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PIMCO Global Credit Fund

Quarterly Investment Report | 4Q23

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Executive summary

Portfolio Performance

The PIMCO Global Credit Fund outperformed its benchmark over the quarter primarily due to credit positioning.

Class:	INST
Inception date:	04 Dec '01
Fund assets (in millions):	AUD1,447.21

Summary information	31 Dec '23
Effective duration (yrs)	5.05
Benchmark duration (yrs)	5.81
Effective maturity (yrs)	7.05
Average coupon	3.88%

CONTRIBUTORS

- Overweight exposure to corporate credit assets contributed to relative performance
- Developed markets duration positioning contributed to relative performance, notably in Dollar block and U.S. rates
- Positioning in government-related securities contributed to relative performance

DETRACTORS

- Overweight positioning to non-Agency residential mortgage-backed securities detracted from relative performance
- Emerging markets duration positioning detracted from relative performance, notably due to China rates

Top 5 overweights (MV%)	Portfolio	BM*
Banks	21.80	16.81
Independent E&P	2.02	0.32
Transportation Services	2.18	0.72
Automotive	2.12	0.97
Brokerage	2.24	1.22

Performance periods ended 31 Dec '23	3 mos.	FYTD	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
Gross of fees (%)	6.26	4.00	6.49	-2.61	1.27	3.28	6.32
Net of fees (%)	6.11	3.71	5.90	-3.15	0.70	2.70	5.77
Benchmark*	5.98	3.76	5.68	-3.05	0.76	2.64	5.49

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

Top 5 underweights (MV%)	Portfolio	BM*
Pharmaceuticals	0.08	1.54
Electric Utility	2.77	4.09
Healthcare	0.05	1.07
Food & Beverage	0.45	1.43
Technology	1.68	2.46

Portfolio strategy

We remain selective on generic corporate credit risk and focus on bottom-up credit selection, emphasizing resilient issuers with positive rating trajectories and attractive valuation.

All-in yields remain elevated compared to the last 15 years and yields around current levels have historically represented attractive entry points for long-term investors. In this environment, non-cyclicals, select consumer-oriented sectors, defensive BBBs, new issues, and potential rising stars continue to offer attractive opportunities, while ongoing macro volatility and recession risk may lead to downside risk in lower quality credits.

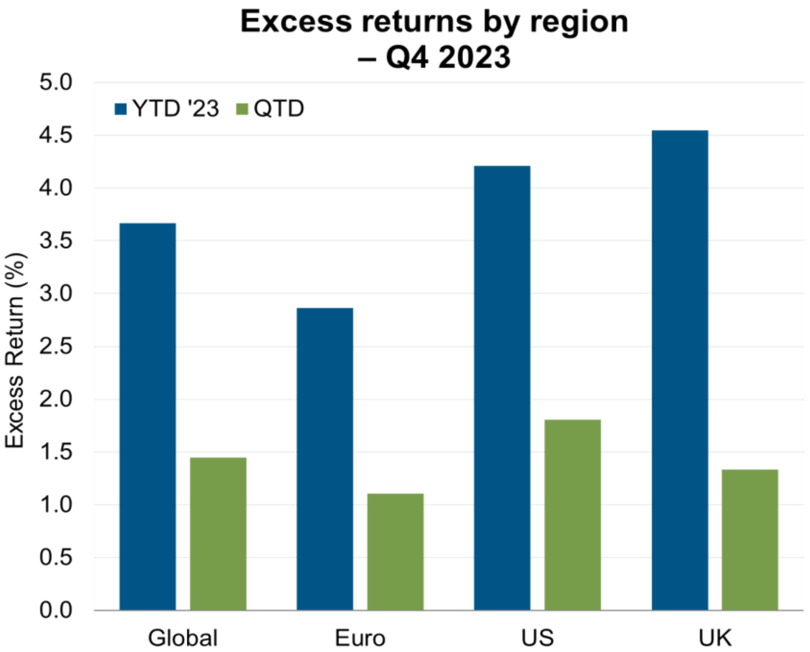
Quality Exposure (MV %)	31 Dec '23
AAA	29.61
AA	27.33
A	18.02
BBB	22.51
Sub Investment Grade	2.52
Average Credit Quality	**AA-**

*Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex Treasury Index hedged into AUD

Quarter in Review

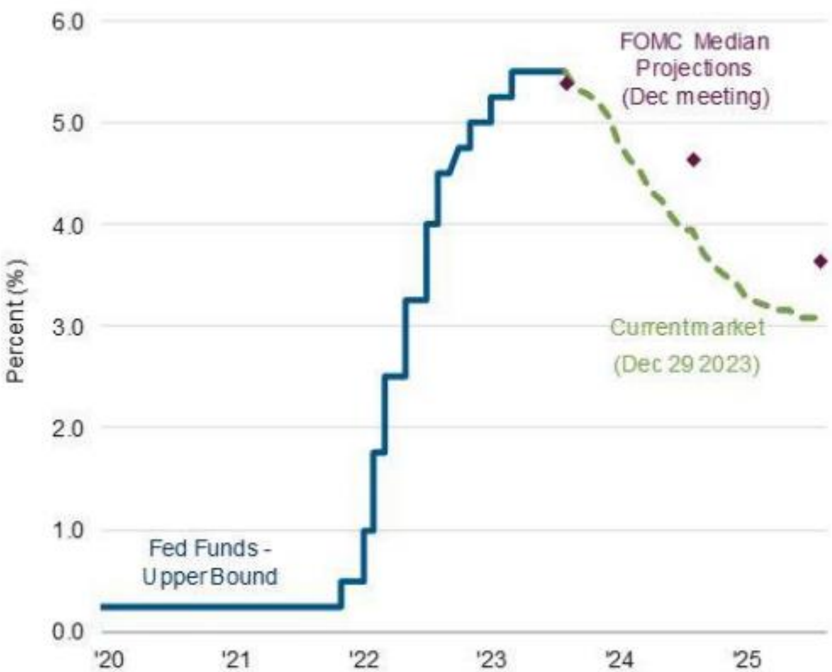
Credit spreads tightened during the fourth quarter amid improved risk sentiment

Global investment grade credit spreads tightened by 15bps over the quarter to 105bps. The fourth quarter saw a significant rally in government bonds and risk assets, as inflation continued to moderate while growth has remained supported. Alongside more dovish than expected Fed commentary, market confidence in a soft landing and a resulting policy pivot continued to increase, with investors now expecting both an earlier start to the upcoming cutting cycle and a greater number of cuts over the next 12 months. Against this backdrop, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index outperformed like-duration government bonds by 1.5% over the quarter, with a total return of 7.3% (USD hedged).



On an excess return basis, all regional credit markets posted positive returns during the fourth quarter as spreads tightened amid improved risk sentiment. The U.S. credit market outperformed over the quarter, supported by healthy economic growth indicators alongside a continued moderation in inflation.

Source: Bloomberg, ICE BofA Merrill Lynch



Weakening economic data has sparked optimism, with market participants pricing in roughly 6 cuts in 2024, for a total of more than 150 bps.

Source: Bloomberg

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Market Summary

Q4'23: Weakening economic data

The Fund's spread and interest rate strategies contributed to relative performance, while currency strategies was a minor detractor over the quarter.

Developed market debt

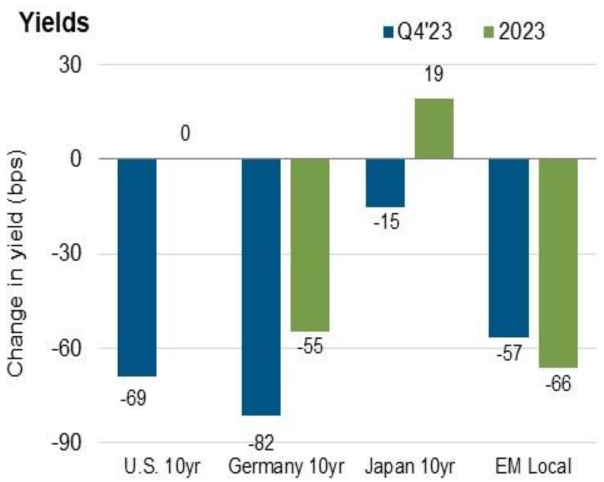
Indications of slowing inflation in the second half of the quarter prompted markets to price in accelerated expectations of rate cuts for next year. Yields fell broadly in developed markets as central banks held rates steady, including in the U.S., U.K., and Germany. In Japan, yields fell more modestly as the Bank of Japan weighed a potential exit to its accommodative monetary policy.

