

PSDLAF NEWSLETTER | MARKET UPDATE

AUGUST 2025

Market and Economic Highlights

- The S&P 500 and NASDAQ both hit new highs on easing trade tensions
- Markets interpreted the Fed as hawkish in the July meeting due to inflation uncertainty
- However, two Fed members dissented from the decision to not cut rates, preferring a rate cut as political pressure remained high
- Strong start to the 2nd quarter earnings season
- Despite trade deals, the effective tariff rate is about 7 times the level at the start of the year

Sources: Bloomberg, FactSet

Market Returns

Market Index	1-Month	3-Month	YTD	1-Year
Bloomberg 9-12 Month T-Bill	0.20%	0.75%	2.27%	4.60%
Bloomberg 1-5 Year Government	-0.16%	0.21%	3.28%	4.37%
Bloomberg Intermediate U.S. Gov/Credit A or Better	-0.19%	0.36%	3.86%	4.37%
Bloomberg Intermediate U.S. Agg.	-0.22%	0.56%	3.94%	4.26%
S&P 500	2.24%	14.21%	8.58%	16.31%
Russell 2000	1.73%	12.99%	-0.09%	-0.57%

Source: Bloomberg; As of 7/31/25.

FEATURED MARKET DATA

Rates Fluctuate on Divergent Data

The 2-year U.S. Treasury yield, a commonly used indicator of market expectations of the fed funds rate, moved higher in July. This occurred as markets pushed back expectations for Fed rate cuts. Contributors to higher yields included somewhat lower than expected Core CPI, stronger labor market data and larger growth in retail sales. This climb largely reversed on August 1st as the July employment report displayed a much weaker job picture. The U.S. economy added a smaller than expected 73,000 jobs in July. Moreover, revisions to prior reports revealed only 33,000 combined jobs added in May and June. As of August 1st, markets are almost fully pricing in a September rate cut and two total cuts in 2025.

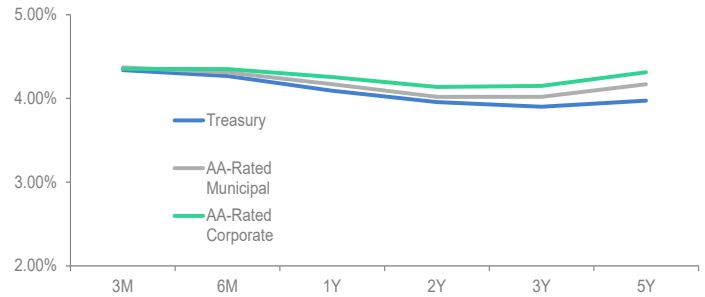
Source: Bloomberg, FactSet; As of 8/1/25.

2-Year Treasury Yield



Source: Bloomberg; As of 7/31/25.

Market Yields



Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P. As of 7/31/25.

U.S. Economic Indicators

Event	Event Date	Period	Survey	Actual	Prior / Revised (R)
Consumer Price Index (YoY)	07/15/25	JUN	2.6%	2.7%	2.4%
Retail Sales Ex. Auto (MoM)	07/17/25	JUN	0.3%	0.5%	-0.2% (R)
Leading Economic Index (MoM)	07/21/25	JUN	-0.3%	-0.3%	0.0% (R)
Existing Home Sales	07/23/25	JUN	4.00M	3.93M	4.04M (R)
Consumer Confidence	07/29/25	JUL	96.0	97.2	95.2 (R)
GDP Annualized QoQ	07/30/25	2Q A	2.6%	3.0%	-0.5%
Core PCE (YoY)	07/31/25	JUN	2.7%	2.8%	2.8% (R)
Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	08/01/25	JUL	104K	73K	14K (R)
Unemployment Rate	08/01/25	JUL	4.2%	4.2%	4.1%

Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P. As of 8/1/25. Glossary terms on following page.

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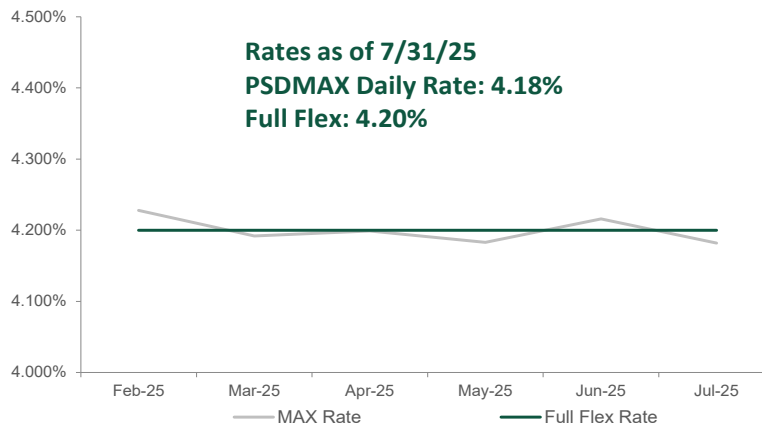
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INVESTMENT RATES

