

>> Fund Objectives

This actively managed exchange-traded fund seeks to provide federally tax-exempt income consistent with capital preservation.

>> Fund Facts

Fund Ticker	FSMB
CUSIP	33739P830
Intraday NAV	FSMBIV
Fund Inception Date	11/1/18
Expense Ratio*	0.55%
30-Day SEC Yield†	2.61%
Taxable Equivalent 30-Day SEC Yield‡	4.41%
Primary Listing	NYSE Arca

>> Fund Description

- >> Under normal market conditions, the fund will seek to achieve its investment objectives by investing at least 80% of its net assets (including investment borrowings) in municipal debt securities that pay interest that is exempt from regular federal income taxes. Up to 35% of its net assets may be allocated to below investment-grade municipal securities.
 - The fund is expected to maintain a weighted average duration of one to three years.
- >> First Trust Advisors L.P. is the advisor to the fund and manages the fund's portfolio. Daily investment decisions are made by Johnathan N. Wilhelm, Senior Vice President, Senior Portfolio Manager and Tom Byron, Senior Vice President, Portfolio Manager.
- >> The investment process practices rigorous credit analysis of individual issuers coupled with a thorough understanding of the major opportunities and risks within municipal sectors.
 - The portfolio managers use a disciplined approach that focuses on a combination of quantitative analysis and fundamental research.
 - Their actively managed approach applies extensive research on each individual bond selection.
 - They seek to take advantage of the inefficiencies within the municipal market to find higher-yielding undervalued bonds.

>> Performance Summary (%)

	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Fund Inception
Fund Performance*							
Net Asset Value (NAV)	1.16	1.16	0.68	1.16	—	—	1.55
After Tax Held	0.94	0.94	-0.03	0.54	—	—	0.85
After Tax Sold	0.69	0.69	0.40	0.63	—	—	0.89
Market Price	1.37	1.37	0.78	1.13	—	—	1.58

Index Performance**

Bloomberg Municipal Short (1-5) Year Index	1.37	1.37	1.54	0.57	—	—	1.38				
>> Calendar Year Total Returns (%)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD
FSMB	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.82	3.47	1.40	-3.84	1.16
Bloomberg Municipal Short (1-5) Year Index	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.66	2.83	0.36	-3.17	1.37

>> 3-Year Statistics

	Standard Deviation (%)	Alpha	Beta	Sharpe Ratio	Correlation
FSMB	2.96	0.57	0.95	0.11	0.97
Bloomberg Municipal Short (1-5) Year Index	3.03	—	1.00	-0.09	1.00

Overall Morningstar Rating™



Among 205 funds in the Muni National Short category.
This fund was rated 5 stars/205 funds (3 years) based on risk adjusted returns.§

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results and current performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate and shares when sold or redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. You can obtain performance information which is current through the most recent month-end by visiting www.ftportfolios.com.

*The Investment Advisor has implemented fee breakpoints, which reduce the fund's investment management fee at certain assets levels. Please see the fund's SAI for full details.

†30-day SEC yield is calculated by dividing the net investment income per share earned during the most recent 30-day period by the maximum offering price per share on the last day of the period.

‡The taxable equivalent yield is for illustrative purposes only. This information illustrates approximately what you would have to earn on taxable investments to equal the tax-exempt yield using the highest federal tax bracket and Medicare tax for 2022. This information is based on present law as of the date of publication and does not account for any proposed changes in tax rates. This information does not account for limitations on deductions, the alternative minimum tax or taxes other than Federal personal income tax and Medicare tax.

*NAV returns are based on the fund's net asset value which represents the fund's net assets (assets less liabilities) divided by the fund's outstanding shares. **After Tax Held** returns represent return after taxes on distributions. Assumes shares have not been sold. **After Tax Sold** returns represent the return after taxes on distributions and the sale of fund shares. Returns do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times. **Market Price** returns are determined by using the midpoint of the national best bid offer price ("NBBO") as of the time that the fund's NAV is calculated. Returns are average annualized total returns, except those for periods of less than one year, which are cumulative. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. The after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

**Performance information for each listed index is for illustrative purposes only and does not represent actual fund performance. Indexes do not charge management fees or brokerage expenses, and no such fees or expenses were deducted from the performance shown. Indexes are unmanaged and an investor cannot invest directly in an index.

» Portfolio Information

Number Of Holdings	605
Weighted Average Effective Duration ¹	2.24 Years
Weighted Average Modified Duration ¹	2.25 Years
Weighted Average Maturity	3.46 Years
Weighted Average Price	\$102.24

» Credit Quality (%)²

Cash	0.55
AAA	11.43
AA	35.98
A	27.97
BBB	10.90
BB	2.30
B	0.30
NR	7.96
SP-1+ (short-term)	0.24
SP-1/MIG1 (short-term)	1.66
SP-2/MIG2 (short-term)	0.71

¹A measure of a bond's sensitivity to interest rate changes that reflects the change in a bond's price given a change in yield.

