

FACT SHEET

FIRST QUARTER 2025

The MacKay Advantage

MACKAY SHIELDS

- \$152 Billion AUM¹
- Experienced boutique investment teams
- Specialty fixed income expertise across global fixed income markets including municipal bonds, structured credit, corporate credit and emerging markets debt
- Acquired by New York Life Insurance Company in 1984

Global Fixed Income Team

Leadership

MICHAEL DEPALMA

NEIL MORIARTY

Portfolio Managers

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LESYA PAISLEY, CFA

Core seeks to outperform the benchmark by eliminating or reducing uncompensated risk while allocating across Core sectors. The strategy strives to achieve an information ratio greater than 1.

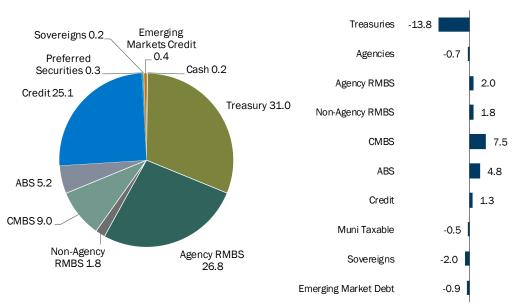
Representative Account Characteristics | As of March 31, 2025

Statistics	MacKay Shields Representative Account	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index
Yield to Worst	5.2%	4.6%
Duration	5.9 Years	5.9 Years
Average Quality	AA-/A+	AA2/AA3
Average Dollar Price	\$96.20	N/A
Number of Holdings	347	13,783

Sector Breakdown | (% of Market Value)1

REPRESENTATIVE ACCOUNT

VS. INDEX



CMBS = Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities; ABS=Asset Backed Securities

Index = Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index. The high yield exposure shown represents a downgrade of a security held at month-end. The duration of the benchmark's residential mortgage segment has been updated with FTSE Russell's Yield Book prepayment models to maintain consistency with our portfolio analytics.

1. The above is a relative comparison between the representative account and the Index; thus, representative account figures are absolute percentages and Index figures represent the difference between those percentages and the Index's absolute percentages.

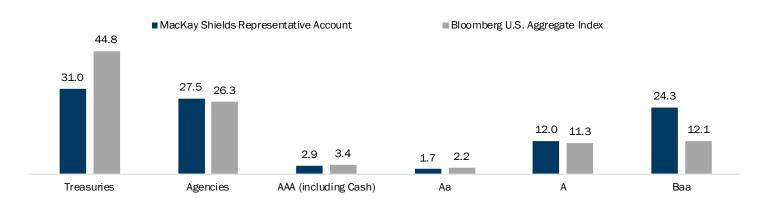
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^{1.} As of March 31, 2025, includes MacKay Shields LLC and its subsidiaries.



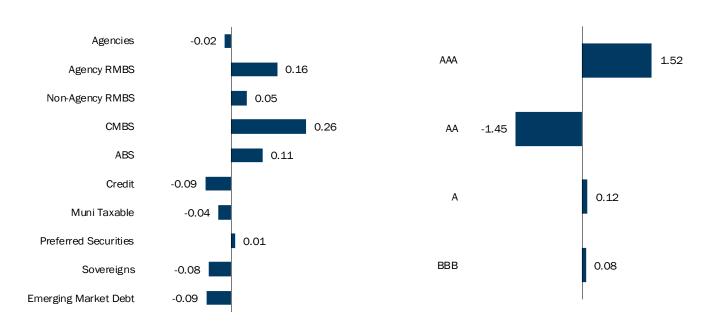
Representative Account Quality Breakdown (%)1 | March 31, 2025



Representative Account Contribution to Spread Duration vs. Index (Years) | March 31, 2025²

RELATIVE SECTOR EXPOSURE

RELATIVE QUALITY EXPOSURE



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^{1.} For rated securities, credit quality is assigned as the middle rating of Moody's, S&P and Fitch; when a rating from only two agencies is available, the lower is used; when only one agency rates a bond, that rating is used.

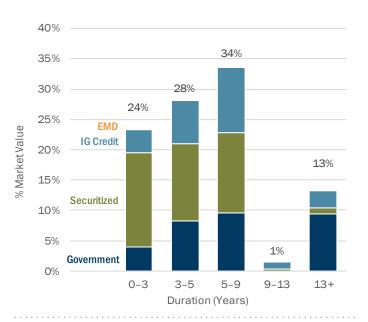
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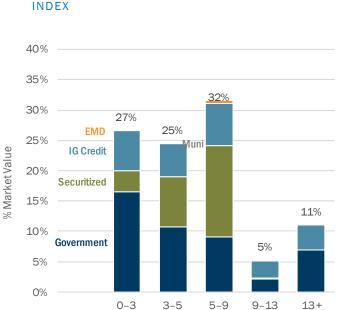
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Yield Curve Distribution by Sector | March 31, 2025

