



# T. Rowe Price

## PORTFOLIO UPDATE

# Total Return Fund

As of December 31, 2023

Portfolio Manager:	Managed Fund Since:	Joined Firm:
Chris Brown	2016	2005
Anna Dreyer	2021	2008

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The fund seeks to maximize total return through income and, secondarily, capital appreciation.

## FUND INFORMATION

Symbol	PTTFX
CUSIP	872803101
Inception Date of Fund	November 15, 2016
Benchmark	Bloomberg US Agg Index
Expense Information (as of the most recent Prospectus)*	0.60% (Gross) 0.46% (Net)
Fiscal Year End	May 31
12B-1 Fee	–

\*The Fund operates under a contractual expense limitation that expires on September 30, 2025.

## PERFORMANCE

(NAV, total return)

	One Month	Three Months	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Annualized		
						Since Inception 11/15/16	30-Day SEC Yield	30-Day SEC Yield w/o Waiver <sup>o</sup>
Total Return Fund	3.83%	6.50%	5.75%	-3.71%	1.24%	1.54%	4.82%	4.72%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	3.83	6.82	5.53	-3.31	1.10	1.22	–	–

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<sup>o</sup>Excludes the effect of contractual expense limitation arrangements. If the expense waiver was not in effect for the 30-Day period shown, there may not be a difference in the 30-day SEC yields shown above.

Investors should note that if interest rates rise significantly from current levels, total returns will decline and may even turn negative in the short term.

The Fund is subject to risks of fixed income investing, including interest rate risk and credit risk. The Fund's investments in high-yield securities are subject to greater volatility and credit risk than investment-grade bonds.

The fund(s) may have other share classes available that offer different investment minimums and fees. See the prospectus for details.

## MARKET COMMENTARY

The U.S. investment-grade (IG) fixed income market, as measured by the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, produced a second consecutive month of strong gains, supported by falling Treasury yields and generally tighter credit spreads. Following the two-month rally, the benchmark finished the quarter and year with positive results.

Slowing economic data and Federal Reserve communications helped drive Treasury yields lower, with the Fed's mid-month meeting being a key driver. Policymakers left rates unchanged, as expected, but their updated economic forecast indicated that the median projection was for rate cuts of 75 basis points in 2024, up from the 50 basis points of easing in their previous outlook. Investors also seemed encouraged that Fed Chair Jerome Powell did not appear to push back on futures markets' pricing of aggressive cuts next year in his post-meeting press conference. In economic news, job openings fell much more than expected and reached the lowest level since March 2021, while inflation data also supported the dovish narrative as the producer price index and core personal consumption expenditures price index both increased less than expected.

Treasury yields at the front end of the curve were little changed for the month while yields of Treasuries with maturities of one year or longer shifted notably lower. The yield of the benchmark 10-year Treasury note declined from 4.37% to 3.88% by the end of December, matching the levels last seen in July.

Absolute results were positive in all the major benchmark sectors, with longer-duration segments leading, due to declining Treasury yields. Even as Treasury yields fell, excess returns were also broadly positive for the major credit sectors as spreads tightened. The interest rate-sensitive agency mortgage-backed securities and commercial mortgage-backed securities sectors produced the strongest excess returns. Following exceptionally strong performance in November, IG corporates produced good, but less robust, results in December, with financials and utilities significantly outperforming industrials on an excess-return basis.

**RISK RETURN CHARACTERISTICS**

(Five Years ended December 31, 2023)

	Annualized Std. Deviation	Alpha	Beta	R-Squared	Information Ratio	Sharpe Ratio	Tracking Error
Total Return Fund	6.83%	0.20%	1.02	0.83	0.05	-0.10	2.86%
Bloomberg US Agg Index	6.11	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	-0.13	0.00

**Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.** Figures are calculated using monthly data and are net of fees.**TOP ISSUERS**

Comprising 5.8% of total net assets.

	% of Fund
Japan	0.9%
UBS	0.7
T-Mobile US	0.6
Bank of America	0.6
Wells Fargo	0.5
HUB International	0.5
AbbVie	0.5
Morgan Stanley	0.5
Vistra	0.5
UKG	0.5

Issuers are as of the date indicated and are subject to change.

**PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

	Total Return Fund	Bloomberg US Agg Index
Number of Holdings	1,166	13,380
Weighted Average Maturity	7.18 years	8.45 years
Weighted Average Effective Duration	6.24 years	6.20 years
Weighted Average Coupon	4.23%	3.18%
Yield to Maturity	5.69%	4.54%
Percent of Portfolio in Cash	0.0%	–
Total Assets (all share classes) (USD)	683,754,045	–

**SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION**

	Mort- gage	U.S. Treas- ury	Corpo- rate	High Yield	ABS	CMBS	Equity & Other	TIPS	Non- US\$ De- nomi- nated	Govern- ment Related	Emerg- ing Mar- ket	U.S. Mu- nicipal
Total Return Fund	30.3%	19.9%	13.0%	12.5%	11.5%	5.0%	2.7%	2.3%	1.4%	0.7%	0.6%	0.1%
Bloomberg US Agg Index	26.8	41.7	25.3	0.0	0.4	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.8	0.0	0.0
<b>Over/Underweight</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>-21.8</b>	<b>-12.3</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>-4.1</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.1</b>

**CREDIT QUALITY DIVERSIFICATION**

	U.S. Treas*	U.S. Govt Ag**	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC	Not Rated
Total Return Fund	22.2%	24.8%	8.0%	6.8%	8.7%	11.2%	6.8%	4.7%	2.1%	4.6%
Bloomberg US Agg Index	41.4	27.6	4.3	4.6	11.5	10.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Over/Underweight</b>	<b>-19.2</b>	<b>-2.7</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>-2.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>4.6</b>

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**MATURITY DIVERSIFICATION**

	0-1 Year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	5-7 Years	7-10 Years	10-20 Years	20-30 Years	30+ Years
Total Return Fund	5.0%	12.4%	19.9%	21.9%	17.6%	17.0%	4.7%	1.6%
Bloomberg US Agg Index	0.0	21.8	2 18.3	13.2	23.3	12.4	10.2	0.8
<b>Over/Underweight</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>-9.4</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>-5.7</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>-5.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>

**Definitions**

Weighted Average Effective Duration is a calculation that seeks to measure the price sensitivity of a bond Fund to changes in interest rates. In general, the longer the average duration, the greater the Fund's sensitivity to interest rates.

**Additional Disclosures**

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