



STRATEGY HIGHLIGHTS

As of 30 September 2020

## QM US Aggregate Bond Index Strategy

**Total US Fixed Income Index (Passive) Assets:** \$2.7 billion<sup>2</sup> | **Total QM US Aggregate Bond Index Strategy Assets:**<sup>1</sup> \$1.3 billion<sup>2</sup>

Figures shown in U.S. Dollars

### INVESTMENT APPROACH

- Primarily focus on investment-grade U.S. fixed income securities represented in the Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index.
- Integrate proprietary credit and capital market research to identify market inefficiencies.
- Seek to add value at the margin by coupling limited active management techniques with the risk-managed aspects of passive management.
- Emphasize individual security selection and modest strategic and tactical deviations versus the benchmark.

### PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

- Risk-weighted spread sectors exposure range +/-5% of the benchmark
- Duration range +/- 3% of the benchmark
- Tracking error 10-20 bps

### BENCHMARK

- Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index

### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

#### Rob Larkins, CFA<sup>®</sup>

- 17 years of investment experience; 17 years with T. Rowe Price.
- M.B.A., University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School
- B.S., Brigham Young University

#### PORTFOLIO SPECIALISTS

#### Jeff DeVack, CFA<sup>®</sup>

- 20 years of investment experience; 9 years with T. Rowe Price.
- B.B.A., Loyola University Maryland, Sellinger School of Business

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<sup>1</sup> Includes separate accounts.

<sup>2</sup> Assets reported are as of 30 June 2020.

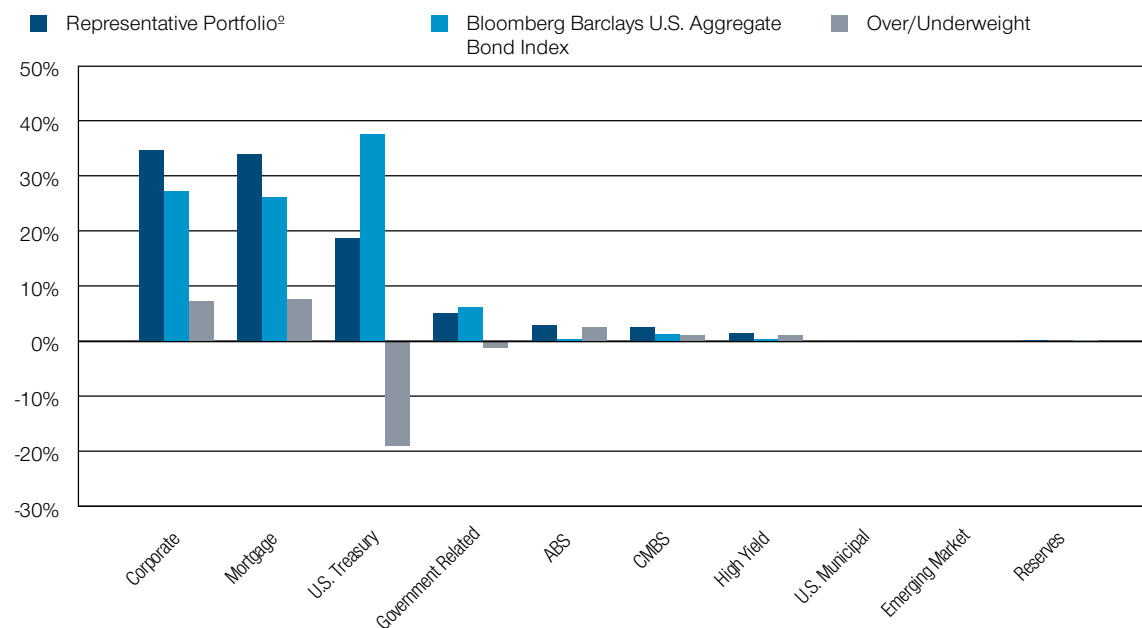
Prior to 1 October 2020, the name of the QM US Aggregate Bond Index Composite was the US Aggregate Bond Index Composite.

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**TOP ISSUERS**

	<b>% of Representative Portfolio<sup>2</sup></b>
JPMorgan Chase	0.9%
Bank of America	0.7
Comcast	0.6
Apple	0.6
AT&T	0.5
Berkshire Hathaway	0.5
Verizon Wireless	0.5
Goldman Sachs	0.5
Morgan Stanley	0.5
Banco Santander	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.7%</b>

**SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION**



**PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

	<b>Representative Portfolio<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index</b>
Weighted Average Coupon	3.26%	3.01%
Weighted Average Maturity	8.00 years	8.13 years
Weighted Average Effective Duration	6.05 years	6.03 years
Yield to Maturity	1.54%	1.19%
Average Credit Quality	AA	AA1/AA2
Number of Holdings	967	11,902

<sup>2</sup>Please see Additional Disclosures section for further information.

