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## 10 Year Morningstar Rating™



Class A



Institutional Class

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Security selection contributed to relative results, with gains coming from asset-backed securities and investment-grade corporates.

## Fund strategy

Strives for returns in all phases of the economic cycle and mitigates downside risk by proactively managing duration, sector allocation and security selection

Diversifies across sectors, guided by an assessment of the market environment and valuations

Offers more insightful security selection, thanks to a highly collaborative culture and original, independent, forward-looking research

## Expense ratio

Share class	No waiver (gross)	With waiver (net)
Institutional	0.65%	0.49%
A	0.90%	0.74%

From the fund's most recent prospectus. The investment manager and certain of its affiliates have contractually (for at least one year from the prospectus date) agreed to waive certain fees and/or to reimburse certain fund expenses.

# Columbia Total Return Bond Fund

## Fund performance

- Columbia Total Return Bond Fund Institutional Class shares returned -0.66% for the quarter ended March 31, 2024.
- The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index returned -0.78% for the same period.
- For monthly performance information, please check [columbiathreadneedleus.com](http://columbiathreadneedleus.com).

## Market overview

The Treasury market experienced renewed weakness in the new year as the market unwound overly optimistic expectations for future monetary policy. Inflation's rapid descent in the final months of 2023 led markets to anticipate as many as six or seven rate cuts from the Federal Reserve during 2024. While many Federal Open Market Committee members endorsed the idea of cuts this year, Chair Powell threw cold water on hopes the process would begin in March. Data released in January showed that the U.S. economy grew at a 3.3% annualized pace to close 2023 and labor market data released in February further sidelined any concerns of an immediate recession. At the same time, new inflation data showed continued progress on disinflation, but not as much as Fed officials and market participants had hoped for. Given lingering inflation and a surprisingly strong economy, the consensus shifted by the end of the quarter to three rate cuts for the year with the first occurring in June. This shift caused the yield on the 10-year U.S. Treasury note to rise from 3.88% to 4.22%, resulting in a modest negative return for Treasuries and weighing on bond market returns broadly.

As gauged by the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, the broad U.S. investment-grade taxable bond market returned -0.78% for the quarter. Within the index, performance was led by corporate bonds, which returned -0.40% (Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Bond Index), as credit sentiment was supported by strong demand for yield and better-than-expected economic growth. The broad U.S. Treasury market returned -0.96% per the Bloomberg Treasury Index, with longer-maturity Treasuries most negatively affected by

## Average annual total returns (%) for period ending March 31, 2024

Columbia Total Return Bond Fund	3-mon.	1-year	3-year	5-year	10-year
Institutional Class	-0.66	3.15	-3.57	1.00	2.10
Class A without sales charge	-0.75	2.89	-3.81	0.73	1.85
Class A with 3.00% maximum sales charge	-3.74	-0.21	-4.78	0.12	1.54
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	-0.78	1.70	-2.46	0.36	1.54

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**Credit Quality (%)  
as of March 31, 2024**

**Columbia Total Return Bond Fund**

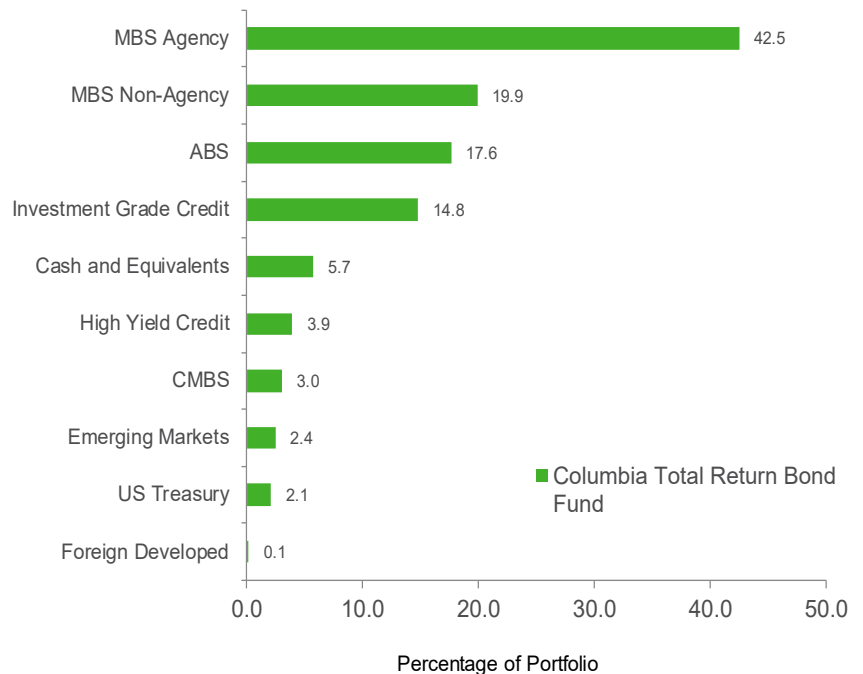
Treasury	2.1
Agency	42.6
AAA	8.3
AA	6.1
A	15.8
BBB	14.3
BB	6.7
B	5.2
CCC	1.1
Cash and Equivalents	-12.1
Other	0.3
Non-rated	9.7

