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# Short Duration Inflation-Protected Income Fund (C)

Seeking real return.

Fact Sheet Mar 31, 2024

### The Fund

The Fund invests primarily in "inflation protected" instruments, including TIPS of varying maturities, as well as floating-rate loans and other fixed and floating-rate debt obligations where nominal interest payments are swapped for those based on changes in the U.S. Consumer Price Index (CPI) or other measures of inflation.

### **The Approach**

TIPS and floating-rate loans and other fixed and floating-rate debt obligations swapped for CPI or other measures of inflation receive the same inflation adjustment as other, longer-dated inflation-linked securities. As a result, they may be able to provide similar protection from inflation, but with less interest rate risk. The Fund limits its real duration to 3.5 years or less.

### **The Features**

The Fund's duration is one of the shortest in its Morningstar Category. As interest rates rise, inflation-protected bond funds with longer durations can be expected to decrease in value more than those with shorter durations.

**\$9.78** \$-0.01 NAV as of Apr 24, 2024

#### Overview

### Historical Returns (%)

as of Mar 31, 2024

03/31/2024

ICE BofA 1-5 Year U.S. Inflation-Linked Treasury Index

Fund at NAV	0.62	1.03	1.03	3.91	2.30	3.06	1.90
Fund w/Max Sales Charge	-0.38	0.03	0.03	2.91	2.30	3.06	1.90
ICE BofA 1-5 Year U.S. Inflation-Linked Treasury Index <sup>1</sup>	0.60	0.66	0.66	2.72	1.69	3.02	1.97

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## **Fund Facts**

as of Mar 31, 2024

Class C Inception	03/31/2010
Investment Objective	Real return
Total Net Assets	\$486.4M
Minimum Investment	\$1000
Expense Ratio (Gross) <sup>2</sup>	2.03%
Expense Ratio (Net) <sup>2,3</sup>	1.90%
Adjusted Expense Ratio (Gross)	1.63%
Adjusted Expense Ratio (Net)	1.50%
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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.

### Portfolio Management

Brian S. Ellis, CFA	Managed Fund since 2019
Jason C. DesLauriers, CFA	Managed Fund since 2019

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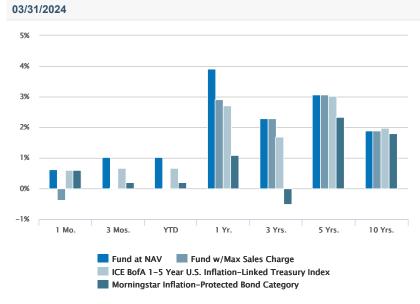
2. Source: Fund prospectus.

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### Performance

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as of Mar 31, 2024



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Morningstar Inflation-Protected Bond Category <sup>4</sup>	0.60	0.19	0.19	1.10	-0.50	2.33	1.80

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### Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fund at NAV	-2.73	-1.76	4.94	1.06	-1.21	4.54	4.21	6.68	-3.99	5.32
ICE BofA 1-5 Year U.S. Inflation-Linked Treasury Index <sup>1</sup>	-1.06	-0.15	3.16	0.82	0.40	5.07	5.69	5.51	-3.99	4.32

### **Fund Facts**

**Class C Inception** 

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Distribution Frequency	Quarterly

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## Yield Information<sup>5,6</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

Distribution Rate at NAV	1.66%
Subsidized SEC 30-day Yield	9.04%
Unsubsidized SEC 30-day Yield	8.84%

### Morningstar Rating™

as of Mar 31, 2024

Time Period	Rating	Funds in Inflation-Protected Bond Category
Overall	****	203
3 Years	****	203
5 Years	****	195
10 Years	***	139

The Morningstar Rating<sup>™</sup> for funds, or "star rating", is calculated for managed products (including mutual funds and exchange-traded funds) with at least a three-year history. Exchange-traded funds and open-ended mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star.

The Overall Morningstar Rating for a managed product is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three-, five-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. The weights are: 100% three-year rating for 36-59 months of total returns, 60% five-year rating/40% three-year rating for 60-119 months of total returns, and 50% 10-year rating/30% five-year rating/20% three-year rating for 120 or more months of total returns. While the 10-year overall star rating formula seems to give the most weight to the 10-year period, the most recent three-year period actually has the greatest impact because it is included in all three rating periods. Star ratings do not reflect the effect of any applicable sales load. Hollow stars denote Morningstar Extended Performance Ratings and are considered estimates based on the performance of the fund's oldest share class, adjusted for fees and expenses.

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### **NAV History**

Date	NAV	NAV Change
Apr 24, 2024	\$9.78	-\$0.01
Apr 23, 2024	\$9.79	\$0.01
Apr 22, 2024	\$9.78	\$0.01
Apr 19, 2024	\$9.77	\$0.00
Apr 18, 2024	\$9.77	-\$0.01
Apr 17, 2024	\$9.78	\$0.01
Apr 16, 2024	\$9.77	-\$0.01

Date	NAV	NAV Change
Apr 15, 2024	\$9.78	\$0.00
Apr 12, 2024	\$9.78	\$0.02
Apr 11, 2024	\$9.76	\$0.00

