



High Yield Income Fund

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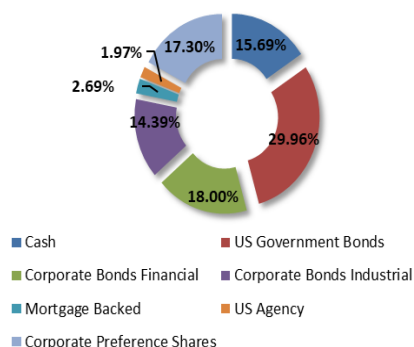
Dec. Net Asset Value:	\$12.84
Assets:	\$14.09M
Inception:	Nov-13

Performance:

	Fund	Benchmark*
1 Month	0.07%	0.10%
3 Month	0.28%	0.07%
1 Yr	3.96%	6.15%
5 Yr Ann Ave	3.49%	3.35%
Since Inception	3.61%	2.91%

* Bloomberg Barclays Intermediate A+ U.S. Government/Credit Total Return Bond Index

Allocation:



Top Holdings:

U.S. CORPORATE BONDS	32.4%
U.S. TREASURIES	29.6%
CORPORATE PREFERENCE SHARES	17.3%
CASH	15.7%
MORTGAGE BACKED SECURITIES	2.7%

The High Yield Income Fund is a sub fund of the Royal Fidelity (Bahamas) International umbrella investment fund and invests substantially all of its assets into the USD Targeted Income Fund. The allocation shown is subject to change without notice and at the discretion of the investment manager. The Bloomberg Barclays Emerging Markets USD Sovereign Bond Index tracks fixed and floating-rate US dollar-denominated debt issued by EM governments.

Has The Bond Rally Run its Course?

In Q4 US interest rates increased and the yield curve steepened. The performance of the Fund and the benchmark slowed accordingly. Granted in 2020 the Fund returned 3.96% and has averaged 3.61% since inception. While the benchmark outperformed in 2020, the Fund has outperformed since inception.

As bond valuations have richened, the prospects for positive total returns in corporate credit have dwindled. This means investors should turn to active management in such a low yield environment.

In late 2018 we made the decision to engage an active manager, which we feel positions the Fund to handle this low yield environment, which we think will continue through 2022.

In the latest Morgan Stanley Global Investment Committee "On the Markets" report, Michael Wilson (CIO, Morgan Stanley) interviewed Henry McVey, who heads the global marco and asset allocation team at KKR & Co. Inc. Both experts expect economic growth will result in inflationary pressure, which in turn will push US interest rates higher in 2021. McVey sees the 10-year US Treasury hitting 1.25%-1.30% in 2021 and 1.50% in 2022.

The Morgan Stanley Global Investment Committee recommends having a short-to-intermediate duration exposure with a focus on capital preservation as opposed to capital appreciation. The Fund's portfolio has a weighted credit rating of Aa3 and an effective duration of 3.98, which is consistent with this recommendation.

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