

As of 03/31/2024 | Class K: MPHQX | Class R: MRCBX | Institutional: MAHQX | Investor A1: MEHQX | **Investor A: MDHQX** | Investor C: MFHQX | Service: MSHQX

Diversified, core bond portfolio

Sources ideas across BlackRock's bond platform

Seeks to deliver strong risk-adjusted returns for all bond market scenarios



Morningstar has awarded the Fund a GOLD medal (Effective 11/20/2023).†

## ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE

| With Sales Charge    | 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Investor A           | -2.59  | -4.17  | -0.33  | 1.22    |
| Without Sales Charge | 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year |
| Investor A           | 1.46   | -2.86  | 0.49   | 1.64    |
| Benchmark            | 1.70   | -2.46  | 0.36   | 1.54    |
| Morningstar Average  | 2.91   | -2.26  | 0.75   | 1.67    |

## CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE

| Without Sales Charge | 2019 | 2020 | 2021  | 2022   | 2023 | YTD   | 1Q2024 |
|----------------------|------|------|-------|--------|------|-------|--------|
| Investor A           | 9.54 | 8.58 | -0.96 | -14.46 | 5.64 | -0.47 | -0.47  |
| Benchmark            | 8.72 | 7.51 | -1.54 | -13.01 | 5.53 | -0.78 | -0.78  |
| Morningstar Average  | 8.94 | 8.06 | -0.67 | -13.27 | 6.22 | -0.20 | -0.20  |

Performance data shown represents past performance which is no guarantee of future results. Investment returns and principal values may fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than that shown. All returns assume reinvestment of all dividend and capital gain distributions. Refer to blackrock.com for current month-end performance. Index performance is shown for illustrative purposes only. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index. Returns with sales charge reflect the deduction of current maximum initial sales charge of 4.00%. The calendar year performance shown does not reflect the deduction of the sales load. If reflected, the performance would have been lower. Please see the fund prospectus for more details.

## MORNINGSTAR RANKINGS

|                     | 1 Year  | 3 Year  | 5 Year  | 10 Year |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Morningstar Ranking | 494/624 | 372/557 | 307/527 | 180/368 |
| Quartile Rank       | 4       | 4       | 3       | 3       |

Rankings based on total return excluding sales charges, independently calculated and not combined to create an overall ranking. For periods not shown, Morningstar does not provide rankings based on synthetic performance.

**KEY RISKS:** The fund is actively managed and its characteristics will vary. Bond values fluctuate in price so the value of your investment can go down depending on market conditions. International investing involves special risks including, but not limited to currency fluctuations, illiquidity and volatility. These risks may be heightened for investments in emerging markets. Fixed income risks include interest-rate and credit risk. Typically, when interest rates rise, there is a corresponding decline in bond values. Credit risk refers to the possibility that the bond issuer will not be able to make principal and interest payments. Principal of mortgage- or asset-backed securities normally may be prepaid at any time, reducing the yield and market value of those securities. Obligations of US gov. agencies are supported by varying degrees of credit but generally are not backed by the full faith and credit of the US gov. Non-investment-grade debt securities (high-yield/junk bonds) may be subject to greater market fluctuations, risk of default or loss of income and principal than higher rated securities. The fund may use derivatives to hedge its investments or to seek to enhance returns. Derivatives entail risks relating to liquidity, leverage and credit that may reduce returns and increase volatility. Short-selling entails special risks. If the fund makes short sales in securities that increase in value, the fund will lose value. Any loss on short positions may or may not be offset by investing short-sale proceeds in other investments.

