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# Core Bond Fund (A)

A research-driven approach to fixed-income investing focused on risk management and capital preservation.



**EAGIX** Symbol **\$8.37 \$**0.04 NAV as of May 3, 2024



Fact Sheet Mar 31, 2024

## The Fund

This offering provides investors with a core bond position in the broad fixed-income market. The Fund utilizes the entire investment-grade fixed-income spectrum, which may include U.S. government securities, mortgage-backed securities (including commercial mortgage-backed securities), corporate bonds, asset-backed securities and money market instruments.

# The Approach

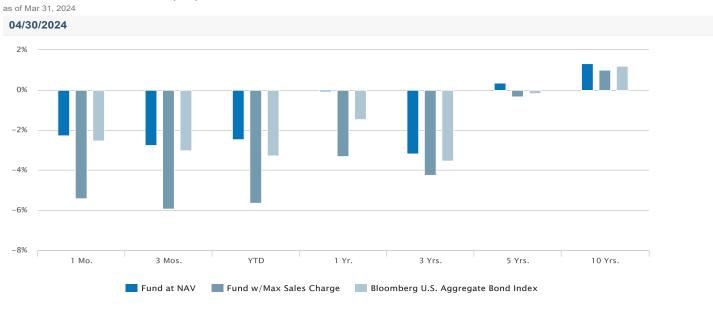
We employ fundamental and quantitative analysis to construct a diversified Fund. Our macroeconomic analysis and risk assessment provides the framework for determining asset allocation. Fundamental bottom-up credit research is the foundation of our investment process.

## The Features

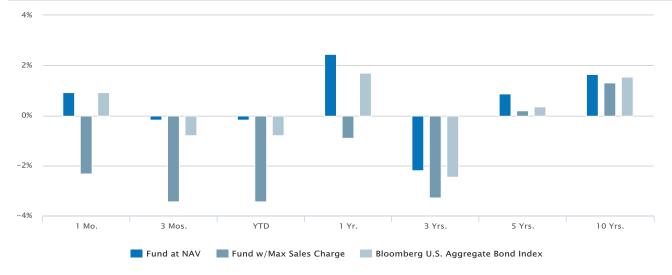
The Fund seeks to protect against downside risks while maintaining upside potential, consistent with the Fund's investment objectives to seek current income and total return. We seek to deliver competitive returns, emphasizing relative value and risk management to potentially provide a stabilizing influence in a client's diversified investment program.

## Overview

# Historical Returns (%)



03/31/2024



04/30/2024							
Fund at NAV	-2.28	-2.76	-2.45	-0.06	-3.18	0.35	1.32
Fund w/Max Sales Charge	-5.40	-5.94	-5.64	-3.32	-4.24	-0.32	0.99
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index <sup>1</sup>	-2.53	-3.02	-3.28	-1.47	-3.53	-0.16	1.20
03/31/2024							
Fund at NAV	0.93	-0.18	-0.18	2.44	-2.19	0.86	1.64
Fund w/Max Sales Charge	-2.32	-3.44	-3.44	-0.90	-3.27	0.19	1.31
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index <sup>1</sup>	0.92	-0.78	-0.78	1.70	-2.45	0.36	1.54

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## **Fund Facts**

as of Mar 31, 2024

Class A Inception	01/05/2009
Performance Inception	03/07/2000
Investment Objective	Current income
Total Net Assets	\$270.1M
Total Net Assets of Portfolio <sup>2</sup>	\$600.3M
Minimum Investment	\$1000
Expense Ratio (Gross) 3,4	0.86%
Expense Ratio (Net) 3,4	0.74%
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# Top 10 Holdings (%) $^{5,6}$ as of Mar 31, 2024

FNMA TBA 30 YR 5 SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE	6.61
Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac	3.86
Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac	3.77
United States Treasury Note/Bond	3.74
United States Treasury Note/Bond	3.38
United States Treasury Note/Bond	2.93
United States Treasury Bill	2.47
United States Treasury Note/Bond	2.45
United States Treasury Note/Bond	2.04
United States Treasury Bill	1.25
Total	32.49

Time Period	Rating	Intermediate Core Bond Category
Overall	***	426
3 Years	***	426
5 Years	***	385
10 Years	***	275