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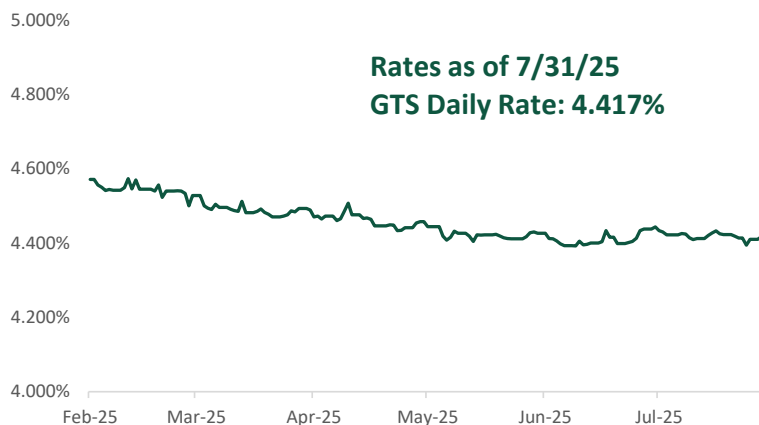
PSDMAX INVESTMENT RATE For School and Municipal Entities

Liquid Investment Rates | Past 6 Months



GTS INVESTMENT RATE For Municipal Entities Only

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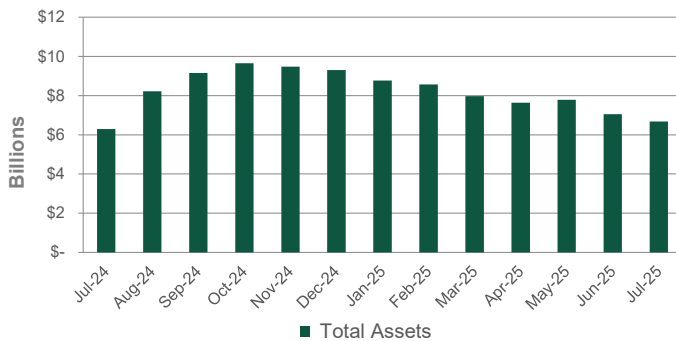


Series Includes Act 10 of 2016 Investments.

TOTAL FUND ASSETS | ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST 2025

Total Fund Assets | Year over Year



As of 7/31/25: \$6,684,142,058.21
(Total Assets)

Holiday Calendar 2025

Fund Closed	Holiday Observed
Monday, September 1	Labor Day
Monday, October 13	Columbus Day
Tuesday, November 11	Veterans Day

Important

PSDLAF does not offer Act 10 securities to Pennsylvania Schools due to the **Legal Alert that was issued by PSBA** on Negotiable Certificates of Deposits (2016). Excerpt from the legal alert: "Thus, to the extent the amount of a negotiable CD of the uncollateralized kind currently available in the market exceeds \$250,000 (the limit of FDIC deposit protection), **it would be an impermissible investment in violation of the School Code, notwithstanding Act 10.**" Additionally, per PSBA's recommended investment guidelines, **all Act 10 securities are excluded for Intermediate Units and Vocational Technical Schools.** The **GTS program for Municipal Entities Only** does include Act 10 securities. For more information on GTS, please [click here](#).



IMPORTANT

PSDLAF Offers Same-Day Credit for Wire Transfers

For incoming wire transfers, Settlers must initiate the wire transfer directly with their financial institution and **notify the Fund of the deposit by 12:00 P.M. Eastern Time** to receive same-day credit.

There are three options available to notify the Fund:

1. Secure online platform
2. Speak directly with a PSDLAF team member at 866-548-8634
3. Email the team at psdlaf@pmanetwork.com

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

A PSDLAF team member **must confirm the request and provide a confirmation number prior to 12:00 P.M. Eastern Time** for the Settlor to receive the same-day credit.

If there is a failure to transfer the Funds to PSDLAF on the date indicated, the Settlor may be assessed a fee. This fee is assessed by the Custodian of the Fund based on the number of days the wire failure is outstanding.

If you need additional information, please contact a PSDLAF team member.