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### Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup>





Class A

Institutional Class

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### **Fund strategy**

- Diversifies sources of return across sectors and global markets to pursue reliable income
- Strives for returns in all phases of the economic cycle and lower downside risk by proactively shifting allocations, unhindered by sector restrictions
- Reflects the best ideas of more than 140 fixed-income professionals around the globe, grounded in bottom-up fundamental research

### **Expense ratio**

Share class	No waiver (gross)	With waiver (net)
Institutional	0.69%	0.69%
A	0.94%	0.94%

From the fund's most recent prospectus. Net expense ratio reflects a contractual fee waiver/expense reimbursement through 12/31/2025, unless sooner terminated at the sole discretion of the fund's board.

## Columbia Strategic Income Fund

### **Fund performance**

- Columbia Strategic Income Fund Institutional Class shares returned 2.15% for the three months ending March 31, 2025.
- The fund's benchmark, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, returned 2.78% for the same period.
- For monthly performance information, please check online at columbiathreadneedleus.com.

### Market overview

Returns across the domestic bond market were positive during the quarter, supported by declining Treasury yields as investors unwound lofty economic expectations. Following three consecutive cuts in its benchmark overnight lending rate, the U.S. Federal Reserve held short-term rates steady at both its January and March meetings. In doing so, the Fed referenced heightened uncertainty about growth and inflation, given the potential for the new presidential administration to impose tariffs across a broader range of goods and trading partners. With downside risks to growth materializing, investors increased bets that the Fed will resume its cutting path as 2025 progresses. As a result, the yield on the 10-year Treasury bill fell nearly 60 basis points (bps) from its mid-January peak, to close the quarter at 4.21%. (A basis point is 1/100 of one percent)

As gauged by the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, the broad U.S. investment-grade taxable bond market returned 2.78% for the quarter. Within the index, U.S. Treasuries registered a return of 2.92% (Bloomberg Treasury Index), supported by lower yields across the yield curve. Corporate bonds slightly lagged Treasuries, with a return of 2.31% (Bloomberg US Corporate Bond Index), as the modest widening of credit spreads

### Average annual total returns (%) for period ending March 31, 2025

Columbia Strategic Income Fund	3-mon.	1-year	3-year	5-year	10-year
Institutional Class	2.15	6.44	3.01	4.96	3.53
Class A without sales charge	2.09	6.19	2.76	4.68	3.27
Class A with 4.75% maximum sales charge	-2.75	1.14	1.11	3.66	2.76
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	2.78	4.88	0.52	-0.40	1.46
ICE BofA U.S. High Yield Cash-Pay Constrained Index	0.97	7.51	4.82	7.17	4.90
FTSE Non-USD World Government Bond Index	2.33	0.32	-4.89	-4.01	-0.86
JP Morgan Emerging Market Bond Index - Global	2.35	6.72	3.24	3.37	3.11

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# Credit Quality (%) as of March 31, 2025

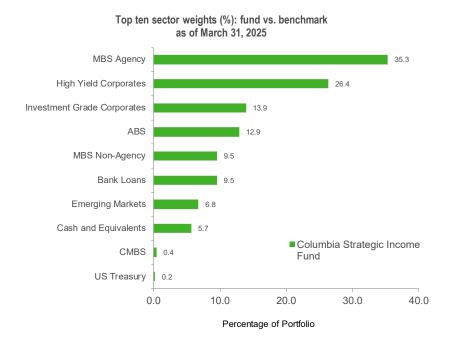
### Columbia Strategic Income Fund

Treasury	0.2
Agency	35.4
AAA	5.5
AA	4.0
Α	9.1
BBB	14.7
ВВ	16.9
В	15.4
CCC	3.3
CC	0.2
C	0.1
Cash and Equivalents	-12.3

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offset some of corporate bonds' yield advantage. Securitized assets returned 3.00% (Bloomberg U.S. Securitized Index), with positive returns largely driven by mortgage-backed securities (MBS), while asset-backed securities (ABS) and commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS) underperformed the broader investment-grade market. Turning to below-investment-grade sectors, high-yield corporate bonds lagged their investment-grade counterparts, with a return of 1.00% (Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Index), as concerns about the impact of tariffs on the economy dampened sentiment around lower-quality issues. Without the benefit of duration risk, floating-rate bank loans underperformed their fixed-rate, high-yield counterparts, with a return of 0.48% (Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan Index). (Duration is a measure of a bond's sensitivity to changes in interest rates.)



Source: BlackRock

### Portfolio attribution by risk factor

Contributors and detractors from performance included:

- <u>Duration</u>: Interest-rate risk contributed to absolute performance, as Treasury yields
  declined across maturities. The portfolio held most of its duration exposure in bonds
  with 5- and 10-year maturities, where yields fell more than other tenors.
- <u>Credit</u>: Credit risk detracted from performance, as sentiment soured amid an onslaught
  of tariff headlines. Returns were most negative in high-yield corporate bonds, while
  agency mortgage-backed securities contributed positively to absolute returns.
- Currency: Foreign currency risk had virtually no performance impact on the portfolio.
- Inflation: Inflation risk had virtually no performance impact on the portfolio.

### Outlook and positioning

Markets spent most of the first quarter unwinding optimistic expectations — set ahead of the November 2024 presidential election — that the incoming Trump administration would enact



a slew of pro-growth policies. Instead, the front-loading of growth-negative initiatives, including tariffs and immigration reform, spawned increased uncertainty and financial market volatility. Consumer and business sentiment plunged, reflecting the risk that sweeping tariffs on major trading partners could lead to elevated prices and dampen aggregate demand. This combination will undoubtedly complicate the Fed's decision-making during the period ahead. While lower growth would challenge the Fed to bring policy rates lower, higher inflation would have the opposite effect. The theme of lower growth expectations dominated price action in the closing weeks of the quarter, sending Treasury yields lower and credit spreads wider.

Against this backdrop, duration reasserted itself as an effective volatility dampener. Through March 31, gains in U.S. Treasuries mostly offset the drop in equity prices. Lower-quality fixed-income assets, including high-yield corporate bonds and bank loans, underperformed as expected with downside risks to growth emerging. Wider valuations created pockets of opportunity, especially in sectors with less sensitivity to trade and/or growth. We selectively redeployed capital in credits where we believed tariff-inflicted disruptions may be minimized. In addition, we will look to bolster this exposure if spreads widen beyond historical medians. This episode serves as an important reminder that diversification rises in importance when growth is threatened, and we are simultaneously adding to our duration posture to maintain risk balance.

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