BOARD OF PENSION TRUSTEES FOR THE

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE RETIREMENT SYSTEM Thursday, April 4, 2024, at 12:30 PM City Hall Conference Room 3C

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>
- a. None
- 4. OLD BUSINESS
- a. GEPP and CORP Discount Rate Discussion
- 5. <u>INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL MATTERS</u>

Baird - Fixed Income presentation

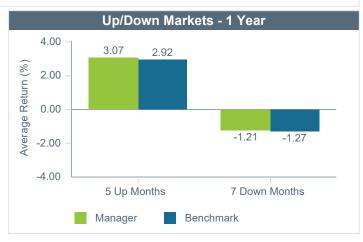
- 6. **INFORMATION**
- a. Next regular BOT meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 2 PM
- b. Loomis Sayles Fixed Income discussion scheduled for Thursday, May 2, 2024, at 12:30 PM
- 7. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR
- 8. ADJOURNMENT

Manager: Baird Core Fixed Income (SA)
Benchmark: Bloomberg US Agg Bond Index

Peer Group: IM U.S. Broad Market Core Fixed Income (SA+CF)

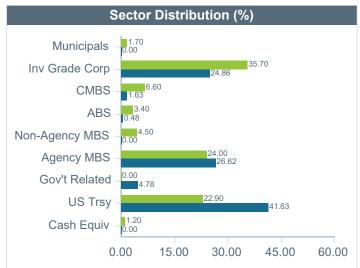
Performance											
	QTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Manager	7.09	6.68	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-13.23	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Benchmark	6.82	5.53	-3.31	1.10	1.29	1.81	-13.01	-1.55	7.51	8.72	0.01
Difference	0.27	1.15	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-0.22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Peer Group Median	6.82	6.06	-3.01	1.64	1.76	2.25	-12.97	-1.24	8.43	9.18	0.06
Rank	26	20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	73	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Population	134	133	133	132	130	125	145	152	160	162	169







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Performance shown is gross of fees and client specific. Calculation is based on monthly periodicity. Parentheses contain percentile ranks.





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Section 1

Firm/Team Overview

Firm Update

1919 founded in Milwaukee

2004 Baird becomes employee-owned

5,100 Associates (Over 80% are shareholders)



20 consecutive years

Mary Ellen Stanek

Morningstar

Outstanding Portfolio

Manager Award 2022



12 consecutive years



5 years

Kiplinger

Baird Aggregate Bond Fund added to **The Kiplinger 25** list of the best noload mutual funds



7 years

BARRON'S

A Top-Performing
Muni Fund That
Ventures Where
Others Don't (8/9/23)
Baird Strategic Municipal
Bond Fund

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How to Use Taxable Bonds in a Portfolio (8/14/23) Four Baird Bond Funds highlighted in list of seven Highly Rated Taxable-Bond Funds (Actively Managed Funds)



Mary Ellen Stanek named an Influential Woman in Institutional Investing









Awards 2023*

Baird Asset
Management named 1
of 3 nominees for the
2023 Morningstar
Exemplary
Stewardship Award





Baird Core Plus,
Aggregate, Short-Term
and Ultra Short Bond
Funds receive

Morningstar's highest
gold rating (2/6/2024)



Baird Funds recognized as the #1 Fund Family out of the Largest 150 Fund Families 2023 MORNINGSTAR'S THRILLING 30 FUNDS

Baird Aggregate, Core Plus, Short-Term and Core Intermediate Muni Bond Funds selected for Morningstar's **Thrilling 30** mutual fund list out of more than 15,000 fund share classes



LSEG Lipper Fund Awards

2024 Winner United States Baird Strategic Municipal Bond Fund: **Best Fund** over 3 years in the ShortIntermediate Municipal Debt Funds category

2 consecutive years

2022 Winner LSEG Lipper Fund Awards Baird Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund: Best Fund over 3 & 5 years in the Short Municipal Debt Funds category

Baird Funds Signatory of:

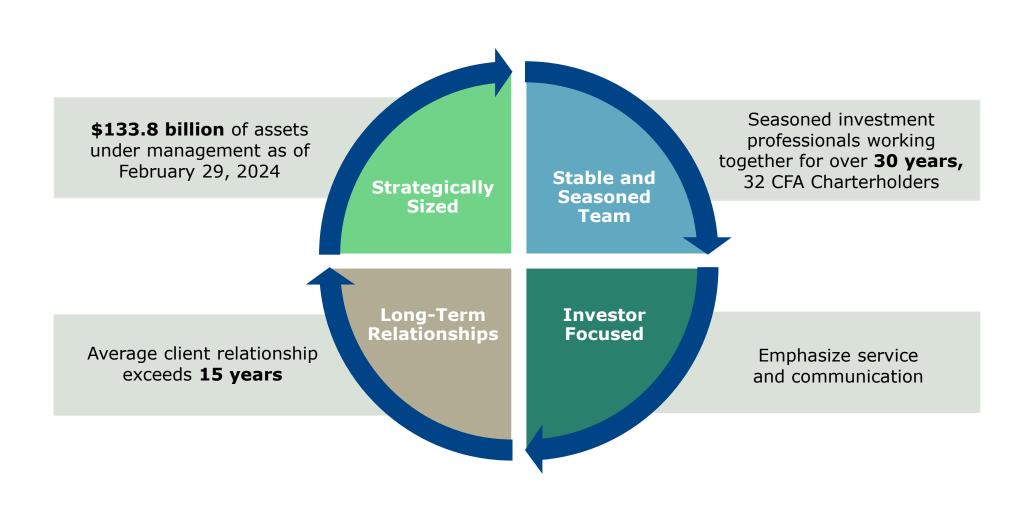


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Experienced Team with a Competitive Track Record in High-Quality Fixed Income Management



Continue to Invest in the Team



Joined the Client Services Team in Q4 2023



Anne Wiesman, CFAVice President
Client Service Specialist

Joined the Investment Team in Q3 2023



Shreeya Aryal Credit Investment Analyst

Joined the Investment Team in Q2 2023



Alec JohnsonVice President
Credit Investment Analyst

Interns Hired Full-Time Starting Summer 2023



Victoria Rios, Client Services Specialist Marquette University *Intern with Baird Advisors since 2015*



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Andrew Rodriguez, Portfolio Analyst UW-Madison
Intern with Baird Advisors since 2020



Adrian Mora, Portfolio Analyst Marquette University *Intern with Baird Advisors since 2021*





Dina Sofair, Investment Analyst Emory University



Intern with Baird Advisors since 2021

20% of all Baird Advisors associates started at Baird in an intern role

Baird Advisors

Portfolio Management Team



Mary Ellen Stanek, CFA

MD, Co-Chief Investment Officer 45 Years of Experience Warren Pierson, CFA

MD, Co-Chief Investment Officer 38 Years of Experience

Charles Groeschell

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MD, Senior Portfolio Manager Research Director 40 Years of Experience

Duane McAllister, CFA

MD, Senior Portfolio Manager Co-Lead Municipal Sector 37 Years of Experience

Meghan Dean, CFA

Amy Johnson

MD, Portfolio Analyst

23 Years of Experience

Alice Ambrowiak, CFA, CPA

SVP, Investment Analyst

22 Years of Experience

Joseph Lorbert, CFA, CFP

VP, Investment Analyst

13 Years of Experience

Patrick Brown, CFA

Lyle Fitterer, CFA

MD, Senior Portfolio Manager

Co-Lead Municipal Sector

35 Years of Experience

MD, Senior Portfolio Manager
Co-Lead Securitized Sector
Co-Lead Securitized Sector
24 Years of Experience

MD, Senior Portfolio Manager
Co-Lead Securitized Sector
21 Years of Experience

Timothy Fotsch, CFA

SVP, Senior Investment Analyst 17 Years of Experience

Gabriel Diederich, CFA

SVP, Portfolio Manager

21 Years of Experience

VP, Investment Analyst

11 Years of Experience

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33 Years of Experience

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MD, Senior Investment Analyst 17 Years of Experience

Jed Bruss, CFA

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MD, Senior Portfolio Manager

Lead Credit Sector

30 Years of Experience

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MD, Senior Investment Analyst

16 Years of Experience

John Cremer, CFA

SVP, Senior Investment Analyst

12 Years of Experience

Allison Parra, CFA

SVP, Investment Analyst 8 Years of Experience

VP, Investment Analyst
7 Years of Experience

Neha Dimri, CFA

VP, Investment Analyst
7 Years of Experience

Alec Johnson

VP, Investment Analyst
7 Years of Experience

Sabrina Wolf

Investment Analyst
5 Years of Experience

George Wong

Investment Analyst
4 Years of Experience

Shreeya Aryal

Investment Analyst
3 Years of Experience

Dina Sofair

Investment Analyst
1 Year of Experience

Baird Resource Partners

Legal & Compliance (91)

Information Technology (278)

Human Resources (74)

Finance (69)

Research (Equity & Credit) (157)