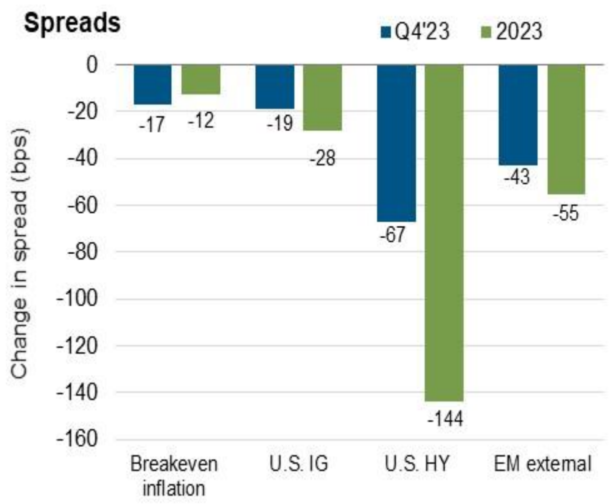
Credit

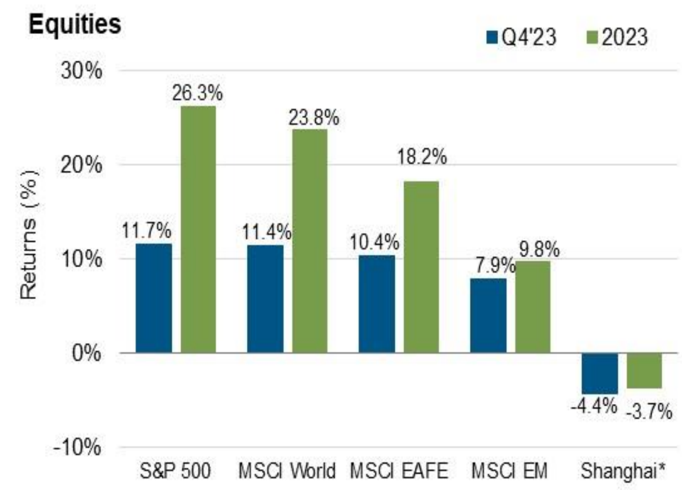
U.S. investment grade credit[1] spreads tightened 19 bps, ending the quarter at 93 bps. The sector returned 8.15%, outperforming like-duration treasuries by 1.81%. High quality credit posted two strong months of returns to end the year amid the rate rally.

Equities

Developed market equities[2] rose 11.4% in the fourth quarter of 2023 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

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Navigating the Descent: Four economic themes

Peak inflation and rising unemployment consistent with rate cuts

Soft landings are possible, but risks remain

Markets already price a substantial cutting cycle

Global divergence in monetary policy

As of 31 December 2023. Source: PIMCO

Portfolio Outlook

Strategic outlook

Further disinflation and the potential for a faster cutting cycle should, in our view, raise the prospects for a soft landing. However, this is not to say that we believe that the path toward a soft landing is the only possible path. It is our view that the tighter-for-longer strategy that central banks have been communicating along with the strong possibility of stagnation in developed market supply and demand growth leave recession risks elevated.

