

# Inflation Protected Securities Fund

## Fund Facts

### OBJECTIVE

Seeks high total investment return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation

Share Class	I
Inception	5/20/1991
Ticker	LSGSX
CUSIP	543495766
Benchmark	Bloomberg US Treasury Inflation Protected Securities Index

*Bloomberg US Treasury Inflation Protected Securities Index covers the most liquid portion of the global investment grade fixed-rate bond market, including government, credit and collateralized securities. The liquidity constraint for all securities in the index is \$300 million. Indexes are unmanaged and do not incur fees. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.*

## Market Conditions

- The bond market delivered a solid total return with low volatility in the fourth quarter, closing out a generally positive year for the asset class. Fixed-income assets remained supported by a backdrop of slow but positive economic growth, an annualized inflation rate that largely held below 3%, and accommodative US Federal Reserve (Fed) policy. The Fed enacted two-quarter point interest rate cuts and announced the end of its multi-year effort to reduce the size of its balance sheet. Additionally, investors appeared to anticipate that the Fed was likely to continue easing in 2026. These developments, in combination, fueled positive returns across all major segments of the market.
- US Treasuries registered positive returns in the quarter, adding to their gain for the full calendar year. Government debt benefited from the environment of low inflation, accommodative US Federal Reserve policy, and expectations for further interest rate cuts in 2026. Yields on Treasury issues with maturities of five years and below declined, while longer-term yields rose. The yield curve steepened over the course of the quarter as a result. Two-year Treasuries were the quarter's top performing market segment in terms of total return, while 30-year bonds posted a small loss.
- Investment-grade corporates produced positive returns but finished slightly behind US Treasuries in the fourth quarter. Although income and falling Treasury yields supported performance, a modest increase in yield spreads offset much of the benefit. With spreads already near multi-year lows coming into the quarter, there was little room for further compression. Lower-quality corporates generally outpaced their higher-quality counterparts. Corporates outperformed Treasuries for the full year, reflecting the environment of solid economic growth, robust corporate earnings and healthy investor risk appetites.

### Class I Performance as of December 31, 2025 (%)

	CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN		ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURN			
	3 MONTH	YTD	1 YEAR	3 YEAR	5 YEAR	10 YEAR
FUND	0.34	7.41	7.41	4.53	1.16	3.54
BENCHMARK	0.13	7.01	7.01	4.23	1.12	3.09

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Gross expense ratio 0.64% (Class I). Net expense ratio 0.40%. As of the most recent prospectus, the investment advisor has contractually agreed to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses (with certain exceptions) once the expense limitation of the fund has been exceeded. This arrangement is set to expire on 1/31/2026. When an expense limitation has not been exceeded, the fund may have similar expense ratios and/or yields.

The Class I inception date is 5/20/1991. Class I shares are only available to certain institutional investors only; minimum initial investment of \$100,000.

The fund revised its investment strategies on 12/15/2004; performance may have been different had the current investment strategies been in place for all periods shown.



## Portfolio Review

- The fund outperformed its benchmark, the Bloomberg U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities Index, primarily due to security selection with duration effect also contributing on the margin.

## Contributors

- Our out of benchmark exposure to USD investment grade – Financials and Industrials contributed to positive returns.
- Our out of benchmark exposure to USD below investment grade – Financials contributed to positive returns.

## Detractors

- Sector allocation was flat over the period.
- Our slight US Treasuries underweight detracted from overall portfolio performance.

## Outlook

- We expect 2026 to look largely similar to 2025, with steady rates, strong U.S. growth, and moderating inflation.
- There is a wide range of expectations (0bps to 100 bps) for further rate cuts from the Fed in 2026.
- Markets may challenge a dovish Fed through higher yields or weaker equities if monetary policy is perceived as too loose.
- We expect the yield curve to steepen given uncertainty around inflation, fiscal policy, and the labor market.



## About Risk

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