



# GIS Dynamic Bond Fund



Quarterly Investment Report | 2Q21

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# Executive summary

## Portfolio Performance

The GIS Dynamic Bond Fund (Institutional share class, after fees) posted a positive return in the second quarter, as spread and currency strategies contributed to performance while interest rate strategies were neutral for performance.

### CONTRIBUTORS

- Holding of investment grade corporate and high yield credit, as spreads tightened and from security selection
- Long exposure to U.S duration, as yields fell and through carry
- Long exposure to a basket of EM currencies, which appreciated against the US Dollar
- Holdings of securitized credit, primarily non-Agency MBS

### DETRACTORS

- Long exposure to select EM local rates, as yields rose
- Long exposure to Agency MBS, as spreads widened
- Short exposure to U.K duration, as yields fell

Performance periods ended 30 Jun '21	3 mos.	6 mos.	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
Fund before fees	0.56	1.47	6.71	5.02	5.31	3.67	4.15
Fund after fees	0.34	1.02	5.76	4.08	4.36	2.74	3.21
Benchmark*	0.03	0.06	0.14	1.36	1.26	0.74	0.65

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## Portfolio strategy

- **Defensive on rates:** Maintaining a low duration posture with a focus on relative value positioning across regions.
- **Selective on credit:** Remaining cautious on the portfolio's overall spread risk and selective within corporate credit, particularly generic high yield beta exposure.
- **Long Non-Agency mortgages:** Believe Non-Agency MBS offer attractive risk-adjusted returns given robust supply and demand technicals in the housing market.
- **Currencies:** We maintain modest exposure to a select basket of emerging market currencies where we believe valuations remain attractive in a more positive risk environment and help to enhance portfolio yield and diversification

\*1 Month USD LIBOR

<b>Class:</b>	<b>INST</b>
<b>Inception date:</b>	<b>15 Dec '08</b>
<b>Fund assets (in millions):</b>	<b>\$3,780.80</b>
<b>Unified management fee</b>	<b>0.900%</b>

<b>Summary information</b>	<b>30 Jun '21</b>
Effective duration (yrs)	2.06
Effective maturity (yrs)	2.12
Average coupon	2.14%
Net currency exposure	1.29%
Information ratio (10 yrs)	0.68
Standard deviation (10 yrs)	2.91

Sector allocation	Dur. (yrs)	MV(%)
Euro Government-related	0.31	3.72
U.K. Government-related	-0.33	-2.12
U.S. Government-related	-0.07	23.51
Other Government-related	0.22	4.22
Securitized	0.34	18.36
Invest. Grade Credit	0.90	21.40
High Yield Credit	0.18	2.38
Emerging Markets	0.40	16.92
Municipal/Other	0.05	0.83
Net Other Short Duration Instruments	0.06	10.78
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.06</b>	<b>100</b>

# Quarter in Review

## Developed market yields diverged and Agency MBS underperformed

Global economic data continued to improve, though recoveries have been uneven across regions. Risk sentiment remained robust despite inflation concerns; global equities rallied – the S&P 500 closed at an all-time high – and credit spreads tightened. Developed market yields, however, were more mixed with US and UK rates falling while German rates rose. Meanwhile, developed market central banks maintained accommodative stances, though the extent of support started to be scaled back. The BoE and BoC began tapering their bond purchases, while the Fed anticipated earlier rate hikes than its prior forecast.



Developed market yields were mixed over the quarter. Despite higher realized inflation data, 10yr yields in the U.S. and U.K. fell, while those in Germany rose. In the U.S., the curve flattened as front-end yields grinded higher in response to the Fed's revised policy forecast.



Agency MBS spreads widened in Q2, though remained below pre-pandemic levels. Non-agency MBS, on the other hand, performed well alongside the broader rally in risk assets.

# Market Summary

## Q2'21: Risk sentiment remained robust

The Fund's spread and currency strategies contributed to performance while interest rates strategies were flat over the quarter.

### Developed market debt

Developed market yields were mixed over the quarter. In the U.S., front end yields rose as the Fed announced plans for sooner-than-expected rate hikes, while longer-dated yields fell meaningfully. In Germany, rates rose modestly across the curve, while the U.K. yield curve bull flattened and rates in Japan remained largely range-bound.