Baird Advisors - Representative Clients

Average Client Relationship Exceeds 15 years





Baird Advisors

Competitive Advantages

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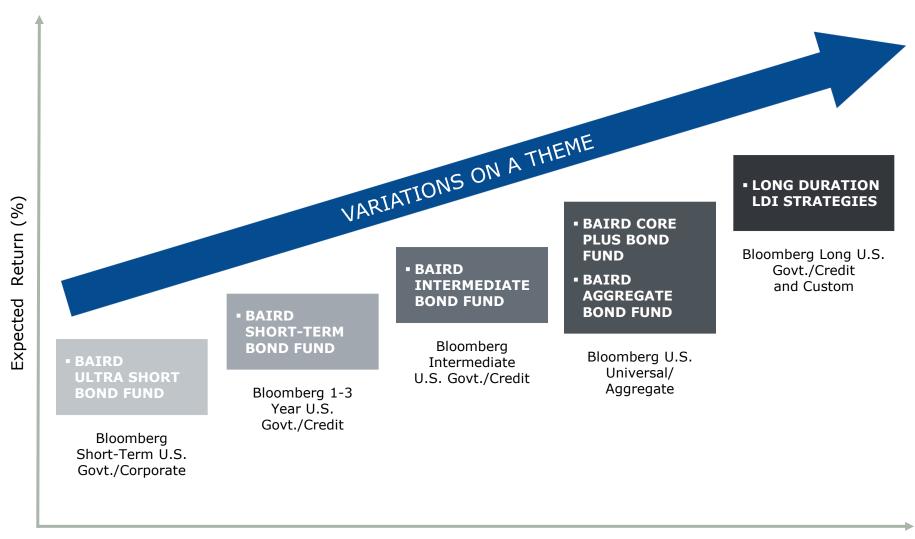
- Experienced team of investment professionals
- Risk-controlled discipline delivering over 35 years of competitive returns
- Consistency of returns versus peers
- Strategically sized, emphasizing bottom-up versus top-down approach
- All cash bonds, all U.S. dollar-denominated, no derivatives, no leverage
- Attractive expense ratio benefits future returns (30 bps Institutional Class)
- Employee-owned, strong financial services firm



Structured, Risk-Controlled Taxable Portfolio Management



Consistent Approach Applied Across Risk Spectrum



Risk (Duration Years)

Baird Taxable Bond Funds





					Annu	alized		Since
	YTD 2024	2023	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception ²	Inception Lipper Rank & Percentile
Baird Core Plus Bond Fund – BCOIX	-1.20%	6.89%	4.76%	-2.48%	1.42%	2.18%	4.71%	6 of 50
Bloomberg U.S. Universal Index Added Value (bps)	-1.44%	6.17%	4.06%	-2.81%	0.85%	1.73%	4.05% +66	12%
Baird Aggregate Bond Fund – BAGIX	-1.39%	6.43%	4.13%	-2.94%	1.02%	1.87%	4.25%	11 of 126
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index Added Value (bps)	-1.68%	5.53%	3.33%	-3.16%	0.56%	1.43%	3.77% +48	9%
Baird Intermediate Bond Fund – BIMIX	-0.54%	5.78%	4.76%	-1.45%	1.52%	1.77%	3.97%	5 of 33
Bloomberg Intermediate U.S. Govt/Credit Index Added Value (bps)	-0.79%	5.24%	4.38%	-1.53%	1.24%	1.51%	3.57% +40	15%
Baird Short-Term Bond Fund – BSBIX	0.20%	5.65%	5.39%	0.53%	1.90%	1.74%	2.49%	28 of 106
Bloomberg 1-3 Year U.S. Govt/Credit Index Added Value (bps)	0.02%	4.61%	4.58%	0.10%	1.41%	1.24%	2.08% + <i>41</i>	27%
Baird Ultra Short Bond Fund – BUBIX ¹	0.88%	5.71%	5.88%	2.52%	2.35%	1.81%	1.84%	18 of 69
Bloomberg Short-Term U.S. Govt/Corporate Index Added Value (bps)	0.74%	5.19%	5.31%	2.20%	2.03%	1.48%	1.46% + <i>38</i>	26%

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment in the fund will fluctuate so that an investor's shares when redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. The funds' current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For performance current to the most recent monthend, please visit www.bairdfunds.com.

Returns shown include the reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains.

¹ Expense Ratio for the Institutional Share Classes is 0.30%; for the Investor Share Classes is 0.55%. The Advisor has contractually agreed to waive management fees for the Baird Ultra Short Bond Fund in an amount equal to an annual rate of 0.15% of the average daily net assets for the Fund until April 30, 2025. The agreement may only be terminated prior to the end of this term by or with the consent of the Board of Directors of Baird Funds, Inc.

² The Baird Core Plus, Aggregate and Intermediate Bond Funds Since Inception net returns are based on performance from September 30, 2000 through February 29, 2024. The Baird Short-Term Bond Fund Since Inception net return is based on performance from August 31, 2004 through February 29, 2024. The Baird Ultra Short Bond Fund Since Inception net return is based on performance from December 31, 2013 through February 29, 2024.

Consistency is Key





Percentage of Time Funds Outperform Their Morningstar Category Average Baird Baird Baird Baird Baird Rolling Time Ultra Short Short-Term Intermediate Aggregate Core Plus Periods Bond Bond Bond Bond Bond 1 Year 73% 88% 79% 83% 60% 91% 92% 92% 2 Year 62% 89% 3 Year 99% 98% 62% 100% 98% 100% 5 Year 100% 100% 64% 100%

Source: Morningstar Direct as of February 29, 2024.

Performance numbers used are through each month end period from each fund's inception date.
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Attractive Yields for Investors

Attractive Advantages Over Benchmarks



	Date	Fund YTW*	Benchmark YTW*	Advantage
Ultra Short	2/29/24	5.70%	5.38%	+32 bps
	12/31/21	0.69%	0.36%	+33 bps
Short-Term	2/29/24	5.34%	4.87%	+47 bps
	12/31/21	1.14%	0.81%	+33 bps
Intermediate	2/29/24	5.01%	4.75%	+26 bps
	12/31/21	1.49%	1.30%	+19 bps
Aggregate	2/29/24	5.17%	4.92%	+25 bps
	12/31/21	1.89%	1.75%	+14 bps
Core Plus	2/29/24	5.32%	5.21%	+11 bps
	12/31/21	2.02%	2.08%	-6 bps

^{*}The average portfolio yield-to-worst (YTW) is the lowest estimated yield that can be received on a callable bond at current market price absent a default. The YTW is calculated by using the lower of yield-to-maturity or yield-to-call (an earlier date that the issuer could redeem the bond). The weighted average YTW of a Fund does not include fund fees and expenses.

Baird Taxable Bond Strategies

Rising and Falling Rate Scenario Analysis



	Expected 12 Month Gross Returns						
Portfolio	12/31/23 Duration	12/31/23 Yield to Worst	Rates rise 100 bps	Rates rise 50 bps	Rates Unchanged	Rates fall 50 bps	Rates fall 100 bps
Ultra Short	0.52 years	5.71%	5.64%	5.66%	5.68%	5.69%	5.71%
Short-Term	1.83 years	5.15%	2.87%	3.73%	4.59%	5.47%	6.36%
Intermediate	3.78 years	4.71%	0.77%	2.57%	4.42%	6.31%	8.26%
Aggregate	6.24 years	4.89%	-1.05%	1.79%	4.79%	7.94%	11.24%
Core Plus	6.00 years	5.03%	-0.70%	2.04%	4.93%	7.97%	11.15%
10 Year	r Treasury Yield		4.88%	4.38%	3.88%	3.38%	2.88%

Note:

The scenario analysis is for illustrative purposes only and is not meant to be a recommendation or forecast. The analysis uses the starting yield to worst for each strategy as of 12/31/23. The expected 12 month return calculations assume a constant yield curve slope and portfolio duration while implementing an instantaneous parallel rate shift with no change in spreads.

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Source: ICE, BondEdge

Data as of: 12/31/23 (next update: 3/31/24)



Section 2

Philosophy/Process Overview

Investment Philosophy & Process:

Two-Fold Approach



Step 1: Structure Portfolio to Achieve Return of the Benchmark

Complete Understanding of the Benchmark	 Quantify duration, sector and subsector weightings Evaluate pricing, turnover and projected changes to benchmark Purchase only U.S. dollar-denominated securities
Remain <i>Duration Neutral</i> to Control Portfolio Risk	 Precisely match duration to index at all times Immediately adjust portfolio as contributions and withdrawals occur Rebalance at month-end to match benchmark changes
Maintain Strict Adherence to Portfolio Guidelines	 Continuously monitor risk-control measures Use scenario analysis Compliance systems for all portfolio trades
Emphasis on Security Structure/Credit Research	 Evaluate specific security covenants, cash flows and liquidity concerns Assess company financials and management Consider prospects for sector and position in industry

Investment Philosophy & Process:

