

**Marketing Communication** 

# GIS Global Real Return Fund

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**Quarterly Investment Report | 1Q24** 

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### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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# **Executive summary**

Past performance does not predict future results.

### Portfolio Performance

Over the quarter, the GIS Global Real Return Fund (institutional share class, after fees) posted positive absolute returns of 0.22% and outperformed its benchmark. Contributors include the Fund's positioning in Eurozone interest rates, exposure to Non-agency and U.S. agency MBS and overweight exposure to U.S. and Japanese breakeven inflation. Detractors include the Fund's U.S. interest rate strategies.

### **CONTRIBUTORS**

- Positioning in Eurozone interest rates
- Off-benchmark exposure to Non-agency and U.S. agency MBS
- Overweight exposure to U.S. and Japanese breakeven inflation

### **DETRACTORS**

U.S. interest rate strategies

Performance periods ended 31 Mar '24	3 mos.	6 mos.	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
Fund before fees	0.34	6.69	2.07	-1.22	1.90	3.38	4.60
Fund after fees	0.22	6.43	1.57	-1.70	1.41	2.88	4.08
Benchmark*	-0.45	5.59	0.30	-2.20	0.85	2.67	3.82

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The following information should be read in conjunction with the 12-month rolling past performance information provided later in this presentation

## Portfolio strategy

Interest rates: The Fund moved to an overall duration underweight sourced in the U.S. given stronger growth and inflation momentum in recent months. Preference for Global vs U.S. duration, expressed through a marginal overweight in U.K. and Australian duration because CB policies there have passed-through to the real economy faster given variable mortgage rates. This is also aimed to increase global diversification.

Reflation: We maintain an overweight to U.S. breakevens as long-term inflation expectations are still well anchored despite inflation staying above the Fed's target, and perhaps even accelerating a bit in the near term.

Relative value: Selective in curve positioning across rates and breakeven inflation. Within U.S. TIPS, we favor par 5s and par 10s relative to an underweight to par 30s.

Spread sectors: Maintain exposure to select high-conviction spread sectors, including U.S. agency and non-agency MBS.

Class:		INST
Share Type:		ımulation
Inception date:		0 Sep '03
Fund assets (in millions): Unified management fee:		\$2,276.82 0.490%
Offined management rec.		0.430 /0
Summary information	3	1 Mar '24
Effective duration (yrs)		8.94
Inflation-linked bond durat	ion (yrs)	9.40
Non Inflation-linked bond (yrs)	duration	-0.47
Benchmark duration - provide	der (yrs)	9.28
Benchmark duration - PIMC	O (yrs)	9.29
Effective maturity (yrs)		8.98
Average coupon		-0.13%
Yield Beta		1.00
Tracking error (10 yrs)		0.88
Information ratio (10 yrs)		0.25
Sector allocation	Dur. (yrs)	MV(%)
Euro Government-related	1.55	23.67
U.K. Government-related	3.67	23.13
U.S. Government-related	2.47	14.54
Other Government-related	0.64	10.32
Securitized	0.77	17.24
Invest. Grade Credit	0.09	1.35
High Yield Credit	0.00	0.00
Emerging Markets	0.00	0.03
Municipal/Other	0.00	0.00
Net Other Short Duration Instruments	-0.25	9.74
Total	8.94	100

<sup>\*</sup>The fund is actively managed in reference to the Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Hedged Index as further outlined in the prospectus and key investor information document/key information document

# **Fund specific risks**

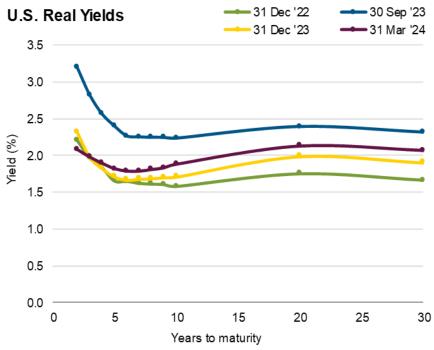
Risk	Risk Description
Credit and Default Risk	A decline in the financial health of an issuer of a fixed income security can lead to an inability or unwillingness to repay a loan or meet a contractual obligation. This could cause the value of its bonds to fall or become worthless. Funds with high exposures 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.
Fixed Income Risk	There is a risk that the institution which issued the securities will fail, which would result in a loss of income to the fund. Fixed income values are likely to fall if interest rates rise.
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.