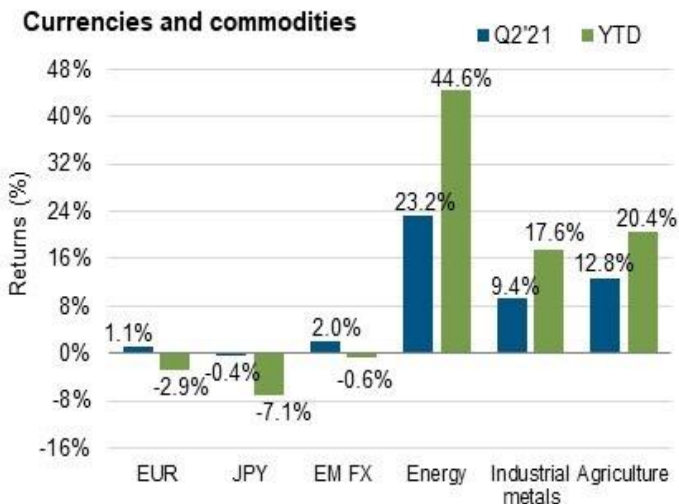
### Mortgage-backed securities

U.S. agency mortgage-backed securities (MBS) returned 0.33% for the quarter, underperforming like-duration Treasuries by 61 bps. The sector was initially supported by rates stabilizing, but there was divergence in performance within the coupon stack as higher coupons more considerably underperformed relative to U.S. Treasuries towards the end of the quarter. Non-Agency MBS spreads tightened and non-agency commercial MBS returned 1.88%.



### Credit

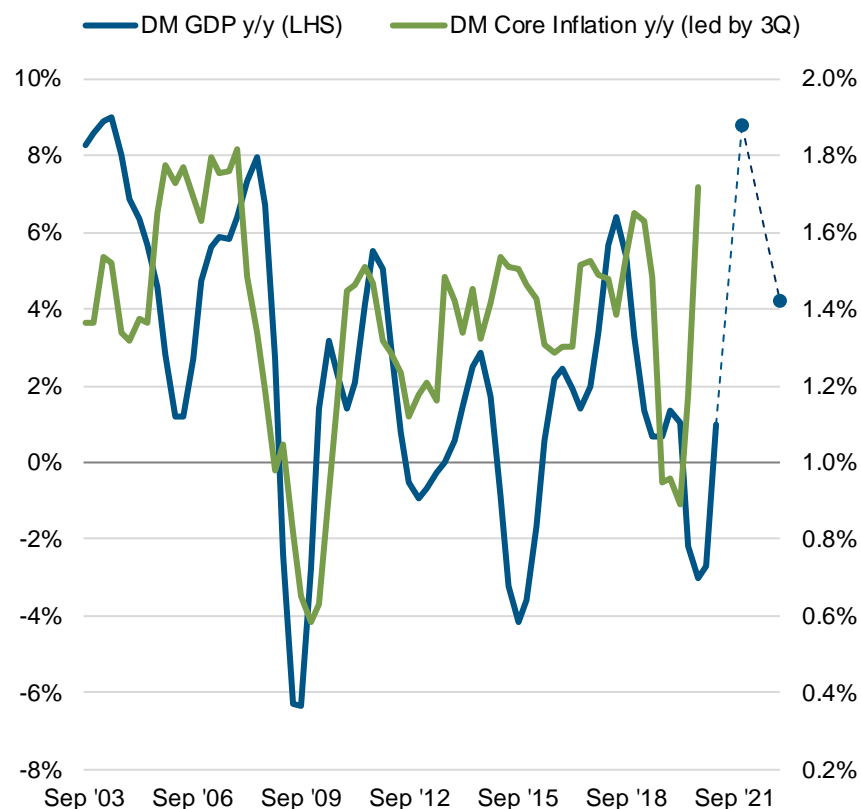
Credit spreads tightened amid optimism surrounding vaccine distribution, strong consumer sentiment, and President Biden's infrastructure bill as well as strong investment grade technicals despite the significant issuance over the quarter. U.S. investment grade credit spreads tightened 9 bps, ending the quarter at 77 bps. The sector returned 3.32%, outperforming like-duration treasuries by 1.00%.



