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## Long term bond strategic bias

## **Investment objectives**

The objective of the Optimum Long term bond strategic bias strategy is to obtain income and capital security over a medium- to long term horizon and generate an average annual return of **0.25% above** the benchmark over 4-year moving periods (before management fees).

The Strategy places particular emphasis on achieving maximum returns at maturity, while minimizing potential investment risks.

The portfolio is comprised primarily of fixed-income securities issued by Canadian issuers. Provincial and municipal government securities and corporate securities are generally favoured.

Inception date	April 2006
Vehicle offered	Segregated securities
Assets under management	\$225.83M
Benchmark	FTSE Canada Long Term
Income distribution	Quarterly

## Why invest?

- Construction based on strategic biases ensuring stable returns
- Use of exclusive state-of-the-art technology integrating quantitative and qualitative filters
- Rigorous, disciplined investment process that integrates ESG factors
- Stable, experienced multidisciplinary management team

## Risk rating

Low

Low to medium

Medium

Medium to high

High

Optimum Asset Management considers the volatility of the Long term bond strategic bias strategy to be medium.

This level is based on the variation in returns from one year to the next. It does not indicate future volatility and may change over time. A low level of risk may see its value decrease.

#### Growth of \$10,000 since December 31, 2014



Best quarter

4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2023: 15.12%

Worst quarter

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2022: -11.92%



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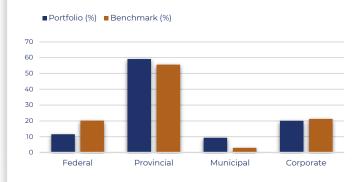
## Performance

Annualized returns (%)	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception*
Portfolio	7.21	4.33	0.47	-0.94	-0.58	1.73	4.75
FTSE Canada Long Term	7.02	3.86	0.05	-1.40	-1.17	1.27	4.45
Value added	0.19	0.46	0.43	0.46	0.59	0.46	0.30

Per period (%)	3 mos	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Portfolio	1.63	1.63	1.83	10.29	-21.54	-3.81	12.14
FTSE Canada Long Term	1.79	1.79	1.35	9.51	-21.76	-4.52	11.90
Value added	-0.15	-0.15	0.48	0.77	0.22	0.71	0.24

<sup>\*</sup> Inception date: April 2006. The performance is shown in Canadian dollars, before management fees and is annualized for all periods over one year. This information is presented for information purposes only. Please read the legal notices at the end of this document.

## **Sector allocation**



## Top 10 holdings

	%
PROV OF QUÉBEC 3.10 – 2051	9.48
PROV OF QUÉBEC 4.25 – 2043	5.40
PROV OF ONTARIO 4.10 – 2054	5.24
CANADA GOVT 2.75 – 2055	5.16
PROV OF QUÉBEC 2.85 – 2053	4.52
PROV OF ONTARIO 4.65 – 2041	4.30
PROV OF ONTARIO 1.90 – 2051	3.82
PROV OF ONTARIO 4.65 – 2041	3.34
PROV OF BRITISH COLUMBIA 2.95 – 2050	2.70
UNIVERSITY OF BC 4.82 – 2035	2.49

## Risk-return analysis

	5 years	Since inception
Information ratio	1.93	0.49
Sharpe ratio	-0.05	0.54
Batting average (monthly)	65%	64%
Positive monthly value added (period average)	10 bps	11 bps
Negative monthly value added (period average)	-4 bps	-14 bps

### **Characteristics**

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Average coupon	3.85%	4.04%
Market yield	4.26%	4.10%
Modified duration (years)	14.74	14.58
Average credit rating	AA	AA
ESG performance <sup>††</sup>	7.85	7.41

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\scriptsize "T}}$  Measured by Groupe investissement responsable inc.





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Optimum Asset Management is an asset management firm that serves institutional and private clients. The firm is held by Optimum Financial Group, a private Canadian group with an international presence and over 685 employees across Canada, the United States and France.

Our creativity and market knowledge allow us to develop diversified strategies based on reliable quantitative and fundamental research, as well as modern technologies. Our portfolio management services are founded on extensive experience that guarantees consistent quality. Our value approach enables us to offer sophisticated investment strategies with a focus on capital preservation and risk management.

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