

# The CBF Church of England Short Duration Bond Fund

CCLA recognises that the investments within the fund have an impact on the health of the climate. Equally, climate change could influence the performance of investments in the fund, because healthy markets need a healthy planet and healthy communities.

This report, based on the recommendations by the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), aims to help you understand more about the climate-related financial risks the fund is exposed to and will give you the ability to compare a range of climate metrics with other funds.

To understand the governance, strategy and risk management that CCLA has in place to manage the risks and opportunities related to climate change, please refer to [A climate for Good Investment](#), which also includes our approach to climate related scenario analysis, exclusions and engagement.

The climate metrics are only provided if reliable climate data and appropriate methodologies are available. Data gaps are explained in [A climate for Good Investment](#).

## Fund size

2024	<b>£72.1 million</b>
2023	£70.1 million

## Assets covered<sup>1</sup>

2024	<b>88.0%</b>
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## Climate metrics

### Carbon footprint

2024	<b>4.3 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/\$m invested</b>
2023	3.7 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/\$m invested

Sums up the Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions<sup>2</sup> in the portfolio based on the investor’s ownership share of each of the companies’ market capitalisation (in USD) and it is expressed as tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalents (tCO<sub>2</sub>e) per \$1 million invested. The larger the number, the greater the contribution to the effects of climate change.

### Total carbon emissions

2024	<b>8,402.1 tCO<sub>2</sub>e</b>
2023	7,196.2 tCO <sub>2</sub> e

Measures the total carbon emissions for which an investor is responsible by their asset ownership. Emissions are apportioned based on asset ownership (% market capitalisation). This measure sums up all the emissions (Scopes 1, 2 and 3) in the portfolio based on the investor’s an investor’s portfolio size of \$1 billion.

### Carbon intensity

2024	<b>312.0 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/\$m sales</b>
2023	298.9 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/\$m sales

Measures the carbon efficiency of a portfolio, defined as the ratio of carbon emissions for which an investor is responsible to the sales for which an investor has a claim by their asset ownership. Emissions and sales are apportioned based on asset ownership (% market capitalisation).

1 The figure represents the asset data for which we have been able to obtain the appropriate climate data. Therefore, if the figure stated is below 100%, they may not represent the fund’s total carbon footprint/climate-related impact for these metrics and are not comparable with other funds. Lower data coverage results in reduced reliability for these metrics.  
 2 Scopes 1, 2 and 3 are a categorisation of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.  
 Scope 1: GHG emissions that a company makes directly, for example while running its boilers and vehicles.  
 Scope 2: emissions assets make indirectly that is being produced on its behalf, for example purchased electricity or energy for heating and cooling buildings.  
 Scope 3: all the emissions associated, not with the company itself, but for which the organisation is indirectly responsible, up and down its value chain. For example, from buying products from its suppliers, and from its products when customers use them. Usually the largest emission category.

## Weighted average carbon intensity (WACI)

2024	225.0 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/\$m sales
2023	248.9 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/\$m sales

Measures a portfolio's exposure to carbon-intensive companies, defined as the portfolio weighted average of companies' carbon intensity (emissions/sales), expressed in tCO<sub>2</sub>e/\$1m sales. The larger the number, the more carbon intensive the investments.

## Financed emissions (FE)

2024	115.0 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/\$m invested
2023	88.2 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/\$m invested

Represents the financed greenhouse gas emissions (Scopes 1 and 2) associated with the fund. The larger the number, the more it is contributing to the effects of climate change.

## Scenario analysis

When considering climate related risks, we use both backward- and forward-looking data. Backward-looking data summarises the greenhouse gas emissions of an asset or fund.

Forward-looking data aims to gauge the significance of climate risks on the individual investments within the fund. This is determined using climate scenario models which are complex multidimensional computational tools. They are based on a number of variables: data from climate forecasting models, current observations, assumptions about future socio-economic behaviour and the regulatory landscape.

Due to the numerous assumptions and long-term projections climate models make, there are inherent uncertainties embedded within the results. Therefore, results should be considered with caution as they are estimates of projections, not forecasts. The results should be interpreted on a relative basis as actual future conditions may differ substantially from these projections.

For our fixed interest funds (i.e. CBF Church of England Short Duration Bond Fund and COIF Charities Short Duration Bond Fund) where CCLA has appointed Federated Hermes as the sub-investment manager, we rely on their data reporting. Due to different data sources and modelling approaches, the data in the Short Duration Bond Fund reports is not directly comparable with the data in our other fund reports.

## Net present value (NPV) at risk

This measure quantifies the size of revenue loss on a portfolio of assets over a given time horizon, at a given probability. The resulting NPV at risk is an aggregate figure comprising physical impacts on companies' revenues, changes to policy on companies' revenues and costs, and market impacts which are defined as changes in profit from companies' ability to pass through costs to consumer and take market share from more emissions intensive competitors.

The following table reflects the impact the costs of transition will have on reducing the profitability of the companies in which the fund invests.

Metric	2024 (%)	2023 (%)
<b>Net zero 2050 (orderly)</b>		
Physical impacts	-0.1	-0.1
Changes in revenues	-0.1	0.0
Changes in costs	-2.7	-2.2
Market Impact	1.5	1.5
<b>Aggregate NPV at risk</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>-0.8</b>
<b>Delayed transition (disorderly)</b>		
Physical impacts	-0.1	-0.1
Changes in revenues	0.0	0.0
Changes in costs	-2.6	-1.1
Market Impact	1.5	0.8
<b>Aggregate NPV at risk</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.3</b>
<b>Hot house world</b>		
Physical impacts	-0.2	-0.2
Changes in revenues	0.0	0.0
Changes in costs	0.0	0.0
Market Impact	0.1	0.1
<b>Aggregate NPV at risk</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

## Temperature alignment

Assesses the alignment of a portfolio's carbon emissions trajectory with different temperature scenarios. This metric can help investors determine whether their portfolio is aligned with the goals of the Paris Agreement to limit global warming to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels.

2025	3.2°C
2024	3.0°C

## Important information

Data source: Planetrics and Federated Hermes, as at 31 December 2024.

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