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PIMCO Dynamic Bond Fund

Quarterly Investment Report | 1Q24

Wholesale Class

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Executive summary

Portfolio Performance

The PIMCO Dynamic Bond Fund (Institutional share class, net of fees) posted a positive return over the first quarter driven mainly by contributions from spread and currency strategies, while duration strategies detracted.

CONTRIBUTORS

- Exposure to the cash interest rate in the US, from carry
- Holdings of securitized assets, primarily US Agency MBS and non-Agency MBS
- Holdings of investment grade corporate credit, as spreads tightened, and through carry and selection
- Long exposure to select EM currencies, primarily through carry

DETRACTORS

- Long exposure to US duration, as yields rose
- Long exposure to the Japanese yen, as it depreciated against the US dollar
- Long exposure to Brazilian local rates, as yields rose

Performance periods ended 31 Mar '24	3 mos.	FYTD	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
Net of fees (%)	1.24	5.04	5.69	-1.13	0.78	2.13	2.10
Benchmark*	1.09	3.26	4.19	2.08	1.51	1.82	1.82

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.
Returns for periods longer than 1 year are annualised.
Net of Fees - Fund performance is quoted net of fees and expenses and assumes the reinvestment of all distributions but does not take into account personal income tax.

Portfolio strategy

Tactical duration positioning: We maintain an emphasis on the front and intermediate parts of the U.S. yield curve, while being short the longer end. While we still favor US rates, the fund also increased long exposure to Australian duration over the quarter, given the country's higher interest rate sensitivity.

Long Agency Mortgage Backed Securities: Within US Agency MBS, the Fund continues to be dynamic in adjusting exposures across the coupon stack, targeting up-in-coupon MBS, which may offer more compelling spreads and less duration risk versus lower coupons. We continue to hold select Agency MBS as a way to maintain a high quality, very liquid position that offers a "safe spread" over US Treasuries.

Focus on securitized credit and senior financials: Favor non-Agency and other high quality securitized credit given resilient fundamentals and historically high spread levels. Within corporate credit, we continue to focus on bottom-up security selection, where we continue to find value in financials following years of increased regulation, and non-cyclical sectors, such as utilities.

Cautious on high yield and emerging markets: While we believe there are some compelling bottoms-up opportunities, including in higher-rated EM countries, we are generally more selective and defensive on assets that would be more vulnerable to an economic slowdown. The Fund also holds a position in HY CDX protection to hedge against higher volatility.

*Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bills Index

Class:	WHOLESALE
Inception date:	18 Mar '14
Fund assets (in millions):	AUD14.81

Summary information	31 Mar '24
Effective duration (yrs)	1.67
Benchmark duration (yrs)	0.12
Effective maturity (yrs)	1.67
Average coupon	4.26%

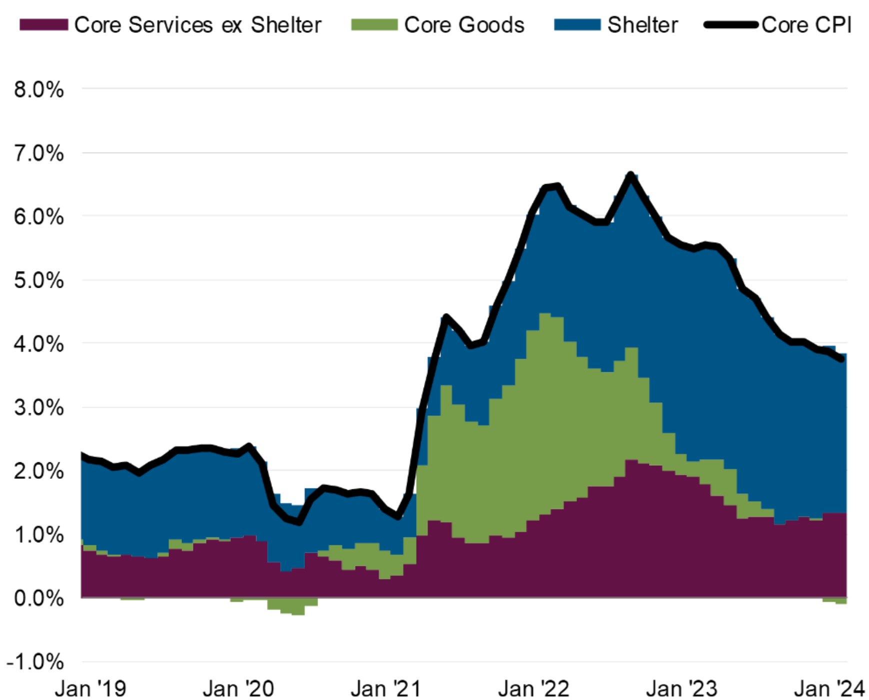
Regional exposure (currency in Dur yrs)	Portfolio (yrs)	Benchmark (yrs)
United States	1.27	0.00
Japan	-0.23	0.00
Eurozone	0.00	0.00
United Kingdom	-0.02	0.00
Europe non-EMU	0.00	0.00
Australia	0.49	0.12
Canada	0.09	0.00
New Zealand	0.00	0.00
Other Industrialized Countries	-0.01	0.00
Emerging markets	0.07	0.00
Total	**1.67**	**0.12**