## **ESG Investment Risk**

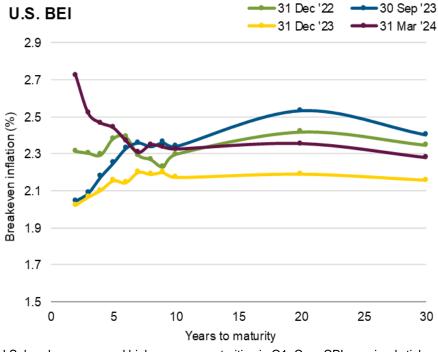
- At PIMCO, we define ESG Integration as the consistent consideration of material ESG factors into our investment research process to enhance our clients' risk-adjusted returns. Material ESG factors may include but are not limited to: climate change risks, social inequality, shifting consumer preferences, regulatory risks, talent management or misconduct at an issuer, among others.
- We recognize that ESG factors are increasingly essential inputs when evaluating global economies, markets, industries and business models.
   Material ESG factors are important considerations when evaluating long-term investment opportunities and risks for all asset classes in both public and private markets.
- Integrating ESG factors into the evaluation process does not mean that ESG information is the sole or primary consideration for an investment
  decision; instead, PIMCO's portfolio managers and analyst teams evaluate and weigh a variety of financial and non-financial factors, which can
  include ESG considerations, to make investment decisions. The relevance of ESG considerations to investment decisions varies across asset
  classes and strategies.
- The Fund's ESG investing strategy may select or exclude securities of certain issuers for reasons other than financial performance. Such strategy carries the risk that the Fund's performance will differ from similar funds that do not utilize an ESG investing strategy. For example, the application of this strategy could affect the Fund's exposure to certain sectors or types of investments, which could negatively impact the Fund's performance.
- There is no guarantee that the factors utilized by the Investment Advisor will reflect the opinions of any particular investor, and the factors utilized by the Investment Advisor may differ from the factors that any particular investor considers relevant in evaluating an issuer's ESG practices.
- Future ESG development and regulation may impact the Fund's implementation of its investment strategy. In addition, there may be cost implications arising from ESG related due diligence, increased reporting and use of third-party ESG data providers.

# **Quarter in Review**

Real yields sold-off across maturities outside of the front-end in Q1, while inflation expectations rose across the curve



U.S. real yields climbed higher across the curve in Q1, outside of the front-end of the curve which rallied. The Fed held rates steady in January and March while exuding a more dovish tone in a commitment to rate cuts commencing around midyear. TIPS delivered modestly negative returns, but outperformed comparable nominal Treasuries in Q1 '24.



U.S. breakevens moved higher across maturities in Q1. Core CPI remained sticky ~4% (y/y) supported by core services inflation and sticky shelter prices. The Fed categorized the recent uptick in inflation as noise and continued to maintain a high bar for further rate hikes despite resilient employment and growth data.

SOURCE: Bloomberg

# **Market Summary**

# Q1 '24: Global ILB returns were modestly negative as real rates sold-off outside of front-end maturities which rallied

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### U.S. real interest rates

U.S. real yields climbed higher outside of the front-end of the curve, which rallied in Q1. The Fed held interest rates unchanged in January and March, while continuing to signal a high bar for further rate hikes and downplaying the recent reacceleration inflation or resilience in the labor markets as "bumps." Expectations are for rate cuts to commence in mid-2024.

