

**SPDR<sup>®</sup> SERIES TRUST  
(the “Trust”)**

**SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF**

*Supplement dated November 6, 2015 to the Prospectuses and  
Statement of Additional Information (the “SAI”) each dated October 31, 2015*

On or about November 20, 2015 (the “Effective Date”), the ticker BNDS will become the new ticker for SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF (the “Fund”).

Accordingly, as of the Effective Date, all references to the ticker LAG for the Fund in its Prospectuses and SAI are hereby deleted and replaced with BNDS.

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# Prospectus

October 31, 2015

## SPDR® Series Trust

SPDR Barclays 1-3 Month T-Bill ETF (BIL)

SPDR Barclays TIPS ETF (IPE)

SPDR Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF (SIPE)

SPDR Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF (TIPX)

SPDR Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF (SST)

SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF (ITE)

SPDR Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF (TLO)

SPDR Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF (SCPB)

SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF (ITR)

SPDR Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF (LWC)

SPDR Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Bond ETF (CBND)

SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF (CWB)

SPDR Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF (MBG)

SPDR Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF (LAG)

SPDR Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF (TFI)

SPDR Nuveen Barclays California Municipal Bond ETF (CXA)

SPDR Nuveen Barclays New York Municipal Bond ETF (INY)

SPDR Nuveen Barclays Short Term Municipal Bond ETF (SHM)

Principal U.S. Listing Exchange: NYSE Arca, Inc.

SPDR Nuveen S&P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF (HYMB)

SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF (BABS)

SPDR DB International Government Inflation-Protected Bond ETF (WIP)

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SPDR Barclays International Treasury Bond ETF (BWX)

SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF (IBND)

SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF (EBND)

SPDR Barclays High Yield Bond ETF (JNK)

SPDR Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF (IJNK)

SPDR Barclays Short Term High Yield Bond ETF (SJNK)

SPDR Barclays Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF (FLRN)

SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF (EMCD)

SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF (CJNK)

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## FUND SUMMARIES

# SPDR® Barclays 1-3 Month T-Bill ETF

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays 1-3 Month T-Bill ETF (the "Fund") seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the 1-3 month sector of the United States Treasury Bill market.

### FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund ("Fund Shares"). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.1345%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.0000%
Other expenses	0.0015%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.1360%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust's Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

### EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$14	\$44	\$77	\$174

### PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 620% of the average value of its portfolio.

### THE FUND'S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays 1-3 Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index (the "Index"), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund's assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund's assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of public obligations of the U.S. Treasury that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to 1 month and less than 3 months. The Index includes all publicly issued zero-coupon U.S. Treasury Bills that have a remaining maturity of less than 3 months and more than 1 month, are rated investment grade, and have \$250 million or more of outstanding face value. In addition, the securities must be denominated in U.S. dollars and must be fixed rate and non-convertible. Excluded from the Index are certain special issues, such as flower bonds, targeted investor notes, state and local government series bonds, inflation protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commonly known as "TIPS," and coupon issues that have been stripped from bonds included in the Index. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 8 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 0.09 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to

limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund’s investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a “non-diversified” fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index.

**Portfolio Turnover Risk:** Frequent purchases and sales of portfolio securities may result in higher Fund expenses and may result in more significant distributions of short-term capital gains to investors, which are taxed as ordinary income.

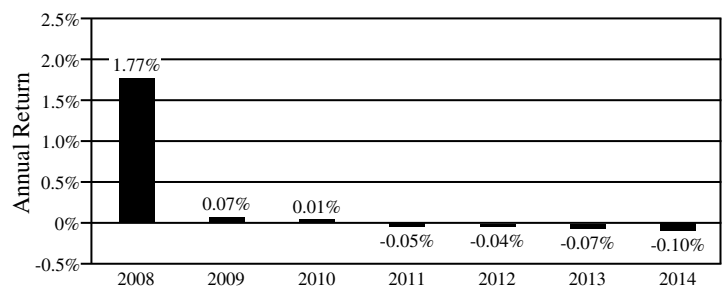
**U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk:** U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Similar to other issuers, changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of the Fund’s U.S. Treasury obligations to decline.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 0.70% (Q1, 2008)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -0.03% (Q4, 2014)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was -0.09%.



**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (5/25/07)</b>
Return Before Taxes	-0.10%	-0.05%	0.55%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-0.10%	-0.05%	0.36%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	-0.06%	-0.04%	0.36%
Barclays 1-3 Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	0.02%	0.07%	0.65%

**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT****INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

**PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Todd Bean, Steve Meier and Jeff St. Peters.

Todd Bean, CFA, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the firm's Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2004.

Steve Meier, CFA, FRM, is an Executive Vice President of the Adviser and is the CIO of the Global Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments. He joined the Adviser in 2003.

Jeff St. Peters is a Managing Director of the Adviser and Head of U.S. Cash Management within the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2001.

**PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

**TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

**PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays TIPS ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays TIPS ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the inflation protected sector of the United States Treasury market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees <sup>1</sup>	0.15%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.15%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund’s “Management fees” and “Total annual Fund operating expenses” have been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund’s “Management fees.”

<sup>2</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

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Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$15	\$48	\$85	\$192

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 18% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays U.S. Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of the inflation protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commonly known as "TIPS." TIPS are securities issued by the U.S. Treasury that are designed to provide inflation protection to investors. The Index includes publicly issued TIPS that have at least 1 year remaining to maturity on the Index rebalancing date, with an issue size equal to or in excess of \$500 million. Bonds must be capital-indexed and linked to an eligible inflation index. The securities must be denominated in U.S. dollars and pay coupon and principal in U.S. dollars. The notional coupon of a bond must be fixed or zero. Bonds must settle on or before the Index rebalancing date. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 36 securities in the Index.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

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**Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk:** The principal amount of an inflation-indexed security typically increases with inflation and decreases with deflation, as measured by a specified index. It is possible that, in a period of declining inflation rates, the Fund could receive at maturity less than the initial principal amount of an inflation-indexed security. Changes in the values of inflation-indexed securities may be difficult to predict, and it is possible that an investment in such securities will have a different effect than anticipated.

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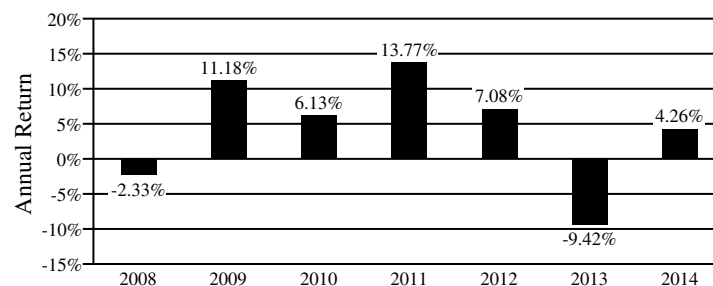
**U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk:** U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Similar to other issuers, changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of the Fund’s U.S. Treasury obligations to decline.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**FUND PERFORMANCE**

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 5.44% (Q1, 2009)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -7.42% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was -1.22%.

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold

Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (5/25/07)</b>
Return Before Taxes	4.26%	4.07%	5.01%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	3.52%	3.22%	3.92%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	2.41%	2.83%	3.50%
Barclays U.S. Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	4.43%	4.26%	5.17%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Peter R. Breault, Mahesh Jayakumar and Cynthia Moy.

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## **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the 0-5 year inflation protected sector of the United States Treasury market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.15%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.15%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$15	\$48	\$85	\$192

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 26% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays 0-5 Year US Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of the inflation protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury commonly known as "TIPS" that have a remaining maturity less than 5 years. TIPS are securities issued by the U.S. Treasury that are designed to provide inflation protection to investors. The Index includes publicly issued TIPS that have less than 5 years remaining to maturity on index rebalancing date, with an issue size equal to or in excess of \$500 million. The total amount outstanding for each issue is reflected, there are no adjustments made for sums held in the Federal Reserve System Open Market Account (SOMA) account. Bonds must be capital-indexed and linked to a domestic inflation index. The securities must be issued by the U.S. government, denominated in U.S. dollars and pay coupon and principal in U.S. dollars. New bonds/reopening's entering the Index must settle on or before the Index rebalancing date. The Index is rebalanced on the last calendar date of each month. As of September 30, 2015, the Index comprised 11 securities.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk:** The principal amount of an inflation-indexed security typically increases with inflation and decreases with deflation, as measured by a specified index. It is possible that, in a period of declining inflation rates, the Fund could receive at maturity less than the initial principal amount of an inflation-indexed security. Changes in the values of inflation-indexed securities may be difficult to predict, and it is possible that an investment in such securities will have a different effect than anticipated.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk:** U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Similar to other issuers, changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of the Fund's U.S. Treasury obligations to decline.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The Fund has not yet completed a full calendar year of investment operations. Once the Fund has completed a full calendar year of operations, a bar chart and table will be included that will provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing the variability of the Fund's returns based on net assets and comparing the Fund's performance to the Index. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER

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### **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the 1-10 year inflation protected sector of the United States Treasury market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.15%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.15%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$15	\$48	\$85	\$192

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 28% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays 1-10 Year U.S. Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of the inflation protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury commonly known as "TIPS" that have a remaining maturity greater than or equal to 1 year and less than 10 years. TIPS are securities issued by the U.S. Treasury that are designed to provide inflation protection to investors. The Index includes publicly issued TIPS that have at least 1 year and less than 10 years remaining to maturity on the index rebalancing date, with an issue size equal to or in excess of \$500 million. The total amount outstanding for each issue is reflected, there are no adjustments made for sums held in the Federal Reserve System Open Market Account (SOMA) account. Bonds must be capital-indexed and linked to a domestic inflation index. The securities must be issued by the U.S. Government and must be denominated in U.S. dollars and pay coupon and principal in U.S. dollars. New bonds/ reopening's entering the Index must settle on or before the index rebalancing date. The Index is rebalanced on the last calendar date of each month. As of September 30, 2015, the Index comprised 23 securities.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk:** The principal amount of an inflation-indexed security typically increases with inflation and decreases with deflation, as measured by a specified index. It is possible that, in a period of declining inflation rates, the Fund could receive at maturity less than the initial principal amount of an inflation-indexed security. Changes in the values of inflation-indexed securities may be difficult to predict, and it is possible that an investment in such securities will have a different effect than anticipated.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund’s holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund’s investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a “non-diversified” fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

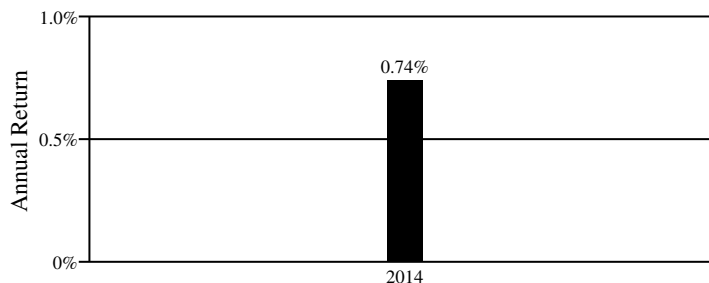
**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index.

**U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk:** U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Similar to other issuers, changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of the Fund’s U.S. Treasury obligations to decline.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**FUND PERFORMANCE**

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.



Highest Quarterly Return: 2.90% (Q2, 2014)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -2.01% (Q3, 2014)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was 0.07%.

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your

specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Since Inception (5/29/13)</b>
Return Before Taxes	0.74%	-1.77%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	0.09%	-2.22%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	0.42%	-1.55%
Barclays 1-10 Year Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	0.87%	-1.65%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Peter R. Breault, Mahesh Jayakumar and Cynthia Moy.

Peter R. Breault, CFA, is a Principal of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2012.

Mahesh Jayakumar, CFA, FRM is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2008.

Cynthia Moy is a Principal of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. She joined the Adviser in 2007.

## **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF (the "Fund") seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the short term sector of the United States Treasury market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund ("Fund Shares"). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees <sup>1</sup>	0.10%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.10%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund's "Management fees" and "Total annual Fund operating expenses" have been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund's "Management fees."

<sup>2</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust's Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$10	\$32	\$56	\$128

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 35% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND'S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays 1-5 Year U.S. Treasury Index (the "Index"), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund's assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund's assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of public obligations of the U.S. Treasury that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to 1 year and less than 5 years. The Index includes all publicly issued U.S. Treasury securities that are rated investment grade and have \$250 million or more of outstanding face value. In addition, the securities must be denominated in U.S. dollars, and must be fixed rate and non-convertible. Excluded from the Index are certain special issues, such as flower bonds, targeted investor notes, state and local government series bonds, inflation protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commonly known as "TIPS," and coupon issues that have been stripped from bonds included in the Index. Also excluded from the Index are structured notes with embedded swaps or other special features, private placements, floating rate securities and Eurobonds. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 154 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 2.62 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to

limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund’s investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a “non-diversified” fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index.

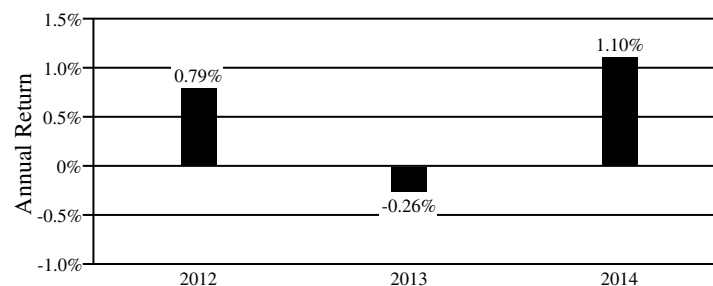
**U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk:** U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Similar to other issuers, changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of the Fund’s U.S. Treasury obligations to decline.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**FUND PERFORMANCE**

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 0.55% (Q2, 2012)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -0.68% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.52%.

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold



Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Since Inception (11/30/11)</b>
Return Before Taxes	1.10%	0.57%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	0.80%	0.37%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	0.62%	0.35%
Barclays 1-5 Year U.S. Treasury Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	1.17%	0.68%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Mahesh Jayakumar, Joanna Mauro and Karen Tsang.

Mahesh Jayakumar, CFA, FRM is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2008.

Joanna Mauro is a Vice President of SSGA and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash investments team. She joined the Adviser in 2003.

Karen Tsang is a Principal of SSGA FM and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. She joined the Adviser in 1998.

### **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

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# SPDR® Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the 1-10 year sector of the United States Treasury market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees <sup>1</sup>	0.10%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.10%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund’s “Management fees” and “Total annual Fund operating expenses” have been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund’s “Management fees.”

<sup>2</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$10	\$32	\$56	\$128

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 27% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Intermediate U.S. Treasury Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of public obligations of the U.S. Treasury that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to 1 year and less than 10 years. The Index includes all publicly issued, U.S. Treasury securities that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to 1 year and less than 10 years, are rated investment grade, and have \$250 million or more of outstanding face value. In addition, the securities must be denominated in U.S. dollars and must be fixed rate and non-convertible. Excluded from the Index are certain special issues, such as flower bonds, targeted investor notes, state and local government series bonds, inflation protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commonly known as "TIPS," and coupon issues that have been stripped from bonds included in the Index. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 209 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 3.78 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to

limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund’s investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a “non-diversified” fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index.

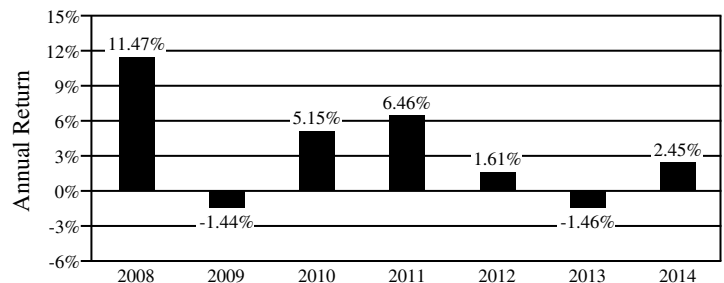
**U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk:** U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Similar to other issuers, changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of the Fund’s U.S. Treasury obligations to decline.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 6.53% (Q4, 2008)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -2.16% (Q2, 2009)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.99%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS

 (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold

Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (5/23/07)</b>
Return Before Taxes	2.45%	2.81%	4.04%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	1.99%	2.16%	3.22%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	1.39%	1.94%	2.85%
Barclays Intermediate U.S. Treasury Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	2.57%	2.92%	4.13%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

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## **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the long term (10+ years) sector of the United States Treasury market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees <sup>1</sup>	0.10%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.10%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund’s “Management fees” and “Total annual Fund operating expenses” have been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund’s “Management fees.”

<sup>2</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$10	\$32	\$56	\$128

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 18% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Long U.S. Treasury Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of public obligations of the U.S. Treasury that have a remaining maturity of 10 or more years. The Index includes all publicly issued, U.S. Treasury securities that have a remaining maturity of 10 or more years, are rated investment grade, and have \$250 million or more of outstanding face value. In addition, the securities must be denominated in U.S. dollars and must be fixed rate and non-convertible. Excluded from the Index are certain special issues, such as flower bonds, targeted investor notes, state and local government series bonds, inflation protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commonly known as "TIPS," and coupon issues that have been stripped from bonds included in the Index. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 44 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 17.46 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to

limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund’s investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a “non-diversified” fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index.

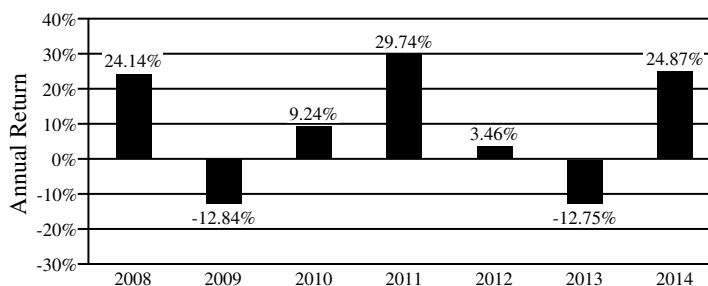
**U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk:** U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Similar to other issuers, changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of the Fund’s U.S. Treasury obligations to decline.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**FUND PERFORMANCE**

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 24.55% (Q3, 2011)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -8.17% (Q4, 2010)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was 0.11%.

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

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Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (5/23/07)</b>
Return Before Taxes	24.87%	9.82%	8.77%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	23.33%	8.53%	7.37%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	14.00%	7.17%	6.36%
Barclays Long U.S. Treasury Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	25.07%	9.96%	8.86%

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# SPDR® Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the short-term U.S. corporate bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees <sup>1</sup>	0.12%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.12%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund’s “Management fees” and “Total annual Fund operating expenses” have been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund’s “Management fees.”

<sup>2</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$12	\$39	\$68	\$154

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 46% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays U.S. 1-3 Year Corporate Bond Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of the short term U.S. corporate bond market. The Index includes publicly issued U.S. dollar denominated corporate issues that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to 1 year and less than 3 years, are rated investment grade (must be Baa3/BBB- or higher using the middle rating of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Fitch Inc., or Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC), and have \$250 million or more of outstanding face value. In addition, the securities must be denominated in U.S. dollars, fixed rate and non-convertible. The Index includes only corporate sectors. The corporate sectors are Industrial, Utility, and Financial Institutions, which include both U.S. and non-U.S. corporations. The following instruments are excluded from the Index: structured notes with embedded swaps or other special features; private placements; floating rate securities; and Eurobonds. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the financial and industrial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 1,141 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 1.91 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

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**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and

composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Utilities Sector Risk:** Utility companies are affected by supply and demand, operating costs, government regulation, environmental factors, liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities, and rate caps or rate changes. Although rate changes of a utility usually fluctuate in approximate correlation with financing costs, due to political and regulatory factors rate changes ordinarily occur only following a delay after the changes in financing costs. This factor will tend to favorably affect a regulated utility company's earnings and dividends in times of decreasing costs, but conversely, will tend to adversely affect earnings and dividends when costs are rising. The value of regulated utility debt securities (and, to a lesser extent, equity securities) may tend to have an inverse relationship to the movement of interest rates. Certain utility companies have experienced full or partial deregulation in recent years. These utility companies are frequently more similar to industrial companies in that they are subject to greater competition and have been permitted by regulators to diversify outside of their original geographic regions and their traditional lines of business. These opportunities may permit certain utility companies to earn more than their traditional regulated rates of return. Some companies, however, may be forced to defend their core business and may be less profitable. In addition, natural disasters, terrorist attacks, government intervention or other factors may render a utility company's equipment unusable or obsolete and negatively impact profitability.

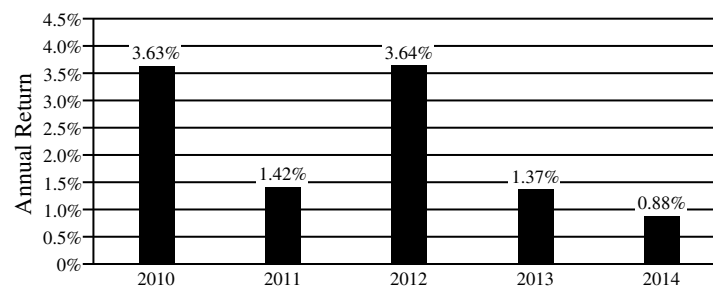
Among the risks that may affect utility companies are the following: risks of increases in fuel and other operating costs; the high cost of borrowing to finance capital construction during inflationary periods; restrictions on operations and increased costs and delays associated with compliance with environmental and nuclear safety regulations; and the difficulties involved in obtaining natural gas for resale or fuel for generating electricity at reasonable prices. Other risks include those related to the construction and operation of nuclear power plants, the effects of energy conservation and the effects of regulatory changes.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 1.86% (Q3, 2010)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -0.56% (Q3, 2011)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was 0.97%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS

 (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold

Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (12/16/09)</b>
Return Before Taxes	0.88%	2.18%	2.01%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	0.34%	1.56%	1.39%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	0.50%	1.45%	1.31%
Barclays U.S. 1-3 Year Corporate Bond Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	1.19%	2.70%	2.63%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

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## **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the intermediate term (1-10 years) sector of the United States corporate bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees <sup>1</sup>	0.12%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.12%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund’s “Management fees” and “Total annual Fund operating expenses” have been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund’s “Management fees.”

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## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$12	\$39	\$68	\$154

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 13% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays U.S. Intermediate Corporate Bond Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of U.S. corporate bonds that have a maturity of greater than or equal to 1 year and less than 10 years. The Index is a component of the Barclays U.S. Corporate Index and includes investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable, U.S. dollar denominated debt with \$250 million or more of par amount outstanding, issued by U.S. and non-U.S. industrial, utility, and financial institutions. Subordinated issues, securities with normal call and put provisions and sinking funds, medium-term notes (if they are publicly underwritten), 144A securities with registration rights, and global issues that are SEC-registered are included. Structured notes with embedded swaps or other special features, as well as private placements, floating-rate securities, and Eurobonds are excluded from the Index. The Index is rebalanced monthly, on the last business day of the month. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the industrial and financial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 3,839 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 4.31 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.



**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

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**Restricted Securities Risk:** The Fund may hold securities that have not been registered for sale to the public under the U.S. federal securities laws. There can be no assurance that a trading market will exist at any time for any particular restricted security. Limitations on the resale of these securities may have an adverse effect on their marketability, and may prevent the Fund from disposing of them promptly at reasonable prices. The Fund may have to bear the expense of registering the securities for resale and the risk of substantial delays in effecting the registration. Also, restricted securities may be difficult to value because market quotations may not be readily available, and the securities may have significant volatility.

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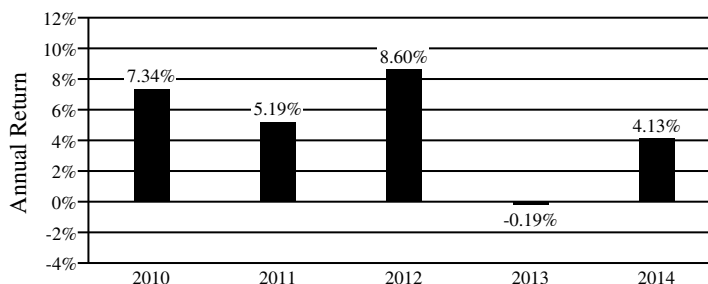
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## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 4.07% (Q3, 2010)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -2.53% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.39%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

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	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (2/10/09)
Return Before Taxes	4.13%	4.97%	5.90%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	2.94%	3.67%	4.52%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	2.33%	3.35%	4.06%
Barclays U.S. Intermediate Corporate Bond Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	4.35%	5.36%	7.36%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

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# SPDR® Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the long term (10+ years) sector of the United States corporate bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

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Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.12%

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## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays U.S. Long Term Corporate Bond Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

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The Index is designed to measure the performance of U.S. corporate bonds that have a maturity of greater than or equal to 10 years. The Index is a component of the Barclays U.S. Corporate Index and includes investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable, U.S. dollar-denominated debt with \$250 million or more of par amount outstanding, issued by U.S. and non-U.S. industrial, utility, and financial institutions. Subordinated issues, securities with normal call and put provisions and sinking funds, medium-term notes (if they are publicly underwritten), 144A securities with registration rights, and global issues that are SEC-registered are included. Structured notes with embedded swaps or other special features, as well as private placements, floating-rate securities, and Eurobonds are excluded from the Index. The Index is rebalanced monthly, on the last business day of the month. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the industrial and financial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 1,738 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 13.47 years.

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## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

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**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

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**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

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**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

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**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and

composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Restricted Securities Risk:** The Fund may hold securities that have not been registered for sale to the public under the U.S. federal securities laws. There can be no assurance that a trading market will exist at any time for any particular restricted security. Limitations on the resale of these securities may have an adverse effect on their marketability, and may prevent the Fund from disposing of them promptly at reasonable prices. The Fund may have to bear the expense of registering the securities for resale and the risk of substantial delays in effecting the registration. Also, restricted securities may be difficult to value because market quotations may not be readily available, and the securities may have significant volatility.

**Utilities Sector Risk:** Utility companies are affected by supply and demand, operating costs, government regulation, environmental factors, liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities, and rate caps or rate changes. Although rate changes of a utility usually fluctuate in approximate correlation with financing costs, due to political and regulatory factors rate changes ordinarily occur only following a delay after the changes in financing costs. This factor will tend to favorably affect a regulated utility company's earnings and dividends in times of decreasing costs, but conversely, will tend to adversely affect earnings and dividends when costs are rising. The value of regulated utility debt securities (and, to a lesser extent, equity securities) may tend to have an inverse relationship to the movement of interest rates. Certain utility companies have experienced full or partial deregulation in recent years. These utility companies are frequently more similar to industrial companies in that they are subject to greater competition and have been permitted by regulators to diversify outside of their original geographic regions and their traditional lines of business. These opportunities may permit certain utility companies to earn more than their traditional regulated rates of return. Some companies, however, may be forced to defend their core business and may be less profitable. In addition, natural disasters, terrorist attacks, government intervention or other factors may render a utility company's equipment unusable or obsolete and negatively impact profitability.

Among the risks that may affect utility companies are the following: risks of increases in fuel and other operating costs; the high cost of borrowing to finance capital construction during inflationary periods; restrictions on operations and increased costs and delays associated with compliance with environmental and nuclear safety regulations; and the difficulties involved in obtaining natural gas for resale or fuel for generating electricity at reasonable prices. Other risks include those related to the construction and operation of nuclear power plants, the effects of energy conservation and the effects of regulatory changes.

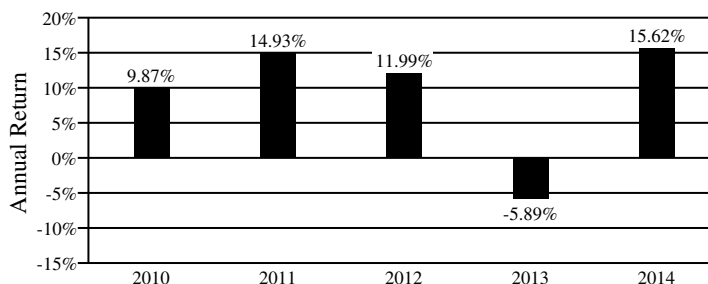
**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.



## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 8.89% (Q3, 2011)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -5.90% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was -3.66%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares. Prior to December 17, 2010, the Fund's investment strategy sought to track the total return performance of an index different from the Barclays U.S. Long Term Corporate Bond Index. Performance of the Fund prior to December 17, 2010 is therefore based on the Fund's investment strategy to track the prior index.

	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (3/10/09)
Return Before Taxes	15.62%	9.00%	11.60%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	13.44%	6.80%	9.32%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	8.78%	6.10%	8.24%
Barclays U.S. Long Term Corporate Bond Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	15.73%	9.60%	13.05%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Patrick Bresnehan, Kyle Kelly and Christopher DiStefano.

Patrick Bresnehan, CFA, is a Managing Director of the Adviser and the North America Head of Fixed Income Beta within the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Team. He joined the Adviser in 2010.

Kyle Kelly, CFA, FRM, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2007.

Christopher DiStefano is a Portfolio Manager within SSGA's Fixed Income, Currency, and Cash Investments team. He joined SSGA in 2010.

## PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

#### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

#### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the U.S. corporate bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.16%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.16%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$16	\$52	\$90	\$205

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 8% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

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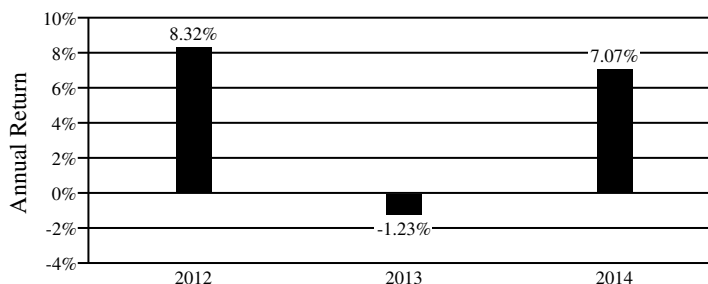
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**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 2.94% (Q3, 2012)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -3.13% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was -0.13%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	One Year	Since Inception (4/6/11)
Return Before Taxes	7.07%	5.52%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	5.57%	4.08%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	3.99%	3.67%
Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	6.91%	5.87%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Patrick Bresnehan, Kyle Kelly and Christopher DiStefano.

Patrick Bresnehan, CFA, is a Managing Director of the Adviser and the North America Head of Fixed Income Beta within the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Team. He joined the Adviser in 2010.

Kyle Kelly, CFA, FRM, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2007.

Christopher DiStefano is a Portfolio Manager within SSGA's Fixed Income, Currency, and Cash Investments team. He joined SSGA in 2010.

## PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

**TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

**PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.



# SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays Convertible Securities ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks United States convertible securities markets with outstanding issue sizes greater than \$500 million.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.40%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.40%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$41	\$128	\$224	\$505

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 38% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays U.S. Convertible Bond >\$500MM Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to represent the market of U.S. convertible securities, such as convertible bonds, with outstanding issue sizes greater than \$500 million. Convertible bonds are bonds that can be exchanged, at the option of the holder, for a specific number of shares of the issuer's preferred stock ("Preferred Securities") or common stock. The Index components are a subset of issues in the Barclays Convertible Composite Index. To be included in the Index, a security must meet the following requirements: (i) have an outstanding issue size greater than \$500 million; (ii) be a non-called, non-defaulted security; (iii) have at least 31 days until maturity; (iv) be U.S. dollar denominated; and (v) be a registered or a convertible tranche issued under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Index is rebalanced on a monthly basis, at the end of each month. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the technology, consumer discretionary and financial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 102 securities in the Index.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Consumer Discretionary Sector Risk:** The success of consumer product manufacturers and retailers is tied closely to the performance of the overall global economy, interest rates, competition and consumer confidence. Success depends heavily on disposable household income and consumer spending. Also, companies in the consumer discretionary sector may be subject to severe competition, which may have an adverse impact on their respective profitability. Changes in demographics and consumer tastes can also affect the demand for, and success of, consumer products and services in the marketplace.

**Convertible Securities Risk:** Convertible securities may be subordinate to other debt securities issued by the same issuer. Issuers of convertible securities are often not as strong financially as issuers with higher credit ratings. Convertible securities typically provide yields lower than comparable non-convertible securities. Their values may be more volatile than those of non-convertible securities, reflecting changes in the values of the securities into which they are convertible.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit

and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Interest Rate Risk – Preferred Securities:** Because many Preferred Securities pay dividends at a fixed rate, their market price can be sensitive to changes in interest rates in a manner similar to bonds — that is, as interest rates rise, the value of the Preferred Securities held by the Fund are likely to decline. To the extent that the Fund invests a substantial portion of its assets in fixed rate Preferred Securities, rising interest rates may cause the value of the Fund's investments to decline significantly.

**Issuer Risk – Preferred Securities:** Because many Preferred Securities allow holders to convert the Preferred Securities into common stock of the issuer, their market price can be sensitive to changes in the value of the issuer's common stock and, therefore, declining common stock values may also cause the value of the Fund's investments to decline.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the

repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Preferred Securities Risk:** Generally, Preferred Security holders have limited voting rights. In addition, Preferred Securities are subordinated to bonds and other debt instruments in a company's capital structure and therefore will be subject to greater credit risk than those debt instruments. Unlike debt securities, dividend payments on a Preferred Security typically must be declared by the issuer's board of directors. An issuer's board of directors is generally not under any obligation to pay a dividend (even if such dividends have accrued). In the event an issuer of Preferred Securities experiences economic difficulties, the issuer's Preferred Securities may lose substantial value due to the reduced likelihood that the issuer's board of directors will declare a dividend and the fact that the Preferred Security may be subordinated to other securities of the same issuer.

**Restricted Securities Risk:** The Fund may hold securities that have not been registered for sale to the public under the U.S. federal securities laws. There can be no assurance that a trading market will exist at any time for any particular restricted security. Limitations on the resale of these securities may have an adverse effect on their marketability, and may prevent the Fund from disposing of them promptly at reasonable prices. The Fund may have to bear the expense of registering the securities for resale and the risk of substantial delays in effecting the registration. Also, restricted securities may be difficult to value because market quotations may not be readily available, and the securities may have significant volatility.

**Technology Sector Risk:** Market or economic factors impacting technology companies and companies that rely heavily on technological advances could have a major effect on the value of the Fund's investments. The value of stocks of technology companies and companies that rely heavily on technology is particularly vulnerable to rapid changes in technology product cycles, rapid product obsolescence, government regulation and competition, both domestically and internationally, including competition from foreign competitors with lower production costs. Stocks of technology companies and companies that rely heavily on technology, especially those of smaller, less-seasoned companies, tend to be more volatile than the overall market. Technology companies are heavily dependent on patent and intellectual property rights, the loss or impairment of which may adversely affect profitability. Additionally, companies in the technology sector may face dramatic and often unpredictable changes in growth rates and competition for the services of qualified personnel.

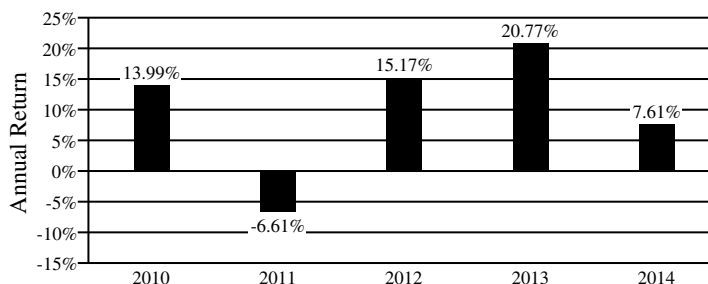
**Unconstrained Sector Risk:** The Fund may invest a substantial portion of its assets within one or more economic sectors or industries, which may change from time to time. Greater investment focus on one or more sectors or industries increases the potential for volatility and the risk that events negatively affecting such sectors or industries could reduce returns, potentially causing the value of the Fund's Shares to decrease, perhaps significantly.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 10.36% (Q1, 2012)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -13.25% (Q3, 2011)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was -2.64%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (4/14/09)
Return Before Taxes	7.61%	9.76%	13.58%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	4.86%	7.99%	11.69%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	4.82%	7.03%	10.18%
Barclays U.S. Convertible Bond >\$500MM Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	8.23%	10.45%	15.06%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Michael Brunell, Mahesh Jayakumar and Kyle Kelly.

Michael Brunell, CFA, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 1997.

Mahesh Jayakumar, CFA, FRM is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2008.

Kyle Kelly, CFA, FRM, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2007.

## PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

**TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income, qualified dividend income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

**PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the U.S. agency mortgage pass-through sector of the U.S. investment grade bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.20%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Acquired fund fees and expenses <sup>2</sup>	0.04%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.24%
Less contractual fee waiver <sup>3</sup>	-0.04%
Net annual Fund operating expenses	0.20%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

<sup>2</sup> “Acquired fund fees and expenses” are not included in the Fund’s financial statements, which provide a clearer picture of a Fund’s actual operating costs.

