

# Federated Hermes Fund for U.S. Government Securities

Nasdaq symbol — IS: FCBRX | A: FUSGX | C: FUSCX

9/30/23

## Product highlights

- Pursues current income.
- Invests primarily in a diversified portfolio of U.S. Treasury and government agency securities, as well as mortgage-backed securities.
- Features a track record of more than 50 years.

## Morningstar category

Intermediate Government

## Benchmark

Bloomberg US Mortgage Backed Securities Index

## Key investment team

Todd Abraham, CFA  
Liam O'Connell, CFA

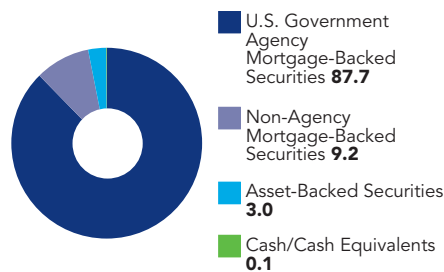
## Fund statistics

Portfolio assets \$111.6 m  
Dividends Paid monthly  
Weighted average effective duration (Aladdin calculation) 6.0 years  
Weighted average bond price \$83.92

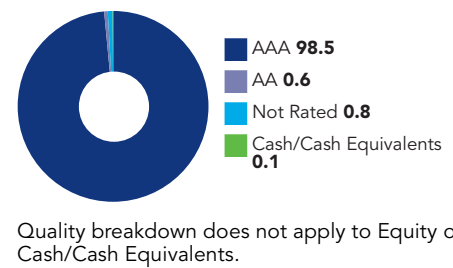
## Top holdings (%)

FNMA FS3278, 2% 30 Year, 5/01/2051	7.9
FNMA FS4924, 3% 30 Year, 6/01/2052	5.7
FNMA FS3280, 2.5% 30 Year, 10/01/2051	5.5
FHLMC SD1963, 2% 30 Year, 1/01/2052	4.4
FNMA FS3253, 2% 30 Year, 2/01/2052	3.9
FNMA FS4958, 3% 30 Year, 2/01/2048	3.3
FHLMC SD7554, 2.5% 30 Year, 4/01/2052	2.6
FHLMC RA5731, 2% 30 Year, 8/01/2051	2.4
FHLMC SD7548, 2.5% 30 Year, 11/01/2051	2.4
FNMA FS4943, 3.5% 30 Year, 1/01/2048	2.3

## Sector weightings (%)



## Quality breakdown (%) \*\*



## Average annual total returns (%)

Performance shown is before tax.

NAV	Performance inception	Cumulative 3-month	1-year	3-year	5-year	10-year	Since inception	Expense ratio*	
								Before waivers	After waivers
IS	10/6/69	-4.16	-1.14	-5.58	-1.26	0.02	5.35	0.88	0.72
A	10/6/69	-4.21	-1.38	-5.83	-1.40	-0.05	5.34	1.12	0.97
C	4/27/93	-4.40	-2.14	-6.55	-2.14	-0.64	2.95	1.88	1.72
<b>Benchmark</b>		-4.05	-0.17	-5.09	-0.77	0.61	-	-	-
<b>Maximum offering price</b>									
A	10/6/69	-8.49	-5.81	-7.29	-2.29	-0.50	5.25	1.12	0.97
C	4/27/93	-5.35	-3.10	-6.55	-2.14	-0.64	2.95	1.88	1.72

## Calendar year total returns (%)

Institutional Shares/NAV

	YTD	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
NAV	-2.82	-11.84	-1.86	3.71	5.86	0.03	1.64	1.41	0.63	5.17
Benchmark	-2.26	-11.81	-1.04	3.87	6.35	0.99	2.47	1.67	1.51	6.08