Quality Exposure (MV %)	31 Mar '24
AAA	64.52
AA	10.62
A	5.86
BBB	7.97
Sub Investment Grade	11.03
Average Credit Quality	**AA-**

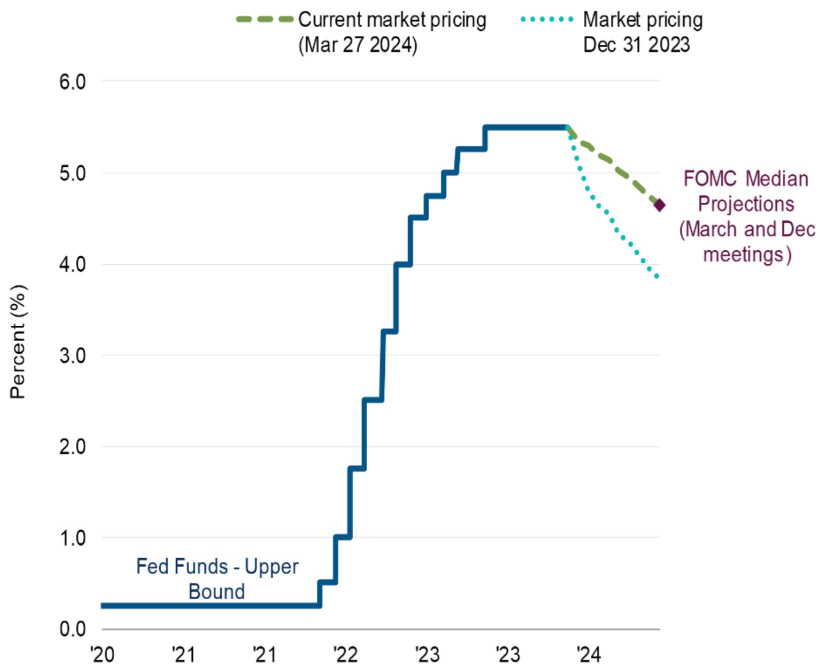
Quarter in Review

Persistent inflation pushed yields and year-end rate projections higher

A perceived "last mile" problem in the Fed's battle against inflation led bond markets to retrace their Q4'23 rally and bring expectations for 2024 cuts in line with the Fed's dot plot. Risk sentiment remained robust despite the possibility of "higher-for-longer" rates, with the MSCI World finishing the quarter up 9.01% and credit spreads broadly tightening. The Fed paused once again and maintained its forecast for three 25-basis-point rate cuts in 2024. Global developed central banks largely followed suit, with both the ECB and BoE leaving rates on hold. Meanwhile, in Japan, the BoJ raised its policy rate for the first time since 2007, marking the end of negative interest rate policies.



Inflation in the U.S. remained sticky over the quarter, driven by core services, highlighting the "last mile" problem that the Fed is facing in its attempts to return inflation to 2%.