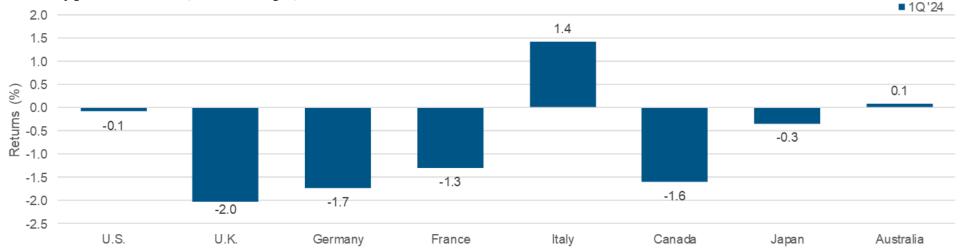
### U.S. breakeven inflation expectations

In January, U.S. inflation expectations broadly rose across the curve as the Fed indicated a rate cut in March was not likely. U.S. breakevens again moved higher in February as the Fed's tone turned more hawkish, emphasizing patience with cutting rates this year. In March, U.S. breakevens were roughly unchanged as the Fed dovishly reaffirmed their commitment to cutting rates by categorizing the recent inflation uptick as nosy and dismissing questions about the strength in the labor market.

### Global inflation-linked bonds (ILBs)

Global ILB markets delivered marginally negative returns as real yields rose across countries given the repricing of rate cut expectations for later in 2024. Eurozone breakevens increased slightly despite declining inflation. U.K. breakevens rose across the curve due to surprising U.K. GDP growth in January. Both the ECB and BoE expressed confidence that inflation would continue to moderate amid declining wage growth, which reaffirmed market expectations that rate cuts would occur as soon as June 2024.

### Returns of key global ILB markets (In USD, unhedged)



SOURCE: Bloomberg Inflation-Linked Bond Country Indices.

# **Investment implications:**

# Opportune time to consider going active in global fixed income

Look global

Greater-than-usual focus on bond markets outside of the U.S.

**Lock in elevated yields** 

Intermediate maturities can offer a "sweet spot" with markets expecting cash rates to fall

**Favor high quality** 

Up-in-quality bias in both public and private credit markets

Go active

Differentiated macro paths present compelling opportunities for active investors

## **Portfolio Outlook**

## Strategic outlook

Higher savings balances and a slower pass-through of monetary policy in the U.S. relative to other developed markets could, in our view, keep inflation above the Fed's 2% target over the cyclical horizon. We still expect the Fed to start normalizing policy at midyear, similar to other DM central banks; however, the Fed's subsequent rate-cutting path could be more gradual. Additionally, we believe that an economic soft landing is achievable, but both recessionary and inflationary risks remain elevated in the aftermath of unprecedented global shocks to supply and demand.

### **Key strategies**

#### Interest rates

The Fund moved to an overall duration underweight sourced in the U.S. given stronger growth and inflation momentum in recent months. Preference for Global vs U.S. duration, expressed through a marginal overweight in U.K. and Australian duration because CB policies there have passed-through to the real economy faster given variable mortgage rates. This is also aimed to increase global diversification. We maintain a 10s/30s curve steepener in the U.S. and Eurozone, one of our highest conviction views. We continue to be selective within curves and securities depending on prevailing valuations and market events.

#### Relative value

The strategy remains tactical in terms of curve and country positioning based on relative value and roll-down opportunities. We seek to exploit attractive security mispricings and market dislocations.

### Reflation

We remain overweight to U.S. breakevens as long-term inflation expectations are still well anchored despite inflation staying above the Fed's target, and perhaps even accelerating a bit in the near term. Maintain an underweight/short position in Eurozone breakevens given EUR HICP is still rich and less attractive than U.S. breakevens (relative value view). We still prefer to have a positive percentage market value exposure. We maintain modest overweight positions in select global ILBs, including Japanese linkers given they lagged global recovery initially and provide asymmetric payoff opportunities.

