



GIS Emerging Markets Bond Fund



Quarterly Investment Report | 1Q21

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Executive summary

Portfolio Performance

The PIMCO Emerging Markets (EM) Bond Fund outperformed its benchmark, JPMorgan EMBI Global, in the first quarter.

CONTRIBUTORS

- Security selection in Brazil
- Security selection in Ukraine
- Underweight to Peru

DETRACTORS

- Exposure to EM local duration
- Underweight to China

Performance periods ended 31 Mar '21	3 mos.	6 mos.	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
Fund before fees	-4.53	1.81	18.01	5.37	7.19	5.98	9.70
Fund after fees	-4.72	1.41	17.09	4.55	6.35	5.15	8.86
Benchmark*	-4.74	0.48	14.29	3.87	4.74	5.35	7.97

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Portfolio strategy

- Between the vaccination progress and the recent fiscal stimulus, the speed of the U.S. recovery is outpacing that of many of its peers, resulting in a rise in UST yields and appreciation of the U.S. dollar which presents short-term headwinds for EM assets.
- Against this backdrop, we've brought the Fund's beta exposure closer to the neutral line and have put a bit more emphasis on relative value opportunities.
- We are partial to select opportunities in the IG segment but also maintain an overweight to select cross-over BB names. We like countries with IMF programs and credible reforms and continue to take advantage of attractive off-benchmark opportunities. Conversely, we underweight fundamentally weak countries or those facing sanctions/trade/fiscal slippage risks.

*J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index (EMBI) Global

Class:	INST
Inception date:	31 Jul '01
Fund assets (in millions):	\$5,066.77
Unified management fee	0.790%

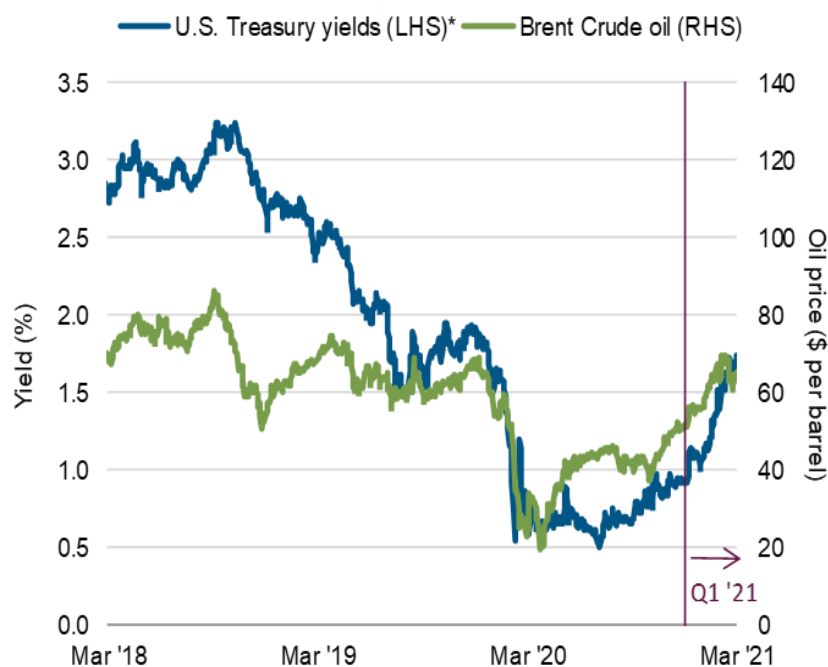
Summary information	31 Mar '21
Estimated yield to maturity (Gross of fee)	5.43%
Effective duration (yrs)	7.69
Benchmark duration - provider (yrs)	8.06
Benchmark duration - PIMCO (yrs)	7.60
Effective maturity (yrs)	14.14
Average coupon	4.73%
Tracking error (10 yrs)	1.94
Information ratio (10 yrs)	-0.06

Top 5 country holdings – EM Spread Dur (yrs)	Portfolio	Benchmark
Mexico	0.91	0.89
Indonesia	0.78	0.77
Saudi Arabia	0.63	0.59
United Arab Emirates	0.33	0.56
Brazil	0.27	0.23

Quarter in Review

Global headwinds from rising UST yields led to EM external debt's negative performance

Rising U.S. Treasury yields, caused by rising expectations of growth and inflation in the U.S. versus peers, led EM external debt to post negative returns as spread movements remained generally muted for the quarter.



The first quarter of 2021 featured rising expectations for U.S. growth and inflation led by the rapid distribution of vaccines, improving economic data, and President Biden's large stimulus package. The effect of these developments, among other factors, pushed both U.S. Treasury yields and oil prices higher.



