

ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE

For the period ended December 31, 2024

Short Term and Income Fund
NBI Bond Fund

Notes on forward-looking statements

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Management Discussion of Fund Performance

Investment Objective and Strategies

The NBI Bond Fund's investment objective is to provide a high level of income, reasonable unit price stability and sustained capital growth. The Fund invests primarily in Canadian federal and provincial bonds. These offer investors secure return with low risk.

The portfolio manager's security selection is based on an analysis of economic conditions in Canada and their impact on yields. Shorter or longer term issues will be favored depending on whether interest rates are expected to rise or fall. The fund may use a responsible investment approach, as described in the fund prospectus, this approach being one of many components of the investment strategies used to help achieve the fund's investment objective.

Risks

The global investment risk of the Fund remains as described in the simplified prospectus or any amendments thereto and Fund Facts.

Results of Operations

For the twelve-month period ended December 31, 2024, the NBI Bond Fund's Investor Series units returned 3.21% compared to 4.23% for the Fund's benchmark, the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index (CAD). Unlike the benchmark, the Fund's performance is calculated after fees and expenses. Please see the *Past Performance* section for the returns of all of the Fund's series, which may vary mainly because of fees and expenses.

The Fund's net asset value dropped by 4.40% over the period, from \$1.540 billion as at December 31, 2023 to \$1.472 billion as at December 31, 2024.

Inflation has been the dominant investment theme for the past two years and came down to the Bank of Canada's (BoC) target range towards the end of 2024. The unemployment rate in Canada has been rising steadily throughout the year, which provided the BoC leeway to cut its policy rate aggressively in 2024 to stimulate the economy. At the end of 2024, bond markets were pricing at a terminal rate (i.e., the level at which central banks end their cutting cycle) of around 2.75% in Canada. This is significantly lower than terminal rate expectations were at the midpoint of 2024 and reflects how quickly market sentiment can change.

2024 was also hailed as the year of elections with 72 countries hitting the polls, including the US and France, which had a notable impact on global bond markets. The last quarter of the year was particularly eventful, driven by the US election in which the Republican Party decisively swept all three branches of government. Trump's victory initially ignited a rally across risk assets, however, volatility ensued as markets digested the results and gains retraced into year-end.

From a credit perspective, elevated corporate bond supply was met with an insatiable demand from various investor types, specifically yield-sensitive investors like pensions and insurance companies. In turn, credit spread valuations were well supported, especially when coupled with resilient corporate fundamentals and economic growth in general. On the whole, credit spreads compressed across markets to/near all-time highs heading into the new year.

In this context, the Fund underperformed its benchmark for the period.

Recent Developments

The macroeconomic pictures for Canada and the U.S. diverged in 2024. Given this uncertainty and the potential for elevated market volatility, we remained defensively positioned in our portfolios during the year. We primarily held higher-rated credit, particularly in less cyclical sectors as spreads tightened in 2024. The higher-beta investment grade and high-yield credit we currently hold is concentrated in the front end of the curve in shorter maturities (one- to five-year terms to maturity).

This has the effect of increasing the average yield of our portfolio, while not materially increasing the credit risk due to the lower credit duration. From an interest-rate-positioning perspective, with central banks cutting rates in 2024 and the yield curve steepening, we positioned the portfolio with an overweight in the mid part of the curve, which historically tends to perform best during steepening environments.

Markets will be acutely focused on the extent of Trump's tariff agenda, which we view as more of a negotiation tool than a set-in-stone policy at the moment. Regardless, we are actively monitoring the potential impact of the Trump regime on growth/inflation and sector dispersion. Looking ahead, we believe this is a market where prudence is critical, focusing on capturing value through tactical trades where credit selection and active management are paramount to success. We aim to balance interest rate risk, credit risk, and volatility in the equity market that may impact bonds, with the expectation that uncertainty will persist as investors await the ripple effects of Trump's policies.