²The credit quality information presented reflects the ratings assigned by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSROs), including S&P Global Ratings, Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Fitch Ratings or a comparably rated NRSRO. For situations in which a security is rated by more than one NRSRO and ratings are not equivalent, the highest ratings are used. Sub-investment grade ratings are those rated BB+/Ba1 or lower. Investment grade ratings are those rated BBB-/Baa3 or higher. The credit ratings shown relate to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the underlying securities in the Fund, and not to the Fund or its shares. Credit ratings are subject to change.

» Top Holdings (%)

MIAMI-DADE CNTY FL SEAPORT REV N/C, 5%, due 10/01/2030	1.05
UNIV OF TEXAS TX PERMANENT UNIV FND N/C, 5%, due 07/01/2026	1.01
PUBLIC FIN AUTH WI POLL CONTROL REV Variable rate, due 10/01/2046	0.95
PEFA INC IA GAS PROJ REVENUE Variable rate, due 09/01/2049	0.91
HENNEPIN CNTY MN SALES TAX REV 5%, due 12/15/2030	0.89
ROCKPORT IN POLL CONTROL REV N/C, 3.05%, due 06/01/2025	0.84
TENNESSEE ST ENERGY ACQUISITION CORP Variable rate, due 05/01/2048	0.81
NORTH CAROLINA ST MED CARE COMMN Variable rate, due 02/01/2051	0.80
MAIN STREET NATURAL GAS INC GA Variable rate, due 07/01/2052	0.77
HALIFAX FL HOSP MED CTR 5%, due 06/01/2027	0.72

» Top Sector Exposure (%)

UTILITY	9.90
GO-UNLTD	9.57
HOSPITAL	9.54
INSURED	9.35
GAS	8.76
PRE/ETM	7.91
IDB	6.22
COP	4.69
WATER & SEWER	4.40
Airport	4.33

» Maturity Exposure (%)

0 - 0.99 years	18.40
1 - 1.99 years	16.06
2 - 2.99 years	16.03
3 - 3.99 years	16.19
4 - 4.99 years	6.98
5 - 5.99 years	7.59
6 - 6.99 years	6.93
7 - 7.99 years	5.45
8 - 8.99 years	1.55
9 - 9.99 years	1.47
10 - 14.99 years	2.38
15 - 19.99 years	0.42
Cash	0.55

» Top State Exposure (%)

Texas	12.66
Illinois	8.07
Florida	7.67
Pennsylvania	4.96
New York	4.59
Georgia	4.52
California	4.44
New Jersey	4.30
Alabama	3.71
Indiana	3.40

You should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses carefully before investing. Contact First Trust Portfolios L.P. at 1-800-621-1675 or visit www.ftportfolios.com to obtain a prospectus or summary prospectus which contains this and other information about the fund. The prospectus or summary prospectus should be read carefully before investing.

Risk Considerations

You could lose money by investing in a fund. An investment in a fund is not a deposit of a bank and is not insured or guaranteed. There can be no assurance that a fund's objective(s) will be achieved. Investors buying or selling shares on the secondary market may incur customary brokerage commissions. Please refer to each fund's prospectus and SAI for additional details on a fund's risks. The order of the below risk factors does not indicate the significance of any particular risk factor.

All or a portion of a fund's otherwise exempt- interest dividends may be taxable to those shareholders subject to the federal and state alternative minimum tax.

Unlike mutual funds, shares of the fund may only be redeemed directly from a fund by authorized participants in very large creation/redemption units. If a fund's authorized participants are unable to proceed with creation/redemption orders and no other authorized participant is able to step forward to create or redeem, fund shares may trade at a premium or discount to a fund's net asset value and possibly face delisting and the bid/ask spread may widen.

During periods of falling interest rates if an issuer calls higher-yielding debt instruments, a fund may be forced to invest the proceeds at lower interest rates, likely resulting in a decline in the fund's income.

A fund that effects all or a portion of its creations and redemptions for cash rather than in-kind may be less tax-efficient.

An issuer or other obligated party of a debt security may be unable or unwilling to make dividend, interest and/or principal payments when due and the value of a security may decline as a result.

Ratings assigned by a credit rating agency are opinions of such entities, not absolute standards of credit quality and they do not evaluate risks of securities. Any shortcomings or inefficiencies in the process of determining credit ratings may adversely affect the credit ratings of the securities held by a fund and their perceived or actual credit risk.

The differences in yield between debt securities of different credit quality may increase which may reduce the market value of a fund's debt securities.

A fund is susceptible to operational risks through breaches in cyber security. Such events could cause a fund to incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures and/or financial loss.

Investments in debt securities subject the holder to the credit risk of the issuer and the value of debt securities will generally change inversely with changes in interest rates. In addition, debt securities generally do not trade on a securities exchange making them less liquid and more difficult to value.

Extension risk is the risk that, when interest rates rise, certain obligations will be paid off by the issuer (or other obligated party) more slowly than anticipated, causing the value of these debt securities to fall. Rising interest rates tend to extend the duration of debt securities, making their market value more sensitive to changes in interest rates.