<sup>3</sup> SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (the “Adviser”) has contractually agreed to waive its management fee and/or reimburse expenses in an amount equal to any acquired fund fees and expenses (excluding holdings in acquired funds for cash management purposes, if any). This waiver and/or reimbursement does not provide for the recoupment by the Adviser of any amounts waived or reimbursed. This waiver and/or reimbursement may not be terminated except with the approval of the Fund’s Board of Trustees.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$20	\$73	\$131	\$302

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 221% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays U.S. MBS Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a

number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund's assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund's assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. TBA Transactions (as defined below) are included within the above-noted investment policy. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of the U.S. agency mortgage pass-through segment of the U.S. investment grade bond market. The term "U.S. agency mortgage pass-through security" refers to a category of pass-through securities backed by pools of mortgages and issued by one of the following U.S. government-sponsored enterprises: Government National Mortgage Association ("GNMA"); Federal National Mortgage Association ("FNMA") and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("FHLMC"). The Index is formed by grouping the universe of individual fixed rate mortgage backed securities pools into generic aggregates according to the following parameters: (i) agency; (ii) program; (iii) pass-through coupon; and (iv) origination year. Index maturity and liquidity criteria are then applied to these aggregates to determine which qualify for inclusion in the Index. To be included in the Index, securities must be fixed rate, denominated in U.S. dollars, and be part of a cohort that has \$1 billion or more of outstanding face value and have a weighted average maturity of at least one year. Excluded from the Index are buydowns, graduated equity mortgages, project loans, manufactured homes (dropped in January 1992), graduated payment mortgages (dropped in January 1995), non-agency (whole loan) securities, jumbo securities, and collateralized mortgage obligations. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last calendar day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 370 securities in the Index.

Most transactions in mortgage pass-through securities occur through standardized contracts for future delivery in which the exact mortgage pools to be delivered are not specified until a few days prior to settlement, referred to as a "to-be announced transaction" or "TBA Transaction." In a TBA Transaction, the buyer and seller agree upon general trade parameters such as agency, settlement date, par amount and price. The actual pools delivered generally are determined two days prior to the settlement date. The Fund expects to enter into such contracts on a regular basis, and pending settlement of such contracts, the Fund will invest its assets in liquid, short-term instruments, including shares of money market funds advised by the Adviser or its affiliates.

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## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.



**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Mortgage-Related and Other Asset-Backed Securities Risk:** Investments in mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities are subject to the risk of significant credit downgrades, illiquidity, and defaults to a greater extent than many other types of fixed-income investments. During periods of falling interest rates, mortgage- and asset-backed securities may be called or prepaid, which may result in the Fund having to reinvest proceeds in other investments at a lower interest rate. During periods of rising interest rates, the average life of mortgage- and asset-backed securities may extend, which may lock in a below-market interest rate, increase the security's duration and interest rate sensitivity, and reduce the value of the security. Enforcing rights against the underlying assets or collateral may be difficult, and the underlying assets or collateral may be insufficient if the issuer defaults.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Portfolio Turnover Risk:** Frequent purchases and sales of portfolio securities may result in higher Fund expenses and may result in more significant distributions of short-term capital gains to investors, which are taxed as ordinary income.

**Risk of Investment in Other Pools:** If the Fund invests in another pooled investment vehicle, it is exposed to the risk that the other pool will not perform as expected and is exposed indirectly to all of the risks applicable to an investment in such other pool. The investment policies of the other pool may not be the same as those of the Fund; as a result, an investment in the other pool may be subject to additional or different risks than those to which the Fund is typically subject. The Fund bears its proportionate share of the fees and expenses of any pool in which it invests. The Adviser or an affiliate may serve as investment adviser to a pool in which the Fund may

invest, leading to potential conflicts of interest. It is possible that other clients of the Adviser or its affiliates will purchase or sell interests in a pool sponsored or managed by the Adviser or its affiliates at prices and at times more favorable than those at which the Fund does so.

**U.S. Government Securities Risk:** Certain U.S. Government securities are supported by the full faith and credit of the United States; others are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury; others are supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. Government to purchase the agency's obligations; and still others are supported only by the credit of the issuing agency, instrumentality, or enterprise. Although U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises such as the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) and the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) may be chartered or sponsored by Congress, they are not funded by Congressional appropriations, and their securities are not issued by the U.S. Treasury, are not supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government, and involve increased credit risks.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**When-Issued, TBA and Delayed Delivery Securities Risk:** The Fund may purchase securities on a when-issued, to-be-announced ("TBA") or delayed delivery basis and may purchase securities on a forward commitment basis. The purchase price of the securities is typically fixed at the time of the commitment, but delivery and payment can take place a month or more after the date of the commitment. At the time of delivery of the securities, the value may be more or less than the purchase or sale price. Purchase of securities on a when-issued, TBA, delayed delivery, or forward commitment basis may give rise to investment leverage, and may result in increased volatility of the Fund's net asset value. Default by, or bankruptcy of, a counterparty to a when-issued, TBA or delayed delivery transaction would expose the Fund to possible losses because of an adverse market action, expenses or delays in connection with the purchase or sale of the pools specified in such transaction.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

### ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 3.24% (Q2, 2010)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -2.20% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.38%.

### AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (1/15/09)</b>
Return Before Taxes	5.92%	3.69%	3.88%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	4.32%	2.54%	2.70%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	3.34%	2.40%	2.54%
Barclays U.S. MBS Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	6.08%	3.73%	3.96%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Marc DiCosimo, Karen Tsang and Michael Przygoda.

Marc DiCosimo, CFA, is a Vice President of SSGA and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash investments team. He joined SSGA in 2013.

Karen Tsang is a Principal of SSGA FM and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. She joined the Adviser in 1998.

Michael Przygoda, CFA, is a Principal of SSGA FM and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2006.

## **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the U.S. dollar denominated investment grade bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees <sup>1</sup>	0.08%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Acquired fund fees and expenses <sup>3</sup>	0.01%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.09%
Less contractual fee waiver <sup>4</sup>	-0.01%
Net annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.08%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund’s “Management fees,” “Total annual Fund operating expenses” and “Net annual Fund operating expenses” have been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund’s “Management fees.”

<sup>2</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

<sup>3</sup> “Acquired fund fees and expenses” are not included in the Fund’s financial statements, which provide a clearer picture of a Fund’s actual operating costs.

<sup>4</sup> SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (the “Adviser”) has contractually agreed to waive its management fee and/or reimburse expenses in an amount equal to any acquired fund fees and expenses (excluding holdings in acquired funds for cash management purposes, if any). This waiver and/or reimbursement does not provide for the recoupment by the Adviser of any amounts waived or reimbursed. This waiver and/or reimbursement may not be terminated except with the approval of the Fund’s Board of Trustees.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$9	\$29	\$51	\$115

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 69% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a

number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund's assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund's assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

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As of September 30, 2015, approximately 28.36% of the bonds represented in the Index were U.S. agency mortgage pass-through securities. U.S. agency mortgage pass-through securities are securities issued by entities such as Government National Mortgage Association ("GNMA") and Federal National Mortgage Association ("FNMA") that are backed by pools of mortgages. Most transactions in mortgage pass-through securities occur through standardized contracts for future delivery in which the exact mortgage pools to be delivered are not specified until a few days prior to settlement, referred to as a "to-be-announced transaction" or "TBA Transaction." In a TBA Transaction, the buyer and seller agree upon general trade parameters such as agency, settlement date, par amount and price. The actual pools delivered generally are determined two days prior to the settlement date; however, it is not anticipated that the Fund will receive pools, but instead will participate in rolling TBA Transactions. The Fund expects to enter into such contracts on a regular basis. The Fund, pending settlement of such contracts, will invest its assets in high-quality, liquid short term instruments, including shares of affiliated money market funds.

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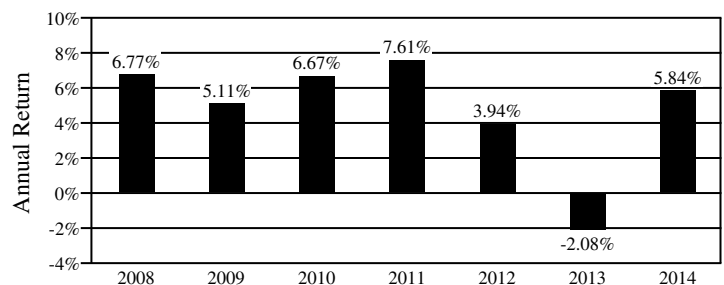
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**When-Issued, TBA and Delayed Delivery Securities Risk:** The Fund may purchase securities on a when-issued, to-be-announced ("TBA") or delayed delivery basis and may purchase securities on a forward commitment basis. The purchase price of the securities is typically fixed at the time of the commitment, but delivery and payment can take place a month or more after the date of the commitment. At the time of delivery of the securities, the value may be more or less than the purchase or sale price. Purchase of securities on a when-issued, TBA, delayed delivery, or forward commitment basis may give rise to investment leverage, and may result in increased volatility of the Fund's net asset value. Default by, or bankruptcy of, a counterparty to a when-issued, TBA or delayed delivery transaction would expose the Fund to possible losses because of an adverse market action, expenses or delays in connection with the purchase or sale of the pools specified in such transaction.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 5.90% (Q4, 2008)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -2.38% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.08%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS

(for periods ended 12/31/14)  
 The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (5/23/07)</b>
Return Before Taxes	5.84%	4.34%	5.12%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	4.72%	3.22%	3.77%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	3.30%	2.93%	3.48%
Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	5.97%	4.45%	5.13%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Peter R. Breault, Marc DiCosimo and Michael Przygoda.

Peter R. Breault, CFA, is a Principal of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2012.

Marc DiCosimo, CFA, is a Vice President of SSGA and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash investments team. He joined SSGA in 2013.

Michael Przygoda, CFA, is a Principal of SSGA FM and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2006.

## **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.



# SPDR® Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the U.S. municipal bond market and provides income that is exempt from federal income taxes.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.30%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.30%
Less contractual fee waiver <sup>2</sup>	-0.07%
Net annual Fund operating expenses	0.23%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

<sup>2</sup> SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (the “Adviser”) has contractually agreed to waive its advisory fee and reimburse certain expenses, until October 31, 2016, so that the Net annual Fund operating expenses of the Fund will be limited to 0.23% of the Fund’s average daily net assets before application of any extraordinary expenses or acquired fund fees and expenses. The contractual fee waiver does not provide for the recoupment by the Adviser of any fees the Adviser previously waived. The Adviser may continue the waiver from year to year, but there is no guarantee that the Adviser will do so and after October 31, 2016, the waiver may be cancelled or modified at any time.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. The Example reflects the Fund’s contractual fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement only in the periods for which the contractual fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement is expected to continue. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$24	\$89	\$162	\$374

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 20% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Municipal Managed Money Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, Nuveen

Asset Management, LLC (“Nuveen Asset Management” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Sub-Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. Additionally, the Fund intends to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets in investments the income of which is exempt from Federal income tax. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund).

The Index is designed to track the U.S. long term tax-exempt bond market, including state and local general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, pre-refunded bonds, and insured bonds. The Index is comprised of tax-exempt municipal securities issued by states, cities, counties, districts and their respective agencies. A general obligation bond is secured by the full faith and credit of its issuer. A revenue bond is payable from a specific source of revenue. A pre-refunded bond is a revenue bond that the issuer has allocated funds to fully retire. An insured bond is protected from issuer default or rating downgrade by an insurance company. The Index also includes municipal lease obligations, which are securities issued by state and local governments and authorities to finance the acquisition of equipment and facilities. They may take the form of a lease, an installment purchase contract, a conditional sales contract, or a participation interest in a lease or contract. The Index is a rules-based, market-value weighted index engineered for the tax exempt bond market. All bonds in the Index must be rated Aa3/AA- or higher by at least two of the following statistical ratings agencies: Moody’s Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC, and Fitch Inc. If only two of the three agencies rate the security, the lower rating is used to determine index eligibility. If only one of the agencies rates the security, the rating must be at least Aa3/AA-. Each Index security must have an outstanding par value of at least \$7 million and be issued as part of a transaction of at least \$75 million. The bonds must be fixed rate, have been issued within the last five years, and must be at least one year from their maturity date. Bonds subject to alternative minimum tax, hospital bonds, housing bonds, tobacco bonds, and airline bonds, along with remarketed issues, taxable municipal bonds, floaters, and derivatives are all excluded from the Index. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 18,742 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 7.76 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the “Index Provider”), which is not affiliated with the Fund, the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board’s quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund’s fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund’s income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund’s fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Sub-Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Sub-Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Municipal Obligations Risk:** Issuers, including governmental issuers, may be unable to pay their obligations as they come due. The values of municipal obligations that depend on a specific revenue source to fund their payment obligations may fluctuate as a result of actual or anticipated changes in the cash flows generated by the revenue source or changes in the priority of the municipal obligation to receive the cash flows generated by the revenue source. In addition, changes in federal tax laws or the activity of an issuer may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of municipal obligations. Loss of tax-exempt status may cause interest received and distributed to shareholders by the Fund to be taxable and may result in a significant decline in the values of such municipal obligations.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Political Risk:** A significant restructuring of federal income tax rates or even serious discussion on the topic in Congress could cause municipal bond prices to fall. The demand for municipal securities is strongly influenced by the value of tax-exempt income to investors. Lower income tax rates could reduce the advantage of owning municipals.

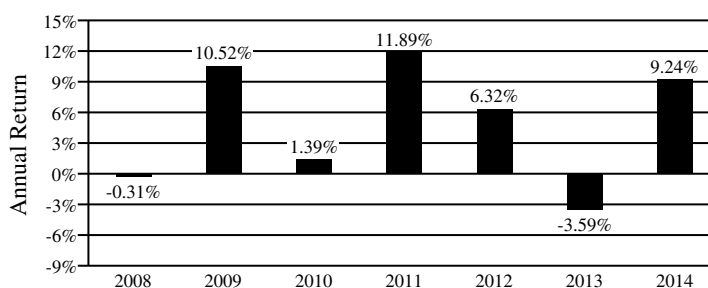
**Tax Exemption Risk:** There is no guarantee that the Fund's income will be exempt from federal or state income taxes. Events occurring after the date of issuance of a municipal bond or after the Fund's acquisition of a municipal bond may result in a determination that interest on that bond is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to its date of issuance. Such a determination may cause a portion of prior distributions by the Fund to its shareholders to be taxable to those shareholders in the year of receipt. Federal or state changes in income or alternative minimum tax rates or in the tax treatment of municipal bonds may make municipal bonds less attractive as investments and cause them to decline in value.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**FUND PERFORMANCE**

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 6.75% (Q3, 2009)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -5.25% (Q4, 2010)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.58%.

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (9/11/07)</b>
Return Before Taxes	9.24%	4.90%	4.88%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	9.24%	4.80%	4.81%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	6.34%	4.51%	4.55%
Barclays Municipal Managed Money Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	9.24%	5.17%	5.21%

**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

**INVESTMENT ADVISER AND SUB-ADVISER**

SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”) serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. Nuveen Asset Management serves as sub-adviser to the Fund, subject to supervision by the Adviser and the Trust’s Board of Trustees. To the extent that a reference in this Prospectus refers to the Adviser, with respect to the Fund, such reference should also be read to refer to Nuveen Asset Management with respect to the Fund where the context requires.

**PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Timothy Ryan and Steven Hlavin.

Timothy T. Ryan, CFA, is a Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager at Nuveen Asset Management. Mr. Ryan joined an affiliate of Nuveen Asset Management in 2010.

Steven M. Hlavin is a Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager at Nuveen Asset Management. Mr. Hlavin joined an affiliate of Nuveen Asset Management in 2003.

### **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund intends to pay income that is exempt from regular federal income tax, but which may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax ("AMT"). To the extent the Fund invests in securities that do not produce income exempt from regular federal income tax and/or the AMT, a portion of the Fund's distributions may be subject to such taxes. Income from municipal securities of states other than the shareholder's state of residence generally will not qualify for tax-free treatment for such shareholder with respect to state and local taxes.

### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR<sup>®</sup> Nuveen Barclays California Municipal Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Nuveen Barclays California Municipal Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the California municipal bond market and provides income that is exempt from federal and California state income taxes.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.20%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.20%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$20	\$64	\$113	\$255

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 13% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Managed Money Municipal California Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (“Nuveen Asset Management” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Sub-Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. Additionally, the Fund intends to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets in investments the

income of which is exempt from Federal income tax and California income tax. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund).

The Index is designed to track the publicly traded California municipal bonds that cover the U.S. dollar denominated California tax exempt bond market, including state and local general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, pre-refunded bonds and insured bonds. A general obligation bond is secured by the full faith and credit of its issuer. A revenue bond is payable from a specific source of revenue. A pre-refunded bond is a revenue bond that the issuer has allocated funds to fully retire. An insured bond is protected from issuer default or rating downgrade by an insurance company. The Index also includes municipal lease obligations, which are securities issued by state and local governments and authorities to finance the acquisition of equipment and facilities. They may take the form of a lease, an installment purchase contract, a conditional sales contract, or a participation interest in a lease or contract. The Index is a rules-based, market-value weighted index. All bonds in the Index must be rated Aa3/AA- or higher by at least two of the following statistical ratings agencies: Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC, and Fitch Inc. If only two of the three agencies rate the security, the lower rating is used to determine index eligibility. If only one of the agencies rates the security, the rating must be at least Aa3/AA-. Each Index security must be issued by authorities in California, have an outstanding par value of at least \$7 million and be issued as part of a transaction of at least \$75 million. The bonds must be fixed rate and have a nominal maturity of one or more years. No issuer may constitute more than 10% of the Index. Bonds subject to alternative minimum tax, hospital bonds, housing bonds, tobacco bonds, and airline bonds, along with remarketed issues, taxable municipal bonds, floaters, and derivatives are all excluded from the Index. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 2,664 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 8.11 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund, the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**California-State Specific Risk:** Because the Fund concentrates its investments in California municipal securities (*i.e.*, holds more than 25% of its total assets), the Fund will have greater exposure to negative political, economic and statutory factors within the State of California than a fund that invests in a broader base of securities. Unfavorable developments in any economic sector may have a substantial impact on the overall California municipal market. Provisions of the California Constitution and state statutes that limit the taxing and spending authority of California governmental entities may impair the ability of California issuers to pay principal and/or interest on their obligations. While California's economy is broad, it does have major concentrations in high technology, aerospace and defense-related manufacturing, trade, entertainment, real estate and financial services, and may be sensitive to economic problems affecting those industries. Future California political and economic developments, constitutional amendments, legislative measures, executive orders, administrative regulations, litigation and voter initiatives could have an adverse effect on the debt obligations of California issuers. As of July 2015, California had one of the lowest credit ratings of any state in the country.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may

decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Sub-Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Sub-Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Municipal Obligations Risk:** Issuers, including governmental issuers, may be unable to pay their obligations as they come due. The values of municipal obligations that depend on a specific revenue source to fund their payment obligations may fluctuate as a result of actual or anticipated changes in the cash flows generated by the revenue source or changes in the priority of the municipal obligation to receive the cash flows generated by the revenue source. In addition, changes in federal tax laws or the activity of an issuer may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of municipal obligations. Loss of tax-exempt status may cause interest received and distributed to shareholders by the Fund to be taxable and may result in a significant decline in the values of such municipal obligations.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Political Risk:** A significant restructuring of federal income tax rates or even serious discussion on the topic in Congress could cause municipal bond prices to fall. The demand for municipal securities is strongly influenced by the value of tax-exempt income to investors. Lower income tax rates could reduce the advantage of owning municipals.

**Tax Exemption Risk:** There is no guarantee that the Fund's income will be exempt from federal or state income taxes. Events occurring after the date of issuance of a municipal bond or after the Fund's acquisition of a municipal bond may result in a determination that interest on that bond is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to its date of issuance. Such a determination may cause a portion of prior distributions by the Fund to its shareholders to be taxable to those shareholders in the year of receipt. Federal or state changes in



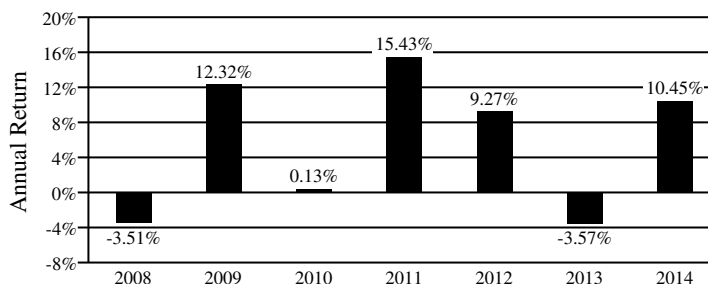
income or alternative minimum tax rates or in the tax treatment of municipal bonds may make municipal bonds less attractive as investments and cause them to decline in value.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**FUND PERFORMANCE**

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 10.08% (Q3, 2009)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -7.87% (Q4, 2010)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was 2.04%.

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (10/10/07)
Return Before Taxes	10.45%	6.11%	5.54%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	10.45%	5.87%	5.38%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	7.07%	5.53%	5.14%
Barclays Managed Money Municipal California Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	10.41%	6.07%	5.59%

**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

**INVESTMENT ADVISER AND SUB-ADVISER**

SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”) serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. Nuveen Asset Management serves as sub-adviser to the Fund, subject to supervision by the Adviser and the Trust’s Board of Trustees. To the extent that a reference in this Prospectus refers to the Adviser, with respect to the Fund, such reference should also be read to refer to Nuveen Asset Management with respect to the Fund where the context requires.

**PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Timothy Ryan and Steven Hlavin.

Timothy T. Ryan, CFA, is a Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager at Nuveen Asset Management. Mr. Ryan joined an affiliate of Nuveen Asset Management in 2010.

Steven M. Hlavin is a Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager at Nuveen Asset Management. Mr. Hlavin joined an affiliate of Nuveen Asset Management in 2003.

### **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund intends to pay income that is exempt from regular federal income tax and exempt from California state income tax for California residents, but which may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax ("AMT"). To the extent the Fund invests in securities that do not produce income exempt from regular federal income tax and/or the AMT, a portion of the Fund's distributions may be subject to such taxes. Income from municipal securities of states other than the shareholder's state of residence generally will not qualify for tax-free treatment for such shareholder with respect to state and local taxes.

### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Nuveen Barclays New York Municipal Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Nuveen Barclays New York Municipal Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the New York municipal bond market and provides income that is exempt from federal and New York state income taxes.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.20%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.20%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$20	\$64	\$113	\$255

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 23% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Managed Money Municipal New York Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (“Nuveen Asset Management” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Sub-Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. Additionally, the Fund intends to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets in investments the

income of which is exempt from Federal income tax and New York income tax. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund).

The Index is designed to track publicly traded New York municipal bonds that cover the U.S. dollar denominated New York revenue bonds, pre-refunded bonds, and insured bonds. A general obligation bond is secured by the full faith and credit of its issuer. A revenue bond is payable from a specific source of revenue. A pre-refunded bond is a revenue bond that the issuer has allocated funds to fully retire. An insured bond is protected from issuer default or rating downgrade by an insurance company. The Index also includes municipal lease obligations, which are securities issued by state and local governments and authorities to finance the acquisition of equipment and facilities. They may take the form of a lease, an installment purchase contract, a conditional sales contract, or a participation interest in a lease or contract. The Index is a rules-based, market-value weighted index. All bonds in the Index must be rated Aa3/AA- or higher by at least two of the following statistical ratings agencies: Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC, and Fitch Inc. If only two of the three agencies rate the security, the lower rating is used to determine index eligibility. If only one of the agencies rates the security, the rating must be at least Aa3/AA-. Each Index security must be issued by authorities in New York, have an outstanding par value of at least \$7 million and be issued as part of a transaction of at least \$75 million. The bonds must be fixed rate and have a nominal maturity of one or more years. No issuer may constitute more than 10% of the Index. Bonds subject to alternative minimum tax, hospital bonds, housing bonds, tobacco bonds, and airline bonds, along with remarketed issues, taxable municipal bonds, floaters, and derivatives are all excluded from the Index. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 2,587 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 7.83 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund, the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

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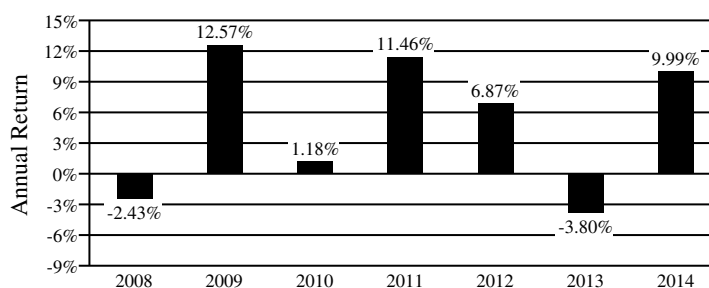
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The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

### ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 7.51% (Q3, 2009)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -5.50% (Q4, 2010)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.69%.

### AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

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	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (10/11/07)
Return Before Taxes	9.99%	4.98%	4.94%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	9.95%	4.80%	4.81%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	6.88%	4.58%	4.62%
Barclays Managed Money Municipal New York Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	10.09%	5.35%	5.18%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

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### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund intends to pay income that is exempt from regular federal income tax and exempt from New York state income tax for New York residents, but which may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax ("AMT"). To the extent the Fund invests in securities that do not produce income exempt from regular federal income tax and/or the AMT, a portion of the Fund's distributions may be subject to such taxes. Income from municipal securities of states other than the shareholder's state of residence generally will not qualify for tax-free treatment for such shareholder with respect to state and local taxes.

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If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Nuveen Barclays Short Term Municipal Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Nuveen Barclays Short Term Municipal Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the short term tax exempt municipal bond market and provides income that is exempt from federal income taxes.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.20%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.20%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$20	\$64	\$113	\$255

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 23% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Managed Money Municipal Short Term Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (“Nuveen Asset Management” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Sub-Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. Additionally, the Fund intends to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets in investments the



income of which is exempt from Federal income tax. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund).

The Index is designed to track the publicly traded municipal bonds that cover the U.S. dollar denominated short term tax exempt bond market, including state and local general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, pre-refunded bonds, and insured bonds. A general obligation bond is secured by the full faith and credit of its issuer. A revenue bond is payable from a specific source of revenue. A pre-refunded bond is a revenue bond that the issuer has allocated funds to fully retire. An insured bond is protected from issuer default or rating downgrade by an insurance company. The Index is a rules-based, market-value weighted index. All bonds in the Index must be rated Aa3/AA- or higher by at least two of the following statistical ratings agencies: Moody’s Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor’s Financial Services, LLC or Fitch Inc. If only two of the three agencies rate the security, the lower rating is used to determine index eligibility. If only one of the agencies rates the security, the rating must be at least Aa3/AA-. Each Index security must have an outstanding par value of at least \$7 million and be issued as part of a transaction of at least \$75 million. The bonds must be fixed rate and have a nominal maturity of one to five years. No issuer may constitute more than 10% of the Index. Bonds subject to alternative minimum tax, hospital bonds, housing bonds, tobacco bonds, and airline bonds, along with remarketed issues, taxable municipal bonds, floaters, and derivatives are all excluded from the Index. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 3,863 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 2.81 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the “Index Provider”), which is not affiliated with the Fund, the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board’s quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund’s fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund’s income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund’s fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund’s income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Sub-Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund’s return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Sub-Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund’s return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Municipal Obligations Risk:** Issuers, including governmental issuers, may be unable to pay their obligations as they come due. The values of municipal obligations that depend on a specific revenue source to fund their payment obligations may fluctuate as a result of actual or anticipated changes in the cash flows generated by the revenue source or changes in the priority of the municipal obligation to receive the cash flows generated by the revenue source. In addition, changes in federal tax laws or the activity of an issuer may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of municipal obligations. Loss of tax-exempt status may cause interest received and distributed to shareholders by the Fund to be taxable and may result in a significant decline in the values of such municipal obligations.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Political Risk:** A significant restructuring of federal income tax rates or even serious discussion on the topic in Congress could cause municipal bond prices to fall. The demand for municipal securities is strongly influenced by the value of tax-exempt income to investors. Lower income tax rates could reduce the advantage of owning municipals.

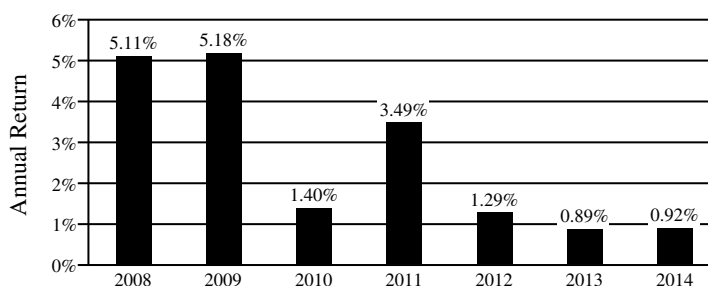
**Tax Exemption Risk:** There is no guarantee that the Fund's income will be exempt from federal or state income taxes. Events occurring after the date of issuance of a municipal bond or after the Fund's acquisition of a municipal bond may result in a determination that interest on that bond is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to its date of issuance. Such a determination may cause a portion of prior distributions by the Fund to its shareholders to be taxable to those shareholders in the year of receipt. Federal or state changes in income or alternative minimum tax rates or in the tax treatment of municipal bonds may make municipal bonds less attractive as investments and cause them to decline in value.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

### ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 2.84% (Q4, 2008)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -1.02% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.16%.

### AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (10/10/07)
Return Before Taxes	0.92%	1.59%	2.74%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	0.91%	1.57%	2.72%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	0.92%	1.52%	2.50%
Barclays Managed Money Municipal Short Term Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	1.12%	1.87%	3.15%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER AND SUB-ADVISER

SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser") serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. Nuveen Asset Management serves as sub-adviser to the Fund, subject to supervision by the Adviser and the Trust's Board of Trustees. To the extent that a reference in this Prospectus refers to the Adviser, with respect to the Fund, such reference should also be read to refer to Nuveen Asset Management with respect to the Fund where the context requires.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Timothy Ryan and Steven Hlavin.

Timothy T. Ryan, CFA, is a Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager at Nuveen Asset Management. Mr. Ryan joined an affiliate of Nuveen Asset Management in 2010.

Steven M. Hlavin is a Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager at Nuveen Asset Management. Mr. Hlavin joined an affiliate of Nuveen Asset Management in 2003.

## PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

#### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund intends to pay income that is exempt from regular federal income tax, but which may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax ("AMT"). To the extent the Fund invests in securities that do not produce income exempt from regular federal income tax and/or the AMT, a portion of the Fund's distributions may be subject to such taxes. Income from municipal securities of states other than the shareholder's state of residence generally will not qualify for tax-free treatment for such shareholder with respect to state and local taxes.

#### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Nuveen S&P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Nuveen S&P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the U.S. high yield municipal bond market and to provide income that is exempt from federal income taxes.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.50%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.50%
Less contractual fee waiver <sup>2</sup>	-0.05%
Net annual Fund operating expenses	0.45%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

<sup>2</sup> SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (the “Adviser”) has contractually agreed to waive its advisory fee and reimburse certain expenses, until October 31, 2016, so that the Net annual Fund operating expenses are limited to 0.45% of the Fund’s average daily net assets before application of any extraordinary expenses or acquired fund fees and expenses. The contractual fee waiver does not provide for the recoupment by the Adviser of any fees the Adviser previously waived. The Adviser may continue the waiver from year to year, but there is no guarantee that the Adviser will do so and after October 31, 2016, it may be cancelled or modified at any time.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. The Example reflects the Fund’s contractual fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement only in the periods for which the contractual fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement is expected to continue. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$46	\$155	\$275	\$623

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 38% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the S&P Municipal Yield Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, Nuveen Asset

Management, LLC (“Nuveen Asset Management” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Sub-Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. Additionally, the Fund intends to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets in investments the income of which is exempt from Federal income tax. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund).

The Index is market value-weighted and designed to measure the performance of high yield municipal bonds issued by U.S. states, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories and local governments or agencies, such that interest on the securities is exempt from regular federal income tax, but may be subject to the alternative minimum tax and to state and local income taxes. High yield securities are generally rated below investment grade and are commonly referred to as “junk bonds.” The Index is a sub-set of the S&P Municipal Bond Index and includes publicly issued U.S. dollar denominated, fixed rate, municipal bonds (including private activity bonds) that have a remaining maturity of at least one calendar month. The Index will consist of categories of bonds in the following proportions at each rebalancing: (i) 70% of the Index constituents are non-rated or rated no higher than Ba1 by Moody’s Investor Service, Inc. (“Moody’s”) or BB+ by Standard & Poor’s Financial Services, LLC (“S&P”) or Fitch Inc. (“Fitch”); (ii) 20% of the Index constituents are rated Baa3, Baa2, or Baa1 by Moody’s or BBB-, BBB, or BBB+ by S&P or Fitch; and (iii) 10% of the Index constituents are rated A3, A2, or A1 by Moody’s or A-, A, or A+ by S&P or Fitch (collectively, each category comprises the “Index Constituents Determination”). Pre-refunded bonds and bonds that have been escrowed to maturity will not be included in the Index. Where the ratings assigned by the three agencies are not consistent, the Index will use the middle rating. If only two agencies assign ratings, the rating defaults to the lower of the two.

If an individual U.S. territory exceeds 10% of the Index weight following the Index Constituents Determination process, a 10% cap is applied to that U.S. territory. Any excess weight above the 10% cap will be redistributed to all states and uncapped U.S. territories (the “Index Weight Cap Process”). The Index Weight Cap Process is repeated for all U.S. territories until no U.S. territory exceeds 10% of the Index weight.

The S&P Municipal Bond Index is a broad-based, market value-weighted index designed to measure the performance of the U.S. municipal bond market. Only bonds with total outstanding amounts of \$2,000,000 or more that are held by a mutual fund and priced daily by S&P Capital IQ’s Securities Evaluations qualify for inclusion. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 31,653 issues included in the Index.

The Index is sponsored by S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC (the “Index Provider”), which is not affiliated with the Fund, the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Below Investment Grade Securities Risk:** Lower-quality debt securities (“high yield” or “junk” bonds) are considered predominantly speculative, and can involve a substantially greater risk of default than higher quality debt securities. They can be illiquid, and their values can have significant volatility and may decline significantly over short periods of time. Lower-quality debt securities tend to be more sensitive to adverse news about the issuer, or the market or economy in general.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board’s quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that

interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Sub-Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Sub-Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Municipal Obligations Risk:** Issuers, including governmental issuers, may be unable to pay their obligations as they come due. The values of municipal obligations that depend on a specific revenue source to fund their payment obligations may fluctuate as a result of actual or anticipated changes in the cash flows generated by the revenue source or changes in the priority of the municipal obligation to receive the cash flows generated by the revenue source. In addition, changes in federal tax laws or the activity of an issuer may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of municipal obligations. Loss of tax-exempt status may cause interest received and distributed to shareholders by the Fund to be taxable and may result in a significant decline in the values of such municipal obligations.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Political Risk:** A significant restructuring of federal income tax rates or even serious discussion on the topic in Congress could cause municipal bond prices to fall. The demand for municipal securities is strongly influenced by the value of tax-exempt income to investors. Lower income tax rates could reduce the advantage of owning municipals.

**Private Activity Bonds Risk:** Private activity bonds are issued by or on behalf of public authorities to obtain funds to provide privately operated housing facilities, airport, mass transit or port facilities, sewage disposal, solid waste disposal or hazardous waste treatment or disposal facilities and certain local facilities for water supply, gas or electricity. Other types of private activity bonds, the proceeds of which are used for the construction, equipment, repair or improvement of privately operated industrial or commercial facilities, may constitute municipal securities, although the current federal tax laws place limitations on the size of such issues. The credit and quality of private activity bonds are usually related to the credit of the corporate user of the facilities. Payment of interest on and repayment of principal of such bonds are the responsibility of the corporate user (and/or any guarantor). The Fund's distributions of its interest income from private activity bonds may subject certain investors to the federal alternative minimum tax.