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## Portfolio Management

Vishal Khanduja, CFA	Managed Fund since 2017
Brian S. Ellis, CFA	Managed Fund since 2017

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## **RISK CONSIDERATIONS**

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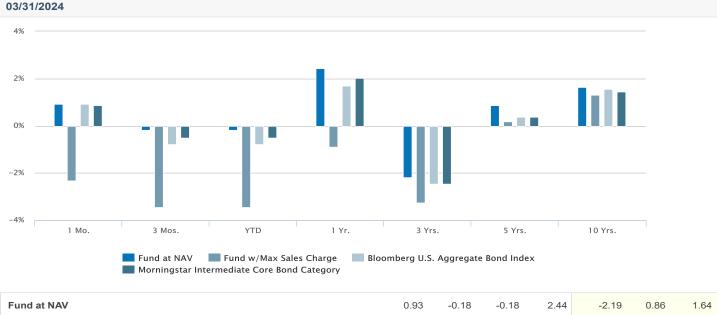
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- 2. Total net assets equals the sum of the net assets of each of the Fund's share classes. Portfolio total net assets includes fund total net assets plus any additional assets invested in the Portfolio.
- 3. Source: Fund prospectus.
- 4. Net expense ratio reflects a contractual expense reimbursement that continues through 04/30/24. Without the reimbursement, if applicable, performance would have been lower.
- 5. Top 10 Holdings excludes cash and equivalents.
- 6. Percent of total net assets.

## Performance

# Historical Returns (%)

as of Mar 31, 2024



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Morningstar Intermediate Core Bond Category 7	0.87	-0.51	-0.51	2.01	-2.45	0.36	1.43

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# Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fund at NAV	5.00	-0.31	2.48	4.20	-0.64	9.00	7.88	0.36	-13.33	5.81
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index <sup>1</sup>	5.97	0.55	2.65	3.54	0.01	8.72	7.51	-1.54	-13.01	5.53

## **Fund Facts**

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# Yield Information<sup>8</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024	
Distribution Rate at NAV	3.91%
Subsidized SEC 30-day Yield	4.36%

Expense Ratio (Gross) 3,4	0.86%	Unsubsidized SEC 30-day Yield 4.26%
Expense Ratio (Net) 3,4	0.74%	
Distribution Frequency	Monthly	

# Morningstar Rating™

as of Mar 31, 2024

Time Period	Rating	Funds in Intermediate Core Bond Category
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# **NAV History**

Date	NAV	NAV Change
May 03, 2024	\$8.37	\$0.04
May 02, 2024	\$8.33	\$0.04
May 01, 2024	\$8.29	\$0.03
Apr 30, 2024	\$8.26	-\$0.03
Apr 29, 2024	\$8.29	\$0.02
Apr 26, 2024	\$8.27	\$0.02
Apr 25, 2024	\$8.25	-\$0.03
Apr 24, 2024	\$8.28	-\$0.02
Apr 23, 2024	\$8.30	\$0.02
Apr 22, 2024	\$8.28	\$0.01

# Distribution History<sup>9</sup>

Ex-Date Ex-Date	Distribution	Reinvest NAV
Apr 30, 2024	\$0.02699	\$8.26

Ex-Date	Distribution	Reinvest NAV
Mar 28, 2024	\$0.02812	\$8.48
Feb 29, 2024	\$0.02870	\$8.43
Jan 31, 2024	\$0.02759	\$8.58
Dec 29, 2023	\$0.02783	\$8.58
Nov 30, 2023	\$0.02830	\$8.31
Oct 31, 2023	\$0.02674	\$7.95
Sep 29, 2023	\$0.02647	\$8.12
Aug 31, 2023	\$0.02694	\$8.35
Jul 31, 2023	\$0.02545	\$8.41
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No records in this table indicates that there has not been a distribution greater than .0001 within the past 3 years.

