

US High Yield

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Objective

Seeks to maximize total return through research driven security selection while managing downside risk through careful portfolio construction

Highlights

- High conviction, active credit manager
- Benchmark-aware, US high yield strategy
- Repeatable, deep value equity-like approach to fundamental research and issue selection
- Risk awareness tools overlay fundamental investment process
- May invest up to 5% in non-US dollar denominated securities, which are hedged back to USD
- Maximum of 3% per non-government issuer (GSEs excluded)
- Maximum of 25% per industr

| Facts | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Strategy inception | 7/1/09 |
| Composite inception | 10/1/09 |
| Strategy assets | \$2,208.6M |
| Composite assets | \$802.7M |
| | |

| Portfolio Characteristics Average maturity | Composite 4.58 yrs | Index 4.03 yrs |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Average duration | 3.08 yrs | 3.03 yrs |
| Average yield | 7.11% | 7.65% |
| Average credit quality | BA3 | B1 |
| Average number of issues | 342 | - |
| Weighted average coupon | 6.01% | 6.41% |
| OAS | 295 bps | 344 bps |

Benchmark

Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield - 2% Issuer Capped Index

Associate Portfolio Managers do not have discretion over the strategy.

Average Yield is Yield to Effective Maturity. Duration and Maturity for equity securities are deemed to be zero.

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Composite Performance (%) as of March 31, 2025

| CUMULATIVE RETURN | | | | ANNUA | LIZED TOTAL | RETURN | |
|-------------------|------|------|--------|--------|-------------|---------|--------------------|
| | 3 MO | YTD | 1 YEAR | 3 YEAR | 5 YEAR | 10 YEAR | SINCE INCEPTION |
| GROSS | 1.20 | 1.20 | 9.41 | 4.78 | 7.19 | 5.00 | 6.88 |
| NET | 1.08 | 1.08 | 8.93 | 4.32 | 6.72 | 4.53 | 6.38 |
| BENCHMARK | 1.00 | 1.00 | 7.69 | 4.98 | 7.28 | 5.01 | 6.69 |

Calendar Year Performance (%)

| | 2024 | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
|-----------|------|-------|--------|------|------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| GROSS | 9.48 | 12.12 | -11.38 | 4.22 | 8.51 | 12.60 | -2.93 | 8.03 | 16.29 | -1.77 |
| NET | 9.00 | 11.62 | -11.76 | 3.76 | 8.03 | 12.09 | -3.37 | 7.56 | 15.72 | -2.26 |
| BENCHMARK | 8.19 | 13.44 | -11.18 | 5.26 | 7.05 | 14.32 | -2.08 | 7.50 | 17.13 | -4.43 |

Performance data shown represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than quoted. Returns are shown in US dollars and are annualized for one and multi-year periods. Gross returns are net of trading costs. Net returns are gross returns less effective management fees.

There is no guarantee that the investment objective will be realized or that the strategy will generate positive or excess return.

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Indices are unmanaged and do not incur fees. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.



| SECTOR DISTRIBUTION (%) | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------|--|--|
| | Composite | Index | | |
| High Yield Credit | 80.0 | 98.7 | | |
| Bank Loans | 6.0 | - | | |
| Convertibles | 4.6 | - | | |
| Emerging Market Credit | 2.6 | 0.9 | | |
| Investment Grade Credit | 2.5 | 0.4 | | |
| Equity | 0.6 | - | | |
| Cash & Equivalents | 3.8 | _ | | |

| CURRENCY DISTRIBUTION (%) | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------|--|
| | Composite | Index | |
| US Dollar | 100 | 100 | |

| COUNTRY DISTRIBUTION (%) | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Composite | Index | | | |
| United States | 85.7 | 86.4 | | | |
| Canada | 4.5 | 4.1 | | | |
| United Kingdom | 2.8 | 2.2 | | | |
| Israel | 1.3 | - | | | |
| Germany | 1.0 | 0.6 | | | |
| Italy | 0.8 | 0.8 | | | |
| Australia | 0.8 | 0.6 | | | |
| Ireland | 0.7 | 0.3 | | | |
| Japan | 0.7 | 0.8 | | | |
| Other | 1.6 | 4.1 | | | |

| CREDIT QUALITY (%) | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|--|--|
| | Composite | Index | | |
| US Treasurys | - | - | | |
| AAA | - | - | | |
| AA | - | - | | |
| A | 0.1 | - | | |
| BAA | 3.1 | 0.4 | | |
| BA | 53.5 | 51.5 | | |
| В | 27.2 | 35.2 | | |
| CAA & Lower | 8.8 | 12.9 | | |
| Not Rated | 2.9 | | | |
| Cash & Equivalents | 3.8 | _ | | |

| KEY RATE DURATION (%) | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------|--|--|
| | Composite | Index | | |
| 6 months | 0.1 | 0.1 | | |
| 2 years | 0.8 | 0.9 | | |
| 5 years | 1.8 | 1.6 | | |
| 10 years | 0.3 | 0.3 | | |
| 20 years | 0.1 | 0.1 | | |
| 30 years | - | - | | |

| MATURITY DISTRIBUTION (%) | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------|--|--|
| | Composite | Index | | |
| Less than 1 Yr. | 1.8 | 4.3 | | |
| 1 to 3 Yrs. | 16.3 | 27.5 | | |
| 3 to 5 Yrs. | 46.5 | 46.2 | | |
| 5 to 7 Yrs. | 22.1 | 14.0 | | |
| 7 to 10 Yrs. | 7.2 | 6.5 | | |
| 10 Yrs. or more | 2.4 | 1.4 | | |
| Cash & Equivalents | 3.8 | - | | |

KEY RISKS

Credit Risk, Issuer Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Liquidity Risk, Prepayment Risk and Extension Risk. Investing involves risk including possible loss of principal.

Commodity, interest and derivative trading involves substantial risk of loss. Diversification does not ensure a profit or guarantee against a loss. Any investment that has the possibility of profits also has the possibility of losses, including the loss of principal.

Due to rounding, Sector, Currency, Country, Credit Quality, Duration and Maturity distribution totals may not equal 100%. This portfolio is actively managed and characteristics are subject to change. Credit Quality reflects the middle credit rating assigned to individual holdings of the composite by Moody's, S&P or Fitch; ratings are subject to change. Cash & Equivalents may include unsettled trades, fees and/or derivatives. ABS/RMBS: Asset-Backed Securities/Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities Agency MBS: Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities. CMBS: Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities. Emerging Markets Debt in the sector distribution is defined as US dollar denominated, non-investment grade bonds, which are from a country on the firm approved Emerging Markets list based on Bloomberg Emerging Markets Ex-Aggregate Index.

The Composite includes all discretionary accounts with market values at least \$5 million managed by Loomis Sayles with investment guidelines that allow for a diversified, actively managed exposure to the US High Yield credit market, which emphasizes a disciplined portfolio construction and risk assessment process in fixed income and related investments of any maturity and credit quality, including lower-rated fixed income investments, derivatives and bonds with equity like features. As of 1/1/2021 the Composite was redefined to include commingled vehicles, previously only separate accounts were included. The Composite inception date is October 1, 2009. The Composite was created in September 2010. For additional information on this and other Loomis Sayles strategies, please visit our web site at www.loomissayles.com.