**Puerto Rico Specific Risk:** Because the Fund invests in Puerto Rico municipal securities, the Fund will have exposure to negative political, economic and statutory factors within the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Events, including economic and political policy changes, tax base erosion, territory constitutional limits on tax increases, budget deficits and other financial difficulties and changes in the credit ratings assigned to Puerto Rico's municipal issuers, are likely to affect the Fund's performance. During the U.S. recession, tourism declined and had a negative effect on Puerto Rico's economy and tax revenues. Puerto Rico's operating budget has been structurally unbalanced for the past decades and the government has relied on deficit financing for annual operations. Certain municipal issuers in Puerto Rico have experienced significant financial difficulties and in August 2015, one of Puerto Rico's public corporations defaulted on a debt service payment. Credit rating firms Standard & Poor's, Fitch Ratings, and Moody's Investors Service have continued to downgrade their respective ratings of Puerto Rico's general obligation debt to below investment grade, along with the ratings of certain related Puerto Rico issuers. Additionally, each rating agency has maintained a negative outlook on certain Puerto Rico issuers. Downgrades could create additional strain on a commonwealth already facing economic stagnation and fiscal imbalances, including budget deficits, underfunded pensions, high unemployment, significant debt service obligations, and liquidity issues, and could potentially lead to less market demand, less liquidity, wider spreads, and lower prices for Puerto Rico municipal bonds. Puerto Rico's continued financial difficulties could reduce its ability to access financial markets, potentially increasing the likelihood of a restructuring or default for Puerto Rico municipal bonds that may affect the Fund's investments and its performance.

**Tax Exemption Risk:** There is no guarantee that the Fund's income will be exempt from federal or state income taxes. Events occurring after the date of issuance of a municipal bond or after the Fund's acquisition of a municipal bond may result in a determination that interest on that bond is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to its date of issuance. Such a determination may cause a portion of prior distributions by the Fund to its shareholders to be taxable to those shareholders in the year of receipt. Federal or state changes in income or alternative minimum tax rates or in the tax treatment of municipal bonds may make municipal bonds less attractive as investments and cause them to decline in value.

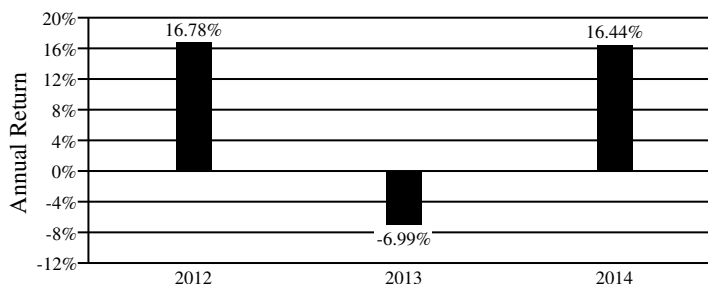
**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.



## FUND PERFORMANCE

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## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 6.51% (Q1, 2014)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -5.80% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was 1.48%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

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	One Year	Since Inception (4/13/11)
Return Before Taxes	16.44%	9.22%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	16.44%	9.18%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	11.52%	8.36%
S&P Municipal Yield Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	13.75%	9.43%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

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#### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund intends to pay income that is exempt from regular federal income tax, but which may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax ("AMT"). To the extent the Fund invests in securities that do not produce income exempt from regular federal income tax and/or the AMT, a portion of the Fund's distributions may be subject to such taxes. Income from municipal securities of states other than the shareholder's state of residence generally will not qualify for tax-free treatment for such shareholder with respect to state and local taxes.

#### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the market for taxable municipal securities with respect to which the issuer has made an irrevocable election to designate the bonds as “Qualified Bonds” under the Build America Bond program created under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 or other legislation providing for the issuance of taxable municipal securities on which the issuer receives federal support of the interest paid (“direct pay Build America Bonds”).

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.35%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.35%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$36	\$113	\$197	\$443

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 59% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Build America Bond Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (“Nuveen Asset Management” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Sub-Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund).

The Index is a subset of the Barclays Taxable Municipal Bond Index. The Index consists of all direct pay Build America Bonds that satisfy the rules of the Barclays Taxable Municipal Bond Index. The Barclays Taxable Municipal Bond Index represents securities that are taxable, dollar denominated, and issued by a U.S. state or territory, and (i) have at least one year to final maturity regardless of call features, (ii) have at least \$250 million par amount outstanding, (iii) are rated investment grade (Baa3/BBB- or higher) by at least two of the following ratings agencies: Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Fitch Inc. or Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC (if only two of the three agencies rate the security, the lower rating is used to determine index eligibility, and if only one of the three agencies rates a security, the rating must be investment grade), (iv) are fixed rate, although it can carry a coupon that steps up or changes according to a predetermined schedule, (v) are dollar-denominated and non-convertible, and (vi) are publicly issued. However, Rule 144A securities with Registration Rights and Reg-S issues are included. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 192 issues included in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 12 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund, the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

Build America Bonds are bonds issued by state and local governments to finance capital projects such as public schools, roads, transportation infrastructure, bridges, ports and public buildings, among others, pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Act"). Build America Bonds pay interest at rates that are expected to be competitive with rates typically paid by private bond issuers in the taxable fixed income market. Unlike investments in most other municipal securities, interest received on Build America Bonds is subject to federal income tax and may be subject to state income tax. Build America Bond issuers may elect either (i) to receive payments from the U.S. Treasury equal to a specified percentage of their interest payments ("direct pay") or (ii) to cause investors in the bonds to receive federal tax credits ("tax credit"). Most issuers of direct pay Build America Bonds currently receive a subsidy from the U.S. Treasury equal to 35% of the interest paid on the bonds, which allows such issuers to issue bonds that pay interest rates that are expected to be competitive with the rates typically paid by private bond issuers in the taxable fixed income market. The bonds in the Fund will not include Build America bonds for which the investors will receive a tax credit. Build America Bonds are currently defined by the Act as restricted from private activity purposes and, for direct pay Build America Bond issuers, the bonds can only be issued to fund capital expenditures. As a result, most Build America Bond issuers have to produce tangible assets that are designed to provide a public benefit. Build America Bonds generally support facilities that meet such essential needs as water, electricity, transportation, and education. Moreover, many Build America Bonds are general obligation bonds, which are backed by the full faith and taxing power of the state and local governments issuing them.

Issuance of Build America Bonds ceased on December 31, 2010. The Build America Bonds outstanding at such time continue to be eligible for the federal interest rate subsidy, which continues for the life of the Build America Bonds; however, no bonds issued following expiration of the Build America Bond program are eligible for the federal tax subsidy. The Board of Trustees will continue to evaluate the Fund's investment objective and make appropriate changes, as necessary, that it believes are in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders, including changing the Fund's investment objective to invest in an index composed of taxable municipal securities.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Build America Bonds Risk:** The market for Build America Bonds is smaller and less diverse than the broader municipal securities market. Because Congress did not extend the Build America Bond program, the ability of municipalities to issue Build America Bonds expired on December 31, 2010. As a result, the number of available Build America Bonds is limited, which may negatively affect the value of the Build America Bonds. In addition, it is difficult to predict the extent to which a market for such bonds will continue, meaning that Build America Bonds may experience greater illiquidity than other municipal obligations. Certain aspects of the program may be subject

to additional Federal or state level guidance or subsequent legislation. It is not known what additional restrictions, limitations or procedures may be implemented or what possible effect they will have on the market for Build America Bonds. There can be no assurance that Build America Bonds will be actively traded. The Build America Bonds outstanding as of December 31, 2010 will continue to be eligible for the federal interest rate subsidy, which continues for the life of the Build America Bonds; however, no bonds issued following expiration of the Build America Bond program will be eligible for the federal tax subsidy.

**California-State Specific Risk:** Because the Fund invests in California municipal securities, the Fund will have exposure to negative political, economic and statutory factors within the State of California. Unfavorable developments in any economic sector may have a substantial impact on the overall California municipal market. Provisions of the California Constitution and state statutes that limit the taxing and spending authority of California governmental entities may impair the ability of California issuers to pay principal and/or interest on their obligations. While California's economy is broad, it does have major concentrations in high technology, aerospace and defense-related manufacturing, trade, entertainment, real estate and financial services, and may be sensitive to economic problems affecting those industries. Future California political and economic developments, constitutional amendments, legislative measures, executive orders, administrative regulations, litigation and voter initiatives could have an adverse effect on the debt obligations of California issuers. As of July 2015, California had one of the lowest credit ratings of any state in the country.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Sub-Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Sub-Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic

growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Municipal Obligations Risk:** Issuers, including governmental issuers, may be unable to pay their obligations as they come due. The values of municipal obligations that depend on a specific revenue source to fund their payment obligations may fluctuate as a result of actual or anticipated changes in the cash flows generated by the revenue source or changes in the priority of the municipal obligation to receive the cash flows generated by the revenue source. In addition, changes in federal tax laws or the activity of an issuer may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of municipal obligations. Loss of tax-exempt status may cause interest received and distributed to shareholders by the Fund to be taxable and may result in a significant decline in the values of such municipal obligations.

**New York State-Specific Risk:** Because the Fund invests in New York municipal securities, the Fund will have exposure to negative political, economic and statutory factors within the State of New York. Unfavorable developments in any economic sector may have a substantial impact on the overall New York municipal market. Certain issuers of New York municipal bonds have experienced serious financial difficulties in the past and reoccurrence of these difficulties may impair the ability of certain New York issuers to pay principal or interest on their obligations. The financial health of New York City affects that of the state, and when New York City experiences financial difficulty it may have an adverse effect on New York municipal bonds held by the Fund. The growth rate of New York has at times been somewhat slower than the nation overall. The economic and financial condition of New York also may be affected by various financial, social, economic and political factors.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a “non-diversified” fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index.

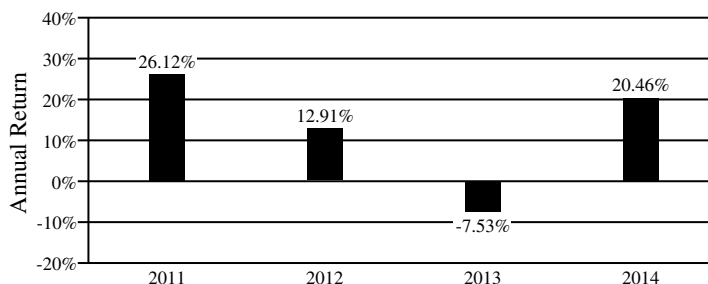
**Restricted Securities Risk:** The Fund may hold securities that have not been registered for sale to the public under the U.S. federal securities laws. There can be no assurance that a trading market will exist at any time for any particular restricted security. Limitations on the resale of these securities may have an adverse effect on their marketability, and may prevent the Fund from disposing of them promptly at reasonable prices. The Fund may have to bear the expense of registering the securities for resale and the risk of substantial delays in effecting the registration. Also, restricted securities may be difficult to value because market quotations may not be readily available, and the securities may have significant volatility.

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Highest Quarterly Return: 14.39% (Q3, 2011)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -8.14% (Q2, 2013)

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## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

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	One Year	Since Inception (5/12/10)
Return Before Taxes	20.46%	10.13%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	18.34%	8.19%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	11.51%	7.08%
Barclays Build America Bond Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	21.33%	10.93%

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The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

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# SPDR® DB International Government Inflation-Protected Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR DB International Government Inflation-Protected Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the inflation protected sector of the global bond market outside the United States.

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\$51	\$160	\$280	\$628

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 36% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the DB Global Government ex-US Inflation-Linked Bond Capped Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market

instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser). The Fund may also enter into forward currency exchange contracts for hedging and/or investment purposes. Swaps, options and futures contracts may be used by the Fund in seeking performance that corresponds to its Index and in managing cash flows.

The Index is designed to measure the total return performance of the inflation-linked government bond markets of developed and emerging market countries outside of the United States. Inflation protected public obligations of the inflation-linked government bond markets of developed and emerging market countries, commonly known in the United States as TIPS, are securities issued by such governments that are designed to provide inflation protection to investors. The Index includes government debt (direct obligations of the issuer country) but does not include quasi-government debt or corporate debt. The securities are denominated in and pay coupon and principal in the domestic currency of the issuer country. Each of the component securities in the Index is screened such that the following countries are included: Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Poland, South Africa, South Korea, Sweden, Turkey and the United Kingdom. In addition, the securities in the Index must be inflation-linked and have certain minimum amounts outstanding, depending upon the currency in which the bonds are denominated. To be included in the Index, bonds must: (i) be capital-indexed and linked to an eligible inflation index; (ii) have at least one year remaining to maturity at the Index rebalancing date; (iii) have a fixed, step-up or zero notional coupon; and (iv) settle on or before the Index rebalancing date. The Index is calculated by Deutsche Bank using a modified "market capitalization" methodology. This design ensures that each constituent represented in a proportion consistent with its percentage with respect to the total market capitalization. Component securities in each constituent country are represented in a proportion consistent with its percentage relative to the other component securities in its constituent country. Under certain conditions, however, the par amount of a component security within the Index may be adjusted to conform to requirements under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 177 securities in the Index and the real adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 10.86 years.

The Index is sponsored by Deutsche Bank (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

#### **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Counterparty Risk:** The Fund will be subject to credit risk with respect to the counterparties with which the Fund enters into derivatives contracts, repurchase agreements, reverse repurchase agreements, and other transactions. If a counterparty fails to meet its contractual obligations, the Fund may be unable to terminate or realize any gain on the investment or transaction, or to recover collateral posted to the counterparty, resulting in a loss to the Fund. If the Fund holds collateral posted by its counterparty, it may be delayed or prevented from realizing on the collateral in the event of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding relating to the counterparty.

**Currency Risk:** The value of the Fund's assets may be affected favorably or unfavorably by currency exchange rates, currency exchange control regulations, and restrictions or prohibitions on the repatriation of foreign currencies. Foreign currency exchange rates may have significant volatility, and changes in the values of foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar may result in substantial declines in the values of the Fund's assets denominated in foreign currencies.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may

decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Derivatives Risk:** Derivative transactions can create investment leverage and may have significant volatility. It is possible that a derivative transaction will result in a much greater loss than the principal amount invested, and the Fund may not be able to close out a derivative transaction at a favorable time or price. The counterparty to a derivatives contract may be unable or unwilling to make timely settlement payments, return the Fund's margin, or otherwise honor its obligations. A derivatives transaction may not behave in the manner anticipated by the Adviser or may not have the effect on the Fund anticipated by the Adviser.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Risks of investing in emerging markets include, among others, greater political and economic instability, greater volatility in currency exchange rates, less developed securities markets, possible trade barriers, currency transfer restrictions, a more limited number of potential buyers and issuers, an emerging market country's dependence on revenue from particular commodities or international aid, less governmental supervision and regulation, unavailability of currency hedging techniques, differences in auditing and financial reporting standards, and less developed legal systems. The securities of emerging market companies may trade less frequently and in smaller volumes than more widely held securities. Market disruptions or substantial market corrections may limit very significantly the liquidity of securities of certain companies in a particular country or geographic region, or of all companies in the country or region. The Fund may be unable to liquidate its positions in such securities at any time, or at a favorable price, in order to meet the Fund's obligations. There is also the potential for unfavorable action such as expropriation, nationalization, embargo, and acts of war. These risks are generally greater for investments in frontier market countries, which typically have smaller economies or less developed capital markets than traditional emerging market countries.

**Geographic Focus Risk:** To the extent the Fund invests a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to market, currency, economic, political, environmental, or regulatory conditions and developments in those countries or that region, and may be more volatile than the performance of a more geographically-diversified fund.

**Europe:** Developed and emerging market countries in Europe will be significantly affected by the fiscal and monetary controls of the European Monetary Union. Changes in regulations on trade, decreasing imports or exports, changes in the exchange rate of the euro and recessions among European countries may have a significant adverse effect on the economies of other European countries including those of Eastern Europe. The markets in Eastern Europe remain relatively undeveloped and can be particularly sensitive to political and economic developments.

**United Kingdom:** The United Kingdom has one of the largest economies in Europe, and the United States and other European countries are substantial trading partners of the United Kingdom. As a result, the British economy may be impacted by changes to the economic condition of the United States and other European countries. The British economy, along with certain other European Union ("EU") economies, experienced a significant economic slowdown during the recent financial crisis, and certain British financial institutions suffered significant losses, were severely under-capitalized and required government intervention to survive. The British economy relies heavily on the export of financial services to the United States and other European countries and, therefore, a prolonged slowdown in the financial services sector may have a negative impact on the British economy. Continued governmental involvement or control in certain sectors may stifle competition in certain sectors or cause adverse effects on economic growth. In the past, the United Kingdom has been a target of terrorism. Acts of terrorism in the United Kingdom or against British interests abroad may cause uncertainty in the British financial markets and adversely affect the performance of the issuers to which the Fund has exposure.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the

Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk:** The principal amount of an inflation-indexed security typically increases with inflation and decreases with deflation, as measured by a specified index. It is possible that, in a period of declining inflation rates, the Fund could receive at maturity less than the initial principal amount of an inflation-indexed security. Changes in the values of inflation-indexed securities may be difficult to predict, and it is possible that an investment in such securities will have a different effect than anticipated.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Sovereign Debt Obligations Risk:** Investments in debt securities issued by governments or by government agencies and instrumentalities involve the risk that the governmental entities responsible for repayment may be unable or unwilling to pay interest and repay principal when due. Many sovereign debt obligations may be rated below investment grade ("junk" bonds). Any restructuring of a sovereign debt obligation held by the Fund will likely have a significant adverse effect on the value of the obligation. In the event of default of sovereign debt, the Fund may be unable to pursue legal action against the sovereign issuer or to realize on collateral securing the debt.

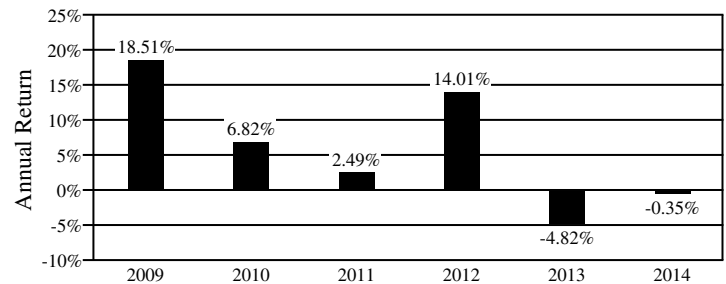
**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations.

Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

### ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 12.86% (Q3, 2010)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -6.81% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was -8.77%.

### AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (3/13/08)
Return Before Taxes	-0.35%	3.43%	1.75%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-1.29%	2.35%	0.69%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	-0.07%	2.25%	0.95%
DB Global Government ex-U.S. Inflation-Linked Bond Capped Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	-0.01%	3.98%	2.62%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Peter R. Breault, Mahesh Jayakumar and Cynthia Moy.

Peter R. Breault, CFA, is a Principal of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2012.

Mahesh Jayakumar, CFA, FRM is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2008.

Cynthia Moy is a Principal of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. She joined the Adviser in 2007.

**PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

**TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

**PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays Short Term International Treasury Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Short Term International Treasury Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the short-term (1-3 year remaining maturity) fixed rate, investment grade debt issued by foreign governments of investment grade countries.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.35%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.35%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$36	\$113	\$197	\$443

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

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## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays 1-3 Year Global Treasury ex-US Capped Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

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The Index is designed to measure the performance of fixed-rate local currency sovereign debt of investment grade countries outside the United States that have remaining maturities of one to three years. The Index includes government bonds issued by investment grade countries outside the United States, in local currencies, that have remaining maturities of one to three years and are rated investment grade (Baa3/BBB-/BBB- or higher using the middle rating of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor's, Financial Services, LLC and Fitch Inc., respectively). Each of the component securities in the Index is a constituent of the Barclays Global Treasury ex-US Index, screened such that the following countries are included: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Russia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey and the United Kingdom. In addition, the securities in the Index must be fixed-rate and have certain minimum amounts outstanding, depending upon the currency in which the bonds are denominated. The Index is calculated by Barclays using a modified "market capitalization" methodology. This design ensures that each constituent country within the Index is represented in a proportion consistent with its percentage with respect to the total market capitalization of the Index. Component securities in each constituent country are represented in a proportion consistent with their percentage relative to the other component securities in the constituent country. Under certain conditions, however, the par amount of a component security within the Index may be adjusted to conform to requirements under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The securities in the Index are updated monthly, on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 192 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 1.77 years.

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**Japan:** The growth of Japan's economy has historically lagged that of its Asian neighbors and other major developed economies. The Japanese economy is heavily dependent on international trade and has been adversely affected by trade tariffs, other protectionist measures, competition from emerging economies and the economic conditions of its trading partners. China has become an important trading partner with Japan, yet the countries' political relationship has become strained. Should political tension increase, it could adversely affect the economy, especially the export sector, and destabilize the region as a whole. Japan also remains heavily dependent on oil imports, and higher commodity prices could therefore have a negative impact on the economy. The Japanese yen has fluctuated widely at times and any increase in its value may cause a decline in exports that could weaken the Japanese economy. Japan has, in the past, intervened in the currency markets to attempt to maintain or reduce the value of the yen. Japanese intervention in the currency markets could cause the value of the yen to fluctuate sharply and unpredictably and could cause losses to investors. Natural disasters, such as earthquakes, volcanoes, typhoons or tsunamis, could occur in Japan or surrounding areas and could negatively affect the Japanese economy and, in turn, the Fund.

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	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (1/15/09)
Return Before Taxes	-9.83%	-1.59%	0.45%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-9.88%	-1.84%	0.14%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	-5.54%	-1.27%	0.26%
Barclays 1-3 Year Global Treasury ex-US Capped Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	-9.63%	-1.19%	0.88%

**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

**INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

**PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Peter R. Breault, Mahesh Jayakumar and Joanna Mauro.

Peter R. Breault, CFA, is a Principal of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2012.

Mahesh Jayakumar, CFA, FRM is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2008.

Joanna Mauro is a Vice President of SSGA and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash investments team. She joined the Adviser in 2003.

### **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays International Treasury Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays International Treasury Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the fixed-rate local currency sovereign debt of investment grade countries outside the United States.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.50%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.50%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$51	\$160	\$280	\$628

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 19% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Global Treasury Ex-US Capped Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market

instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser). The Fund may also enter into forward currency exchange contracts for hedging and/or investment purposes. Futures contracts may be used by the Fund in seeking performance that corresponds to its Index and in managing cash flows.

The Index is designed to track the fixed-rate local currency sovereign debt of investment grade countries outside the United States. The Index includes government bonds issued by investment grade countries outside the United States, in local currencies, that have a remaining maturity of one year or more and are rated investment grade (Baa3/BBB-/BBB- or higher using the middle rating of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC and Fitch Inc., respectively). Each of the component securities in the Index is a constituent of the Barclays Global Treasury ex-US Index, screened such that the following countries are included: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Russia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey and the United Kingdom. In addition, the securities in the Index must be fixed-rate and have certain minimum amounts outstanding, depending upon the currency in which the bonds are denominated. The Index is calculated by Barclays using a modified "market capitalization" methodology. This design ensures that each constituent country within the Index is represented in a proportion consistent with its percentage with respect to the total market capitalization of the Index. Component securities in each constituent country are represented in a proportion consistent with their percentage relative to the other component securities in the constituent country. Under certain conditions, however, the par amount of a component security within the Index may be adjusted to conform to requirements under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 690 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 7.78 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

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decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Derivatives Risk:** Derivative transactions can create investment leverage and may have significant volatility. It is possible that a derivative transaction will result in a much greater loss than the principal amount invested, and the Fund may not be able to close out a derivative transaction at a favorable time or price. The counterparty to a derivatives contract may be unable or unwilling to make timely settlement payments, return the Fund's margin, or otherwise honor its obligations. A derivatives transaction may not behave in the manner anticipated by the Adviser or may not have the effect on the Fund anticipated by the Adviser.

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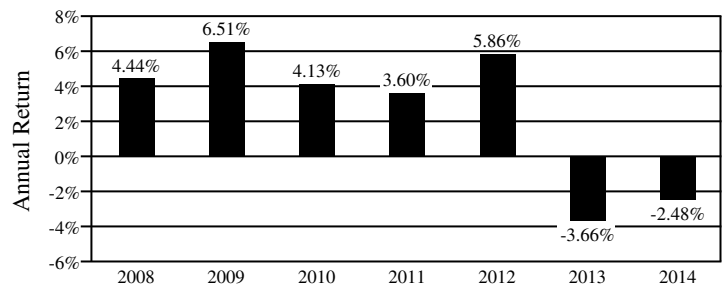
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	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception (10/2/07)
Return Before Taxes	-2.48%	1.42%	2.98%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-3.10%	0.69%	2.25%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	-1.29%	0.83%	2.05%
Barclays Global Treasury ex-US Capped Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	-2.03%	1.90%	3.67%

**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

**INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

**PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Peter R. Breault, Mahesh Jayakumar and Joanna Mauro.

Peter R. Breault, CFA, is a Principal of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2012.

Mahesh Jayakumar, CFA, FRM is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2008.

Joanna Mauro is a Vice President of SSGA and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash investments team. She joined the Adviser in 2003.

### **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the investment grade corporate sector of the global bond market outside of the United States.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees <sup>1</sup>	0.50%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.50%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund’s “Management fees” and “Total annual Fund operating expenses” have been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund’s “Management fees.”

<sup>2</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$51	\$160	\$280	\$628

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 28% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Global Aggregate ex-USD >\$1B: Corporate Bond Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, State Street Global Advisors Limited (“SSGA LTD” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the

Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund). The Fund may also enter into forward currency exchange contracts for hedging and/or investment purposes. Swaps and futures contracts may be used by the Fund in seeking performance that corresponds to its Index and in managing cash flows.

The Index is designed to be a broad based measure of the global investment grade, fixed rate, fixed income corporate markets outside the United States. The Index is part of the Barclays Global ex-USD Aggregate Bond Index. The securities in the Index must have a \$1 billion USD equivalent market capitalization outstanding and at least 1 year remaining. Securities must be fixed rate, although zero coupon bonds and step-ups are permitted. Additionally, securities must be rated investment grade (Baa3/BBB-/BBB- or better) using the middle rating from Moody’s Investors Service, Inc., Fitch Inc., or Standard & Poor’s Financial Services, LLC. after dropping the highest and lowest available ratings. If only two agencies rate a security, then the more conservative (lower) rating will be used. If only one rating agency rates a security, then that one rating will be used. Excluded from the Index are subordinated debts, convertible securities, floating-rate notes, fixed-rate perpetuals, warrants, linked bonds, and structured products. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 554 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 5.32 years. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the financial and industrial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, the following countries were represented in the Index: Australia, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the “Index Provider”), which is not affiliated with the Fund, the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Counterparty Risk:** The Fund will be subject to credit risk with respect to the counterparties with which the Fund enters into derivatives contracts, repurchase agreements, reverse repurchase agreements, and other transactions. If a counterparty fails to meet its contractual obligations, the Fund may be unable to terminate or realize any gain on the investment or transaction, or to recover collateral posted to the counterparty, resulting in a loss to the Fund. If the Fund holds collateral posted by its counterparty, it may be delayed or prevented from realizing on the collateral in the event of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding relating to the counterparty.

**Currency Risk:** The value of the Fund’s assets may be affected favorably or unfavorably by currency exchange rates, currency exchange control regulations, and restrictions or prohibitions on the repatriation of foreign currencies. Foreign currency exchange rates may have significant volatility, and changes in the values of foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar may result in substantial declines in the values of the Fund’s assets denominated in foreign currencies.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board’s quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund’s fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund’s income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund’s fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Derivatives Risk:** Derivative transactions can create investment leverage and may have significant volatility. It is possible that a derivative transaction will result in a much greater loss than the principal amount invested, and the Fund may not be able to close out a derivative transaction at a favorable time or price. The counterparty to a derivatives contract may be unable or unwilling to make timely settlement payments, return the Fund's margin, or otherwise honor its obligations. A derivatives transaction may not behave in the manner anticipated by the Sub-Adviser or may not have the effect on the Fund anticipated by the Sub-Adviser.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

**Geographic Focus Risk:** To the extent the Fund invests a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to market, currency, economic, political, environmental, or regulatory conditions and developments in those countries or that region, and may be more volatile than the performance of a more geographically-diversified fund.

**Europe:** Developed and emerging market countries in Europe will be significantly affected by the fiscal and monetary controls of the European Monetary Union. Changes in regulations on trade, decreasing imports or exports, changes in the exchange rate of the euro and recessions among European countries may have a significant adverse effect on the economies of other European countries including those of Eastern Europe. The markets in Eastern Europe remain relatively undeveloped and can be particularly sensitive to political and economic developments.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Sub-Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Sub-Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

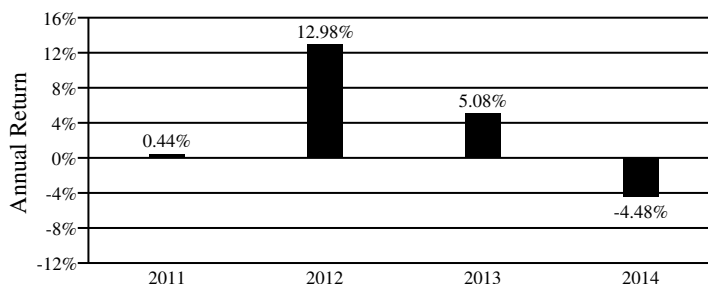
**Unconstrained Sector Risk:** The Fund may invest a substantial portion of its assets within one or more economic sectors or industries, which may change from time to time. Greater investment focus on one or more sectors or industries increases the potential for volatility and the risk that events negatively affecting such sectors or industries could reduce returns, potentially causing the value of the Fund's Shares to decrease, perhaps significantly.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 6.77% (Q1, 2012)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -6.36% (Q3, 2011)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was -8.85%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	One Year	Since Inception (5/19/10)
Return Before Taxes	-4.48%	4.88%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-5.13%	4.15%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	-2.51%	3.50%
Barclays Global Aggregate ex-USD > \$1B: Corporate Bond Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	-4.05%	5.34%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER AND SUB-ADVISER

SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser") serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. SSGA LTD, an affiliate of the Adviser, serves as sub-adviser to the Fund, subject to supervision by the Adviser and the Trust's Board of Trustees. To the extent that a reference in this Prospectus refers to the Adviser, with respect to the Fund, such reference should also be read to refer to SSGA LTD with respect to the Fund where the context requires.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Iwan Marais, Richard Darby-Dowman and Peter Spano.

Iwan Marais is the Lead Portfolio Manager for Credit within the EMEA Fixed Income Beta Team at SSGA LTD. He joined SSGA LTD in July 2012.

Richard Darby-Dowman is a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income Beta Team at SSGA LTD. He joined SSGA LTD in October 2006.

Peter Spano is the EMEA Head of Portfolio Management, Fixed Income Beta at SSGA LTD. He joined SSGA LTD in May 2007.

## PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

#### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

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# SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the fixed-rate local currency sovereign debt of emerging market countries.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.50%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.50%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$51	\$160	\$280	\$628

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 35% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays EM Local Currency Government Diversified Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, State Street Global Advisors Limited (“SSGA LTD” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Sub-Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised

by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund). The Fund may also enter into forward currency exchange contracts for hedging and/or investment purposes. Swaps and futures contracts may be used by the Fund in seeking performance that corresponds to its Index and in managing cash flows.

The Index is designed to measure the performance of the fixed-rate local currency sovereign debt of emerging market countries. The Index includes government bonds issued by investment grade and non-investment grade countries outside the United States, in local currencies, that have a remaining maturity of one year or more and are rated B3/B-/B- or higher using the middle rating of Moody's Investor Service, Inc., Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC and Fitch Inc., respectively). Each of the component securities in the Index is a constituent of the Barclays EM Local Currency Government Index, screened such that the following countries are included: Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Indonesia, Israel, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Romania, Russia, South Africa, South Korea, Thailand and Turkey. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 464 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 5.19 years.

The Index is calculated by Barclays, Inc. ("Barclays" or "Index Provider") using a modified "market capitalization" methodology. This design ensures that each constituent country within the Index is represented in a proportion consistent with its percentage with respect to the total market capitalization of the Index. Component securities in each constituent country are represented in a proportion consistent with their percentage relative to the other component securities in the constituent country. Under certain conditions, however, the par amount of a component security within the Index may be adjusted to conform to requirements under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

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**Below Investment Grade Securities Risk:** Lower-quality debt securities ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) are considered predominantly speculative, and can involve a substantially greater risk of default than higher quality debt securities. They can be illiquid, and their values can have significant volatility and may decline significantly over short periods of time. Lower-quality debt securities tend to be more sensitive to adverse news about the issuer, or the market or economy in general.

**Counterparty Risk:** The Fund will be subject to credit risk with respect to the counterparties with which the Fund enters into derivatives contracts, repurchase agreements, reverse repurchase agreements, and other transactions. If a counterparty fails to meet its contractual obligations, the Fund may be unable to terminate or realize any gain on the investment or transaction, or to recover collateral posted to the counterparty, resulting in a loss to the Fund. If the Fund holds collateral posted by its counterparty, it may be delayed or prevented from realizing on the collateral in the event of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding relating to the counterparty.

**Currency Risk:** The value of the Fund's assets may be affected favorably or unfavorably by currency exchange rates, currency exchange control regulations, and restrictions or prohibitions on the repatriation of foreign currencies. Foreign currency exchange rates may have significant volatility, and changes in the values of foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar may result in substantial declines in the values of the Fund's assets denominated in foreign currencies.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations

paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Derivatives Risk:** Derivative transactions can create investment leverage and may have significant volatility. It is possible that a derivative transaction will result in a much greater loss than the principal amount invested, and the Fund may not be able to close out a derivative transaction at a favorable time or price. The counterparty to a derivatives contract may be unable or unwilling to make timely settlement payments, return the Fund's margin, or otherwise honor its obligations. A derivatives transaction may not behave in the manner anticipated by the Sub-Adviser or may not have the effect on the Fund anticipated by the Sub-Adviser.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Risks of investing in emerging markets include, among others, greater political and economic instability, greater volatility in currency exchange rates, less developed securities markets, possible trade barriers, currency transfer restrictions, a more limited number of potential buyers and issuers, an emerging market country's dependence on revenue from particular commodities or international aid, less governmental supervision and regulation, unavailability of currency hedging techniques, differences in auditing and financial reporting standards, and less developed legal systems. The securities of emerging market companies may trade less frequently and in smaller volumes than more widely held securities. Market disruptions or substantial market corrections may limit very significantly the liquidity of securities of certain companies in a particular country or geographic region, or of all companies in the country or region. The Fund may be unable to liquidate its positions in such securities at any time, or at a favorable price, in order to meet the Fund's obligations. There is also the potential for unfavorable action such as expropriation, nationalization, embargo, and acts of war. These risks are generally greater for investments in frontier market countries, which typically have smaller economies or less developed capital markets than traditional emerging market countries.

**Geographic Focus Risk:** To the extent the Fund invests a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to market, currency, economic, political, environmental, or regulatory conditions and developments in those countries or that region, and may be more volatile than the performance of a more geographically-diversified fund.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Sub-Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Sub-Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a “non-diversified” fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

**Russian Sanctions Risk:** Recent sanctions imposed by the United States, the European Union and Canada, and other intergovernmental actions that may be undertaken in the future, against Russia, Russian entities or Russian individuals, may result in the devaluation of Russian currency, a downgrade in the country’s credit rating, and/or a decline in the value and liquidity of Russian securities, property or interests. The scope and scale of these sanctions may be expanded. These sanctions could impair the ability of the Fund to buy, sell, hold, receive, deliver or otherwise transact in certain investment instruments. Sanctions could also result in Russia taking counter measures or other actions, which may further impair the value and liquidity of Russian securities. These sanctions, and the continued disruption of the Russian economy, could have a negative effect on the performance of the Fund. Compliance with each of these sanctions may impair the ability of the Fund to buy, sell, hold, receive, deliver or otherwise transact in the affected securities or other securities of such issuers. If it becomes impracticable or unlawful for the Fund to hold securities subject to, or otherwise affected by, sanctions, or if deemed appropriate by the Fund’s investment adviser, the Fund may prohibit in-kind deposits of the affected securities in connection with creation transactions and instead require a cash deposit, which may also increase the Fund’s transaction costs.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index.

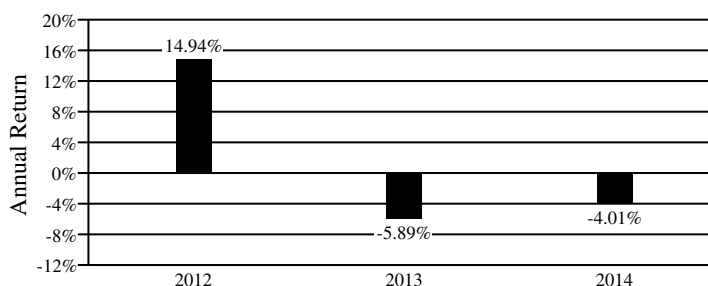
**Sovereign Debt Obligations Risk:** Investments in debt securities issued by governments or by government agencies and instrumentalities involve the risk that the governmental entities responsible for repayment may be unable or unwilling to pay interest and repay principal when due. Many sovereign debt obligations may be rated below investment grade (“junk” bonds). Any restructuring of a sovereign debt obligation held by the Fund will likely have a significant adverse effect on the value of the obligation. In the event of default of sovereign debt, the Fund may be unable to pursue legal action against the sovereign issuer or to realize on collateral securing the debt.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 6.71% (Q1, 2012)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -6.57% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was -12.70%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	One Year	Since Inception (2/23/11)
Return Before Taxes	-4.01%	0.90%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-4.02%	-0.01%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	-2.18%	0.40%
Barclays EM Local Currency Government Diversified Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	-3.40%	1.83%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER AND SUB-ADVISER

SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser") serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. SSGA LTD, an affiliate of the Adviser serves as sub-adviser to the Fund, subject to supervision by the Adviser and the Trust's Board of Trustees. To the extent that a reference in this Prospectus refers to the Adviser, with respect to the Fund, such reference should also be read to refer to SSGA LTD with respect to the Fund where the context requires.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Abhishek Kumar, Victoria Husemeyer and Peter Spano.

