



STRATEGY HIGHLIGHTS

As of 31 December 2023

QM US Aggregate Bond Index Strategy

Total US Fixed Income Index (Passive) Assets: \$2.5 billion | **Total US Aggregate Bond Index Strategy Assets:**¹ \$2.5 billion

Figures shown in U.S. Dollars

INVESTMENT APPROACH

- Primarily focus on investment-grade U.S. fixed income securities represented in the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index.
- Utilizes a multi-dimensional portfolio construction process that incorporates both quantitative and fundamental research elements.
- Seeks to efficiently match benchmark risk factors in a more yield-advantageous manner using our proprietary quantitative model.
- Leverages insight from our global research platform in an effort to add value through modest traditional active management tilts.
- Applies proprietary fundamental research to fill risk factor allocations with securities that have been evaluated and assigned a proprietary credit rating by our fundamental research analysts.
- Investors should note that if interest rates rise significantly from current levels, bond returns will decline and may even turn negative in the short term.
- The strategy relies on quantitative models to analyze data and construct investment portfolios. Relying on these models entails the risk that the models themselves may be limited or incorrect, that the data the models rely on may be incorrect or incomplete, and that the adviser may not be successful in selecting companies for investment or determining the weighting of particular securities.

PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

- Risk-weighted spread sectors exposure range typically +/-10% of the benchmark
- Typical duration range +/- 3% of the benchmark
- Typical tracking error < 25 bps
- Below investment-grade typically 0% (at time of purchase)

BENCHMARK

- Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Rob Larkins, CFA®

- 20 years of investment experience; 20 years with T. Rowe Price.
- M.B.A., University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School
- B.S., Brigham Young University

PORTFOLIO SPECIALISTS

Jeff DeVack, CFA®

- 23 years of investment experience; 12 years with T. Rowe Price.
- B.B.A., Loyola University Maryland, Sellinger School of Business

Portfolio Specialists do not assume management responsibilities.

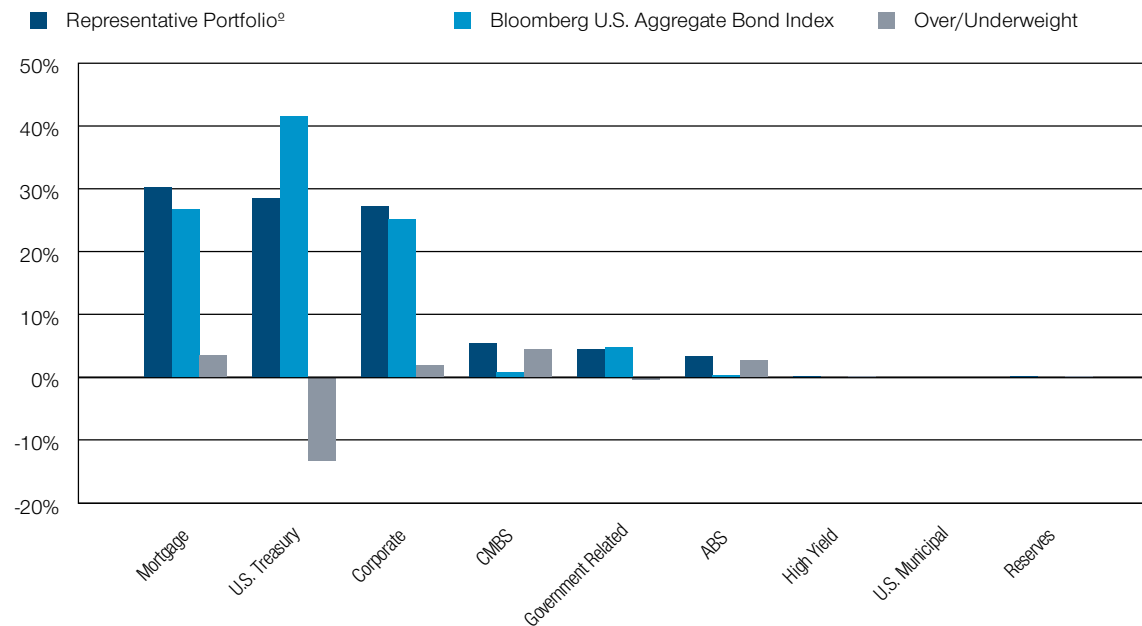
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¹ Includes separate accounts.

TOP ISSUERS

	% of Representative Portfolio ²
JPMorgan Chase	0.6%
Bank of America	0.6
Wells Fargo	0.5
AutoZone	0.5
UBS	0.4
Goldman Sachs	0.4
Charter Communications	0.4
Morgan Stanley	0.4
United Mexican States	0.3
Citigroup	0.3
Total	4.4%

SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION



PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	Representative Portfolio ²	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index
Weighted Average Coupon	3.52%	3.18%
Weighted Average Maturity	8.55 years	8.45 years
Weighted Average Effective Duration	6.23 years	6.20 years
Yield to Maturity	5.23%	4.54%
Average Credit Quality	AA+	AA2/AA3
Number of Holdings	1,190	13,380

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²Please see Additional Disclosures section for further information.