Two-Fold Approach



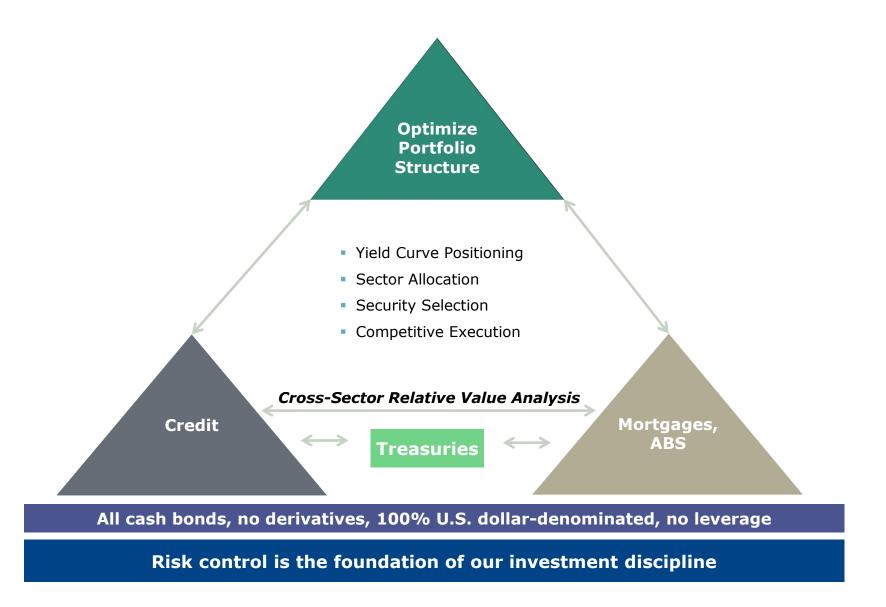
Step 2: Add Incremental Value through Bottom-Up, Risk-Controlled Process

Sources of Added Value:	
Yield Curve Positioning	Optimize yield and "roll down"Analyze yield curve on a continual basis
Sector Allocation	 Evolve sector allocations around long-term biases Focus on relative value Yield spreads and underlying risks change constantly
Security Selection	StructureAttributesLiquidity
Competitive Execution	 Capitalize on market inefficiencies Receive timely market information Utilize long-standing dealer relationships
	add 15-50 basis points of incremental return

Consistent,
Competitive
Performance Over
Complete Market
Cycles

Implementation: A Holistic Approach





Risk Controls in Taxable Portfolio Construction





DURATION NEUTRAL TO BENCHMARK



U.S. TREASURY AND GOVERNMENT AGENCY SECURITIES

- Emphasized for long duration exposures
- Used to match duration



CREDIT SECURITIES

- Overall credit positioning generally shorter on the yield curve versus respective benchmark
- Emphasize sectors and industries that give high priority to stable credit rating
- Broad issuer diversification overall; increases for lower credit quality



MORTGAGE-BACKED AND ASSET-BACKED SECURITIES

- Favor more prepayment protection than U.S. Government Agency MBS (positive convexity "tilt")
- Focus on most senior class in deal structure if Non-U.S. Government guaranteed



CASH BONDS

- No foreign currency
- No derivatives
- No leverage



ONGOING PORTFOLIO MONITORING

Continuous review of portfolios for adherence to stated guidelines and objectives

RISK CONTROL IS THE FOUNDATION OF OUR INVESTMENT DISCIPLINE



Section 3

Update on City of Jacksonville Retirement System Portfolio

Portfolio Positioning



Portfolio yield advantages over benchmarks

Maintain sufficient liquidity for uncertain environment

Portfolios positioned to benefit from spread sector outperformance

- Maintain nominal underweight to U.S. Treasury sector
- Opportunities across spread sectors attractive on selective basis
- Selective overweight to spread sectors

Flat/inverted yield curve limits roll down opportunities

- Duration neutral overall
- Maintain modest positive convexity tilt

Focus on risk control

- Importance of fundamental credit analysis
- Emphasize diversification
- Maintain coupon advantage

Experienced team and risk-controlled process key to long-term success

City of Jacksonville Retirement System Summary Investment Objectives and Portfolio Guidelines



Investment Objective:

To produce investment returns that add value through active management relative to the returns of the Bloomberg U.S Aggregate Index on an annualized basis over rolling three-to-five year periods, net of fees, and rank above median compared to its style peers over the same period.

Authorized Investments:

Cash and cash equivalents, U.S. Treasuries, U.S. Government Agencies and other public-sector debt obligations of U.S. and foreign issuers. Asset-backed and mortgage-backed obligations of U.S. and foreign issuers. Corporate debt obligations U.S. and foreign issuers. Commercial Paper, Taxable and Tax-Exempt Municipal Securities. All debt obligations will be U.S. Dollar-denominated and marketable which include Rule 144A securities.

Portfolio Guidelines Summary:

- Securities must be rated Baa3/BBB- or better by at least one NRSRO (e.g. Moody's, S&P or Fitch) at time of purchase. Securities rated by more than one NRSRO, the highest rating shall apply. The portfolio may also invest up to 5% in unrated debt obligations that are determined by Baird to be comparable in quality to the rated obligations allowed under these guidelines.
- If a security is downgraded below Baa3/BBB- by all NRSROs subsequent to purchase it may be held as long as the total of these holdings downgraded below Baa3/BBB- does not exceed 10%. In addition, any securities downgraded to below investment grade will be reported to the client along with the recommended action.
- Maximum 25% may be invested in any one industry, excluding U.S. Government and Agency securities.
- Maximum 5% per single issuer, excluding for U.S. Government and Agency obligations. An asset-backed or mortgage-backed security that is backed by a discrete pool of receivables or mortgage loans will be considered a unique issuer.
- Maximum 5% Cash under normal circumstances
- Maximum 25% Municipal Bonds
- Maximum 25% Agency Residential Mortgage Backed Securities
- Maximum 25% Government National Mortgages Association Agency Residential Mortgage Backed Securities
- Maximum 25% International Securities
- Maximum 25% Asset-backed securities (ABS), including Non-Agency Residential Mortgage Backed Securities
- Maximum 25% Agency and Non-Agency Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities (CMBS)
- Maximum 80% Corporates

Key Drivers of Performance – 2023



Credit - Positive

- Positive Overweight investment grade credit
- Positive Active positioning within investment grade credit
 - Positive Overweight BBB industrials as well as subsector and security selection decisions within industrials (spread across many subsectors)
 - Positive Subsector and security selection within financials (e.g. favoring non-U.S. versus U.S. banks)
 - Positive Overweight financials/industrials and underweight non-corporate credit

Securitized – Positive overall (note: all non-agency exposure at top of capital structure)

- Positive Overweight non-agency RMBS, non-agency CMBS and ABS
- Positive Agency RMBS positioning
 - Positive Subsector and security selection decisions (e.g. overweight seasoned 3.0%/3.5% coupons and favoring 20yr versus 30yr mortgages in lower coupons)
 - Modest negative Underweight agency RMBS, mitigated by increasing exposure post widening

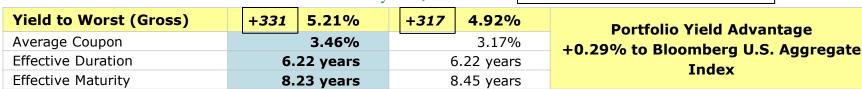
Yield Curve and Convexity - Positive

- Positive Positive convexity tilt of overall portfolio versus the benchmark
- Neutral Yield curve positioning

City of Jacksonville Retirement System

Portfolio Characteristics as of February 29, 2024

Change since 12/31/21 (bps)



	Portfolio	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index	Portfolio	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index
Quality Breakdown	% Market Value		% Contribution to Effective Duration	
U.S. Treasury	23.7	41.8	38.8	40.7
U.S. Agency	23.7	27.8	22.8	27.1
AAA	13.0	3.2	6.7	2.2
AA	2.6	2.7	2.6	3.0
A	12.2	11.9	9.2	13.3
BBB	24.8	12.5	19.9	13.7
Below BBB	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Sector Breakdown				
U.S. Government (Non-MBS)	<i>23.7</i>	42.8	38.8	41.1
U.S. Treasury	23.7	41.8	38.8	40.7
U.S. Agency (Non-MBS)	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.5
Credit	40.1	29.0	32.0	31.5
Industrials	19.3	14.6	18.5	17.8
Utilities	2.6	2.2	2.2	3.1
Financials	17.4	8.2	10.6	7.0
Non-Corporate Credit	0.8	4.0	0.7	3.6
Securitized	<i>35.7</i>	28.2	29.1	27.3
U.S. Agency RMBS	22.5	26.1	21.7	26.0
U.S. Agency CMBS	1.2	0.8	1.0	0.6
Non-Agency RMBS	5.0	0.0	2.7	0.0
Non-Agency CMBS	4.4	0.8	2.7	0.5
ABS	2.7	0.5	1.0	0.2
Cash	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Number of Issues	299	13,534		
Market Value	\$211,757,599			

The average portfolio yield-to-worst (YTW) is the lowest estimated yield that can be received on a callable bond at current market price absent a default. The YTW is calculated by using the lower of yield-to-maturity or yield-to-call (an earlier date that the issuer could redeem the bond). The weighted average YTW of the portfolio is gross of fees. Below BBB category includes non-rated bonds. Totals sum based on unrounded data. Breakouts are shown rounded to the nearest tenth and may not visually sum.

The portfolio assigns each security a rating based on the portfolio's guidelines which could differ from the Bloomberg index methodology which assigns each security a rating based on S&P, Moody's, and Fitch ratings only (middle of three ratings, lower of two, or singular rating).





