



# NVIT Short Term Bond Fund

Nationwide VIT

Fact sheet

**Q4 2018**  
AS OF 12/31/18

**Objective:** Seeks to provide a high level of current income while preserving capital and minimizing fluctuations in share value

Class I  
Class II

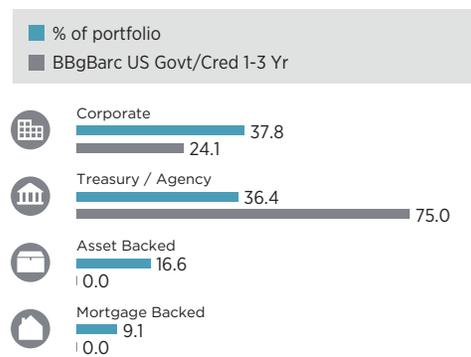
**Asset class:** Taxable Bond  
**Morningstar category:** Short-Term Bond

**Traditional fixed income:**  
Offers broad exposure to traditional investment-grade bonds and targets a duration between 1 and 3 years

**Disciplined approach:**  
Utilizes a consistent approach that emphasizes macro views, fundamental research and risk management

**Fixed income expertise:**  
Provides access to a team of highly seasoned fixed income investment professionals

## Top Sectors



## Average Annual Total Returns (%)

Share class	QTD	YTD	1-year	3-year	5-year	10-year
Class I	0.35	0.98	0.98	1.89	1.27	2.18
Class II	0.38	0.82	0.82	1.63	1.00	1.93
BBgBarc US Govt/Cred 1-3 Yr Index	1.18	1.60	1.60	1.24	1.03	1.52
Category	0.49	0.81	0.81	1.48	1.22	2.35

Performance returns assume the reinvestment of all distributions. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized. Total returns reflect a contractual expense limitation for direct annual Fund expenses for all classes for certain periods since inception, without which returns would have been lower. Performance numbers do not reflect and would be reduced by the insurance-related fees and charges of the variable product. Please consult the variable product prospectus for information about these fees and charges.

## Top Holdings

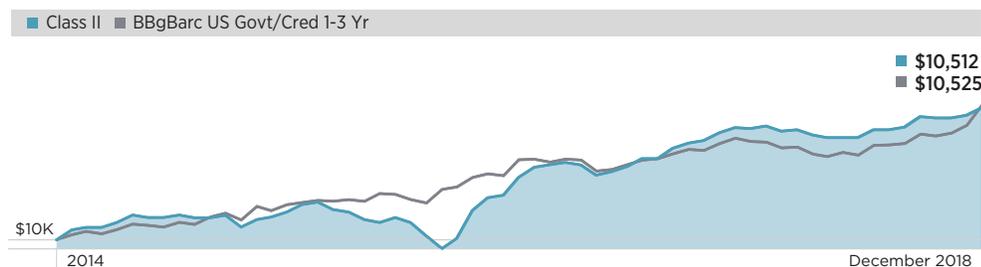
Security	% of portfolio
Government Of The United States Of America 0.625% 15-jan-2026	4.1
US Treasury 0.125% 7/15/22	3.9
US Treasury 1.75% 11/30/21	3.8
US Treasury 2.375% 8/15/24	2.8
US Treasury 2.0% 5/31/24	2.8

Holdings are provided for informational purposes and should not be deemed as a recommendation to buy or sell the securities.

Share class	Expense ratios		Inception date
	Gross (%)	Net (%)	
Class I	0.54	0.54	03/24/2008
Class II	0.79	0.79	03/24/2008

The expense ratios are as shown in the most recent prospectus. Expenses include underlying fund expenses. Please see the Fund's prospectus for more details.

## Growth of \$10k (01/01/14-12/31/18)



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## Credit Quality (%)<sup>1</sup>

AAA	12.8
AA	47.5
A	13.6
BBB	15.5
Below BBB	8.3
Not Rated	2.3



<sup>1</sup>Credit Quality specifies the percentages of the Fund's underlying holdings that are rated by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services (Standard & Poor's) to indicate the issuer's creditworthiness. Standard & Poor's bond credit ratings typically range from AAA (highest) to D (lowest). These ratings are not absolute standards of quality and do not provide assurance against default or other loss of principal value. Securities that are not rated by either agency are listed as "Not Rated." Ratings do not apply to the Fund itself or to Fund shares. Ratings may change.

## Portfolio Characteristics

Total Net Assets (all classes)	\$1.8B
Total Number of holdings	229
Average maturity	6.6
Effective duration	3.0
SEC 30-day yield	2.46%
SEC 30-day yield w/o waiver	2.46%
Standard deviation*	1.0
Turnover	49%

Portfolio characteristics are based on Class II shares.

\*Rolling 36 months

## Calendar Year Returns (%)



## Portfolio Management

Nationwide Asset Management, LLC, Subadviser  
**Gary S. Davis, CFA**, Fund tenure since 2008  
**Corsan Maley**, Fund tenure since 2016



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**DEFINITIONS:** **Average annual total returns** are the annual compounded returns that would have produced the cumulative total return if fund performance had been constant during the given period. **Average maturity** is the weighted average time period for which the debt securities remain outstanding. Changes in interest rates have greater impact on funds with longer average maturity. **Effective duration** is an estimate of bond price sensitivity to changes in interest rates. The higher the duration, the greater the change (i.e., higher risk) in relation to interest-rate movements. **SEC 30-day yield** takes into account a fund's expense reduction, and reflects an estimated "yield to maturity" for a fund's entire portfolio. It should be regarded as an estimate of the fund's rate of investment income, and it may not equal the fund's actual income distribution rate, which reflects a fund's past dividends paid to shareholders. The calculation is in accordance with SEC standards. **SEC 30-day yield w/o waiver** does not take into account a fund's expense reduction, and reflects an estimated "yield to maturity" for a fund's entire portfolio. **Standard deviation** measures performance fluctuation, may not be indicative of future risk and is not a predictor of returns. **Turnover** measures how frequently investments are bought and sold within a fund during a 12 month period. The portfolio turnover rate is as of the fund's fiscal year end and is usually expressed as a percentage of the total value of a fund.

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**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Government/Credit 1-3 Year Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of non-securitized component of the U.S. Aggregate Index with maturities of 1-3 years, including Treasuries, government-related issues and corporates. Market index performance is provided by a third-party source Nationwide Funds Group deems to be reliable (Morningstar). Indexes are unmanaged and have been provided for comparison purposes only. No fees or expenses have been reflected. Individuals cannot invest directly in an index.

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