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American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund®

Tax-exempt

Class F-3 shares SFTEX

Q3 fund fact sheet

Data as of September 30, 2026, unless otherwise noted.

Key information

Objective:

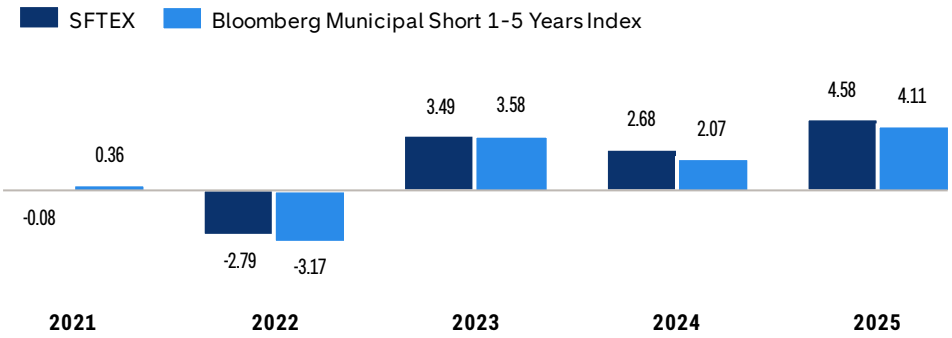
The fund's investment objective is to provide you with current income exempt from regular federal income tax, consistent with the maturity and quality standards described in this prospectus, and to preserve capital.

Distinguishing characteristics:

This strategy invests in high-quality, short-term municipal bonds to provide tax-exempt income while preserving capital. With a dollar-weighted average effective maturity of three years or less, the strategy is designed to generate a slightly higher yield than tax-exempt money market funds. It seeks to provide a high degree of stability with limited exposure to interest rate volatility.

Figures shown are past results and are not predictive of results in future periods. Current and future results may be lower or higher than those shown. Investing for short periods makes losses more likely. Prices and returns will vary, so investors may lose money. For current fund information and month-end results, visit capitalgroup.com.

Calendar-year total returns (%)



Investment results

Data for periods ended 09/30/2026 (%)	Cumulative total returns [4,5]			Average annual total returns [4,6]			
	3M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	Lifetime
SFTEX at net asset value (NAV)	-1.76	-0.47	0.20	3.47	1.44	1.54	1.52
Bloomberg Municipal Short 1-5 Years Index	-2.10	-0.83	-0.37	2.95	1.10	1.47	1.64
Morningstar Muni National Short Category Average	-1.62	-0.34	0.32	3.04	1.39	1.39	1.53

Fund's annualized 30-day SEC yield (gross/net): 3.30/3.31 (as of 09/30/2026)

Key facts

Inception date	08/07/2009
CUSIP	02630W707
Assets (millions)	$2,422.9
Morningstar category	Muni National Short

Key statistics

Yield to worst (%)	4.15
12-month distribution rate (%) [1]	3.0
Effective duration (years)	2.3

Expenses (%)

Expense ratio (gross) [2]	0.25

Fixed income sector breakdown (%)

General Obligation	13.4
Local	9.0
State	4.4
Revenue bonds	74.5
Corporate	11.2
Education	4.8
Escrowed	1.4
Governmental	1.4
Healthcare	6.7
Housing	26.3
Special Tax	4.3
Tobacco	0.2
Transportation	8.8
Utility	7.3
Miscellaneous	2.1
Swaps & futures	-0.0
Cash & equivalents [3]	12.1
Total	100.0

Investments are not FDIC-insured, nor are they deposits of or guaranteed by a bank or any other entity, so they may lose value.

Investors should carefully consider investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. This and other important information is contained in the fund prospectuses and/or summary prospectuses, which can be obtained from a financial professional and should be read carefully before investing.

This material must be preceded or accompanied by a prospectus or summary prospectus for the fund(s) being offered.