City of Jacksonville Retirement System

Gross Investment Performance as of February 29, 2024

	Portfolio	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index*
2021 (4/1/21-12/31/21)	2.03%	1.89%
2022	-13.23%	-13.01%
2023	6.68%	5.53%
YTD 2024	-1.26%	-1.68%
Cumulative Since Inception (4/1/2021)	-6.59%	-8.04%
Annualized Since Inception (4/1/2021)	-2.31%	-2.83%

The performance is presented on a cumulative compound and annualized basis and does not reflect the deduction of investment advisory fees. Returns would be reduced by an advisory fee and other fees such as custodial expenses; refer to the client contract for client specific fee schedule. All returns are calculated on a time weighted, total return basis. The results shown should not be considered representative of future investment returns. Baird Advisors relies on securities valuations provided by client's custodian for purposes of performance reports. The Baird Advisors Brochure is available upon request.

^{*}The current benchmark is the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index which is an unmanaged portfolio of specific securities. Direct investment in the index is not available.



City of Jacksonville Retirement System

Net Investment Performance as of February 29, 2024

	Portfolio	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index*
2021 (4/1/21-12/31/21)	2.03%	1.89%
2022	-13.42%	-13.01%
2023	6.44%	5.53%
YTD 2024	-1.30%	-1.68%
Cumulative Since Inception (4/1/2021)	-7.19%	-8.04%
Annualized Since Inception (4/1/2021)	-2.53%	-2.83%

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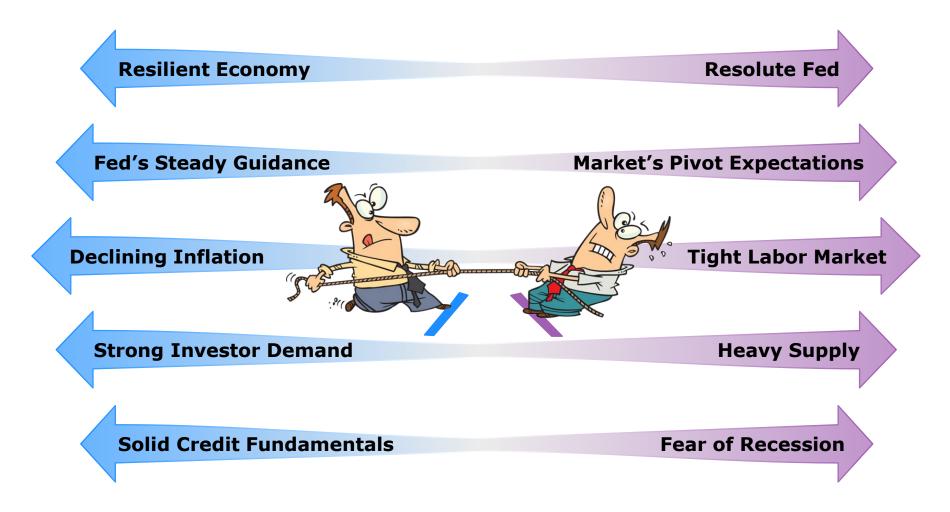


Section 4

Current Market Review

2023 Was a Tug of War...



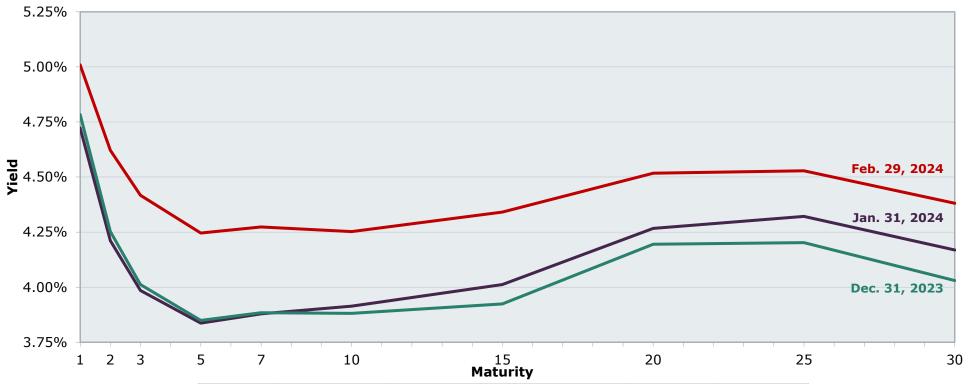


... Resulting in Volatile Rates and Volatile Spreads

Treasury Yields Rebound in February



Rates Rise on Stronger Data and Fewer Expected Fed Easings

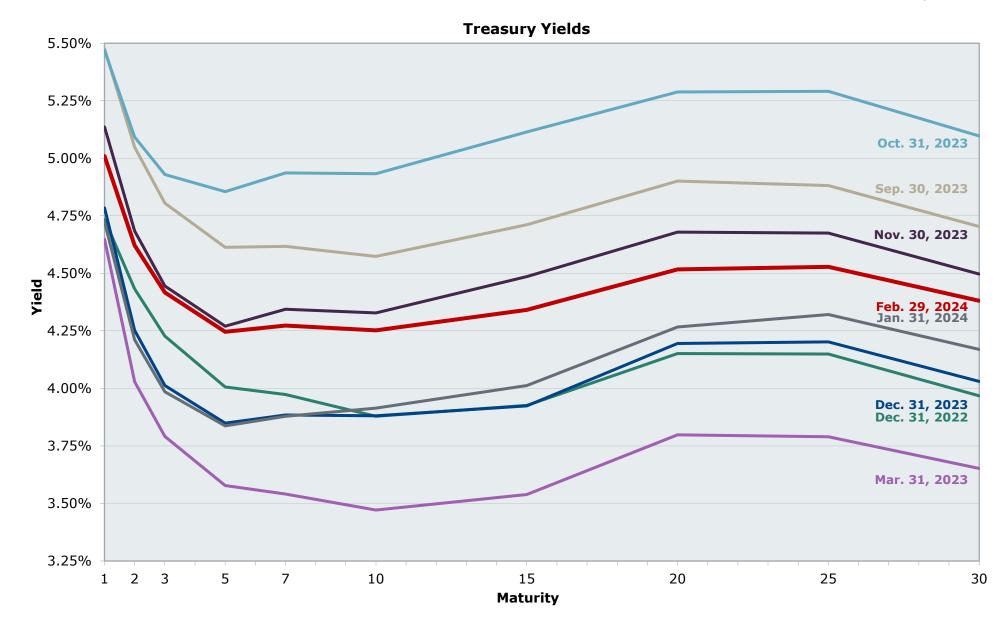


Maturity	December 31, 2023	January 31, 2024	February 29, 2024	1 Mo. Change	YTD Change
1	4.78%	4.72%	5.01%	0.29%	0.23%
2	4.25%	4.21%	4.62%	0.41%	0.37%
3	4.01%	3.99%	4.42%	0.43%	0.41%
5	3.85%	3.84%	4.25%	0.41%	0.40%
7	3.88%	3.88%	4.27%	0.39%	0.39%
10	3.88%	3.91%	4.25%	0.34%	0.37%
20	4.20%	4.27%	4.52%	0.25%	0.32%
30	4.03%	4.17%	4.38%	0.21%	0.35%

Source: Bloomberg Data as of: 2/29/24

...But Rates Varied Widely During 2023!





