

# FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD 77K Street, NE Washington, DC 20002

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

FROM: Sean McCaffrey, Chief Investment Officer

SUBJECT: August 2020 Performance Review – G, F, C, S, I, and L Funds

### **INTRODUCTION**

This report reviews key aspects of the investment performance of the G, F, C, S, I, and L Funds, investment manager performance and tracking error, interfund transfer activity, and L Fund participation.

# **RETURNS AND TRACKING ERROR**

The tables below contain the monthly and year-to-date (YTD) returns and tracking errors for the separate accounts managed by BlackRock.

## August 2020 Returns and Tracking Error

		Fixed Income (F Fund)	Large Cap (C Fund)	Small Mid Cap (S Fund)	International (I Fund)
Return (%)	Index	-0.81	7.19	7.18	5.14
	BlackRock	-0.81	7.19	7.21	5.12
	TSP Fund (Net)	-0.81	7.19	7.20	5.12
Tracking					
Error vs	BlackRock	0.00	0.00	0.03	-0.02
Index (%)	TSP Fund	0.00	0.00	0.02	-0.02

BlackRock's performance for the F, C, and I Funds was in line with the Funds' respective indices for the month. Its performance for the S Fund exceeded that of the Small Mid Cap Index by 3 basis points, primarily due to securities sampling.

The TSP Funds closely tracked the BlackRock accounts for the month.

2020 YTD Returns and Tracking Error

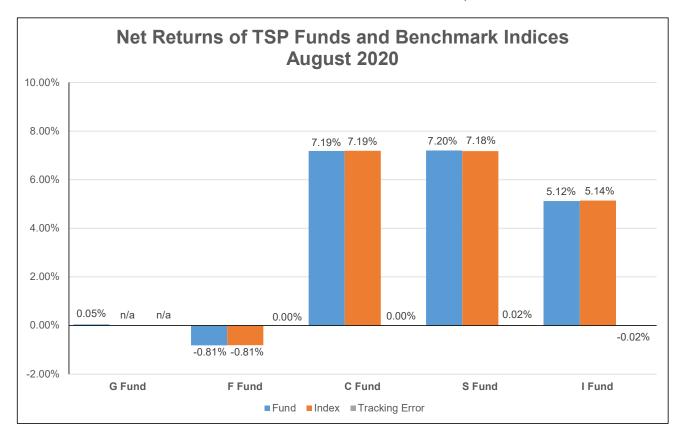
		Fixed Income (F Fund)	Large Cap (C Fund)	Small Mid Cap (S Fund)	International (I Fund)
Return (%)	Index	6.85	9.74	6.94	-4.61
	BlackRock	6.82	9.75	6.77	-4.28
	TSP Fund (Net)	6.79	9.67	6.70	-4.35
Tracking					
Error vs	BlackRock	-0.03	0.01	-0.17	0.33
Index (%)	TSP Fund	-0.06	-0.07	-0.24	0.26

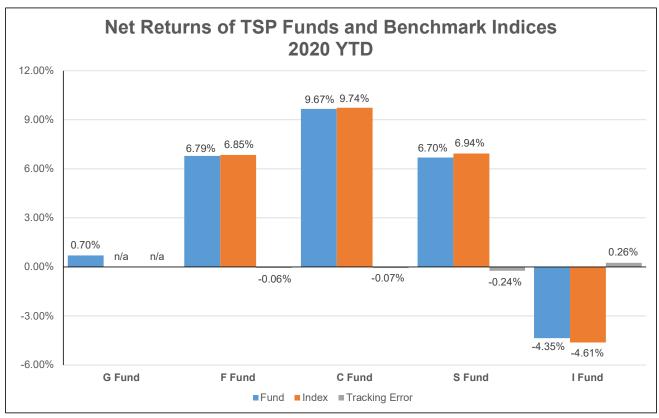
BlackRock's performance for the F and C Funds was in line with the Funds' respective indices for the year-to-date. Its performance for the S Fund lagged the Small Mid Cap Index by 17 basis points, primarily due to securities sampling and futures mistracking related to market volatility. BlackRock's performance was ahead of the International Index by 33 basis points, primarily due to tax advantage and futures mistracking.

Year-to-date, the F, C, S, and I Funds lagged the BlackRock accounts, primarily due to a high volume of participant activity on days of extreme market volatility, especially in March and April.

