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ICI has conducted an [in-depth analysis](#) of how funds fared during extreme market stress in March 2020. In the October 30, 2020, edition of *Focus on Funds*, ICI Chief Economist Sean Collins summarizes the report and its purpose.

Transcript

Stephanie Ortals-Tibbs, ICI director of media relations: Sean, ICI is releasing another blockbuster analysis of market events. The most recent one, of course—not surprisingly—focusing on the market turmoil of the past spring. Why did we do this report, and how do we hope it will help inform the debate going forward?

Sean Collins, ICI chief economist: Regulators will come back and look at events in March in the financial markets, and perhaps make policy proposals to try make the financial markets more resilient. And when they do that, they should take a holistic view. We started off with a piece about the financial markets in general [with] what happened in March. And we think that's really important to have that as a background scene-setting material to be able to understand what happened to funds—mutual funds, money market funds, ETFs in March—the experiences that they had.

Additional Resources

- [Quick Insight: Unprecedented Liquidity Demands Strained Financial Markets](#)
- [Quick Insight: Understanding Unusual US Treasury Market Behavior](#)
- [Quick Insight: Global Pandemic Led to Global Market Turbulence](#)
- [COVID-19 Resource Center](#)
- [ICI Viewpoints: Regulated Funds: Supporting the Economy During the COVID-19 Crisis](#)