Persistent inflationary pressures saw bond markets retrace their Q4'23 rally, with market pricing now in line with the Fed's median dot plot projection for year end 2024 (which remained unchanged relative to December projections).

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Source: Bloomberg

Market Summary

Q1'24: Inflation rebound

The Fund's spread and currency strategies contributed to performance while duration strategies detracted from overall performance.

Developed market debt

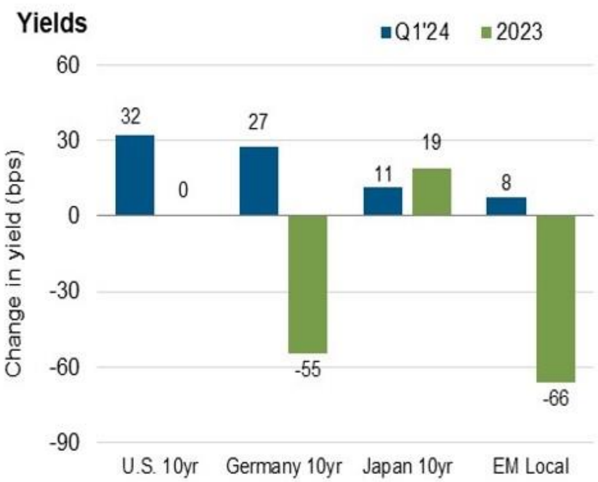
Yields rose broadly across developed markets as inflation remained firm and economic activity robust, particularly in the U.S. While central banks generally held policy rates steady, including in the U.S., U.K., and Europe, dovish remarks from officials bolstered risk sentiment even as investors adjusted expectations for rate cuts in 2024. In Japan, the BoJ hiked rates for the first time in 17 years, ending its negative interest rate policy.

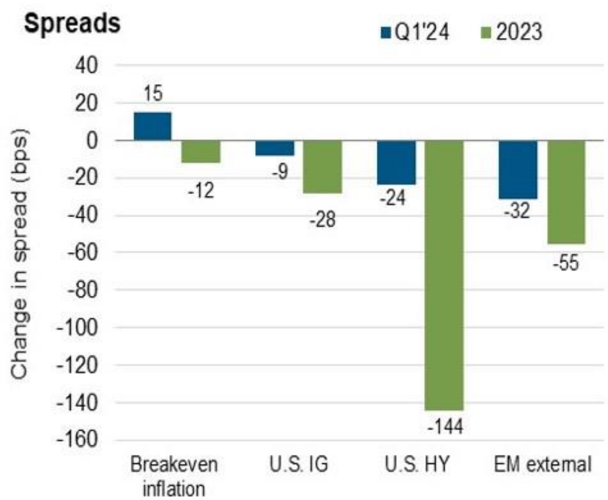
Credit

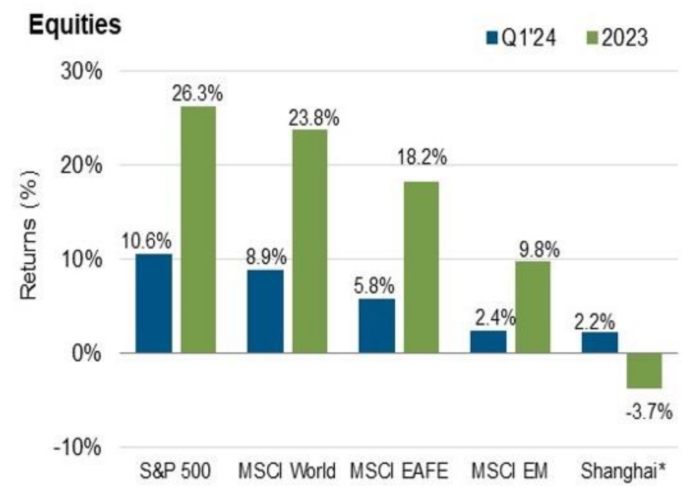
U.S. investment grade credit[1] spreads tightened 8 bps, ending the quarter at 85 bps. The sector returned -0.41%, outperforming like-duration treasuries by 0.83%. Credit spreads continued to tighten amid strong earnings results and heavy issuance to start the year.

