Global Macro Absolute Return Fund (C)

A flexible global absolute return strategy designed to complement traditional asset classes.

C
Share Class

ECGMX
Symbol

$8.45 ▲$0.00
NAV as of Mar 28, 2024

Fact Sheet	Commentary	Attribution	Monthly Update
Dec 31, 2023	Dec 31, 2023	Dec 31, 2023	Feb 29, 2024

The Fund

Unconstrained to a traditional benchmark, this Fund is one of the industry's longest-running absolute return strategies. Implements a flexible approach to investing long and short in foreign markets, providing global exposure that may help counterbalance performance swings in conventional holdings.

The Approach

Eaton Vance applies its global macroeconomic and political research process in directing Fund investments. This time-tested process informs long and short positions in sovereign asset classes, such as foreign currencies and sovereign credit markets. Managers consider relative risk and return in managing exposures.

The Features

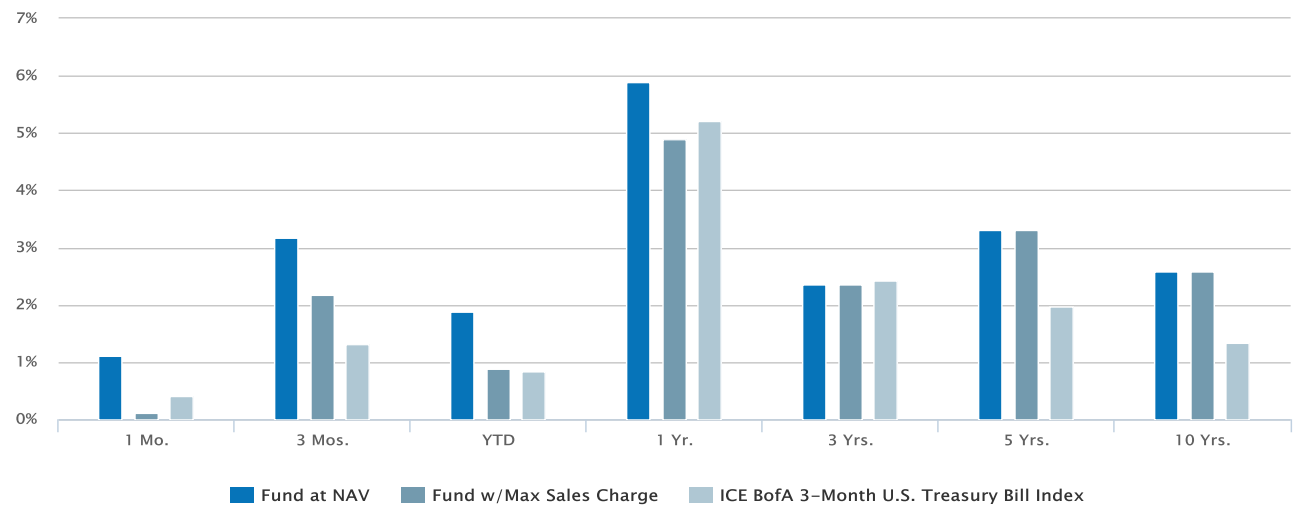
A flexible mandate translates into investment opportunities in both improving and deteriorating markets. Historically has provided a low volatility, strong, risk-adjusted performance experience. Historically low beta may help the Fund complement traditional holdings. Managed by Eaton Vance, a global investing leader.