Abhishek Kumar is the Lead Investment Manager for Emerging Market Debt Strategies in the EMEA Fixed Income Beta team at SSGA LTD. He joined SSGA LTD in September 2010.

Victoria Husemeyer is a senior portfolio manager in the Fixed Income Beta Team in London. Victoria joined SSGA LTD in October 2007.

Peter Spano is the EMEA Head of Portfolio Management, Fixed Income Beta at SSGA LTD. He joined SSGA LTD in May 2007.

## PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

#### **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

#### **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays High Yield Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays High Yield Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the U.S. high yield corporate bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.40%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.40%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$41	\$128	\$224	\$505

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 34% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays High Yield Very Liquid Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of publicly issued U.S. dollar denominated high yield corporate bonds with above-average liquidity. High yield securities are generally rated below investment grade and are commonly referred to as "junk bonds." The Index includes publicly issued U.S. dollar denominated, non-investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds that have a remaining maturity of at least one year, regardless of optionality, are rated high-yield (Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below) using the middle rating of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Fitch Inc., or Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC, respectively, and have \$500 million or more of outstanding face value. The three largest bonds of each issuer with a maximum age of five years can be included in the Index. Each index eligible issuer will be capped at two percent. In addition, securities must be registered or issued under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Original issue zero coupon bonds, step-up coupons, and coupons that change according to a predetermined schedule are also included. The Index includes only corporate sectors. The corporate sectors are Industrial, Utility, and Financial Institutions. Excluded from the Index are non-corporate bonds, structured notes with embedded swaps or other special features, private placements, bonds with equity-type features (e.g., warrants, convertibility), floating-rate issues, Eurobonds, defaulted bonds, payment in kind (PIK) securities and emerging market bonds. The Index is issuer capped and the securities in the Index are updated on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the industrial sector, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 777 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 4.42 years.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

#### **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Below Investment Grade Securities Risk:** Lower-quality debt securities ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) are considered predominantly speculative, and can involve a substantially greater risk of default than higher quality debt securities. They can be illiquid, and their values can have significant volatility and may decline significantly over short periods of time. Lower-quality debt securities tend to be more sensitive to adverse news about the issuer, or the market or economy in general.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit



and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

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**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Restricted Securities Risk:** The Fund may hold securities that have not been registered for sale to the public under the U.S. federal securities laws. There can be no assurance that a trading market will exist at any time for any particular restricted security. Limitations on the resale of these securities may have an adverse effect on their marketability, and may prevent the Fund from disposing of them promptly at reasonable prices. The Fund may have to bear the expense of registering the securities for resale and the risk of substantial delays in effecting the registration. Also, restricted securities may be difficult to value because market quotations may not be readily available, and the securities may have significant volatility.

**Utilities Sector Risk:** Utility companies are affected by supply and demand, operating costs, government regulation, environmental factors, liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities, and rate caps or rate changes. Although rate changes of a utility usually fluctuate in approximate correlation with financing costs, due to political and regulatory factors rate changes ordinarily occur only following a delay after the changes in financing costs. This factor will tend to favorably affect a regulated utility company's earnings and dividends in times of decreasing costs, but conversely, will tend to adversely affect earnings and dividends when costs are rising. The value of regulated utility debt securities (and, to a lesser extent, equity securities) may tend to have an inverse relationship to the movement of interest rates. Certain utility companies have experienced full or partial deregulation in recent years. These utility companies are frequently more similar to industrial companies in that they are subject to greater competition and have been permitted by regulators to diversify outside of their original geographic regions and their traditional lines of business. These opportunities may permit certain utility companies to earn more than their traditional regulated rates of return. Some companies, however, may be forced to defend their core business and may be less profitable. In addition, natural disasters, terrorist attacks, government intervention or other factors may render a utility company's equipment unusable or obsolete and negatively impact profitability.

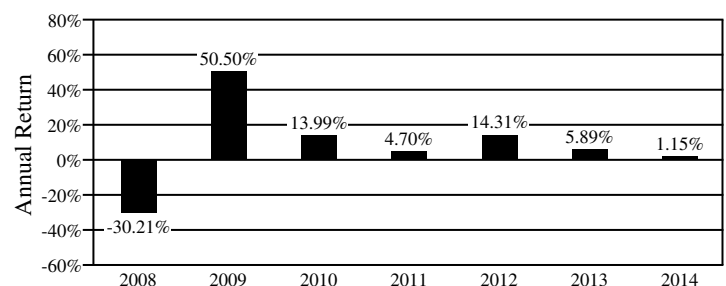
Among the risks that may affect utility companies are the following: risks of increases in fuel and other operating costs; the high cost of borrowing to finance capital construction during inflationary periods; restrictions on operations and increased costs and delays associated with compliance with environmental and nuclear safety regulations; and the difficulties involved in obtaining natural gas for resale or fuel for generating electricity at reasonable prices. Other risks include those related to the construction and operation of nuclear power plants, the effects of energy conservation and the effects of regulatory changes.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 22.44% (Q2, 2009)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -18.59% (Q4, 2008)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was -4.29%.

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Since Inception (11/28/07)</b>
Return Before Taxes	1.15%	7.88%	6.28%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-1.32%	4.91%	2.90%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	0.68%	4.94%	3.41%
Barclays High Yield Very Liquid Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	2.10%	8.91%	8.74%

**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT****INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

**PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Patrick Bresnehan, Michael Brunell and Kyle Kelly.

Patrick Bresnehan, CFA, is a Managing Director of the Adviser and the North America Head of Fixed Income Beta within the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Team. He joined the Adviser in 2010.

Michael Brunell, CFA, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 1997.

Kyle Kelly, CFA, FRM, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2007.

**PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 250,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

**TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

**PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR® Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the high yield corporate bond market of non-US issuers.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.40%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.40%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR® Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$41	\$128	\$224	\$505

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 50% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays Global HY ex US Domiciled 350mn+ Cash Pay Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, State Street Global Advisors Limited (“SSGA LTD” or the “Sub-Adviser”), the investment sub-adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Sub-Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days’ notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In

addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund).

The Index is designed to be a measure of the international high yield, fixed rate, fixed income corporate markets of issuers domiciled outside the United States, including in emerging markets. High yield securities are generally rated below investment grade and are commonly referred to as "junk bonds." The securities in the Index must have a minimum 350 million market capitalization outstanding in local currency terms and at least 1 year remaining to maturity. Securities must be fixed rate, although step-up coupons and coupons that change according to a predetermined schedule are permitted. Additionally, securities must be rated high yield (Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below), but not defaulted, using the middle rating of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC, and Fitch Inc. after dropping the highest and lowest available ratings. When a rating from only two agencies is available, the lower ("more conservative") rating is used. When a rating from only one agency is available, that rating is used to determine Index eligibility. Excluded from the Index are convertible securities, floating-rate notes, warrants, linked bonds, structured products, zero coupon bonds, and payment in kind securities. Each Index eligible issuer is capped at two percent. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last business day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the financial and industrial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, the Index comprised 791 securities. As of September 30, 2015, the following countries were represented in the Index: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakhstan, Luxembourg, Macau, Mexico, Mongolia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Serbia, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund, the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Below Investment Grade Securities Risk:** Lower-quality debt securities ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) are considered predominantly speculative, and can involve a substantially greater risk of default than higher quality debt securities. They can be illiquid, and their values can have significant volatility and may decline significantly over short periods of time. Lower-quality debt securities tend to be more sensitive to adverse news about the issuer, or the market or economy in general.

**Currency Risk:** The value of the Fund's assets may be affected favorably or unfavorably by currency exchange rates, currency exchange control regulations, and restrictions or prohibitions on the repatriation of foreign currencies. Foreign currency exchange rates may have significant volatility, and changes in the values of foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar may result in substantial declines in the values of the Fund's assets denominated in foreign currencies.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may

decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Risks of investing in emerging markets include, among others, greater political and economic instability, greater volatility in currency exchange rates, less developed securities markets, possible trade barriers, currency transfer restrictions, a more limited number of potential buyers and issuers, an emerging market country's dependence on revenue from particular commodities or international aid, less governmental supervision and regulation, unavailability of currency hedging techniques, differences in auditing and financial reporting standards, and less developed legal systems. The securities of emerging market companies may trade less frequently and in smaller volumes than more widely held securities. Market disruptions or substantial market corrections may limit very significantly the liquidity of securities of certain companies in a particular country or geographic region, or of all companies in the country or region. The Fund may be unable to liquidate its positions in such securities at any time, or at a favorable price, in order to meet the Fund's obligations. There is also the potential for unfavorable action such as expropriation, nationalization, embargo, and acts of war. These risks are generally greater for investments in frontier market countries, which typically have smaller economies or less developed capital markets than traditional emerging market countries.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

**Geographic Focus Risk:** To the extent the Fund invests a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to market, currency, economic, political, environmental, or regulatory conditions and developments in those countries or that region, and may be more volatile than the performance of a more geographically-diversified fund.

**Europe:** Developed and emerging market countries in Europe will be significantly affected by the fiscal and monetary controls of the European Monetary Union. Changes in regulations on trade, decreasing imports or exports, changes in the exchange rate of the euro and recessions among European countries may have a significant adverse effect on the economies of other European countries including those of Eastern Europe. The markets in Eastern Europe remain relatively undeveloped and can be particularly sensitive to political and economic developments.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Sub-Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Sub-Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil

liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

**Russian Sanctions Risk:** Recent sanctions imposed by the United States, the European Union and Canada, and other intergovernmental actions that may be undertaken in the future, against Russia, Russian entities or Russian individuals, may result in the devaluation of Russian currency, a downgrade in the country's credit rating, and/or a decline in the value and liquidity of Russian securities, property or interests. The scope and scale of these sanctions may be expanded. These sanctions could impair the ability of the Fund to buy, sell, hold, receive, deliver or otherwise transact in certain investment instruments. Sanctions could also result in Russia taking counter measures or other actions, which may further impair the value and liquidity of Russian securities. These sanctions, and the continued disruption of the Russian economy, could have a negative effect on the performance of the Fund. Compliance with each of these sanctions may impair the ability of the Fund to buy, sell, hold, receive, deliver or otherwise transact in the affected securities or other securities of such issuers. If it becomes impracticable or unlawful for the Fund to hold securities subject to, or otherwise affected by, sanctions, or if deemed appropriate by the Fund's investment adviser, the Fund may prohibit in-kind deposits of the affected securities in connection with creation transactions and instead require a cash deposit, which may also increase the Fund's transaction costs.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and

composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Unconstrained Sector Risk:** The Fund may invest a substantial portion of its assets within one or more economic sectors or industries, which may change from time to time. Greater investment focus on one or more sectors or industries increases the potential for volatility and the risk that events negatively affecting such sectors or industries could reduce returns, potentially causing the value of the Fund's Shares to decrease, perhaps significantly.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The Fund has not yet completed a full calendar year of investment operations. Once the Fund has completed a full calendar year of operations, a bar chart and table will be included that will provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing the variability of the Fund's returns based on net assets and comparing the Fund's performance to the Index. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER AND SUB-ADVISER

SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser") serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. SSGA LTD, an affiliate of the Adviser, serves as sub-adviser to the Fund, subject to supervision by the Adviser and the Trust's Board of Trustees. To the extent that a reference in this Prospectus refers to the Adviser, with respect to the Fund, such reference should also be read to refer to SSGA LTD with respect to the Fund where the context requires.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Michael Brunell, Kyle Kelly, Iwan Marais and Paul Brown.

Michael Brunell, CFA, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 1997.

Kyle Kelly, CFA, FRM, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2007.

Iwan Marais is the Lead Portfolio Manager for Credit within the EMEA Fixed Income Beta Team at SSGA LTD. He joined SSGA LTD in July 2012.

Paul Brown is a Portfolio Manager within the Fixed Income Beta Team in London. He joined SSGA LTD in December 2013.

## PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.



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The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

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# SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays Short Term High Yield Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Short Term High Yield Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the U.S. high yield short term corporate bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.40%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.40%

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## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$41	\$128	\$224	\$505

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 39% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays US High Yield 350mn Cash Pay 0-5 Yr 2% Capped Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of short-term publicly issued U.S. dollar-denominated high yield corporate bonds. High yield securities are generally rated below investment-grade and are commonly referred to as "junk" bonds. The Index includes publicly issued U.S. dollar denominated, non-investment-grade, fixed rate, taxable corporate bonds that have a remaining maturity of less than 5 years regardless of optionality, are rated between Caa3/CCC-/CCC- and Ba1/BB+/BB+ using the middle rating of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Fitch, Inc., or Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC, respectively, and have at least a \$350 million outstanding par value. The Index includes only corporate sectors. The corporate sectors are Industrial, Utility and Financial Institutions. Excluded from the Index are non-corporate bonds, structured notes with embedded swaps or other special features, bonds with equity-type features (e.g., warrants, convertibility), floating-rate securities and securities that move from fixed to floating-rate, Emerging Market Bonds, defaulted bonds, original issue zero coupon bonds, private placements and payment in kind securities. The Index is issuer-capped and the securities in the Index are updated on the index rebalancing date. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the industrial sector, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 554 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 2.46 years.

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**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial

services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Utilities Sector Risk:** Utility companies are affected by supply and demand, operating costs, government regulation, environmental factors, liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities, and rate caps or rate changes. Although rate changes of a utility usually fluctuate in approximate correlation with financing costs, due to political and regulatory factors rate changes ordinarily occur only following a delay after the changes in

financing costs. This factor will tend to favorably affect a regulated utility company's earnings and dividends in times of decreasing costs, but conversely, will tend to adversely affect earnings and dividends when costs are rising. The value of regulated utility debt securities (and, to a lesser extent, equity securities) may tend to have an inverse relationship to the movement of interest rates. Certain utility companies have experienced full or partial deregulation in recent years. These utility companies are frequently more similar to industrial companies in that they are subject to greater competition and have been permitted by regulators to diversify outside of their original geographic regions and their traditional lines of business. These opportunities may permit certain utility companies to earn more than their traditional regulated rates of return. Some companies, however, may be forced to defend their core business and may be less profitable. In addition, natural disasters, terrorist attacks, government intervention or other factors may render a utility company's equipment unusable or obsolete and negatively impact profitability.

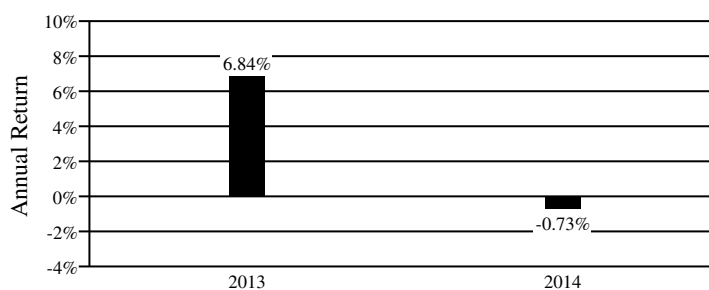
Among the risks that may affect utility companies are the following: risks of increases in fuel and other operating costs; the high cost of borrowing to finance capital construction during inflationary periods; restrictions on operations and increased costs and delays associated with compliance with environmental and nuclear safety regulations; and the difficulties involved in obtaining natural gas for resale or fuel for generating electricity at reasonable prices. Other risks include those related to the construction and operation of nuclear power plants, the effects of energy conservation and the effects of regulatory changes.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 2.67% (Q3, 2013)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -2.00% (Q3, 2014)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was -3.81%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS

(for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Since Inception (3/14/12)</b>
Return Before Taxes	-0.73%	4.39%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-2.95%	2.04%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	-0.39%	2.38%
Barclays US High Yield 350MN Cash Pay 0-5YR 2% Capped Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	0.47%	5.73%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

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### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Patrick Bresnehan, Michael Brunell and Kyle Kelly.

Patrick Bresnehan, CFA, is a Managing Director of the Adviser and the North America Head of Fixed Income Beta within the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Team. He joined the Adviser in 2010.

Michael Brunell, CFA, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 1997.

Kyle Kelly, CFA, FRM, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2007.

## **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR<sup>®</sup> Barclays Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR Barclays Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the market for U.S. dollar-denominated, investment grade floating rate notes with maturities greater than or equal to one month and less than five years.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.15%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.15%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$15	\$48	\$85	\$192

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 21% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the Barclays U.S. Dollar Floating Rate Note < 5 Years Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment grade floating rate notes. Securities in the Index must have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to one month and less than five years, and have \$300 million or more of outstanding face value. In addition, securities in the Index must be rated investment grade (Baa3, BBB- or BBB- by Moody's Investors Service, Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC or Fitch Inc., respectively). The Index consists of debt instruments that pay a variable coupon rate, a majority of which are based on the 3-month LIBOR, with a fixed spread. The Index may include U.S. registered, dollar denominated bonds of non-U.S. corporations, governments and supranational entities. Excluded from the Index are fixed rate bullet bonds, fixed-rate puttable and fixed-rate callable bonds, fixed rate and fixed to floating capital securities, bonds with equity-linked features (e.g. warrants and convertibles), inflation linked bonds and securitized bonds. The Index is market capitalization weighted and the securities in the Index are updated on the last calendar day of each month. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the financial and industrial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 517 securities in the Index, the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 0.12 years and the average credit quality of the securities in the Index was A1/A2.

The Index is sponsored by Barclays, Inc. (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

#### **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

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**Geographic Focus Risk:** To the extent the Fund invests a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to market, currency, economic, political, environmental, or regulatory conditions and developments in those countries or that region, and may be more volatile than the performance of a more geographically-diversified fund.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

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**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could

regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

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**Unconstrained Sector Risk:** The Fund may invest a substantial portion of its assets within one or more economic sectors or industries, which may change from time to time. Greater investment focus on one or more sectors or industries increases the potential for volatility and the risk that events negatively affecting such sectors or industries could reduce returns, potentially causing the value of the Fund’s Shares to decrease, perhaps significantly.

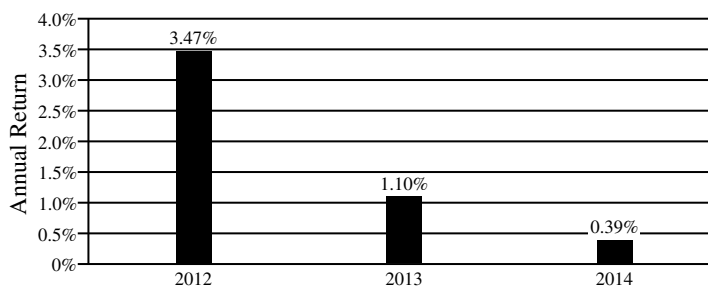
**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**Variable and Floating Rate Securities Risk:** During periods of increasing interest rates, changes in the coupon rates of variable or floating rate securities may lag behind the changes in market rates or may have limits on the maximum increases in coupon rates. Alternatively, during periods of declining interest rates, the coupon rates on such securities will typically readjust downward resulting in a lower yield. In addition, investment in derivative variable rate securities, such as inverse floaters, whose rates vary inversely with market rates of interest, or range floaters or capped floaters, whose rates are subject to periodic or lifetime caps, or in securities that pay a rate of interest determined by applying a multiple to the variable rate involves special risks as compared to investment in a fixed-rate security and may involve leverage. Floating rate notes are generally subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale, may trade infrequently, and their value may be impaired when the Fund needs to liquidate such loans.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

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**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 1.85% (Q1, 2012)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -0.22% (Q4, 2014)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was 0.09%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS

 (for periods ended 12/31/14)

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	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Since Inception (11/30/11)</b>
Return Before Taxes	0.39%	1.54%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	0.16%	1.16%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	0.22%	1.03%
Barclays U.S. Dollar Floating Rate Note < 5 Years Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	0.61%	1.81%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

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### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Thomas Connelley, Christopher DiStefano and Kyle Kelly.

Thomas Connelley, CFA, is a Vice President of SSGA FM and Senior Portfolio Manager for the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Team. He joined the Adviser in 2003.

Christopher DiStefano is a Portfolio Manager within SSGA's Fixed Income, Currency, and Cash Investments team. He joined SSGA in 2010.

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## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR<sup>®</sup> BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the emerging market senior and secured corporate debt market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.50%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.50%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$51	\$160	\$280	\$628

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 11% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Diversified Corporate Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (“SSGA FM” or the “Adviser”), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund’s assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund’s assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of U.S. dollar-denominated emerging markets corporate senior and secured debt publicly issued in the U.S. domestic and Eurobond markets. In order to qualify for inclusion in the Index an issuer must have primary risk exposure to a country other than a member of the FX G10, a Western European country, or a territory of the US or a Western European country. Individual securities of qualifying issuers must be denominated in US dollars, must be senior or secured debt, must have at least 18 months to remaining term to final maturity at the time of issuance and at least one year remaining term to final maturity, a fixed coupon, and at least \$500 million in outstanding face value. The Index includes corporate debt of issuers in qualifying countries, but excludes sovereign, quasi-government, securitized and collateralized debt. Original issue zero coupon bonds, 144A securities, both with and without registration rights, and pay-in-kind securities, including toggle notes, qualify for inclusion in the Index. Callable perpetual securities qualify provided they are at least one year from the first call date. Fixed-to-floating rate securities also qualify provided they are callable within the fixed rate period and are at least one year from the last call prior to the date the bond transitions from a fixed to a floating rate security. Securities rated Ca/CC or lower by any of the three rating agencies (i.e., Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's"), Fitch, Inc. ("Fitch"), or Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC ("S&P")) and any defaulted securities, are excluded from the Index. Contingent capital securities are excluded, but capital securities where conversion can be mandated by a regulatory authority, but which have no specified trigger, are included. Other hybrid capital securities, such as those issues that potentially convert into preference shares, those with both cumulative and non-cumulative coupon deferral provisions, and those with alternative coupon satisfaction mechanisms, are also included in the Index. Index constituents are capitalization-weighted based on their current amount outstanding times the market price plus accrued interest, subject to a 5% issuer cap. Issuers that exceed the limits are reduced to 5%, and the face value of each of their bonds is adjusted on a pro-rata basis. Similarly, the face values of bonds of all other issuers that fall below the cap are increased on a pro-rata basis. Accrued interest is calculated assuming next-day settlement. Cash flows from bond payments that are received during the month are retained in the Index until the end of the month and then are removed as part of the rebalancing. Cash does not earn any reinvestment income while it is held in the Index. The Index is rebalanced on the last calendar day of the month, based on information available up to and including the third business day before the last business day of the month. Issues that meet the qualifying criteria are included in the Index for the following month. Issues that no longer meet the criteria during the course of the month remain in the Index until the next month-end rebalancing at which point they are removed from the Index. Countries covered in the Index have historically included, among others, Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Georgia, Guatemala, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Macau, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Nigeria, Oman, Panama, Peru, Poland, Qatar, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Jamaica, UAE, Ukraine, and Venezuela. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the industrial and financial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 693 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 5.49 years.

The Index is sponsored by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Below Investment Grade Securities Risk:** Lower-quality debt securities ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) are considered predominantly speculative, and can involve a substantially greater risk of default than higher quality debt securities. They can be illiquid, and their values can have significant volatility and may decline significantly over short periods of time. Lower-quality debt securities tend to be more sensitive to adverse news about the issuer, or the market or economy in general.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of

return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Risks of investing in emerging markets include, among others, greater political and economic instability, greater volatility in currency exchange rates, less developed securities markets, possible trade barriers, currency transfer restrictions, a more limited number of potential buyers and issuers, an emerging market country's dependence on revenue from particular commodities or international aid, less governmental supervision and regulation, unavailability of currency hedging techniques, differences in auditing and financial reporting standards, and less developed legal systems. The securities of emerging market companies may trade less frequently and in smaller volumes than more widely held securities. Market disruptions or substantial market corrections may limit very significantly the liquidity of securities of certain companies in a particular country or geographic region, or of all companies in the country or region. The Fund may be unable to liquidate its positions in such securities at any time, or at a favorable price, in order to meet the Fund's obligations. There is also the potential for unfavorable action such as expropriation, nationalization, embargo, and acts of war. These risks are generally greater for investments in frontier market countries, which typically have smaller economies or less developed capital markets than traditional emerging market countries.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

**Geographic Focus Risk:** To the extent the Fund invests a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to market, currency, economic, political, environmental, or regulatory conditions and developments in those countries or that region, and may be more volatile than the performance of a more geographically-diversified fund.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

**Russian Sanctions Risk:** Recent sanctions imposed by the United States, the European Union and Canada, and other intergovernmental actions that may be undertaken in the future, against Russia, Russian entities or Russian individuals, may result in the devaluation of Russian currency, a downgrade in the country's credit rating, and/or a decline in the value and liquidity of Russian securities, property or interests. The scope and scale of these sanctions may be expanded. These sanctions could impair the ability of the Fund to buy, sell, hold, receive, deliver or otherwise transact in certain investment instruments. Sanctions could also result in Russia taking counter measures or other actions, which may further impair the value and liquidity of Russian securities. These sanctions, and the continued disruption of the Russian economy, could have a negative effect on the performance of the Fund. Compliance with each of these sanctions may impair the ability of the Fund to buy, sell, hold, receive, deliver or otherwise transact in the affected securities or other securities of such issuers. If it becomes impracticable or unlawful for the Fund to hold securities subject to, or otherwise affected by, sanctions, or if deemed appropriate by the Fund's investment adviser, the Fund may prohibit in-kind deposits of the affected securities in connection with creation transactions and instead require a cash deposit, which may also increase the Fund's transaction costs.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index.

**Restricted Securities Risk:** The Fund may hold securities that have not been registered for sale to the public under the U.S. federal securities laws. There can be no assurance that a trading market will exist at any time for any particular restricted security. Limitations on the resale of these securities may have an adverse effect on their marketability, and may prevent the Fund from disposing of them promptly at reasonable prices. The Fund may have to bear the expense of registering the securities for resale and the risk of substantial delays in effecting the registration. Also, restricted securities may be difficult to value because market quotations may not be readily available, and the securities may have significant volatility.

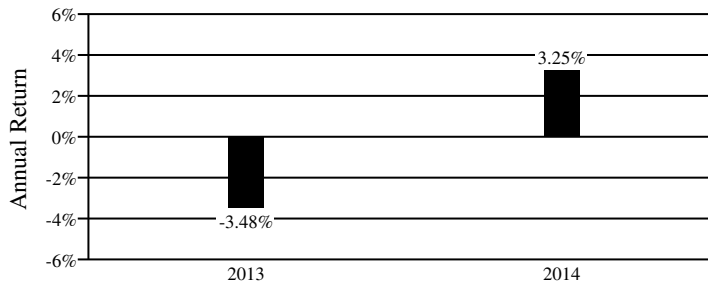
**Unconstrained Sector Risk:** The Fund may invest a substantial portion of its assets within one or more economic sectors or industries, which may change from time to time. Greater investment focus on one or more sectors or industries increases the potential for volatility and the risk that events negatively affecting such sectors or industries could reduce returns, potentially causing the value of the Fund’s Shares to decrease, perhaps significantly.

**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund’s investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

**FUND PERFORMANCE**

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

**ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 1.43% (Q3, 2013)  
 Lowest Quarterly Return: -5.59% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund’s Calendar Year-To-Date return was -1.91%.

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.



	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Since Inception (6/18/12)</b>
Return Before Taxes	3.25%	3.13%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	1.35%	1.13%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	1.86%	1.53%
BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Diversified Corporate Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	3.22%	3.71%

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Patrick Bresnehan, Michael Brunell and Kyle Kelly.

Patrick Bresnehan, CFA, is a Managing Director of the Adviser and the North America Head of Fixed Income Beta within the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Team. He joined the Adviser in 2010.

Michael Brunell, CFA, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 1997.

Kyle Kelly, CFA, FRM, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2007.

## **PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION**

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# SPDR<sup>®</sup> BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of an index that tracks the U.S. crossover corporate bond market.

## FEES AND EXPENSES OF THE FUND

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund (“Fund Shares”). This table and the Example below reflect the expenses of the Fund and do not reflect brokerage commissions you may pay on purchases and sales of Fund Shares.

**ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES** (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment):

Management fees	0.40%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Other expenses	0.00%
Total annual Fund operating expenses	0.40%
Less contractual fee waiver <sup>2</sup>	-0.10%
Net annual Fund operating expenses	0.30%

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service (12b-1) Plan pursuant to which payments of up to 0.25% of average daily net assets may be made; however, the SPDR<sup>®</sup> Series Trust’s Board of Trustees has determined that no such payments will be made through at least October 31, 2016.

<sup>2</sup> SSGA Funds Management, Inc. (the “Adviser”) has contractually agreed to waive its advisory fee and reimburse certain expenses, until October 31, 2016, so that the Net annual Fund operating expenses of the Fund will be limited to 0.30% of the Fund’s average daily net assets before application of any fees and expenses not paid by the Adviser under the Investment Advisory Agreement. Such fees and expenses paid by the Adviser are limited to certain direct operating expenses of the Fund and, therefore, do not include the Fund’s “acquired fund fees and expenses,” if any. The contractual fee waiver does not provide for the recoupment by the Adviser of any fees the Adviser previously waived. The Adviser may continue the waiver from year to year, but there is no guarantee that the Adviser will do so and after October 31, 2016, it may be cancelled or modified at any time.

## EXAMPLE:

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated, and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same. The Example reflects the Fund’s contractual fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement only in the periods for which the contractual fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement is expected to continue. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5	Year 10
\$31	\$118	\$214	\$495

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER:

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 16% of the average value of its portfolio.

## THE FUND’S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

In seeking to track the performance of the BofA Merrill Lynch US Diversified Crossover Corporate Index (the “Index”), the Fund employs a sampling strategy, which means that the Fund is not required to purchase all of the securities represented in the Index. Instead, the Fund may purchase a subset of the securities in the Index in an effort to hold a portfolio of securities with generally the same risk and return characteristics of the Index. The quantity of holdings in

the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. Based on its analysis of these factors, SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Fund, may invest the Fund's assets in a subset of securities in the Index or may invest the Fund's assets in substantially all of the securities represented in the Index in approximately the same proportions as the Index.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund generally invests substantially all, but at least 80%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the Index or in securities that the Adviser determines have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the securities that comprise the Index. The Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. In addition, the Fund may invest in debt securities that are not included in the Index, cash and cash equivalents or money market instruments, such as repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds advised by the Adviser).

The Index is designed to measure the performance of US dollar denominated BBB and BB corporate debt publicly issued in the US domestic market. "Crossover" corporate debt generally means corporate debt rated at levels where the lower end of investment grade debt and the higher end of high yield debt meet. Qualifying securities must be rated BBB1 through BB3, inclusive (based on an average of Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's"), Fitch, Inc. ("Fitch"), or Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC ("S&P")). Qualifying corporate issuers must have a primary risk exposure to an FX G10 or Western European country, or a territory of the US or a Western European country. Individual securities of qualifying issuers must have a fixed coupon schedule and a minimum amount outstanding of \$250 million. Original issue zero coupon bonds, 144A securities, both with and without registration rights, and pay-in-kind securities, including toggle notes, qualify for inclusion. Callable perpetual securities qualify provided they are at least one month from the first call date. Fixed-to-floating rate securities also qualify provided they are callable within the fixed rate period and are at least one month from the last call prior to the date the bond transitions from a fixed to a floating rate security. Eurodollar securities (USD securities not issued in the US domestic market), Tier 1 subordinated debt, pay-in-kind bonds and toggle notes, taxable and tax-exempt US municipal, warrant-bearing, DRD-eligible and defaulted securities are excluded from the Index. Qualifying constituents are segmented into two groups: those rated between BBB1 and BBB3, inclusive, and those rated between BB1 and BB3, inclusive. Within the two groups, constituents are capitalization-weighted. Each group is then assigned a 50% weight in the overall index; with a 2% cap on each issuer. Accrued interest is calculated assuming next-day settlement. Cash flows from bond payments that are received during the month are retained in the index until the end of the month and then are removed as part of the rebalancing. Cash does not earn any reinvestment income while it is held in the Index. The Index is rebalanced on the last calendar day of the month, based on information available up to and including the third business day before the last business day of the month. Issues that meet the qualifying criteria are included in the Index for the following month. Issues that no longer meet the criteria during the course of the month remain in the Index until the next month-end rebalancing at which point they are removed from the Index. As of September 30, 2015, a significant portion of the Index comprised companies in the industrial and financial sectors, although this may change from time to time. As of September 30, 2015, there were approximately 4,171 securities in the Index and the modified adjusted duration of securities in the Index was approximately 5.78 years.

The Index is sponsored by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (the "Index Provider"), which is not affiliated with the Fund or the Adviser. The Index Provider determines the composition of the Index, relative weightings of the securities in the Index and publishes information regarding the market value of the Index.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND**

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Below Investment Grade Securities Risk:** Lower-quality debt securities ("high yield" or "junk" bonds) are considered predominantly speculative, and can involve a substantially greater risk of default than higher quality debt securities. They can be illiquid, and their values can have significant volatility and may decline significantly over short periods of time. Lower-quality debt securities tend to be more sensitive to adverse news about the issuer, or the market or economy in general.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of

those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of the Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

**Financial Sector Risk:** Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

**Geographic Focus Risk:** To the extent the Fund invests a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to market, currency, economic, political, environmental, or regulatory conditions and developments in those countries or that region, and may be more volatile than the performance of a more geographically-diversified fund.

**Income Risk:** The Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by the Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by the Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates.

**Index Tracking Risk:** While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, achieve a high correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, generally as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. The Adviser may attempt to replicate the Index return by investing in fewer than all of the securities in the Index, or in some securities not included in the Index, potentially increasing the risk of divergence between the Fund's return and that of the Index.

**Industrial Sector Risk:** Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

**Liquidity Risk:** Lack of a ready market or restrictions on resale may limit the ability of the Fund to sell a security at an advantageous time or price or at all. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. Illiquidity of the Fund's holdings may limit the ability of the Fund to obtain cash to meet redemptions on a timely basis. In addition, the Fund, due to

limitations on investments in any illiquid securities and/or the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain market or sector and the Fund may not achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index.

**Market Risk:** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, and general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk:** Non-U.S. securities are subject to political, regulatory, and economic risks not present in domestic investments. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, legal, and financial report standards comparable to those in the United States. Further, such entities and/or their securities may be subject to risks associated with currency controls; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. Securities traded on foreign markets may be less liquid (harder to sell) than securities traded domestically. Foreign governments may impose restrictions on the repatriation of capital to the U.S. In addition, when the Fund buys securities denominated in a foreign currency, there are special risks such as changes in currency exchange rates and the risk that a foreign government could regulate foreign exchange transactions. In addition, to the extent investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Fund.

**Passive Strategy/Index Risk:** The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund's performance may not match that of the Index.

**Restricted Securities Risk:** The Fund may hold securities that have not been registered for sale to the public under the U.S. federal securities laws. There can be no assurance that a trading market will exist at any time for any particular restricted security. Limitations on the resale of these securities may have an adverse effect on their marketability, and may prevent the Fund from disposing of them promptly at reasonable prices. The Fund may have to bear the expense of registering the securities for resale and the risk of substantial delays in effecting the registration. Also, restricted securities may be difficult to value because market quotations may not be readily available, and the securities may have significant volatility.

**Unconstrained Sector Risk:** The Fund may invest a substantial portion of its assets within one or more economic sectors or industries, which may change from time to time. Greater investment focus on one or more sectors or industries increases the potential for volatility and the risk that events negatively affecting such sectors or industries could reduce returns, potentially causing the value of the Fund's Shares to decrease, perhaps significantly.