While some countries experienced the resurgence of idiosyncratic risks due to political and COVID developments, on aggregate Emerging Markets spreads remained essentially flat on the quarter.

SOURCE: JPMorgan, Bloomberg, PIMCO

* Represented by a generic 10 year U.S. government bond

SOURCE: Bloomberg, JPMorgan, PIMCO

* Represented by Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index

** Represented by JPMorgan EMBI Global Index

Market Summary

Country and security selection were the primary factors affecting alpha in Q1 2021

The Fund (Institutional share class) outperformed its benchmark (gross of fees) in Q1 with multiple positions affecting alpha:

Exposure to Brazilian corporate debt

Brazilian energy corporate debt, which was originally predicated on the positive growth story and reform agenda in the nation, contributed to performance as it continued to retrace from its COVID lows and outperformed not least due to its lower duration profile. Despite a backdrop of some political volatility in the nation, it benefitted from increasing oil prices over the quarter.

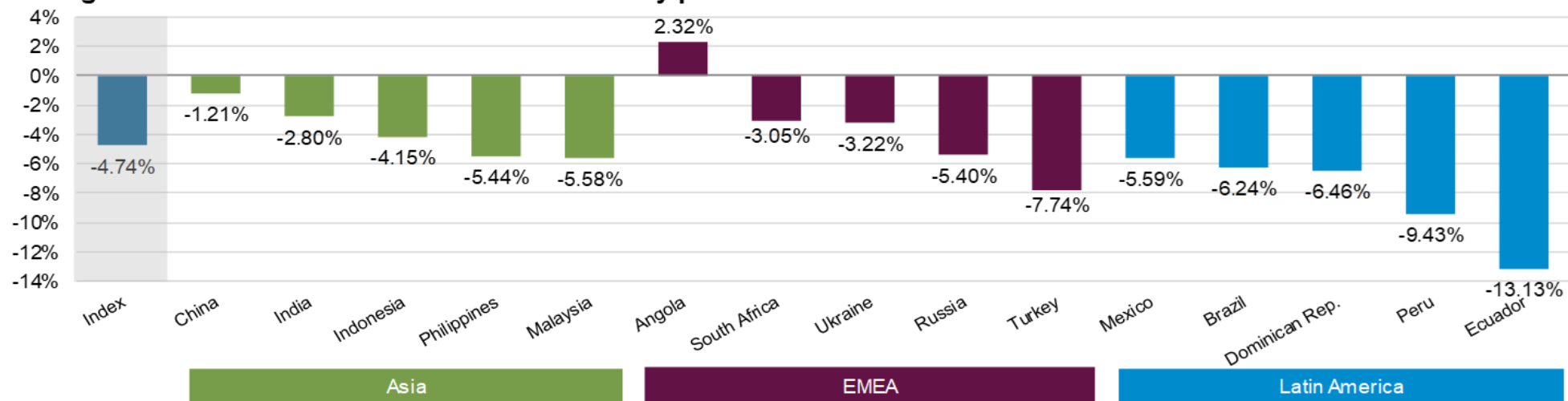
An underweight to Peruvian sovereign debt

Our underweight to Peruvian sovereign debt, a position taken given our view that it trades somewhat rich to fundamentals, contributed to performance as political turmoil caused the nation to underperform. The country is heading towards a presidential election in April, which polls indicate will result in a populist candidate of either the left or the right taking office.

An underweight to Chinese sovereign and quasi-sovereign debt

An underweight to Chinese sovereign and quasi-sovereign debt detracted from performance as the nation outperformed the index on the back of some spread compression but mainly due to its substantially shorter-duration profile than the broader index.