Overview

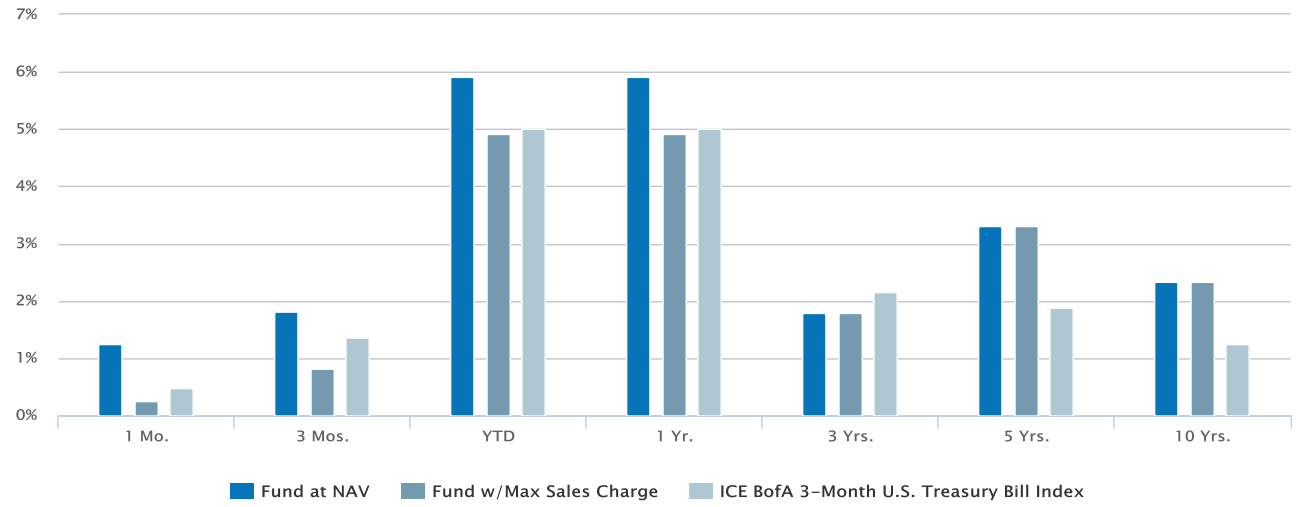
Historical Returns (%)

as of Dec 31, 2023

02/29/2024



12/31/2023



02/29/2024							
Fund at NAV	1.12	3.17	1.89	5.89	2.36	3.31	2.59
Fund w/Max Sales Charge	0.12	2.17	0.89	4.89	2.36	3.31	2.59
ICE BofA 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index	0.41	1.31	0.84	5.22	2.43	1.97	1.33
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Fund at NAV	1.25	1.82	5.91	5.91	1.80	3.30	2.34
Fund w/Max Sales Charge	0.25	0.82	4.91	4.91	1.80	3.30	2.34
ICE BofA 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index	0.47	1.37	5.01	5.01	2.15	1.88	1.25

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Fund Facts

as of Feb 29, 2024

Performance Inception	10/31/1997
Investment Objective	Total return
Total Net Assets	$1.6B
Expense Ratio[1]	2.12%
Adjusted Expense Ratio	1.75%
CUSIP	277923488

Adjusted Expense Ratios excludes certain investment expenses such as interest expense from borrowings and repurchase agreements and dividend expense from short sales, incurred directly by the Fund or indirectly through the Fund's investment in underlying Eaton Vance Funds, if applicable none of which are paid to Eaton Vance.

Morningstar Rating™

as of Feb 29, 2024

Time Period	Rating	Funds in Nontraditional Bond Category

Overall	★★★★	281
3 Years	★★★★	281
5 Years	★★★★	251
10 Years	★★★★	159

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Portfolio Management

Kyle Lee, CFA	Managed Fund since 2021
Patrick Campbell, CFA	Managed Fund since 2021
Federico Sequeda, CFA	Managed Fund since 2021
Hussein Khattab, CFA	Managed Fund since 2022