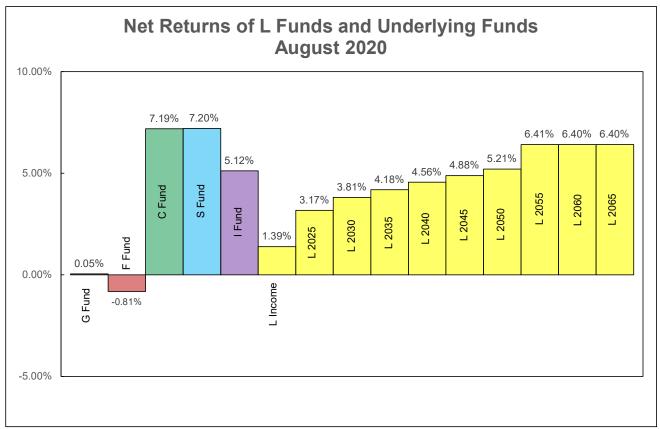
#### **Performance of TSP Funds**

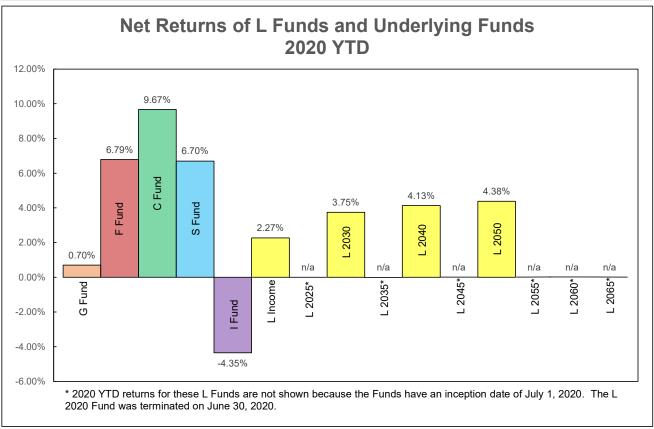
The charts below show the G, F, C, S, and I Fund net rates of return vs. their respective benchmark indices.



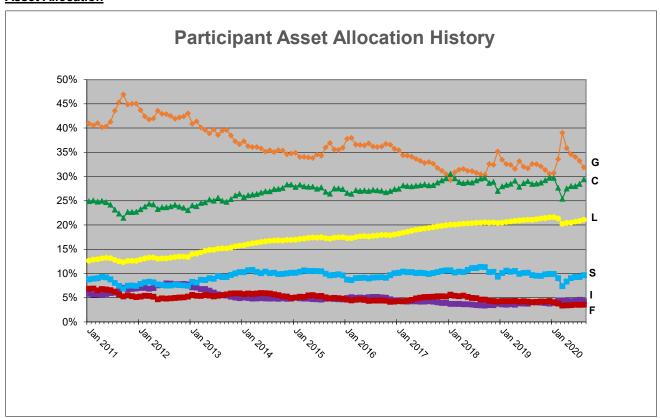


Net rates of return for the L Funds are shown below, along with comparable returns for the G, F, C, S, and I Funds.



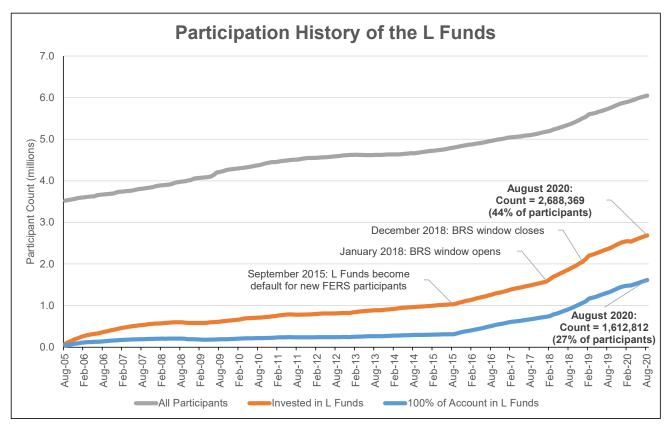


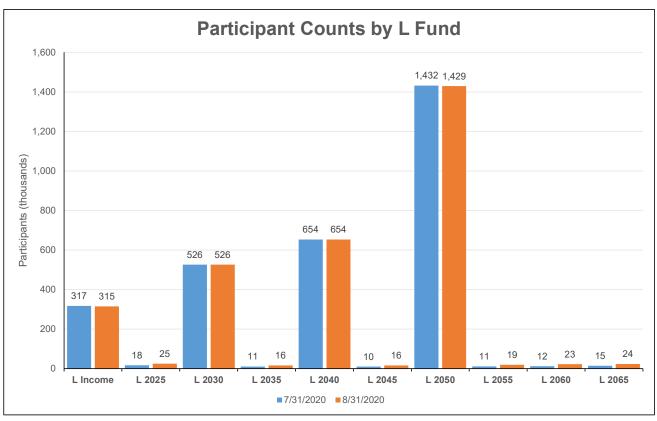
# **Asset Allocation**



Asset Allocation as of August 31, 2020							
	Participant Allocation Assets Share of (\$B) Total		<u>Core TS</u> Assets (\$B)	P Funds Share of Total			
G Fund	\$211.8	31.9%	\$259.8	39.2%			
F Fund	\$28.7	4.3%	\$38.6	5.8%			
C Fund	\$195.3	29.4%	\$236.5	35.7%			
S Fund	\$64.0	9.6%	\$76.1	11.5%			
l Fund	\$23.6	3.6%	\$52.3	7.9%			
L Funds	\$140.0	21.1%	n/a	n/a			
Total	\$663.3	100%	\$663.3	100%			
*Components may not sum to totals because of rounding.							

#### Lifecycle (L) Funds





### **Interfund Transfer Activity**