## Distribution History<sup>7</sup>

Ex-Date	Distribution	Reinvest NAV
Mar 27, 2024	\$0.04060	\$9.78
Dec 28, 2023	\$0.10120	\$9.71
Sep 28, 2023	\$0.08090	\$9.60
Jun 29, 2023	\$0.11920	\$9.58
Mar 30, 2023	\$0.04040	\$9.73
Dec 29, 2022	\$0.04860	\$9.57
Sep 29, 2022	\$0.15710	\$9.50
Jun 29, 2022	\$0.13060	\$9.88
Mar 30, 2022	\$0.06300	\$10.37
Dec 30, 2021	\$0.05120	\$10.38

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## Capital Gain History<sup>7</sup>

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Short-Term

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Long-Term

Reinvest NAV

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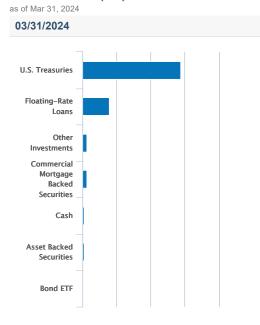
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The Morningstar Inflation-Protected Bond Category includes funds that invest primarily in bonds that adjust their principal value with the rate of inflation.
 SEC 30-day yield is a standardized measure based on the estimated yield to maturity of a 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.
 The Fund invests in Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS), and the SEC 30-day yield of the Fund, as quoted above, includes the positive or negative monthly change in inflation (U.S. Consumer Price Index (Not Seasonally Adjusted)). When the monthly change in inflation is positive, the Fund's SEC 30-day yield is expected to be higher than if the effects of inflation were excluded, and when the monthly change is negative, the Fund's SEC 30-day yield is expected to be lower than if the effects of inflation were excluded. Due to seasonal effects on prices, the Fund's 30-day yield (which is an annualized number) can vary substantially from one month to the next and an exceptionally high 30-day yield may be attributable to a high monthly change in the inflation rate, which might not be repeated.

7. 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>8</sup>



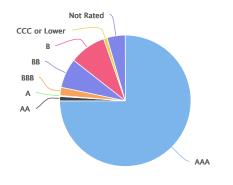
### **Portfolio Statistics**

as of Mar 31, 2024	
Number of Issuers	415
Average Coupon	2.65%
Effective Duration	2.17 yrs.
Average Price	\$97.09

Floating-Rate Loans	19.73
Other Investments	3.20
Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities	3.05
Cash	1.04
Asset Backed Securities	1.00
Bond ETF	0.05
Total	100.00

## Credit Quality (%)<sup>9</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024		
03/31/2024		



## Duration Breakdown (%)<sup>10,11</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024	
0 Days - 90 Days	20.66
90 Days - 180 Days	1.72
180 Days - 1 Year	6.19
1 Year - 2 Years	36.22
2 Years - 3 Years	31.42
3 Years - 4 Years	2.71
4 Years - 5 Years	0.71
Over 5 years	0.05
Total	99.68

AAA	74.98
AA	1.08
A	0.22
BBB	2.03
BB	7.28
В	9.04

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Total	100.00
Not Rated	4.48
CCC or Lower	0.89

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## Fund Holdings<sup>12,13</sup>

as of Feb 29, 2024

Holding	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	% of Net Assets
United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds	0.38%	07/15/2027	5.55%
United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds	0.13%	07/15/2026	5.46%
United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds	0.63%	01/15/2026	5.33%
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United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds	0.13%	10/15/2026	4.98%
United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds	0.38%	01/15/2027	4.90%
United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds	0.38%	07/15/2025	4.61%
United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds	0.13%	04/15/2027	4.56%
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8. Percent of gross assets. Excludes all derivatives.

9. Credit quality breakdown includes fixed income and floating-rate loan investments.

10. Percent of total market value.

11. 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.

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.
 Percent of total net assets.

#### Management



Brian S. Ellis, CFA Executive Director, Portfolio Manager Joined Eaton Vance 2016

#### Biography

Brian is an executive director of Morgan Stanley Investment Management and a portfolio manager on the Broad Markets Fixed Income team. He is responsible for buy and sell decisions, portfolio construction and risk management for the firm's Broad Markets strategies, including Calvert Research and Management Multi-Sector strategies. He joined Calvert Research and Management's predecessor organization Calvert Investment Management in 2009. Eaton Vance acquired Calvert Investment Management in 2016. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021.

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).

Brian earned a B.S. in finance from Salisbury University. He is a CFA charterholder and an FSA credential holder. He is a member of the CFA Institute and the CFA Society Boston.

#### Education

· B.S. Salisbury University

#### Experience

Managed Fund since 2019

#### Other funds managed

- Balanced Fund
- <u>Core Bond Fund</u>
- Total Return Bond Fund



Jason C. DesLauriers, CFA Executive Director, Portfolio Manager Joined Eaton Vance 2009

#### Biography

Jason DesLauriers is Research Analyst on the Securitized Team, focused on interest rate sensitive and U.S. agency mortgage guidance. Additionally, he is a portfolio manager and assists in the quantitative evaluation process for the inflation managed funds. He joined Eaton Vance in 2009. Morgan Stanley acquired Eaton Vance in March 2021.

Jason began his career in the investment management industry in 2007. Before joining Eaton Vance, he was a senior associate at State Street, working in mutual fund accounting and performance and analytics.

Jason earned a B.S. from Bridgewater State University. He is a United States Army veteran, serving under the 1st Infantry Division during Operation Iraqi Freedom to Tikrit, Iraq from November 2003 to March 2005. He is a CFA charterholder.

#### Education

B.S. Bridgewater State University

Experience

• Managed Fund since 2019

### Literature



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