Source: U.S. 10yr, Germany 10yr, Japan 10yr, Breakeven inflation (Bloomberg); EM local (JPMorgan GBI-EM Global Diversified Composite Yield to Maturity Index); U.S. investment grade credit (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Credit Average OAS Index); U.S. high yield credit (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Average OAS Index); EM external (JPMorgan Emerging Bond Index Global Sovereign Spread); EUR (EUR/USD Spot Exchange Rate - Price of 1 EUR in USD); JPY (USD/JPY Spot Exchange Rate - Price of 1 USD in JPY); EM currencies (JPMorgan ELMI Plus Composite); Energy (Bloomberg Energy Subindex Total Return Index); Industrial metals (Bloomberg Industrial Metals Subindex Total Return Index); Agriculture (Bloomberg Agriculture Total Return Index); Agency MBS (Bloomberg US Agency Fixed Rate Index); Non-Agency MBS (Bloomberg Barclays Investment Grade Non-Agency CMBS Index); Like-duration treasuries or global government bonds are calculated by the index provider by comparing the index return to a hypothetical matched position of treasuries or global government bond, respectively.

# Cyclical Outlook: Inflation Inflection

## Peak growth, peak inflation to follow



## Key Highlights

- **Global growth recovery to continue in 2021**, though unevenly across regions and sectors
- **Growth rebound in 2021 to give way to a synchronized moderation in 2022**, albeit to a still above-trend pace
- **DM inflation likely to peak in coming months**, but timing and magnitude uncertain
- DM central banks likely to gradually scale back support, **though no policy rate hikes expected over the next year**

As of 30 June 2021; Source: PIMCO, Haver  
Developed Market (DM) = Canada, Japan, Euro area, UK and US.

# Portfolio Outlook

## Strategic outlook

PIMCO's baseline outlook has the global economy continuing its uneven recovery in 2021 before shifting to a more moderate pace of above-trend growth in 2022. Since inflation follows growth with a lag, we project inflation in developed markets will peak in the coming months. However, the exact timing and magnitude is more uncertain due to supply constraints. These constraints are expected to ease in 2022, while peaking goods demand will likely moderate inflation in the second half of 2021. Meanwhile, several central banks have already begun tapering asset purchase programs. And while others are likely to follow, we do not expect any to begin hiking policy rates over our cyclical horizon.

## Key strategies

### Duration

The Fund continues to hold a defensive duration profile, preferring U.S. duration versus other developed market countries given the higher level of yields and potential downside risk mitigation. We hold modest long exposure to Italian duration given ongoing support from the ECB and short exposure to U.K. duration. We have also maintain our exposure to local rates in targeted emerging market countries across South Africa, Brazil, China, Peru and Mexico.

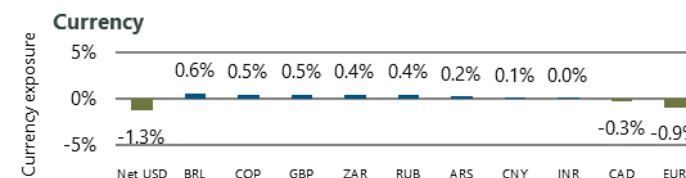
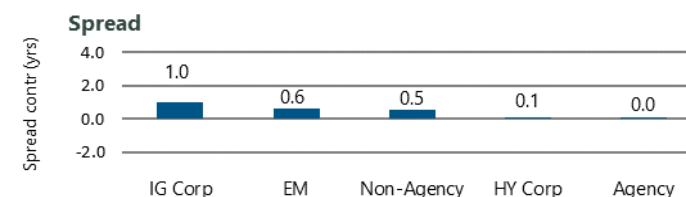
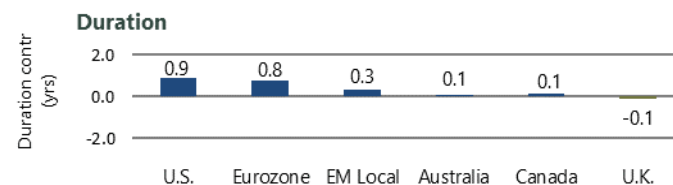
### Spread

We continue to be cautious on traditional corporate credit risk and look for pockets of opportunity in the primary market. We favor financials as we believe they offer attractive risk-adjusted returns as well as select recovery themes, including travel and transportation names, that should benefit in the economic recovery. We diversify spread exposures, seeing value in senior tranches of legacy Non-Agency MBS and AAA-rated CLOs, which offer a yield pick-up vs. high quality corporates. We also hold select positions in EM external debt focusing on sovereign and quasi-sovereign debt in high-quality countries.

### Currency

We remain tactical in our overall currency positioning slightly adjusting our basket of high carry emerging market currencies over the quarter. We maintain our short to the euro and the Canadian dollar and modestly trimmed our long exposure to the British pound.