Equities

Developed market equities[2] rose 8.9% in the first quarter of 2024 driven by optimism around interest rate cuts, easing inflationary pressures, and economic growth.







Source: U.S. 10yr, Germany 10yr, Japan 10yr, Breakeven inflation (Bloomberg); EM local (JPMorgan GBI-EM Global Diversified Composite Yield to Maturity Index); U.S. investment grade credit (Bloomberg U.S. Credit Index); U.S. high yield credit (ICE BofA High Yield Constrained Index); EM external (JPMorgan Emerging Bond Index Global Sovereign Spread); S&P 500 (S&P 500 Total Return Index); MSCI EAFE (MSCI EAFE Net Total Return USD Index); MSCI EM (MSCI Emerging Net Total Return USD Index); *Shanghai (Shanghai Stock Exchange Composite Index).

1: Bloomberg US Credit Index

2: MSCI World Index

Investment implications:
Opportune time to consider going active in global fixed income

Look global	Greater-than-usual focus on bond markets outside of the U.S.
Lock in elevated yields	Intermediate maturities can offer a “sweet spot” with markets expecting cash rates to fall
Favor high quality	Up-in-quality bias in both public and private credit markets
Go active	Differentiated macro paths present compelling opportunities for active investors

Source: PIMCO

Portfolio Outlook

Strategic outlook

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.

Key strategies

Duration

Against a backdrop of heightened rate volatility, the Fund continues to actively manage its duration and tactically adjust exposure in response to rate moves and take advantage of relative value opportunities as global growth cycles and central bank policies become less synchronized. We have reduced duration over the quarter, yet still favor long US interest rate exposure versus other global developed rates as a hedge against a risk asset sell-off. The fund also increased long exposure to Australian duration given its higher sensitivity to front end interest rate cuts. Elsewhere, the Fund opened a tactical short position to Japanese duration given the potential for further tightening from the BoJ.

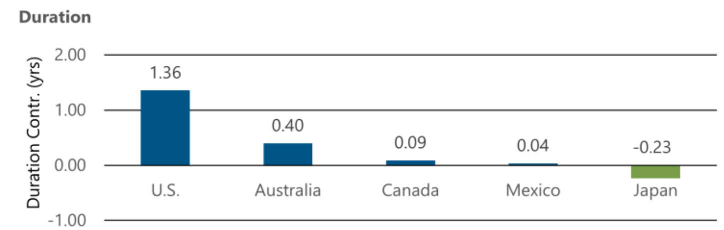
Spread

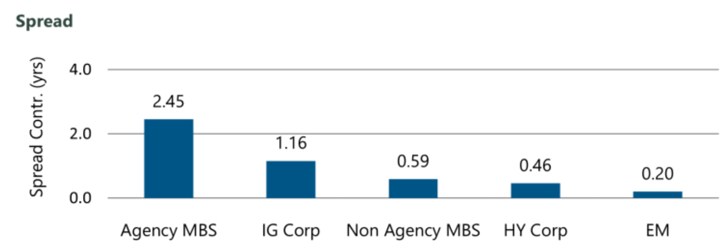
We continue to see value in higher quality securitized credit including non-Agency MBS as underlying fundamentals remain compelling and the sector is relatively insulated from key risks facing global markets. Within investment grade corporate credit, the Fund maintains an emphasis on financial sector securities, which benefit from improved fundamentals following years of increased regulation and offer attractive valuation versus the non-financial sector. Within high yield credit, the Fund maintains modest holdings, focusing on select issuers and opportunities. The Fund also has a position in CDX protection to hedge beta exposure given potential for higher volatility.