## KEY FACTS

|                         |                                   |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Size of Fund (Millions) | \$18,968.6M                       |
| Fund Launch Date        | 12/27/2001                        |
| Share Class Launch Date | 09/24/2007                        |
| Morningstar Category    | Intermediate Core-Plus Bond       |
| Number of Issuers       | 4,000                             |
| Benchmark               | Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index |

## ANNUAL EXPENSES

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| Gross Expense Ratio | 0.75% |
| Net Expense Ratio   | 0.75% |

The Net Expense Ratio excluding Investment Related Expenses is 0.74%. Investment Related Expenses include acquired fund fees of 0.01%, and interest expense (cost of borrowing securities to seek to enhance return or reduce risk) of 0.00%, and certain other expenses, if applicable. Expenses stated as of the fund's most recent prospectus. The difference between gross and net expense ratios are due to contractual and/or voluntary waivers, if applicable. This share class has a contractual waiver with an end date of 06/30/2025 terminable upon 90 days' notice. BlackRock may agree to voluntarily waive certain fees and expenses, which the adviser may discontinue at any time without notice.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Rick Rieder                      Chi Chen  
David Rogal

## TOP ISSUERS (%)<sup>2</sup>

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| UNITED STATES TREASURY                      | 22.65        |
| FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION       | 12.26        |
| UNIFORM MBS                                 | 8.01         |
| FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION      | 6.91         |
| GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION II | 4.50         |
| <b>Total of Portfolio</b>                   | <b>54.33</b> |

## TOP SECTORS (%)<sup>2</sup>

|                              | Fund  | Benchmark | Active |
|------------------------------|-------|-----------|--------|
| US Treasuries                | 36.0  | 41.7      | -5.7   |
| Agency Residential Mortgages | 32.3  | 25.9      | 6.5    |
| US Investment Grade Credit   | 21.3  | 21.2      | 0.1    |
| Non-Agency Mortgages         | 6.1   | 0.0       | 6.1    |
| CLO Securities               | 5.8   | 0.0       | 5.8    |
| Commercial Mortgages         | 5.3   | 1.6       | 3.7    |
| US High Yield Credit         | 3.5   | 0.0       | 3.5    |
| Non-US Sovereign             | 3.4   | 1.7       | 1.6    |
| Non-US Credit                | 2.8   | 4.2       | -1.4   |
| Emerging Markets             | 2.6   | 1.3       | 1.3    |
| ABS                          | 1.8   | 0.5       | 1.3    |
| Other                        | -20.8 | 1.9       | -22.6  |

## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Effective Duration            | 5.88 yrs |
| Weighted Average Life         | 8.91 yrs |
| 30-Day SEC Yield              | 4.94%    |
| Unsubsidized 30-Day SEC Yield | 4.94%    |

## CREDIT RATINGS BREAKDOWN (%)<sup>2,3</sup>

|             | Fund | Benchmark | Active |
|-------------|------|-----------|--------|
| Cash        | -7.3 | 0.4       | -7.7   |
| Derivatives | 0.1  | 0.0       | 0.1    |
| AAA Rated   | 7.3  | 3.5       | 3.8    |
| AA rated    | 58.5 | 71.6      | -13.1  |
| A Rated     | 11.1 | 11.9      | -0.9   |
| BBB Rated   | 17.1 | 12.5      | 4.5    |
| BB Rated    | 2.1  | 0.0       | 2.1    |
| B Rated     | 1.2  | 0.0       | 1.2    |
| CCC Rated   | 0.5  | 0.0       | 0.5    |
| CC Rated    | 0.4  | 0.0       | 0.4    |
| C Rated     | 0.2  | 0.0       | 0.2    |
| D Rated     | 0.1  | 0.0       | 0.1    |
| Not Rated   | 8.6  | 0.0       | 8.6    |
| Other       | 0.2  | 0.0       | 0.2    |

## RISK STATISTICS (3 YEARS)

|                    | Fund  | Benchmark |
|--------------------|-------|-----------|
| Standard Deviation | 7.74% | 7.24%     |

<sup>2</sup> % of net assets represents the Fund's exposure based on the economic value of securities and is adjusted for futures, options, swaps, and convertible bonds. Allocations subject to change.

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## RISK STATISTICS (3 YEARS)

|              | Fund  | Benchmark |
|--------------|-------|-----------|
| Sharpe Ratio | -0.67 | -0.66     |

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