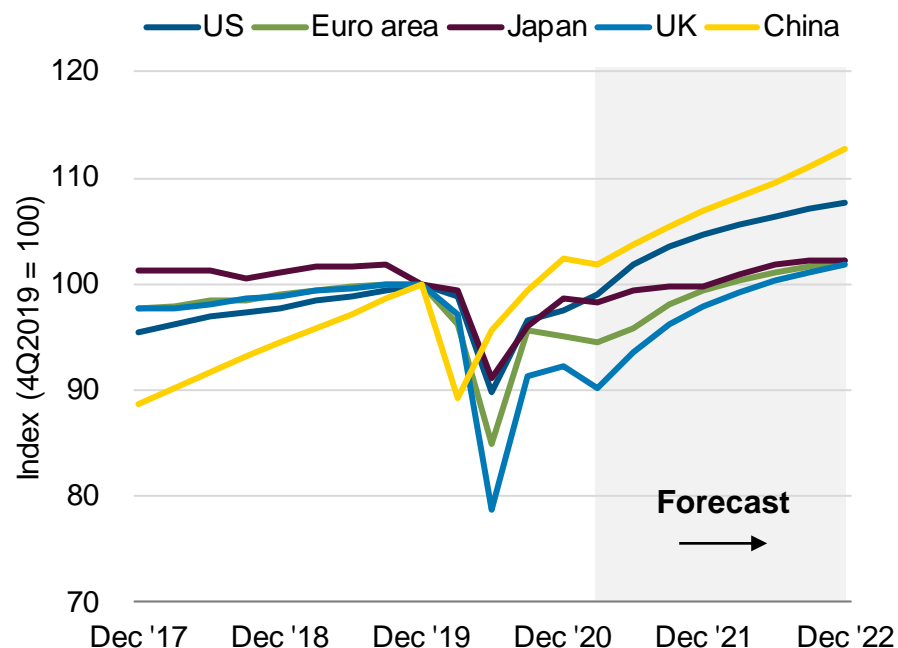
JPMorgan EMBI Global Index - Q1 '21 select country performance



SOURCE: JPMorgan, PIMCO

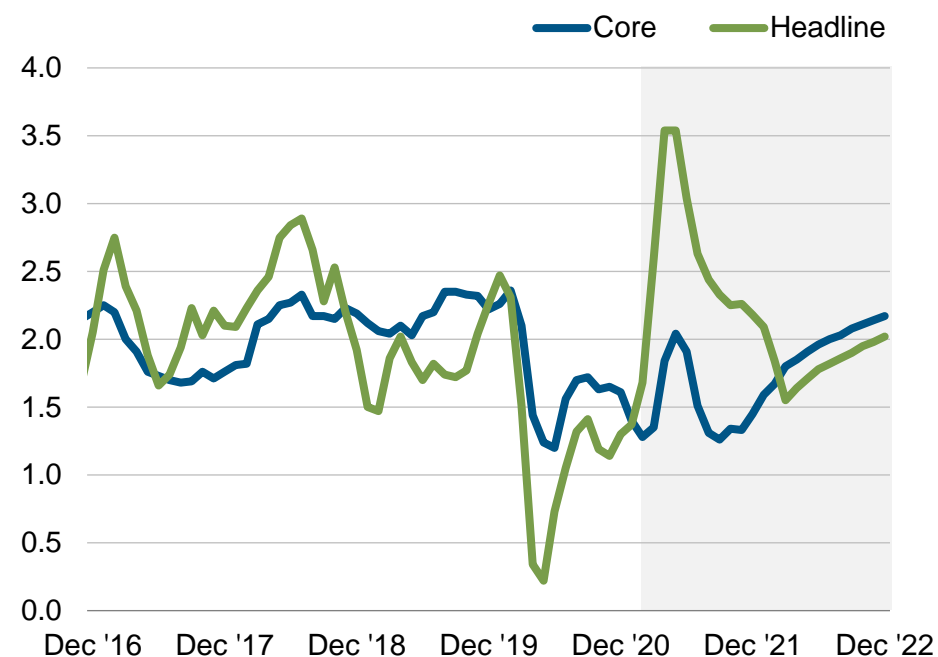
Cyclical Outlook: Dealing with an Inflation Head Fake

Real GDP growth (4Q 2019 = 100)



Strong global recovery forecast in 2021 amid significant fiscal support, accommodative monetary policy, diminishing lockdowns, and accelerating vaccinations

A bumpy near-term path for U.S. CPI inflation



Inflation likely to rise temporarily, but expected to remain below target over the next one to two years

Portfolio Outlook

Constructive on Emerging Markets beta

While rising UST yields have proved to be a headwind this quarter, we consider this to be a short-term speed bump for the asset class. From a cyclical perspective, global tailwinds from strong liquidity support by global central banks and the recovering global economy remain a favorable backdrop for EM assets.

Additionally, EM external remains the natural destination for DM investors in search of yield and diversification with default rates expected to remain contained going forward. However, we believe that strong differentiation on country and credit remains crucial to navigating this period for the asset class.

Key strategies

Maintain exposure to select higher quality, investment grade countries

Valuations in the investment grade segment of the benchmark have recovered but still look reasonable. Consequently, the Fund has kept a preference for select high-quality names like Israel and Indonesia.