## Position



Source: PIMCO

# Sector exposure

	Portfolio			
	% of Market value		Duration in years	
	31 Mar '21	30 Jun '21	31 Mar '21	30 Jun '21
<b>Euro Government - Related</b>	4.10	3.72	0.32	0.31
<b>U.K. Government - Related</b>	-7.56	-2.12	-0.46	-0.33
<b>U.S. Government - Related</b>	11.54	23.51	-0.25	-0.07
<b>Other Government - Related</b>	2.21	4.22	0.13	0.22
<b>Securitized*</b>	44.82	18.36	1.52	0.34
<b>Invest. Grade Credit</b>	22.54	21.40	0.89	0.90
<b>High Yield Credit</b>	0.07	2.38	0.16	0.18
<b>Emerging Markets</b>	27.27	16.92	0.48	0.40
Bonds and other long duration instruments	22.19	12.02	0.44	0.37
EM Short Duration Instruments	5.09	4.89	0.04	0.04
<b>Municipal/Other</b>	0.95	0.83	0.05	0.05
<b>Net Other Short Duration Instruments**</b>	-5.94	10.78	0.08	0.06
Commingled Cash Vehicles	5.00	5.54	0.02	0.01
Certificate Of Deposit/Commerical Paper/STIF	0.96	0.83	0.01	0.01
Government Related	4.00	2.27	0.01	0.01
Mortgage	2.90	2.47	0.01	0.01
Credit	1.11	1.12	0.00	0.00
Bankers Acceptance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	5.44	17.20	0.00	0.00
Short Duration Derivatives and Derivative Offsets	-0.68	-18.86	0.03	0.02
Net Unsettled Trades	-24.67	0.22	0.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2.92</b>	<b>2.06</b>

\*Securitized includes Agency MBS, non-Agency MBS, CMBS, ABS, CDO, CLO, and Pooled Funds.

\*\*Net Other Short Duration Instruments includes securities and other instruments (except instruments tied to emerging markets by country of risk) with an effective duration less than one year and rated investment grade or higher or, if unrated, determined by PIMCO to be of comparable quality, commingled liquidity funds, uninvested cash, interest receivables, net unsettled trades, broker money and derivatives offset. With respect to certain categories of short duration securities, the Adviser reserves the discretion to require a minimum credit rating higher than investment grade for inclusion in this category.

# Portfolio characteristics

## Interest rate exposure

	Portfolio (yrs)	
	31 Mar '21	30 Jun '21
Effective duration	2.92	2.06
Bull market duration	2.47	1.98
Bear market duration	3.26	2.15
<b>Spread duration</b>		
Mortgage spread duration	2.14	0.74
Corporate spread duration	1.01	1.11
Emerging markets spread duration	0.69	0.61
Swap spread duration	-0.97	-1.09
Covered bond spread duration	0.00	0.00
Sovereign related spread duration	0.05	0.03

## Derivative exposure (duration in yrs)

	31 Mar '21	30 Jun '21
<b>Government futures</b>	-0.32	0.62
<b>Interest rate swaps</b>	-0.82	-0.99
<b>Credit default swaps*</b>	-3.61	-2.10
Purchased swaps	-6.93	-5.55
Written swaps	3.32	3.45
<b>Options</b>	0.04	-0.04
Purchased options	-0.12	-0.08
Written options	0.16	0.04
<b>Mortgage derivatives</b>	0.00	0.01
<b>Money market derivatives</b>	0.05	0.05
Futures	0.00	0.00
Interest rate swaps	0.05	0.05
<b>Other Derivatives</b>	0.00	0.00