Income is the operative word in fixed income and despite the Fed's and the BoC's recent rate cuts, yields remain significantly above the lows seen in the early part of this decade. We believe both the Fed and the BoC are likely to continue their easing cycles over the near term but at a less aggressive pace. This all depends on circumstances, of course; Canada's economic prospects and inflation in the U.S. are two major factors that will likely affect central bank policy in 2025.

Credit spreads will also be determined by the macro backdrop. Given the already tight corporate spread levels, we do not believe spreads will tighten much further. As a result, we expect that it will likely be a credit picker's market in 2025.

On or around March 20, 2024, National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT") appointed Beutel, Goodman & Company Limited and RP Investment Advisors LP to jointly act as portfolio sub-advisors of the Fund together with Fiera. On or around the same date, NBT terminated the mandate of AlphaFixe Capital Inc. as portfolio sub-advisor of the Fund. This change is part of NBI's open architecture structure governance process.

Related Party Transactions

National Bank of Canada ("the Bank") and its affiliated companies' roles and responsibilities related to the Fund are as follows:

Trustee, Custodian, and Registrar

Natcan Trust Company ("NTC"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, is the Fund's trustee. In this capacity, it is the legal owner of the Fund's investments.

NTC acts as registrar for the Fund's securities and the names of securityholders. NTC also acts as the Fund's custodian. The fees for NTC's custodial services are based on the standard rates in effect at NTC.

Agent for securities lending transactions

NTC acts as the agent for securities lending transactions acts on behalf of the Fund in administering securities lending transactions entered into by the Fund. NTC is an affiliate of the Manager.

Fund Manager

The Fund is managed by National Bank Investments Inc. ("NBI"), which is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank. Therefore, NBI provides or ensures the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund's current operations, including investment consulting, the arrangement of brokerage contracts for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio, bookkeeping and other administrative services required by the Fund.

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund other than its "Fund costs" (defined below) (the "variable operating expenses"), in exchange for the Fund's payment to the Manager of annual fixed-rate administration fees with respect to each series of the Fund.

The administration fees are equal to a specified percentage of the net asset value of each series of the Fund, calculated and paid in the same manner as the Fund's management fees. The variable operating expenses payable by the Manager include, but are not limited to: transfer agency and recordkeeping costs; custodial costs; accounting and valuation fees; audit fees and legal fees; costs of preparing and distributing financial reports, simplified prospectuses, annual information forms, Fund Facts, continuous disclosure material and other securityholder communications; and costs of trustee services relating to registered tax plans, as applicable.

In addition to administration fees, the Fund shall also pay certain Fund costs, namely: taxes (including, but not limited to, GST/HST and income taxes); costs of compliance with any changes to existing governmental or regulatory requirements introduced after August 1, 2013; costs of compliance with any new governmental or regulatory requirements, including any new fees introduced after August 1, 2013; interest and borrowing costs; costs related to external services that were not commonly charged in the Canadian mutual fund industry as at August 1, 2013; Independent Review Committee costs, including compensation paid to IRC members, travel expenses, insurance premiums and costs associated with their continuing education; and variable operating expenses incurred outside of the normal course of business of the Fund.

The Manager may, from time to time and at its sole discretion, decide to absorb a portion of a series' management fees, administration fees or Fund costs.

As described under the heading *Management Fees*, the Fund pays annual management fees to NBI as consideration for its services.

Portfolio Manager

The Manager has appointed National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT"), a direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, as the portfolio manager for the Fund. A flat fee is payable annually to NBT for its management services.

Distribution and Dealer Compensation

National Bank Savings and Investments Inc. ("NBSI") acts as principal distributor for the Fund. In this capacity, NBSI buys, sells and swaps securities through Bank branches and the National Bank Investments Advisory Service in Canadian provinces and territories, and through external registered representatives. Fund securities are also offered by National Bank Financial Inc. (including its division National Bank Direct Brokerage) and other affiliated entities. Brokers may receive, depending on the distributed series, a monthly commission representing a percentage of the average daily value of the securities held by their clients.