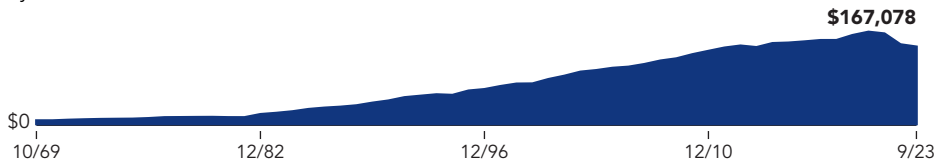
Performance quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than what is stated. To view performance current to the most recent month-end, and for after-tax returns, contact us or visit [FederatedHermes.com/us](https://FederatedHermes.com/us). Maximum offering price figures reflect the maximum sales charge of 4.5% for A Shares, and the maximum contingent deferred sales charge of 1% for C Shares. See the prospectus for other fees and expenses that apply to a continued investment in the fund.

\* The fund's expense ratio is from the most recent prospectus. The expense ratio may reflect voluntary fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements determined by the fund's Advisor and its affiliates. The voluntary waivers and/or reimbursements, if applicable, are in effect up to but not including the later of 6/1/24 or the date of the fund's next effective prospectus.

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## Growth over time

If you had invested \$10,000 in Institutional Shares on 10/31/69 (month end of the fund's performance inception) and reinvested all distributions, here's how your account would have grown by 9/30/23.



The fund's Institutional Shares commenced operations on June 1, 2020. For the periods prior to the commencement of operations for the Institutional Shares, the performance information shown is for the fund's A Shares. The performance of the A Shares has not been adjusted to reflect the expenses of the Institutional Shares since the Institutional Shares are estimated to have a lower expense ratio than the expense ratio of the A Shares. The performance of the A Shares has been adjusted to reflect differences between the sales loads and charges imposed on the purchase and redemption of the fund's A Shares and Institutional Shares.

### A word about risk

Mutual funds are subject to risks and fluctuate in value.

Bond prices are sensitive to changes in interest rates, and a rise in interest rates can cause a decline in their prices.

The value of some mortgage-backed securities may be particularly sensitive to changes in prevailing interest rates, and although the securities are generally supported by some form of government or private insurance, there is no assurance that private guarantors or insurers will meet their obligations.

### Definitions

**The holdings percentages** are based on net assets at the close of business on 9/30/23 and may not necessarily reflect adjustments that are routinely made when presenting net assets for formal financial statement purposes. Because this is a managed portfolio, the investment mix will change.

**Total return** represents the change in value of an investment after reinvesting all income and capital gains. Total return would have been lower in the absence of temporary expense waivers or reimbursements.

**Growth over time** performance is for the fund's Institutional Shares. The fund offers additional share classes whose performance will vary due to differences in charges and expenses.

**Weighted average effective duration** (sometimes called "Option-Adjusted Duration") is a measure of a security's price sensitivity to changes in interest rates calculated using a model that recognizes that the probability of a bond being called or remaining outstanding until maturity may vary if market interest rates change, and that makes adjustments based on a bond's embedded options (e.g., call rights, or in the case of a mortgage-backed security, the probability that homeowners will prepay their mortgages), if any, based on the probability that the options will be exercised. A fund's weighted average effective duration will equal the market value weighted average of each bond's effective duration in the fund's portfolio. As with any model, several assumptions are made so the weighted average effective duration of a fund in the Federated Hermes family of funds may not be comparable to other funds outside of the Federated Hermes family of funds. Securities with longer durations are more sensitive to changes in interest rates than securities of shorter durations.

**Weighted average bond price** - Morningstar generates this figure from the portfolio by weighting the price of each bond by its relative size in the portfolio. This number reveals if the manager favors bonds selling at prices above or below face value (discount or premium securities, respectively). A higher number indicates a bias toward premiums. This statistic is expressed as a percentage of par (face) value.

**Bloomberg US Mortgage Backed Securities (MBS) Index** tracks agency mortgage backed pass-through securities (both fixed-rate and hybrid ARM) guaranteed by Ginnie Mae (GNMA), Fannie Mae (FNMA), and Freddie Mac (FHLMC).

Indexes are unmanaged and cannot be invested in directly.

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*Past performance is no guarantee of future results.*

### Ratings and rating agencies

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