Baird Intermediate Bond Fund

Institutional - BIMIX | Investor - BIMSX



As of December 31, 2023

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INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The investment objective of the Fund is to seek an annual rate of total return, before fund expenses, greater than the annual rate of total return of the Bloomberg Intermediate U.S. Government/Credit Bond Index.

INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

Risk control is the foundation of the Baird Advisors investment discipline. Since interest rates are extremely difficult to consistently forecast over time, Baird Advisors employs a duration-neutral, risk-controlled approach. The duration of the Fund is set equal to the duration of the Bloomberg Intermediate U.S. Government/Credit Bond Index, thus helping to ensure a high degree of predictability in tracking benchmark returns.

Incremental value is added through security selection, yield curve positioning, sector allocation and competitive execution of trades.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets in the following types of U.S. dollar-denominated debt obligations:

- U.S. government and other public-sector entities
- Asset-backed and mortgage-backed obligations of U.S. and foreign issuers
- Corporate debt of U.S. and foreign issuers

The Fund only invests in debt obligations rated investment grade at the time of purchase by at least one major rating agency or, if unrated, determined by Baird Advisors to be investment grade.

Baird Advisors attempts to keep the duration of the Fund's portfolio equal to the duration of the Fund's benchmark. The dollar-weighted average portfolio effective maturity of the Fund will normally be more than three years but less than six years during normal market conditions. The Fund may invest in debt obligations of all maturities. Baird Advisors attempts to diversify the Fund's portfolio by holding obligations of many different issuers and choosing issuers in a variety of sectors.

MORNINGSTAR CATEGORY	BENCHMARK
Intermediate Core Bond 425 funds in category	Bloomberg Intermediate U.S. Government/Credit Index
OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATING	

(Institutional class)¹

Based on risk-adjusted returns as of 12/31/2023

FUND STATISTICS

Fund Assets	\$8,307,873,844
Average Effective Duration	3.78 Years
Average Effective Maturity	4.32 Years
Annual Turnover Rate	48.43%
Number of Holdings	692

YIELD INFORMATION	Institutional Shares	Investor Shares
SEC 30-Day Yield ²	4.35%	4.09%
Distribution Frequency	Monthly	Monthly

FUND INFORMATION	Institutional Shares	Investor Shares
Ticker	BIMIX	BIMSX
CUSIP	057071805	057071706
Net Asset Value (NAV)	\$10.32	\$10.86
Load Type	No-Load	No-Load
12b-1 Fees	_	0.25%
Minimum Initial Investment	\$10,000	\$2,500 (IRA: \$1,000)
Expense Ratio	0.30%	0.55%

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION (as of December 31, 2023)

	Total Re	turns (%)	Average Annual Total Returns (%)					
	YTD	3 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception (9/29/00)	
Institutional	5.78	4.64	5.78	-1.60	1.84	1.98	4.03	
Investor	5.53	4.63	5.53	-1.85	1.59	1.74	3.77	
Benchmark	5.24	4.56	5.24	-1.63	1.59	1.72	3.63	

	Calendar Year Total Returns (%)									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Institutional	5.78	-8.64	-1.41	7.42	7.05	0.58	2.74	2.83	0.99	3.50
Investor	5.53	-8.88	-1.68	7.16	6.83	0.30	2.53	2.55	0.79	3.29
Benchmark	5.24	-8.23	-1.44	6.43	6.80	0.88	2.14	2.08	1.07	3.13

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment in the fund will fluctuate so that an investor's shares when redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. The fund's current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For performance current to the most recent month-end, please visit bairdfunds.com.

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FUND MANAGEMENT TEAM

The Fund is managed by a very deep and seasoned portfolio management team with uncommon longevity. Baird Advisors uses a holistic approach to portfolio management that integrates the sector focus and expertise of various team members.

All team members are involved in the bottom-up portfolio construction and optimization process across the duration spectrum with cross sector relative value analysis and security selection occurring collaboratively across the team.

Named Portfolio Managers:

- Mary Ellen Stanek, CFA
- · Warren D. Pierson, CFA
- · Charles B. Groeschell
- · Jay E. Schwister, CFA
- · M. Sharon deGuzman
- Jeffrey L. Schrom, CFA
- · Meghan H. Dean, CFA
- · Patrick W. Brown, CFA
- Andrew J. O'Connell, CFAAbhishek Pulakanti, CFA

QUALITY PROFILE ^{3,4}	Fund	Index
U.S. Treasury	46.7%	62.2%
U.S. Agency	0.5%	1.6%
AAA	11.6%	3.3%
AA	4.5%	2.8%
A	14.1%	14.6%
BBB	22.4%	15.4%
Below BBB	0.1%	0.0%
Not Rated	0.0%	0.0%

SECTOR PROFILE⁴	Fund	Index
U.S. Government (Non-MBS)	46.7%	63.8%
U.S. Treasury	46.7%	62.2%
U.S. Agency (Non-MBS)	0.0%	1.6%
Credit	41.2%	36.2%
Industrials	18.4%	16.0%
Utilities	1.6%	2.1%
Financials	19.8%	12.8%
Non-Corporate Credit	1.4%	5.3%
Securitized	11.8%	0.0%
U.S. Agency RMBS	0.0%	0.0%
U.S. Agency CMBS	0.5%	0.0%
Non-Agency RMBS	3.5%	0.0%
Non-Agency CMBS	4.4%	0.0%
ABS	3.4%	0.0%
Cash	0.2%	0.0%

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Investment results assume all distributions are reinvested and reflect applicable fees and expenses.

The Fund may invest in mortgage- and asset-backed securities which may be subject to prepayment risk and thus may be more sensitive to interest rate changes than other types of debt securities. The Fund may also invest in U.S. dollar denominated securities issued by foreign issuers which involve additional risks including political and economic instability, differences in financial reporting standards and less regulated securities markets. While the U.S. government has historically provided financial support to various U.S. government-sponsored agencies, no assurance can be given that it will do so in the future if it is not obligated by law. All investments carry risk, including loss of principal. In a rising interest rate environment, the value of fixed-income securities generally decline and conversely, in a falling interest rate environment, the value of fixed income securities generally increase. Indices are unmanaged and direct investment is not possible.

²The SEC 30-Day Yield reflects the rate at which the fund is earning income on its current portfolio of holdings after expenses.

³The quality profile is calculated on a market value-weighted basis. Per the Baird Funds prospectus, each security in the Fund is assigned the highest credit quality rating provided by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization (e.g. S&P, Moody's, Fitch). Per the Bloomberg Index controlling rating methodology, each security in the index is assigned a rating using S&P, Moody's, and Fitch (middle of three ratings, lower of two ratings, or singular rating if rated by one rating agency). Ratings are measured on a scale that generally ranges from AAA (highest) to D (lowest).

⁴Totals sum based on unrounded data. Breakouts are shown rounded to the nearest tenth and may not visually sum.

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