

31 January 2025

Pension Fund

SCOTTISH WIDOWS

Scottish Widows Cash Pension (Series 1)

35.9% 51.5%

12.7%

Fund Aim

The fund aims to provide long-term growth consistent with high levels of capital security by investing mainly in short-term securities.

'ESG Metrics'

Asset Allocation (as at 31/12/2024) Global Fixed Interest UK Fixed Interest

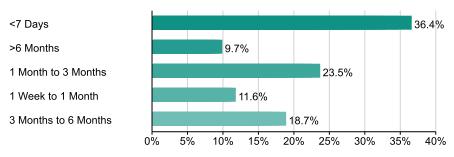




Credit Rating Breakdown (as at 31/12/2024)



Maturity Breakdown (as at 31/12/2024)



The composition of asset mix and asset allocation may change at any time and exclude cash unless otherwise stated

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Information Statement

Investors should note that in times of low interest rates this fund's investment growth will not cover the total fund charges. This means that the fund can provide negative returns after fund charges are taken into account in a low interest environment. For information on how the fund has performed, see page 2 of this factsheet. This fund has relatively low potential for investment growth, so may not be suitable as a long-term investment. Scottish Widows produce Environmental, Social and Governance themed fund metrics. Selected data can be found using the ESG metric link.

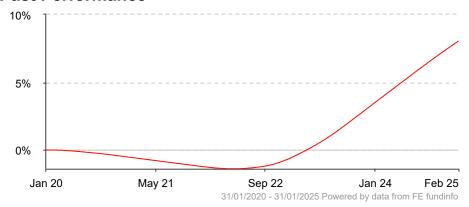
Basic Fund Information

01/07/1981
£1,152.4m
ABI Unclassified
GB0007859092
SWPCSO
0785909
Jamie Fairest
31/03/2022

Top Ten Holdings

(as at 31/12/2024)	
LANDESBANK BADEN- WUERTTEMBERG 4.71% 02 JAN 2025	3.7%
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MIZUHO BANK LTD (LONDON BRANCH) CD 4.75% 02 JAN 2025	3.4%
LANDESBANK BADEN- WUERTTEMBERG CD 4.71% 09 JAN 2025	3.1%
MIZUHO BANK LTD (LONDON BRANCH) CD 4.71% 07 JAN 2025	3.1%
REPO - TRI-PARTY CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS COMMITMENT 25 4.95% 02	3.0%
REPO - TRI-PARTY NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK COMMITMENT 25 4.73% 02 J	3.0%
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA CD 4.7% 03 JAN 2025	2.6%
NATIONWIDE BUILDING SOCIETY CD 4.7% 03 JAN 2025	2.5%
SANTANDER UK PLC CD 4.69% 06 JAN 2025	2.5%
TOTAL	30.3%

Past Performance



Cash Pension Series 1

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investment value and income from it may fall as well as rise, as a result of market and currency movements. You may not get back the amount originally invested.

Discrete Performance

		31/12/2022 - 31/12/2023			
Scottish Widows Cash Pension (Series 1)	4.4%	3.9%	0.5%	-0.8%	-0.5%

Information is shown as unavailable if prior to the launch of fund.

Cumulative Performance

	31/12/2024 - 31/01/2025				
Scottish Widows Cash Pension (Series 1)	0.3%	1.0%	4.3%	9.5%	8.0%

Source: FE fundinfo as at 31/01/2025

Performance figures are in £ Sterling on a single pricing basis, with income (where applicable) reinvested net of UK tax and net of total annual fund charges. These figures do not include any initial charge or other product charge(s) that may be applicable.

Fund Rating Information

Overall Morningstar Rating Morningstar Medalist Rating FE fundinfo Crown Rating

The FE fundinfo Crown Rating relates to this fund. However, the Morningstar ratings are based on the underlying fund. These are supplied by the respective independent ratings agencies and are the latest available at the time this factsheet was issued. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

Other Information

The views, opinions and forecasts expressed in this document are those of the fund manager. Investment markets and conditions can change rapidly and as such the views expressed should not be taken as statement of fact, not should reliance be placed on these views when making investment decisions.

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Quarterly Fund Manager Review

The fixed income markets experienced considerable volatility in the last quarter of 2024, primarily driven by geopolitical tensions, central bank decisions, and fluctuating inflation rates. Notably, the period was marked by notable selloffs in major government bond markets, with various factors influencing investor sentiment across the globe. US Treasuries sold off in October amid concerns over potential inflationary policies arising from a possible Republican victory in the presidential election. The 10-year Treasury yield experienced a notable rise, finishing the year at 4.57%, indicating market uncertainty regarding the Fed's future actions amidst rising expectations for inflation if President-elect Trump were to implement all his economic policies. The European Central Bank (ECB) also cut rates over the quarter leaving the base rate at 3% at the end of the period. Political turmoil in France further complicated the landscape, as yields on French bonds briefly surpassed those of Greek bonds for the first time in history, driven by fears of government instability. The 10-year German Bund yield closed the year at 2.37% whilst the euro weakened against the dollar, reflecting the apprehensions in the market. In the UK, the Labour government's first budget at the end of October saw significant reactions in the UK fixed income market. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rachel Reeves, announced a £40 billion tax increase and concerns over projected borrowing were also rising. Consequently, 10-year gilt yields rose, and the pound depreciated against the dollar, reflecting investor anxiety. Meanwhile, the Bank of England cut interest rates to 4.75% although concerns over elevated inflation and wage growth dampened possibilities for further cuts in the near term. On the credit front, high yield bonds outperformed their investment-grade counterparts, driven by expectations of pro-business policies under a potential Trump administration. US high yield spreads tightened to historical lows due to strong demand. European high yield spreads also tightened over the quarter despite political pressures and economic challenges. (High yield bonds are more speculative compared to their investment grade (IG) counterparts that are the highest quality bonds as determined by a credit rating agency. HY bonds carry a credit rating below IG.)

Jamie Fairest 31/12/2024

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