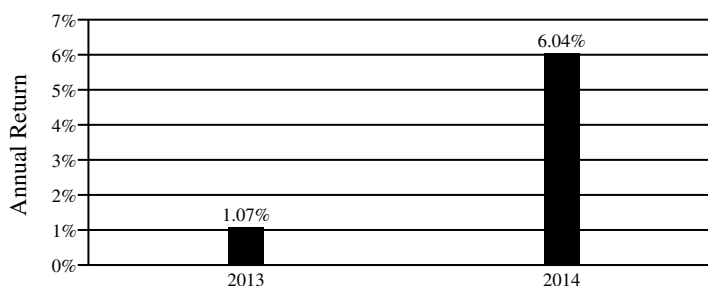
**Valuation Risk:** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or

redeem Fund Shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The following bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for certain time periods compare with the average annual returns of the Index. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available by calling 1-866-787-2257 or visiting our website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (years ended 12/31)\*



Highest Quarterly Return: 2.22% (Q4, 2013)

Lowest Quarterly Return: -3.06% (Q2, 2013)

\* As of September 30, 2015, the Fund's Calendar Year-To-Date return was -1.30%.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (for periods ended 12/31/14)

The after-tax returns presented in the table below are calculated using highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific tax situation and may differ from those shown below. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold Fund Shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. The returns after taxes can exceed the returns before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit for a shareholder from realizing a capital loss on a sale of Fund Shares.

	One Year	Since Inception (6/18/12)
Return Before Taxes	6.04%	5.78%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	4.26%	3.99%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	3.42%	3.64%
BofA Merrill Lynch US Diversified Crossover Corporate Index (Index returns reflect no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	6.44%	6.11%

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

### INVESTMENT ADVISER

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund are Bradley Sullivan, Michael Brunell and Kyle Kelly.

Bradley Sullivan, CFA, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2015.

Michael Brunell, CFA, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 1997.

Kyle Kelly, CFA, FRM, is a Vice President of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Investments Team. He joined the Adviser in 2007.

## PURCHASE AND SALE INFORMATION

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of 100,000 Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are typically conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the securities included in the Fund's benchmark Index.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc., other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through your broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at net asset value ("NAV"), Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount).

**TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

**PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser or its affiliates may pay the intermediary for certain activities related to the Fund, including educational training programs, conferences, the development of technology platforms and reporting systems, or other services related to the sale or promotion of the Fund. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.



## ADDITIONAL STRATEGIES INFORMATION

### PRINCIPAL STRATEGIES

*General.* Please see each Fund's "The Fund's Principal Investment Strategy" section under "Fund Summaries" above for a complete discussion of each Fund's principal investment strategies. A Fund may invest in various types of securities and engage in various investment techniques which are not the principal focus of the Funds and therefore are not described in this Prospectus. These securities, techniques and practices, together with their risks, are described in the Statement of Additional Information (the "SAI"), which you may obtain free of charge by contacting shareholder services (see the back cover of this Prospectus for the address and phone number).

SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM" or the "Adviser") seeks to track the performance of a Fund's Index as closely as possible (*i.e.*, obtain a high degree of correlation with the Index). A number of factors may affect a Fund's ability to achieve a high degree of correlation with its Index, and there can be no guarantee that a Fund will achieve a high degree of correlation.

The Adviser will utilize a sampling strategy in managing the Funds. Sampling means that the Adviser uses quantitative analysis to select securities, including securities in the Index, outside of the Index and derivatives that have a similar investment profile as the relevant Index in terms of key risk factors, performance attributes and other economic characteristics. These include industry weightings, market capitalization, and other financial characteristics of securities. The quantity of holdings in a Fund will be based on a number of factors, including asset size of the Fund. In addition, from time to time, securities are added to or removed from each Index. The Adviser may sell securities that are represented in an Index, or purchase securities that are not yet represented in an Index, in anticipation of their removal from or addition to an Index. Further, the Adviser may choose to overweight securities in an Index, purchase or sell securities not in an Index, or utilize various combinations of other available techniques, in seeking to track an Index.

SPDR Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF, SPDR Nuveen Barclays California Municipal Bond ETF, SPDR Nuveen Barclays New York Municipal Bond ETF, SPDR Nuveen Barclays Short Term Municipal Bond ETF, and SPDR Nuveen S&P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF (each a "Municipal Bond ETF," collectively the "Municipal Bond ETFs") have adopted a fundamental investment policy and certain of the other Funds as described in the SAI, have adopted a non-fundamental investment policy to invest at least 80% of their respective net assets in investments suggested by their respective names, measured at the time of investment. A Fund will provide

shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to any material change in this 80% investment policy. For purposes of this policy, the term "assets" means net assets plus the amount of borrowings for investment purposes. The Board of Trustees of the Trust (the "Board") may change a Fund's investment strategy, Index and other policies without shareholder approval, except as otherwise indicated in this Prospectus or in the SAI. Each Fund will provide shareholders with at least 60 days' notice prior to changing its Index. The Board may also change a Fund's investment objective without shareholder approval.

### NON-PRINCIPAL STRATEGIES

*Certain Other Investments.* Each Fund may invest in convertible securities, variable rate demand notes ("VRDNs"), commercial paper, structured notes (notes on which the amount of principal repayment and interest payments are based on the movement of one or more specified factors such as the movement of a particular security or index), swaps, options and futures contracts. Swaps, options and futures contracts, convertible securities and structured notes may be used by a Fund in seeking performance that corresponds to its Index and in managing cash flows.

*Temporary Defensive Positions.* In certain situations or market conditions, a Fund may temporarily depart from its normal investment policies and strategies, provided that the alternative is consistent with the Fund's investment objective and is in the best interest of the Fund. For example, a Fund may make larger than normal investments in derivatives to maintain exposure to its Index if it is unable to invest directly in a component security.

*Borrowing Money.* Each Fund may borrow money from a bank as permitted by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended ("1940 Act"), or other governing statute, by the Rules thereunder, or by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") or other regulatory agency with authority over the Fund, but only for temporary or emergency purposes. Certain Funds may also invest in reverse repurchase agreements, which are considered borrowings under the 1940 Act. Although the 1940 Act presently allows a Fund to borrow from any bank (including pledging, mortgaging or hypothecating assets) in an amount up to 33 1/3% of its total assets (not including temporary borrowings not in excess of 5% of its total assets), and there is no limit on the percentage of Fund assets that can be used in connection with reverse repurchase agreements, under normal circumstances any borrowings by a Fund will not exceed 10% of the Fund's total assets.

*Lending of Securities.* Each Fund may lend its portfolio securities in an amount not to exceed one-quarter (25%) of the value of its total assets via a securities lending program through its securities lending agent, State Street Bank and Trust Company ("State Street" or the

“Lending Agent”), to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions desiring to borrow securities to complete transactions and for other purposes. A securities lending program allows a Fund to receive a portion of the income generated by lending its securities and investing the respective collateral. A Fund will receive collateral for each loaned security which is at least equal to 102% of the market value of that security, marked to market each trading day. In the securities lending program, the borrower generally has the right to vote the loaned securities; however, a Fund may call loans to vote proxies if a material issue affecting the Fund’s economic interest in the investment is to be voted upon. Security loans may be terminated at any time by a Fund.

## ADDITIONAL RISK INFORMATION

The following section provides additional information regarding certain of the principal risks identified under “Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund” in each Fund Summary along with additional risk information. Risk information is applicable to all Funds unless otherwise noted.

**PRINCIPAL RISKS**

The table below identifies the principal risks of investing in each Fund.

Fund Name	<i>SPDR Barclays 1-3 Month TBill ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays TIPS ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF</i>
<b>Below Investment Grade Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Build America Bonds Risk</b>								
<b>California State-Specific Risk</b>								
<b>Call/Prepayment Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Consumer Discretionary Sector Risk</b>								
<b>Convertible Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Counterparty Risk</b>								
<b>Credit Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Currency Risk</b>								
<b>Debt Securities Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Derivatives Risk</b>								
<b>Emerging Markets Risk</b>								
<b>Extension Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Financial Sector Risk</b>								X
<b>Geographic Focus Risk</b>								
<b>European Economic Risk</b>								
<b>Japan</b>								
<b>United Kingdom</b>								
<b>Health Care Sector Risk</b>								
<b>Income Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Index Tracking Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Industrial Sector Risk</b>								X
<b>Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk</b>		X	X	X				
<b>Interest Rate Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Interest Rate Risk – Preferred Securities</b>								
<b>Issuer Risk – Preferred Securities</b>								
<b>Liquidity Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Market Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Mortgage-Related and Other Asset-Backed Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Municipal Obligations Risk</b>								
<b>New York State-Specific Risk</b>								

Fund Name	<i>SPDR Barclays 1-3 Month T-Bill ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays TIPS ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF</i>
<b>Non-Diversification Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Non-U.S. Securities Risk</b>								X
<b>Russian Sanctions Risk</b>								
<b>Passive Strategy/Index Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Political Risk</b>								
<b>Portfolio Turnover Risk</b>	X							
<b>Preferred Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Private Activity Bonds Risk</b>								
<b>Puerto Rico Specific Risk</b>								
<b>Reinvestment Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Restricted Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Risk of Investments in Other Pools</b>								
<b>Settlement Risk</b>								X
<b>Sovereign Debt Obligations Risk</b>								
<b>Tax Exemption Risk</b>								
<b>Technology Sector Risk</b>								
<b>Unconstrained Sector Risk</b>								
<b>U.S. Government Securities Risk</b>								
<b>U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
<b>Utilities Sector Risk</b>								X
<b>Valuation Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Variable and Floating Rate Securities Risk</b>								
<b>When-Issued, TBA and Delayed Delivery Securities Risk</b>								

Fund Name	<i>SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays California Municipal Bond ETF</i>
<b>Below Investment Grade Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Build America Bonds Risk</b>								
<b>California State-Specific Risk</b>								X
<b>Call/Prepayment Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Consumer Discretionary Sector Risk</b>				X				
<b>Convertible Securities Risk</b>				X				
<b>Counterparty Risk</b>								
<b>Credit Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Currency Risk</b>								
<b>Debt Securities Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Derivatives Risk</b>								
<b>Emerging Markets Risk</b>								
<b>Extension Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Financial Sector Risk</b>	X	X	X	X				
<b>Geographic Focus Risk</b>								
<b>European Economic Risk</b>								
<b>Japan</b>								
<b>United Kingdom</b>								
<b>Health Care Sector Risk</b>								
<b>Income Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Index Tracking Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Industrial Sector Risk</b>	X	X	X					
<b>Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Interest Rate Risk</b>	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
<b>Interest Rate Risk – Preferred Securities</b>				X				
<b>Issuer Risk – Preferred Securities</b>				X				
<b>Liquidity Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Market Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Mortgage-Related and Other Asset-Backed Securities Risk</b>					X	X		
<b>Municipal Obligations Risk</b>							X	X
<b>New York State-Specific Risk</b>								

Fund Name	<i>SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays California Municipal Bond ETF</i>
<b>Non-Diversification Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Non-U.S. Securities Risk</b>	X	X	X	X				
<b>Russian Sanctions Risk</b>								
<b>Passive Strategy/Index Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Political Risk</b>							X	X
<b>Portfolio Turnover Risk</b>					X			
<b>Preferred Securities Risk</b>				X				
<b>Private Activity Bonds Risk</b>								
<b>Puerto Rico Specific Risk</b>								
<b>Reinvestment Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Restricted Securities Risk</b>	X	X		X				
<b>Risk of Investments in Other Pools</b>					X	X		
<b>Settlement Risk</b>	X	X	X	X				
<b>Sovereign Debt Obligations Risk</b>								
<b>Tax Exemption Risk</b>							X	X
<b>Technology Sector Risk</b>				X				
<b>Unconstrained Sector Risk</b>				X				
<b>U.S. Government Securities Risk</b>					X	X		
<b>U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk</b>								
<b>Utilities Sector Risk</b>	X	X	X					
<b>Valuation Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Variable and Floating Rate Securities Risk</b>								
<b>When-Issued, TBA and Delayed Delivery Securities Risk</b>					X	X		

Fund Name	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays New York Municipal Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays Short-Term Municipal Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen S&amp;P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR DB International Government Inflation-Protected Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Short-Term International Treasury Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays International Treasury Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF</i>
<b>Below Investment Grade Securities Risk</b>			X					
<b>Build America Bonds Risk</b>				X				
<b>California State-Specific Risk</b>				X				
<b>Call/Prepayment Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Consumer Discretionary Sector Risk</b>								
<b>Convertible Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Counterparty Risk</b>					X	X	X	X
<b>Credit Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Currency Risk</b>					X	X	X	X
<b>Debt Securities Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Derivatives Risk</b>					X	X	X	X
<b>Emerging Markets Risk</b>					X	X	X	
<b>Extension Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Financial Sector Risk</b>								X
<b>Geographic Focus Risk</b>					X	X	X	X
<b>European Economic Risk</b>					X	X	X	X
<b>Japan</b>						X	X	
<b>United Kingdom</b>					X			
<b>Health Care Sector Risk</b>								
<b>Income Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Index Tracking Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Industrial Sector Risk</b>								X
<b>Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk</b>					X			
<b>Interest Rate Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Interest Rate Risk – Preferred Securities</b>								
<b>Issuer Risk – Preferred Securities</b>								
<b>Liquidity Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Market Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Mortgage-Related and Other Asset-Backed Securities Risk</b>								

Fund Name	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays New York Municipal Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays Short Term Municipal Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen S&amp;P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR DB International Government Inflation-Protected Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Short Term International Treasury Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays International Treasury Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF</i>
<b>Municipal Obligations Risk</b>	X	X	X	X				
<b>New York State-Specific Risk</b>	X			X				
<b>Non-Diversification Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Non-U.S. Securities Risk</b>					X	X	X	X
<b>Russian Sanctions Risk</b>						X	X	
<b>Passive Strategy/Index Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Political Risk</b>	X	X	X					
<b>Portfolio Turnover Risk</b>								
<b>Preferred Securities Risk</b>								
<b>Private Activity Bonds Risk</b>			X					
<b>Puerto Rico Specific Risk</b>			X					
<b>Reinvestment Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Restricted Securities Risk</b>				X				
<b>Risk of Investments in Other Pools</b>								
<b>Settlement Risk</b>					X	X	X	X
<b>Sovereign Debt Obligations Risk</b>					X	X	X	
<b>Tax Exemption Risk</b>	X	X	X					
<b>Technology Sector Risk</b>								
<b>Unconstrained Sector Risk</b>								X
<b>U.S. Government Securities Risk</b>								
<b>U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk</b>								
<b>Utilities Sector Risk</b>								
<b>Valuation Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Variable and Floating Rate Securities Risk</b>								
<b>When-Issued, TBA and Delayed Delivery Securities Risk</b>								



Fund Name	<i>SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays High Yield Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Short Term High Yield Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR Barclays Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF</i>	<i>SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF</i>	<i>SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF</i>
<b>Below Investment Grade Securities Risk</b>	X	X	X	X		X	X
<b>Build America Bonds Risk</b>							
<b>California State-Specific Risk</b>							
<b>Call/Prepayment Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Consumer Discretionary Sector Risk</b>							
<b>Convertible Securities Risk</b>							
<b>Counterparty Risk</b>	X						
<b>Credit Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Currency Risk</b>	X		X				
<b>Debt Securities Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Derivatives Risk</b>	X						
<b>Emerging Markets Risk</b>	X		X			X	
<b>Extension Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Financial Sector Risk</b>		X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Geographic Focus Risk</b>	X		X		X	X	X
<b>European Economic Risk</b>			X				
<b>Japan</b>							
<b>United Kingdom</b>							
<b>Health Care Sector Risk</b>							
<b>Income Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Index Tracking Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Industrial Sector Risk</b>		X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk</b>							
<b>Interest Rate Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Interest Rate Risk – Preferred Securities</b>							
<b>Issuer Risk – Preferred Securities</b>							
<b>Liquidity Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Market Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Mortgage-Related and Other Asset-Backed Securities Risk</b>							
<b>Municipal Obligations Risk</b>							

*SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF*  
*SPDR Barclays High Yield Bond ETF*  
*SPDR Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF*  
*SPDR Barclays Short Term High Yield Bond ETF*  
*SPDR Barclays Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF*  
*SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF*  
*SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF*

Fund Name							
<b>New York State-Specific Risk</b>							
<b>Non-Diversification Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Non-U.S. Securities Risk</b>	X		X		X	X	X
<b>Russian Sanctions Risk</b>	X		X			X	
<b>Passive Strategy/Index Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Political Risk</b>							
<b>Portfolio Turnover Risk</b>							
<b>Preferred Securities Risk</b>							
<b>Private Activity Bonds Risk</b>							
<b>Puerto Rico Specific Risk</b>							
<b>Reinvestment Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Restricted Securities Risk</b>		X				X	X
<b>Risk of Investments in Other Pools</b>							
<b>Settlement Risk</b>	X		X		X	X	X
<b>Sovereign Debt Obligations Risk</b>	X						
<b>Tax Exemption Risk</b>							
<b>Technology Sector Risk</b>							
<b>Unconstrained Sector Risk</b>			X		X	X	X
<b>U.S. Government Securities Risk</b>							
<b>U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk</b>							
<b>Utilities Sector Risk</b>		X		X			
<b>Valuation Risk</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Variable and Floating Rate Securities Risk</b>					X		
<b>When-Issued, TBA and Delayed Delivery Securities Risk</b>							

*Below Investment Grade Securities Risk.* Securities rated below investment-grade and unrated securities of comparable credit quality (commonly known as “high-yield bonds” or “junk bonds”) lack strong investment characteristics, are considered predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer’s continuing ability to make principal and interest payments, and are subject to greater levels of credit, liquidity and market risk than higher-rated securities. They can involve a substantially greater risk of default than higher-rated securities, and their values can decline significantly over short periods of time. The lower ratings of junk bonds reflect a greater possibility that actual or perceived adverse changes in the financial condition of the issuer or in general economic conditions, or an unanticipated rise in interest rates, may impair the ability of the issuer to make payments of interest and principal. If this were to occur, the values of such securities held by the Fund may fall substantially and the Fund could lose some or all of the value of its investment. Lower-quality debt securities tend to be more sensitive to adverse news about the issuer, or the market or economy in general, than higher quality debt securities. The market for lower quality debt securities can be less liquid than for higher quality debt securities, especially during periods of recession or general market decline, which could make it difficult at times for the Fund to sell certain securities at prices used in calculating the Fund’s net asset value. These securities may have significant volatility.

*Build America Bonds Risk.* The market for Build America Bonds is smaller and less diverse than the broader municipal securities market. Because Congress did not extend the Build America Bond program, the ability of municipalities to issue Build America Bonds expired on December 31, 2010. As a result, the number of available Build America Bonds is limited, which may negatively affect the value of the Build America Bonds. In addition, it is difficult to predict the extent to which a market for such bonds will continue, meaning that Build America Bonds may experience greater illiquidity than other municipal obligations. Certain aspects of the program may be subject to additional Federal or state level guidance or subsequent legislation. It is not known what additional restrictions, limitations or procedures may be implemented or what possible effect they will have on the market for Build America Bonds. There can be no assurance that Build America Bonds will be actively traded. The Build America Bonds outstanding as of December 31, 2010 will continue to be eligible for the federal interest rate subsidy, which continues for the life of the Build America Bonds; however, no bonds issued following expiration of the Build America Bond program will be eligible for the federal tax subsidy.

*California State-Specific Risk.* A Fund investing in California municipal securities will have greater exposure to negative political, economic and statutory factors within the State of California than a Fund not investing in

such securities. Unfavorable developments in any economic sector may have a substantial impact on the overall California municipal market. Provisions of the California Constitution and state statutes that limit the taxing and spending authority of California governmental entities may impair the ability of California issuers to pay principal and/or interest on their obligations. While California’s economy is broad, it does have major concentrations in high technology, aerospace and defense-related manufacturing, trade, entertainment, real estate and financial services, and may be sensitive to economic problems affecting those industries. Future California political and economic developments, constitutional amendments, legislative measures, executive orders, administrative regulations, litigation and voter initiatives could have an adverse effect on the debt obligations of California issuers. As of July 2015, California had one of the lowest credit ratings of any state in the country.

*Call/Prepayment Risk.* Call/prepayment risk is the risk that an issuer will exercise its right to pay principal on an obligation held by the Fund earlier than expected or required. This may occur, for example, when there is a decline in interest rates, and an issuer of bonds or preferred stock redeems the bonds or stock in order to replace them with obligations on which it is required to pay a lower interest or dividend rate. It may also occur when there is an unanticipated increase in the rate at which mortgages or other receivables underlying mortgage- or asset-backed securities held by the Fund are prepaid. In any such case, the Fund may be forced to invest the prepaid amounts in lower-yielding investments, resulting in a decline in the Fund’s income.

*Consumer Discretionary Sector Risk.* The success of consumer product manufacturers and retailers is tied closely to the performance of the overall global economy, interest rates, competition and consumer confidence. Success depends heavily on disposable household income and consumer spending. Also, companies in the consumer discretionary sector may be subject to severe competition, which may have an adverse impact on their respective profitability. Changes in demographics and consumer tastes can also affect the demand for, and success of, consumer products and services in the marketplace.

*Convertible Securities Risk.* Convertible securities are bonds, debentures, notes, preferred stocks or other securities that may be converted or exchanged (by the holder or by the issuer, depending on the terms of the securities) into shares of the underlying common stock (or cash or securities of equivalent value) at a stated exchange ratio. Convertible securities may be subordinate to other debt securities issued by the same issuer. Issuers of convertible securities are often not as strong financially as issuers with higher credit ratings. Convertible securities typically provide yields lower than

comparable non-convertible securities. Their values may be more volatile than those of non-convertible securities, reflecting changes in the values of the securities into which they are convertible.

*Counterparty Risk.* To the extent a Fund enters into derivatives contracts and other transactions such as repurchase agreements or reverse repurchase agreements, the Fund will be subject to credit risk with respect to the counterparties with which the Fund enters into such transactions. A Fund's ability to profit from these types of investments and transactions will depend on the willingness and ability of its counterparty to perform its obligations. If a counterparty fails to meet its contractual obligations, a Fund may be unable to terminate or realize any gain on the investment or transaction, resulting in a loss to the Fund. A Fund may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery in an insolvency, bankruptcy, or other reorganization proceeding involving its counterparty (including recovery of any collateral posted by it) and may obtain only a limited recovery or may obtain no recovery in such circumstances. If a Fund holds collateral posted by its counterparty, it may be delayed or prevented from realizing on the collateral in the event of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding relating to the counterparty. Contractual provisions and applicable law may prevent or delay a Fund from exercising its rights to terminate an investment or transaction with a financial institution experiencing financial difficulties, or to realize on collateral, and another institution may be substituted for that financial institution without the consent of the Fund. If the credit rating of a derivatives counterparty declines, a Fund may nonetheless choose or be required to keep existing transactions in place with the counterparty, in which event the Fund would be subject to any increased credit risk associated with those transactions.

*Credit Risk.* Credit risk is the risk that an issuer, guarantor or liquidity provider of a fixed-income security held by the Fund may be unable or unwilling, or may be perceived (whether by market participants, ratings agencies, pricing services or otherwise) as unable or unwilling, to make timely principal and/or interest payments, or to otherwise honor its obligations. It includes the risk that the security will be downgraded by a credit rating agency; generally, lower credit quality issuers present higher credit risks. An actual or perceived decline in creditworthiness of an issuer of a fixed-income security held by the Fund may result in a decrease in the value of the security. It is possible that the ability of an issuer to meet its obligations will decline substantially during the period when the Fund owns securities of the issuer or that the issuer will default on its obligations or that the obligations of the issuer will be limited or restructured.

The credit rating assigned to any particular investment does not necessarily reflect the issuer's current financial condition and does not reflect an assessment of an

investment's volatility or liquidity. Securities rated in the lowest category of investment grade are considered to have speculative characteristics. If a security held by the Fund loses its rating or its rating is downgraded, the Fund may nonetheless continue to hold the security in the discretion of the Adviser. In the case of asset-backed or mortgage-related securities, changes in the actual or perceived ability of the obligors on the underlying assets or mortgages may affect the values of those securities.

*Currency Risk.* Investments in issuers in different countries are often denominated in currencies different from a Fund's base currency. Changes in the values of those currencies relative to a Fund's base currency may have a positive or negative effect on the values of a Fund's investments denominated in those currencies. The values of other currencies relative to a Fund's base currency may fluctuate in response to, among other factors, interest rate changes, intervention (or failure to intervene) by national governments, central banks, or supranational entities such as the International Monetary Fund, the imposition of currency controls, and other political or regulatory developments. Currency values can decrease significantly both in the short term and over the long term in response to these and other developments. Continuing uncertainty as to the status of the Euro and the European Monetary Union (the "EMU") has created significant volatility in currency and financial markets generally. Any partial or complete dissolution of the EMU, or any continued uncertainty as to its status, could have significant adverse effects on currency and financial markets, and on the values of a Fund's portfolio investments.

*Debt Securities Risk.* The values of debt securities may increase or decrease as a result of the following: market fluctuations, increases in interest rates, actual or perceived inability of issuers, guarantors or liquidity providers to make scheduled principal or interest payments or illiquidity in debt securities markets; the risk of low rates of return due to reinvestment of securities during periods of falling interest rates or repayment by issuers with higher coupon or interest rates; and/or the risk of low income due to falling interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. A rising interest rate environment may cause the value of a Fund's fixed income securities to decrease, a decline in the Fund's income and yield, an adverse impact on the liquidity of the Fund's fixed income securities, and increased volatility of the fixed income markets. If the principal on a debt obligation is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have

to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by the Fund may decline. Changes in interest rates will likely have a greater effect on the values of debt securities of longer durations. Returns on investments in debt securities could trail the returns on other investment options, including investments in equity securities.

*Derivatives Risk.* A derivative is a financial contract the value of which depends on, or is derived from, the value of an underlying asset, interest rate, or index. Derivative transactions typically involve leverage and may have significant volatility. It is possible that a derivative transaction will result in a loss greater than the principal amount invested, and a Fund may not be able to close out a derivative transaction at a favorable time or price. Risks associated with derivative instruments include potential changes in value in response to interest rate changes or other market developments or as a result of the counterparty's credit quality; the potential for the derivative transaction not to have the effect the Adviser or Sub-Adviser anticipated or a different or less favorable effect than the Adviser or Sub-Adviser anticipated; the failure of the counterparty to the derivative transaction to perform its obligations under the transaction or to settle a trade; possible mispricing or improper valuation of the derivative instrument; imperfect correlation in the value of a derivative with the asset, rate, or index underlying the derivative; the risk that a Fund may be required to post collateral or margin with its counterparty, and will not be able to recover the collateral or margin in the event of the counterparty's insolvency or bankruptcy; the risk that a Fund will experience losses on its derivatives investments and on its other portfolio investments, even when the derivatives investments may be intended in part or entirely to hedge those portfolio investments; the risks specific to the asset underlying the derivative instrument; lack of liquidity for the derivative instrument, including without limitation absence of a secondary trading market; the potential for reduced returns to a Fund due to losses on the transaction and an increase in volatility; the potential for the derivative transaction to have the effect of accelerating the recognition of gain; and legal risks arising from the documentation relating to the derivative transaction.

*Emerging Markets Risk.* Investments in emerging markets are generally subject to a greater risk of loss than investments in developed markets. This may be due to, among other things, the possibility of greater market volatility, lower trading volume and liquidity, greater risk of expropriation, nationalization, and social, political and economic instability, greater reliance on a few industries, international trade or revenue from particular commodities, less developed accounting, legal and regulatory systems, higher levels of inflation, deflation or currency devaluation, greater risk of market shut down,

and more significant governmental limitations on investment policy as compared to those typically found in a developed market. In addition, issuers (including governments) in emerging market countries may have less financial stability than in other countries. The securities of emerging market companies may trade less frequently and in smaller volumes than more widely held securities. Market disruptions or substantial market corrections may limit very significantly the liquidity of securities of certain companies in a particular country or geographic region, or of all companies in the country or region. A Fund may be unable to liquidate its positions in such securities at any time, or at a favorable price, in order to meet the Fund's obligations. There is also the potential for unfavorable action such as expropriation, nationalization, embargo, and acts of war. As a result, there will tend to be an increased risk of price volatility in investments in emerging market countries, which may be magnified by currency fluctuations relative to the Fund's base currency. Settlement and asset custody practices for transactions in emerging markets may differ from those in developed markets. Such differences may include possible delays in settlement and certain settlement practices, such as delivery of securities prior to receipt of payment, which increase the likelihood of a "failed settlement." Failed settlements can result in losses. For these and other reasons, investments in emerging markets are often considered speculative.

*Extension Risk.* During periods of rising interest rates, the average life of certain types of securities may be extended because of slower-than-expected principal payments. This may increase the period of time during which an investment earns a below-market interest rate, increase the security's duration and reduce the value of the security. Extension risk may be heightened during periods of adverse economic conditions generally, as payment rates decline due to higher unemployment levels and other factors.

*Financial Sector Risk.* Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation which may limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make, the interest rates and fees they can charge, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. In addition, deterioration of the credit markets generally may cause an adverse impact in a broad range of markets, including U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. Certain events in the financial sector may cause an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets, both domestic and foreign, and cause certain financial services companies to incur large losses. Securities of financial services companies may

experience a dramatic decline in value when such companies experience substantial declines in the valuations of their assets, take action to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or cease operations. Credit losses resulting from financial difficulties of borrowers and financial losses associated with investment activities can negatively impact the sector. Insurance companies may be subject to severe price competition.

*Geographic Focus Risk.* To the extent the Fund invests a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to market, currency, economic, political, environmental, or regulatory conditions and developments in those countries or that region, and may be more volatile than the performance of a more geographically-diversified portfolio, which could adversely impact the Fund's performance.

*European Economic Risk.* The Economic and Monetary Union of the EU requires compliance with restrictions on inflation rates, deficits, interest rates, debt levels and fiscal and monetary controls, each of which may significantly affect every country in Europe. Decreasing imports or exports, changes in governmental or EU regulations on trade, changes in the exchange rate of the euro (the common currency of certain EU countries), the default or threat of default by an EU member country on its sovereign debt, and/or an economic recession in an EU member country may have a significant adverse effect on the economies of EU member countries and their trading partners. The European financial markets have recently experienced volatility and adverse trends due to concerns about economic downturns or rising government debt levels in several European countries, including Greece, Ireland, Italy, Portugal and Spain. These events have adversely affected the exchange rate of the euro and may continue to significantly affect every country in Europe, including countries that do not use the euro.

Responses to the financial problems by European governments, central banks and others, including austerity measures and reforms, may not produce the desired results, may result in social unrest and may limit future growth and economic recovery or have other unintended consequences. Further defaults or restructurings by governments and other entities of their debt could have additional adverse effects on economies, financial markets and asset valuations around the world. In addition, one or more countries may abandon the euro and/or withdraw from the EU. The impact of these actions, especially if they occur in a disorderly fashion, is not clear but could be significant and far-reaching.

*Japan.* The growth of Japan's economy has historically lagged that of its Asian neighbors and other major developed economies. The Japanese economy is heavily dependent on international trade and has been adversely affected by trade tariffs, other protectionist measures, competition from emerging economies and the economic conditions of its trading partners. China has become an important trading partner with Japan, yet the countries' political relationship has become strained. Should political tension increase, it could adversely affect the economy, especially the export sector, and destabilize the region as a whole. Japan also remains heavily dependent on oil imports, and higher commodity prices could therefore have a negative impact on the economy. The Japanese economy faces several other concerns, including a financial system with large levels of nonperforming loans, over-leveraged corporate balance sheets, extensive cross-ownership by major corporations, a changing corporate governance structure, and large government deficits. These issues may cause a slowdown of the Japanese economy. The Japanese yen has fluctuated widely at times and any increase in its value may cause a decline in exports that could weaken the Japanese economy. Japan has, in the past, intervened in the currency markets to attempt to maintain or reduce the value of the yen. Japanese intervention in the currency markets could cause the value of the yen to fluctuate sharply and unpredictably and could cause losses to investors. Japan has an aging workforce and has experienced a significant population decline in recent years. Japan's labor market appears to be undergoing fundamental structural changes, as a labor market traditionally accustomed to lifetime employment adjusts to meet the need for increased labor mobility, which may adversely affect Japan's economic competitiveness.

The nuclear power plant catastrophe in Japan in March 2011 may have short- and long-term effects on the Japanese economy and its nuclear energy industry. Natural disasters, such as earthquakes, volcanoes, typhoons or tsunamis, could occur in Japan or surrounding areas and could negatively affect the Japanese economy and, in turn, the Fund.

*United Kingdom.* The United Kingdom has one of the largest economies in Europe, and the United States and other European countries are substantial trading partners of the United Kingdom. As a result, the British economy may be impacted by changes to the economic condition of the United States and other European countries. The British economy, along with certain other European Union ("EU") economies, experienced a significant economic slowdown during the recent financial crisis, and certain British financial institutions suffered significant losses, were

severely under-capitalized and required government intervention to survive. The British economy relies heavily on the export of financial services to the United States and other European countries and, therefore, a prolonged slowdown in the financial services sector may have a negative impact on the British economy. Continued governmental involvement or control in certain sectors may stifle competition in certain sectors or cause adverse effects on economic growth. In the past, the United Kingdom has been a target of terrorism. Acts of terrorism in the United Kingdom or against British interests abroad may cause uncertainty in the British financial markets and adversely affect the performance of the issuers to which the Fund has exposure.

*Health Care Sector Risk.* Companies in the health care sector are subject to extensive government regulation and their profitability can be significantly affected by restrictions on government reimbursement for medical expenses, rising costs of medical products and services, pricing pressure (including price discounting), limited product lines and an increased emphasis on the delivery of healthcare through outpatient services. Companies in the health care sector are heavily dependent on obtaining and defending patents, which may be time consuming and costly, and the expiration of patents may also adversely affect the profitability of these companies. Health care companies are also subject to extensive litigation based on product liability and similar claims. In addition, their products can become obsolete due to industry innovation, changes in technologies or other market developments. Many new products in the health care sector require significant research and development and may be subject to regulatory approvals, all of which may be time consuming and costly with no guarantee that any product will come to market.

*Income Risk.* A Fund's income may decline due to falling interest rates or other factors. Issuers of securities held by a Fund may call or redeem the securities during periods of falling interest rates, and the Fund would likely be required to reinvest in securities paying lower interest rates. If an obligation held by a Fund is prepaid, the Fund may have to reinvest the prepayment in other obligations paying income at lower rates. A reduction in the income earned by a Fund may limit the Fund's ability to achieve its objective.

*Index Tracking Risk.* While the Adviser seeks to track the performance of the Index (*i.e.*, achieve a high degree of correlation with the Index), the Fund's return may not match the return of the Index for a number of reasons. For example, the return on the sample of securities purchased by the Fund (or the return on securities not included in the Index), or futures or other derivative positions taken by the Fund, to replicate the performance of the Index may not correlate precisely

with the return of the Index. The Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested at times, either as a result of cash flows into or out of the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions. Changes in the composition of the Index and regulatory requirements also may impact the Fund's ability to match the return of the Index. The Adviser may apply one or more "screens" or investment techniques to refine or limit the number or types of issuers included in the Index in which the Fund may invest. Application of such screens or techniques may result in investment performance below that of the Index and may not produce results expected by the Adviser. Index tracking risk may be heightened during times of increased market volatility or other unusual market conditions.

*Industrial Sector Risk.* Industrial companies are affected by supply and demand both for their specific product or service and for industrial sector products in general. Government regulation, world events, exchange rates and economic conditions, technological developments and liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities will likewise affect the performance of these companies. Aerospace and defense companies, a component of the industrial sector, can be significantly affected by government spending policies because companies involved in this industry rely, to a significant extent, on U.S. and foreign government demand for their products and services. Thus, the financial condition of, and investor interest in, aerospace and defense companies are heavily influenced by governmental defense spending policies which are typically under pressure from efforts to control the U.S. (and other) government budgets. Transportation securities, a component of the industrial sector, are cyclical and have occasional sharp price movements which may result from changes in the economy, fuel prices, labor agreements and insurance costs.

*Inflation-Indexed Securities Risk.* The principal amount of an inflation-indexed security typically increases with inflation and decreases with deflation, as measured by a specified index. It is possible that, in a period of deflation, the Portfolio would receive at maturity less than the initial principal amount of an inflation-indexed security. Although the holders of U.S. TIPS receive no less than the par value of the security at maturity, if the Portfolio purchases U.S. TIPS in the secondary market whose principal values have previously been adjusted upward, it may receive at maturity less than it invested, if there is a subsequent period of deflation. If inflation is lower than expected during the period the Portfolio holds an inflation-indexed security, then the Portfolio may earn less on the security than on a conventional bond. Changes in the values of inflation-indexed securities may be difficult to predict, and it is possible that an investment in such securities will have an effect different

from that anticipated by SSgA. The principal amounts of inflation-indexed securities are typically only adjusted periodically, and their values may fluctuate substantially in response to changes in interest rates between adjustments.

