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Global Investment Grade Credit Fund

PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

The Global Investment Grade Credit Fund returned 1.25% (Institutional, Income shares net of fees) and 1.24% (Institutional, Accumulation shares net of fees) in March, outperforming the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index (USD Hedged) by 0.04% (Institutional, Income shares net of fees) and 0.03% (Institutional, Accumulation shares net of fees). Year-to-date the Fund has returned 0.45% (Institutional, Income shares net of fees) and 0.39% (Institutional, Accumulation shares net of fees), while the benchmark returned 0.05%.

The Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index outperformed like-duration government bonds by 0.4% over the month, while spreads tightened by 4bps to 92bps.

Contributors

- Tactical exposure to securitized products, as select agency mortgage-backed securities outperformed as spreads tightened
- An overweight to and security selection within banking and brokerage, as the sector and select senior and subordinated bonds outperformed
- Security selection within emerging markets external debt, as select overweight emerging markets sovereign issuers outperformed

Detractors

- Security selection within finance companies, as a select issuer underperformed amid concerns over weakening operating fundamentals
- Security selection within media, as a select issuer underperformed amid negative ratings actions

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results

Performance (Net of Fees)	1 Mo.	3 Mos.	6 Mos.	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	10 Yrs.	SI
Institutional, Acc (%)	1.24	0.39	7.93	6.13	-2.01	0.77	2.69	4.31
Institutional, Inc (%)	1.25	0.45	7.92	6.13	-2.00	0.78	2.69	4.48
Benchmark (%)	1.21	0.05	7.31	5.59	-1.58	1.31	2.61	—

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Performance (Net of Fees)	Mar'2019-Mar'2020	Mar'2020-Mar'2021	Mar'2021-Mar'2022	Mar'2022-Mar'2023	Mar'2023-Mar'2024
Institutional, Acc (%)	0.36	10.04	-6.77	-4.89	6.13
Institutional, Inc (%)	0.37	10.06	-6.74	-4.92	6.13
Benchmark (%)	3.70	7.98	-4.90	-5.07	5.59

The following information is additional to, and should be read only in conjunction with, the calendar year performance data presented below.

Calendar Year (Net of Fees)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
Institutional, Acc (%)	7.46	0.49	7.45	6.54	-0.85	12.54	5.93	-1.39	-15.52	9.30	0.39
Institutional, Inc (%)	7.46	0.55	7.37	6.58	-0.88	12.53	5.94	-1.35	-15.51	9.19	0.45
Benchmark (%)	7.49	-0.13	5.69	5.36	-0.47	11.85	7.78	-0.95	-14.22	8.68	0.05

Current MIFID legislation prevents us from reporting performance data for funds with less than a 12 month track record. The benchmark is the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index (USD Hedged)
All periods longer than one year are annualised. SI is the performance since inception.

The fund is considered to be actively managed in reference to the below benchmark as further outlined in the prospectus and key investor information document/key information document.
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index (USD Hedged) is an unmanaged Index that provides a broad- based measure of the global investment- grade fixed income markets. The three major components of this index are the U. S. Aggregate, the Pan- European Aggregate, and the Asian- Pacific Aggregate Indices. This index excludes Government and Securitized Securities. The index also includes Eurodollar and Euro- Yen corporate bonds, Canadian securities, and USD investment grade 144A securities. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index.

Key Facts

	Accumulation	Income
Bloomberg Ticker	PIMGIAD	PIMGIID
ISIN	IE0034085260	IE0033386453
Sedol	B00L5D0	3338645
CUSIP	G7096Y587	G7096Y512
Valoren	1928026	1872373
WKN	A0DN9E	A0DN9F
Inception Date	18/04/2008	23/07/2003
Distribution	-	Quarterly
Unified Management Fee	0.49% p.a.	0.49% p.a.
Fund Type	UCITS	
Portfolio Manager	Mark Kiesel, Mohit Mittal, Jelle Brons	
Total Net Assets	9.8 (USD in Billions)	
Fund Base Currency	USD	
Share Class Currency	USD	

Credit and Default Risk: A decline in the financial health of an issuer of a fixed income security can lead to an inability or unwillingness to repay a loan or meet a contractual obligation. This could cause the value of its bonds to fall or become worthless. Funds with high exposures to non-investment grade securities have a higher exposure to this risk. **Currency Risk**: Changes in exchange rates may cause the value of investments to decrease or increase. **Derivatives and Counterparty Risk**: The use of certain derivatives could result in the fund having a greater or more volatile exposure to the underlying assets and an increased exposure to counterparty risk. This may expose the fund to larger gains or losses associated with market movements or in relation to a trade counterparty being unable to meet its obligations. **Emerging Markets Risk**: Emerging markets, and especially frontier markets, generally carry greater political, legal, counterparty and operational risk. Investments in these markets may expose the fund to larger gains or losses. **Liquidity Risk**: Difficult market conditions could result in certain securities becoming hard to sell at a desired time and price. **Interest Rate Risk**: Changes in interest rates will usually result in the values of bond and other debt instruments moving in the opposite direction (e.g. a rise in interest rates likely leads to fall in bond prices). **Mortgage Related and Other Asset Backed Securities Risks**: Mortgage or asset backed securities are subject to similar risks as other fixed income securities, and may also be subject to prepayment risk and higher levels of credit and liquidity risk.