Selective exposure to HY names

Given the greater room for spread compression in the HY segment of the asset class, we have taken modest exposure to some cross-over BB-rated names such as Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Morocco, Oman, and South Africa.

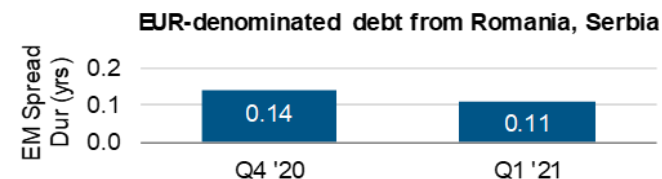
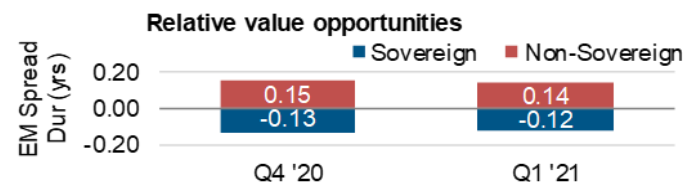
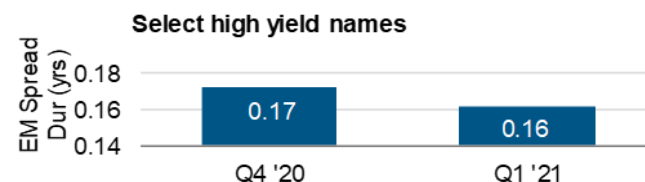
Focus on relative value opportunities

In countries with considerable risks of fiscal slippage like Brazil, we emphasize relative value opportunities by reducing exposure to sovereign debt and overweighting quasi-sovereign and corporate issuers that are less susceptible to such risks.

Harvest premia outside of the index universe

The Fund continues to take advantage of off-benchmark opportunities offering yield pick-up such as through EUR-denominated paper from Romania, and Serbia.

Position



SOURCE: PIMCO

Country and currency exposure

Emerging markets risk measures

	Portfolio						Benchmark
	31 Dec '20			31 Mar '21			31 Mar '21
	External Rate Duration	Emerging Market Spread Duration	Emerging Market Local Rate Duration	External Rate Duration	Emerging Market Spread Duration	Emerging Market Local Rate Duration	Emerging Market Spread Duration
EM - Latin America	2.75	2.82	0.07	2.38	2.47	0.10	2.74
Argentina	0.11	0.09	0.00	0.08	0.06	0.00	0.04
Bahamas	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
Brazil	0.30	0.32	0.00	0.22	0.27	0.04	0.23
Chile	0.25	0.25	0.00	0.22	0.21	0.00	0.29
Colombia	0.18	0.19	0.00	0.17	0.18	0.00	0.24
Costa Rica	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.03
Dominican Republic	0.21	0.21	0.01	0.21	0.21	0.02	0.16
Ecuador	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.06	0.05	0.00	0.03
El Salvador	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.04
Guatemala	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.03
Jamaica	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
Mexico	1.00	1.03	0.00	0.89	0.91	0.00	0.89
Panama	0.19	0.20	0.00	0.16	0.16	0.00	0.24
Paraguay	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.05
Peru	0.11	0.11	0.06	0.09	0.13	0.04	0.23
Trinidad & Tobago	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Uruguay	0.13	0.14	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.00	0.16
EM - Asia	1.51	1.58	0.00	1.51	1.64	0.00	1.77
China	0.25	0.26	0.00	0.22	0.23	0.00	0.43
Hong Kong	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.00
India	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.02
Indonesia	0.67	0.72	0.00	0.65	0.78	0.00	0.77
Kazakhstan	0.15	0.16	0.00	0.14	0.14	0.00	0.13
Macao	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.00
Malaysia	0.11	0.12	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.00	0.14
Mongolia	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01
Pakistan	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.01
Philippines	0.16	0.16	0.00	0.15	0.14	0.00	0.23
Sri Lanka	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.02

Benchmark: J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index (EMBI) Global