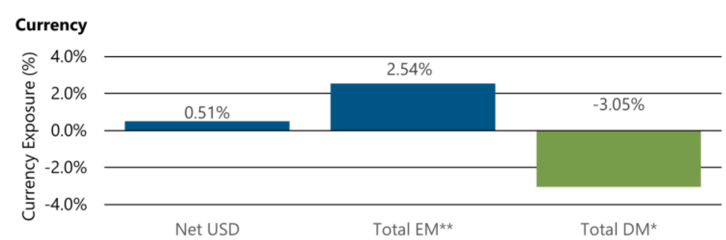
Currency

The Fund remains tactical with currency positioning, holding modest long positions across a diversified selection of both DM and EM currencies. We continue to hold a broad basket of commodity-linked currencies such as the MXN, BRL, ZAR, IDR, COP, CLP and AUD where we believe valuations remain attractive. The Fund also holds long exposures to INR and TRY, and short exposures to CNY, KRW, TWD, SGD and PLN. Within developed market currencies, we hold long exposures in JPY, while being tactically short CAD, EUR.

Position







Source: PIMCO
*DM Basket Includes: Long positions in JPY, AUD and short positions in CAD, EUR.
**EM Basket Includes: Long positions in MXN, BRL, IDR, INR, ZAR, CLP, TRY, COP and short positions in PEN, SGD, TWD, CNY, KRW, PLN.

Sector exposure

	Portfolio				Benchmark	
	% of Market value		Duration in years		% of Market value	Duration in years
	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24	31 Mar '24	31 Mar '24
Government	0.87	-7.68	-1.73	-2.21	0.00	0.00
Semi-Gov	0.21	0.21	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00
Agency	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
IG Corporates	15.60	15.61	0.60	0.59	100.00	0.12
Financial	11.08	11.07	0.41	0.40	0.00	0.00
Industrial	3.84	3.88	0.15	0.16	0.00	0.00
Utilities	0.68	0.66	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.00
Other Investment Grade Credit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.12
High Yield	4.92	2.92	0.11	0.09	0.00	0.00
Financial	0.99	0.79	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
Industrial	3.68	3.16	0.10	0.08	0.00	0.00
Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other High Yield Credit	0.25	-1.03	0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00
Securitized*	63.10	61.44	2.83	2.96	0.00	0.00
Agency Mortgages	49.83	48.73	2.33	2.46	0.00	0.00
Non-Agency Mortgages	11.61	11.02	0.47	0.47	0.00	0.00
Asset-Backed Securities	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Covered Bonds	0.96	1.01	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00
Emerging Markets**	11.10	6.98	0.17	0.19	0.00	0.00
Sovereigns	9.30	5.58	0.12	0.14	0.00	0.00
Quasi-Sovereigns	0.30	0.22	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
Corporates	1.50	1.17	0.05	0.04	0.00	0.00
Cash Equiv & Other	4.13	20.45	0.05	0.04	0.00	0.00
Total	**100**	**100**	**2.05**	**1.67**	**100**	**0.12**

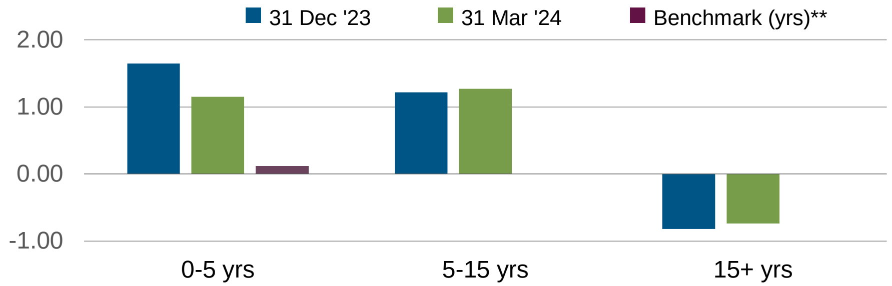
*Securitized includes Agency MBS, non-Agency MBS, CMBS, ABS, CDO, CLO, and Pooled Funds.

**Emerging markets instruments includes an emerging market security or other instrument economically tied to an emerging market country by country of risk with an effective duration less than one year and rated investment grade or higher or if unrated, determined to be similar quality by PIMCO. Emerging Markets includes the value of short duration emerging markets instruments previously reported in another category.

