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Global Bond Fund

- The Fund may invest primarily in a diversified portfolio of fixed income instruments denominated in major world currencies.
- Investments in fixed income securities are subject to interest rate, credit and downgrade risks. The Fund is also subject to risks of investing in high yield, below investment grade and unrated securities.
- It is subject to risks associated with investment, global investment, emerging markets, mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities, sovereign debt, Euro and European Union, currency, liquidity and repurchase / reverse repurchase transactions.
- It may invest extensively in financial derivative instruments which may involve additional risks (e.g. market, counterparty, liquidity, volatility, and leverage risks).
- It may at its discretion pay dividends out of capital directly or effectively, which amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of an investor's original investment or from any capital gains attributable to the original investment. Any distributions involving the payment of dividends out of the Fund's capital may result in an immediate reduction of the Fund's net asset value per share.
- Investments involve risks and your investment may suffer significant losses.
- Investors should not rely solely on this material and should read the offering document of the Fund for further details including the risk factors.

PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

The Global Bond Fund returned 1.35% (Institutional, Income shares net of fees) and 1.35% (Institutional, Accumulation shares net of fees) in March, outperforming the Bloomberg Global Aggregate (USD Hedged) Index by 0.45% (Institutional, Income shares net of fees) and 0.45% (Institutional, Accumulation shares net of fees). Year-to-date the Fund has returned 0.64% (Institutional, Income shares net of fees) and 0.61% (Institutional, Accumulation shares net of fees), while the benchmark returned 0.01%. Equity markets continued their upward trajectory, while bond indices modestly rose as several global central banks sent dovish signals to the market. U.S. credit spreads tightened, and developed sovereign bond yields fell, while the dollar strengthened. In the U.S., the 10-year Treasury fell 5 bps to 4.20% as the Federal Reserve reaffirmed its expectation of three rate cuts in 2024. In Germany, the 10-year Bund yield fell 11 bps to 2.30%. In the U.K., 10-year Gilt yields fell 19 bps to 3.93%, while 10-year Japanese government bond yields rose 2 bps to 0.73%.

Contributors

- Selection across the coupon stack and carry within agency MBS.
- Overweight exposure to duration in the dollar bloc, namely from Australia, as yields fell.
- Overweight exposure to duration in the U.K., as yields fell.

Detractors

- Underweight exposure to non-financial investment grade corporate credit, as spreads tightened.
- Underweight exposure to duration in China, as yields fell modestly at the long end of the curve.

Fund Information

Total Net Assets	15.1 (USD in Billions)
Fund Type	UCITS
Portfolio Manager	Andrew Balls, Sachin Gupta, Lorenzo Pagani
Fund Base Currency	USD
Share Class Currency	USD
Inception Date	
INST Class, Accumulation	1998/03/12
INST Class, Income*	2001/04/18

*This share class aims to pay dividend on a Quarterly basis. Dividend payout is not guaranteed.

Class	ISIN	
E	**Accumulation**	**Income**
CHF(H)	IE00BG43NR46	—
EUR(H)	IE00B11XZ103	IE00BDCRG239
USD	IE00B11XZ210	IE00B0MD9M11
USD	IE00B3FNF870	IE00B43QYR74
ADMIN		
USD	IE0030565943	—
HINST		
USD	IE0032313805	—
INST		
CAD(H)	IE00BFZ89841	—
CHF(H)	IE0033051115	IE0032876173
EUR	IE00B86Y3465	—
EUR(H)	IE0032875985	IE00B073NJ12
GBP	IE00BDCXSJ26	—
GBP(H)	IE0032876066	IE00B016J213
NOK(H)	IE00B0C17Z48	—
NZD(H)	—	IE00B03TPT78
SEK(H)	IE00B03HBH15	—
SGD(H)	IE00B3Q8VQ13	—
USD	IE0002461055	IE0002460198
USD	IE0032568887	IE00B0V9SY54
INVST		
CHF(H)	IE00B409KG05	—
EUR(H)	IE00B05QM511	—
GBP(H)	IE00B073NL34	—
NOK(H)	IE00B18D6V02	—
USD	IE0005302959	IE0005300912

(U) = Unhedged, (H) = Hedged

Performance (Net of Fees)	1 Mo.	3 Mos.	6 Mos.	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	10 Yrs.	SI
Institutional, Acc (%)	1.35	0.61	6.99	5.61	-1.03	1.45	2.93	4.86
Institutional, Inc (%)	1.35	0.64	7.03	5.63	-1.03	1.45	2.92	4.54
Benchmark (%)	0.90	0.01	6.00	4.14	-1.29	0.80	2.21	—

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Calendar Year (Net of Fees)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
Institutional, Acc (%)	8.98	0.91	5.83	4.56	1.01	8.47	7.63	-1.43	-11.39	8.05	0.61
Institutional, Inc (%)	8.99	0.84	5.86	4.56	1.00	8.48	7.63	-1.46	-11.34	8.01	0.64
Benchmark (%)	7.59	1.02	3.95	3.04	1.76	8.22	5.58	-1.39	-11.22	7.15	0.01

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All periods longer than one year are annualised. SI is the performance since inception. Performance shown is on a NAV-to-NAV basis in the denominated currency and are net of fees and other expenses and include reinvestment of dividends, as applicable.

MONTH IN REVIEW

Equity markets continued their upward trajectory, while bond indices modestly rose as several global central banks sent dovish signals to the market. U.S. credit spreads tightened, and developed sovereign bond yields fell, while the dollar strengthened. In the U.S., the 10-year Treasury fell 5 bps to 4.20% as the Federal Reserve reaffirmed its expectation of three rate cuts in 2024. In Germany, the 10-year Bund yield fell 11 bps to 2.30%. In the U.K., 10-year Gilt yields fell 19 bps to 3.93%, while 10-year Japanese government bond yields rose 2 bps to 0.73%.