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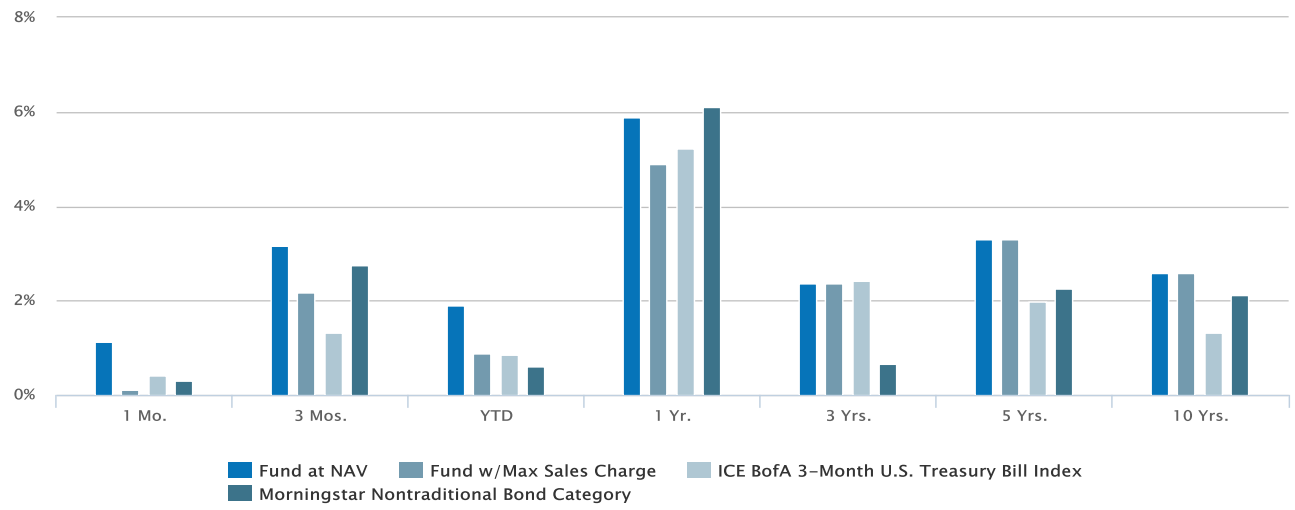
1. Source: Fund prospectus.

Performance

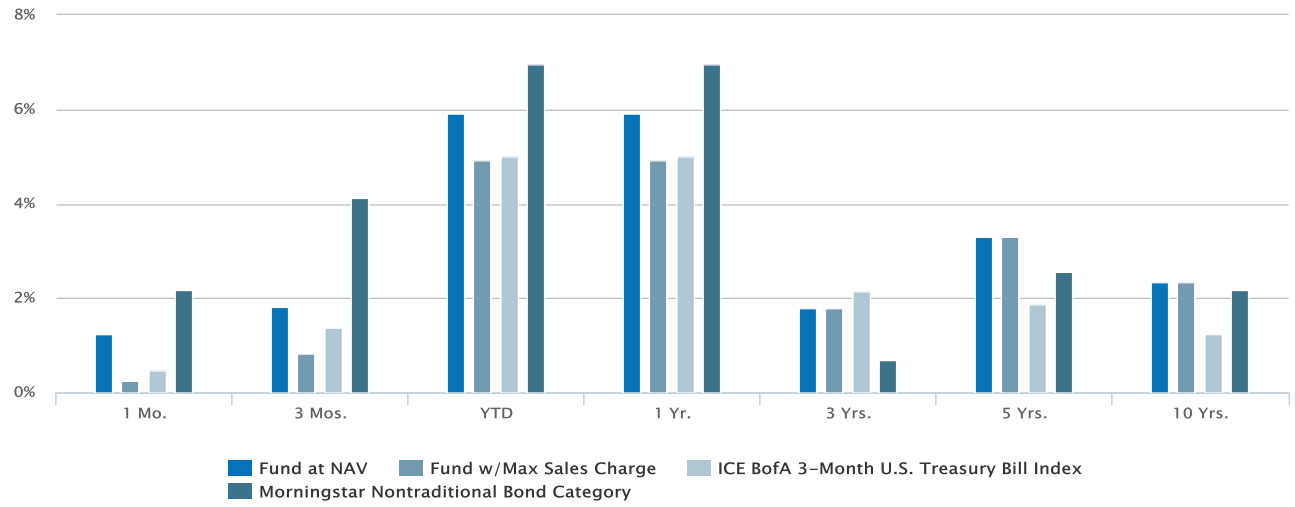
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Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fund at NAV	2.01	1.60	2.97	3.24	-4.22	8.63	2.66	1.17	-1.54	5.91
ICE BofA 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index	0.03	0.05	0.33	0.86	1.87	2.28	0.67	0.05	1.46	5.01