Brokerage Fees

The Fund may pay broker's commissions at market rates to a corporation affiliated with NBI. The brokerage fees paid by the Fund for the period are as follows:

	Period ended December 31, 2024
Total brokerage fees	\$8,691.00
Brokerage fees paid to National Bank Financial	\$8,691.00

Holdings

As at December 31, 2024, National Bank Investments Inc. held 137.27 Fund securities for a value of \$1,354.90, which represented close to 0.0001% of the net asset value of the Fund at that date. Transactions between National Bank Investments Inc. and the Fund were carried out in the normal course of business and at the Fund's net asset value as at the transaction date.

Independent Review Committee Approvals and Recommendations

The Fund followed the standing instructions of its Independent Review Committee with respect to one or more of the following transactions:

- Purchasing or holding the securities of a related issuer, in particular, those of National Bank of Canada;
- Investing in the securities of an issuer when an entity related to the manager acts as an underwriter for the placement or at any time during the 60-day period after the end of the placement;
- Purchasing or selling securities to another investment Fund managed by the manager or a company in the same group;
- Purchasing or selling debt securities on the secondary market, through related brokers that are main brokers in the Canadian debt securities market (in accordance with an exemption received from the Canadian Securities Administrators);
- Entering into foreign exchange transactions (including both spot transactions and forward transactions) with National Bank of Canada.

The Manager has implemented policies and procedures to make sure that the conditions applicable to each of the above transactions are met. The applicable standing instructions require that these transactions be carried out in accordance with NBI policies, which specify, in particular, that investment decisions pertaining to these related party transactions must be made free from any influence by an entity related to NBI and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to NBI. Furthermore, the investment decisions must represent the business judgment of the securities advisor, uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interest of the Fund and must achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund.

Registered Plan Trust Services

NTC receives a fixed amount per registered account for services provided as trustee for registered plans.

Administrative and Operating Services

The provision of certain services was delegated by the Fund Manager, NBI, to National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT"), a direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank. These include accounting, reporting and portfolio valuation services. The fees incurred for these services are paid to NBT by the Fund manager.

Management Fees

The Fund pays annual management fees to the Fund manager for its management services. The fees are calculated based on a percentage of the Fund's daily net asset value before applicable taxes and are paid on a monthly basis. Under the *Distribution* heading, expenses include the broker's compensation consisting of the maximum annual trailer fees and sales commissions paid to brokers. Under the *Other* heading, the fees relate mainly to investment management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit. The breakdown of major services provided in consideration of the management fees, expressed as an approximate percentage of the management fees is as follows:

Series	Management Fees	Distribution	Others [†]
Investor Series	1.25%	40.00%	60.00%
Investor-2 Series	1.00%	50.00%	50.00%
Advisor Series*			
Front-end load**	1.25%	40.00%	60.00%
Series F	0.75%	—	100.00%
Series O	N/A***	—	100.00%

^(†) Includes all costs related to management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit.

^(*) Excluding sales commissions paid on the Advisor Series with the low sales charge option and deferred sales charge option, which are not paid for out of the management fees.

^(**) Rate applicable for all investments, including Advisor Series existing before May 14, 2015, systematic investment programs, reinvested distributions and switches.