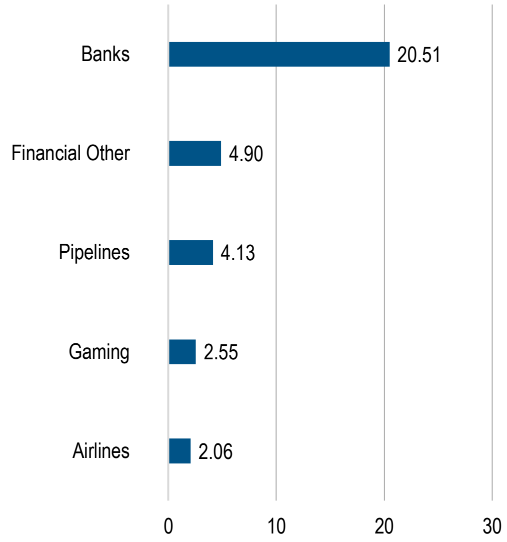
MONTH IN REVIEW

Global investment grade credit spreads tightened by 4bps in March to 92bps. Risk assets continued to rally over the month as lingering concerns over a macroeconomic slowdown receded further, reinforced by a set of resilient prints in growth indicators. That said, US inflation has continued to prove stickier than expected, with CPI data for February printing slightly above market expectations. Against this backdrop, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index outperformed like-duration government bonds by 0.4% in March, with a total return of 1.2% (USD hedged) over the month. On the primary market front, March saw $141bn of gross issuance in U.S. investment grade credit, rounding out a markedly busy first quarter, with issuance for the quarter up 27% versus the average over the last five years. From a sectorial performance standpoint, the communications and energy sectors outperformed during the month on an excess return basis, while capital goods and transportation-related issuers lagged.

Developed market central banks have remained relatively dovish in their forward guidance. The Fed again held rates steady but signaled a readiness to start cutting interest rates this summer should inflation continue to moderate. The ECB similarly kept rates unchanged while expressing increased confidence regarding moderating inflation going forward. Meanwhile in Japan, the BoJ signaled an end to its negative interest rate and yield curve control policies, marking the beginning of a return to a more normalized interest rate environment.

Ratings momentum remained positive, extending a multi-year upgrade cycle. Following record downgrades in 2020, the market experienced a remarkable upgrade cycle over the past three years, with $278bn of rising stars versus only $48bn of fallen angels in USD debt in the 2021 to 2023 period. Ratings momentum remained positive during the first quarter of the year, with the total volume of upgrades from HY to IG adding approximately $9bn of rising stars, versus $5bn of fallen angels.

Top 5 overweights (% Market Value)



Source: PIMCO

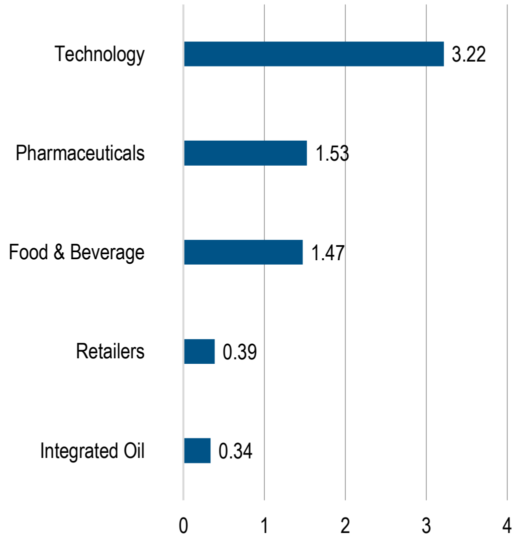
PORTFOLIO POSITIONING

We remain selective on generic corporate credit risk and focus on bottom-up credit selection, emphasizing resilient issuers with positive rating trajectories and attractive valuations.