Fund Facts

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Distribution Frequency	Monthly

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Yield Information

as of Feb 29, 2024

Distribution Rate at NAV	4.71%
SEC 30-day Yield [3]	3.90%

Morningstar Rating™

as of Feb 29, 2024

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NAV History

Date	NAV	NAV Change
Mar 28, 2024	$8.45	$0.00
Mar 27, 2024	$8.45	-$0.02
Mar 26, 2024	$8.47	$0.01
Mar 25, 2024	$8.46	-$0.01
Mar 22, 2024	$8.47	$0.01
Mar 21, 2024	$8.46	$0.03
Mar 20, 2024	$8.43	$0.02
Mar 19, 2024	$8.41	$0.00
Mar 18, 2024	$8.41	$0.00
Mar 15, 2024	$8.41	$0.00

Distribution History[4]

Ex-Date	Distribution	Reinvest NAV
Mar 27, 2024	$0.03280	$8.45
Feb 28, 2024	$0.03280	$8.35
Jan 30, 2024	$0.03290	$8.29
Dec 28, 2023	$0.03290	$8.27
Nov 29, 2023	$0.03290	$8.20
Oct 30, 2023	$0.03300	$8.19
Sep 28, 2023	$0.03290	$8.22
Aug 30, 2023	$0.03290	$8.32
Jul 28, 2023	$0.03280	$8.33
Jun 29, 2023	$0.03280	$8.35

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Fund prospectus

Capital Gain History[4]

Ex-Date	Short-Term	Long-Term	Reinvest NAV

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2. The Morningstar Nontraditional Bond Category includes funds that pursue strategies divergent in one or more ways from conventional practice in the broader bond-fund universe. This includes funds that invest in bonds with an absolute return focus, which seek to avoid losses and produce returns uncorrelated to the overall bond market, and funds with unconstrained mandates. Typically these strategies tactically manage allocations and often utilize derivatives.
3. 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. 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.
4. 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

Portfolio Statistics

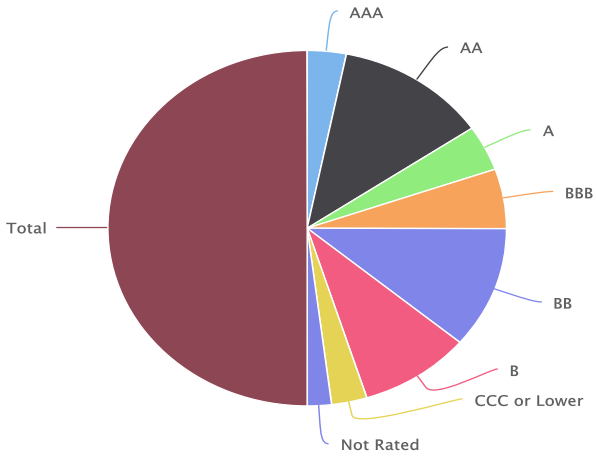
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Countries Represented	80

Credit Quality (%)[5]

as of Feb 29, 2024

02/29/2024



AAA	6.32
AA	24.67
A	8.26

BBB	10.84
BB	22.15
B	18.11
CCC or Lower	5.75
Not Rated	3.92
Total	100.00

Ratings are based on Moody's, S&P or Fitch, 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 a bond 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 or Fitch (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.