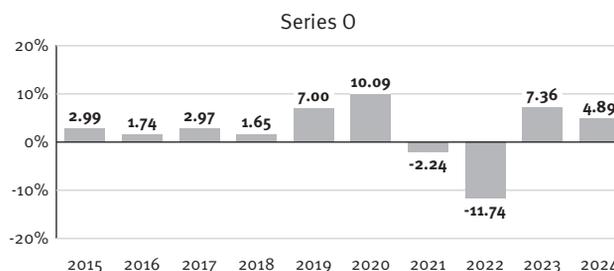
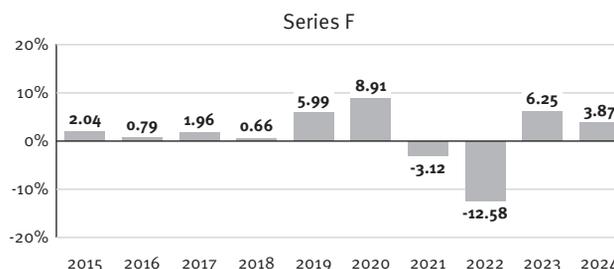
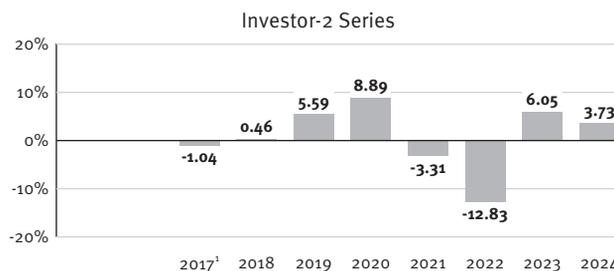
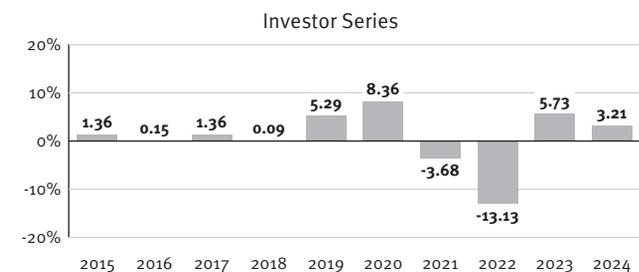
^(***) The Series O is only available to selected investors that have been approved and have entered into an O Series units account agreement with National Bank Investments Inc. The criteria for approval may include the size of the investment, the expected level of account activity and the investor's total investments with NBI. No management fees are charged to the Fund with respect to the O Series units. Management fees are negotiated with and paid directly by investors and are in addition to the fixed-rate administration fee. NBI does not pay any commissions or service fees to dealers who sell O Series units. There are no sales charges payable by investors who purchase O Series units.

Past Performance

The performance of each series of the Fund is presented below and calculated as at December 31 of each year. It assumes that all distributions made in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities and does not take into account sales, redemption charges, distributions, or optional charges that would have reduced returns. Past performance of a series of a Fund does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

Annual Returns

The bar charts indicate the performance for each the Fund's series in existence greater than one year during the years shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from year to year. They show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on January 1 (or made commencing from the start of the series) would have grown or decreased by December 31 of that year, in the case of the Annual management report of fund performance, or by June 30, in the case of the Interim management report of fund performance.



⁽¹⁾ Returns for the period from May 19, 2017 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2017.

Annual Compounded Performance

The following table shows the Fund's annual compound returns for each series in existence greater than one year and for each of the periods ended on December 31, 2024, compared with the following benchmark:

- FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index (CAD)

NBI Bond Fund

	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Investor Series¹	3.21%	(1.77)%	(0.21)%	0.71%	–
Benchmark	4.23%	(0.60)%	0.79%	1.98%	–
Investor-2 Series²	3.73%	(1.39)%	0.19%	–	0.77%
Benchmark	4.23%	(0.60)%	0.79%	–	1.62%
Advisor Series³	3.21%	(1.77)%	(0.21)%	0.71%	–
Benchmark	4.23%	(0.60)%	0.79%	1.98%	–
Series F⁴	3.87%	(1.19)%	0.36%	1.31%	–
Benchmark	4.23%	(0.60)%	0.79%	1.98%	–
Series O⁵	4.89%	(0.20)%	1.36%	2.30%	–
Benchmark	4.23%	(0.60)%	0.79%	1.98%	–

¹Commencement of operations: November 18, 1966

²Commencement of operations: May 19, 2017

³Commencement of operations: February 8, 2002

⁴Commencement of operations: December 24, 2013

⁵Commencement of operations: January 30, 2004

A discussion of the Fund's relative performance in comparison to the index (or indices) can be found in the *Results of Operations* Section of this report.

Index Description

The **FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index** is composed of over 900 bonds with a term to maturity of more than one year and tracks the performance of the Canadian Bond market.

Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the accounting periods shown.

Investor / Advisor* Series

⁽¹⁾ The Advisor Series was created on February 8, 2002.