*Interest Rate Risk.* Interest rate risk is the risk that the securities held by a Fund will decline in value because of increases in market interest rates. Debt securities with longer durations tend to be more sensitive to changes in interest rates, usually making them more volatile than debt securities with shorter durations. For example, the value of a security with a duration of five years would be expected to decrease by 5% for every 1% increase in interest rates. Falling interest rates also create the potential for a decline in a Fund's income and yield. Interest-only and principal-only securities are especially sensitive to interest rate changes, which can affect not only their prices but can also change the income flows and repayment assumptions about those investments. Variable and floating rate securities also generally increase or decrease in value in response to changes in interest rates, although generally to a lesser degree than fixed-rate securities. A substantial increase in interest rates may also have an adverse impact on the liquidity of a security, especially those with longer durations. The U.S. is experiencing historically low interest rate levels. However, economic recovery and the tapering of the Federal Reserve Board's quantitative easing program increase the likelihood that interest rates will rise in the future. Changes in governmental policy, including changes in central bank monetary policy, could cause interest rates to rise rapidly, or cause investors to expect a rapid rise in interest rates. This could lead to heightened levels of interest rate, volatility and liquidity risks for the fixed income markets generally and could have a substantial and immediate effect on the values of a Fund's investments.

*Interest Rate Risk – Preferred Securities.* Because many Preferred Securities pay dividends at a fixed rate, their market price can be sensitive to changes in interest rates in a manner similar to bonds — that is, as interest rates rise, the value of the Preferred Securities held by the Fund are likely to decline. To the extent that the Fund invests a substantial portion of its assets in fixed rate Preferred Securities, rising interest rates may cause the value of the Fund's investments to decline significantly. Preferred Securities often have call features which allow the issuer to redeem the security at its discretion. The redemption of a Preferred Security having a higher than average yield may cause a decrease in the Fund's yield.

*Issuer Risk – Preferred Securities.* Because many Preferred Securities allow holders to convert the Preferred Securities into common stock of the issuer, their market price can be sensitive to changes in the value of the issuer's common stock and, therefore, declining common stock values may also cause the value of the Fund's investments to decline.

*Liquidity Risk.* Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund may not be able to dispose of securities or close out derivatives transactions readily at a favorable time or prices (or at all) or at prices approximating those at which the Fund currently values them. For example, certain investments may be subject to restrictions on resale, may trade in the over-the-counter market or in limited volume, or may not have an active trading market. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value. It may be difficult for the Fund to value illiquid securities accurately. The market for certain investments may become illiquid under adverse market or economic conditions independent of any specific adverse changes in the conditions of a particular issuer. Disposal of illiquid securities may entail registration expenses and other transaction costs that are higher than those for liquid securities. The Fund may seek to borrow money to meet its obligations (including among other things redemption obligations) if it is unable to dispose of illiquid investments, resulting in borrowing expenses and possible leveraging of the Fund. In some cases, due to unanticipated levels of illiquidity the Fund may choose to meet its redemption obligations wholly or in part by distributions of assets in-kind.

*Market Risk.* Market prices of investments held by a Fund will go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. Each Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in securities markets. Investment markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, changes in interest rates, changes in actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers and general market liquidity. Even if general economic conditions do not change, the value of an investment in a Fund could decline if the particular industries, sectors or companies in which a Fund invests do not perform well or are adversely affected by events. Further, legal, political, regulatory and tax changes also may cause fluctuations in markets and securities prices.

*Mortgage-Related and Other Asset-Backed Securities Risk.* Investments in mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities are subject to the risk of significant credit downgrades, illiquidity, and defaults to a greater extent than many other types of fixed income investments. Mortgage-related securities represent a participation in, or are secured by, mortgage loans. Other asset-backed securities are typically structured like mortgage-related securities, but instead of mortgage loans or interests in mortgage loans, the underlying assets may include, for example, items such as motor vehicle installment sales or installment loan contracts, leases on various types of real and personal property, and receivables from credit card agreements. During



periods of falling interest rates, mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities, which typically provide the issuer with the right to prepay the security prior to maturity, may be prepaid, which may result in the Fund having to reinvest the proceeds in other investments at lower interest rates. During periods of rising interest rates, the average life of mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities may extend because of slower-than expected principal payments. This may lock in a below market interest rate, increase the security's duration and interest rate sensitivity, and reduce the value of the security. As a result, mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities may have less potential for capital appreciation during periods of declining interest rates than other debt securities of comparable maturities, although they may have a similar risk of decline in market values during periods of rising interest rates. Prepayment rates are difficult to predict and the potential impact of prepayments on the value of a mortgage-related or other asset-backed security depends on the terms of the instrument and can result in significant volatility. The price of a mortgage-related or other asset-backed security also depends on the credit quality and adequacy of the underlying assets or collateral. Defaults on the underlying assets, if any, may impair the value of a mortgage-related or other asset-backed security. For some asset-backed securities in which the Fund invests, such as those backed by credit card receivables, the underlying cash flows may not be supported by a security interest in a related asset. Moreover, the values of mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities may be substantially dependent on the servicing of the underlying asset pools, and are therefore subject to risks associated with the negligence or malfeasance by their servicers and to the credit risk of their servicers. In certain situations, the mishandling of related documentation may also affect the rights of securities holders in and to the underlying collateral. There may be legal and practical limitations on the enforceability of any security interest granted with respect to underlying assets, or the value of the underlying assets, if any, may be insufficient if the issuer defaults.

In a "forward roll" transaction, the Fund will sell a mortgage-related security to a bank or other permitted entity and simultaneously agree to purchase a similar security from the institution at a later date at an agreed upon price. The mortgage securities that are purchased will bear the same interest rate as those sold, but generally will be collateralized by different pools of mortgages with different prepayment histories than those sold. The values of such transactions will be affected by many of the same factors that affect the values of mortgage-related securities generally. In addition, forward roll transactions may have the effect of creating investment leverage in the Fund.

*Municipal Obligations Risk.* The U.S. municipal securities market is volatile and can be significantly affected by adverse tax, legislative, or political changes and the financial condition of the issuers of municipal securities. Municipal obligations include revenue obligations, which are generally backed by the revenues generated from a specific project or facility and include private activity bonds and industrial development bonds. Private activity and industrial development bonds are dependent on the ability of the facility's user to meet its financial obligations and on the value of any real or personal property pledged as security for such payment. Private activity and industrial development bonds, although issued by industrial development authorities, may be backed only by the assets of the non-governmental user. Because many municipal securities are issued to finance projects relating to education, health care, transportation and utilities, conditions in those sectors can affect the overall municipal securities market. In addition, municipal securities backed by current or anticipated revenues from a specific project or specific asset can be negatively affected by the discontinuance or reduction in the rate of the taxation supporting the project or asset or the inability to collect revenues for the project or from the assets. If the U.S. Internal Revenue Service determines the issuer of a municipal security has not complied with applicable tax requirements, interest from the security could become taxable, and the security could decline in value. Municipal obligations may also be subject to prepayment risk and extension risk. Certain states and other governmental entities have experienced, and may continue to experience, extreme financial pressures in response to financial and economic and other factors, and may be, or be perceived to be, unable to meet all of their obligations under municipal bonds issued or guaranteed by them; such factors may result in substantial volatility in municipal securities markets and losses to the Fund.

*New York State-Specific Risk:* A Fund investing in New York municipal securities, the Fund will have greater exposure to negative political, economic and statutory factors within the State of New York than a Fund not investing in such securities. Unfavorable developments in any economic sector may have a substantial impact on the overall New York municipal market. Certain issuers of New York municipal bonds have experienced serious financial difficulties in the past and reoccurrence of these difficulties may impair the ability of certain New York issuers to pay principal or interest on their obligations. The financial health of New York City affects that of the state, and when New York City experiences financial difficulty it may have an adverse effect on New York municipal bonds held by the Fund. The growth rate of New York has at times been somewhat slower than the nation overall. The economic and financial condition of New York also may be affected by various financial, social, economic and political factors.

*Non-Diversification Risk.* As a “non-diversified” fund, each Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent a Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

*Non-U.S. Securities Risk.* Investments in securities of non-U.S. issuers (including depositary receipts) entail risks not typically associated with investing in securities of U.S. issuers. Similar risks may apply to securities traded on a U.S. securities exchange that are issued by entities with significant exposure to non-U.S. countries. In certain countries, legal remedies available to investors may be more limited than those available with regard to U.S. investments. Because non-U.S. securities are normally denominated and traded in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, the value of a Fund’s assets may be affected favorably or unfavorably by currency exchange rates, exchange control regulations, and restrictions or prohibitions on the repatriation of non-U.S. currencies. Income and gains with respect to investments in certain countries may be subject to withholding and other taxes. There may be less information publicly available about a non-U.S. entity than about a U.S. entity, and many non-U.S. entities are not subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, regulatory framework and practices comparable to those in the United States. The securities of some non-U.S. entities are less liquid and at times more volatile than securities of comparable U.S. entities, and could become subject to sanctions or embargoes that adversely affect a Fund’s investment. Non-U.S. transaction costs, such as brokerage commissions and custody costs may be higher than in the U.S. In addition, there may be a possibility of nationalization or expropriation of assets, imposition of currency exchange controls, confiscatory taxation, and diplomatic developments that could adversely affect the values of a Fund’s investments in certain non-U.S. countries. Investments in securities of non-U.S. issuers also are subject to foreign political and economic risk not associated with U.S. investments, meaning that political events (civil unrest, national elections, changes in political conditions and foreign relations, imposition of exchange controls and repatriation restrictions), social and economic events (labor strikes, rising inflation) and natural disasters occurring in a country where a Fund invests could cause the Fund’s investments in that country to experience gains or losses.

*Russian Sanctions Risk.* Recent sanctions imposed by the United States, the European Union and Canada, and other intergovernmental actions that may be undertaken in the future, against Russia, Russian entities or Russian individuals, may result in

the devaluation of Russian currency, a downgrade in the country’s credit rating, and/or a decline in the value and liquidity of Russian securities, property or interests. The scope and scale of these sanctions may be expanded. These sanctions could impair the ability of a Fund to buy, sell, hold, receive, deliver or otherwise transact in certain investment instruments. Sanctions could also result in Russia taking counter measures or other actions, which may further impair the value and liquidity of Russian securities. These sanctions, and the continued disruption of the Russian economy, could have a negative effect on the performance of a Fund. Compliance with each of these sanctions may impair the ability of a Fund to buy, sell, hold, receive, deliver or otherwise transact in the affected securities or other securities of such issuers. If it becomes impracticable or unlawful for a Fund to hold securities subject to, or otherwise affected by, sanctions, or if deemed appropriate by a Fund’s investment adviser, the Fund may prohibit in-kind deposits of the affected securities in connection with creation transactions and instead require a cash deposit, which may also increase the Fund’s transaction costs.

*Passive Strategy/Index Risk.* The Fund is managed with a passive investment strategy, attempting to track the performance of an unmanaged index of securities. The Fund will seek to replicate Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of the actual securities comprising the Index. The Fund generally will buy and will not sell a security included in the Index as long as the security is part of the Index regardless of any sudden or material decline in value or foreseeable material decline in value of the security, even though the Adviser may make a different investment decision for other actively managed accounts or portfolios that hold the security. As a result, the Fund’s performance may be less favorable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility, and risk of the Index (in absolute terms and by comparison with other indices) and, consequently, the performance, volatility, and risk of the Fund. The Fund’s performance may not match that of the Index. This differs from an actively-managed fund, which typically seeks to outperform a benchmark index.

*Political Risk.* A significant restructuring of federal income tax rates or even serious discussion on the topic in Congress could cause municipal bond prices to fall. The demand for municipal securities is strongly influenced by the value of tax-exempt income to investors. Lower income tax rates could reduce the advantage of owning municipals.

*Portfolio Turnover Risk.* The Fund may engage in active and frequent trading of its portfolio securities. Fund turnover generally involves a number of direct and

indirect costs and expenses to the Fund, including, for example, brokerage commissions, dealer mark-ups and bid/asked spreads, and transaction costs on the sale of securities and reinvestment in other securities. The costs related to increased portfolio turnover have the effect of reducing the Fund's investment return, and the sale of securities by the Fund may result in the realization of taxable capital gains, including short-term capital gains.

*Preferred Securities Risk.* Generally, preferred security holders have no voting rights with respect to the issuing company unless certain events occur. In addition, preferred securities are subordinated to bonds and other debt instruments in a company's capital structure and therefore will be subject to greater credit risk than those debt instruments. Unlike debt securities, dividend payments on a preferred security typically must be declared by the issuer's board of directors. An issuer's board of directors is generally not under any obligation to pay a dividend (even if such dividends have accrued), and may suspend payment of dividends on preferred securities at any time. In the event an issuer of preferred securities experiences economic difficulties, the issuer's preferred securities may lose substantial value due to the reduced likelihood that the issuer's board of directors will declare a dividend and the fact that the preferred security may be subordinated to other securities of the same issuer.

*Private Activity Bonds Risk.* Private activity bonds are issued by or on behalf of public authorities to obtain funds to provide privately operated housing facilities, airport, mass transit or port facilities, sewage disposal, solid waste disposal or hazardous waste treatment or disposal facilities and certain local facilities for water supply, gas or electricity. Other types of private activity bonds, the proceeds of which are used for the construction, equipment, repair or improvement of privately operated industrial or commercial facilities, may constitute municipal securities, although the current federal tax laws place limitations on the size of such issues. The credit and quality of private activity bonds are usually related to the credit of the corporate user of the facilities. Payment of interest on and repayment of principal of such bonds are the responsibility of the corporate user (and/or any guarantor). The Fund's distributions of its interest income from private activity bonds may subject certain investors to the federal alternative minimum tax.

*Puerto Rico Specific Risk.* Because the Fund invests in Puerto Rico municipal securities, the Fund will have exposure to negative political, economic and statutory factors within the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Events, including economic and political policy changes, tax base erosion, territory constitutional limits on tax increases, budget deficits and other financial difficulties and changes in the credit ratings assigned to Puerto Rico's municipal issuers, are likely to affect the Fund's

performance. During the U.S. recession, tourism declined and had a negative effect on Puerto Rico's economy and tax revenues. Puerto Rico's operating budget has been structurally unbalanced for the past decades and the government has relied on deficit financing for annual operations. Certain municipal issuers in Puerto Rico have experienced significant financial difficulties and, in August 2015, one of Puerto Rico's public corporations defaulted on a debt service payment. Credit rating firms Standard & Poor's, Fitch Ratings, and Moody's Investors Service have continued to downgrade their respective ratings of Puerto Rico's general obligation debt to below investment grade, along with the ratings of certain related Puerto Rico issuers. Additionally, each rating agency has maintained a negative outlook on certain Puerto Rico issuers. Downgrades could create additional strain on a commonwealth already facing economic stagnation and fiscal imbalances, including budget deficits, underfunded pensions, high unemployment, significant debt service obligations, and liquidity issues, and could potentially lead to less market demand, less liquidity, wider spreads, and lower prices for Puerto Rico municipal bonds. Puerto Rico's continued financial difficulties could reduce its ability to access financial markets, potentially increasing the likelihood of a restructuring or default for Puerto Rico municipal bonds that may affect the Fund's investments and its performance.

*Reinvestment Risk.* Income from a Fund's portfolio may decline when the Fund invests the proceeds from investment income, sales of portfolio securities or matured, traded or called debt obligations. For instance, during periods of declining interest rates, an issuer of debt obligations may exercise an option to redeem securities prior to maturity, forcing a Fund to reinvest the proceeds in lower-yielding securities. A decline in income received by a Fund from its investments is likely to have a negative effect on the yield and total return of the Fund Shares.

*Restricted Securities Risk.* Each Fund may hold securities that have not been registered for sale to the public under the U.S. federal securities laws pursuant to an exemption from registration. These securities may be less liquid than securities registered for sale to the general public. The liquidity of a restricted security may be affected by a number of factors, including, among others: (i) the creditworthiness of the issuer; (ii) the frequency of trades and quotes for the security; (iii) the number of dealers willing to purchase or sell the security and the number of other potential purchasers; (iv) dealer undertakings to make a market in the security; (v) the nature of any legal restrictions governing trading in the security; and (vi) the nature of the security and the nature of marketplace trades. There can be no assurance that a liquid trading market will exist at any time for any

particular restricted security. Also, restricted securities may be difficult to value because market quotations may not be readily available, and the securities may have significant volatility.

*Risk of Investment in Other Pools.* If a Fund invests in another pooled investment vehicle, it is exposed to the risk that the other pool will not perform as expected. A Fund is exposed indirectly to all of the risks applicable to an investment in such other pool. In addition, lack of liquidity in the underlying pool could result in its value being more volatile than the underlying portfolio of securities, and may limit the ability of a Fund to sell or redeem its interest in the pool at a time or at a price it might consider desirable. The investment policies and limitations of the other pool may not be the same as those of the Fund; as a result, the Fund may be subject to additional or different risks, or may achieve a reduced investment return, as a result of its investment in another pool. If a pool is an exchange-traded fund or other product traded on a securities exchange or otherwise actively traded, its shares may trade at a premium or discount to their net asset value, an effect that might be more pronounced in less liquid markets. The Fund bears its proportionate share of the fees and expenses of any pool in which it invests. The Adviser or an affiliate may serve as investment adviser to a pool in which the Fund may invest, leading to potential conflicts of interest. For example, the Adviser or its affiliates may receive fees based on the amount of assets invested in the pool. Investment by the Fund in the pool may be beneficial to the Adviser or an affiliate in the management of the pool, by helping to achieve economies of scale or enhancing cash flows. Due to this and other factors, the Adviser may have an incentive to invest the Fund's assets in a pool sponsored or managed by the Adviser or its affiliates in lieu of investments by the Fund directly in portfolio securities, or may have an incentive to invest in the pool over a pool sponsored or managed by others. Similarly, the Adviser may have an incentive to delay or decide against the sale of interests held by the Fund in a pool sponsored or managed by the Adviser or its affiliates. It is possible that other clients of the Adviser or its affiliates will purchase or sell interests in a pool sponsored or managed by the Adviser or its affiliates at prices and at times more favorable than those at which the Fund does so.

*Settlement Risk.* Markets in different countries have different clearance and settlement procedures and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have been unable to keep pace with the volume of transactions. Delays in settlement may increase credit risk to a Fund, limit the ability of a Fund to reinvest the proceeds of a sale of securities, hinder the ability of a Fund to lend its portfolio securities, and potentially subject a Fund to penalties for its failure to deliver to on-purchasers of securities whose delivery to

a Fund was delayed. Delays in the settlement of securities purchased by a Fund may limit the ability of a Fund to sell those securities at times and prices it considers desirable, and may subject a Fund to losses and costs due to its own inability to settle with subsequent purchasers of the securities from it. A Fund may be required to borrow monies it had otherwise expected to receive in connection with the settlement of securities sold by it, in order to meet its obligations to others. Limits on the ability of a Fund to purchase or sell securities due to settlement delays could increase any variance between a Fund's performance and that of its benchmark index.

*Sovereign Debt Obligations Risk.* Investments in debt securities issued by governments or by government agencies and instrumentalities involve the risk that the governmental entities responsible for repayment may be unable or unwilling to pay interest and repay principal when due. A governmental entity's willingness or ability to pay interest and repay principal in a timely manner may be affected by a variety of factors, including its cash flow, the size of its reserves, its access to foreign exchange, the relative size of its debt service burden to its economy as a whole, and political constraints. A governmental entity may default on its obligations or may require renegotiation or reschedule of debt payments. Any restructuring of a sovereign debt obligation held by the Fund will likely have a significant adverse effect on the value of the obligation. In the event of default of sovereign debt, the Fund may be unable to pursue legal action against the sovereign issuer or to realize on collateral securing the debt. The sovereign debt of many non-U.S. governments, including their sub-divisions and instrumentalities, is rated below investment grade. Sovereign debt risk may be greater for debt securities issued or guaranteed by emerging and/or frontier countries.

*Tax Exemption Risk.* There is no guarantee that the Fund's income will be exempt from federal or state income taxes. Events occurring after the date of issuance of a municipal bond or after the Fund's acquisition of a municipal bond may result in a determination that interest on that bond is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to its date of issuance. Such a determination may cause a portion of prior distributions by the Fund to its shareholders to be taxable to those shareholders in the year of receipt. Federal or state changes in income or alternative minimum tax rates or in the tax treatment of municipal bonds may make municipal bonds less attractive as investments and cause them to decline in value.

*Technology Sector Risk.* Market or economic factors impacting technology companies and companies that rely heavily on technological advances could have a major effect on the value of a Fund's investments. The value of stocks of technology companies and companies

that rely heavily on technology is particularly vulnerable to rapid changes in technology product cycles, rapid product obsolescence, government regulation and competition, both domestically and internationally, including competition from foreign competitors with lower production costs. Stocks of technology companies and companies that rely heavily on technology, especially those of smaller, less-seasoned companies, tend to be more volatile than the overall market. Technology companies are heavily dependent on patent and intellectual property rights, the loss or impairment of which may adversely affect profitability. Additionally, companies in the technology sector may face dramatic and often unpredictable changes in growth rates and competition for the services of qualified personnel.

*Unconstrained Sector Risk.* The Fund may invest a substantial portion of its assets within one or more economic sectors or industries, which may change from time to time. When a Fund focuses its investments in a particular industry or sector, financial, economic, business, and other developments affecting issuers in that industry, market, or economic sector will have a greater effect on the Fund than if it had not focused its assets in that industry, market, or economic sector, which may increase the volatility of the Fund. Any such investment focus may also limit the liquidity of the Fund. In addition, investors may buy or sell substantial amounts of Fund Shares in response to factors affecting or expected to affect an industry, market, or economic sector in which the Fund focuses its investments, resulting in extreme inflows or outflows of cash into and out of the Fund. Such extreme cash inflows or outflows might affect management of a Fund adversely.

*U.S. Government Securities Risk.* U.S. Government securities, such as Treasury bills, notes and bonds and mortgage-backed securities guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), are supported by the full faith and credit of the United States; others are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury; others are supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. Government to purchase the agency's obligations; and still others are supported only by the credit of the issuing agency, instrumentality, or enterprise. Although U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises such as the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) and the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) may be chartered or sponsored by Congress, they are not funded by Congressional appropriations, and their securities are not issued by the U.S. Treasury nor supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government. There is no assurance that the U.S. Government would provide financial support to its agencies and instrumentalities if not required to do so. In addition, certain governmental entities have been subject to regulatory scrutiny regarding their accounting policies and practices and other concerns that may

result in legislation, changes in regulatory oversight and/or other consequences that could adversely affect the credit quality, availability, or investment character of securities issued by these entities. The value and liquidity of U.S. Government securities may be affected adversely by changes in the ratings of those securities. Securities issued by the U.S. Treasury historically have been considered to present minimal credit risk. The downgrade in the long-term U.S. credit rating by at least one major rating agency has introduced greater uncertainty about the ability of the U.S. to repay its obligations. A further credit rating downgrade or a U.S. credit default could decrease the value and increase the volatility of the Fund's investments.

*U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk.* U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Similar to other issuers, changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of the Fund's U.S. Treasury obligations to decline. The total public debt of the United States as a percent of gross domestic product has grown rapidly since the beginning of the recent financial downturn. Although high debt levels do not necessarily indicate or cause economic problems, they may create certain systemic risks if sound debt management practices are not implemented. A high national debt level may increase market pressures to meet government funding needs, which may drive debt cost higher and cause a country to sell additional debt, thereby increasing refinancing risk. A high national debt also raises concerns that a government will not be able to make principal or interest payments when they are due. In the worst case, unsustainable debt levels can cause a decline in the value of the dollar (which may lead to inflation), and can prevent the U.S. government from implementing effective counter-cyclical fiscal policy in economic downturns. On August 5, 2011, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services downgraded U.S. Treasury securities from AAA rating to AA+ rating. Standard & Poor's Ratings Services stated that its decision was prompted by its view on the rising public debt burden and its perception of greater policymaking uncertainty. A downgrade of the ratings of U.S. government debt obligations, which are often used as a benchmark for other borrowing arrangements, could result in higher interest rates for individual and corporate borrowers, cause disruptions in the international bond markets and have a substantial negative effect on the U.S. economy. A downgrade of U.S. Treasury securities from another ratings agency or a further downgrade below AA+ rating by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services may cause the value of the Fund's U.S. Treasury obligations to decline.

*Utilities Sector Risk:* Utility companies are affected by supply and demand, operating costs, government regulation, environmental factors, liabilities for environmental damage and general civil liabilities, and

rate caps or rate changes. Although rate changes of a utility usually fluctuate in approximate correlation with financing costs, due to political and regulatory factors rate changes ordinarily occur only following a delay after the changes in financing costs. This factor will tend to favorably affect a regulated utility company's earnings and dividends in times of decreasing costs, but conversely, will tend to adversely affect earnings and dividends when costs are rising. The value of regulated utility debt securities (and, to a lesser extent, equity securities) may tend to have an inverse relationship to the movement of interest rates. Certain utility companies have experienced full or partial deregulation in recent years. These utility companies are frequently more similar to industrial companies in that they are subject to greater competition and have been permitted by regulators to diversify outside of their original geographic regions and their traditional lines of business. These opportunities may permit certain utility companies to earn more than their traditional regulated rates of return. Some companies, however, may be forced to defend their core business and may be less profitable. In addition, natural disasters, terrorist attacks, government intervention or other factors may render a utility company's equipment unusable or obsolete and negatively impact profitability.

Among the risks that may affect utility companies are the following: risks of increases in fuel and other operating costs; the high cost of borrowing to finance capital construction during inflationary periods; restrictions on operations and increased costs and delays associated with compliance with environmental and nuclear safety regulations; and the difficulties involved in obtaining natural gas for resale or fuel for generating electricity at reasonable prices. Other risks include those related to the construction and operation of nuclear power plants, the effects of energy conservation and the effects of regulatory changes.

*Valuation Risk.* Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of a Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that a Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that a Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a

discount to the valuation established by a Fund at that time. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund Shares on days when a Fund is holding fair-valued investments may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if a Fund had not fair-valued the holding(s) or had used a different valuation methodology.

*Variable and Floating Rate Securities.* Variable or floating rate securities are debt securities with variable or floating interest rates payments. Variable or floating rate securities bear rates of interest that are adjusted periodically according to formulae intended generally to reflect market rates of interest and allow a Fund to participate (determined in accordance with the terms of the securities) in increases in interest rates through upward adjustments of the coupon rates on the securities. However, during periods of increasing interest rates, changes in the coupon rates may lag behind the changes in market rates or may have limits on the maximum increases in coupon rates. Alternatively, during periods of declining interest rates, the coupon rates on such securities will typically readjust downward resulting in a lower yield. A Fund may also invest in variable or floating rate equity securities, whose dividend payments vary based on changes in market rates of interest or other factors.

In addition, investment in derivative variable rate securities, such as inverse floaters, whose rates vary inversely with market rates of interest, or range floaters or capped floaters, whose rates are subject to periodic or lifetime caps, or in securities that pay a rate of interest determined by applying a multiple to the variable rate involves special risks as compared to investment in a fixed-rate security and may involve leverage. The extent of increases and decreases in the values of derivative variable rate securities and the corresponding change to the net asset value of the Fund in response to changes in market rates of interest generally may be larger than comparable changes in the value of an equal principal amount of a fixed-rate security having similar credit quality, redemption provisions, and maturity. The markets for such securities may be less developed and may have less liquidity than the markets for conventional securities.

*When-Issued, TBA and Delayed Delivery Securities Risk.* The Fund may purchase securities on a when-issued, TBA or delayed delivery basis and may purchase securities on a forward commitment basis. The purchase price of the securities is typically fixed at the time of the commitment, but delivery and payment can take place a month or more after the date of the commitment. The prices of the securities so purchased or sold are subject to market fluctuation. At the time of delivery of the securities, the value may be more or less than the purchase or sale price. Purchase of securities on a when-issued, TBA, delayed delivery, or forward commitment basis may give rise to investment leverage,

and may result in increased volatility of the Fund's net asset value. Default by or bankruptcy of a counterparty to a when-issued, TBA or delayed delivery transaction would expose the Fund to possible losses because of an adverse market action, expenses or delays in connection with the purchase or sale of the pools specified in such transaction.

#### **NON-PRINCIPAL RISKS**

*Authorized Participants, Market Makers and Liquidity Providers Concentration Risk.* A Fund has a limited number of financial institutions that may act as Authorized Participants ("APs"). In addition, there may be a limited number of market makers and/or liquidity providers in the marketplace. To the extent either of the following events occur, Fund Shares may trade at a material discount to NAV and possibly face delisting: (i) APs exit the business or otherwise become unable to process creation and/or redemption orders and no other APs step forward to perform these services, or (ii) market makers and/or liquidity providers exit the business or significantly reduce their business activities and no other entities step forward to perform their functions.

*Concentration Risk.* A Fund's assets will generally be concentrated in an industry or group of industries to the extent that the Fund's underlying Index concentrates in a particular industry or group of industries. When a Fund focuses its investments in a particular industry or sector, financial, economic, business, and other developments affecting issuers in that industry, market, or economic sector will have a greater effect on the Fund than if it had not focused its assets in that industry, market, or economic sector, which may increase the volatility of the Fund. Any such investment focus may also limit the liquidity of the Fund. In addition, investors may buy or sell substantial amounts of Fund Shares in response to factors affecting or expected to affect an industry, market, or economic sector in which the Fund focuses its investments, resulting in extreme inflows or outflows of cash into and out of the Fund.

*Costs of Buying and Selling Shares.* Investors buying or selling Fund Shares in the secondary market will pay brokerage commissions or other charges imposed by brokers, as determined by that broker. Brokerage commissions are often a fixed amount and may be a significant proportional cost for investors seeking to buy or sell relatively small amounts of Fund Shares. In addition, secondary market investors will also incur the cost of the difference between the price that an investor is willing to pay for Fund Shares (the "bid" price) and the price at which an investor is willing to sell Fund Shares (the "ask" price). This difference in bid and ask prices is often referred to as the "spread" or "bid/ask spread." The bid/ask spread varies over time for Fund Shares based on trading volume and market liquidity, and is generally lower if Fund Shares have more trading volume and market liquidity and higher if Fund Shares have little

trading volume and market liquidity. Further, increased market volatility may cause increased bid/ask spreads. Due to the costs of buying or selling Fund Shares, including bid/ask spreads, frequent trading of Fund Shares may significantly reduce investment results and an investment in Fund Shares may not be advisable for investors who anticipate regularly making small investments.

*Cybersecurity Risk.* With the increased use of technologies such as the Internet and the dependence on computer systems to perform business and operational functions, investment companies (such as the Funds) and their service providers (including the Adviser) may be prone to operational and information security risks resulting from cyber-attacks and/or technological malfunctions. In general, cyber-attacks are deliberate, but unintentional events may have similar effects. Cyber-attacks include, among others, stealing or corrupting data maintained online or digitally, preventing legitimate users from accessing information or services on a website, releasing confidential information without authorization, and causing operational disruption. Successful cyber-attacks against, or security breakdowns of, a Fund, the Adviser, a sub-adviser, or a custodian, transfer agent, or other affiliated or third-party service provider may adversely affect a Fund or its shareholders. For instance, cyber-attacks may interfere with the processing of shareholder transactions, affect a Fund's ability to calculate its NAV, cause the release of private shareholder information or confidential Fund information, impede trading, cause reputational damage, and subject a Fund to regulatory fines, penalties or financial losses, reimbursement or other compensation costs, and additional compliance costs. Cyber-attacks may render records of Fund assets and transactions, shareholder ownership of Fund Shares, and other data integral to the functioning of the Fund inaccessible or inaccurate or incomplete. A Fund may also incur substantial costs for cyber security risk management in order to prevent cyber incidents in the future. A Fund and its shareholders could be negatively impacted as a result. While the Adviser and/or the Sub-Adviser has established business continuity plans and systems designed to minimize the risk of cyber-attacks through the use of technology, processes and controls, there are inherent limitations in such plans and systems, including the possibility that certain risks have not been identified given the evolving nature of this threat. Each Fund relies on third-party service providers for many of its day-to-day operations, and will be subject to the risk that the protections and protocols implemented by those service providers will be ineffective to protect the Fund from cyber-attack. Similar types of cyber security risks also are present for issuers of securities in which each Fund invest, which could result in material adverse consequences for such issuers, and may cause a Fund's investment in such securities to lose value.

*Fluctuation of Net Asset Value, Share Premiums and Discounts.* The net asset value of Fund Shares will generally fluctuate with changes in the market value of a Fund's securities holdings. The market prices of Fund Shares will generally fluctuate in accordance with changes in a Fund's net asset value and supply and demand of Fund Shares on the Exchange. It cannot be predicted whether Fund Shares will trade below, at or above their net asset value. Price differences may be due, in large part, to the fact that supply and demand forces at work in the secondary trading market for Fund Shares will be closely related to, but not identical to, the same forces influencing the prices of the securities of an Index trading individually or in the aggregate at any point in time. The market prices of Fund Shares may deviate significantly from the net asset value of the Fund Shares during periods of market volatility. However, given that Fund Shares can be created and redeemed in Creation Units (unlike shares of many closed-end funds, which frequently trade at appreciable discounts from, and sometimes at premiums to, their net asset value), the Adviser (and Sub-Adviser, as applicable) believe that large discounts or premiums to the net asset value of Fund Shares should not be sustained over long periods. While the creation/redemption feature is designed to make it likely that Fund Shares normally will trade close to a Fund's net asset value, disruptions to creations and redemptions or market volatility may result in trading prices that differ significantly from such Fund's net asset value. If an investor purchases Fund Shares at a time when the market price is at a premium to the net asset value of the Fund Shares or sells at a time when the market price is at a discount to the net asset value of the Fund Shares, then the investor may sustain losses.

*Index Construction Risk.* A security included in an Index may not exhibit the characteristic or provide the specific exposure for which it was selected and consequently a Fund's holdings may not exhibit returns consistent with that characteristic or exposure.

*Money Market Risk.* An investment in a money market fund is not a deposit of any bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency. Although a money market fund generally seeks to preserve the value of its shares at \$1.00 per share, there can be no assurance that it will do so, and it is possible to lose money by investing in a money market fund. None of State Street Corporation, State Street, State Street Global Advisors ("SSGA"), SSGA Funds Management, Inc. ("SSGA FM") or their affiliates ("State Street Entities") guarantee the value of an investment in a money market fund at \$1.00 per share. Investors should have no expectation of capital support to a money market fund from State Street Entities.

*Securities Lending Risk.* Each Fund may lend portfolio securities with a value of up to 25% of its total assets. For these purposes, total assets shall include the value of all assets received as collateral for the loan. Such

loans may be terminated at any time, and a Fund will receive cash or other obligations as collateral. In a loan transaction, as compensation for lending its securities, a Fund will receive a portion of the dividends or interest accrued on the securities held as collateral or, in the case of cash collateral, a portion of the income from the investment of such cash. In addition, a Fund will receive the amount of all dividends, interest and other distributions on the loaned securities. However, the borrower has the right to vote the loaned securities. A Fund will call loans to vote proxies if a material issue affecting the investment is to be voted upon. Should the borrower of the securities fail financially, a Fund may experience delays in recovering the securities or exercising its rights in the collateral. Loans are made only to borrowers that are deemed by the securities lending agent to be of good financial standing. In a loan transaction, a Fund will also bear the risk of any decline in value of securities acquired with cash collateral. A Fund will attempt to minimize this risk by limiting the investment of cash collateral to high quality instruments of short maturity.

*Trading Issues.* Although Fund Shares are listed for trading on the Exchange and may be listed or traded on U.S. and non-U.S. stock exchanges other than the Exchange, there can be no assurance that an active trading market for such Fund Shares will develop or be maintained. Trading in Fund Shares on the Exchange may be halted due to market conditions or for reasons that, in the view of the Exchange, make trading in Fund Shares inadvisable. In addition, trading in Fund Shares on the Exchange is subject to trading halts caused by extraordinary market volatility pursuant to Exchange "circuit breaker" rules. There can be no assurance that the requirements of the Exchange necessary to maintain the listing of a Fund will continue to be met or will remain unchanged or that Fund Shares will trade with any volume, or at all, on any stock exchange.



# MANAGEMENT

## INVESTMENT ADVISER

SSGA FM serves as the investment adviser to each Fund and, subject to the supervision of the Board, is responsible for the investment management of each Fund. The Adviser provides an investment management program for each Fund and manages the investment of the Funds' assets. The Adviser is a wholly-owned subsidiary of State Street Corporation and is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. The Adviser and certain other affiliates of State Street Corporation make up SSGA. SSGA is one of the world's largest institutional money managers and the investment management arm of State Street Corporation. As of June 30, 2015, the Adviser managed approximately \$376.28 billion in assets and SSGA managed approximately \$2.37 trillion in assets. The Adviser's principal business address is State Street Financial Center, One Lincoln Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02111.