Foreign Currency Exposure (%)[6]

as of Feb 29, 2024

Serbia	3.69
India	3.46
Uzbekistan	3.01
Iceland	2.96
Dominican Republic	2.74
Australia	2.67
Mexico	2.40
Hungary	2.33
New Zealand	-3.01
China	-3.37

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Credit Exposures by Country (contribution to credit spread duration in years)[7]

as of Feb 29, 2024

Ivory Coast	0.17
Egypt	0.14
Benin	0.13
Nigeria	0.12
Poland	-0.13
Spain	-0.15
United States	-0.18
Saudi Arabia	-0.30
Malaysia	-0.36
South Africa	-0.51

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Interest-Rate Exposures by Country (contribution to interest-rate duration in years)[8]

as of Feb 29, 2024

United States	0.35
United Kingdom	0.24
Peru	0.20
Czech Republic	0.19
Serbia	0.19
Mexico	0.16

India	0.15
Iceland	0.14
Taiwan	-0.15
Japan	-0.59

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Aggregate Exposure[9]

as of Feb 29, 2024

	Foreign Currency (%)	Credit (yrs.)	Interest Rate (yrs.)
Long	0.43	1.10	2.52
Short	-0.13	-2.30	-1.06
Net	0.29	-1.20	1.46

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5. Percent of bond holdings.
6. Based on notional exposure as percentage of net assets.
7. Spread duration is the sensitivity of a bond's price given changes in yield spreads. Based on option-adjusted credit spread duration relative to net assets.
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Management



Kyle Lee, CFA

Managing Director, Co-Head of Emerging Markets
Joined Eaton Vance 2007

Biography

Kyle is the Co-Head of Emerging Markets and portfolio manager on the Emerging Markets team. He is responsible for co-leading the team of investment professionals based in Boston, Washington, D.C., London, and Singapore, as well as for buy and sell decisions, portfolio construction, and risk management for assets in emerging and frontier markets.

He began his career in the investment management industry with Eaton Vance in 2007. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021.

Kyle earned a B.A. from Wesleyan University and is a CFA charterholder.

Education

- B.A. Wesleyan University

Experience

- Managed Fund since 2021

Other funds managed

- Global Macro Absolute Return Advantage Fund
- Global Sovereign Opportunities Fund



Patrick Campbell, CFA

Executive Director, Portfolio Manager
Joined Eaton Vance 2008

Biography

Patrick Campbell is a portfolio manager on the Emerging Markets team. He is responsible for buy and sell decisions, portfolio construction and risk management for the team's emerging markets strategies. He is also responsible for the analysis of macroeconomics, politics and financial markets of Latin America and the management of regional investments in various emerging markets portfolios. He began his career in the investment management industry with Eaton Vance in 2008. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021.

Patrick earned a B.A. from Boston College. He is a member of the CFA Society Boston and is a CFA charterholder.

Education

- B.A. Boston College

Experience

- Managed Fund since 2021

Other funds managed

- Emerging Markets Local Income Fund
- Global Macro Absolute Return Advantage Fund
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Federico Sequeda, CFA

Executive Director, Portfolio Manager
Joined Eaton Vance 2010

Biography

Federico Sequeda is a portfolio manager on the Emerging Markets team. He is responsible for buy and sell decisions, portfolio construction and risk management for the team's emerging markets strategies. He joined Eaton Vance in 2010. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021.

Federico began his career in the investment management industry in 2009. Before joining Eaton Vance, he was an investment associate with Bridgewater Associates, LP.

Federico earned a B.A., magna cum laude, from Dartmouth College. He is a CFA charterholder.

Education

- B.A. Dartmouth College

Experience

- Managed Fund since 2021

Other funds managed

- Global Macro Absolute Return Advantage Fund



Hussein Khattab, CFA

Executive Director, Portfolio Manager
Joined Eaton Vance 2013

Biography

Hussein Khattab is a portfolio manager on the Emerging Markets team. He is responsible for buy and sell decisions, portfolio construction and risk management for the team's emerging markets strategies. He is focused on the analysis of macroeconomics, politics and financial markets of Central and Eastern Europe, the Middle East and Africa, and the management of regional investments in various emerging markets portfolios. He began his career in the investment management industry with Eaton Vance in 2013. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021.

Hussein earned a BEngineering from the American University of Beirut and an M.S. in mathematical finance from Boston University. He is a CFA charterholder.

Education

- American University of Beirut
- Boston University

Experience

- Managed Fund since 2022

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