### **Spread sectors**

We remain cautious overall within generic corporate credit. We prefer U.S. agency and non-agency MBS given attractive valuations and yield pickup. Within currencies, we seek alpha opportunities via an FX relative value carry strategy in DM and liquid EM FX.

Note: EUR HICP is the harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP), used primarily within the European Union. It is a measure of prices paid by consumers for a market basket of goods and services. It is calculated using the same methodology across countries to allow for comparable measures of inflation. The yearly (or monthly) growth rates represent the inflation rate.

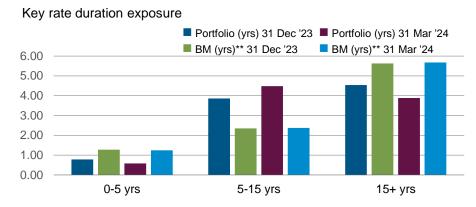
# **Sector Exposure**

	% of Mari	ket value	Duration	in years
	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24
nflation Linked Bonds	50.91	24.27	9.56	9.40
United States	54.35	52.14	3.93	3.95
United Kingdom	22.14	21.49	3.65	3.55
Europe	20.64	18.97	1.33	1.27
Canada	1.61	1.59	0.25	0.24
Other***	9.57	8.73	0.37	0.33
Other Short Duration Instruments	-57.40	-78.65	0.03	0.07
Non Inflation Linked Bonds	49.09	75.73	-0.38	-0.47
United States	1.36	-20.36	-0.07	-0.71
United Kingdom	-1.10	1.63	-0.13	0.12
Europe	-13.55	5.20	-0.06	0.29
Canada	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other***	0.62	0.87	0.16	0.15
EM Short Duration Instruments	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
Net Other Short Duration Instruments****	61.75	88.38	-0.28	-0.32
Fotal	100	100	9.18	8.94

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Investment vehicles not listed, allowed by prospectus.

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Net Other Short Duration Instruments includes securities and other instruments (except instruments tied to emerging markets by country of risk) with an effective duration less than one year and rated investment grade or higher or, if unrated, determined by PIMCO to be of comparable quality, commingled liquidity funds, uninvested cash, interest receivables, net unsettled trades, broker money and derivatives offset. With respect to certain categories of short duration securities, the Adviser reserves the discretion to require a minimum credit rating higher than investment grade for inclusion in this category.

# **Portfolio characteristics**



	Portfolio (yrs)	BM (yrs)**	Portfolio (yrs)	BM (yrs)**
	31 Dec '23	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24	31 Mar '24
0-5 yrs	0.78	1.27	0.58	1.24
5-15 yrs	3.86	2.35	4.48	2.37
15+ yrs	4.54	5.63	3.88	5.68
Total	9.18	9.25	8.94	9.29

### Interest rate exposure

	Portfolio (yrs)	BM (yrs)**	Portfolio (yrs)	BM (yrs)**
	31 Dec '23	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24	31 Mar '24
Effective duration	9.18	9.25	8.94	9.29
Bull market duration	9.06	9.31	8.71	9.34
Bear market duration	9.39	9.19	9.04	9.23
Spread duration				
Mortgage spread duration	0.96	0.00	1.14	0.00
Corporate spread duration	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
Emerging markets spread duration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Swap spread duration	0.14	0.00	-0.38	0.00
Covered bond spread duration	0.29	0.00	0.10	0.00
Sovereign related spread duration	0.16	0.00	0.35	0.00

## Derivative exposure (% of duration)

	31 Dec '23	31 Mar '24
Government futures	-18.63	-16.77
Interest rate swaps	4.45	-0.83
Credit default swaps*	0.62	0.63
Purchased swaps	0.00	0.00
Written swaps	0.62	0.63
Options	-2.33	-0.57
Purchased Options	0.00	0.00
Written Options	-2.33	-0.57
Mortgage Derivatives	0.00	0.00
Money Market Derivatives	-0.64	-2.90
Futures	-0.69	-0.03
Interest rate swaps	0.04	-2.86
Other Derivatives	0.00	0.00