Accounting Period Ended	Commencement of operations: November 18, 1966				
	2024 December 31	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31
Net Assets per Unit ⁽¹⁾					
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ⁽⁴⁾	10.66	10.25	11.99	12.69	12.02
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.39	0.33	0.32	0.33	0.35
Total expenses	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.17)	(0.19)	(0.20)
Realized gains (losses)	(0.28)	(0.49)	(0.73)	(0.08)	0.35
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.40	0.89	(1.82)	(2.41)	0.52
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ⁽²⁾	0.34	0.57	(2.40)	(2.35)	1.02
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.22	0.17	0.17	0.23	0.15
From dividends	—	—	—	—	—
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	0.18
Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ⁽³⁾	0.22	0.17	0.17	0.23	0.33
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	10.78	10.66	10.25	11.99	12.69

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
	December 31				
Total net asset value (000's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	13,386	11,942	11,943	38,508	414,718
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁶⁾	1,241,468	1,120,652	1,164,648	3,210,767	32,686,361
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁴⁾	1.58	1.59	1.59	1.57	1.59
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	1.59	1.67	1.59	1.57	1.59
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	0.01	—	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	278.79	137.03	178.73	104.86	125.62
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.78	10.66	10.25	11.99	12.69

Investor-2 Series

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾ Commencement of operations: May 19, 2017

Accounting Period Ended	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
	December 31				
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ⁽⁴⁾	9.01	8.67	10.14	10.65	10.07
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.33	0.28	0.27	0.27	0.29
Total expenses	(0.11)	(0.10)	(0.11)	(0.12)	(0.12)
Realized gains (losses)	(0.27)	(0.41)	(0.64)	(0.07)	0.29
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.36	0.73	(1.24)	(0.45)	0.43
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ⁽²⁾	0.31	0.50	(1.72)	(0.37)	0.89
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.22	0.18	0.17	0.16	0.18
From dividends	—	—	—	—	—
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	0.13
Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ⁽³⁾	0.22	0.18	0.17	0.16	0.31
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	9.12	9.01	8.67	10.14	10.65

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
	December 31				
Total net asset value (000's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	25,663	28,610	30,531	66,214	76,874
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁶⁾	2,815,257	3,174,318	3,519,435	6,529,030	7,219,573
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁴⁾	1.21	1.22	1.22	1.17	1.10
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	1.22	1.30	1.22	1.17	1.11
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	0.01	—	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	278.79	137.03	178.73	104.86	125.62
Net asset value per unit (\$)	9.12	9.01	8.67	10.14	10.65

Series F

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Commencement of operations: December 24, 2013

Accounting Period Ended	2024 December 31	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ⁽⁴⁾	9.62	9.26	10.79	11.32	10.70
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.35	0.29	0.30	0.29	0.31
Total expenses	(0.09)	(0.09)	(0.09)	(0.11)	(0.11)
Realized gains (losses)	(0.28)	(0.44)	(0.81)	(0.07)	0.31
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.37	0.80	0.25	(0.32)	0.46
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ⁽²⁾	0.35	0.56	(0.35)	(0.21)	0.97
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.25	0.21	0.18	0.17	0.20
From dividends	—	—	—	—	—
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	0.13
Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ⁽³⁾	0.25	0.21	0.18	0.17	0.33
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	9.73	9.62	9.26	10.79	11.32

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2024 December 31	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	30,170	33,026	35,589	2,054	1,145
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁵⁾	3,100,937	3,433,301	3,843,879	190,281	101,087
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁶⁾	1.00	1.01	1.01	1.00	1.01
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	1.01	1.09	1.01	1.00	1.01
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	0.01	—	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	278.79	137.03	178.73	104.86	125.62
Net asset value per unit (\$)	9.73	9.62	9.26	10.79	11.32

Series O

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Commencement of operations: January 30, 2004

Accounting Period Ended	2024 December 31	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ⁽⁴⁾	9.76	9.40	10.98	11.53	10.87
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.36	0.30	0.29	0.30	0.32
Total expenses	—	—	—	—	—
Realized gains (losses)	(0.25)	(0.44)	(0.72)	(0.08)	0.31
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.32	0.67	(0.97)	(0.34)	0.41
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ⁽²⁾	0.43	0.53	(1.40)	(0.12)	1.04
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.35	0.32	0.30	0.29	0.31
From dividends	—	—	—	—	—
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	0.12
Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ⁽³⁾	0.35	0.32	0.30	0.29	0.43
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	9.87	9.76	9.40	10.98	11.53

