BARINGS LIQUIDITY INVESTMENT STRATEGY



INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY

The investment objective of Barings Liquidity Investment Strategy ('BLIS') is to generate floating rate investment returns that exceed the RBA Overnight Cash Rate plus 1.50% to 2.00% (net of fees and costs) over rolling 12-month periods. BLIS is designed for investors seeking a strategy with a focus on capital preservation, above cash returns and an ability to actively manage their liquidity allocation.







Capital Stability¹

An actively managed portfolio of highly-rated, floating-rate, securitised assets, which have shown capital stability historically.

Liquidity Management

Aims to provide unitholders with quick access to their capital, with withdrawal proceeds generally available within five business days.

Higher Income Potential

Aims to distribute quarterly income above the potential returns available on traditional cash products.2

*as of March 31, 2025 **SNAPSHOT**

Asset Fixed Income, floating rate NAV A\$268.3m **Unit Price** A\$1.017

ABOUT THE MANAGER

professionals globally.*

Barings Australia Pty Ltd, a subsidiary

of MassMutual, is a global investment

opportunities and building portfolios

across public and private fixed income, real estate and specialist equity markets. Barings is one of the world's leading asset managers, managing over USD\$442 Billion AUM, with 2,000+

Barings Australia Pty Ltd has appointed

("Gryphon") which is part of the Barings

Gryphon Capital Investments Pty Ltd

group as Sub-Advisor of the Fund.

manager sourcing differentiated

Management Fees

0.58% and Costs7 Performance Fee None Distributions Quarterly **Unit Pricing** Daily

CHARACTERISTICS

Average Credit Rating AAA 5.79% Running Yield8 Discount Margin⁹ 1.85% 3.85% pa **RBA Cash Rate** Interest Rate Duration 0.06 years **Credit Spread Duration** 2.55 years **RMBS / ABS Exposure** 88% / 11%

UNDERLYING MORTGAGE

Num Underlying Loans 59 984 Wtd Avg Loan Balance A\$457,259 Wtd Avg Curr LVR¹⁰ 65%

Wtd Avg Seasoning 28 months **Wtd Avg Interest Rate** 7.14% Loans 90+ Days in Arrears 0.85%

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FUND PERFORMANCE

LATEST RETURN (%)

	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	Incept⁵
Gross return (before fees)	0.66	1.23	3.01			5.16
Net return (after fees) ³	0.63	1.10	2.72			4.64
Excess Return (after fees)4	0.29	0.07	0.61			1.22

Financial Yr	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD
2024-25		0.346	0.36	0.70	0.45	0.54	0.46	0.60	0.51	(0.04)	0.63		4.64

Past performance is not an indicator of future performance. The value of an investment and its return may rise and fall with

¹Return of capital and target return are not guaranteed. The investment objective is not a forecast, it is only an indication of what the investment strategy of BLIS aims to achieve. It may not be achieved

²BLIS aims to distribute quarterly income. Distributions are not guaranteed and may be subject to the Responsible Entity's discretion. Positive distributions may not represent a positive return.

³Net return (after fees) is calculated using pre-distribution month end withdrawal unit prices and assumes distribution reinvestment

⁴Arithmetic spread to RBA Cash Rate.

⁵Inception date is 16 August 2024.

⁶Partial month, from 16 to 31 August.

⁷Estimated based on the Fund having a gross asset value attributable to the Units of A\$200 million.

Running yield is the weighted average coupon income of the portfolio (including cash) relative to clean market prices as at the report date. Running yield only reflects the fund's coupon income and does not take into account capital gains/losses on receipt of principal.

Discount margin is the weighted average expected return of the portfolio (including cash) above the reference rate (1-month BBSW) as at the report date

¹⁰Wtd Avg Curr LVR refers to the weighted average current loan to value ratio (LVR). It is the ratio of the current loan balance to the property valuation for residential mortgage in the RMBS portfolio, weighted first by loan balance and then by the fund's investment in each bond.