<sup>\*</sup> Shown as a percentage of market value

<sup>\*\*</sup>Benchmark duration is calculated by PIMCO
Benchmark: Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Hedged Index

# **Country and currency exposure**

Country exposure by currency of settlement

31 Dec '23 31 Mar '24 Duration (yrs) FX (%) Duration (yrs) FX (%) **United States** 3.72 100.94 3.33 100.58 Japan 0.13 0.26 0.11 0.22 Eurozone 1.16 -0.14 1.25 -0.03 Belgium 0.02 0.00 0.02 0.00 Euro Currency 0.00 -0.14 0.00 -0.03 European Union 0.32 0.00 -0.21 0.00 0.75 0.00 0.72 0.00 France Germany -0.64 0.00 -0.04 0.00 0.56 0.00 0.61 0.00 Italy Spain 0.15 0.00 0.14 0.00 **United Kingdom** 3.52 -0.18 3.65 0.09 **Europe non-EMU** 0.29 0.04 0.11 0.02 Denmark 0.25 0.01 0.08 -0.00 Sweden 0.04 0.01 0.03 0.02 **Dollar Block** 0.36 -0.80 0.49 -0.78 Australia 0.07 0.07 0.22 0.10 Canada 0.25 -0.920.24 -0.96New Zealand 0.03 0.05 0.03 0.08 Other Industrialized -0.00 -0.97 -0.00 -1.02 Countries 0.00 0.02 Chile 0.00 0.02 South Korea -0.00 -0.40 -0.00 -0.48 Taiwan -0.00 -0.59 -0.00 -0.57 EM - Asia -0.00 -0.15 0.00 -0.24 -0.00 -0.77 -0.00 -0.78 China 0.00 0.37 0.00 0.39 India Indonesia 0.00 0.25 0.00 0.16 EM - Latin America 0.00 0.64 0.00 0.77 Brazil 0.00 0.30 0.00 0.26 Mexico 0.00 0.34 0.00 0.51 Peru 0.00 -0.01 0.00 -0.01 **EM - CEEMEA** 0.00 0.35 0.00 0.39 South Africa 0.00 0.35 0.00 0.39

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Emerging markets exposure by country of risk

0.00

0.01

South Africa

Total

	31	Dec '23		31 Mar '24				
	% of MV short duration Instruments	% of MV bonds	Duration (yrs)	% of MV short duration Instruments	% of MV bonds	Duration (yrs)		
Brazil	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00		
China	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00		
Hungary	0.00	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Mexico	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Peru	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00		

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Total

## Performance (Institutional class, Accumulation Shares)

### Past performance does not predict future results

Performance	31 Mar '19 31 Mar '20	31 Mar '20 31 Mar '21	31 Mar '21 31 Mar '22	31 Mar '22 31 Mar '23	31 Mar '23 31 Mar '24
Before fees (%)	4.43	9.17	5.20	-10.24	2.07
After fees (%)	3.92	8.64	4.69	-10.68	1.57
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Hedged Index (%)*	4.81	6.40	5.02	-11.18	0.30
Before fees alpha (bps)	-38	277	18	95	177
After fees alpha (bps)	-89	224	-33	51	127

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

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Calendar Year (Net of Fees)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
After fees (%)	9.11	-1.88	10.93	3.91	-0.78	8.72	11.19	4.97	-16.19	4.86	0.22
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Hedged Index (%)*	9.04	-1.12	10.22	3.31	0.10	8.38	9.81	5.50	-17.00	4.52	-0.45

SOURCE: PIMCO.

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\*The benchmark is shown for performance comparison purpose only. Benchmark: Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Hedged Index Index.