Country and currency exposure

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	31 Dec '20			31 Mar '21			31 Mar '21
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Thailand	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00
EM - Europe	1.05	1.09	0.07	0.86	0.86	0.00	0.81
Armenia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.01
Azerbaijan	0.04	0.05	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.02
Belarus	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Croatia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Hungary	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.03	0.04	0.00	0.03
Poland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02
Romania	0.18	0.18	0.00	0.14	0.14	0.00	0.07
Russia	0.22	0.25	0.07	0.20	0.22	0.00	0.28
Serbia & Montenegro	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.01
Turkey	0.34	0.34	0.00	0.29	0.26	0.00	0.28
Ukraine	0.10	0.10	0.00	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.07
EM - Middle East	1.58	1.66	0.00	1.44	1.52	0.00	1.86
Bahrain	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.10
Israel	0.12	0.13	0.00	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00
Jordan	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.02
Kuwait	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02
Oman	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.13
Saudi Arabia	0.55	0.62	0.00	0.56	0.63	0.00	0.59
State of Qatar	0.30	0.31	0.00	0.23	0.24	0.00	0.43
United Arab Emirates	0.46	0.45	0.00	0.34	0.33	0.00	0.56
EM - Africa	0.76	0.81	0.07	0.76	0.81	0.08	0.51
Angola	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.04
Cote d'Ivoire	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.08	0.09	0.00	0.01
Egypt	0.15	0.16	0.01	0.14	0.15	0.01	0.13
Gabon	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Ghana	0.07	0.08	0.00	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.05
Kenya	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.03
Morocco	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.03

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Nigeria	0.12	0.13	0.00	0.14	0.14	0.00	0.06
Senegal	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.02
South Africa	0.19	0.21	0.06	0.17	0.20	0.07	0.13
Tanzania	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
EM - Other	0.00	-0.03	0.00	0.00	-0.05	0.00	0.00
EM Index Product	0.00	-0.03	0.00	0.00	-0.05	0.00	0.00
Developed	0.32	0.04	0.00	0.55	0.04	0.00	0.00
Total	7.97	7.96	0.21	7.51	7.28	0.18	7.70

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Country exposure

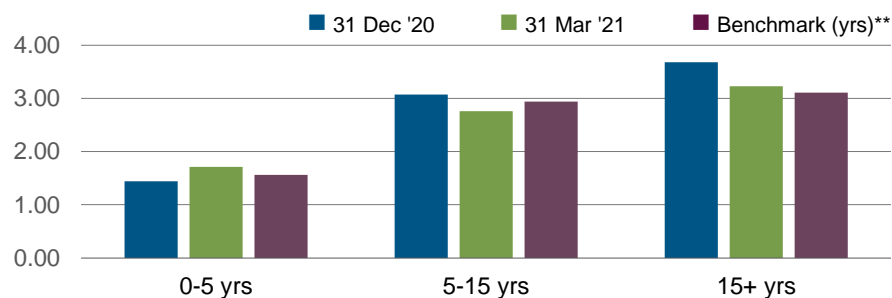
Country exposure by currency of settlement

	31 Dec '20	31 Mar '21	31 Mar '21
	Portfolio FX (%)	Portfolio FX (%)	Benchmark FX (%)
EM - Latin America	0.22	0.10	0.00
Brazil	0.00	-0.03	0.00
Developed	0.05	98.72	0.00
Dominican Republic	0.14	0.15	0.00
Peru	0.03	-0.02	0.00
EM - Asia	-0.18	-0.18	0.00
China	-0.18	-0.18	0.00
EM - Europe	0.02	0.39	0.00
Hungary	0.01	0.01	0.00
Russia	0.01	-0.01	0.00
Turkey	0.00	0.01	0.00
Ukraine	0.00	0.39	0.00
EM - Middle East	0.00	0.00	0.00
EM - Africa	1.23	0.97	0.00
Egypt	1.19	0.99	0.00
South Africa	0.03	-0.02	0.00
Developed	98.71	98.72	100.00
Total	100	100	100

Benchmark: J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index (EMBI) Global

Portfolio characteristics

Key rate duration exposure



	Portfolio (yrs)		Benchmark (yrs)**
	31 Dec '20	31 Mar '21	31 Mar '21
0-5 yrs	1.44	1.71	1.56
5-15 yrs	3.07	2.76	2.94
15+ yrs	3.68	3.23	3.11
Total	8.18	7.70	7.61

Interest rate exposure

	Portfolio (yrs)		Benchmark (yrs)**
	31 Dec '20	31 Mar '21	31 Mar '21
Effective duration	8.18	7.69	7.60
Bull market duration	8.38	7.87	7.76
Bear market duration	8.00	7.53	7.44
Spread duration			
Mortgage spread duration	0.07	0.07	0.00
Corporate spread duration	0.03	0.02	0.00
Emerging markets spread duration	8.17	7.47	7.70
Swap spread duration	-0.15	-0.11	0.00
Covered bond spread duration	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sovereign related spread duration	0.01	0.01	0.00

Derivative exposure (% of duration)