**PERFORMANCE**

	Three Months	Year-to-Date	One Year	Annualized			
				Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years	Fifteen Years
QM US Aggregate Bond Index (Gross)	1.03%	7.53%	7.45%	5.65%	4.55%	3.91%	4.78%
QM US Aggregate Bond Index (Net)	1.01	7.47	7.37	5.56	4.46	3.83	4.69
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	0.62	6.79	6.98	5.24	4.18	3.64	4.48
Value Added (Gross)	0.41	0.74	0.47	0.41	0.37	0.27	0.30
Value Added (Net)	0.39	0.68	0.39	0.32	0.28	0.19	0.21

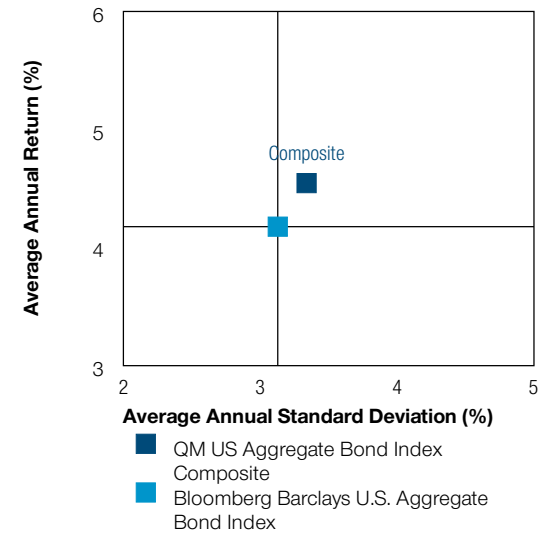
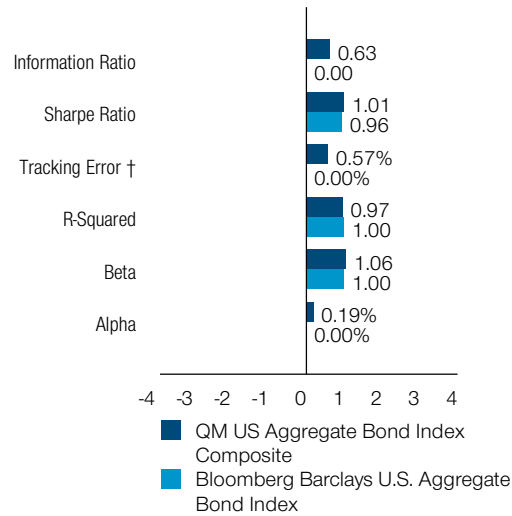
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**RISK/RETURN CHARACTERISTICS**

Five Years ended 30 September 2020



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

## US Aggregate Bond Index Composite

Period Ended December 31, 2019

Figures Shown in U.S. dollar

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Gross Annual Returns (%)	6.65	7.65	4.63	-1.96	6.26	0.66	3.04	3.90	0.30	8.83
Net Annual Returns (%) <sup>1</sup>	6.56	7.56	4.55	-2.04	6.18	0.58	2.95	3.82	0.22	8.74
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (%)	6.54	7.84	4.21	-2.02	5.97	0.55	2.65	3.54	0.01	8.72
Composite 3-Yr St. Dev.	4.10	2.75	2.37	2.72	2.67	2.94	3.09	2.87	2.88	2.91
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index 3-Yr St. Dev.	4.17	2.78	2.38	2.71	2.63	2.88	2.98	2.78	2.84	2.87
Composite Dispersion	0.03	0.11	0.13	0.11	0.04	0.05	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Comp. Assets (Millions)	3,042.1	4,104.2	4,189.1	4,380.0	3,796.4	3,746.0	665.6	890.3	975.3	1,103.7
# of Accts. in Comp.	7	8	8	8	7	7	3	3	4	4
Total Firm Assets (Billions)	485.0	493.1	579.8	696.3	749.6	772.4	817.2	1,000.2	972.7	1,218.2 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Reflects deduction of highest applicable fee schedule without benefit of breakpoints. Investment return and principal value will vary. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Monthly composite performance is available upon request. **See below for further information related to net of fee calculations.**

<sup>2</sup>Preliminary - subject to adjustment.

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## Risks

The following risks are materially relevant to the portfolio.

### General Portfolio Risks

**Capital risk** - The value of your investment will vary and is not guaranteed. It will be affected by changes in the exchange rate between the base currency of the portfolio and the currency in which you subscribed, if different. **Counterparty risk** - An entity with which the portfolio transacts may not meet its obligations to the portfolio. **Geographic concentration risk** - To the extent that a portfolio invests a large portion of its assets in a particular geographic area, its performance will be more strongly affected by events within that area. **Hedging risk** - A portfolio's attempts to reduce or eliminate certain risks through hedging may not work as intended. **Investment portfolio risk** - Investing in portfolios involves certain risks an investor would not face if investing in markets directly. **Management risk** - The investment manager or its designees may at times find their obligations to a portfolio to be in conflict with their obligations to other investment portfolios they manage (although in such cases, all portfolios will be dealt with equitably). **Operational risk** - Operational failures could lead to disruptions of portfolio operations or financial losses.

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