Key strategies

Credit outlook

Investment grade credit fundamentals have remained resilient thus far as earnings as well as debt leverage metrics have remained relatively stable over recent quarters. Slowing consumer demand and margin pressures continue to represent headwinds for select industries and issuers, and tightening credit conditions could still translate into a recession. That said, given strong starting levels, credit fundamentals are generally expected to remain resilient even in a downturn

Top Overweights

We favor bank capital exposure from large systemic banks which benefit from high capital levels, years of balance sheet de-risking and positive regulatory developments. We retain a favorable view of the gaming, airline, and lodging sectors, as continued strength in leisure and business travel as well as strong consumer demand is feeding through to material earnings improvements and de-leveraging potential. Within gaming, we are focused on names well positioned to capitalize on secular tailwinds and growth opportunities. Within airlines, we remain focused on higher quality EETCs as well as other secured airline debt.

Top Underweights

We remain underweight issuers with limited upside and potential re-leveraging risk in sectors such as food & beverage and pharmaceuticals. We also maintain an underweight position to sectors with asset light business models or more shareholder-friendly balance sheet practices such as technology and integrated oil. Similarly, we also take a more cautious stance towards issuers in sectors that are facing secular challenges to their core business models, such as retailers.

Interest Rate / Currency Strategies

During the quarter we have continued to dynamically manage the overall duration profile of the portfolio. We remain underweight overall duration, but have overweights to Euro, Australia, New Zealand duration, and underweights to Germany and Japan duration. In terms of currencies, we retain tactical long exposures to the Japanese Yen, to a diversified basket of EM currencies, and to select developed market currencies such as AUD, funded by short positions in the USD and CAD.

Sector exposure

	Portfolio				Benchmark	
	% of Market value		Duration in years		% of Market value	Duration in years
	30 Sep '23	31 Dec '23	30 Sep '23	31 Dec '23	31 Dec '23	31 Dec '23
Government	-8.02	-0.73	0.49	0.47	0.16	0.01
Semi-Gov	3.24	3.11	0.13	0.11	10.86	0.77
Agency	4.62	4.45	0.18	0.16	6.61	0.33
IG Corporates	40.78	42.97	1.75	1.92	37.42	2.29
Financial	22.67	25.90	0.83	1.04	15.48	0.72
Industrial	15.82	14.85	0.75	0.71	18.95	1.34
Utilities	2.29	2.22	0.17	0.17	2.97	0.23
Other Investment Grade Credit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00
High Yield	4.00	2.91	0.09	0.06	0.00	0.00
Financial	0.98	0.15	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Industrial	1.14	0.99	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.00
Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other High Yield Credit	1.87	1.77	0.05	0.04	0.00	0.00
Securitized*	38.81	38.83	2.14	1.92	29.53	1.64
Agency Mortgages	33.70	31.67	1.97	1.69	23.72	1.39
Non-Agency Mortgages	3.92	5.00	0.15	0.17	0.81	0.03
Asset-Backed Securities	0.25	0.33	0.01	0.01	0.39	0.01
Covered Bonds	0.94	1.83	0.01	0.05	4.62	0.20
Emerging Markets**	10.10	7.97	0.38	0.32	15.34	0.78
Sovereigns	6.15	5.67	0.29	0.26	2.60	0.18
Quasi-Sovereigns	2.90	1.42	0.07	0.04	11.11	0.52
Corporates	1.05	0.89	0.02	0.01	1.64	0.08
Cash Equiv & Other	6.47	0.49	0.13	0.08	0.07	0.00
Total	**100**	**100**	**5.29**	**5.04**	**100**	**5.82**

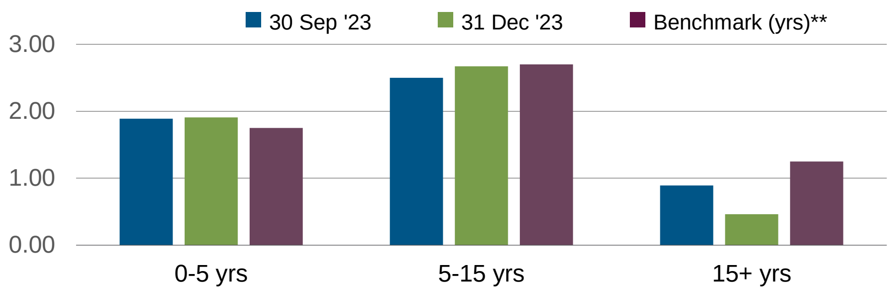
*Securitized includes Agency MBS, non-Agency MBS, CMBS, ABS, CDO, CLO, and Pooled Funds.