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	31 Mar '19	31 Mar '20	31 Mar '21	31 Mar '22	31 Mar '23	
Performance (Net of Fees)	31 Mar '20	31 Mar '21	31 Mar '22	31 Mar '23	31 Mar '24	SI
Global Real Return Fund Administrative Accumulation	3.40	8.15	4.13	-11.12	1.08	3.30
Global Real Return Fund E Class Accumulation	3.04	7.70	3.70	-11.48	0.68	2.94
Global Real Return Fund E Class Income	3.07	7.66	3.71	-11.45	0.68	2.85
Global Real Return Fund H Institutional Accumulation	3.78	8.45	4.52	-10.83	1.39	3.88
Global Real Return Fund Institutional Accumulation	3.92	8.64	4.69	-10.68	1.57	4.08
Global Real Return Fund Institutional Income	3.91	8.67	4.71	-10.71	1.62	3.73
Global Real Return Fund Investor Accumulation	3.59	8.24	4.32	-10.97	1.20	3.55
Global Real Return Fund Investor Income	3.59	8.26	4.33	-11.02	1.21	3.96
Global Real Return Fund R Class Accumulation	3.58	8.39	4.40	-10.97	1.39	1.93
Global Real Return Fund Institutional USD (Currency Exposure) Accumulation	0.49	13.81	1.72	-14.04	0.79	0.36
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Hedged Index	4.81	6.40	5.02	-11.18	0.30	-
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Unhedged Index	1.61	11.45	2.02	-14.68	-0.54	-
Global Real Return Fund Institutional CHF (Hedged) Accumulation	0.21	7.25	3.51	-13.71	-2.75	1.72
Global Real Return Fund Institutional CHF (Hedged) Income	0.21	7.28	3.54	-13.77	-2.67	0.05
Global Real Return Fund Investor CHF (Hedged) Income	-0.17	6.92	3.14	-14.04	-3.08	2.10
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond CHF Hedged Index	1.55	4.99	3.71	-14.38	-4.10	-
Global Real Return Fund E Class EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	-0.30	6.70	2.89	-13.94	-1.26	1.85
Global Real Return Fund Institutional EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	0.63	7.62	3.88	-13.17	-0.38	3.05
Global Real Return Fund Institutional EUR (Hedged) Income	0.61	7.65	3.84	-13.14	-0.40	2.61
Global Real Return Fund Investor EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	0.28	7.28	3.45	-13.43	-0.75	2.58
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond Euro Hedged Index	2.10	5.32	4.09	-13.65	-1.77	-
Global Real Return Fund Institutional GBP (Hedged) Accumulation	1.75	8.36	4.54	-12.08	0.99	4.02
Global Real Return Fund Institutional GBP (Hedged) Income	1.80	8.33	4.57	-12.14	1.07	3.59
Global Real Return Fund R Class GBP (Hedged) Accumulation	1.49	8.03	4.32	-12.41	0.79	1.26
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond GBP Hedged Index	3.41	6.00	4.83	-12.63	-0.37	-

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	31 Mar '19	31 Mar '20	31 Mar '21	31 Mar '22	31 Mar '23	
Performance (Net of Fees)	31 Mar '20	31 Mar '21	31 Mar '22	31 Mar '23	31 Mar '24	SI
Global Real Return Fund Institutional SGD (Hedged) Accumulation	3.13	8.49	4.85	-11.17	-0.12	3.08
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond SGD Hedged Index	4.48	6.22	5.22	-11.84	-1.47	-

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Global Real Return Fund (net of fees performance)

