

# **HSBC Investment Funds**

# Corporate Bond Fund

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# Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide higher returns (before charges and tax are deducted from the Fund) than the Markit iBoxx GBP Corporates Index plus 1% per year, over three-year periods.



# Investment strategy

To achieve its objective the Fund will invest at least 80% of its value in bonds that have a credit rating of investment grade and are issued in sterling or are hedged back to sterling. The bonds may be issued by companies and supranational or government-backed organisations which may be located anywhere in the world. The types of bond the Fund may invest in include covered bonds and asset backed securities. The Fund is managed with reference to the Markit iBoxx GBP Corporates Index. The fund manager is not limited to investing in bonds that are part of the Markit iBoxx GBP Corporates Index. The fund manager aims to generate returns in excess of the Markit iBoxx GBP Corporates Index plus 1% per year, over three-year periods, before charges and tax are deducted from the Fund. This is based on our current view of returns the Fund may potentially achieve, which may change. The Markit iBoxx GBP Corporates Index is also considered as part of our investment risk monitoring process, to check that the overall level of risk taken by the fund manager is not inconsistent with the sterling corporate bond market. The performance of the Fund is shown against the performance of the Markit iBoxx GBP Corporates Index plus 1% per year.



## Main risks

- The value of investments and any income from them can go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount originally invested
- Where overseas investments are held the rate of currency exchange may cause the value of such investments to go down as well as up.
- The Fund invests in bonds whose value generally falls when interest rates rise. This risk is
  typically greater the longer the maturity of a bond investment and the higher its credit quality.
  The issuers of certain bonds, could become unwilling or unable to make payments on their
  bonds and default. Bonds that are in default may become hard to sell or worthless.

## Share class details

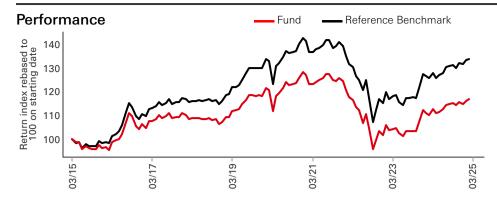
Key metrics	
NAV per share	GBP 1.05
Performance 1 mor	nth -1.21%
Yield to maturity	6.07%
Fund facts	
UCITS V compliant	Yes
UK reporting fund s (UKRS)	status <b>No</b>
ISA eligible	Yes
Dividend treatment	Distributing
Distribution frequer	ncy Quarterly
Dividend ex-date	16 January 2025
Dividend yield <sup>1</sup>	4.20%
Last paid dividend	0.011395
Dealing frequency	Daily
Valuation time	12:00 United Kingdom
Share class base cu	urrency GBP
Domicile	United Kingdom
Inception date	31 October 2000
Fund size	GBP 170,079,475
Reference	100% Markit iBoxx GBP
benchmark	Corporates Index plus 1%
	per year
Managers	Mohamed Imtiaz Siddeeq Oliver Boulind
Fees and expense	es

Minimum initial investment <sup>2</sup>	GBP 1,000
Ongoing charge figure <sup>3</sup>	1.070%
Codes	
ISIN	GB0000170554
Bloomberg ticker	MIDCORI LN
SEDOL	0017055
<sup>1</sup> Dividend Yield: represents	the ratio of

distributed income over the last 12 months to the fund's current Net Asset Value.

Please note that initial minimum subscription may vary across different distributors

Ongoing Charges Figure is an estimate due to a change of fee structure.



Performance (%)	YTD	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years ann	5 years ann	10 years ann
Ret Inc	0.61	-1.21	0.61	0.08	2.47	-0.33	0.68	1.44
Reference Benchmark	0.71	-1.10	0.71	0.80	3.48	0.48	1.49	2.85

Rolling performance (%)	31/03/24- 31/03/25				31/03/20- 31/03/21		31/03/18- 31/03/19	31/03/17- 31/03/18		31/03/15- 31/03/16
Ret Inc	2.47	8.03	-10.56	-5.40	10.44	-0.17	2.63	1.39	9.11	-1.58
Reference Benchmark	3.48	8.51	-9.66	-4.54	11.18	0.96	5.10	2.57	11.76	1.10

3-Year Risk Measures	Ret Inc	Reference Benchmark
Volatility	9.46%	9.70%
Sharpe ratio	-0.49	-0.40
Tracking error	1.31%	
Information ratio	-0.62	

5-Year Risk Measures	Ret Inc	Reference Benchmark
Volatility	8.45%	8.69%
Sharpe ratio	-0.23	-0.13
Tracking error	1.11%	
Information ratio	-0.73	

Fixed Income Characteristics	Fund	Reference Benchmark	Relative
No. of holdings ex cash	170	842	
Average coupon rate	5.05	4.53	0.52
Yield to worst	5.76%	5.51%	0.25%
Current yield	5.00%	4.74%	0.26%
Option adjusted duration	5.89	5.50	0.39
Option adjusted spread duration	5.37	5.49	-0.12
Average maturity	8.86	7.95	0.91
Rating average	A-/BBB+	A-/BBB+	

	Reference				
Credit rating (%)	Fund	Benchmark	Relative		
AAA		1.25	-1.25		
AA	2.42	6.85	-4.43		
A	27.34	37.23	-9.89		
BBB	65.09	54.53	10.56		
BB	2.68	0.14	2.54		
В	0.35		0.35		
NR	0.00		0.00		
Cash	2.13		2.13		

Geographical allocation (Option adjusted duration)	Fund	Reference Benchmark	Relative
UK	3.80	2.79	1.01
Europe-ex UK	1.22	1.37	-0.15
North America	0.74	1.16	-0.42
Asia	0.09	0.14	-0.06
Middle East	0.05		0.05
Latam	0.00	0.04	-0.04
Cash	0.00		0.00
Total	5.89	5.50	0.39

Maturity Breakdown (Option adjusted duration)	Fund	Reference Benchmark	Relative
0-2 years	0.14	0.21	-0.07
2-5 years	0.87	1.06	-0.19
5-10 years	1.59	1.51	0.08
10+ years	3.29	2.72	0.57
Total	5.89	5.50	0.39

		Reference	
Sector allocation (%)	Fund	Benchmark	Relative
Financials	51.94	45.72	6.22
Utilities	16.72	17.33	-0.61
Telecommunications	6.09	5.94	0.15
Consumer Services	5.14	7.65	-2.51
Mbs	4.98		4.98
Oil & gas	3.66	4.72	-1.07
Consumer Goods	2.51	8.56	-6.05
Gilts	2.12		2.12
Agencies	1.74	0.07	1.67
Public Banks	0.99	2.82	-1.83
Other Sectors	1.98	7.18	-5.20
Cash	2.13		2.13

Top 10 holdings	Weight (%)
NATWEST GROUP 3.125 28/03/27	2.17
BARCLAYS PLC 3.750 22/11/30	2.06
SANTANDER UK GRP 2.920 08/05/26	1.63
UK TSY GILT 1.250 31/07/51	1.61
BARCLAYS PLC 8.407 14/11/32	1.58
CAIXABANK 1.500 03/12/26	1.39
MORGAN STANLEY 5.213 24/10/35	1.37
HSBC HOLDINGS 6.800 14/09/31	1.29
DNB BANK ASA 4.000 17/08/27	1.19
AT&T INC 2.900 04/12/26	1.15

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