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2024 December 31	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	1,402,647	1,465,973	2,068,115	2,786,224	1,997,209
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁵⁾	142,164,129	150,251,958	219,962,116	253,683,686	173,287,853
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁶⁾	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.03	0.11	0.02	0.02	0.02
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	0.01	—	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	278.79	137.03	178.73	104.86	125.62
Net asset value per unit (\$)	9.87	9.76	9.40	10.98	11.53

- ⁽¹⁾ This information is derived from the Fund's Annual Audited Financial Statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements might differ from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes. The differences are explained in the notes to the financial statements.
- ⁽²⁾ Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase or decrease from operations is based on the average number of units outstanding over the accounting period.
- ⁽³⁾ Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.
- ⁽⁴⁾ The net assets are calculated in accordance with IFRS.
- ⁽⁵⁾ This information is provided as at the last day of the accounting period shown.
- ⁽⁶⁾ Management expense ratio is based on total expenses including sales taxes for the accounting period indicated (excluding commission, other portfolio transaction costs and withholding taxes) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net value during the accounting period. The management expense ratio includes, if necessary, the management expenses from its underlying funds, as described in Article 15.2 of Regulation 81-106.
- ⁽⁷⁾ The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the accounting period. The trading expense ratio includes, if necessary, the trading expenses from its underlying funds, as described in Article 15.2 of Regulation 81-106.
- ⁽⁸⁾ The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund portfolio's manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the accounting period. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in an accounting period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the accounting period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the accounting period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a Fund.

Summary of Investment Portfolio

As of December 31, 2024

Portfolio Top Holdings

	% of Net Asset Value
Government of Canada, 3.00%, due June 1, 2034	3.7
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	3.3
Government of Canada, 3.25%, due December 1, 2034	2.4
Government of Canada, 0.50%, due December 1, 2030	1.8
Province of Ontario, 4.70%, due June 2, 2037	1.7
Government of Canada, 1.50%, due June 1, 2031	1.5
Government of Canada, 3.50%, due September 1, 2029	1.4
Canada Housing Trust, 2.90%, due December 15, 2029	1.3
Government of Canada, 4.00%, due May 1, 2026	1.3
Province of Ontario, 1.05%, due September 8, 2027	1.2
Province of Ontario, 3.45%, due June 2, 2045	1.2
Province of Ontario, 3.65%, due June 2, 2033	1.2
Province of Ontario, 2.15%, due June 2, 2031	1.1
Province of Ontario, 4.15%, due June 2, 2034	1.1
Province of Quebec, 3.50%, due December 1, 2048	1.1
Province of Quebec, 4.45%, due September 1, 2034	1.1
Government of Canada, 2.00%, due December 1, 2051	1.0
Royal Bank of Canada, Floating, due December 10, 2028	0.9
Canada Housing Trust, 3.60%, due December 15, 2027	0.9
Government of Canada, 2.75%, due December 1, 2055	0.9
Province of Ontario, 3.50%, due June 2, 2043	0.9
Province of Quebec, 5.00%, due December 1, 2041	0.9
Bank of Montreal, 4.42%, due July 17, 2029	0.8
Canada Housing Trust, 4.25%, due December 15, 2028	0.8
Toronto-Dominion Bank/The, 4.68%, due January 8, 2029	0.8
	34.3
Net asset value	\$1,471,865,252

Asset Mix

	% of Net Asset Value
Canadian Corporate Bonds	33.7
Provincial Bonds	30.2
Federal Bonds	28.8
Foreign Bonds	1.8
Municipal Bonds	1.7
Asset Backed Securities	0.4
Mortgage Backed Securities	0.1
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	3.3

The above table shows the top 25 positions held by the Fund. In the case of a Fund with fewer than 25 positions, all positions are indicated.

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