that the fund will maintain its current level of turnover. **Average Life:** An estimate of the number of years to maturity, taking the possibility of early payments into account, for the underlying holdings. **Effective Duration** is a duration calculation for bonds with embedded options. Effective duration takes into account that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change. Duration measures the sensitivity of price (the value of principal) of a fixed-income investment to a change in interest rates. The higher the duration number, the more sensitive a fixed-income investment will be to interest rate changes.

**Important Information**

**Effective November 30, 2022, the fund changes its benchmark to the Bloomberg U.S. Gov/Credit 1-3 Yr. Index.**

The **Bloomberg U.S. Gov/Credit 1-3 Yr. Index** includes investment grade, U.S. dollar-denominated, fixed-rate Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities with maturities of one to three years. Important data provider notices and terms available at [www.frnkintempletondatasources.com](http://www.frnkintempletondatasources.com). All data is subject to change.

Source: Bloomberg Indices.

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