



# Short Term Reserves Account IA

Stable value fund

Risk level Low ← → High	Total net assets	Expense ratio as of 09/30/18	Inception date	Fund number
<b>1</b> 2 3 4 5	\$358 MM	0.03%	05/19/17	4628

### Investment objective

The fund seeks to provide income consistent with the preservation of principal.

### Investment strategy

The Fund indirectly invests in funding agreements (traditional and separate account), synthetic investment contracts (SICs), and shares of Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund. Funding agreements and synthetic investment contracts are interest-bearing contracts that are structured to preserve principal and accumulate interest earnings over the life of the investment. Traditional funding agreements generally pay interest at a fixed interest rate and have fixed maturity dates that normally range from 2 to 5 years. Separate account funding agreements and synthetic investment contracts pay a variable interest rate and have an average duration range between 2 and 5 years. Investments in either new funding agreements or synthetic investment contracts are based upon available liquidity in the account, and the competitiveness of offered yields, based on market conditions and trends.

The Short-Term Reserves Account also purchases shares of the Federal Money Market Fund to meet normal liquidity needs.

The total amount invested in the Federal Money Market Fund is expected to range between 0% and 25%. The Federal Money Market Fund invests in high-quality, short-term money market instruments, issued by the U.S. government and its agencies and instrumentalities. Although these securities are high-quality, most of the securities held by the Fund are neither guaranteed by the U.S. Treasury nor supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government. To be considered high quality, a security must be determined by Vanguard to present minimal credit risk based in part on a consideration of maturity, portfolio diversification, portfolio liquidity and credit quality. The Fund maintains a dollar-weighted average maturity of 60 days or less and a dollar-weighted average life of 120 days or less.

### General note

Note: The Fund's investments in Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or any other government agency. Although the fund seeks to preserve the value of the investment at per share, it is possible that Vanguard Short-Term Reserves Account may lose money by investing in the fund.

### Benchmark

Iowa Interest Acc. Composite

### Total returns

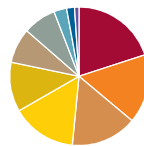
Periods ended September 30, 2018

	Quarter	Year to date	One year	Since inception
Fund	0.58%	1.47%	1.81%	1.63%
Benchmark	0.50%	1.41%	1.71%	—

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Figures for periods of less than one year are cumulative returns. All other figures represent average annual returns. Performance figures include the reinvestment of all dividends and any capital gains distributions. All returns are net of expenses.

### Distribution by sector



Cash Equivalent	20.0%	Treasury	8.1
Corporate	16.1	Foreign	7.7
Asset-Backed	15.5	Agency	3.0
Traditional Contracts	15.1	CMBS	1.8
Pass-Through MBS	11.6	Exp. to synth wrap providers	1.1

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### Plain talk about risk

A stable value fund investment does not constitute a balanced investment program. Although highly rated investments are selected for the fund, the contracts held by the fund are not guaranteed by the U.S. government, Vanguard, the trustee, or the plan. The fund will seek to invest with a diversified selection of contract issuers. A stable value fund is designed as a low-risk investment but you could still lose money by investing in it. The primary risks of investing in the fund are:

**Income Risk:** The possibility that a fund's income will decline as a result of falling interest rates. Investments are generally made for terms of at least two to five years, on average, producing a rate of fund income that will be higher than that earned on shorter-maturity money market funds. But because it is influenced by average interest rates over a period of several years, the fund's income yield may remain above or stay below current market yields during some time periods. Income risk will be moderately high for the fund).

**Manager risk:** The chance that poor security selection will cause the fund to underperform relevant benchmarks or other funds with a similar investment objective.

**Credit risk:** The chance that an issuer will fail to pay interest and principal in a timely manner. Credit risk should be low for the fund because it invests mainly in investments that are considered high-quality.

**Derivatives Risk:** The chance that investments in derivatives may involve risks different from, and possibly greater than, those of investments in the underlying securities, assets, or market indexes.

**Note: An investment in the fund is neither insured nor guaranteed by the U.S. government. There is no assurance that the fund will be able to maintain a stable net asset value of a share, and it is possible to lose money by investing in the fund.**

**The fund is not a mutual fund. It is a separately managed investment portfolio available only to plan participants. For more information about Vanguard funds or to obtain a prospectus on the fund's operations, expenses, fees and investment policies, see below for which situation is right for you.**

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