

Portfolio Managers







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January was a busy month for the global bond market with continued volatility in interest rates and a strong start to the year for global corporate bond issuance. During the month, the Fund returned 0.6% which was 0.3% ahead of the benchmark.

Global interest rates finished the month close to where they started the year, however there was significant intra-month volatility, as economic data painted a mixed picture on the state of the global economy. While it's increasingly clear that central banks are near the start of an easing cycle, we are cautious on the amount of rate cuts that have been priced in by the interest rate markets. In this context, we are comfortable maintaining the Fund's interest rate exposure at close to neutral.

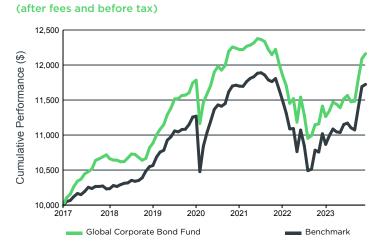
The Fund maintains a moderate underweight exposure to credit spreads (the extra yield of corporate bonds versus government bonds). On a number of metrics, credit spreads look narrow (i.e. fully valued), but we acknowledge that the demand for corporate bonds remains high as investors seek to lock in high yields. The Fund took the opportunity to sell more expensive bonds to reinvest in better value bonds such as new issuances from ANZ New Zealand and KBC Group (Belgian bank) in the Euro-denominated market. The Fund also invested in new issuances from US bank Morgan Stanley in the USD-denominated market.

In the immediate term, we remain wary of expensive valuations for global corporate bonds in the context of global economic uncertainty. In this context, the Fund intends to maintain an underweight positioning to global corporate bonds while maintaining a close-toneutral position to interest rates.

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Cumulative Fund Performance



Assumes the growth of \$10,000 invested at the Fund's inception date, and assumes reinvestment of distribution.

Key Fund Facts

Objective ¹	To protect capital and generate a positive NZD hedged return that exceeds the relevant benchmark over the minimum recommended investment timeframe.							
Description	Primarily invests in global corporate fixed interest securities					erest		
Minimum recommended investment timeframe		3 years +						
Target Allocation		100% In	come	Assets	/ 0%	Growt	h Ass	ets
Neutral FX Exposu	ıre	0%						
Net Asset Value (N	VAV)	\$463.9	М					
Yield ²		4.35%						
Average Credit Ra	ting	BBB						
Duration		3.33 yea	ars					
Rating Categories		Inv.Grac 1%	le 71%	/ High	Yield	13% /	Unrat	ed
Inception Date		1 Februa	ary 20	17				
Current Distributio	on d	0.85 cei	nts pe	r unit (C	Quart	erly)		
Benchmark		Bloomberg Barclays Global Corporate 3-5 Year Total Return Index Value Hedged USD (100% NZD-hedged)						
Base Fund Fee ³		0.85%						
Performance Fee	l	Not app	licable	è				
Total Fund Fees ⁴		0.85%						
	I	Lower risk					Higl	her risk
Risk Indicator		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	I	Potentially	lower re	turns	Po	otentially	higher	returns



Investment Performance after fees as at 31 January 2024⁵

Unit Price: \$1.0334

	1 Month	3 Months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Milford Global Corporate Bond Fund (Gross Of Tax)	0.59%	5.91%	6.55%	-0.21%	2.36%	2.84%
After Tax 10.50%	0.53%	5.27%	5.86%	-0.18%	2.12%	2.54%
After Tax 17.50%	0.49%	4.85%	5.41%	-0.16%	1.96%	2.34%
After Tax 28.00%	0.43%	4.22%	4.73%	-0.12%	1.72%	2.05%
Benchmark	0.28%	5.86%	6.39%	0.03%	2.13%	2.30%

Top Fixed Interest Holdings

Holdings	% of Fund
JPMorgan 1.578% 2027	2.14%
Toll Brother 4.35% 2028	2.09%
UBS 6.246% 2029	1.87%
NBS 6.178% 2027	1.84%
Vodafone 3.00% 2080	1.83%
HCA 5.875% 2026	1.82%
Berry 5.5% 2028	1.80%
Morgan Stanley 5.173% 2028	1.77%
Santos 5.25% 2029	1.77%
Asciano 4.75% 2028	1.69%
American Tower 3.8% 2029	1.69%
Broadcom 4.15% 2032	1.67%
Goodman 1.375% 2025	1.66%
JPMorgan 4.457% 2031	1.62%
Discovery 3.625% 2030	1.60%
SBA Comms. 3.125% 2029	1.59%
Fiserv 4.5% 2031	1.52%
NBS 5.35% 2028	1.43%
JPMorgan 4.6% Perpetual	1.40%
CYBG 9.25% Perpetual	1.38%

Note: Fixed interest securities are reported in the following format: Issuer name, interest (coupon rate), maturity year.

Current Asset Allocation

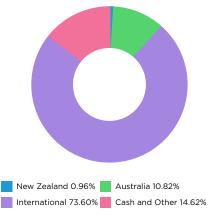
	Actual Investment Mix	Neutral Investment Mix
Effective Cash #	11.99%	5%
New Zealand Fixed Interest	0.00%	0.0%
International Fixed Interest	85.38%	95.0%
New Zealand Equities	0.00%	0.0%
Australian Equities	0.00%	0.0%
International Equities	0.00%	0.0%
Other	2.63%	0.0%

The actual cash held by the Fund is 4.38%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

Sector Allocation

Region Exposure





1. After the Base Fund Fee but before tax. 2. The yield to maturity is not an indicator of future return, but reflects the current yield to maturity of the fund's underlying holdings (before tax and after the base fund fee). 3. Where applicable, the Base Fund Fee includes an estimate of non-related underlying fund charges. 4. The Total Fund Fees comprise the Base Fund Fee and any estimated Performance Fee. Please refer to the Product Disclosure Statement for more information as to how these are calculated. 5. Includes the reinvestment of distributions. Returns prior to 1 March 2018 are from when the Fund was previously offered to wholesale investors only and have been adjusted for the current Total Fund Fees. Please note past performance is not a guarantee of future returns.

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