



## BOND DEBENTURE FUND

OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATING<sup>‡</sup>

Morningstar rated the Lord Abbett Bond Debenture Fund class A share 5, 5 and 4 stars among 257, 202 and 116 Multisector Bond Funds for the overall rating and the 3, 5 and 10 year periods ended 12/31/2017, respectively. The Overall Morningstar Rating™ is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with a fund's three-, five-, and 10-year (as applicable) Morningstar Rating™ metrics. See additional information on next page. © 2018 Morningstar, Inc. All Rights Reserved. The information contained: (1) is proprietary to Morningstar and/or its content providers; (2) may not be copied or distributed; and (3) is not warranted to be accurate, complete, or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information.

## LOWER EXPENSES - CLASS A

**Fund Expense Ratio<sup>1</sup>** **0.81%**  
Category Average<sup>2</sup> 1.05%

## GOAL

The Fund seeks to deliver high current income and long-term growth of capital by investing primarily in a variety of fixed income securities and select equity-related securities.

## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Average Effective Duration: 4.5 Years

Average Maturity: 10.5 Years

Number of Issues: 853

## FUND SYMBOLS/CUSIPS

Class A:	LBNDX	544004104
Class C:	BDLAX	544004302
Class F:	LBDFX	544004609
Class F3:	LBNOX	544004849
Class I:	LBNYX	544004401
Class R2:	LBNQX	544004708
Class R3:	LBNRX	544004807
Class R4:	LBNSX	544004880
Class R5:	LBNTX	544004872
Class R6:	LBNVX	544004864
Class T:	ALPTX	544004856

Not all share classes are available to all investors. Please see prospectus for more information.

<sup>1</sup> Reflects expenses for the Fund's fiscal year end and is subject to change. Fund expenses may fluctuate with market volatility. A substantial reduction in Fund assets (since its most recently completed fiscal year), whether caused by market conditions or significant redemptions or both, will likely cause total operating expenses (as a percentage of Fund assets) to become higher than those shown.

<sup>2</sup> Reflects the average net expenses of Class A shares of all funds within the Lipper Multi-Sector Income Funds Category based on Lipper data available.

**A Note about Risk:** The Fund is subject to the general risks associated with investing in debt securities, including market, credit, liquidity, and interest rate risk. The value of your investment will change as interest rates fluctuate and in response to market movements. When interest rates fall, the prices of debt securities tend to rise, and when interest rates rise, the prices of debt securities are likely to decline. Longer-term debt securities are usually more sensitive to interest-rate changes; the longer the maturity of a security, the greater the effect a change in interest rates is likely to have on its price. The Fund may make substantial investments in high-yield debt securities and may invest in senior loans which may be primarily below-investment grade. High-yield securities, sometimes called junk bonds, carry increased risks of price volatility, illiquidity, and the possibility of default in timely payment of interest and expenses. The value of investments in equity securities will fluctuate in response to general economic conditions and to changes in the prospects of particular companies and/or sectors in the economy. Convertible securities are subject to the risks affecting both equity and fixed income securities, including market, credit, liquidity, and interest rate risk. These factors can affect Fund performance. The Fund's portfolio is actively managed and is subject to change.

## TAXABLE BOND CATEGORY

**#1** IN 2 OF THE PAST 3 YEARS

**#1** FOR 1-, 5- & 10-YEAR PERIODS  
ending 12/31/2016

**TOP 4** IN 5 OF THE PAST 6 YEARS

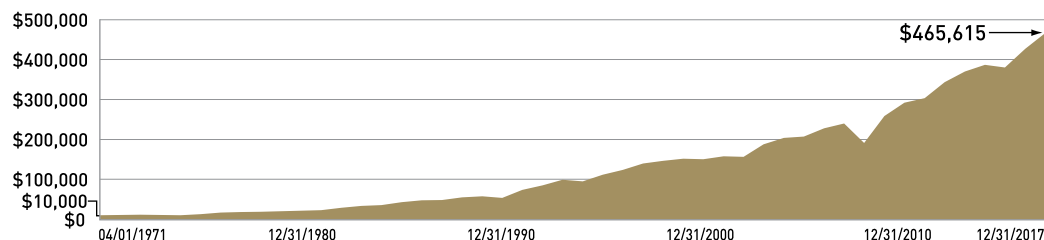
**Barron's/Lipper Annual Ranking**

\*As part of "Barron's Best Mutual Fund Families" annual ranking.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%) AS OF 12/31/2017