Benchmark: Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bills Index

Portfolio characteristics

Key rate duration exposure



	Portfolio (yrs)		Benchmark (yrs)**
	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24	31 Mar '24
0-5 yrs	1.65	1.15	0.12
5-15 yrs	1.22	1.27	0.00
15+ yrs	-0.82	-0.74	0.00
Total	**2.05**	**1.68**	**0.12**

Interest rate exposure

	Portfolio (yrs)		Benchmark (yrs)**
	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24	31 Mar '24
Effective duration	2.05	1.67	0.12
Spread duration			
Mortgage spread duration	3.37	3.27	0.00
Corporate spread duration	0.87	0.78	0.12
Emerging markets spread duration	0.19	0.20	0.00
Swap spread duration	0.32	-0.88	0.00
Covered bond spread duration	0.02	0.03	0.00
Sovereign related spread duration	0.01	0.01	0.00

**Benchmark duration is calculated by PIMCO
Benchmark: Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bills Index

Country and currency exposure

Country exposure by country of settlement

	31 Dec '23		31 Mar '24		Benchmark	
	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)
United States	1.52	-0.49	1.27	0.54	0.00	0.00
Japan	0.00	2.60	-0.23	0.52	0.00	0.00
Eurozone	0.02	-2.12	0.00	-0.76	0.00	0.00
European Union	0.27	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00
Euro Currency	0.00	-2.12	0.00	-0.76	0.00	0.00
France	0.04	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
Germany	-0.42	0.00	-0.38	0.00	0.00	0.00
Greece	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Italy	0.04	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Luxembourg	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
Netherlands	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
Spain	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
United Kingdom	-0.01	0.24	-0.02	0.05	0.00	0.00
Europe non-EMU	-0.16	-1.55	0.00	-0.97	0.00	0.00
Denmark	-0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Poland	-0.16	-1.55	0.00	-0.97	0.00	0.00
Dollar Block	0.47	97.80	0.58	98.07	0.12	100.00
Australia	0.35	100.21	0.49	100.42	0.12	100.00
Canada	0.12	-2.42	0.09	-2.36	0.00	0.00
New Zealand	-0.00	0.01	-0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
Other Industrialized Countries	-0.01	-2.96	-0.01	-2.95	0.00	0.00
Chile	0.00	0.14	0.00	0.12	0.00	0.00
Hong Kong	-0.00	-0.02	-0.00	-0.02	0.00	0.00
Israel	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Singapore	-0.00	-0.52	-0.00	-0.50	0.00	0.00
South Korea	-0.00	-1.06	-0.00	-1.18	0.00	0.00
Taiwan	-0.00	-1.52	-0.00	-1.38	0.00	0.00
EM - Asia	-0.00	0.27	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00
China	-0.00	-1.85	-0.00	-1.78	0.00	0.00
Indonesia	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.38	0.00	0.00
India	0.00	1.47	0.00	1.45	0.00	0.00
EM - Latin America	0.18	3.16	0.04	3.25	0.00	0.00

Benchmark: Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bills Index

Country and currency exposure

Country exposure by country of settlement

	31 Dec '23		31 Mar '24		Benchmark	
	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)
Argentina	-0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00
Brazil	0.15	1.56	0.00	1.25	0.00	0.00
Colombia	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00
Mexico	0.03	1.58	0.04	1.98	0.00	0.00
Peru	0.00	-0.09	0.00	-0.09	0.00	0.00
EM - CEEMEA	0.04	3.05	0.03	2.20	0.00	0.00
Hungary	0.00	1.16	-0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00
South Africa	0.04	0.92	0.03	0.95	0.00	0.00
Turkey	0.00	0.96	0.00	1.25	0.00	0.00
Liabilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	**2.05**	**100**	**1.67**	**100**	**0.12**	**100**

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Portfolio allocations and other information in the charts in this Quarterly Investment Report are based on the fund's net assets.

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The performance figures presented reflect the performance for the institutional class unless otherwise noted.

PIMCO uses an internal model for calculating effective duration, which may result in a different value for the duration of an index compared to the duration calculated by the index provider or another third party.

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Alpha is a measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis calculated by comparing the volatility (price risk) of a portfolio vs. its risk-adjusted performance to a benchmark index; the excess return relative to the benchmark is alpha.

Average coupon is the average of the coupon payments of the underlying bonds within the portfolio.