For the services provided to each Fund under the Investment Advisory Agreement, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, each Fund paid the Adviser the annual fees based on a percentage of each Fund's average daily net assets as set forth below:

SPDR Barclays 1-3 Month T-Bill ETF . . . . .	0.1345%
SPDR Barclays TIPS ETF . . . . .	0.1700% <sup>(4)</sup>
SPDR Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF . . . . .	0.1500%
SPDR Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF . . . . .	0.1500%
SPDR Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF . . . . .	0.1100% <sup>(4)</sup>
SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF . . . . .	0.1200% <sup>(4)</sup>
SPDR Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF . . . . .	0.1100% <sup>(4)</sup>
SPDR Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF . . . . .	0.1200% <sup>(4)</sup>
SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF . . . . .	0.1400% <sup>(4)</sup>
SPDR Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF . . . . .	0.1300% <sup>(4)</sup>
SPDR Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Bond ETF . . . . .	0.1600%
SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF . . . . .	0.4000%
SPDR Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF . . . . .	0.2000% <sup>(3)</sup>
SPDR Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF . . . . .	0.1400% <sup>(3)(4)</sup>
SPDR Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF . . . . .	0.3000% <sup>(1)</sup>
SPDR Nuveen Barclays California Municipal Bond ETF . . . . .	0.2000%
SPDR Nuveen Barclays New York Municipal Bond ETF . . . . .	0.2000%
SPDR Nuveen Barclays Short Term Municipal Bond ETF . . . . .	0.2000%
SPDR Nuveen S&P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF . . . . .	0.5000% <sup>(1)</sup>
SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF . . . . .	0.3500%
SPDR DB International Government Inflation-Protected Bond ETF . . . . .	0.5000%
SPDR Barclays Short Term International Treasury Bond ETF . . . . .	0.3500%
SPDR Barclays International Treasury Bond ETF . . . . .	0.5000%
SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF . . . . .	0.5300% <sup>(4)</sup>
SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF . . . . .	0.5000%
SPDR Barclays High Yield Bond ETF . . . . .	0.4000%
SPDR Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF . . . . .	0.4000%

SPDR Barclays Short Term High Yield Bond ETF . . . . .	0.4000%
SPDR Barclays Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF . . . . .	0.1500%
SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF . . . . .	0.5000%
SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF . . . . .	0.4000% <sup>(2)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its advisory fee and reimburse certain expenses, until October 31, 2016, so that the Net Annual Fund Operating Expenses of the SPDR Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF and SPDR Nuveen S&P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF are limited to 0.2300% and 0.4500%, respectively, of the applicable Fund's average daily net assets before application of any extraordinary expenses or acquired fund fees and expenses. The Adviser may continue each waiver from year to year, but there is no guarantee that the Adviser will do so and after October 31, 2016, any or all waivers may be cancelled or modified at any time.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its advisory fee and reimburse certain expenses, until October 31, 2016, so that the Net Annual Fund Operating Expenses of the SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF is limited to 0.30% of the Fund's average daily net assets before application of any fees and expenses not paid by the Adviser under the Investment Advisory Agreement. Such fees and expenses paid by the Adviser are limited to certain direct operating expenses of the Fund and, therefore, do not include the Fund's acquired fund fees and expenses, if any. The contractual fee waiver does not provide for the recoupment by the Adviser of any fees the Adviser previously waived. The Adviser may continue the waiver after the period, but there is no guarantee that the Adviser will do so and after October 31, 2016, it may be cancelled or modified at any time.

<sup>(3)</sup> Effective July 1, 2015, the Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its management fee and/or reimburse expenses in an amount equal to any acquired fund fees and expenses (excluding holdings in acquired funds for cash management purposes, if any). This waiver and/or reimbursement does not provide for the recoupment by the Adviser of any amounts waived or reimbursed. This waiver and/or reimbursement may not be terminated except with the approval of the Fund's Board of Trustees.

<sup>(4)</sup> Prior to February 3, 2015, the annual fee paid by the SPDR Barclays TIPS ETF, SPDR Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF, SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF, SPDR Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF, SPDR Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF, SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF, SPDR Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF and SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF was 0.1845%, 0.1200%, 0.1345%, 0.1345%, 0.1245%, 0.1500%, 0.1500%, 0.1845% and 0.5500% of the Fund's average daily net assets, respectively.

From time to time, the Adviser may waive all or a portion of its fee, although it does not currently intend to do so (except as set forth above). The Adviser pays all expenses of each Fund other than the management fee, distribution fee pursuant to each Fund's Distribution and Service Plan, if any, brokerage expenses, taxes, interest, fees and expenses of the Independent Trustees (including any Trustee's counsel fees), litigation expenses, acquired fund fees and expenses and other extraordinary expenses.

*Investment Sub-Advisers.* Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement between the Funds and the Adviser, the Adviser is authorized to engage one or more sub-

advisers for the performance of any of the services contemplated to be rendered by the Adviser. The Adviser has retained Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (“Nuveen Asset Management”) as sub-adviser, to be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Municipal Bond ETFs’ and the SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF’s investments, subject to supervision by the Adviser and the Board. The Adviser provides administrative, compliance and general management services to the SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF and the Municipal Bond ETFs. Nuveen Asset Management is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nuveen Fund Advisors, Inc., which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nuveen Investments, LLC (“Nuveen Investments”). On October 1, 2014, Nuveen Investments was acquired by Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America (“TIAA-CREF”), a national financial services organization. Nuveen Investments is a wholly-owned subsidiary of TIAA-CREF and operates as a separate subsidiary within TIAA-CREF’s asset management business. Nuveen Asset Management offers advisory and investment management services to a broad range of mutual fund clients and has extensive experience in managing municipal securities. As of June 30, 2015, Nuveen Asset Management managed approximately \$137.1 billion in assets. Nuveen Asset Management’s principal business address is 333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

In accordance with the Sub-Advisory Agreement between the Adviser and Nuveen Asset Management, the Adviser pays Nuveen Asset Management 45% of the advisory fee paid by the SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF and the Municipal Bond ETFs to the Adviser (after deducting payments to service providers and expenses). The SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF and the Municipal Bond ETFs are not responsible for the fees paid to Nuveen Asset Management.

The Adviser has retained SSGA LTD, as sub-adviser, to be responsible for the day to day management of the SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF and SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF’s investments, subject to supervision by the Adviser and the Board. The Adviser will provide administrative, compliance and general management services to each of the SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF and SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF. SSGA LTD has been operating since 1990 with experience in managing indexed fixed income portfolios. As of June 30, 2015, SSGA LTD managed approximately \$340.5 billion in assets. SSGA LTD’s principal business address is 20 Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, London, United Kingdom E14 5HJ.

In accordance with the Sub-Advisory Agreement between the Adviser and SSGA LTD, the Adviser pays SSGA LTD 40% of the advisory fee paid by each of the SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF and

SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF to the Adviser (after deducting payments to the fund service providers and fund expenses). The SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF and SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF are not responsible for the fees paid to SSGA LTD.

A discussion regarding the Board’s consideration of the Investment Advisory Agreement and Sub-Advisory Agreements is provided in the Trust’s Annual Report to Shareholders for the period ended June 30, 2015.

The Adviser may hire one or more sub-advisers to oversee the day-to-day investment activities of the Funds. The sub-advisers are subject to oversight by the Adviser. The Adviser and SPDR Series Trust (the “Trust”) have received an exemptive order from the SEC that permits the Adviser, with the approval of the Independent Trustees of the Trust, to retain and amend existing sub-advisory agreements with unaffiliated investment sub-advisers for the Funds without submitting the sub-advisory agreement to a vote of the Fund’s shareholders. The Trust will notify shareholders in the event of any change in the identity of such sub-adviser or sub-advisers. The Adviser has ultimate responsibility for the investment performance of the Funds due to its responsibility to oversee each sub-adviser and recommend their hiring, termination and replacement. The Adviser is not required to disclose fees paid to any sub-adviser retained pursuant to the order. Except with respect to the SPDR Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF, SPDR Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF, SPDR Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF, SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF and SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF, approval by the Fund’s shareholders is required before any authority granted under the exemptive order may be exercised.

#### *Portfolio Managers.*

The Adviser and Sub-Advisers manage the Funds using a team of investment professionals. The team approach is used to create an environment that encourages the flow of investment ideas. The portfolio managers within each team work together in a cohesive manner to develop and enhance techniques that drive the investment process for the respective investment strategy. This approach requires portfolio managers to share a variety of responsibilities including investment strategy and analysis while retaining responsibility for the implementation of the strategy within any particular portfolio. The approach also enables the team to draw upon the resources of other groups within SSGA. Each portfolio management team is overseen by the SSGA Investment Committee.

The professionals primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of each Fund are:

Portfolio Managers	Fund
Todd Bean, Steve Meier and Jeff St. Peters...	SPDR Barclays 1-3 Month T-Bill ETF

Portfolio Managers	Fund
Peter Breault, Mahesh Jayakumar and Cynthia Moy .....	SPDR Barclays TIPS ETF, SPDR Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF, SPDR DB International Government Inflation-Protected Bond ETF, SPDR Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF
Patrick Bresnehan, Kyle Kelly and Christopher DiStefano .....	SPDR Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF, SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF, SPDR Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF, SPDR Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Bond ETF
Mahesh Jayakumar, Joanna Mauro and Karen Tsang .....	SPDR Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF, SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF, SPDR Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF, SPDR Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF
Marc DiCosimo, Karen Tsang and Michael Przygoda .....	SPDR Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF
Peter Breault, Marc DiCosimo and Michael Przygoda .....	SPDR Barclays Short Term International Treasury Bond ETF, SPDR Barclays International Treasury Bond ETF
Peter Breault, Mahesh Jayakumar and Joanna Mauro .....	Municipal Bond ETFs
Timothy Ryan and Steven Hlavin .....	SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF
Daniel Close, Timothy Ryan and Steven Hlavin .....	SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF
Iwan Marais, Richard Darby-Dowman and Peter Spano .....	SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF
Abhishek Kumar, Peter Spano and Victoria Husemeyer .....	SPDR Barclays Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF
Thomas Connelley, Christopher DiStefano and Kyle Kelly .....	SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF
Michael Brunell, Mahesh Jayakumar and Kyle Kelly .....	SPDR Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF
Michael Brunell, Kyle Kelly, Iwan Marais and Paul Brown .....	SPDR Barclays High Yield Bond ETF, SPDR Barclays Short Term High Yield Bond ETF, SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF
Patrick Bresnehan, Michael Brunell and Kyle Kelly .....	SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF
Bradley Sullivan, Michael Brunell and Kyle Kelly .....	

Todd Bean, CFA, is a Vice President of SSGA and SSGA FM and a Senior Portfolio Manager in the firm's U.S. Cash Management Group. He began his career at State Street Corporation in 1999, joining the firm as an analyst in the firm's custody and settlements area. Following a period on the money markets operations staff, Mr. Bean joined the Cash Management Group in 2004. He received Bachelor's degrees in Economics and Government from St. Lawrence University and an MS in Finance from Northeastern University. He has earned the Chartered Financial Analyst designation and is a member of the Boston Security Analysts Society and the CFA Institute.

Peter R. Breault, CFA, is a Principal of SSGA FM and a Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Team. He joined the firm in 2012 and is responsible for managing a broad range of fixed income strategies. Previously, Mr. Breault was a Fixed Income Portfolio Analyst at Wellington Management Company, which he joined in 2002, on their US Fixed Income Broad Sector team. Mr. Breault graduated from the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth with a BA degree in Finance and received his Masters in Finance from Northeastern University. He has earned the Chartered Financial Analyst designation and is a member of the CFA Institute and Boston Security Analysts Society.

Patrick Bresnehan, CFA, is a Managing Director of SSGA and SSGA FM and the North America Head of Fixed Income Beta within the Fixed Income, Currency and Cash Team. He joined the firm in 2010 and is responsible for managing a broad range of fixed income beta strategies. Previously, Mr. Bresnehan was a Director and Senior Portfolio Manager at PanAgora Asset Management where he was responsible for the management of portfolios across the risk spectrum

within the firm's Macro-Strategies Group. Preceding this, he was a Senior Vice President at Fleet Investment Advisors where he was responsible for a team that managed investment-grade strategies for institutional clients. Mr. Bresnehan began his investment management career as a Fixed Income Portfolio Manager at Scudder, Stevens and Clark, Inc. where he was responsible for managing multi-sector fixed income portfolios. Mr. Bresnehan received a BA in Economics from Norwich University and an MS in Finance from the Carroll School of Management at Boston College. He has earned the Chartered Financial Analyst designation and is a member of the Boston Security Analysts Society and the CFA Institute.

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Victoria graduated first in her class from the University of Cape Town in South Africa with a B.Sc. (First Class Honours) degree in Mechanical Engineering. After graduating she spent 2 years as a research assistant to Professor Candy Lang in the Materials Engineering Department of the University of Cape Town studying the mechanical properties and casting of platinum alloys. Concurrently she also worked for Origen Engineering Solutions conducting mechanical failure analysis.

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Prior to commencing his current role, Peter managed a range of government and credit index fixed income portfolios. In addition Peter had a significant role in

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Mr. Brown graduated from Loughborough University with a B.Sc. (Hons.) Degree in Management Sciences. As part of his degree he completed one year's industrial placement at IBM. he has also obtained the Investment Management Certificate (IMC).

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Fund Shares are listed for secondary trading on the Exchange and individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold in the secondary market through a broker-dealer. The secondary markets are closed on weekends and also are generally closed on the following holidays: New Year’s Day, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents’ Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day (observed), Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. The Exchange may close early on the business day before certain holidays and on the day after Thanksgiving Day. Exchange holiday schedules are subject to change without notice. If you buy or sell Fund Shares in the secondary market, you will pay the secondary market price for Fund Shares. In addition, you may incur customary brokerage commissions and

charges and may pay some or all of the spread between the bid and the offered price in the secondary market on each leg of a round trip (purchase and sale) transaction.

The trading prices of Fund Shares will fluctuate continuously throughout trading hours based on market supply and demand rather than the relevant Fund's net asset value, which is calculated at the end of each business day. Fund Shares will trade on the Exchange at prices that may be above (*i.e.*, at a premium) or below (*i.e.*, at a discount), to varying degrees, the daily net asset value of Fund Shares. The trading prices of Fund Shares may deviate significantly from the relevant Fund's net asset value during periods of market volatility. Given, however, that Fund Shares can be issued and redeemed daily in Creation Units, the Adviser believes that large discounts and premiums to net asset value should not be sustained over long periods. Information showing the number of days the market price of Fund Shares was greater than the relevant Fund's net asset value and the number of days it was less than the relevant Fund's net asset value (*i.e.*, premium or discount) for various time periods is available by visiting the Funds' website at <https://www.spdrs.com>.

The Exchange will disseminate, every fifteen seconds during the regular trading day, an indicative optimized portfolio value ("IOPV") relating to the Funds. The IOPV calculations are estimates of the value of the Funds' net asset value per Fund Share using market data converted into U.S. dollars at the current currency rates. The IOPV price is based on quotes and closing prices from the securities' local market and may not reflect events that occur subsequent to the local market's close. Premiums and discounts between the IOPV and the market price may occur. This should not be viewed as a "real-time" update of the net asset value per Fund Share, which is calculated only once a day. Neither the Funds nor the Adviser or any of their affiliates are involved in, or responsible for, the calculation or dissemination of such IOPVs and make no warranty as to their accuracy.

The Funds do not impose any restrictions on the frequency of purchases and redemptions; however, the Funds reserve the right to reject or limit purchases at any time as described in the SAI. When considering that no restriction or policy was necessary, the Board evaluated the risks posed by market timing activities, such as whether frequent purchases and redemptions would interfere with the efficient implementation of a Fund's investment strategy, or whether they would cause a Fund to experience increased transaction costs. The Board considered that, unlike traditional mutual funds, Fund Shares are issued and redeemed only in large quantities of shares known as Creation Units, available only from a Fund directly, and that most trading in a Fund occurs on the Exchange at prevailing market prices and does not involve the Fund directly. Given this structure, the Board determined that it is unlikely that (a)

market timing would be attempted by a Fund's shareholders or (b) any attempts to market time a Fund by shareholders would result in negative impact to a Fund or its shareholders.

## DISTRIBUTION AND SERVICE PLAN

Each Fund has adopted a Distribution and Service Plan in accordance with Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act pursuant to which payments at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of the Fund's average daily net assets may be made for the sale and distribution of its Fund Shares. No payments pursuant to the Distribution and Service Plan will be made through at least October 31, 2016. Additionally, the implementation of any such payments would have to be approved by the Board prior to implementation. Because these fees would be paid out of a Fund's assets on an on-going basis, if payments are made in the future, these fees will increase the cost of your investment and may cost you more over time than paying other types of sales charges.

## DISTRIBUTIONS

*Dividends and Capital Gains.* As a Fund shareholder, you are entitled to your share of the applicable Fund's income and net realized gains on its investments. Each Fund pays out substantially all of its net earnings to its shareholders as "distributions."

Each Fund may earn interest from debt securities and, if participating, securities lending income. In addition, the SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF may earn dividend income from Preferred Securities. These amounts, net of expenses and taxes (if applicable), are passed along to Fund shareholders as "income dividend distributions." Each Fund will generally realize short-term capital gains or losses whenever it sells or exchanges assets held for one year or less. Net short-term capital gains will generally be treated as ordinary income when distributed to shareholders. Each Fund will generally realize long-term capital gains or losses whenever it sells or exchanges assets held for more than one year. Net capital gains (the excess of a Fund's net long-term capital gains over its net short-term capital losses) are distributed to shareholders as "capital gain distributions."

Income dividend distributions, if any, are generally distributed to shareholders monthly, but may vary significantly from period to period.

Net capital gains for each Fund are distributed at least annually. Dividends may be declared and paid more frequently or at any other times to improve Index tracking or to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

Distributions in cash may be reinvested automatically in additional whole Fund Shares only if the broker through whom you purchased Fund Shares makes such option

available. Distributions which are reinvested will nevertheless be taxable to the same extent as if such distributions had not been reinvested.

## PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS DISCLOSURE

The Funds' portfolio holdings disclosure policy is described in the SAI. In addition, the identities and quantities of the securities held by each Fund are disclosed on the Funds' website.

## ADDITIONAL TAX INFORMATION

The following discussion is a summary of some important U.S. federal tax considerations generally applicable to an investment in a Fund. Your investment in a Fund may have other tax implications. Please consult your tax advisor about foreign, federal, state, local or other tax laws applicable to you. Investors, including non-U.S. investors, may wish to consult the SAI tax section for more complete disclosure.

*Taxes On Distributions (Municipal Bond ETFs only).* Dividends paid by a Municipal Bond ETF that are reported as exempt-interest dividends will not be subject to regular federal income tax. Each Municipal Bond ETF intends to invest its assets in a manner such that dividend distributions to its shareholders will generally be exempt from regular U.S. federal income tax, although distributions from Municipal Bond ETFs may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax applicable to individuals and will not necessarily be exempt from state and local taxation. Dividends paid by a Municipal Bond ETF will be exempt from regular federal income tax to the extent of such Fund's net tax-exempt interest income as long as 50% or more of the value of such Fund's assets at the end of each quarter is invested in state, municipal and other bonds the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and as long as such Fund reports such dividends as exempt-interest dividends. Each Municipal Bond ETF, however, is able to invest up to 20% of its net assets in taxable securities, the income from which is subject to regular federal income tax.

Because a Municipal Bond ETF may invest in private activity bonds (within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code), the interest on which is not federally tax-exempt to persons who are "substantial users" of the facilities financed by such bonds or "related persons" of such "substantial users," a Municipal Bond ETF may not be an appropriate investment for shareholders who are considered either a "substantial user" or "related person" within the meaning of the Code. In addition, interest on certain municipal securities that meet the definition of private activity bonds under the Code is included as an item of tax preference in determining the amount of a taxpayer's alternative minimum taxable income. To the extent a Municipal Bond ETF receives income from private activity bonds, a portion of the dividends paid by it, although otherwise exempt from

federal income tax, will be taxable to those shareholders subject to the alternative minimum tax regime. Each Municipal Bond ETF will annually supply shareholders with a report indicating the percentage of its income attributable to municipal securities required to be included in calculating the federal alternative minimum tax. In addition, all exempt-interest dividends are required to be included in calculating a corporation's adjusted current earnings for purposes of the alternative minimum tax calculation applicable to corporations.

Exempt-interest dividends from a Municipal Bond ETF are taken into account in determining the taxable portion of any Social Security or railroad retirement benefits that you receive. If you receive Social Security or railroad retirement benefits, you should consult your tax advisor about how an investment in a Municipal Bond ETF may affect the taxation of your benefits.

Exempt-interest dividends attributable to interest on municipal securities issued by a state or its political subdivisions may be exempt in the hands of a shareholder from income tax imposed by that state, but exempt-interest dividends attributable to interest on municipal securities issued by another state generally will not be exempt from such income tax.

*All Funds.* In general, your distributions (other than exempt-interest dividends) are subject to federal income tax when they are paid, whether you take them in cash or reinvest them in a Fund. The income dividends and short-term capital gains distributions you receive from the Funds will generally be taxed as ordinary income. Subject to certain limitations, dividends that are reported by a Fund as qualified dividend income are taxable to noncorporate shareholders at rates of up to 20%. Any distributions of a Fund's net capital gains are taxable as long-term capital gain regardless of how long you have owned Fund Shares. Long-term capital gains are generally taxed to noncorporate shareholders at rates of up to 20%. Although the Municipal Bond ETFs do not seek to realize taxable income or capital gains, they may realize and distribute taxable income or capital gains from time to time as a result of their normal investment activities. Distributions in excess of a Fund's current and accumulated earnings and profits are treated as a tax-free return of capital to the extent of your basis in the applicable Fund's shares, and, in general, as capital gain thereafter.

In general, dividends may be reported by a Fund as qualified dividend income if they are attributable to qualified dividend income received by the Fund, which, in general, includes dividend income from taxable U.S. corporations and certain foreign corporations (*i.e.*, certain foreign corporations incorporated in a possession of the United States or in certain countries with a comprehensive tax treaty with the United States, and certain other foreign corporations if the stock with respect to which the dividend is paid is readily tradable

on an established securities market in the United States), provided that the Fund satisfies certain holding period requirements in respect of the stock of such corporations and has not hedged its position in the stock in certain ways. A dividend generally will not be treated as qualified dividend income if the dividend is received with respect to any share of stock held by a Fund for fewer than 61 days during the 121-day period beginning at the date which is 60 days before the date on which such share becomes ex-dividend with respect to such dividend or, in the case of certain preferred stock, for fewer than 91 days during the 181-day period beginning 90 days before such date. These holding period requirements will also apply to your ownership of Fund Shares. Holding periods may be suspended for these purposes for stock that is hedged. SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF may hold common stock or Preferred Securities. Thus, SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF may report a portion of its distributions as qualified dividend income. Since the other Funds primarily hold investments that do not pay dividends, it is not expected that a substantial portion of the dividends paid by those other Funds will qualify for either the dividends-received deduction for corporations or the favorable income tax rates available to individuals on qualified dividend income.

U.S. individuals with income exceeding specified thresholds are subject to a 3.8% Medicare contribution tax on all or a portion of their "net investment income," which includes taxable interest, dividends and certain capital gains (generally including capital gain distributions and capital gains realized upon the sale of Fund Shares) but does not include exempt-interest dividends paid by Municipal Bond ETFs. This 3.8% tax also applies to all or a portion of the undistributed net investment income of certain shareholders that are estates and trusts.

If a Fund redeems Creation Units in cash, it may recognize more capital gains than it will if it redeems Creation Units in-kind.

If you lend your Fund Shares pursuant to securities lending arrangements you may lose the ability to treat Fund dividends (paid while the Fund Shares are held by the borrower) as qualified dividend income. You should consult your financial intermediary or tax advisor to discuss your particular circumstances.

Distributions paid in January, but declared by a Fund in October, November or December of the previous year, payable to shareholders of record in such a month, may be taxable to you in the calendar year in which they were declared. The Funds will inform you of the amount of your ordinary income dividends, capital gain distributions and any qualified dividend income shortly after the close of each calendar year.

A distribution will reduce a Fund's net asset value per Fund Share and may be taxable to you as ordinary income or capital gain even though, from an investment standpoint, the distribution may constitute a return of capital.

*Original Issue Discount.* Investments by a Fund in zero coupon or other discount securities will result in income to the Fund equal to a portion of the excess face value of the securities over their issue price (the "original issue discount" or "OID") each year that the securities are held, even though the Fund may receive no cash interest payments or may receive cash interest payments that are less than the income recognized for tax purposes. In other circumstances, whether pursuant to the terms of a security or as a result of other factors outside the control of a Fund, a Fund may recognize income without receiving a commensurate amount of cash. A Fund's share of such income is included in determining the amount that the Fund must distribute to maintain its eligibility for treatment as a regulated investment company and to avoid the payment of federal tax, including the nondeductible 4% excise tax. Because any income required to be recognized as a result of the OID and/or market discount rules (discussed below) may not be matched by a corresponding cash payment, the Fund may be required to borrow money or dispose of securities to be able to make distributions to its shareholders in order to qualify for treatment as a regulated investment company and eliminate taxes at the Fund level.

*Inflation-Indexed Bonds.* Special rules apply to any investments by a Fund in inflation-indexed bonds. Generally, all stated interest on such bonds is recorded as income by a Fund under its regular method of accounting for interest income. The amount of any positive inflation adjustment for a taxable year, which results from an increase in the inflation-adjusted principal amount of the bond, is treated as OID. The amount of a Fund's OID in a taxable year with respect to a bond will increase the Fund's taxable income for such year without a corresponding receipt of cash until the bond matures. As a result, the Fund may need to use other sources of cash to satisfy its distributions for such year. The amount of any negative inflation adjustments, which result from a decrease in the inflation-adjusted principal amount of the bond, first reduces the amount of interest (including stated interest, OID, and market discount, if any) otherwise includible in the Fund's income with respect to the bond for the taxable year; any remaining negative adjustments will be either treated as ordinary loss or, in certain circumstances, carried forward to reduce the amount of interest income taken into account with respect to the bond in future taxable years.

*Market Discount (For Securities Other Than Municipal Securities).* Any market discount recognized on a market discount bond is taxable as ordinary income. A market

discount bond is a bond acquired in the secondary market at a price below redemption value or below adjusted issue price if the bond was issued with original issue discount. Absent an election by a Fund to include the market discount in income as it accrues, gain on the Fund's disposition of such an obligation will be treated as ordinary income rather than capital gain to the extent of the accrued market discount.

*Market Discount (Municipal Securities).* If a Municipal Bond ETF purchases a municipal security at a market discount, any gain realized by the Municipal Bond ETF upon sale or redemption of the municipal security will be treated as taxable interest income to the extent of the market discount, and any gain realized in excess of the market discount will be treated as capital gains.

*Derivatives and Other Complex Securities.* A Fund may invest in complex securities. These investments may be subject to numerous special and complex rules. These rules could affect whether gains and losses recognized by a Fund are treated as ordinary income or capital gain, accelerate the recognition of income to a Fund and/or defer a Fund's ability to recognize losses. In turn, these rules may affect the amount, timing or character of the income distributed to you by a Fund. You should consult your personal tax advisor regarding the application of these rules.

*Foreign Currency Transactions.* A Fund's transactions in foreign currencies, foreign currency denominated debt obligations and certain foreign currency options, futures contracts and forward contracts (and similar instruments) may give rise to ordinary income or loss to the extent such income or loss results from fluctuations in the value of the foreign currency concerned.

*Foreign Income Taxes.* Investment income received by a Fund from sources within foreign countries may be subject to foreign income taxes withheld at the source. The United States has entered into tax treaties with many foreign countries which may entitle a Fund to a reduced rate of such taxes or exemption from taxes on such income. It is impossible to determine the effective rate of foreign tax for a Fund in advance since the amount of the assets to be invested within various countries is not known. If more than 50% of the total assets of a Fund at the close of its taxable year consist of certain foreign stocks or securities, the Fund may elect to "pass through" to you certain foreign income taxes (including withholding taxes) paid by the Fund. If a Fund in which you hold Fund Shares makes such an election, you will be considered to have received as an additional dividend your share of such foreign taxes, but you may be entitled to either a corresponding tax deduction in calculating your taxable income, or, subject to certain limitations, a credit in calculating your federal income tax. No deduction for such taxes will be permitted to individuals in computing their alternative

minimum tax liability. If a Fund does not so elect, the Fund will be entitled to claim a deduction for certain foreign taxes incurred by the Fund.

*Taxes on Exchange-Listed Share Sales.* Any capital gain or loss realized upon a sale of Fund Shares is generally treated as long-term capital gain or loss if Fund Shares have been held for more than one year and as short-term capital gain or loss if Fund Shares have been held for one year or less, except that any capital loss on the sale of Fund Shares held for six months or less is treated as long-term capital loss to the extent that capital gain dividends were paid with respect to such Fund Shares.

*Taxes on Creations and Redemptions of Creation Units.* A person who exchanges securities for Creation Units generally will recognize a gain or loss. The gain or loss will be equal to the difference between the market value of the Creation Units at the time and the exchanger's aggregate basis in the securities surrendered plus any cash paid for the Creation Units. A person who exchanges Creation Units for securities will generally recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the exchanger's basis in the Creation Units and the aggregate market value of the securities and the amount of cash received. The Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS"), however, may assert that a loss realized upon an exchange of securities for Creation Units cannot be deducted currently under the rules governing "wash sales," or on the basis that there has been no significant change in economic position. Persons exchanging securities should consult their own tax advisor with respect to whether wash sale rules apply and when a loss might be deductible.

Under current federal tax laws, any capital gain or loss realized upon a redemption (or creation) of Creation Units is generally treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the applicable Fund Shares (or securities surrendered) have been held for more than one year and as a short-term capital gain or loss if the Fund Shares (or securities surrendered) have been held for one year or less.

If you create or redeem Creation Units, you will be sent a confirmation statement showing how many Fund Shares you purchased or sold and at what price.

*Non-U.S. Investors.* Ordinary income dividends paid by a Fund to shareholders who are non-resident aliens or foreign entities will generally be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax, unless a lower treaty rate applies or unless such income is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business. Gains on the sale of Fund Shares and dividends that are, in each case, effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the U.S. will generally be subject to U.S. federal net income taxation at regular income tax rates. Non-U.S.

shareholders that own, directly or indirectly, more than 5% of a Fund's shares are urged to consult their own tax advisors concerning special tax rules that may apply to their investment.

Unless certain non-U.S. entities that hold Fund Shares comply with IRS requirements that will generally require them to report information regarding U.S. persons investing in, or holding accounts with, such entities, a 30% withholding tax may apply, after June 30, 2014 (or, in certain cases, after later dates), to distributions payable to such entities and, after December 31, 2018, to redemption proceeds and certain capital gain dividends payable to such entities. A non-U.S. shareholder may be exempt from the withholding described in this paragraph under an applicable intergovernmental agreement between the U.S. and a foreign government, provided that the shareholder and the applicable foreign government comply with the terms of such agreement.

*Backup Withholding.* A Fund will be required in certain cases to withhold (as "backup withholding") on amounts (including exempt-interest dividends) payable to any shareholder who (1) has provided the Fund either an incorrect tax identification number or no number at all, (2) is subject to backup withholding by the IRS for failure to properly report payments of interest or dividends, (3) has failed to certify to the Fund that such shareholder is not subject to backup withholding, or (4) has not certified that such shareholder is a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien). The backup withholding rate is 28%. Backup withholding will not be applied to payments that have been subject to the 30% withholding tax on shareholders who are neither citizens nor permanent residents of the U.S.

*Build America Bonds.* A Fund may invest in certain bonds that generate federal income tax credits. If a Fund invests in tax credit bonds, including certain "Build America Bonds," it may make an election to pass the credits through to its shareholders. If a Fund makes such an election for a taxable year, it will not be allowed any credits on those bonds for that taxable year. Instead, the Fund will include in its gross income, as interest income, an amount equal to the amount that the Fund would have included in gross income relating to the credits if the election had not been made (generally, the amount of the credits) and will increase its dividends-paid deduction by the same amount. Each shareholder of a Fund making such an election will be required to include in gross income the shareholder's proportionate share of the interest income attributable to the credits and will be allowed as a credit (subject to applicable limitations) the shareholder's proportionate share of the credits, in each case not to exceed the amounts thereof reported by the Fund in a year-end statement. If a Fund makes such an election, it will inform its shareholders concerning their allocable shares of any tax credits passed through as part of its annual reporting. For state income tax

purposes, interest income from Build America Bonds will be treated the same as if the interest was from any other tax exempt obligation issued by a state or local government. A state may, however, decide to provide for different tax treatment for Build America Bonds. A Fund may invest in Build America Bonds from a number of different states and, in such case, it will annually provide information regarding the percentage of its income earned in each state. Depending on each state's tax laws, this information may be used in determining the dividend amount that may be exempt from your state and/or local income taxes. You should be aware that some states require a minimum percentage of home state bonds to permit the state tax exemption. Consult your tax advisor to determine whether such interest is exempt from applicable state and/or local taxes.

*Other Tax Issues.* A Fund may be subject to tax in certain states where the Fund does business. Furthermore, in those states which have income tax laws, the tax treatment of the Funds and of Fund shareholders with respect to distributions by the Funds may differ from federal tax treatment.

The foregoing discussion summarizes some of the consequences under current federal income tax law of an investment in the Funds. It is not a substitute for personal tax advice. Consult your personal tax advisor about the potential tax consequences of an investment in the Funds under all applicable tax laws.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The Trust was organized as a Massachusetts business trust on June 12, 1998. If shareholders of any Fund are required to vote on any matters, shareholders are entitled to one vote for each Fund Share they own. Annual meetings of shareholders will not be held except as required by the 1940 Act and other applicable law. See the SAI for more information concerning the Trust's form of organization.

### MANAGEMENT AND ORGANIZATION

Each Fund is a separate, non-diversified series of the Trust, which is an open-end management investment company.

For purposes of the 1940 Act, Fund Shares of the Trust are issued by the respective series of the Trust and the acquisition of Fund Shares by investment companies is subject to the restrictions of Section 12(d)(1) of the 1940 Act.

The Trust has received exemptive relief from Section 12(d)(1) to allow registered investment companies to invest in the Funds beyond the limits set forth in Section 12(d)(1), subject to certain terms and conditions as set forth in an SEC exemptive order issued to the Trust, including that such investment companies enter into an agreement with the Trust.

From time to time, a Fund may advertise yield and total return figures. Yield is a historical measure of dividend income, and total return is a measure of past dividend income (assuming that it has been reinvested) plus capital appreciation. Neither yield nor total return should be used to predict the future performance of a Fund.

Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP serves as counsel to the Trust, including the Funds. Ernst & Young LLP serves as the independent registered public accounting firm and will audit the Funds' financial statements annually.

## PREMIUM/DISCOUNT INFORMATION

Information showing the number of days the market price of a Fund's shares was greater than a Fund's NAV per Fund Share (*i.e.*, at a premium) and the number of days it was less than the Fund's NAV per Fund Share (*i.e.*, at a discount) for various time periods is available by visiting the Funds' website at <https://www.spdrs.com>. For the Funds that have not yet commenced operations, such information will be provided at <https://www.spdrs.com> when available.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

These financial highlight tables are intended to help you understand each Fund's financial performance for the past five fiscal years or, if shorter, the period since each Fund's inception. Certain information reflects the performance results for a single Fund Share. The total returns in the table represent the rate that an investor would have earned (or lost) on an investment in each Fund (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions). This information has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, the Trust's independent registered public accounting firm, whose report, along with each Fund's financial highlights and financial statements, is included in the annual report to shareholders, which is available upon request. The financial information included in these tables should be read in conjunction with the financial statements incorporated by reference in the SAI.



## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

*Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period*

### SPDR Barclays 1-3 Month T-Bill ETF

	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 45.76	\$ 45.80	\$ 45.82	\$ 45.85	\$ 45.85
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	(0.05)	(0.04)	(0.02)	(0.04)	0.00 <sup>(2)</sup>
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	0.04	(0.04)	0.01	0.01	0.00 <sup>(2)</sup>
Total from investment operations . . . . .	(0.01)	(0.08)	(0.01)	(0.03)	0.00 <sup>(2)</sup>
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	(0.04)	0.04	(0.01)	0.00 <sup>(2)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(2)</sup>
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	—	—	—	0.00 <sup>(2)</sup>	—
Total distributions . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 45.71</u>	<u>\$ 45.76</u>	<u>\$ 45.80</u>	<u>\$ 45.82</u>	<u>\$ 45.85</u>
<b>Total return<sup>(4)</sup></b> . . . . .	<u>(0.11)%</u>	<u>(0.09)%</u>	<u>(0.04)%</u>	<u>(0.08)%</u>	<u>0.01%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$1,403,188	\$979,258	\$1,580,101	\$1,539,512	\$1,008,816
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.14%	0.14%	0.14%	0.14%	0.15%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . . . .	(0.12)%	(0.09)%	(0.05)%	(0.09)%	0.00% <sup>(6)</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(7)</sup> . . . . .	620%	577%	584%	619%	628%

\* Commencement of operations.