**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 Global Aggregate ex Treasury Index hedged into AUD

Portfolio characteristics

Key rate duration exposure



	Portfolio (yrs)		Benchmark (yrs)**
	30 Sep '23	31 Dec '23	31 Dec '23
0-5 yrs	1.89	1.91	1.75
5-15 yrs	2.50	2.67	2.70
15+ yrs	0.89	0.46	1.25
Total	**5.28**	**5.04**	**5.70**

Interest rate exposure

	Portfolio (yrs)		Benchmark (yrs)**
	30 Sep '23	31 Dec '23	31 Dec '23
Effective duration	5.28	5.05	5.70
Spread duration			
Mortgage spread duration	2.44	2.23	1.41
Corporate spread duration	2.16	2.30	2.47
Emerging markets spread duration	0.44	0.38	0.80
Swap spread duration	1.45	1.35	0.00
Covered bond spread duration	0.04	0.08	0.20
Sovereign related spread duration	0.31	0.28	0.98

**Benchmark duration is calculated by PIMCO
Benchmark: Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex Treasury Index hedged into AUD

Country and currency exposure

Country exposure by country of settlement

	30 Sep '23		31 Dec '23		Benchmark	
	Duration (yrs)	**FX (%)**	**Duration (yrs)**	**FX (%)**	**Duration (yrs)**	**FX (%)**
United States	3.67	-1.44	3.39	-0.88	3.59	-0.00
Japan	-0.34	1.23	-0.35	0.74	0.05	-0.00
Eurozone	0.91	-0.62	1.04	-0.57	1.13	-0.00
Austria	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00
Belgium	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00
European Union	1.13	0.00	1.16	0.00	0.51	0.00
Finland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Euro Currency	0.00	-0.62	0.00	-0.57	0.00	-0.01
France	0.04	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.20	0.00
Germany	-0.31	0.00	-0.22	0.00	0.23	0.00
Greece	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ireland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Italy	0.05	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.03	0.01
Luxembourg	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00
Netherlands	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.00
Lithuania	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Portugal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Slovakia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Slovenia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Spain	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.00
Estonia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Malta	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
United Kingdom	0.20	-0.01	0.18	-0.01	0.14	-0.00
Europe non-EMU	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	-0.00
Denmark	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	-0.00
Croatia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Norway	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Poland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00
Sweden	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	-0.00
Switzerland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.00
Dollar Block	0.53	100.61	0.49	100.61	0.37	100.00
Australia	0.28	100.68	0.27	100.54	0.07	100.00

Benchmark: Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex Treasury Index hedged into AUD

Country and currency exposure

Country exposure by country of settlement

	30 Sep '23		31 Dec '23		Benchmark	
	Duration (yrs)	**FX (%)**	**Duration (yrs)**	**FX (%)**	**Duration (yrs)**	**FX (%)**
Canada	0.16	0.01	0.15	0.06	0.30	-0.00
New Zealand	0.09	-0.08	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Industrialized Countries	-0.00	-1.00	-0.00	-0.49	0.01	0.00
Hong Kong	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Singapore	-0.00	-0.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Singapore	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
South Korea	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Taiwan	-0.00	-0.51	-0.00	-0.49	0.00	0.00
EM - Asia	0.32	1.22	0.29	0.60	0.42	0.00
China	0.31	-0.05	0.29	0.11	0.42	0.00
Indonesia	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.00
India	0.00	0.55	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.00
Thailand	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Thailand	0.00	0.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EM - Latin America	0.00	0.01	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mexico	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EM - CEEMEA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Liabilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	**5.28**	**100**	**5.05**	**100**	**5.81**	**100**

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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.

The terms **"cheap" and "rich"** as used herein generally refer to a security or asset class that is deemed to be substantially under- or overpriced compared to both its historical average as well as to the investment manager's future expectations. There is no guarantee of future results or that a security's valuation will ensure a profit or protect against a loss.

CPI is the Consumer Price Index.

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.

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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