\* Shown as a percentage of market value



# Country and currency exposure

## Country exposure by currency of settlement

	31 Mar '21		30 Jun '21	
	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)
<b>United States</b>	<b>1.97</b>	<b>96.53</b>	<b>0.90</b>	<b>98.71</b>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-0.06</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-0.05</b>
<b>Eurozone</b>	<b>0.70</b>	<b>-0.84</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>-0.95</b>
Austria	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Belgium	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
Euro Currency	0.00	-0.84	0.00	-0.95
European Union	0.14	0.00	0.18	0.00
Finland	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
France	0.07	0.00	0.08	0.00
Germany	-0.03	0.00	-0.01	0.00
Greece	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.00
Ireland	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
Italy	0.39	0.00	0.37	0.00
Luxembourg	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.00
Netherlands	0.03	0.00	0.04	0.00
Slovenia	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
Spain	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>-0.26</b>	<b>1.32</b>	<b>-0.13</b>	<b>0.46</b>
<b>Europe non-EMU</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-0.01</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-0.01</b>
Denmark	0.00	-0.02	0.00	-0.02
<b>Dollar Block</b>	<b>0.13</b>	<b>-0.29</b>	<b>0.21</b>	<b>-0.24</b>
Australia	0.09	0.03	0.08	0.05
Canada	0.03	-0.32	0.13	-0.29
<b>Other Industrialized Countries</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.97</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-0.13</b>
Chile	0.00	0.52	0.00	0.00
Hong Kong	0.00	-0.02	0.00	-0.02
Israel	0.00	0.48	0.00	-0.11
South Korea	0.00	-0.01	0.00	-0.01
Taiwan	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00
<b>EM - Asia</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>0.07</b>	<b>0.11</b>
China	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.08
India	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03
<b>EM - Latin America</b>	<b>0.23</b>	<b>1.40</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>1.25</b>
Argentina	0.00	0.29	0.00	0.25
Brazil	0.10	0.63	0.07	0.59
Colombia	0.00	0.49	0.00	0.47
Mexico	0.05	0.01	0.04	-0.03
Peru	0.07	-0.01	0.06	-0.03
<b>EM - CEEMEA</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>0.89</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>0.85</b>
Russia	0.00	0.44	0.00	0.41

## Emerging markets exposure by country of risk

	31 Mar '21			30 Jun '21		
	% of MV short duration Instruments	% of MV bonds	Duration (yrs)	% of MV short duration Instruments	% of MV bonds	Duration (yrs)
Argentina	0.00	0.42	0.01	0.00	0.30	0.01
Brazil	-0.02	14.24	0.13	0.04	5.02	0.10
China	0.01	2.32	0.08	0.02	2.13	0.07
Colombia	-0.01	0.35	0.00	-0.01	0.15	0.00
Malaysia	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Mexico	5.13	0.15	0.06	4.74	0.13	0.05
Peru	0.03	1.07	0.07	0.03	0.90	0.06
Romania	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00
Russia	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
South Africa	-0.05	2.71	0.11	0.07	2.53	0.10
Turkey	0.00	0.45	0.01	0.00	0.42	0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.09</b>	<b>21.76</b>	<b>0.46</b>	<b>4.89</b>	<b>11.63</b>	<b>0.39</b>

# Country and currency exposure

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Country exposure by currency of settlement

	31 Mar '21		30 Jun '21	
	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)	Duration (yrs)	FX (%)
South Africa	0.09	0.45	0.08	0.44
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.92</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2.06</b>	<b>100</b>