CLASS A SHARES	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	10 YEARS	EXPENSE RATIO <sup>1</sup>
Net Asset Value (without sales charge)	9.21	6.43	6.31	6.89	0.81%
Maximum Offering Price (with 2.25% sales charge)	6.79	5.64	5.82	6.65	

## GROWTH OF \$10,000



Based on a hypothetical Class A Share investment of \$10,000 on 04/01/1971, at net asset value and includes the reinvestment of all distributions. Data as of 12/31/2017.

## CALENDAR YEAR TOTAL RETURNS AT NAV (%)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
NAV	-20.26	35.37	12.94	3.88	13.22	7.78	4.51	-1.74	12.35	9.21

Reflects the percent change in net asset value (NAV) of Class A shares and includes the reinvestment of all distributions. Performance is shown for each calendar year. Performance of Class A shares with sales charge reflects the reinvestment of all distributions and includes initial maximum sales charge. Certain purchases of Class A shares without a sales charge are subject to CDSC. The CDSC is not reflected in the performance shown. Returns for less than one year are not annualized. Instances of high double-digit returns were achieved primarily during favorable market conditions and may not be sustainable over time.

Performance data quoted reflect past performance and are no guarantee of future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance quoted. The investment return and principal value of an investment in the Fund will fluctuate so that shares, on any given day or when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. You can obtain performance data current to the most recent month-end by calling Lord Abbett at 888-522-2388 or referring to [lordabbett.com](http://lordabbett.com).

\*Among 61 fund families. Based on net total return of the one-year period ending 12/31/2016. Barron's Best Mutual Fund Families, February 11, 2017, Lord Abbett Funds ranked 1 out of 61, 1 out of 54, and 1 out of 53 mutual fund families within the taxable bond category for the 1-, 5- and 10- year periods ending 12/31/2016, respectively. Barron's Best Mutual Fund Families, February 6, 2016, #21 in the Taxable Bond Category among 67 fund families based on the net total return of the one-year period ending 12/31/2015. Barron's Best Mutual Fund Families, February 7, 2015, #1 in the Taxable Bond Category among 65 fund families. Based on the net total return of the one-year period ending 12/31/2014. Barron's Best Mutual Fund Families, February 8, 2014, #3 in the Taxable Bond Category among 64 fund families. Based on the net total return of the one-year period ending 12/31/2013. Barron's Best Mutual Fund Families, February 11, 2013, #2 in the Taxable Bond Category among 62 fund families. Based on the net total return of the one-year period ending 12/31/2012. Barron's Best Mutual Fund Families, February 6, 2012, #4 in the Taxable Bond Category among 58 fund families. Based on the net total return of the one-year period ending 12/31/2011.

Barron's Best Mutual Fund Families rankings are based on asset weighted returns in funds in five categories: U.S. equity, world equity, mixed asset, taxable bond, and tax-exempt. Rankings also take into account an individual fund's performance within its Lipper peer group. Lipper calculated each fund's net total return for the year ended December 31, 2016, minus the effects of 12b-1 fees and sales charges. Each fund in the survey was given a percentile ranking with 100 the highest and 1 the lowest in its category. That ranking measured how a fund compared with its peer "universe," as tracked by Lipper, not just the funds in the survey. Individual fund scores were then multiplied by the 2016 weighting of their general classification as determined by the entire Lipper universe of funds. The process is repeated for the five- and ten-year rankings as well. Those fund scores were then totaled, creating an overall score and ranking for each fund family in each category.

