

## Impact Mortgage Fund

Inst: **PNIGX** A: **CIGAX** C: **BIGCX** R: **BGBRX<sup>1</sup>** K: **BIGLX**

### Commentary as of 03/31/24

- The fund posted returns of -1.13% (Institutional shares) and -1.19% (Investor A shares, without sales charge) for the first quarter of 2024.
- Out-of-benchmark strategies, particularly allocations to commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS) and pool selection within agency mortgage-backed securities (MBS), were additive to performance. However, relative-value trades detracted from returns.
- The fund continued to hold core allocations in various impact MBS pools, which have exhibited benign prepayment characteristics. We added a position in a manufactured housing loan balance pool that has provided call protection and “carry” versus the benchmark.

| Contributors   | Detractors   |
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| Out-of-benchmark allocations to CMBS, mortgage derivatives, and asset-backed securities contributed to performance. CMBS performed well into the start of the year, as investors started to take advantage of attractive spreads relative to other sectors. Pool selection within agency MBS was also additive. Within the conventional 30-year space, manufactured housing and home ready pools, within Ginnie Mae loss mitigation pools, also contributed. | Relative-value trades in agency MBS detracted from performance during the quarter. |

### Further insight

The fund maintained a concentration in MBS pools during the quarter, with the core allocation of pools held in downpayment assistance, foreclosure prevention, and manufacturing housing pools. We continued to hold these positions on the view that their collateral attributes exhibit a meaningful benefit in prepayment characteristics through factors like loan size and seasoning. In rates positioning, the fund shifted to a modest underweight duration position (interest rate sensitivity), though it remained close to neutral.

### Portfolio management

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### Top 10 holdings (%)

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| GNMA II                                      | 45.50 |
| Federal National Mortgage                    | 38.82 |
| FHLM   | 27.01 |
| Fhms_ksg4-A2                                 | 1.44  |
| Gnma_20-149h-1a                              | 0.74  |
| Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation -Gold | 0.42  |
| Gnma_21-159-1h                               | 0.41  |
| Gnma_22-127c-1a                              | 0.36  |
| Msaic_22-3-A                                 | 0.27  |
| Localcdi                                     | 0.26  |

### Investment approach

Invests primarily in the highest rated government and agency bonds and maintains an average portfolio duration within ±20% of the Bloomberg Intermediate Government Index.

## Average annual total returns (%) as of 3/31/24

|  | 1Q24<br>(not annualized) | YTD<br>(not annualized) | 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Years | 10 Years |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------|----------|
| <b>Institutional</b>                       | -1.13                    | -1.13                   | 0.65   | -3.15  | -0.23   | 0.93     |
| <b>Investor A (Without Sales Charge)</b>   | -1.19                    | -1.19                   | 0.30   | -3.38  | -0.47   | 0.67     |
| <b>Investor A (With Sales Charge)</b>      | -5.14                    | -5.14                   | -3.72  | -4.69  | -1.28   | 0.26     |
| <b>BBG U.S. Govt./Mortgage<sup>2</sup></b> | -0.98                    | -0.98                   | 0.61   | -2.76  | -0.17   | 1.09     |

Expenses for Institutional shares: Total **1.92%**; Net, Including Investment Related Expenses (dividend expense, interest expense, acquired fund fees and expenses and certain other fund expenses) **1.59%**. For Investor A shares: Total **2.17%**; Net, Including Investment Related Expenses **1.84%**. Institutional and Investor A shares have contractual waivers with an end date of 06/30/2025 terminable upon 90 days' notice. For certain share classes, BlackRock may voluntarily agree to waive certain fees and expenses in which the adviser may discontinue at any time without notice. Expenses stated as of the fund's most recent prospectus. Data represents past performance and 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. All returns assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Current performance may be lower or higher than that shown. Refer to [blackrock.com](https://www.blackrock.com) for most recent month-end performance. Investment returns reflect total fund operating expenses, net of all fees, waivers and/or expense reimbursements. Index performance is shown for illustrative purposes only. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index. Share classes have different sales charges, fees and other features. Returns with sales charge reflect deduction of current maximum initial sales charge of 4% for Investor A shares. Institutional shares have no front- or back-end load. Institutional shares have limited availability and may be purchased at various minimums. See prospectus for details. Net Expenses Excluding Investment Related Expenses for Institutional shares: **0.45%**; for Investor A shares: **0.70%**.

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