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Due to rounding, percentages may not add up to 100.

rising yields. Securitized assets posted a -0.91% return (Bloomberg U.S. Securitized Index), as negative performance for residential mortgage-backed securities (MBS) more than offset small gains for asset-backed securities and commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS). High-yield corporate bonds, for which performance is driven more by the strength of the economy than by the direction of interest rates, notably outperformed their investment-grade counterparts with a positive return of 1.47% (Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Index). Similarly, credit-sensitive floating rate bank loans finished with a gain of 2.52% (Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index). The tax-free bond market posted a -0.39% return for the quarter based on the Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index.

**Top ten sector weights (%) as of March 31, 2024**



Source: BlackRock

**Performance summary**

The Columbia Total Return Bond Fund Institutional Class shares returned -0.66% during the quarter (after expenses), outperforming its benchmark, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, by 12 basis points. Contributors and detractors from performance include:

- **Duration:** The fund's longer-than-benchmark duration positioning detracted from relative performance during the quarter as Treasury yields rose across the curve.

## Columbia Total Return Bond Fund

### Top holdings (% of net assets): as of March 31, 2024

GMNA2 30yr TBA(Reg C) 4.000 04/18/2054	3.00
GNMA6 5.000 04/18/2054	2.46
UMBS 30yr TBA(Reg A) 5.500 04/11/2054	1.76
GNMA2 30yr Tba(Reg C) 4.500 04/18/2054	1.61
FNMA 30yr UMBS 3.500 05/01/2052	1.50
FNMA 30yr UMBS Super 4.000 04/01/2052	1.35
FHLMC 30yr UMBS Super 3.500 08/01/2052	1.27
FHLMC 30yr UMBS Super 4.500 05/01/2053	1.16
FHLMC 30yr UMBS Super 5.500 07/01/2053	1.13
UMBS 30yr Tba(Reg A) 6.000 04/11/2054	1.05

Top holdings exclude short-term holdings and cash, if applicable. Fund holdings are as of the date given, are subject to change at any time, and are not recommendations to buy or sell any security. Current and future bond holdings are subject to risk.

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- **Sector Allocation:** Sector allocation decisions contributed to relative performance, primarily from an out-of-index allocation to non-agency MBS. An overweight to agency MBS detracted, as did a hedging strategy that reduced exposure to high-yield corporates.
- **Security Selection:** Security selection contributed to relative results, with gains coming from asset-backed securities and investment-grade corporates.

## Outlook and positioning

The market ebbs and flows on a weekly basis, but so far this year a soft landing has remained the most likely scenario for the U.S. economy. Job growth remains stronger than even the most optimistic observers anticipated. And while inflation has come in a little rockier in the first two months of the year, the glide path lower has continued.

These trends are not new and most areas of the market have fully priced them in. Treasury yields have largely moved within a range after correcting for the rapid rally that ended 2023. Credit spreads have continued to grind tighter and rich valuations are consistent with the solid underlying fundamentals. This leaves the market searching for new narratives.

While rates are moving higher and investors are worried about the Fed being more hawkish than previously expected, credit has proven much more resilient than it was in 2022, despite the similar environment. The reason is simple. Then, the Fed was explicitly trying to quash growth to tame inflation and earnings were weakening after a post-COVID surge. Today, the Fed is talking about delaying cuts because growth is good while inflationary trends are good, but not great.

But rarely have spreads been this tight and still been able to produce positive excess returns. As an extreme example, long investment-grade bonds are in the most expensive decile of spreads this century. The average excess returns over the next 12 months from these spread levels is less than -2%. For BB rated high-yield bonds, results are similar. Across major slices of credit sectors, the odds of outperforming Treasuries over the next 12 months are not favorable. This time is different in a lot of ways, but the market is not currently providing any cushion for reversion to more historically normal valuations.

We do not think this is the environment to be adding credit risk. Our portfolios are holding among the lowest proportion of long credit (regardless of sector, rating or geography) of the last decade. Portfolios continue to skew toward high-quality MBS, including agency MBS, where the decline in interest rate volatility has improved the market's willingness to own the sector. At a time when fixed-income markets are offering very little on top of Treasury yields, 2% real yields on Treasuries are a nice place to keep some risk. However, we are only modestly long with duration given the still-good growth outlook. If the labor market deteriorates, that would signal a better entry point.

## Investment Risks

**Market risk** may affect a single issuer, sector of the economy, industry or the market as a whole. Fixed-income securities present **issuer default** risk. A rise in **interest rates** may result in a price decline of fixed-income instruments held by the fund, negatively impacting its performance and NAV. Falling rates may result in the fund investing in lower yielding debt instruments, lowering the fund's income and yield. These risks may be heightened for longer maturity and duration securities.

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