Volatile but Good Ride for Investors

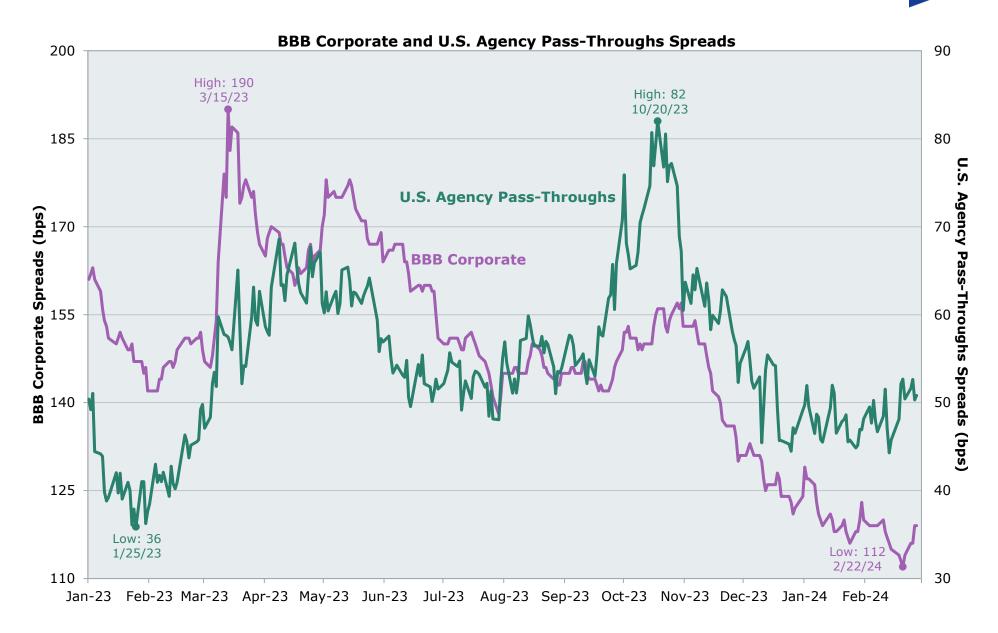




Source: Paresh Nath

Spread Sector Volatility in 2023



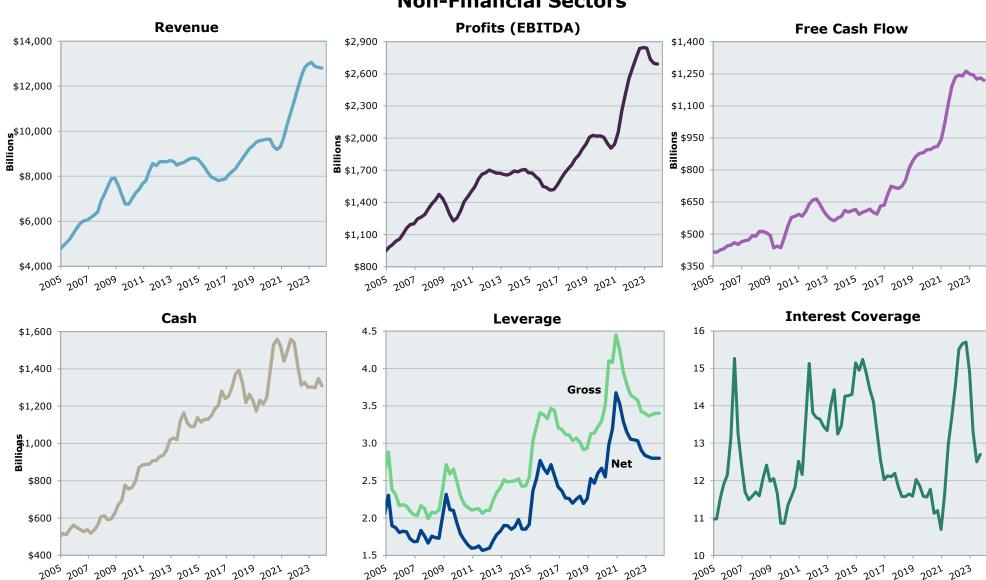


IG Corporate Credit Fundamentals Still Solid

Softening Off Very Healthy Levels



Non-Financial Sectors

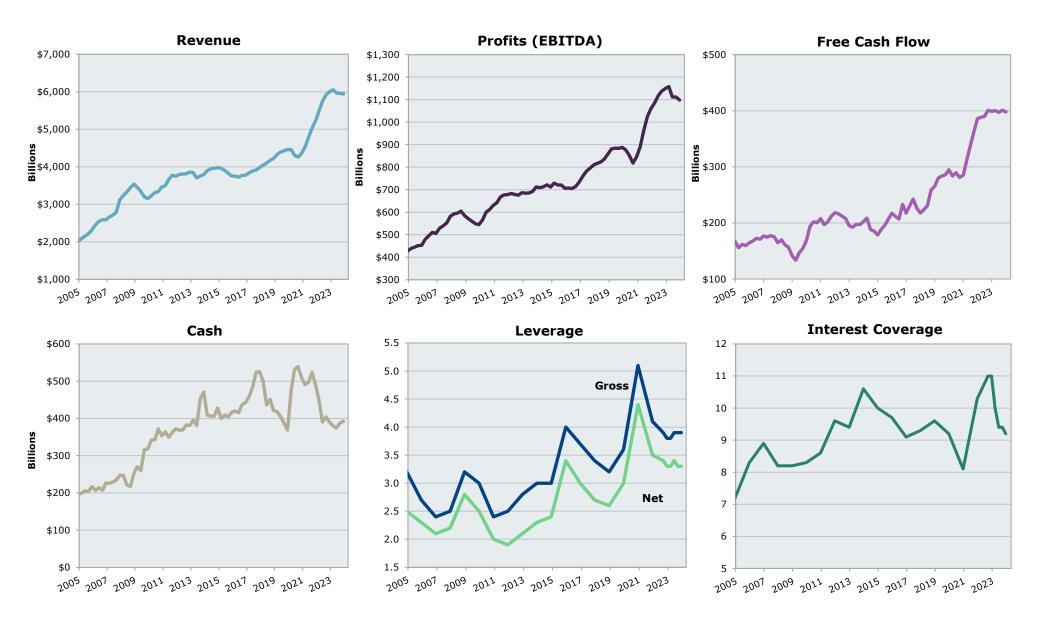


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BBB Corporate Credit Fundamentals

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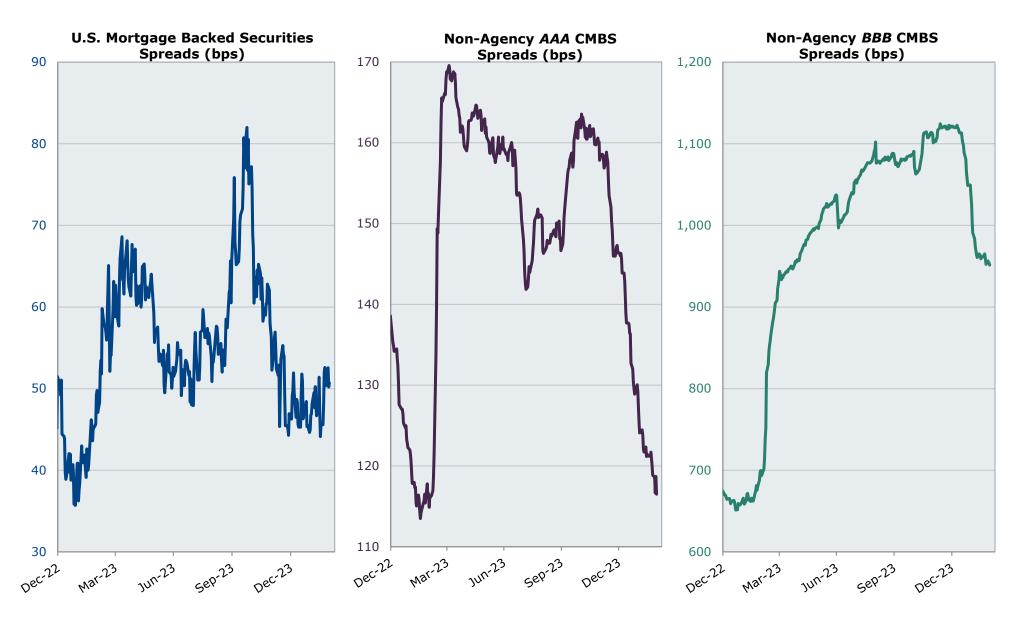




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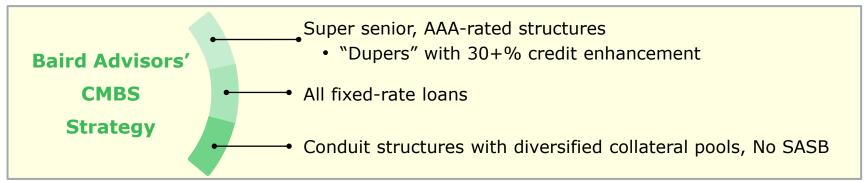
Unusual Volatility in Securitized Sectors

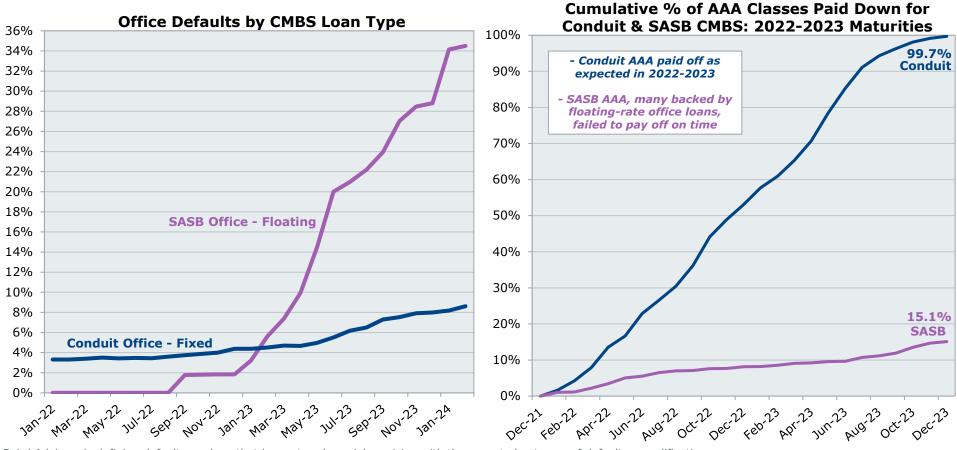




Commercial Real Estate Under Stress







Baird Advisors is defining default as a loan that has entered special servicing with the expected outcome of default or modification.