	Unified		Class							
	Management	NAV	Inception							
Performance periods ended: 31 Mar '24	Fee	currency	date	3 mos.	6 mos.	1 yr.	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	SI
Global Real Return Fund Administrative Accumulation	0.990	USD	17 Dec '04	0.10	6.18	1.08	-2.20	0.91	2.37	3.30
Global Real Return Fund E Class Accumulation	1.390	USD	31 Mar '06	-	5.94	0.68	-2.60	0.51	1.96	2.94
Global Real Return Fund E Class Income	1.390	USD	28 Oct '05	-0.01	5.98	0.68	-2.58	0.52	1.97	2.85
Global Real Return Fund H Institutional Accumulation	0.660	USD	21 May '04	0.14	6.35	1.39	-1.87	1.24	2.71	3.88
Global Real Return Fund Institutional Accumulation	0.490	USD	30 Sep '03	0.22	6.43	1.57	-1.70	1.41	2.88	4.08
Global Real Return Fund Institutional Income	0.490	USD	30 Dec '05	0.23	6.42	1.62	-1.69	1.42	2.89	3.73
Global Real Return Fund Investor Accumulation	0.840	USD	04 Mar '04	0.09	6.24	1.20	-2.05	1.06	2.53	3.55
Global Real Return Fund Investor Income	0.840	USD	24 Feb '09	0.12	6.20	1.21	-2.06	1.05	2.52	3.96
Global Real Return Fund R Class Accumulation	0.760	USD	30 Nov '12	0.16	6.34	1.39	-1.96	1.13	2.61	1.93
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Hedged Index	-	-	-	-0.45	5.59	0.30	-2.20	0.85	2.67	3.82
Global Real Return Fund Institutional USD (Currency Exposure) Accumulation	0.490	USD	01 Sep '17	-0.87	7.23	0.79	-4.13	0.16	-	0.36
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond USD Unhedged Index	-	-	-	-1.56	6.37	-0.54	-4.69	-0.40	0.64	-0.02
Global Real Return Fund Institutional CHF (Hedged) Accumulation	0.490	CHF	16 May '08	-0.83	4.05	-2.75	-4.58	-1.36	0.39	1.72
Global Real Return Fund Institutional CHF (Hedged) Income	0.490	CHF	30 Oct '15	-0.71	4.13	-2.67	-4.57	-1.35	-	0.05
Global Real Return Fund Investor CHF (Hedged) Income	0.840	CHF	24 Feb '09	-0.88	3.85	-3.08	-4.93	-1.71	0.04	2.10
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond CHF Hedged Index	=	-	-	-1.45	3.24	-4.10	-5.22	-1.91	0.19	1.35
Global Real Return Fund E Class EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	1.390	EUR	31 Mar '06	-0.38	5.01	-1.26	-4.38	-1.44	0.21	1.85
Global Real Return Fund Institutional EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	0.490	EUR	30 Sep '03	-0.16	5.47	-0.38	-3.50	-0.54	1.12	3.05
Global Real Return Fund Institutional EUR (Hedged) Income	0.490	EUR	30 Dec '05	-0.15	5.43	-0.40	-3.51	-0.55	1.12	2.61
Global Real Return Fund Investor EUR (Hedged) Accumulation	0.840	EUR	07 Apr '04	-0.29	5.24	-0.75	-3.85	-0.89	0.77	2.58
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond Euro Hedged Index	-	-	-	-0.85	4.61	-1.77	-4.07	-1.04	0.98	2.75
Global Real Return Fund Institutional GBP (Hedged) Accumulation	0.490	GBP	05 Feb '04	0.16	6.14	0.99	-2.46	0.46	2.10	4.02
Global Real Return Fund Institutional GBP (Hedged) Income	0.490	GBP	27 Apr '05	0.17	6.13	1.07	-2.44	0.48	2.10	3.59
Global Real Return Fund R Class GBP (Hedged) Accumulation	0.760	GBP	30 Nov '12	0.09	5.98	0.79	-2.71	0.19	1.83	1.26
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond GBP Hedged Index	-	-	-	-0.51	5.29	-0.37	-3.01	0.01	2.00	3.78
Global Real Return Fund Institutional SGD (Hedged) Accumulation	0.490	SGD	29 Feb '08	-0.24	5.44	-0.12	-2.38	0.80	2.54	3.08
Bloomberg World Government Inflation-Linked Bond SGD Hedged Index	-	-	-	-0.89	4.57	-1.47	-2.96	0.28	2.39	2.87

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Acronyms and definitions of investment terms used throughout the report:

**Alpha** is a measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis calculated by comparing the volatility (price risk) of a portfolio vs. its risk-adjusted performance to a benchmark index; the excess return relative to the benchmark is alpha.