	31 Dec '20	31 Mar '21
Government futures	4.49	7.02
Interest rate swaps	-1.83	-0.88
Credit default swaps*	6.25	7.82
Purchased swaps	-1.10	-1.58
Written swaps	7.35	9.40
Options	0.00	0.00
Purchased Options	0.00	0.00
Written Options	0.00	0.00
Mortgage Derivatives	0.00	0.00
Money Market Derivatives	0.00	0.00
Futures	0.00	0.00
Interest rate swaps	0.00	0.00
Other Derivatives	0.00	0.00

* Shown as a percentage of market value

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Additional share class performance

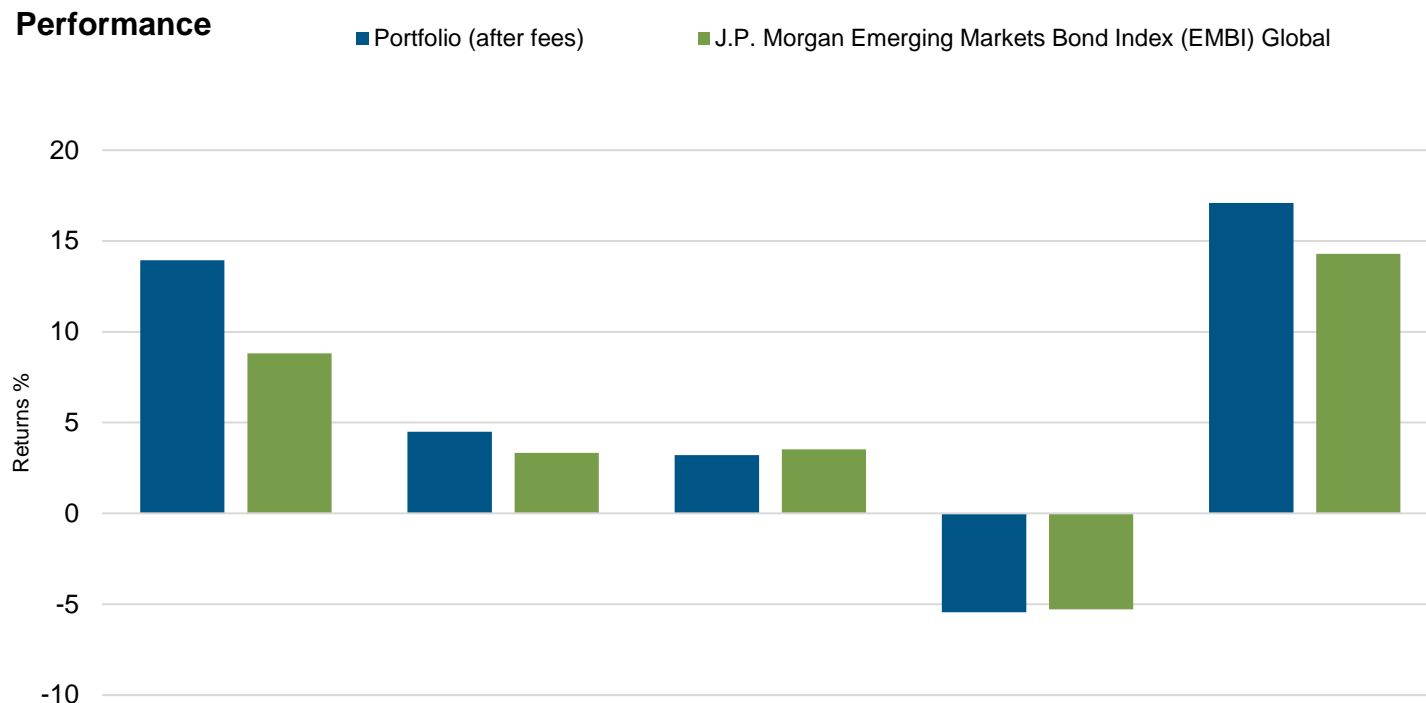
Emerging Markets Bond Fund (net of fees performance)