Source: J.P. Morgan, Trepp, Deutsche Bank, Intex Data as of: 2/29/24

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Spread Tightening Trend Continues Despite Heavy Corporate Supply YTD



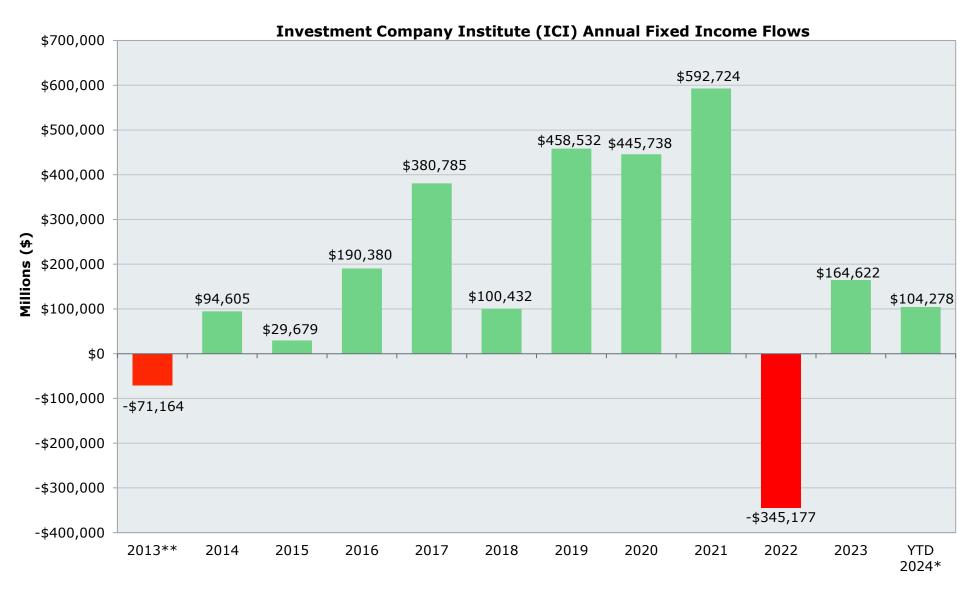


Option-Adjusted Spreads (bps)									
	12/31/22	March 2023 Wides	12/31/23	1/31/24	2/29/24	2023 Change	1 Mo. Change	YTD Change	10 Year Average
U.S. Aggregate Index	51	62	42	40	41	-9	1	-1	47
U.S. Agency Sector (Non-MBS)	26	31	17	14	12	-9	-2	-5	16
MBS and ABS Sectors									
U.S. Agency Pass-Throughs	51	65	47	47	51	-4	4	4	35
U.S. Agency CMBS	52	69	48	49	44	-4	-5	-4	N/A
Non-Agency CMBS	179	215	203	176	160	24	-16	-43	121
AAA-Rated	139	169	146	127	117	7	-10	-29	100
BBB-Rated	675	944	1122	1026	951	447	-75	-171	482
Consumer ABS	76	86	68	62	55	-8	-7	-13	55
Investment Grade Credit Sectors									
U.S. Corporates	130	163	99	96	96	-31	0	-3	124
Industrials	125	151	90	89	91	-35	2	1	126
Utilities	129	154	105	101	102	-24	1	-3	122
Financials	140	188	112	107	103	-28	-4	-9	119
Other Govt. Related	66	71	55	54	52	-11	-2	-3	81
High Yield Credit Sectors									
U.S. High Yield Corporates	469	516	323	344	312	-146	-32	-11	425
Emerging Market Debt¹	687	772	598	609	556	-89	-53	-42	599

¹ Emerging Market Debt is a subindex of the Bloomberg U.S. Universal Index and is primarily rated below Investment Grade. Source: Bloomberg, Barclays Data as of: 2/29/24

Fixed Income Flows Positive in 2023





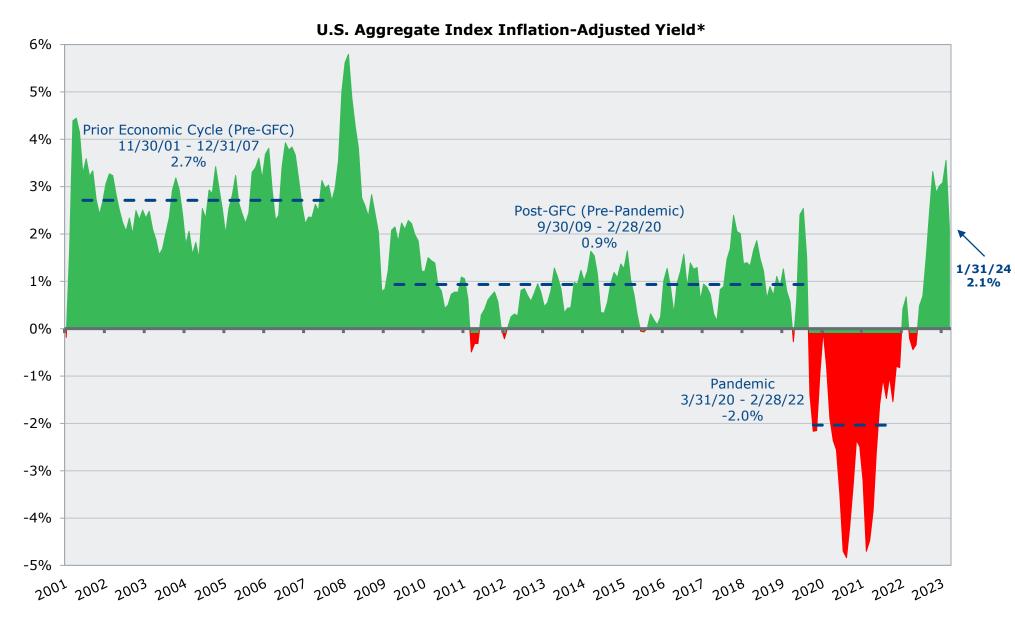
^{*}Weekly data ending 2/28/24 (February 2024 numbers are estimated). ** 2013 Flows are only Mutual Fund flows, ETF Flows are not available.

The flows data include both taxable and municipal mutual funds and ETFs as defined by ICI. Included are investment grade, high-yield, government, multisector and world bond funds.

Real Yields are Positive Again!

Back to Pre-Global Financial Crisis (GFC) Levels





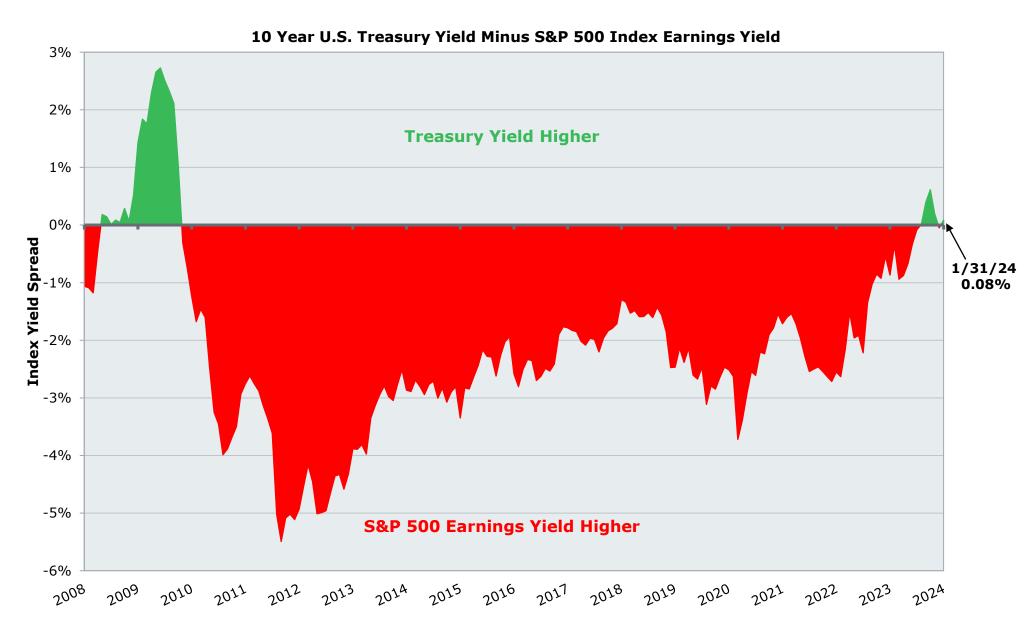
^{*}Aggregate Index Yield minus Core PCE (trailing 3-month average annualized)

Source: Bloomberg Data as of: 1/31/24

TINA No More!