**Average coupon** is the average of the coupon payments of the underlying bonds within the portfolio.

Average effective maturity is a weighted average of all the maturities of the bonds in a portfolio, computed by weighting each bond's effective maturity by the market value of the security.

"Bend-but-not-break" refers to credits that PIMCO would not expect to default in a credit-stressed environment.

Beta is a measure of price sensitivity to market movements. Market beta is 1.

Breakeven inflation rate (or expectation) is a market-based measure of expected inflation or the difference between the yield of a nominal and an inflation-linked bond of the same maturity.

**Carry** is the rate of interest earned by holding the respective securities.

The terms "cheap" and "rich" as used herein generally refer to a security or asset class that is deemed to be substantially under- or overpriced compared to both its historical average as well as to the investment manager's future expectations. There is no guarantee of future results or that a security's valuation will ensure a profit or protect against a loss.

**CPI** is the Consumer Price Index.

The **credit quality** of a particular security or group of securities does not ensure the stability or safety of an overall portfolio. The quality ratings of individual issues/issuers are provided to indicate the credit-worthiness of such issues/issuer and generally range from AAA, Aaa, or AAA (highest) to D, C, or D (lowest) for S&P, Moody's, and Fitch respectively.

**Dividend yield** is represented by the weighted average coupon divided by the weighted average price.

**Duration** is the measure of a bond's price sensitivity to interest rates and is expressed in years.

Effective duration is the duration for a bond with an embedded option when the value is calculated to include the expected change in cash flow caused by the option as interest rates change.

**Forward curve** is a function graph that defines the prices at which a contract for future delivery or payment can be concluded today.

Fallen angel is a bond that was initially given an investment grade rating but has since been reduced to below investment grade status.

GFC is the Global Financial Crisis.

Information ratio is a ratio of portfolio returns above the returns of a benchmark to the volatility of those returns.

Like-duration Securities are calculated by the index provider by comparing the index return to a hypothetical matched position in the security.

LNG is Liquefied Natural Gas.

The **Option Adjusted Spread (OAS)** measures the spread over a variety of possible interest rate paths. A security's OAS is the average return an investor will earn over Treasury returns, taking all possible future interest rate scenarios into account. The OAS is the net spread over the swap curve that will on average be earned if the security is held to maturity.

Rising star is the term given to a bond that was rated high yield but has since been upgraded to investment grade.

"Risk assets" are any financial security or instrument that are likely to fluctuate in price.

Risk premia is the return in excess of the risk-free rate of return an investment is expected to yield.

**Roll yield** is the yield that a futures investor captures as their long position in a futures contract converges to the spot price.

"Safe haven" is an investment that is expected to retain or increase in value during times of market turbulence.

"Safe Spread" is defined as sectors that we believe are most likely to withstand the vicissitudes of a wide range of possible economic scenarios. All investments contain risk and may lose value.

The **SEC yield** is an annualized yield based on the most recent 30 day period. The subsidized yield includes contractual expense reimbursements and it would be lower without those reimbursements. The **Unsubsidized 30 day SEC Yield** excludes contractual expense reimbursements.

Tracking error measures the dispersion or volatility of excess returns relative to a benchmark.

To relate the price sensitivity of ILBs to changes in nominal yields, yield beta is applied to nominal changes to arrive at a price sensitivity of ILBs to changes in nominal rates. A **yield beta** of 0.90 implies that if nominal yields move 100 basis points, real yields will move 90 basis points. ILBs with long maturity may respond differently to changes in nominal rates than shorter maturity ILBs.

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