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Principal Stability Fund **Ratings Definitions** 

# **POOL PROFILE**

# Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative - Cash **Management Class**

AAAm A fund rated 'AAAm' demonstrates extremely strong capacity to maintain principal stability and to limit exposure to principal losses due to credit risk 'AAAm' is the highest principal stability fund rating assigned by S&P Global Ratings

AAm A fund rated 'AAm' demonstrates very strong capacity to maintain principal stability and to limit exposure to principal losses due to credit risk. It differs from the highest-rated funds only to a small degree.

Am A fund rated 'Am' demonstrates strong capacity to maintain principal stability and to limit exposure to principal losses due to credit risk, but is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than funds in higher-rated categories

BBBm A fund rated 'BBBm' demonstrates adequate capacity to maintain principal stability and to limit exposure to principal losses due to credit risk. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a reduced capacity to maintain principal stability.

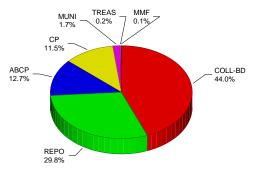
BBm A fund rated 'BBm' demonstrates speculative characteristics and uncertain capacity to maintain principal stability. It is vulnerable to principal losses due to credit risk. While such funds will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions.

Dm A fund rated 'Dm' has failed to maintain principal stability resulting in a realized or unrealized loss of principal.

# About the Pool

Pool Rating Pool Type	AAAm Stable NAV Government Investment Pool
Investment Adviser	U.S. Bank N.A.
Sub-advisor	PMA Asset Management, LLC
Portfolio Manager	Team Managed
Pool Rated Since Custodian	December 2008 U.S. Bank N.A.
Distributor	PMA Securities, LLC

#### Portfolio Composition as of September 26, 2024



COLL-BD - Collateralized Bank Deposits; REPO - Repurchase Agreement: ABCP - Asset-backed commercial paper; CP - Commercial Paper; MUNI -Municipal Debt; TREAS - Treasury; MMF - Money Market Fund

#### Rationale

S&P Global rates the Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative - Cash Management Class (CMS) 'AAAm'. This rating is based on S&P Global's analysis of the pool's credit quality, market price exposure, and management. The rating signifies our forward-looking opinion about a fixed-income fund's ability to maintain principal value (i.e., stable net asset value, or 'NAV'). This is accomplished through conservative investment practices and strict internal controls. S&P Global monitors the portfolio on a weekly basis.

#### Overview

The Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative was launched on June 23, 1988, through the adoption of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement (ICA). A fund participant can be any school district, village, city, county, town or other governmental entity in the state of Wisconsin, providing the population is not greater than 500,000. The Cooperative offers the following series to its participants: the Multi-Class Series (the Cash Management Class and the Investment Class), the Limited Term Duration, and the Term Series.

S&P Global also rates Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative - Investment Class (IS) 'AAAm'. In order to become a participant in the IS, one must also be a participant in the CMS. The funds are governed by a commission that has full power, control and authority over the affairs, investments and assets of the pools. The primary objectives of the CMS and the IS are to provide a competitive yield for participants while they maintain liquidity, preserve capital, and offer a constant net asset value (NAV) of \$1.00 per share.

#### Management

The commission appointed BMO as the investment adviser, whose responsibilities include the supervision of the investment activity of the CMS

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relative standing within the rating categories.

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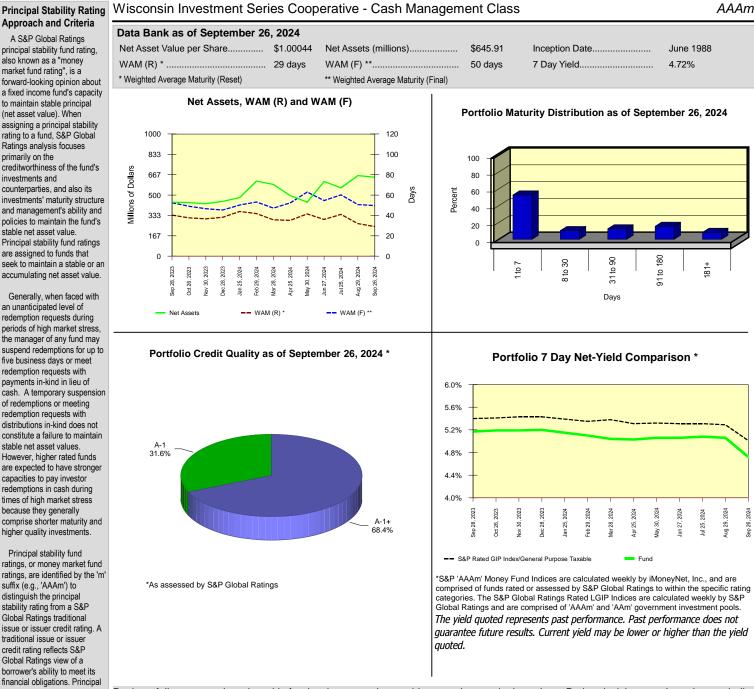
www.spratings.com Participants should consider the investment objectives, risks and charges and expenses of the pool before investing. The investment guidelines which can be obtained from your broker-dealer, contain this and other information about the pool and should be read carefully before investina.

and IS. BMO is also the custodian for pool assets. BMO has retained PMA Asset Management, LLC, an affiliate of the administrator and distributor, as the sub-advisor. PMA Asset Management, LLC, a registered investment adviser focused on serving the investment needs of public entities, in the United States. As of September, 2024, PMA Asset Management had over \$31.9 billion in assets under management. In addition to Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative - Cash Management Class, PMA Asset Management also serves as investment adviser for 12 other 'AAAm' rated local government investment pools. PMA Financial Network, LLC serves as administrator and its affiliate, PMA Securities, LLC serves as the distributor.

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# **Portfolio Assets**

The fund intends to accomplish its objectives by typically investing in highly-rated securities, including high-grade corporate debt, commercial paper, U.S. government and agency securities, and short-term debt issuance from Wisconsin local governments. To minimize fluctuations in the pool's NAV and provide liquidity to its participants, the weighted average maturity to reset (WAM(R)) is managed at 60 days or less.



stability fund ratings are not commentaries on yield levels. Pool portfolios are monitored weekly for developments that could cause changes in the ratings. Rating decisions are based on periodic meetings with senior pool executives and public information.

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