# Additional share class performance

## Dynamic Bond Fund (net of fees performance)

Performance periods ended: 30 Jun '21	Unified Management Fee	NAV currency	Class Inception date	3 mos.	6 mos.	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
Dynamic Bond Fund Administrative Accumulation	1.400	USD	21 Jan '10	0.21	0.79	5.25	3.56	3.84	2.23	2.35
Dynamic Bond Fund E Class Income	1.800	USD	11 May '10	0.08	0.52	4.71	3.15	3.43	1.81	1.83
Dynamic Bond Fund E Class Accumulation	1.800	USD	11 May '10	0.08	0.49	4.80	3.13	3.41	1.81	1.82
Dynamic Bond Fund H Institutional Accumulation	1.070	USD	12 Dec '18	0.27	0.90	5.58	-	-	-	4.44
Dynamic Bond Fund H Institutional Income	1.070	USD	14 Feb '20	0.35	0.97	5.51	-	-	-	4.39
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional Income	0.900	USD	22 Feb '10	0.32	0.97	5.72	4.06	4.36	2.74	2.89
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional Accumulation	0.900	USD	15 Dec '08	0.34	1.02	5.76	4.08	4.36	2.74	3.21
Dynamic Bond Fund Investor Accumulation	1.250	USD	24 Sep '10	0.32	0.88	5.42	3.71	4.00	2.38	2.20
Dynamic Bond Fund Investor Income	1.250	USD	24 Sep '10	0.21	0.80	5.36	3.71	3.99	2.37	2.19
Dynamic Bond Fund R Class Accumulation	0.990	USD	30 Nov '12	0.33	1.00	5.65	4.00	4.27	-	2.30
1 Month USD LIBOR	-	-	-	0.03	0.06	0.14	1.36	1.26	0.74	0.65
Dynamic Bond Fund Z Class AUD (Hedged) Income	0.000	AUD	18 Mar '14	0.54	1.34	6.49	4.37	5.09	-	4.45
Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bills Index	-	-	-	0.01	0.01	0.06	0.96	1.29	-	1.66
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional CAD (Hedged) Accumulation	0.900	CAD	21 Sep '18	0.36	1.00	5.63	-	-	-	3.73
1 Month LIBOR Index (CAD Hedged)	-	-	-	0.02	0.01	0.01	-	-	-	0.86
Dynamic Bond Fund E Class CHF (Hedged) Accumulation	1.800	CHF	18 Apr '11	-0.10	0.10	3.67	0.70	0.93	0.21	0.16
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional CHF (Hedged) Accumulation	0.900	CHF	08 Sep '10	0.09	0.54	4.57	1.59	1.84	1.13	1.07
SARON ICE BofA SARON Overnight Rate Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.46
Dynamic Bond Fund Administrative EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	1.400	EUR	21 Jan '10	-	0.32	4.31	1.42	1.72	1.07	1.38
Dynamic Bond Fund E Class EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	1.800	EUR	20 Nov '09	-	0.17	3.89	1.02	1.32	0.67	1.05
Dynamic Bond Fund G Retail EUR (Hedged) Income	1.800	EUR	14 Dec '10	-0.11	0.11	3.84	0.98	1.31	0.67	0.74
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	0.900	EUR	21 May '09	0.15	0.60	4.80	1.92	2.23	1.58	2.40
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional EUR (Hedged) Income	0.900	EUR	23 Dec '09	0.21	0.59	4.79	1.92	2.24	1.57	1.97
Dynamic Bond Fund Investor EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	1.250	EUR	31 Jan '11	0.09	0.44	4.50	1.60	1.89	1.23	1.26
Euro Short-Term Rate (ESTER)	-	-	-	-0.14	-0.28	-0.57	-	-	-	0.04
Dynamic Bond Fund E Class GBP (Hedged) Accumulation	1.800	GBP	18 Mar '10	0.08	0.43	4.51	1.94	2.22	1.32	1.49
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional GBP (Hedged) Accumulation	0.900	GBP	15 Dec '09	0.30	0.91	5.38	2.86	3.16	2.24	2.52
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional GBP (Hedged) Income	0.900	GBP	27 Feb '12	0.39	0.96	5.46	2.87	3.16	-	2.29
SONIA ICE BofA SONIA Overnight Rate Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.49
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional NOK (Hedged) Accumulation	0.900	NOK	11 Apr '11	0.30	0.99	5.55	3.06	3.46	2.92	2.84

The 12 months rolling performance can be provided upon request.

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# Additional share class performance

Dynamic Bond Fund (net of fees performance)

Performance periods ended: 30 Jun '21	Unified Management Fee	NAV currency	Class Inception date	3 mos.	6 mos.	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
1 Month NIBOR Rate Index	-	-	-	0.05	0.14	0.25	0.84	0.83	1.27	1.29
Dynamic Bond Fund Administrative SEK (Hedged) Accumulation	1.400	SEK	18 Nov '11	0.13	0.55	4.66	1.63	1.80	-	1.50
Dynamic Bond Fund Institutional SEK (Hedged) Accumulation	0.900	SEK	23 Mar '18	0.25	0.80	5.19	2.14	-	-	1.89
1 Month SEK LIBOR Index	-	-	-	-0.02	-0.04	-0.06	-0.15	-0.31	-	0.19