We remain constructive on the gaming and airline sectors, as continued strength in leisure and business travel as well as strong consumer demand is feeding through to material earnings improvements and de-leveraging potential. In addition, we continue to prefer sectors with asset coverage and good earnings visibility, such as pipelines and wireless tower companies. Within financials, we favor the senior debt of large national champion banks, which are well positioned following more than a decade of restructuring, de-risking, and de-leveraging. We remain underweight to issuers with limited upside potential and heightened re-leveraging risk, including in sectors such as food & beverage and pharmaceuticals, and we similarly take a more cautious approach within sectors with asset-light business models or more shareholder-friendly balance sheet practices such as technology.

During the month, the Fund selectively added exposure to issuers in the banking and brokerage sectors, taking advantage of several attractively priced deals in the primary market, whilst also adding to issuers in the utilities and real estate sectors. Conversely, the Fund trimmed its exposure to select issuers in the media cable sector.

Top 5 underweights (% Market Value)



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OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

Resilient fundamentals

Investment grade credit fundamentals have remained resilient thus far as earnings as well as debt leverage metrics have remained relatively stable over recent quarters. Slowing consumer demand and margin pressures continue to represent headwinds for select industries and issuers, and tightening credit conditions remain a downside risk over the cyclical horizon. That said, given strong starting levels, credit fundamentals are generally expected to remain resilient even in a downturn.

Accordingly, the ratings momentum both in the crossover space and within the investment grade market remained meaningfully positive in 2023, marking the third year in a remarkable upgrade cycle. While the ratings momentum has remained positive in the first quarter of 2024, downgrades may increase going forward as growth slows.

Supportive technicals

Demand for global investment grade credit remains strong, especially driven by yield-focused buyers and institutional flows, as investors seek high-quality, income-producing assets while pension funds de-risk on the back of improved funding ratios. While gross issuance has had a strong start to the year, net supply is likely to decline this year due to higher maturities.

Additionally, the ECB is continuing to engage in balance sheet reduction, although the impact on the market has been limited to date.

Attractive all-in yields

All-in yields remain elevated compared to the last 15 years and yields around current levels have historically represented attractive entry points for long-term investors.

In this environment, non-cyclicals, select consumer-oriented sectors, defensive BBBs, new issues, and potential rising stars continue to offer attractive opportunities, while ongoing macro volatility and recession risk may lead to downside scenarios in lower quality credits.

Fund Statistics

Effective Duration (yrs)	5.37
Benchmark Duration (yrs)	6.04
Current Yield (%)⊕	4.35
Estimated Yield to Maturity (%)⊕	5.88
Annualised Distribution Yield (%)†	3.58
Average Coupon (%)	4.17
Effective Maturity (yrs)	7.82

⊕Yields reported gross of fees, the deduction of which will reduce the yield. Yields are reported in the base currency of the fund and are not specific to the share class. The current yield illustrates the income investors could get from the portfolio as a percentage of market value of the securities assuming a holding period of one year. The current yield does not take into account the future cash flows of bonds, but rather is a snapshot of the income in the portfolio as of a certain point in time.
†Annualised Distribution Yield is as of last quarter ending 03/31/2024.
⊕PIMCO calculates a Funds Estimated Yield to Maturity by averaging the yield to maturity of each security held in the Fund on a market weighted basis. PIMCO sources each securitys yield to maturity from PIMCOs Portfolio Analytics database. When not available in PIMCOs Portfolio Analytics database, PIMCO sources the securitys yield to maturity from Bloomberg. When not available in either database, PIMCO will assign a yield to maturity for that security from a PIMCO matrix based on prior data. The source data used in such circumstances is a static metric and PIMCO makes no representation as to the accuracy of the data for the purposes of calculating the Estimated Yield to Maturity. The Estimated Yield to Maturity is provided for illustrative purposes only and should not be relied upon as a primary basis for an investment decision and should not be interpreted as a guarantee or prediction of future performance of the Fund or the likely returns of any investment.

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PERFORMANCE AND FEES
Past performance is not a guarantee or a reliable indicator of future results. The "gross of fees" performance figures, if included, are presented before management fees and custodial fees, but do reflect commissions, other expenses and reinvestment of earnings. The "net of fees" performance figures reflect the deduction of ongoing charges. All periods longer than one year are annualized. Investments made by a Fund and the results achieved by a Fund are not expected to be the same as those made by any other PIMCO-advised Fund, including those with a similar name, investment objective or policies. A new or smaller Fund's performance may not represent how the Fund is expected to or may perform in the long-term. New Funds have limited operating histories for investors to evaluate and new and smaller Funds may not attract sufficient assets to achieve investment and trading efficiencies. A Fund may be forced to sell a comparatively large portion of its portfolio to meet significant shareholder redemptions for cash, or hold a comparatively large portion of its portfolio in cash due to significant share purchases for cash, in each case when the Fund otherwise would not seek to do so, which may adversely affect performance.

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