

# Mercer Core Fixed Income Fund

as of March 31, 2025

## Fund Information

Fund Assets	\$1,946.95 Million
Turnover	123.13%

## Portfolio Characteristics

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Effective Duration	6.27	5.98
Average Maturity	8.27	8.43
Average Quality	AA-	AA
SEC 30 Day Yield	4.35	-

## Investment Objective & Strategy

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide total return, consisting of both current income and capital appreciation.

The Fund invests principally in investment grade fixed income securities, including government securities, corporate bonds and securitized bonds such as mortgage and asset-backed securities. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus borrowings for investment purposes, if any) in fixed income securities. It also may invest in non-investment grade bonds (sometimes called high yield or junk bonds), non-U.S. dollar denominated bonds, bonds issued by issuers located in emerging capital markets, and certain derivative instruments. Generally, the Fund is managed to maintain a duration within 20% of the duration of the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index.

## Risk Measures

	3 Years	5 Years
Standard Deviation	7.86	6.63
Information Ratio	0.43	1.14
Tracking Error	0.71	0.79
Alpha	0.30	0.92
Beta	1.02	1.03
Down Market Capture	99.63	98.54
Up Market Capture	102.39	109.20
Sharpe Ratio	-0.24	-0.18

## Style Map



Fund appeared as a Moderate Medium Quality fund on the morningstar Style Box™ at 03/31/2025.

## Periodic Performance (%)

	3 Month	Year-to-Date	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Inception
Y3 Shares	2.75	2.75	5.19	0.82	0.50	1.91	3.35
I Shares	2.63	2.63	4.93	0.57	-	-	-1.41
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index	2.78	2.78	4.88	0.52	-0.40	1.46	3.12

## Calendar Performance (%)

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Y3 Shares	2.04	6.43	-13.69	-1.15	9.49	9.68	-0.49	4.28	3.52	0.00
I Shares	1.79	6.27	-13.99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index	1.25	5.53	-13.01	-1.54	7.51	8.72	0.01	3.54	2.65	0.55

The performance data quoted reflects past performance and does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than return data shown herein. Performance shown is net of fees and assumes the reinvestment of dividend and capital gain distributions. For more information including performance current to the most recent month-end, please call 1-800-346-2510.

## Credit Quality Allocation (%)

	Portfolio	Benchmark
US Govt/Agency	47.57	71.59
AAA	16.45	2.25
AA	1.57	2.37
A	7.98	10.55
BBB	19.27	12.26
BB	4.95	0.62
B	1.43	0.00
Below B	0.11	0.00
Not Rated	0.66	0.36

Credit quality ratings using S&P rating symbols (with AAA being the highest and D the lowest) reflect the credit quality of the underlying bonds in the fund portfolio and not that of the Fund itself. Ratings are calculated using an average of ratings from Moody's, S&P, and Fitch, or other sources as required depending on the underlying currency of the bonds from a variety of data vendors. If no agency rating is available, the Fund will assign a rating of not rated. Bond quality ratings are subject to change. Allocations are subject to change.

## Maturity Distribution (%)

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Under 1 Year	6.74	6.91
1 to 3 Years	13.18	27.54
3 to 5 Years	20.45	20.25
5 to 7 Years	10.48	11.54
7 to 10 Years	34.05	11.04
10 to 15 Years	2.07	2.46
15 to 20 Years	6.36	7.12
20 to 30 Years	6.24	12.25
> 30 Years	0.43	0.89

## Sector Allocation (%)

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Securitized	47.02	5.16
Corporate	32.12	32.01
Treasury	15.99	56.64
Government-Related	2.03	5.77
Other	-0.27	0.41
Cash & Equivalents	3.10	0.00

## Share Class Comparison

	Y3	I
Ticker	MCFIX	MCFQX
Portfolio Assets	\$1,923.91 Million	\$23.04 Million
Gross Expense Ratio	0.38%	0.63%
Net Expense Ratio	0.15%	0.40%
New Investors	Open	Open
Fund Inception	08/15/2005	12/27/2021

Mercer Investments LLC (the "Advisor") has contractually agreed, until at least July 31, 2025, to waive any portion of its management fee that exceeds the aggregate amount of the subadvisory fees that the Advisor is required to pay to the Fund's subadvisors.

The Gross Expense Ratio is taken from the most recent Fund Prospectus and represents the total operating expense excluding the impact of these waivers while the Net Expense Ratio includes the impact of these waivers.

A 2.00% redemption fee applies to shares owned less than 30 days.

Class Y-3 shares generally are available only to "Institutional Investors" which include, but are not limited to "Institutional Accounts" as defined under the rules of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA").