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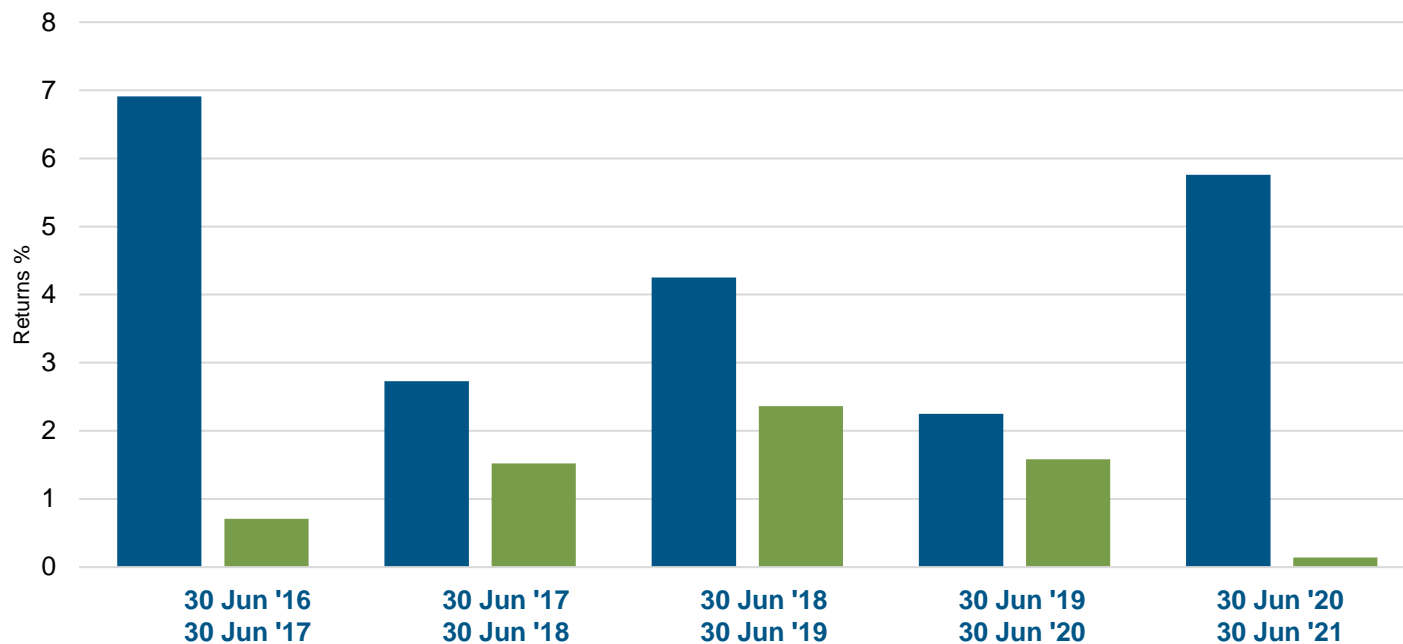
# Additional share class performance

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

### Performance

■ Portfolio (after fees)

■ 1 Month USD LIBOR



	30 Jun '16 30 Jun '17	30 Jun '17 30 Jun '18	30 Jun '18 30 Jun '19	30 Jun '19 30 Jun '20	30 Jun '20 30 Jun '21
Before fees (%)	7.87	3.65	5.19	3.18	6.71
After fees (%)	6.91	2.73	4.25	2.25	5.76
1 Month USD LIBOR (%)*	0.71	1.52	2.36	1.58	0.14
Before fees alpha (bps)	716	214	282	159	658
After fees alpha (bps)	620	121	188	67	562

As of 30 June 2021. SOURCE: PIMCO.

The fund is actively managed in reference to the 1 Month USD LIBOR Index as further outlined in the prospectus and key investor information document

\*The benchmark is shown for performance comparison purpose only. Benchmark: 1 Month USD LIBOR 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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**Past performance is not a guarantee or a reliable indicator of future results.** The “gross of fees” performance figures are presented before management fees and custodial fees, but do reflect commissions, other expenses and reinvestment of earnings. The “net of fees” performance figures reflect the deduction of ongoing charges. All periods longer than one year are annualized.

Statements concerning financial market trends or portfolio strategies are based on current market conditions, which will fluctuate. There is no guarantee that these investment strategies will work under all market conditions or are appropriate for all investors and each investor should evaluate their ability to invest for the long term, especially during periods of downturn in the market. Outlook and strategies are subject to change without notice.

**Portfolio structure** is subject to change without notice and may not be representative of current or future allocations.

**Index Description** —1 Month USD LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate) is an average interest rate, determined by the ICE Benchmark Administration, that banks charge one another for the use of short-term money in England's Eurodollar market. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index.

The following defined terms are used throughout the report. **Emerging market short duration instruments** includes an emerging market security or other instrument economically tied to an emerging market country by country of risk with an effective duration less than one year and rated investment grade or higher or if unrated, determined to be similar quality by PIMCO. **Net other short duration instruments** includes securities and other instruments (except instruments tied to emerging markets by country of risk) with an effective duration less than one year and rated investment grade or higher or, if unrated, determined by PIMCO to be of comparable quality, commingled liquidity funds, uninvested cash, interest receivables, net unsettled trades, broker money and derivatives offset. With respect to certain categories of short duration securities, the Adviser reserves the discretion to require a minimum credit rating higher than investment grade for inclusion in this category. **Short duration derivatives and derivatives offsets** include: 1) derivatives with an effective duration less than one year and where the country of risk is not an emerging market country (for example, Eurodollar futures) and 2) offsets associated with investments in futures, swaps and other derivatives. Such offsets may be taken at the notional value of the derivative position which in certain instances may exceed the actual amount owed on such positions. **Municipals/Other** may include convertibles, preferred and yankee bonds.