Sovereign rate strategies contributed to relative performance over the month. Contributions from overweight exposure to duration in the dollar bloc and U.K. more than offset detractions from underweight exposure to duration in China.

Spread sector strategies contributed to relative performance over the month. Contributions from selection across the coupon stack and carry within agency MBS more than offset detractions from underweight exposure to non-financial investment grade corporate credit.

Currency strategies contributed to relative performance over the month, primarily from positioning within EM FX.

PORTFOLIO POSITIONING

The Fund is underweight overall duration, focusing on country selection. We maintain an overweight to duration in Australia and increased our underweight in the U.S. We remain overweight duration in the U.K. and close to neutral duration in Europe. The Fund expresses a key underweight in Japan, focusing on the longer-end of the curve given the end to the yield curve control regime established by the Bank of Japan. Furthermore, we maintain our underweight to Chinese rates.

We are more constructive on corporate credit given a relatively resilient macro backdrop, but maintain a cautious position in our overall spread exposure given tight valuations. We hold a reduced underweight to non-financial investment grade corporate credit. We prefer instead senior securitised assets, like non-agency mortgages. We maintain an overweight to agency MBS, favoring higher coupons. Within sovereign spread strategies, we remain broadly neutral in Eurozone peripheral countries.

Currency strategies continue to act as a diversifying strategy in the portfolio and positioning remains tactical. We focus on relative value with longs to a basket of currencies with attractive valuations, high real carry, and/or supportive fundamentals. We use a diversified basket of funding currencies from developed markets and Asia.

OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

Higher savings balances and a slower pass-through of monetary policy in the U.S. relative to other developed markets could, in our view, keep inflation above the Fed's 2% target over the cyclical horizon. We still expect the Fed to start normalizing policy at midyear, similar to other DM central banks; however, the Fed's subsequent rate-cutting path could be more gradual. Additionally, we believe that an economic soft landing is achievable, but both recessionary and inflationary risks remain elevated in the aftermath of unprecedented global shocks to supply and demand.

In this uncertain environment, we favour portfolio flexibility and liquidity to respond to events and potentially take advantage of opportunities. We are underweight duration in the Fund as central banks assess the speed and timing of rate cuts, contributing to elevated volatility. From a country standpoint, we favour taking duration in the U.K. and dollar bloc countries (primarily Australia) vs. Japan. We continue to hold a moderate allocation to TIPS in the portfolio as valuations are attractive. We hold exposure to select developed market currencies (JPY) as well as select emerging markets currencies (IDR, INR, ZAR, PLN, BRL, MXN) based on valuations.

In spread sectors, we continue to be cautious within corporate credit, focusing on security selection. We remain focused on securitised assets, such as U.S. non-agency mortgages, which we believe offer defensive qualities in addition to reasonable risk premia for liquidity, complexity, and uncertainty over the timing of cash flows.

Fund Statistics

Effective Duration (yrs)¶	5.26
Benchmark Duration (yrs)	6.66
Current Yield (%)⊕	4.26
Estimated Yield to Maturity (%)⊕	5.59
Annualised Distribution Yield (%)†	2.32
Average Coupon (%)	4.10
Effective Maturity (yrs)	6.87
Average Credit Quality	AA-

Unified Management Fee

Administrative	0.99% p.a.
E	1.39% p.a.
H Institutional	0.66% p.a.
Institutional	0.49% p.a.
Investor	0.84% p.a.

Source: PIMCO, index provider for benchmark data.
The credit quality of a particular security or group of securities does not ensure the stability or safety of an overall portfolio. The quality ratings of individual issues/issuers are provided to indicate the credit-worthiness of such issues/issuer and generally range from AAA, Aaa, or AAA (highest) to D, C, or D (lowest) for S&P, Moody's, and Fitch respectively.
References to agency and non-agency mortgage-backed securities refer to mortgages issued in the United States.
Emerging Market (EM); Mortgage-backed securities (MBS); Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS)
Brazilian real (BRL); Indian rupee (INR); Indonesia rupiah (IDR); Indian rupee (INR); Japanese yen (JPY); Mexican peso (MXN); Norwegian krone (NOK); Polish zloty (PLN); United States dollar (USD); South African rand (ZAR)
¶Duration is a measure of a portfolio's price sensitivity expressed in years. PIMCO duration calculation that adjusts the durations of credit securities to account for the potential that in the event of default investors will receive the recovery amount prior to the maturity of the security.
†Annualised distribution yield= (Dividend Rate * 4) / NAV on ex-dividend day. Annualised Distribution Yield is as of 31/03/2024. Dividend is not guaranteed. Dividend may pay out of capital. A positive distribution yield does not imply a positive return.
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⊕PIMCO calculates a Fund's Estimated Yield to Maturity by averaging the yield to maturity of each security held in the Fund on a market weighted basis. PIMCO sources each security's yield to maturity from PIMCO's Portfolio Analytics database. When not available in PIMCO's Portfolio Analytics database, PIMCO sources the security's yield to maturity from Bloomberg. When not available in either database, PIMCO will assign a yield to maturity for that security from a PIMCO matrix based on prior data. The source data used in such circumstances is a static metric and PIMCO makes no representation as to the accuracy of the data for the purposes of calculating the Estimated Yield to Maturity. The Estimated Yield to Maturity is provided for illustrative purposes only and should not be relied upon as a primary basis for an investment decision and should not be interpreted as a guarantee or prediction of future performance of the Fund or the likely returns of any investment.
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