

# High-Quality Core Fixed Income

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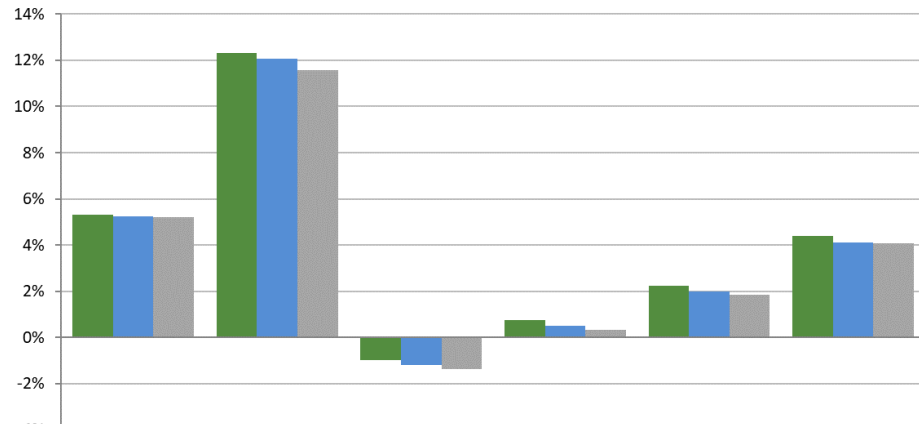
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	Total Return-MRQ	Total Return-1 Year	Total Return-3 Years	Total Return-5 Years	Total Return-10 Years	Total Return-ITD
High Quality Core Fixed Income Composite	5.3%	12.3%	-1.0%	0.8%	2.2%	4.4%
High Quality Core Fixed Income Composite Net of Fee	5.2%	12.1%	-1.2%	0.5%	2.0%	4.1%
Bloomberg Aggregate	5.2%	11.6%	-1.4%	0.3%	1.8%	4.1%

Note: Returns for periods of one year or longer are annualized.

## INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

### Objective:

To provide strong risk-adjusted returns in all market environments as well as relative to a comparable benchmark and our peers.

### Product Description:

- High-quality core strategy focusing on U.S. dollar-denominated government, investment-grade corporates, and agency mortgage-backed securities.
- BBB securities within the product are limited to benchmark weight.
- Effective duration is maintained within 20% of benchmark.
- Alpha is derived from four main sources: duration, yield curve, sector allocation, and security selection.

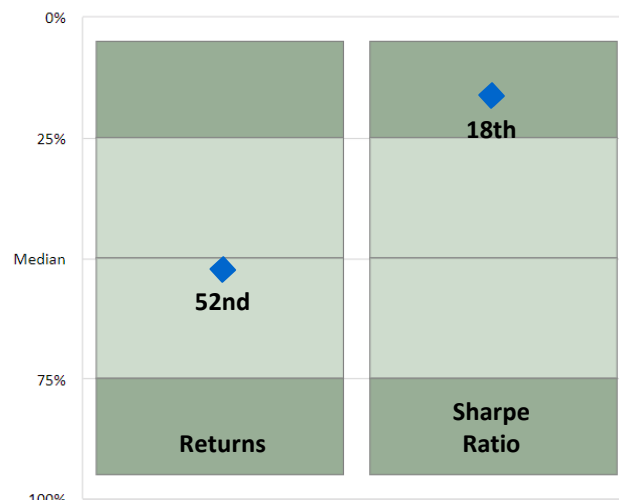
### Investment Process:

Our investment process forms the foundation of a disciplined and consistent approach to portfolio construction:

- Interest rate and yield curves are evaluated by reviewing current and historical market factors.
- Sector analysis is accomplished by determining relative value among sectors incorporating fundamental and technical factors.
- Security selection is achieved by screening the universe with a proprietary relative value model, comparing credit quality of an issuer's fundamentals based on multiple financial metrics and spreads.
- An optimal portfolio is constructed by combining idea generation with specific client portfolio guidelines.

## 3 YEAR UNIVERSE RANKS\*

### ◆ Sawgrass High-Quality Core Fixed Income



Supplemental Information. Inception: 3/31/1998. \*Universe Ranks Source: eVestment Alliance using monthly calculations as of 9/30/2024. Composite returns shown net of fees. Universe: eVestment US Core Fixed Income

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	<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Aggregate Index</u>
Yield to Maturity (%)	4.43	4.21
Effective Duration (Yrs)	5.86	6.05
Effective Maturity (Yrs)	7.45	8.27
Quality Rating	Aa3	Aa2
Coupon Rate	3.84	3.38
Convexity	0.04	0.26

## PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURES

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Sawgrass is a 100 percent employee-owned Registered Investment Advisor whose primary focus is to provide institutional investment management services.