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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Differences in the Fund's performance versus the index and related attribution information with respect to particular categories of securities or individual positions may be attributable, in part, to differences in the pricing methodologies used by the Fund and the index.

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**A word about risk:** Absolute return portfolios may not fully participate in strong positive market rallies. Investing in the **bond market** is subject to risks, including market, interest rate, issuer, credit, inflation risk, and liquidity risk. The value of most bonds and bond strategies are impacted by changes in interest rates. Bonds and bond strategies with longer durations tend to be more sensitive and volatile than those with shorter durations; bond prices generally fall as interest rates rise, and low interest rate environments increase this risk. Reductions in bond counterparty capacity may contribute to decreased market liquidity and increased price volatility. Bond investments may be worth more or less than the original cost when redeemed. Investing in **foreign denominated and/or domiciled securities** may involve heightened risk due to currency fluctuations, and economic and political risks, which may be enhanced in emerging markets. **Mortgage and asset-backed securities** may be sensitive to changes in interest rates, subject to early repayment risk, and their value may fluctuate in response to the market's perception of issuer creditworthiness; while generally supported by some form of government or private guarantee there is no assurance that private guarantors will meet their obligations. **High-yield**, lower-rated, securities involve greater risk than higher-rated securities; portfolios that invest in them may be subject to greater levels of credit and liquidity risk than portfolios that do not. Equities may decline in value due to both real and perceived general market, economic, and industry conditions. **Derivatives** may involve certain costs and risks such as liquidity, interest rate, market, credit, management and the risk that a position could not be closed when most advantageous. Investing in derivatives could lose more than the amount invested. Diversification does not ensure against loss.

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Unless referenced in the prospectus and relevant key investor information document, a benchmark or index in this material is not used in the active management of the Fund, in particular for performance comparison purposes.

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The fund is actively managed in reference to the 1 Month USD LIBOR as further outlined in the prospectus and key investor information document.

## Correlation

As outlined under "Benchmark", where [disclosed herein] and referenced in the prospectus and relevant key investor information document, a benchmark may be used as part of the active management of the Fund. In such instances, certain of the Fund's securities may be components of and may have similar weightings to the benchmark and the Fund may from time to time show a high degree of correlation with the performance of any such benchmark. However the benchmark is not used to define the portfolio composition of the Fund and the Fund may be wholly invested in securities which are not constituents of the benchmark.

Investors should note that a Fund may from time to time show a high degree of correlation with the performance of one or more financial indices not referenced in the prospectus and relevant key investor information document. Such correlation may be coincidental or may arise because any such financial index may be representative of the asset class, market sector or geographic location in which the Fund is invested or uses a similar investment methodology to that used in managing the Fund.

**Investment restrictions** — In accordance with the UCITS regulations and subject to any investment restrictions outlined in the Fund's prospectus, the Fund may invest over 35% of net assets in different transferable securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by any of the following: OECD Governments (provided the relevant issues are investment grade), Government of Singapore, European Investment Bank, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, International Finance Corporation, International Monetary Fund, Euratom, The Asian Development Bank, European Central Bank, Council of Europe, Eurofima, African Development Bank, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (The World Bank), The Inter American Development Bank, European Union, Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac), Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae), Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Tennessee Valley Authority, Straight-A Funding LLC.

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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.

Asset-Backed Security (ABS); Bank of England (BOE); Bank of Japan (BOJ); Breakeven Inflation (BEI); Collateralized Debt Obligation (CDO); Collateralized Loan Obligation (CLO); Commercial Mortgage-Backed Security (CMBS); Developed Markets (DM); Emerging Markets (EM); Federal Reserve Board (The Fed); Europe Central Bank (ECB); Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC); Foreign Exchange (FX); Gross Domestic Product (GDP); Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC); High Yield (HY); Inflation-Linked Bond (ILS); Investment Grade (IG); Leveraged-buyout (LBO); Loan-to-Value (LTV); Master Limited Partnership (MLP); Mortgage-Backed Security (MBS); Market Weighted Spread (MWS); Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT); Residential Mortgage-Backed Security (RMBS); Treasury Inflation-Protected Security (TIPS); Year-over-Year (YoY)