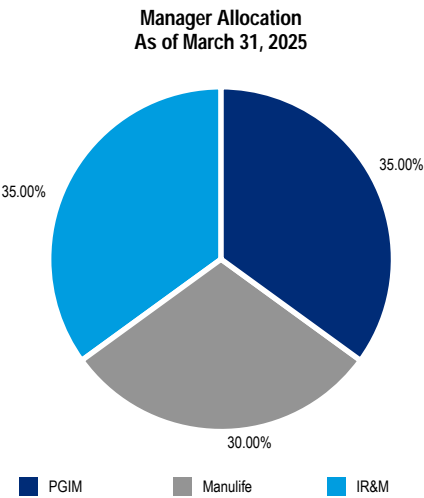
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Allocation of Fund Assets

The Advisor, on behalf of the Fund, has entered into subadvisory agreements with subadvisors to manage allocated portions of the assets of the Fund. Under the subadvisory agreements, each subadvisor is responsible for the day-to-day portfolio management of a distinct portion of the Fund's portfolio, subject to the Advisor's oversight. The Fund's subadvisors are:



Manager	Role	Factor Presence	Summary
PGIM, Inc.	Core	Macro Positioning	The strategy is managed by a team of experienced fixed income specialists covering full universe; rigorous analytical portfolio construction and research-driven subsector and security selection.
Manulife Investment Management (US) LLC	Core Plus	Spread oriented	Mid-sized bond boutique focused solely on US investment grade universe; selective screening of universe to identify high-quality and niche bonds.
Income Research & Management	Core	Bottom-up	Seeks to add value through a combination of in-depth, fundamental analysis and business cycle evaluation; core plus mandate allows up to 15% high yield.

Allocations are as of the date listed and are subject to change. The managers identified do not represent all of the managers selected or recommended for all clients. It should not be assumed that allocation to the managers identified was or will be profitable.

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## Risk Factors

The Fund is subject to the risks associated with the underlying bonds and other fixed income securities including credit, prepayment, call and interest rate risk. As interest rates rise, the value of the Fund can go down and an investor can lose principal. The Fund may invest in foreign securities which may expose the Fund to adverse currency and exchange rate fluctuations, political, social and economic risks. Investing in derivatives (such as futures, options or swaps) and high yield bonds (also known as 'junk' bonds) may cause the Fund to experience greater volatility and less liquidity. Derivatives may be more sensitive to changes in market conditions and may amplify the risk of loss for the Fund. The Fund may experience high portfolio turnover which could result in higher transaction costs and capital gains. There can be no assurance that any fund will achieve its objective.

## Key Terms

The **Bimbg. U.S. Aggregate Index®** is a broad-based benchmark that measures the investment grade, US dollar-denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market. The index includes Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities, MBS (agency fixed-rate and hybrid ARM pass-throughs, ABS and CMBS (agency and non-agency).

**Alpha** - Reflects how a Fund did relative to what would be expected given the Fund's beta and the performance of its benchmark. For example, alpha of 1.4 means the Fund outperformed its estimated return by 1.4%.

**Beta** - The Fund's sensitivity to market changes using its benchmark as an approximation of the market, beta greater than 1 is more volatile, beta less than 1 is less volatile.

**Up Market Capture** - Ratio of average portfolio return over the benchmark during periods of positive benchmark return. Higher values indicate better product performance.

**Down Market Capture** - Ratio of average portfolio return over the benchmark during periods of negative benchmark return. Lower values indicate better product performance.

**Standard Deviation** - Typically referred to as Volatility or Risk, standard deviation measures the dispersion of actual returns around their average.

**Sharpe Ratio** - Reflects the reward per each unit of risk taken by a portfolio. The higher the ratio, the better the Fund's risk-adjusted return.

**Tracking Error** - A measure of active risk relative to the benchmark. Reflects the standard deviation of the difference between the portfolio return and benchmark return.

**Information Ratio** - A measure of manager skill relative to the benchmark. Reflects the difference between the portfolio return and benchmark return, adjusted for the level of risk (tracking error).

**Turnover** - Depending on market and other conditions, the Fund may experience high portfolio turnover, which may result in higher brokerage commissions and transaction costs and capital gains (which could increase taxes and, consequently, reduce returns).

**Effective Duration** - A measure of the price sensitivity of bonds, particularly useful for bonds with embedded options (e.g., callable bonds, puttable bonds, and mortgage-backed securities).

**Wtd. Average Maturity** - The weighted average time to maturity of all debt securities held in the Fund.

**Wtd. Average Quality** - The weighted average credit quality of all debt securities held in the Fund.

**SEC Yield** - A calculation methodology that has been standardized by the SEC that allows for fair comparisons between funds. This calculation assumes that all the income that has accrued over the past 30 days will continue for the next 12 months. Fund expenses are deducted, and then this annualized income amount is divided by the fund's net asset value at the end of the period.

Portfolio characteristics including rates refer to the underlying securities in the fund's portfolio and not to the fund itself.

## Index Provisions

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