**INVESTMENT TEAM**

**Team Leader(s):**

Steven F. Rocco, CFA, Partner & Director  
16 Years Industry Experience

Andrew H. O'Brien, CFA, Partner  
19 Years Industry Experience

Kewjin Yuoh, Partner  
23 Years Industry Experience

Leah G. Traub, Ph.D., Partner  
16 Years Industry Experience

Robert A. Lee, Partner  
26 Years Industry Experience

**Supported By:**

61 Investment Professionals  
13 Years Avg. Industry Experience

**FUND BASICS**

Total Net Assets(\$B):<sup>3</sup> \$12.6

Inception Date: 04/01/1971 (Class A)

Capital Gains Distribution: December

Dividend Frequency: Monthly

Minimum Initial Investment: \$1,000

<sup>3</sup> Includes all share classes.

**EXPENSE RATIOS<sup>1</sup>**

Class A:	0.81%
Class C:	1.44%
Class F:	0.71%
Class F3:	0.52%
Class I:	0.61%
Class R2:	1.21%
Class R3:	1.11%
Class R4:	0.86%
Class R5:	0.61%
Class R6:	0.52%
Class T:	0.86%

**THOMSON REUTERS  
LIPPER FUND AWARD 2017**

**BEST FUND (CLASS I SHARE)  
OVER 10 YEARS  
MULTI-SECTOR INCOME FUNDS**

Lord Abbett Bond Debenture Fund (Class I Share: LBNYX) awarded Best Multi-Sector Income Fund by Lipper; ranked best within the category of a total of 94 funds for the highest risk-adjusted returns for the 10-year period ended 11/30/2016. Class I shares are only available to institutional investors and certain others, including retirement plans. Other share classes may have different performance and expense characteristics. For additional information on each Class share, see the Fund's current prospectus.\*\*

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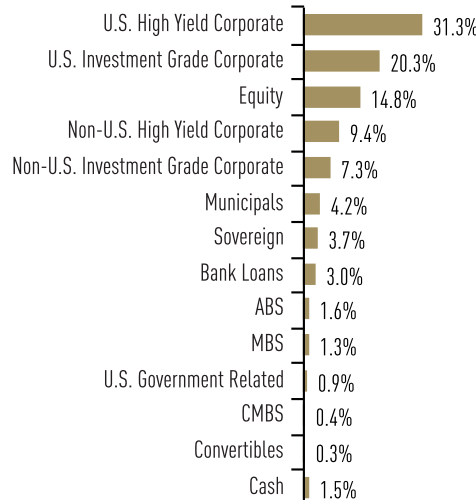
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**TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS**

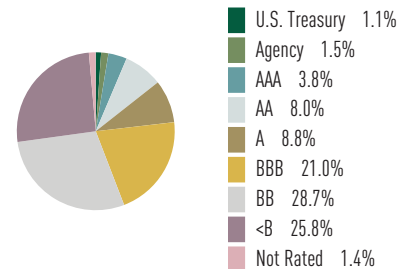
FNMA Conventional Long T. 30yr	1.3%	Continental Resources, Inc.	0.5%
U.S. Treasury Note	0.9%	Amazon.com, Inc.	0.5%
Permanent Univ Fnd - Texas A&M Univ Sys	0.6%	Freeport-McMoRan, Inc.	0.4%
Johnson & Johnson, Inc.	0.6%	Equinix, Inc.	0.4%
Tesla Motors, Inc.	0.6%	Caesars Palace Las Vegas Trust 2017-VICI	0.4%

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**Effective Duration** is the change in the value of a fixed income security that will result from a 1% change in market interest rates, taking into account anticipated cash flow fluctuations from mortgage prepayments, puts, adjustable coupons, and potential call dates. Duration is expressed as a number of years, and generally, the larger a duration, the greater the interest-rate risk or reward for a portfolio's underlying bond prices. Where applicable, securities, such as common or preferred stock, convertible bonds and convertible preferred stock, ETFs and ADRs, and CPI swaps and related futures, are excluded from these calculations. **Average Maturity** is the length of time until the average security in a portfolio will mature or be redeemed by its issuer in proportion to its dollar value. Indicating a portfolio's sensitivity to general market interest rate changes, a longer average maturity implies greater relative portfolio volatility. **Lipper Multi-Sector Income Funds Average** is based on a universe of funds with similar investment objectives as the Fund. Source: Lipper Analytical Services.

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