# **Savings Pool**

## Characteristics

	Fund
Average Maturity	2.2 years
Average Yield	2.59%
Number of Holdings	22

### **Investment Objective**

The Savings Pool seeks to preserve principal while earning a rate of return in excess of the current yield of U.S. Treasury securities of similar maturities.

### **Investment Strategy**

The Savings Pool is a diversified portfolio comprised of short-term cash funds and "guaranteed" investment contracts (known in the industry as GICs) that are issued and backed by insurance companies. Yields on insurance company investments, which have an average maturity between two and four years, are based on treasuries of similar maturities and will move up and down based on current market conditions. The Savings Pool is managed in a manner to facilitate liquidity needs and maintain stability of returns.

#### **Investment Risk**

The Savings Pool is intended as a conservative short term investment vehicle where current income and preservation of capital is the primary objective. It is designed to be a low-risk investment, but any investment carries risk. Although the Washington State Investment Board (WSIB) selects highly rated institutions, there is a chance that an issuer will fail to pay interest and principal in a timely manner. The investment contracts are not guaranteed by the WSIB, DRS, the state or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

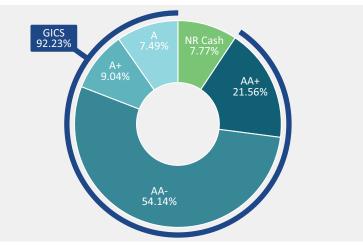
## Performance

	Fund
Quarter	0.74%
1 Year	2.94%
3 Year	2.50%
5 Year	2.48%
10 Year	1.89%

### **GIC Issuers by Percentage**

Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.	24.63%
New York Life Insurance Corp.	21.56%
Minnesota Life Insurance Co.	14.12%
United of Omaha Life Insurance Co.	9.04%
Protective Life Insurance Co.	7.94%
Jackson National Life Insurance Co.	7.49%
Prudential Insurance Co. of America	4.62%
Metropolitan Tower Life Insurance Co.	2.83%

## Composition



#### S&P's Insurance Financial Strength Ratings

- AAA Insurance companies with extremely strong financial security characteristics.
- AA Insurance companies with very strong financial security characteristics.
- A Insurance companies with strong financial security characteristics.
- BBB Insurance companies with good financial security characteristics.
- NR No rating.

Modifiers (+) and (-) indicate the ranking inside the category.

The fund returns are reflected net of an annual Investment Management Fee and Investment Management Administrative Costs, including, but not limited to accounting, custody and audit fees. The fund returns do not reflect the current record keeping fee of 0.0560%, DRS Administrative Fee of 0.0420% and the WSIB fee of 0.0200%. All fees are subject to change.

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.