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# Capital Gain History<sup>9</sup>

Ex-Date	Short-Term	Long-Term	Reinvest NAV
Dec 06, 2022		\$0.01260	
Dec 09, 2021	\$0.01010	\$0.11110	\$9.98

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- 4. Net expense ratio reflects a contractual expense reimbursement that continues through 04/30/24. Without the reimbursement, if applicable, performance would have been lower.
- 7. The Morningstar Intermediate-Term Core Bond Category portfolios invest primarily in investment-grade U.S. fixed-income issues including government, corporate, and securitized debt, and hold less than 5% in below-investment-grade exposures. Their durations (a measure of interestrate sensitivity) typically range between 75% and 125% of the three-year average of the effective duration of the Morningstar Core Bond Index.
- 8. SEC 30-day yield is a standardized measure based on the estimated yield to maturity of a fund's investments over a 30-day period and is based on the maximum offer price at the date specified. The SEC 30-day yield is not based on the distributions made by the fund, which may differ. Subsidized yield reflects the effect of fee waivers and expense reimbursements. Distribution Rate at NAV is calculated by dividing the last distribution paid per share (annualized) by NAV. The Fund's monthly distribution may be comprised of ordinary income, net realized capital gains and returns of capital.
- 9. A portion of the Fund's returns may be comprised of return of capital or short term capital gains. The Fund will determine the tax characteristics of all Fund distributions after the end of the calendar year and will provide shareholders such information at that time. Please consult your tax advisor for further information.

## **Portfolio**

# Asset Mix (%)<sup>6,10</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

# Treasuries Investment Grade Credit MBS ABS CMBS High Yield Government Related Equity Municipals Bank Loan Cash & Equivalents

Treasuries	34.37
Investment Grade Credit	33.26
MBS	21.96
ABS	10.68
CMBS	9.23
High Yield	0.51
Government Related	0.21
Equity	0.36
Municipals	0.38
Bank Loan	0.00
Cash & Equivalents	-10.97

## Portfolio Statistics

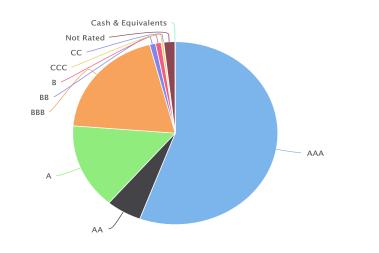
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Number of Holdings	330
Average Coupon	3.75%
Average Maturity	7.13 yrs.
Effective Duration	6.01 yrs.
Average Price	\$92.55

# Credit Quality (%)<sup>6,10</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

## 03/31/2024



AAA	61.74
AA	6.19
A	16.73
ВВВ	21.86
ВВ	1.03

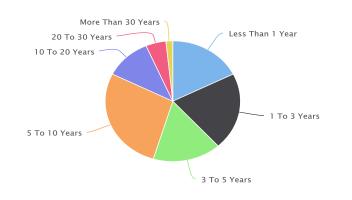
В	0.99
ccc	0.40
сс	0.06
Not Rated	1.98
Cash & Equivalents	-10.97

Ratings are based on Moody's, S&P or Fitch, or Kroll for securitized debt instruments only (such as asset-backed securities and mortgage-backed securities), as applicable. If securities are rated differently by the ratings agencies, the highest rating is applied. Ratings, which are subject to change, apply to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the underlying securities and not to the Fund or its shares. Credit ratings measure the quality of an issuance based on the issuer's creditworthiness, with ratings ranging from AAA, being the highest, to D, being the lowest based on S&P's measures. Ratings of BBB or higher by S&P, Fitch or Kroll (Baa or higher by Moody's) are considered to be investment-grade quality. Credit ratings are based largely on the ratings agency's analysis at the time of rating. The rating assigned to any particular security is not necessarily a reflection of the issuer's current financial condition and does not necessarily reflect its assessment of the volatility of a security's market value or of the liquidity of an investment in the security. Holdings designated as "Not Rated" are not rated by the national ratings agencies stated above.

# Maturity Distribution (%)<sup>11</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

## 03/31/2024



17.58
20.75
16.36
27.76
11.09
4.84
1.63
100.00

# Duration Breakdown (%)<sup>12,13</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

0 Days - 90 Days	30.49
90 Days - 180 Days	1.90
180 Days - 1 Year	1.06
1 Year - 2 Years	10.45
2 Years - 3 Years	10.44
3 Years - 4 Years	8.10
4 Years - 5 Years	6.77
Over 5 years	30.29
Total	99.49