<sup>(1)</sup> Per share numbers have been calculated using average shares outstanding, which more appropriately presents the per share data for the year.

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<sup>(4)</sup> Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares at net asset value on the first day and a sale at net asset value on the last day of each period reported. Distributions are assumed, for the purpose of this calculation, to be reinvested at net asset value per share on the respective payment dates of each Fund. Total return for periods of less than one year is not annualized. Broker commission charges are not included in this calculation.

<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized

<sup>(6)</sup> Amount is less than 0.005% per share.

<sup>(7)</sup> Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

SPDR Barclays TIPS ETF					SPDR Barclays 0-5 Year TIPS ETF		SPDR Barclays 1-10 Year TIPS ETF		
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	For the Period 2/26/14*- 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	For the Period 5/29/13*- 6/30/13
\$ 57.38	\$ 55.65	\$ 59.59	\$ 54.76	\$ 52.74	\$20.06	\$20.00	\$ 19.93	\$19.39	\$ 20.00
(0.07)	1.00	0.60	1.53	2.21	(0.34)	0.22	(0.06)	0.21	(0.03)
(0.94)	1.51	(3.72)	4.93	1.70	(0.25)	0.02	(0.11)	0.45	(0.58)
(1.01)	2.51	(3.12)	6.46	3.91	(0.59)	0.24	(0.17)	0.66	(0.61)
(0.04)	(0.01)	0.01	0.05	0.01	0.18	—	(0.25)	(0.00) <sup>(2)</sup>	(0.00) <sup>(2)</sup>
—	—	—	0.00 <sup>(2)</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—
(0.46)	(0.77)	(0.83)	(1.68)	(1.90)	(0.13)	(0.18)	(0.22)	(0.12)	—
(0.46)	(0.77)	(0.83)	(1.68)	(1.90)	(0.13)	(0.18)	(0.22)	(0.12)	—
<u>\$ 55.87</u>	<u>\$ 57.38</u>	<u>\$ 55.65</u>	<u>\$ 59.59</u>	<u>\$ 54.76</u>	<u>\$19.52</u>	<u>\$20.06</u>	<u>\$ 19.29</u>	<u>\$19.93</u>	<u>\$ 19.39</u>
<u>(1.84)%</u>	<u>4.52%</u>	<u>(5.32)%</u>	<u>12.03%</u>	<u>7.55%</u>	<u>(2.01)%</u>	<u>1.18%</u>	<u>(2.10)%</u>	<u>3.42%</u>	<u>(3.07)%</u>
\$653,662	\$596,730	\$651,133	\$732,984	\$438,091	\$3,904	\$6,017	\$19,293	\$9,963	\$11,632
0.17%	0.19%	0.19%	0.19%	0.20%	0.15%	0.15% <sup>(5)</sup>	0.15%	0.15%	0.15% <sup>(5)</sup>
(0.12)%	1.79%	1.00%	2.62%	4.12%	(1.76)%	3.21% <sup>(5)</sup>	(0.32)%	1.06%	(1.85)% <sup>(5)</sup>
18%	20%	20%	23%	21%	26%	10%	28%	24%	1%

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

	<b>SPDR Barclays Short Term Treasury ETF</b>			
	<b>Year Ended 6/30/15</b>	<b>Year Ended 6/30/14</b>	<b>Year Ended 6/30/13</b>	<b>For the Period 11/30/11*- 6/30/12</b>
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 30.08	\$ 29.95	\$30.10	\$30.00
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>				
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.23	0.17	0.12	0.06
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	0.12	0.13	(0.15)	0.09
Total from investment operations . . . . .	0.35	0.30	(0.03)	0.15
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.02	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—	—
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>				
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.22)	(0.17)	(0.12)	(0.05)
Net realized gains . . . . .	(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—
Total distributions . . . . .	(0.22)	(0.17)	(0.12)	(0.05)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 30.23</u>	<u>\$ 30.08</u>	<u>\$29.95</u>	<u>\$30.10</u>
<b>Total return<sup>(4)</sup></b> . . . . .	<u>1.23%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>(0.10)%</u>	<u>0.49%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$54,413	\$12,033	\$5,990	\$6,019
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.11%	0.12%	0.12%	0.12% <sup>(5)</sup>
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . . . .	0.76%	0.57%	0.39%	0.34% <sup>(5)</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(6)</sup> . . . . .	35%	40%	38%	24%

\* Commencement of operations.

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<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized

<sup>(6)</sup> Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Treasury ETF					SPDR Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF				
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11
\$ 59.72	\$ 59.66	\$ 61.31	\$ 59.42	\$ 59.19	\$ 66.31	\$ 64.34	\$ 72.05	\$ 56.22	\$ 59.15
0.68	0.69	0.90	1.07	1.17	1.87	1.86	1.75	1.92	2.17
0.31	0.14	(1.34)	2.07	0.37	2.23	1.91	(7.70)	15.76	(2.94)
0.99	0.83	(0.44)	3.14	1.54	4.10	3.77	(5.95)	17.68	(0.77)
0.02	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	0.04	0.04	(0.01)	0.14	0.01
0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—	—	—
(0.67)	(0.71)	(0.91)	(1.08)	(1.18)	(1.90)	(1.84)	(1.75)	(1.99)	(2.17)
—	(0.05)	(0.29)	(0.16)	(0.12)	—	—	—	—	—
(0.67)	(0.76)	(1.20)	(1.24)	(1.30)	(1.90)	(1.84)	(1.75)	(1.99)	(2.17)
<u>\$ 60.06</u>	<u>\$ 59.72</u>	<u>\$ 59.66</u>	<u>\$ 61.31</u>	<u>\$ 59.42</u>	<u>\$ 68.55</u>	<u>\$ 66.31</u>	<u>\$ 64.34</u>	<u>\$ 72.05</u>	<u>\$ 56.22</u>
<u>1.69%</u>	<u>1.39%</u>	<u>(0.77)%</u>	<u>5.30%</u>	<u>2.62%</u>	<u>6.21%</u>	<u>6.16%</u>	<u>(8.44)%</u>	<u>32.03%</u>	<u>(1.24)%</u>
\$294,311	\$167,232	\$173,012	\$196,216	\$213,929	\$164,531	\$86,209	\$57,908	\$64,844	\$22,488
0.12%	0.14%	0.14%	0.14%	0.16%	0.11%	0.14%	0.14%	0.14%	0.15%
1.13%	1.16%	1.48%	1.75%	1.98%	2.60%	2.95%	2.49%	2.85%	3.79%
27%	32%	32%	35%	33%	18%	24%	20%	22%	26%

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

	<b>SPDR Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF</b>				
	<u>Year Ended 6/30/15</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/14</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/13</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/12</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/11</u>
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 30.76	\$ 30.53	\$ 30.37	\$ 30.44	\$ 29.98
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.39	0.36	0.40	0.49	0.56
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	(0.16)	0.29	0.17	(0.06)	0.48
Total from investment operations . . . . .	0.23	0.65	0.57	0.43	1.04
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.02	0.02	0.01
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01	0.04	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.38)	(0.36)	(0.41)	(0.50)	(0.56)
Net realized gains . . . . .	(0.03)	(0.06)	(0.03)	(0.06)	(0.03)
Total distributions . . . . .	(0.41)	(0.42)	(0.44)	(0.56)	(0.59)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 30.58</u>	<u>\$ 30.76</u>	<u>\$ 30.53</u>	<u>\$ 30.37</u>	<u>\$ 30.44</u>
<b>Total return<sup>(4)</sup></b> . . . . .	<u>0.74%</u>	<u>2.14%</u>	<u>1.99%</u>	<u>1.63%</u>	<u>3.60%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$3,962,876	\$3,448,186	\$2,940,064	\$1,105,432	\$337,925
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.12%	0.13%	0.13%	0.13%	0.13%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . . . .	1.27%	1.18%	1.30%	1.61%	1.83%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(5)</sup> . . . . .	46%	43%	46%	50%	46%

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
*Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period*

SPDR Barclays Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF					SPDR Barclays Long Term Corporate Bond ETF				
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11
\$ 34.34	\$ 33.53	\$ 33.89	\$ 33.03	\$ 32.50	\$ 40.46	\$ 37.41	\$ 39.92	\$ 35.55	\$ 36.57
0.89	0.92	1.00	1.12	1.14	1.75	1.79	1.81	1.92	2.00
(0.45)	0.89	(0.31)	0.92	0.66	(2.21)	2.96	(2.60)	4.10	(0.22)
0.44	1.81	0.69	2.04	1.80	(0.46)	4.75	(0.79)	6.02	1.78
0.02	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.07	0.02
0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.02	0.02	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.08	0.06	0.22	0.20	0.02
(0.90)	(0.92)	(1.02)	(1.12)	(1.15)	(1.75)	(1.80)	(1.82)	(1.92)	(2.01)
—	(0.08)	(0.07)	(0.10)	(0.15)	—	—	(0.13)	—	(0.83)
(0.90)	(1.00)	(1.09)	(1.22)	(1.30)	(1.75)	(1.80)	(1.95)	(1.92)	(2.84)
\$ 33.90	\$ 34.34	\$ 33.53	\$ 33.89	\$ 33.03	\$ 38.38	\$ 40.46	\$ 37.41	\$ 39.92	\$ 35.55
1.34%	5.47%	2.10%	6.41%	5.72%	(0.96)%	13.44%	(1.74)%	18.04%	5.20%
\$752,581	\$456,714	\$399,041	\$281,288	\$191,565	\$337,777	\$161,829	\$97,258	\$87,834	\$35,553
0.14%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.16%	0.14%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.17%
2.61%	2.72%	2.89%	3.34%	3.45%	4.29%	4.69%	4.42%	4.97%	5.49%
13%	13%	16%	15%	37%	10%	8%	24%	21%	58%

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

**SPDR Barclays Issuer Scored Corporate Bond ETF**

	<u>Year Ended 6/30/15</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/14</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/13</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/12</u>	<u>For the Period 4/6/11*- 6/30/11</u>
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 32.28	\$ 31.22	\$ 32.02	\$ 30.52	\$ 30.00
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.96	1.08	1.08	1.11	0.24
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	(0.88)	1.11	(0.81)	1.40	0.32
Total from investment operations . . . . .	<u>0.08</u>	<u>2.19</u>	<u>0.27</u>	<u>2.51</u>	<u>0.56</u>
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	<u>0.01</u>	<u>(0.00)</u> <sup>(3)</sup>	<u>0.03</u>	<u>0.01</u>	<u>—</u>
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.14	0.03	0.08	0.09	0.11
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.98)	(1.08)	(1.08)	(1.11)	(0.15)
Net realized gains . . . . .	<u>—</u>	<u>(0.08)</u>	<u>(0.10)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Total distributions . . . . .	<u>(0.98)</u>	<u>(1.16)</u>	<u>(1.18)</u>	<u>(1.11)</u>	<u>(0.15)</u>
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 31.53</u>	<u>\$ 32.28</u>	<u>\$ 31.22</u>	<u>\$ 32.02</u>	<u>\$ 30.52</u>
<b>Total return</b> <sup>(4)</sup> . . . . .	<u>0.67%</u>	<u>7.28%</u>	<u>1.11%</u>	<u>8.72%</u>	<u>2.23%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$25,220	\$32,285	\$34,340	\$22,417	\$12,208
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.16%	0.16%	0.16%	0.16%	0.16% <sup>(5)</sup>
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . . . .	2.98%	3.42%	3.34%	3.53%	3.42% <sup>(5)</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(6)</sup> . . . . .	8%	22%	11%	17%	6%

\* Commencement of operations.

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<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized

<sup>(6)</sup> Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

SPDR Barclays Convertible Securities ETF					SPDR Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF				
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11
\$ 50.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 37.67	\$ 41.55	\$ 36.06	\$ 27.41	\$ 26.61	\$ 27.68	\$ 27.35	\$ 27.36
0.37	(0.00)	(0.19)	0.37	0.68	0.79	0.53	0.11	0.41	0.48
0.22	9.20	6.39	(2.45)	6.52	(0.22)	0.69	(0.62)	0.85	0.50
0.59	9.20	6.20	(2.08)	7.20	0.57	1.22	(0.51)	1.26	0.98
(0.05)	0.14	0.31	(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.04	(0.01)	0.01	(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.02
0.01	0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.06
(2.12)	(1.59)	(1.64)	(1.29)	(1.63)	(0.77)	(0.44)	(0.13)	(0.43)	(0.51)
(1.29)	—	—	(0.52)	(0.12)	(0.27)	(0.01)	(0.45)	(0.52)	(0.56)
(3.41)	(1.59)	(1.64)	(1.81)	(1.75)	(1.04)	(0.45)	(0.58)	(0.95)	(1.07)
<u>\$ 47.44</u>	<u>\$ 50.30</u>	<u>\$ 42.54</u>	<u>\$ 37.67</u>	<u>\$ 41.55</u>	<u>\$ 26.93</u>	<u>\$ 27.41</u>	<u>\$ 26.61</u>	<u>\$ 27.68</u>	<u>\$ 27.35</u>
<u>1.27%</u>	<u>22.35%</u>	<u>17.57%</u>	<u>(4.89)%</u>	<u>20.38%</u>	<u>2.03%</u>	<u>4.75%</u>	<u>(1.80)%</u>	<u>4.82%</u>	<u>3.88%</u>
\$3,045,439	\$2,862,353	\$1,225,259	\$783,580	\$926,572	\$150,787	\$126,085	\$23,951	\$38,746	\$35,556
0.40%	0.40%	0.40%	0.40%	0.41%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.21%
0.75%	0.00%	(0.47)%	0.98%	1.68%	2.88%	1.96%	0.40%	1.47%	1.77%
38%	40%	34%	17%	33%	221%	379%	544%	1,489%	1,107%



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

	SPDR Barclays Aggregate Bond ETF				
	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 57.90	\$ 56.76	\$ 58.57	\$ 56.40	\$ 56.67
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	1.44	1.34	0.97	1.26	1.55
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	(0.45)	1.08	(1.52)	2.68	0.58
Total from investment operations . . . . .	0.99	2.42	(0.55)	3.94	2.13
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.02	0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.04	0.01
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(1.43)	(1.31)	(0.96)	(1.35)	(1.59)
Net realized gains . . . . .	—	—	(0.31)	(0.51)	(0.82)
Total distributions . . . . .	(1.43)	(1.31)	(1.27)	(1.86)	(2.41)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 57.49</u>	<u>\$ 57.90</u>	<u>\$ 56.76</u>	<u>\$ 58.57</u>	<u>\$ 56.40</u>
<b>Total return<sup>(4)</sup></b> . . . . .	<u>1.77%</u>	<u>4.38%</u>	<u>(0.95)%</u>	<u>7.29%</u>	<u>3.83%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$988,792	\$735,309	\$669,829	\$597,435	\$259,438
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.11%	0.13%	0.13%	0.13%	0.15%
Ratio of expenses to average net assets before waivers . . . . .	0.14%	0.19%	0.19%	0.19%	0.20%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . . . .	2.48%	2.35%	1.65%	2.17%	2.74%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(5)</sup> . . . . .	69%	91%	165%	428%	310%

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<sup>(3)</sup> Amount is less than \$0.005 per share.

<sup>(4)</sup> Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares at net asset value on the first day and a sale at net asset value on the last day of each period reported. Distributions are assumed, for the purpose of this calculation, to be reinvested at net asset value per share on the respective payment dates of each Fund. Broker commission charges are not included in this calculation.

<sup>(5)</sup> Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

SPDR Nuveen Barclays Municipal Bond ETF					SPDR Nuveen Barclays California Municipal Bond ETF				
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11
\$ 23.72	\$ 23.02	\$ 24.16	\$ 22.75	\$ 22.94	\$ 23.47	\$ 22.94	\$ 24.34	\$ 22.19	\$ 22.53
0.57	0.59	0.65	0.74	0.79	0.58	0.60	0.70	0.87	0.87
0.03	0.84	(0.87)	1.48	(0.05)	0.17	1.15	(0.87)	2.16	(0.19)
0.60	1.43	(0.22)	2.22	0.74	0.75	1.75	(0.17)	3.03	0.68
0.01	(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.01)	0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01
0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>
(0.57)	(0.59)	(0.65)	(0.75)	(0.79)	(0.57)	(0.61)	(0.70)	(0.86)	(0.86)
—	(0.14)	(0.28)	(0.07)	(0.14)	—	(0.60)	(0.54)	(0.02)	(0.17)
(0.57)	(0.73)	(0.93)	(0.82)	(0.93)	(0.57)	(1.21)	(1.24)	(0.88)	(1.03)
\$ 23.76	\$ 23.72	\$ 23.02	\$ 24.16	\$ 22.75	\$ 23.65	\$ 23.47	\$ 22.94	\$ 24.34	\$ 22.19
2.56%	6.41%	(1.01)%	9.95%	3.33%	3.22%	7.92%	(0.85)%	13.91%	3.23%
\$1,304,277	\$1,034,219	\$1,084,129	\$1,135,596	\$873,455	\$85,144	\$75,111	\$100,938	\$85,193	\$73,226
0.23%	0.23%	0.23%	0.23%	0.22%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%
0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%
2.37%	2.58%	2.69%	3.14%	3.46%	2.43%	2.63%	2.88%	3.68%	3.92%
20%	28%	18%	17%	16%	13%	21%	40%	14%	29%

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

**SPDR Nuveen Barclays New York Municipal Bond ETF**

	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 23.00	\$ 22.75	\$ 23.80	\$ 22.34	\$ 22.66
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.57	0.61	0.67	0.77	0.76
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	0.13	0.86	(0.87)	1.46	(0.20)
Total from investment operations . . . . .	0.70	1.47	(0.20)	2.23	0.56
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.01)	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.57)	(0.61)	(0.68)	(0.77)	(0.76)
Net realized gains . . . . .	(0.04)	(0.60)	(0.17)	—	(0.12)
Total distributions . . . . .	(0.61)	(1.21)	(0.85)	(0.77)	(0.88)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 23.09</u>	<u>\$ 23.00</u>	<u>\$ 22.75</u>	<u>\$ 23.80</u>	<u>\$ 22.34</u>
<b>Total return<sup>(4)</sup></b> . . . . .	<u>3.05%</u>	<u>6.72%</u>	<u>(1.01)%</u>	<u>10.10%</u>	<u>2.55%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$30,016	\$25,303	\$31,849	\$28,557	\$24,575
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%
Ratio of expenses to average net assets before waivers . . . . .	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . . . .	2.45%	2.69%	2.77%	3.30%	3.40%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(6)</sup> . . . . .	23%	32%	36%	24%	37%

\* Commencement of operations.

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<sup>(3)</sup> Amount is less than \$0.005 per share.

<sup>(4)</sup> Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares at net asset value on the first day and a sale at net asset value on the last day of each period reported. Distributions are assumed, for the purpose of this calculation, to be reinvested at net asset value per share on the respective payment dates of each Fund. Total return for periods of less than one year is not annualized. Broker commission charges are not included in this calculation.

<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized

<sup>(6)</sup> Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

SPDR Nuveen Barclays Short Term Municipal Bond ETF					SPDR Nuveen S&P High Yield Municipal Bond ETF				
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	For the Period 4/13/11*- 6/30/11
\$ 24.36	\$ 24.03	\$ 24.39	\$ 24.20	\$ 24.08	\$ 56.28	\$ 54.67	\$ 56.05	\$ 52.25	\$ 50.00
0.22	0.23	0.26	0.33	0.36	2.62	2.72	2.81	3.12	0.64
(0.11)	0.33	(0.30)	0.23	0.19	(0.17)	1.47	(1.49)	3.70	1.96
0.11	0.56	(0.04)	0.56	0.55	2.45	4.19	1.32	6.82	2.60
0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.03	0.05	0.07	0.10	—
0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	—
(0.22)	(0.23)	(0.27)	(0.33)	(0.36)	(2.56)	(2.64)	(2.70)	(3.01)	(0.35)
(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	—	(0.05)	(0.04)	(0.07)	—	—	(0.08)	(0.12)	—
(0.22)	(0.23)	(0.32)	(0.37)	(0.43)	(2.56)	(2.64)	(2.78)	(3.13)	(0.35)
<u>\$ 24.25</u>	<u>\$ 24.36</u>	<u>\$ 24.03</u>	<u>\$ 24.39</u>	<u>\$ 24.20</u>	<u>\$ 56.21</u>	<u>\$ 56.28</u>	<u>\$ 54.67</u>	<u>\$ 56.05</u>	<u>\$ 52.25</u>
<u>0.46%</u>	<u>2.31%</u>	<u>(0.20)%</u>	<u>2.36%</u>	<u>2.33%</u>	<u>4.47%</u>	<u>8.16%</u>	<u>2.33%</u>	<u>13.71%</u>	<u>5.21%</u>
\$2,609,387	\$2,219,335	\$1,927,465	\$1,539,304	\$1,299,603	\$382,259	\$275,752	\$218,686	\$95,283	\$47,025
0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45% <sup>(5)</sup>
0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50% <sup>(5)</sup>
0.91%	0.93%	1.07%	1.34%	1.49%	4.58%	5.08%	4.84%	5.78%	5.86% <sup>(5)</sup>
23%	17%	20%	23%	25%	38%	21%	7%	24%	33%

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

**SPDR Nuveen Barclays Build America Bond ETF**

	<u>Year Ended 6/30/15</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/14</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/13</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/12</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/11</u>
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 60.85	\$ 56.07	\$ 60.05	\$ 50.97	\$ 50.73
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	2.41	2.56	2.60	2.65	2.74
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	(0.88)	4.90	(4.07)	8.92	0.16
Total from investment operations . . . . .	1.53	7.46	(1.47)	11.57	2.90
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.04	(0.12)	(0.03)	0.18	0.06
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.03	0.01	0.11	0.04	0.02
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(2.42)	(2.57)	(2.59)	(2.71)	(2.73)
Net realized gains . . . . .	—	—	—	—	(0.01)
Return of capital . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
Total distributions . . . . .	(2.42)	(2.57)	(2.59)	(2.71)	(2.74)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 60.03</u>	<u>\$ 60.85</u>	<u>\$ 56.07</u>	<u>\$ 60.05</u>	<u>\$ 50.97</u>
<b>Total return<sup>(4)</sup></b> . . . . .	<u>2.57%</u>	<u>13.60%</u>	<u>(2.60)%</u>	<u>23.52%</u>	<u>6.22%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$72,034	\$42,596	\$78,493	\$102,078	\$30,583
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.35%	0.35%	0.35%	0.35%	0.35%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . .	3.85%	4.54%	4.24%	4.57%	5.54%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(5)</sup> . . . . .	59%	9%	46%	112%	58%

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- (3) Amount is less than \$0.005 per share.
- (4) Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares at net asset value on the first day and a sale at net asset value on the last day of each period reported. Distributions are assumed, for the purpose of this calculation, to be reinvested at net asset value per share on the respective payment dates of each Fund. Broker commission charges are not included in this calculation.
- (5) Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
*Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period*

SPDR DB International Government Inflation-Protected Bond ETF					SPDR Barclays Short Term International Treasury Bond ETF				
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11
\$ 62.28	\$ 57.56	\$ 59.24	\$ 61.86	\$ 52.18	\$ 36.48	\$ 34.67	\$ 35.80	\$ 39.24	\$ 33.73
1.36	1.99	1.86	2.56	3.19	0.19	0.30	0.40	0.54	0.51
(8.43)	4.20	(1.44)	(3.10)	7.90	(5.91)	1.53	(1.53)	(2.73)	4.97
(7.07)	6.19	0.42	(0.54)	11.09	(5.72)	1.83	(1.13)	(2.19)	5.48
—	—	—	—	—	(0.01)	—	—	—	—
0.10	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.09	0.02	0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01	0.03
(0.43)	(1.49)	(1.62)	(2.13)	(1.50)	(0.01)	(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.00) <sup>(3)</sup>	(1.26)	—
(0.27)	(0.03)	—	—	—	(0.05)	(0.03)	—	—	—
—	—	(0.58)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(0.70)	(1.52)	(2.20)	(2.13)	(1.50)	(0.06)	(0.03)	—	(1.26)	—
<u>\$ 54.61</u>	<u>\$ 62.28</u>	<u>\$ 57.56</u>	<u>\$ 59.24</u>	<u>\$ 61.86</u>	<u>\$ 30.71</u>	<u>\$ 36.48</u>	<u>\$ 34.67</u>	<u>\$ 35.80</u>	<u>\$ 39.24</u>
<u>(11.25)%</u>	<u>10.97%</u>	<u>0.67%</u>	<u>(0.69)%</u>	<u>21.61%</u>	<u>(15.67)%</u>	<u>5.32%</u>	<u>(3.14)%</u>	<u>(5.59)%</u>	<u>16.34%</u>
\$769,996	\$959,208	\$1,162,731	\$1,273,764	\$1,360,851	\$199,591	\$273,606	\$211,479	\$225,523	\$251,107
0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.52%	0.35%	0.35%	0.35%	0.35%	0.36%
2.35%	3.35%	3.00%	4.32%	5.43%	0.59%	0.84%	1.11%	1.47%	1.37%
36%	19%	43%	40%	23%	83%	83%	71%	116%	85%

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

**SPDR Barclays International Treasury Bond ETF**

	<u>Year Ended 6/30/15</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/14</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/13</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/12</u>	<u>Year Ended 6/30/11</u>
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 60.67	\$ 56.29	\$ 59.14	\$ 61.84	\$ 53.78
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.91	1.20	1.29	1.39	1.42
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	(8.73)	4.09	(2.93)	(1.79)	7.09
Total from investment operations . . . . .	(7.82)	5.29	(1.64)	(0.40)	8.51
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	(0.03)	—	—	—	—
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.04
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.35)	(0.91)	(1.22)	(2.33)	(0.49)
Net realized gains . . . . .	(0.33)	(0.01)	—	—	—
Return of capital . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
Total distributions . . . . .	(0.68)	(0.92)	(1.22)	(2.33)	(0.49)
Contribution from Custodian . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 52.15</u>	<u>\$ 60.67</u>	<u>\$ 56.29</u>	<u>\$ 59.14</u>	<u>\$ 61.84</u>
<b>Total return</b> <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	<u>(13.01)%</u>	<u>9.52%</u>	<u>(2.86)%</u>	<u>(0.58)%</u>	<u>15.95%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$1,449,792	\$2,426,951	\$1,891,366	\$1,862,925	\$1,583,074
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.52%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . . . .	1.62%	2.05%	2.16%	2.32%	2.41%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(6)</sup> . . . . .	19%	40%	31%	38%	63%

\* Commencement of operations.

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<sup>(4)</sup> If the custodian had not made a contribution during the Year Ended 6/30/13, the total return would have been 7.13%.

<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized

<sup>(6)</sup> Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

SPDR Barclays International Corporate Bond ETF					SPDR Barclays Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF				
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	For the Period 2/23/11* 6/30/11
\$ 37.68	\$ 34.17	\$ 32.34	\$ 34.81	\$ 29.97	\$ 31.25	\$ 29.74	\$ 30.79	\$ 31.74	\$ 30.00
0.49	0.64	0.77	0.97	0.93	1.43	1.51	1.57	1.57	0.55
(6.50)	3.44	1.43	(2.85)	4.44	(5.64)	0.47	(1.13)	(2.55)	1.06
(6.01)	4.08	2.20	(1.88)	5.37	(4.21)	1.98	0.44	(0.98)	1.61
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
0.01	0.05	0.09	0.08	0.26	0.04	0.09	0.14	0.57	0.41
(0.33)	(0.60)	(0.46)	(0.67)	(0.78)	—	(0.56)	(1.54)	(0.54)	(0.28)
(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.02)	—	(0.01)	—	—	(0.01)	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(0.08)	—	—
(0.34)	(0.62)	(0.48)	(0.67)	(0.79)	—	(0.56)	(1.63)	(0.54)	(0.28)
—	—	0.02	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$ 31.34	\$ 37.68	\$ 34.17	\$ 32.34	\$ 34.81	\$ 27.08	\$ 31.25	\$ 29.74	\$ 30.79	\$ 31.74
(16.02)%	12.32%	7.18% <sup>(4)</sup>	(5.17)%	19.01%	(13.35)%	6.77%	1.97%	(1.30)%	6.70%
\$191,155	\$316,502	\$184,513	\$71,144	\$52,208	\$97,487	\$100,014	\$107,055	\$197,030	\$28,564
0.54%	0.55%	0.55%	0.55%	0.55%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50% <sup>(5)</sup>
1.43%	1.77%	2.24%	2.95%	2.77%	4.94%	5.06%	4.93%	5.13%	5.01% <sup>(5)</sup>
28%	23%	37%	42%	21%	35%	69%	75%	18%	5%



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
*Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period*

	<b>SPDR Barclays International High Yield Bond ETF</b>	
	<b>Year Ended 6/30/15</b>	<b>For the Period 3/12/14*- 6/30/14</b>
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> .....	\$ 25.53	\$ 25.00
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>		
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> .....	1.11	0.36
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> .....	(3.30)	0.30
Total from investment operations .....	(2.19)	0.66
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> .....	(0.06)	—
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> .....	0.01	0.10
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>		
Net investment income .....	(0.50)	(0.23)
Net realized gains .....	(0.06)	—
Total distributions .....	(0.56)	(0.23)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> .....	\$ 22.73	\$ 25.53
<b>Total return</b> <sup>(4)</sup> .....	(8.86)%	3.07%
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) .....	\$25,005	\$43,406
Ratio of expenses to average net assets .....	0.40%	0.40% <sup>(5)</sup>
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets .....	4.69%	4.76% <sup>(5)</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(6)</sup> .....	50%	26%

\* Commencement of operations.

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<sup>(3)</sup> Amount is less than \$0.005 per share.

<sup>(4)</sup> Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares at net asset value on the first day and a sale at net asset value on the last day of each period reported. Distributions are assumed, for the purpose of this calculation, to be reinvested at net asset value per share on the respective payment dates of each Fund. Total return for periods of less than one year is not annualized. Broker commission charges are not included in this calculation.

<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized

<sup>(6)</sup> Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

SPDR Barclays High Yield Bond ETF					SPDR Barclays Short Term High Yield Bond ETF			
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	Year Ended 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/11	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	For the Period 3/14/12*- 6/30/12
\$ 41.63	\$ 39.53	\$ 39.16	\$ 39.88	\$ 37.99	\$ 30.86	\$ 30.05	\$ 29.77	\$ 30.00
2.26	2.38	2.59	2.85	3.25	1.51	1.59	1.75	0.56
(3.31)	2.11	0.38	(0.53)	2.53	(2.04)	0.75	0.23	(0.60)
(1.05)	4.49	2.97	2.32	5.78	(0.53)	2.34	1.98	(0.04)
0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.01)	0.06	0.05	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.07	0.14	0.09
0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.03	0.03	0.01	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.04	0.08
(2.26)	(2.39)	(2.62)	(2.87)	(3.34)	(1.51)	(1.58)	(1.88)	(0.36)
—	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—	(0.26)	(0.61)	—	(0.02)	—	—
(2.26)	(2.39)	(2.62)	(3.13)	(3.95)	(1.51)	(1.60)	(1.88)	(0.36)
\$ 38.34	\$ 41.63	\$ 39.53	\$ 39.16	\$ 39.88	\$ 28.82	\$ 30.86	\$ 30.05	\$ 29.77
(2.50)%	11.72%	7.70%	6.50%	15.87%	(1.72)%	8.21%	7.40%	0.44%
\$9,797,126	\$9,762,390	\$9,300,031	\$10,780,535	\$6,915,538	\$4,237,219	\$4,341,352	\$1,349,305	\$133,966
0.40%	0.40%	0.40%	0.40%	0.41%	0.40%	0.40%	0.40%	0.40% <sup>(5)</sup>
5.71%	5.86%	6.41%	7.38%	8.13%	5.13%	5.17%	5.75%	6.40% <sup>(5)</sup>
34%	30%	49%	38%	40%	39%	44%	54%	16%

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

<b>SPDR Barclays Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF</b>				
	<b>Year Ended 6/30/15</b>	<b>Year Ended 6/30/14</b>	<b>Year Ended 6/30/13</b>	<b>For the Period 11/30/11*- 6/30/12</b>
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b> . . . . .	\$ 30.63	\$ 30.47	\$ 30.33	\$30.00
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>				
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.17	0.16	0.33	0.30
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	(0.08)	0.14	0.13	0.28
Total from investment operations. . . . .	<u>0.09</u>	<u>0.30</u>	<u>0.46</u>	<u>0.58</u>
Net equalization credits and charges <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	<u>0.00<sup>(3)</sup></u>	<u>0.01</u>	<u>0.02</u>	<u>0.01</u>
Other capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01	0.05	—
<b>Distributions to shareholders from:</b>				
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.39)	(0.26)
Net realized gains . . . . .	<u>(0.00)<sup>(3)</sup></u>	<u>(0.00)<sup>(3)</sup></u>	<u>(0.00)<sup>(3)</sup></u>	<u>—</u>
Total distributions . . . . .	<u>(0.17)</u>	<u>(0.16)</u>	<u>(0.39)</u>	<u>(0.26)</u>
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 30.55</u>	<u>\$ 30.63</u>	<u>\$ 30.47</u>	<u>\$30.33</u>
<b>Total return<sup>(4)</sup></b> . . . . .	<u>0.29%</u>	<u>1.06%</u>	<u>1.77%</u>	<u>1.95%</u>
Net assets, end of period (in 000's) . . . . .	\$387,936	\$385,915	\$42,655	\$9,098
Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . . .	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15% <sup>(5)</sup>
Ratio of expenses to average net assets before waivers. . . . .	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15% <sup>(5)</sup>
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets . . . . .	0.56%	0.51%	1.08%	1.68% <sup>(5)</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(6)</sup> . . . . .	21%	12%	11%	5%

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<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized

<sup>(6)</sup> Portfolio Turnover rate excludes securities received or delivered from in-kind processing of creations or redemptions.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS — (Continued)  
 Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period

SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Emerging Markets Corporate Bond ETF				SPDR BofA Merrill Lynch Crossover Corporate Bond ETF			
Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	For the Period 6/18/12*- 6/30/12	Year Ended 6/30/15	Year Ended 6/30/14	Year Ended 6/30/13	For the Period 6/18/12*- 6/30/12
\$ 30.54	\$ 29.41	\$ 30.08	\$ 30.00	\$ 26.58	\$ 25.30	\$ 25.24	\$ 25.00
1.30	1.32	1.30	0.06	1.02	1.03	1.05	0.05
(1.44)	1.39	(0.75)	(0.20)	(0.97)	1.35	(0.16)	0.19
(0.14)	2.71	0.55	(0.14)	0.05	2.38	0.89	0.24
0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01	—	—	(0.02)	—	0.06	—
0.02	0.06	—	0.22	0.07	0.02	0.11	—
(1.27)	(1.33)	(1.22)	—	(0.98)	(1.03)	(1.00)	—
—	(0.32)	—	—	(0.02)	(0.09)	—	—
(1.27)	(1.65)	(1.22)	—	(1.00)	(1.12)	(1.00)	—
<u>\$ 29.15</u>	<u>\$ 30.54</u>	<u>\$ 29.41</u>	<u>\$ 30.08</u>	<u>\$ 25.68</u>	<u>\$ 26.58</u>	<u>\$ 25.30</u>	<u>\$ 25.24</u>
<u>(0.35)%</u>	<u>9.81%</u>	<u>1.63%</u>	<u>0.27%</u>	<u>0.42%</u>	<u>9.76%</u>	<u>4.11%</u>	<u>0.95%</u>
\$20,405	\$21,377	\$14,703	\$15,041	\$43,664	\$29,235	\$22,770	\$10,095
0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50% <sup>(5)</sup>	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30% <sup>(5)</sup>
0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50% <sup>(5)</sup>	0.40%	0.40%	0.40%	0.40% <sup>(5)</sup>
4.39%	4.45%	4.15%	3.38% <sup>(5)</sup>	3.88%	4.00%	4.01%	3.64% <sup>(5)</sup>
11%	18%	30%	6%	16%	18%	20%	1%



## WHERE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FUNDS

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