Performance periods ended: 31 Mar '21	Unified Management Fee	NAV currency	Class Inception date	3 mos.	6 mos.	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Administrative Accumulation	1.290	USD	29 May '03	-4.84	1.16	16.50	4.03	5.82	4.63	6.33
Emerging Markets Bond Fund E Class Income	1.690	USD	28 Oct '05	-4.88	0.96	16.10	3.61	5.38	4.21	5.29
Emerging Markets Bond Fund E Class Accumulation	1.690	USD	31 Mar '06	-4.93	0.98	16.04	3.61	5.40	4.22	5.15
Emerging Markets Bond Fund H Institutional USD Income	0.960	USD	03 Sep '20	-4.72	1.29	-	-	-	-	-1.45
Emerging Markets Bond Fund H Institutional Accumulation	0.960	USD	17 Oct '02	-4.77	1.33	16.89	4.36	6.16	4.97	8.45
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional Income	0.790	USD	13 Dec '01	-4.72	1.39	17.09	4.55	6.33	5.15	8.19
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional Accumulation	0.790	USD	31 Jul '01	-4.72	1.41	17.09	4.55	6.35	5.15	8.86
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Investor Accumulation	1.140	USD	25 Apr '02	-4.81	1.24	16.66	4.18	5.98	4.78	7.43
Emerging Markets Bond Fund M Retail Income II	1.690	USD	23 Dec '13	-4.98	0.85	15.86	3.60	5.39	-	3.94
Emerging Markets Bond Fund M Retail Income	1.690	USD	30 Nov '10	-4.97	0.98	15.97	3.59	5.38	4.21	4.18
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Z Class Income	0.000	USD	18 Nov '08	-4.55	1.79	17.95	5.36	7.17	5.98	9.05
J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index (EMBI) Global	-	-	-	-4.74	0.48	14.29	3.87	4.74	5.35	7.97
Emerging Markets Bond Fund M Retail AUD (Hedged) Income	1.690	AUD	19 Dec '12	-5.08	0.60	15.15	2.44	4.89	-	3.14
JPMorgan EMBI Global (AUD Hedged)	-	-	-	-4.81	0.13	13.31	2.73	4.27	-	3.96
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional CHF (Hedged) Income	0.790	CHF	16 Dec '05	-5.00	0.73	15.33	1.58	3.54	3.30	4.18
JPMorgan EMBI Global (CHF Hedged)	-	-	-	-5.10	-0.28	12.54	1.10	2.04	3.42	4.33
Emerging Markets Bond Fund E Class EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	1.690	EUR	31 Mar '06	-5.18	0.37	14.52	0.96	2.98	2.86	3.93
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	0.790	EUR	17 Dec '02	-4.96	0.82	15.56	1.88	3.91	3.79	6.92
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional EUR (Hedged) Income	0.790	EUR	20 Dec '10	-4.96	0.80	15.53	1.87	3.91	3.79	3.91
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Investor EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	1.140	EUR	20 Dec '19	-5.06	0.61	15.16	-	-	-	-0.39
JPMorgan EMBI Global (Euro Hedged)	-	-	-	-5.00	-0.15	12.79	1.41	2.45	3.97	6.75
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional EUR (Unhedged) Accumulation	0.790	EUR	09 Feb '18	-0.83	1.18	9.28	6.12	-	-	6.01
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional GBP (Hedged) Accumulation	0.790	GBP	05 Feb '04	-4.79	1.12	16.41	2.76	4.88	4.39	6.52
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional GBP (Hedged) Income	0.790	GBP	30 Dec '05	-4.64	1.12	16.54	2.79	4.89	4.38	5.56
JPMorgan EMBI Global (GBP Hedged)	-	-	-	-4.76	0.24	13.64	2.30	3.45	4.68	6.73
Emerging Markets Bond Fund E Class SGD (Hedged) Accumulation	1.690	SGD	15 Feb '07	-4.96	0.85	15.72	2.85	4.87	3.95	4.25
Emerging Markets Bond Fund Institutional SGD (Hedged) Accumulation	0.790	SGD	02 Jul '18	-4.74	1.30	16.73	-	-	-	5.72
JPMorgan EMBI Global (SGD Hedged)	-	-	-	-4.76	0.37	13.97	3.21	4.21	5.03	5.53

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Additional share class performance

12-month rolling performance (Institutional class, Accumulation Shares)



	31 Mar '16 31 Mar '17	31 Mar '17 31 Mar '18	31 Mar '18 31 Mar '19	31 Mar '19 31 Mar '20	31 Mar '20 31 Mar '21
After fees (%)	13.94	4.50	3.21	-5.44	17.09
J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index (EMBI) Global (%)	8.82	3.34	3.52	-5.28	14.29

As of 31 March 2021. SOURCE: PIMCO.

The fund is actively managed in reference to the J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index (EMBI) Global Index as further outlined in the prospectus and key investor information document

*The benchmark is shown for performance comparison purpose only. Benchmark: J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index (EMBI) Global Index.