Average effective maturity is a weighted average of all the maturities of the bonds in a portfolio, computed by weighting each bond's effective maturity by the market value of the security.

"Bend-but-not-break" refers to credits that PIMCO would not expect to default in a credit-stressed environment.

Beta is a measure of price sensitivity to market movements. Market beta is 1.

Breakeven inflation rate (or expectation) is a market-based measure of expected inflation or the difference between the yield of a nominal and an inflation-linked bond of the same maturity.

Carry is the rate of interest earned by holding the respective securities.

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Dividend yield is represented by the weighted average coupon divided by the weighted average price.

Duration is the measure of a bond's price sensitivity to interest rates and is expressed in years.

Effective duration is the duration for a bond with an embedded option when the value is calculated to include the expected change in cash flow caused by the option as interest rates change.

Forward curve is a function graph that defines the prices at which a contract for future delivery or payment can be concluded today.

Fallen angel is a bond that was initially given an investment grade rating but has since been reduced to below investment grade status.

GFC is the Global Financial Crisis.

Information ratio is a ratio of portfolio returns above the returns of a benchmark to the volatility of those returns.

Like-duration Securities are calculated by the index provider by comparing the index return to a hypothetical matched position in the security.

LNG is Liquefied Natural Gas.

The **Option Adjusted Spread (OAS)** measures the spread over a variety of possible interest rate paths. A security's OAS is the average return an investor will earn over Treasury returns, taking all possible future interest rate scenarios into account. The OAS is the net spread over the swap curve that will on average be earned if the security is held to maturity.

Rising star is the term given to a bond that was rated high yield but has since been upgraded to investment grade.

"Risk assets" are any financial security or instrument that are likely to fluctuate in price.

Risk premia is the return in excess of the risk-free rate of return an investment is expected to yield.

Roll yield is the yield that a futures investor captures as their long position in a futures contract converges to the spot price.

"Safe haven" is an investment that is expected to retain or increase in value during times of market turbulence.

"Safe Spread" is defined as sectors that we believe are most likely to withstand the vicissitudes of a wide range of possible economic scenarios. All investments contain risk and may lose value.

The **SEC yield** is an annualized yield based on the most recent 30 day period. The subsidized yield includes contractual expense reimbursements and it would be lower without those reimbursements. The **Unsubsidized 30 day SEC Yield** excludes contractual expense reimbursements.

Tracking error measures the dispersion or volatility of excess returns relative to a benchmark.

To relate the price sensitivity of ILBs to changes in nominal yields, yield beta is applied to nominal changes to arrive at a price sensitivity of ILBs to changes in nominal rates. A **yield beta** of 0.90 implies that if nominal yields move 100 basis points, real yields will move 90 basis points. ILBs with long maturity may respond differently to changes in nominal rates than shorter maturity ILBs.

The distribution yield for monthly paying Funds is calculated by annualizing actual dividends distributed for the monthly period ended on the date shown and dividing by the net asset value on the last business day for the same period. The distribution yield for quarterly paying Funds is calculated by taking the average of the prior four quarterly distribution yields. The quarterly distribution yields are calculated by annualizing actual dividends distributed for the quarterly period ended on the most recent quarterly distribution date and dividing by the net asset value for the same date. The yield does not include long- or short-term capital gains distributions.

Asset-Backed Security (ABS); Bank of England (BOE); Bank of Japan (BOJ); Breakeven Inflation (BEI); Collateralized Debt Obligation (CDO); Collateralized Loan Obligation (CLO); Commercial Mortgage-Backed Security (CMBS); Developed Markets (DM); Emerging Markets (EM); Federal Reserve Board (The Fed); Europe Central Bank (ECB); Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC); Foreign Exchange (FX); Gross Domestic Product (GDP); Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC); High Yield (HY); Inflation-Linked Bond (ILS); Investment Grade (IG); Leveraged-buyout (LBO); Loan-to-Value (LTV); Master Limited Partnership (MLP); Mortgage-Backed Security (MBS); Market Weighted Spread (MWS); Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT); Residential Mortgage-Backed Security (RMBS); Treasury Inflation-Protected Security (TIPS); Year-over-Year (YoY)

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