Floating rate securities are structured so that the security's coupon rate fluctuates based upon the level of a reference rate. As a result, the coupon on floating rate securities will generally decline in a falling interest rate environment, causing a fund to experience a reduction in the income it receives from the security. A floating rate security's coupon rate resets periodically according to the terms of the security. Consequently, in a rising interest rate environment, floating rate securities with coupon rates that reset infrequently may lag behind the changes in market interest rates.

High yield securities, or "junk" bonds, are less liquid and are subject to greater market fluctuations and risk of loss than securities with higher ratings, and therefore, are considered to be highly speculative.

A fund's income may decline when interest rates fall or if there are defaults in its portfolio.

A fund may be a constituent of one or more indices or models which could greatly affect a fund's trading activity, size and volatility.

Industrial development bonds are normally secured only by the revenues from the project and are not general obligations of the issuer or otherwise secured by state or local government tax receipts.

As inflation increases, the present value of a fund's assets and distributions may decline.

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of the debt securities in a fund's portfolio will decline because of rising interest rates. Interest rate risk is generally lower for shorter term debt securities and higher for longer-term debt securities.

Please see additional risks on the following page.

Risk Considerations (continued)

The portfolio managers of an actively managed portfolio will apply investment techniques and risk analyses that may not have the desired result.

Market risk is the risk that a particular security, or shares of a fund in general may fall in value. Securities are subject to market fluctuations caused by such factors as general economic conditions, political events, regulatory or market developments, changes in interest rates and perceived trends in securities prices. Shares of a fund could decline in value or underperform other investments as a result. In addition, local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, spread of infectious disease or other public health issues, recessions, natural disasters or other events could have significant negative impact on a fund. In February 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine which has caused and could continue to cause significant market disruptions and volatility within the markets in Russia, Europe, and the United States. The hostilities and sanctions resulting from those hostilities could have a significant impact on certain fund investments as well as fund performance. The COVID-19 global pandemic and the ensuing policies enacted by governments and central banks have caused and may continue to cause significant volatility and uncertainty in global financial markets. While vaccines have been developed, there is no guarantee that vaccines will be effective against future variants of the disease. Recent and potential future bank failures could result in disruption to the broader banking industry or markets generally and reduce confidence in financial institutions and the economy as a whole, which may also heighten market volatility and reduce liquidity.

A fund faces numerous market trading risks, including the potential lack of an active market for fund shares due to a limited number of market makers. Decisions by market makers or authorized participants to reduce their role or step away in times of market stress could inhibit the effectiveness of the arbitrage process in maintaining the relationship between the underlying values of a fund's portfolio securities and a fund's market price.

The values of municipal securities may be adversely affected by local political and economic conditions and developments. Income from municipal securities could be declared taxable because of, among other things, unfavorable changes in tax laws, adverse interpretations by the Internal Revenue Service or state tax authorities, or noncompliant conduct of an issuer.

Inventories of municipal securities have decreased in recent years and some municipal securities may have resale restrictions lessening the ability to make a market in these securities. This reduction in market making capacity has the potential to decrease a fund's ability to buy or sell municipal securities and increase price volatility and trading costs.

There is no assurance that a fund will be able to sell a portfolio security at the price established by a pricing service, which could result in a loss to a fund.

A fund and a fund's advisor may seek to reduce various operational risks through controls and procedures, but it is not possible to completely protect against such risks. The fund also relies on third parties for a range of services, including custody, and any delay or failure related to those services may affect the fund's ability to meet its objective.

The market price of a fund's shares will generally fluctuate in accordance with changes in the fund's net asset value ("NAV") as well as the relative supply of and demand for shares on the exchange, and a fund's investment advisor cannot predict whether shares will trade below, at or above their NAV.

Prepayment risk is the risk that the issuer of a debt security will repay principal prior to the scheduled maturity date. Debt securities allowing prepayment may offer less potential for gains during a period of declining interest rates, as a fund may be required to reinvest the proceeds of any prepayment at lower interest rates.

Private activity bonds can have a substantially different credit profile than the municipality or public authority that issued them and may be negatively impacted by conditions affecting the general credit of the private enterprise or the project itself.

A fund with significant exposure to a single asset class, country, region, industry, or sector may be more affected by an adverse economic or political development than a broadly diversified fund.

Trading on an exchange may be halted due to market conditions or other reasons. There can be no assurance that a fund's requirements to maintain the exchange listing will continue to be met or be unchanged.

The purchase of securities on a when-issued, TBA ("to be announced"), delayed delivery or forward commitment basis may give rise to investment leverage and increase a fund's volatility and exposure to default.

Zero coupon bonds do not pay interest on a current basis, they may be highly volatile, and they do not produce cash flow. A fund could be forced to liquidate zero coupon bond securities at an inopportune time to generate cash to distribute to shareholders as required by tax laws.

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Definitions

Standard Deviation is a measure of price variability (risk). **Alpha** is an indication of how much an investment outperforms or underperforms on a risk-adjusted basis relative to its benchmark. **Beta** is a measure of price variability relative to the market. **Sharpe Ratio** is a measure of excess reward per unit of volatility. **Correlation** is a measure of the similarity of performance. The **Bloomberg Municipal Short (1-5) Year Index** measures the performance of municipal bonds with time to maturity of more than one year and less than five years.

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