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Floating-Rate Loan Strategy



Monthly Strategy Review
(as of Mar 31, 2024)



Quarterly Strategy Profile
(as of Dec 31, 2023)

Investment Overview

This strategy provides "intelligent exposure" to the floating-rate loan market, thoughtfully diversifying while assuming a higher-quality bias that seeks lower volatility and better risk-adjusted performance over time.

- We aim to maximize risk-adjusted performance through fundamental credit research and risk-weighted portfolio optimization.
- Loans are analyzed through Eaton Vance's proprietary credit research process, and position sizes are guided by credit analyst risk rankings.
- We take less input risk by skewing weightings away from higher credit risk issuers.
- We have experienced less output risk, resulting in lower absolute and relative volatility.
- Eaton Vance is a leader in floating-rate loans, with one of the longest track records and longest-tenured teams, and largest AUM.*

*eVestment Alliance/Morningstar, 12/31/2021 Based on combined eVestment Alliance Floating-Rate Bank Loan Fixed Income universe and Morningstar Bank Loan category using AUM and oldest investment offering for each firm.

Portfolio Construction

- Analysts assign relative risk rankings to each loan
- Number of loans approximately equal weighted by risk quintile
- Market value incrementally skewed toward lower risk
- Initial position size ranges from 0.1% to 1.5% as determined by risk rank
- Portfolio is perpetually optimized for risk and return

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Benchmark

- Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan TR USD Index*

*Prior to August 29, 2022, the index name S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index



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