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Refer to Appendix and the relevant sections of the Fund prospectus for additional performance and fee, chart, GIS funds, index, and risk information

Appendix

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The average distribution yield is the average of the last four quarterly distribution yields. The quarterly distribution yield is calculated by annualizing the quarter's distribution and dividing by the NAV on the last business day of the period. It does not include long- or short-term capital gains distributions. Average coupon is the average of the coupon payments of the underlying bonds within the portfolio. Average coupon is the average of the coupon payments of the underlying bonds within the portfolio. Average effective maturity is a weighted average of all the maturities of the bonds in a portfolio, computed by weighting each bond's effective maturity by the market value of the security. Duration is the measure of a bond's price sensitivity to interest rates and is expressed in years. Effective duration is the duration for a bond with an embedded option when the value is calculated to include the expected change in cash flow caused by the option as interest rates change. PIMCO uses an internal model for calculating effective duration, which may result in a different value for the duration of an index compared to the duration calculated by the index provider or another third party. Information ratio is a ratio of portfolio returns above the returns of a benchmark to the volatility of those returns. Tracking error measures the dispersion or volatility of excess returns relative to a benchmark. Tracking error measures the dispersion or volatility of excess returns relative to a benchmark.

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Appendix

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Appendix

Acronyms and definitions of investment terms used throughout the report:

Alpha is a measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis calculated by comparing the volatility (price risk) of a portfolio vs. its risk-adjusted performance to a benchmark index; the excess return relative to the benchmark is alpha.

Average coupon is the average of the coupon payments of the underlying bonds within the portfolio.

Average effective maturity is a weighted average of all the maturities of the bonds in a portfolio, computed by weighting each bond's effective maturity by the market value of the security.

"Bend-but-not-break" refers to credits that PIMCO would not expect to default in a credit-stressed environment.

Beta is a measure of price sensitivity to market movements. Market beta is 1.

Breakeven inflation rate (or expectation) is a market-based measure of expected inflation or the difference between the yield of a nominal and an inflation-linked bond of the same maturity.

Carry is the rate of interest earned by holding the respective securities.

The terms **"cheap"** and **"rich"** as used herein generally refer to a security or asset class that is deemed to be substantially under- or overpriced compared to both its historical average as well as to the investment manager's future expectations. There is no guarantee of future results or that a security's valuation will ensure a profit or protect against a loss.

CPI is the Consumer Price Index.

The **credit quality** of a particular security or group of securities does not ensure the stability or safety of an overall portfolio. The quality ratings of individual issues/issuers are provided to indicate the credit-worthiness of such issues/issuer and generally range from AAA, Aaa, or AAA (highest) to D, C, or D (lowest) for S&P, Moody's, and Fitch respectively.

Distribution yield is the measurement of cash flow paid by an exchange-traded fund (ETF), real estate investment trust, or another type of income-paying vehicle.

Dividend yield is represented by the weighted average coupon divided by the weighted average price.

Duration is the measure of a bond's price sensitivity to interest rates and is expressed in years.

Effective duration is the duration for a bond with an embedded option when the value is calculated to include the expected change in cash flow caused by the option as interest rates change.

Forward curve is a function graph that defines the prices at which a contract for future delivery or payment can be concluded today.

Information ratio is a ratio of portfolio returns above the returns of a benchmark to the volatility of those returns.

Like-duration Securities are calculated by the index provider by comparing the index return to a hypothetical matched position in the security.

The **Option Adjusted Spread (OAS)** measures the spread over a variety of possible interest rate paths. A security's OAS is the average return an investor will earn over Treasury returns, taking all possible future interest rate scenarios into account. The OAS is the net spread over the swap curve that will on average be earned if the security is held to maturity.

"Risk assets" are any financial security or instrument that are likely to fluctuate in price.

Risk premia is the return in excess of the risk-free rate of return an investment is expected to yield.

Roll yield is the yield that a futures investor captures as their long position in a futures contract converges to the spot price.

"Safe haven" is an investment that is expected to retain or increase in value during times of market turbulence.

The **SEC yield** is an annualized yield based on the most recent 30 day period.

Tracking error measures the dispersion or volatility of excess returns relative to a benchmark.

To relate the price sensitivity of ILBs to changes in nominal yields, yield beta is applied to nominal changes to arrive at a price sensitivity of ILBs to changes in nominal rates. A **yield beta** of 0.90 implies that if nominal yields move 100 basis points, real yields will move 90 basis points. ILBs with long maturity may respond differently to changes in nominal rates than shorter maturity ILBs.

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