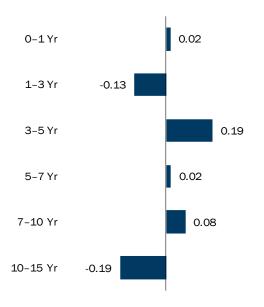
REPRESENTATIVE ACCOUNT





Duration Distribution vs. Index | March 31, 2025¹

Regions (% Market Value) | March 31, 2025



	Representative Account	Index
DEVELOPED MARKETS		
CANADA	0.3	1.1
EUROPE	2.2	1.1
UNITED KINGDOM	1.7	1.0
UNITED STATES	94.3	93.3
OTHER	1.2	2.2
EMERGING MARKETS	0.4	1.3
TOTAL	100.0	100.0

Duration (Years)

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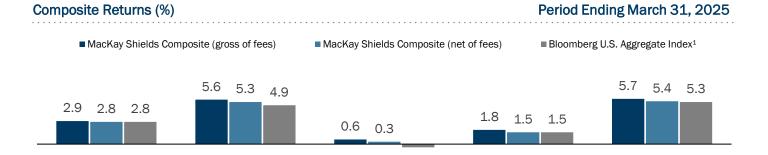
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CORE INVESTMENT GRADE Performance

1 Year



Since Inception (10/1/86) Annualized



5 Years Annualized

-0.4

10 Years Annualized

Composite Disclosures

First Quarter

	MacKay Shields Composite Gross	MacKay Shields Composite Net	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index ¹	Composite	Benchmark ¹		Composite		Internal
	Returns	Returns	Returns	3-Yr St Dev	3-Yr St Dev	No. of	Assets	Firm Assets	Dispersion
Period	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	Accts.	(\$Mil)	(\$Mil)	(%)
2025 (Thru 3/31)	2.9	2.8	2.8	7.6	7.6	11	2,454	151,978	N/A
2024	2.4	2.1	1.3	7.8	7.7	11	2,348	150,568	0.3
2023	5.9	5.6	5.5	7.3	7.1	11	2,086	139,163	0.2
2022	-13.4	-13.7	-13.0	6.3	5.8	10	2,051	128,584	0.2
2021	-1.0	-1.3	-1.5	4.0	3.4	11	2,245	163,646	0.2
2020	9.2	8.9	7.5	4.0	3.4	11	2,197	153,995	0.4
2019	9.4	9.1	8.7	2.9	2.9	11	2,049	131,978	0.2
2018	-0.5	-0.8	0.0	2.8	2.8	10	1,892	107,467	0.1
2017	4.1	3.8	3.5	2.7	2.8	10	2,067	98,098	0.1
2016	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.9	3.0	14	2,500	94,540	0.2
2015	-0.2	-0.5	0.5	2.8	29	14	2 538	89 196	0.3

1. Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index

The Core Investment Grade Composite includes all discretionary core investment grade accounts managed with similar objectives for a full month, including those accounts no longer with the firm. This strategy invests a substantial portion of its assets in all types of debt securities, such as: debt or debt-related securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. or foreign governments, their agencies or instrumentalities; obligations of international or supranational entities; debt securities issued by U.S. or foreign corporate entities; zero coupon bonds; municipal bonds; and mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities. A majority of the strategy's total assets will be invested in debt securities that are rated investment grade or, if unrated, that we determine to be of comparable quality. Some accounts in the composite may contain allocations to sub-investment grade debt. The strategy may also include derivatives, such as futures, to try to manage interest rate risk or reduce the risk of loss of (that is, hedge) certain of its holdings. As of 10/1/2015, the definition of the Core Investment Grade Composite was changed, going forward, to exclude core fixed income sub-accounts of core plus mandates (the "Core Sub-Accounts"). This redefinition was implemented to eliminate, from 10/1/2015 onwards, the impact of any investment difference between the Core Sub-Accounts and other accounts in the Composite. Composite performance for the period of April 2015 to June 2019 was restated to reflect the removal of an account which had been included in error. As of 10/1/2019, the composite definition was changed to include similarly managed accounts that utilize alternative core investment grade benchmarks. Gross-of-fees composite performance reflects reinvestment of income and is a market-weighted average of the time-weighted return, before advisory fees and related expenses, of each account for the period since inception. Through 1996, net-of-fees composite performance is derived by reducing the quarterly gross-of-fees composite returns by .075%, our highest quarterly fee. Subsequently, net-of-fees composite performance is derived by reducing the monthly gross-of-fees composite returns by .025%, our highest monthly fee. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS reports are available upon request. GIPS® is a registered trademark of CFA Institute. CFA Institute does not endorse or promote this organization, nor does it warrant the accuracy or quality of the content contained herein. Performance is expressed in US Dollars. The composite inception date is 10/1/86. The composite creation date is 1/1/01. All portfolios in the composite are fee-paying portfolios. There can be no assurance that the rate of return for any account within a composite will be the same as that of the composite presented. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

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BLOOMBERG U.S. AGGREGATE INDEX

A broad-based index that measures the investment-grade, U.S. dollar-denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market, including Treasurys, government-related and corporate securities, mortgage-backed securities (agency fixed-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate mortgage pass-throughs), asset-backed securities, and commercial mortgage-backed securities, with maturities of at least one year. Index results assume the reinvestment of all capital gain and dividend distributions.

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