Treasury Yields Competitive with S&P 500 Earnings Yield



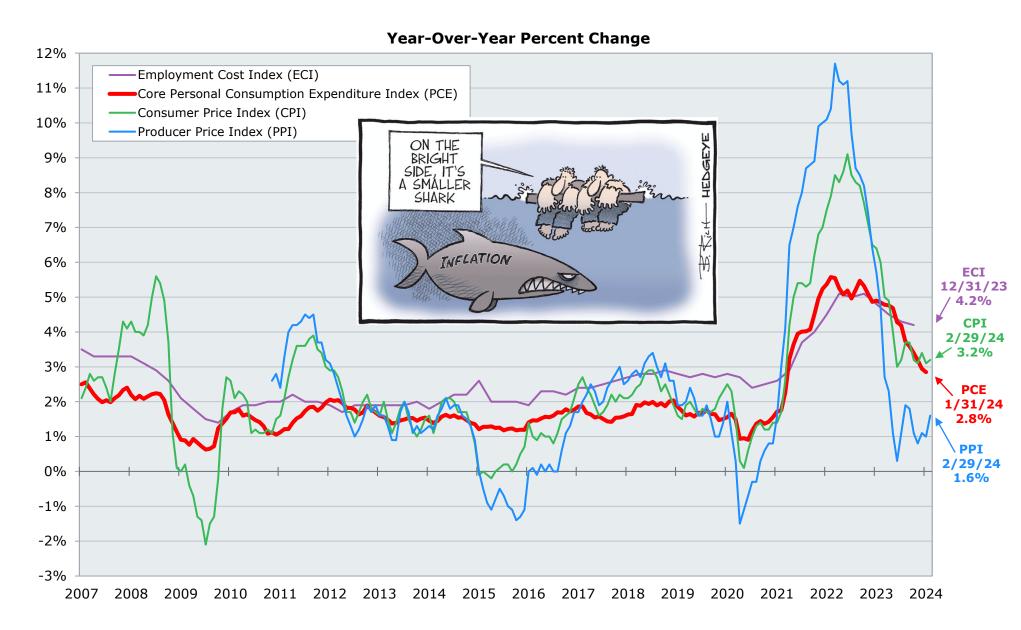


Source: Bloomberg, DQYDJ Data as of: 1/31/24

Inflation Rolling Over

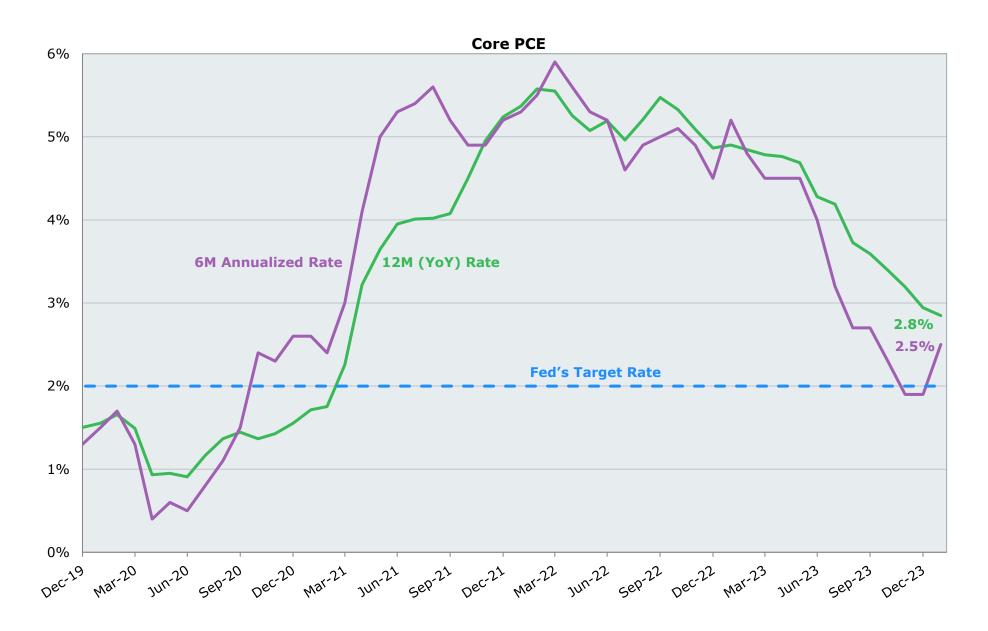
Wages/Benefits Will Be Stickier Given Tight Labor Market





Slowing Inflation Trend YTD Reversal a Pause in the Process

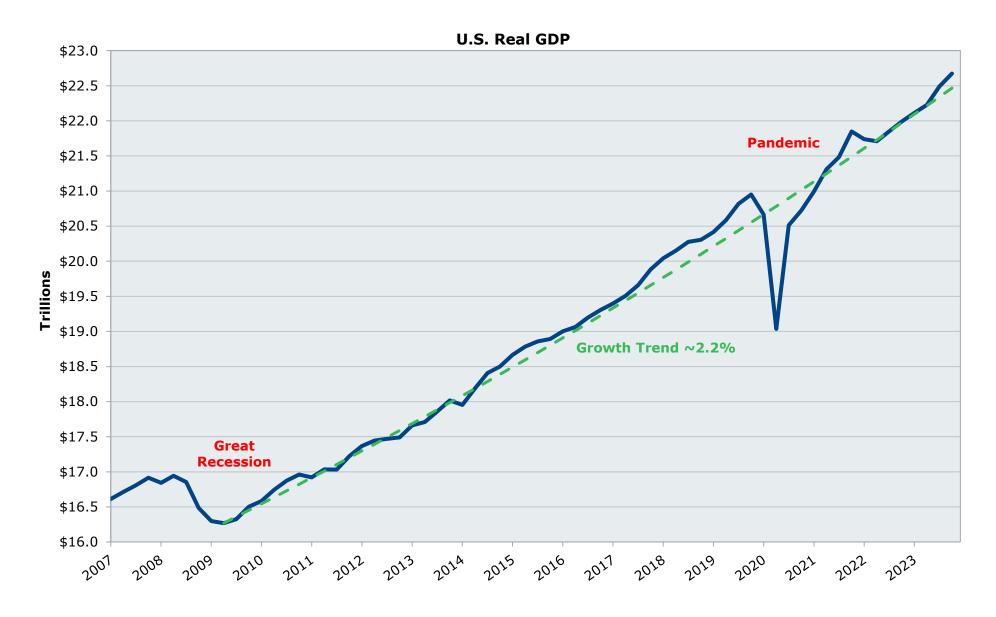




GDP Trend Growth Back on Track



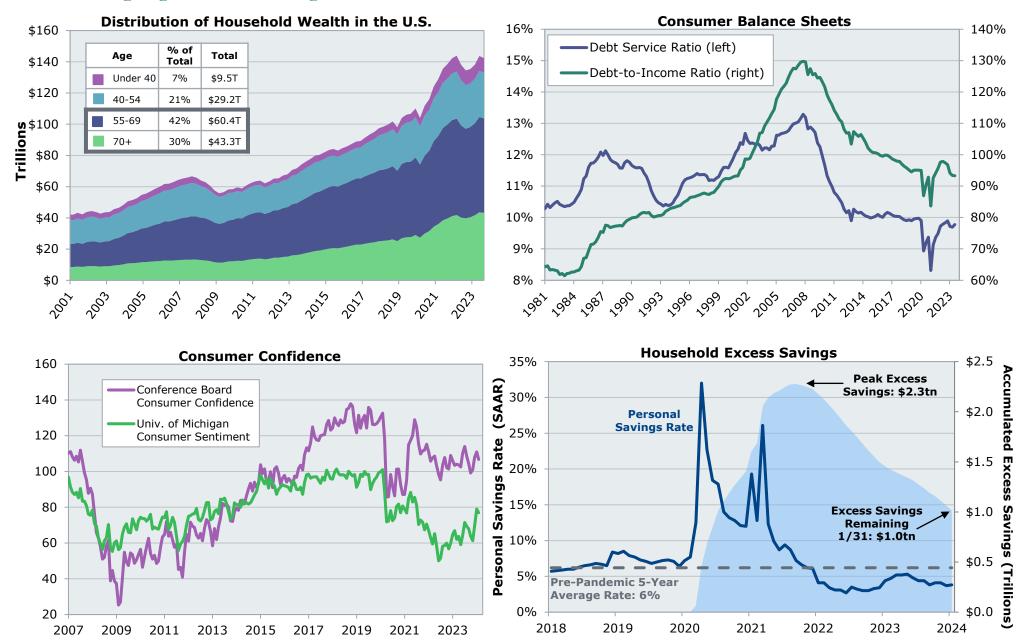
~2% Growth Trend Implies Moderate Inflation



Resilient Consumer in Pretty Good Shape

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But Seeing Signs of Softening



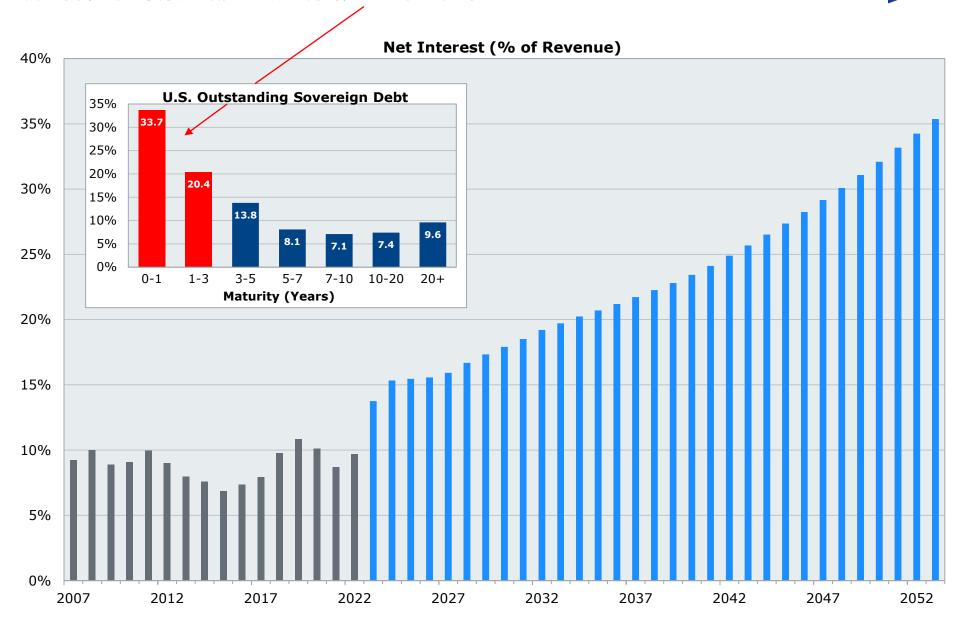
Source: Bloomberg, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research, BEA Data as of: 2/29/24

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Debt Service Rising Significantly



Over 50% of U.S. Debt Matures Within 3 Years



Federal Deficit Front and Center







Source: B. Rich, Hedgeye

2024 – Key Themes



Bond Market Still Presents Good Value to Investors

Attractive nominal, real and relative yields

Fed

- Primed to pivot, market has priced in 3 rate cuts by year end 2024
- Good rate cuts vs. bad rate cuts