Gross returns do not reflect the deduction of investment advisory fees but do include transaction fees. Gross and net returns include the reinvestment of all dividends and income. Net of fee performance was calculated by reducing the actual management fee charged to clients, or if part of a balanced account by reducing the highest management fee charged, in accordance with the High-Quality Core Fixed Income strategy fee schedule. Prior to 12/31/2015, the highest management fee was utilized to calculate net-of-fee performance.

Performance is in U.S. dollars. Prior to 12/31/2010, accounts were removed from the composite for the month in which a significant flow exceeded 20% of account value. A comprehensive list and description of the firm's composites and limited distribution pooled funds, and additional information regarding policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS reports are available upon request.

Past performance does not guarantee future results. Investments are subject to risk and may lose value.

**Information Specific to the High-Quality Core Fixed Income Composite:** As of 9/30/2024, this composite was comprised of 29 accounts valued at \$353.2 million. Assets in this product represent 15% of the firm's total assets under management. Total firm advisory model assets are \$911.7 million. The three-year standard deviation for this product and its benchmark was 8.0% and 7.6%, respectively. This composite's creation date was 3/31/1998, and the composite's minimum account size is currently \$1 million.

The investment management fee schedule is available in Form ADV 2 as follows: 0.35% on the first \$30 million, 0.25% on the next \$50 million and 0.15% over \$80 million.

Composite Description: Accounts included are comprised of all actively managed fixed-income accounts with assets greater than \$1,000,000 that are managed with a mandate of Core Fixed Income benchmarked to the BE Aggregate Index. These accounts primarily invest in investment grade bonds.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
High Quality Core Fixed Income Composite										
Annual Total Return - Gross of Fees	5.5%	0.7%	3.0%	4.0%	0.4%	9.3%	9.0%	-1.8%	-12.3%	5.6%
Annual Total Return - Net of Fees	5.2%	0.4%	2.7%	3.7%	0.2%	9.0%	8.8%	-2.1%	-12.5%	5.3%
Bloomberg Aggregate	6.0%	0.6%	2.7%	3.5%	0.0%	8.7%	7.5%	-1.5%	-13.0%	5.5%
Total Product Assets - Year End (MM)	\$373.8	\$354.9	\$350.3	\$336.4	\$322.5	\$348.8	\$366.4	\$376.4	\$289.1	\$311.8
Product Composite Assets - Year End (MM)	\$373.8	\$354.9	\$347.8	\$335.7	\$322.5	\$348.8	\$366.4	\$376.3	\$289.1	\$287.6
Product Advisory Model Assets - Year End (MM)	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Total Firm Assets Under Advisement - Year End (Bln)	\$3.9	\$3.8	\$3.9	\$4.0	\$3.7	\$3.3	\$3.3	\$3.1	\$2.3	\$2.9
Total Firm Assets Under Management - Year End (Bln)	\$3.8	\$3.8	\$3.8	\$3.9	\$3.5	\$3.0	\$3.2	\$2.9	\$2.1	\$2.3
Total Firm Advisory Model Assets - Year End (Bln)	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.3	\$0.1	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.6
Percent of Firm's Assets	9.8%	9.4%	9.1%	8.7%	9.2%	11.5%	11.4%	12.9%	13.7%	12.5%
Number of Accounts	40	40	39	37	36	35	34	31	30	28
Dispersion - Equal Weighted Gross Std Dev	0.26%	0.15%	0.19%	0.19%	0.10%	0.29%	0.33%	0.19%	0.32%	0.10%
Volatility - 3 Year Rolling Net Std Dev Sawgrass	2.39	2.57	2.76	2.61	2.62	2.98	3.44	3.68	6.15	7.64
Volatility - 3 Year Rolling Std Dev Index	2.66	2.92	3.02	2.81	2.88	2.91	3.40	3.40	5.85	7.24
Inception Date	3/31/1998									

**Benchmark Index Definition:** The BE Aggregate is an Index comprised of U.S. Dollar denominated investment grade bonds with a maturity between 1 and 30 years.