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COMMENTARY

PERFORMANCE

BLIS performance rebounded nicely in May by returning 63bps as markets somewhat reverted back to normality, at least for now. Deployment of some reserved cash through the month has positioned the portfolio well, with a running yield of 5.79%, credit spread of 185 bps, and spread duration of 2.55 years.

LIQUIDITY CONDITIONS

The Australian RMBS market saw over \$7bn of issuance in May across nine deals, with several more remaining in the pipeline for June. All deals continued to be well subscribed albeit at reduced oversubscribed multiples, but with enough demand for upsizing during the sales process. Trading margins tightened from the wides of April but remained 15-25 bps wider than the tight end of the range printed in February/March of this year¹, with the liquid AAA tranches favoured by BLIS moving the least. The large volume of new issuance also dampened both volume and spread tightening in the secondary market.

TRADING ACTIVITY

With better spreads on offer in the primary market than available in secondaries, and with a veritable smorgasbord to choose from, BLIS deployed a large part of its cash holding across multiple newly issued securities in May. Our typical focus on liquidity drove our allocations into AAA-rated RMBS securities, where the outsized spreads of the RMBS market gave us additional spread not only over senior unsecured bank debt, but even over A-rated Tier 2 debt, without having to sacrifice a superior credit rating. We also ventured further down the credit curve in a few deals where high-quality collateral and higher yields offered an attractive entry point from a relative value perspective.

RV METRICS

Credit spreads in general tightened slightly during May, but with more movement seen in bank debt, the relative value argument for RMBS became even stronger. New issues of three-year Australian AAA RMBS debt priced at 145 bps through May, while three-year AA-rated senior unsecured bank debt traded around 66 bps², an additional yield of around 80 bps². Comparing higher risk bank debt, namely A-rated Tier 2 debt traded around 140 bps³ spread level for the same maturity window of three years, slightly inside AAA RMBS.

CREDIT QUALITY

We added several new holdings this month which means the portfolio is secured by an additional 7,180 residential mortgage loans (to 59,486 on 31 May), with the average seasoning of those loans falling slightly from 32 months to 28 months. Importantly, despite this influx, the average LVR moved only slightly, from 64% to 65%. Due to the nature of primary deals having zero to minimal arrears, the turnover allowed the team to build more portfolio yield and, in the process, cleanse the collateral quality by eliminating the underperforming mortgage performance deals. As a result, 90+ arrears for the portfolio fell notably, from 1.10% to 0.85%, well under the market average of 1.37% for a similar portfolio, based on SPIN arrears data from S&P Global Ratings⁴.

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Macquarie Wrap

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² ANZ, 30 May 2025

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 $^{^4\,\}mbox{S&P},$ data as at 31 May 2025 for month ending 31 March 2025

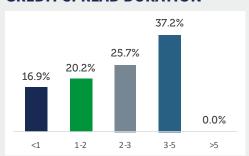
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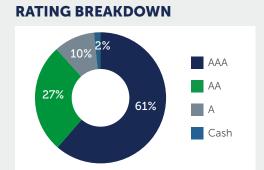


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PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

CREDIT SPREAD DURATION





Weighted Average Life	AAA	AA	Α	Cash	Total
0-1 Year	1.3%	6.3%	7.7%	1.6%	16.9%
1-2 Years	15.2%	3.4%	1.6%	_	20.2%
2-3 Years	23.3%	2.4%	-	-	25.7%
3-5 Years	21.6%	14.8%	0.8%	-	37.2%
>5 Years	-	-	-	-	-
Total	61.4%	26.9%	10.1%	1.6%	100.0%

Note: Numbers may not add up due to rounding

DISTRIBUTIONS HISTORY

DISTRIBUTIONS (%)

Financial Yr	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	YTD
2024-25	0.73	1.50	1.52		3.79

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