Yield Curve Normalizes

Short rates lower (rest of curve less certain)

Supply/Demand

- Treasury supply heavy, non-Treasury supply more modest
- Industry flows positive

Economy

- Soft landing/mild recession
- 2%-ish long-term growth trend
- 2-3% inflation

Uncertainty Remains

- Russia/Ukraine, Middle East, China
- Election year, political polarization/dysfunction

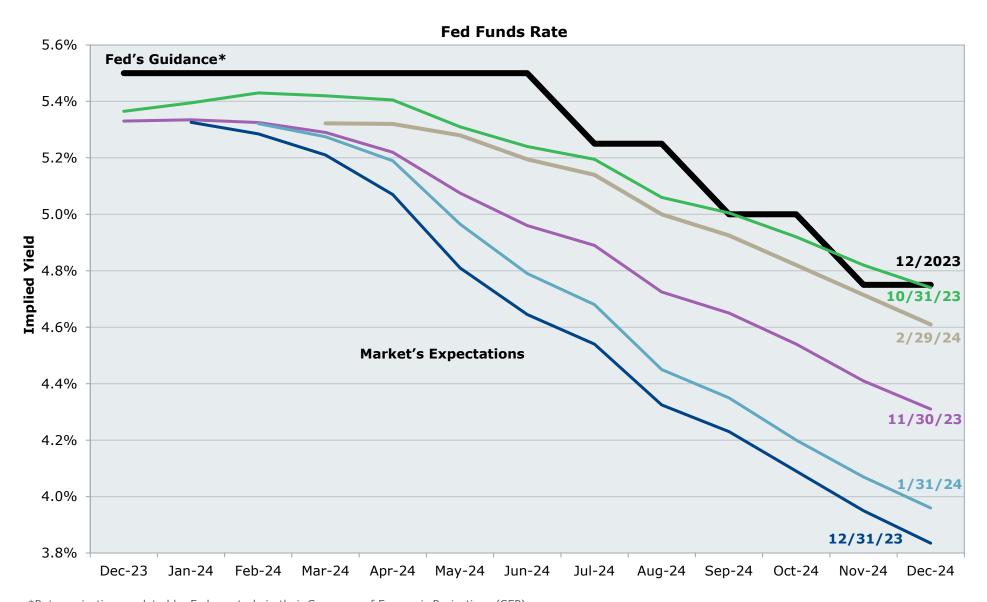
Interest Rates: Volatile with downward bias

Spreads: Volatile with upward bias

Views of Expected Fed Rate Path

Fed and Market Views are Now Closely Aligned





^{*}Rate projections updated by Fed quarterly in their Summary of Economic Projections (SEP)

Source: Bloomberg, Bianco Research Data as of: 2/29/24

Top Ten Reasons to Like Bonds



- Inflation is coming down
- Income drives total return and income levels are attractive
 - Income cushion helps minimize price volatility
 - The curve inversion is "long-in-the-tooth"
 - The end (of the current Fed tightening cycle) is near
 - The credit backdrop is favorable
 - Fixed income fund flows are positive, again
 - Boomers love bonds
 - Powerful tax-adjusted municipal yields
 - Bonds (may) beat stocks



Appendix

Our Culture – The Baird Difference



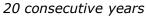
Baird's Associate Promise:

We believe every associate matters and contributes to our success.

We are committed to providing a diverse and inclusive environment of trust, respect and equity where you partner with the best in the industry and thrive.

We are passionate about how we achieve great outcomes for our clients, communities and each other.







Practice Winner



12 consecutive years



7 years



5 years

Inclusion & Diversity at Baird



Baird's commitment to inclusion and diversity stems from a strong culture of integrity, genuine concern for others and respect for the individual. We don't just respect our differences, we value them. And we believe inclusion and diversity creates great outcomes for everyone we serve.

Our Approach



Business Results



Associate Engagement



Inclusive Environment



Recruit & Retain Top Talent



Diversity for Innovation

More than 100 associates, including these senior members of Baird Advisors, lead the firm's inclusion and diversity initiatives.

Focused on

accelerating Baird's I&D journey Special Task Force of the Executive **Committee**

Mary Ellen Stanek Co-Chair Katie Podmokly Special Advisor to the Task Force

Human Resources

Marketing & Communications Functions include recruiting, education, communications and metrics

Associates focused on I&D goals specific to their

business unit

Warren Pierson Chair of the Asset Management AIC

Advisory &

Implementation

Councils

Associate **Resource Groups** (ARGs)

Nick Krueger Spectrum - Vice Chair Associate-led groups working together toward common goals

Baird Advisors' Success Metrics

53% of associates are women

57% of associates are millennials or gen z

29% of associates are people of color

20% of associates started with Baird as interns

5% of associates identify as LGBTQ

Baird's ARGs support women in the workforce, cultural diversity, LGBTO, next-gen, community involvement and veterans.













Baird Advisors' Approach to ESG Integration



Signatory of:



Baird Funds, Inc. is a United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UN PRI) signatory to publicly demonstrate our commitment to responsible investment and building a more sustainable future.

As fixed income investors with a long investment horizon, we firmly believe ESG risk factors have a significant impact on the long-term sustainability of an entity. ESG considerations have been an integral part of our fundamental credit risk assessment and fully integrated into our investment process for decades.

Baird Advisors employs a bottom-up approach to credit research and portfolio construction, focused on generating strong riskadjusted performance, primarily from security selection and sector allocation decisions. Our fundamental credit risk assessment, including material ESG risk factors that impact long-term sustainability, drives our investment decision to lend to specific issuers:



ENVIRONMENTAL

- Climate change
- Land use
- Water use
- Waste management
- Energy management
- Air quality/emissions



SOCIAL

- Human rights
- Diversity and inclusion
- Consumer protection
- Values (e.g., tobacco, controversial weapons, landmines)
- Fair labor practices



GOVERNANCE

- Management structure
- Executive compensation
- Board independence
- Employee relations
- Transparency and disclosure
- Data protection and privacy

Baird Advisors' Approach to ESG Integration





Seek to invest in companies that are leaders in their industries and focused on long-term sustainability.

- Assess management's attentiveness (or lack thereof) to ESG challenges and opportunities.
 - Consider reputational risks associated with very severe controversies in areas such as the environment, customers, human rights, labor rights, and governance.
 - Analyze the long-term ESG track record of companies with particular attention to recent actions.
 - Assess a company's ESG performance relative to its peers.
- Engage with management teams, enhancing our clarity on each issuer's awareness of sector-specific ESG trends, encouraging a commitment to ESG related targets and uniform disclosure requirements.

Baird Advisors' Approach to ESG Integration



"The score will take care of itself when you take care of the effort that precedes the score"

- John Wooden

- We believe ESG scores and additional research provided by industry-leading data providers (e.g., Sustainalytics, ISS, S&P, Bloomberg) can be used to further enhance our ESG integration framework.
- Third-party ESG data is a component of our fundamental analysis, incorporating financial and non-financial data points bringing to light how issuers are performing over time relative to their industry peers.
- The availability of ESG-related data continues to grow and evolve across the industry. Discussions with industry leaders, peer organizations, oversight bodies, etc. help to ensure we are keeping pace with emerging trends and consensus views.



Peer Assessment

 The investment team looks to leverage industry-leading ESG data sources to evaluate ESG profiles for each issuer relative to peers.

Trend Analysis

 Our corporate credit analysts formulate a forward-looking view of an issuer's commitment to ESG risk mitigation with a diligent focus on an improving/declining trend within each sector.

Engagement

 The investment team remains regularly engaged with different ESG data providers as we continue to refine our ESG integration efforts, leveraging many tools to enhance our relative value analysis.

Baird Advisors

Portfolio Management Team

MD, Co-Chief Investment Officer 45 years MD, Co-Chief Investment Officer 38 years

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Lyle Fitterer, CFA MD, Senior Portfolio Manager-Muni 35 years Jeffrey Simmons, CFA MD, Senior Portfolio Manager 37 years

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Formulation of

Investment Outlook

& Portfolio Strategy

Key Areas of Focus:

Construction & Risk

Portfolio

Credit

MBS/ABS

Monitorina

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SVP, Investment Analyst

11 years Patrick Hale, CFA VP, Investment Analyst 9 years Brian Jacobs, CFA, CPA VP, Investment Analyst 7 vears

VP, Investment Analyst Neha Dimri, CFA 7 years Alec Johnson VP, Investment Analyst 7 years Sabrina Wolf Investment Analyst 5 years **Investment Analyst** George Wong 4 years

Investment Analyst Shreeya Aryal 3 years Dina Sofair **Investment Analyst** 1 year

Baird Resource Partners

Legal & Compliance (91)

Information Technology (278)

Human Resources (74)

Finance (69)

Research (Equity & Credit) (157)

45 years

33 years

30 years

24 years

21 years

27 years

17 years



Benefits

- Long-term relationships focused on client and direct communication
- Experienced management team implementing proven investment discipline
 - Structured, risk-controlled process
 - No derivatives, no non-\$ currency exposure, no leverage
 - Focus on bottom-up added value from sector allocation and security selection
- Total focus on fixed income management
- Culture and resources key to future success
- Importance of the relationship to Baird Advisors

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