PERFORMANCE

	Three Months	One Year	Annualized			
			Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years	Fifteen Years
QM US Aggregate Bond Index Composite (Gross)	6.69%	5.74%	-3.30%	1.31%	2.05%	2.99%
QM US Aggregate Bond Index Composite (Net)	6.68	5.67	-3.37	1.24	1.99	2.93
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	6.82	5.53	-3.31	1.10	1.81	2.68
Value Added (Gross)	-0.13	0.21	0.01	0.21	0.24	0.31
Value Added (Net)	-0.14	0.14	-0.06	0.14	0.18	0.25

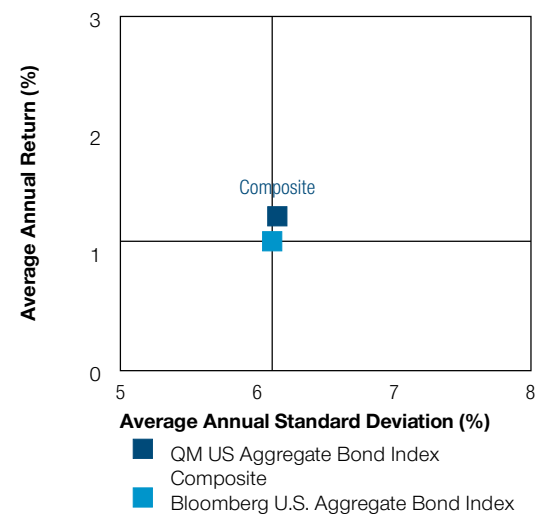
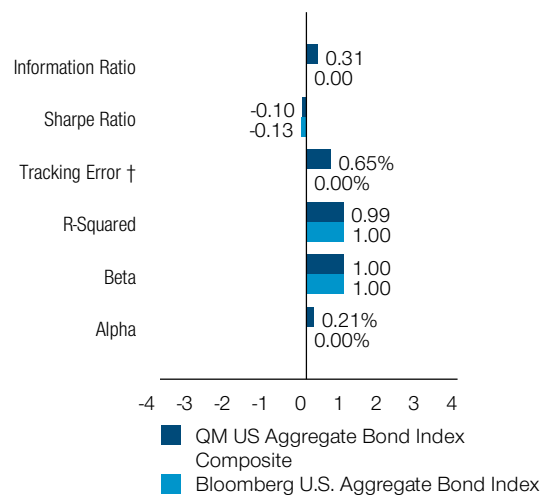
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See GIPS® Composite Report located in this material for additional information.

RISK/RETURN CHARACTERISTICS

Five Years ended 31 December 2023



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† The Tracking Error value depicted above was calculated using Bloomberg 3 PM pricing. Calculated using market closing prices, the Tracking Error is 0.31% for US Aggregate Bond Index Composite & 0.00% for Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index.

FEE SCHEDULE**QM US Aggregate Bond Index Composite**

The QM US Aggregate Bond Index Composite seeks to approximate the total return performance of the U.S. Fixed Income Market for publicly traded securities as represented by major fixed income benchmarks, including the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. The strategy applies qualitative and quantitative management techniques to achieve its investment objectives. (Created June 2006, incepted June 30, 1986.) (Formerly known as US Enhanced Aggregate Bond Composite)

First \$50 million	6.5 basis points
Next \$50 million	6 basis points
Next \$150 million	5 basis points
Above \$250 million	4 basis points
Minimum separate account size	\$50 million

GIPS® Composite Report

QM US Aggregate Bond Index Composite

Period Ended December 31, 2022

Figures Shown in U.S. dollar

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Gross Annual Returns (%)	-1.96	6.26	0.66	3.04	3.90	0.30	8.83	8.45	-1.29	-13.38
Net Annual Returns (%) ¹	-2.25	5.94	0.36	2.73	3.59	0.00	8.51	8.12	-1.59	-13.64
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (%)	-2.02	5.97	0.55	2.65	3.54	0.01	8.72	7.51	-1.54	-13.01
Composite 3-Yr St. Dev.	2.72	2.67	2.94	3.09	2.87	2.88	2.91	3.63	3.64	5.88
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index 3-Yr St. Dev.	2.71	2.63	2.88	2.98	2.78	2.84	2.87	3.36	3.35	5.77
Composite Dispersion	0.11	0.04	0.05	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.08
Comp. Assets (Millions)	4,380.0	3,796.4	3,746.0	665.6	890.3	975.3	1,103.7	3,170.9	2,609.8	1,989.1
# of Accts. in Comp.	8	7	7	3	3	4	4	6	6	7
Total Firm Assets (Billions)	696.3	749.6	772.4	817.2	1,000.2	972.7	1,218.2	1,482.5	1,653.6	1,237.4 ²

¹The fee rate used to calculate net returns is 0.30%. This represents the maximum fee rate applicable to all composite members. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.**

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Portfolio Construction: There is no guarantee that the investment will remain within the anticipated ranges of exposure.

Weighted Average Maturity is an average of the maturities of the underlying bonds, with each bond's maturity weighted by the percentage of Composite assets it represents. Weighted Average Effective Duration is a calculation that seeks to measure the price sensitivity of the Composite to changes in interest rates. In general, the longer the average maturity or duration, the greater the Composite's sensitivity to interest rates. Duration is a better indicator of price sensitivity because it takes into account the time value of cash flows.

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Source for Sector Diversification: T. Rowe Price

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Risks

The following risks are materially relevant to the portfolio.

General Portfolio Risks

Counterparty - Counterparty risk may materialise if an entity with which the portfolio does business becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the portfolio. **ESG and sustainability** - ESG and Sustainability risk may result in a material negative impact on the value of an investment and performance of the portfolio. **Geographic concentration** - Geographic concentration risk may result in performance being more strongly affected by any social, political, economic, environmental or market conditions affecting those countries or regions in which the portfolio's assets are concentrated. **Hedging** - Hedging measures involve costs and may work imperfectly, may not be feasible at times, or may fail completely. **Investment portfolio** - Investing in portfolios involves certain risks an investor would not face if investing in markets directly. **Management** - Management risk may result in potential conflicts of interest relating to the obligations of the investment manager. **Market** - Market risk may subject the portfolio to experience losses caused by unexpected changes in a wide variety of factors. **Operational** - Operational risk may cause losses as a result of incidents caused by people, systems, and/or processes.

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