Rating exposure (%)	
Fixed income	87.9
AAA/Aaa	16.7
AA/Aa	52.0
A	16.7
BBB/Baa	1.5
Unrated	1.0
Cash & equivalents[8]	12.1

Bond ratings, which typically range from AAA/Aaa (highest) to D (lowest), are assigned by credit rating agencies such as Standard & Poor's, Moody's and/or Fitch, as an indication of an issuer's creditworthiness. Unless otherwise noted below, if agency ratings differ, a security will be considered to have received the highest of those ratings, consistent with applicable investment policies. Securities in the Unrated category have not been rated by any of the rating agencies referenced above; however, the investment adviser performs its own credit analysis and assigns comparable ratings that are used for compliance with applicable investment policies.

Top obligors (%) [7]	
Black Belt Energy Gas Dist	2.7
California Community Choice Financing Authority	1.9
New York City Transitional Finance Authority Future Tax Secured Revenue	1.9
New York City of	1.2
California (State of)	1.2
New York N Y City Hsg Dev Corp Res 1993	1.2
San Antonio Tex Electric & Gas	1.1
Kentucky Inc Ky Pub Energy Auth	1.1
Michigan State Housing Development Authority	0.9
University of Houston	0.9

The return of principal for bond portfolios and portfolios with significant underlying bond holdings is not guaranteed. Investments are subject to the same interest rate, inflation and credit risks associated with the underlying bond holdings.

Income from municipal bonds may be subject to state or local income taxes and/or the federal alternative minimum tax. Certain other income, as well as capital gain distributions, may be taxable.

There have been periods when the results lagged the index(es) and/or average(s). The indexes are unmanaged and, therefore, have no expenses. Investors cannot invest directly in an index.

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Portfolios are managed, so holdings will change. Certain fixed income and/or cash and equivalents holdings may be held through mutual funds managed by the investment adviser or its affiliates that are not offered to the public.

Totals may not reconcile due to rounding and/or cash flows.

Investment results assume all distributions are reinvested and reflect applicable fees and expenses.

When applicable, results reflect fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, without which they would have been lower and net expenses higher. For more information on fee waivers and expense reimbursements, visit capitalgroup.com.

For the American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund share class(es) listed below, the investment adviser has agreed to reimburse a portion of fund expenses through the date(s) listed below, without which results would have been lower and net expenses higher.

- Class F-3 shares (expiration: 10/1/2026)

The investment adviser may elect at its discretion to extend, modify or terminate the reimbursements as of any noted expiration date. Please refer to the fund's most recent prospectus for details.

Certain share classes were offered after the inception dates of some funds. Results for these shares prior to the dates of first sale are hypothetical based on the original share class results without a sales charge, adjusted for typical estimated expenses.

- Class F-3 shares were first offered on 1/27/2017.

Results for certain funds with an inception date after the share class inception also include hypothetical returns because those funds' shares sold after the funds' date of first offering. Refer to dates of first sale and specific expense adjustment information at capitalgroup.com.

1. The distribution rate reflects the fund's past dividends paid to shareholders and may differ from the fund's SEC yield which reflects the rate at which the fund is earning income on its current portfolio of securities. The distribution rate reflects fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements in effect during the period. Without waivers and/or reimbursements, it would be reduced.
2. Expense ratios are as of each fund's prospectus/characteristics statement, as applicable, available at the time of publication.
3. Includes cash, short-term securities, other assets less liabilities, and certain accruals. It may also include investments in money market or similar funds managed by the investment adviser or its affiliates that are not offered to the public.
4. When applicable, returns for less than one year are not annualized, but calculated as cumulative total returns.
5. YTD (year-to-date return): For the period from January 1 of the current year to the date shown or from inception date if first offered after January 1 of the current year.
6. Index and/or average lifetime is based on the fund inception date.
7. The information shown does not include cash and cash equivalents. This includes shares of money market or similar funds managed by the investment adviser or its affiliates that are not offered to the public.
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