Fund Holdings<sup>6,14</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

Holding Coupon Rate Maturity Date % of Net Assets

FNMA TBA 30 YR 5 SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE	5.00%	04/11/2054	5.61%
Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac	4.50%	04/01/2053	3.27%
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United States Treasury Note/Bond	0.38%	12/31/2025	3.18%
United States Treasury Note/Bond	0.50%	02/28/2026	2.87%
United States Treasury Note/Bond	1.88%	02/28/2027	2.49%
United States Treasury Bill	0.00%	06/13/2024	2.09%
United States Treasury Note/Bond	2.75%	04/30/2027	2.08%
United States Treasury Note/Bond	2.38%	02/15/2042	1.73%
MSILF GOVERNMENT PORTFOLIO MSILF GOVERNMENT PORTFOLIO	5.22%	12/31/2030	1.35%
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- 6 Percent of total net assets
- 10. Cash & Equivalents is composed of cash, commercial paper, certificates of deposit, money market funds, and US Treasury and Agency obligations maturing in 13 months or less.
- 11. Percent of bond holdings.
- 12. Percent of total market value.
- 13. Duration is a measure of the expected life of a fixed-income security and its sensitivity to changes in interest rates. The longer a fund's average portfolio duration, the more sensitive the fund will be to changes in interest rates.
- 14. The following list reflects unaudited securities holdings (excluding derivatives positions). Holdings information may differ if presented as of trade date. Due to rounding, holdings of less than 0.005% may show as 0.00%. Portfolio information subject to change due to active management.



Vishal Khanduja, CFA
Co-Head, Broad Markets Fixed Income,
Portfolio Manager
Joined Eaton Vance 2016

## Biography

Vishal is a managing director of Morgan Stanley Investment Management, Co-Head of the Broad Markets Fixed Income team and a portfolio manager. He is responsible for buy and sell decisions and portfolio construction. He joined Calvert Research and Management's predecessor organization Calvert Investment Management in 2012. Eaton Vance acquired Calvert Investment Management in 2016. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021.

Vishal began his career in the investment management industry in 2005. Before joining Eaton Vance, he was a senior vice president, portfolio manager and head of taxable fixed income for Calvert Investments. Previously, he was a vice president and portfolio manager at Columbia Threadneedle and associate director of fixed-income analytics at Galliard Capital.

Vishal earned a bachelor of engineering from VJTI, Mumbai, India and an MBA from the Tippie School of Management at the University of Iowa. He is a member of the CFA Institute and CFA Society Boston. He is a CFA charterholder.

### Education

- B.Eng. Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute, Mumbai
- M.B.A. Tippie School of Management, University of Iowa

## Experience

• Managed Fund since 2017

## Other funds managed

- Balanced Fund
- Total Return Bond Fund



Brian S. Ellis, CFA

Executive Director, Portfolio Manager
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## Biography

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Brian began his career in the investment management industry in 2006. Before joining Eaton Vance, he worked as a portfolio manager of fixed-income strategies for Calvert Investments. He was previously affiliated with Legg Mason Capital Management (now ClearBridge Investments).

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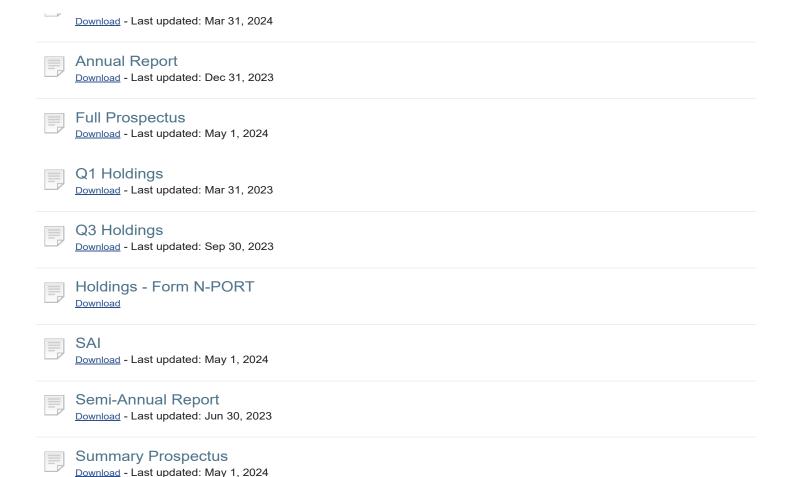
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- Balanced Fund
- Short Duration Inflation-Protected Income Fund
- Total Return Bond Fund

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