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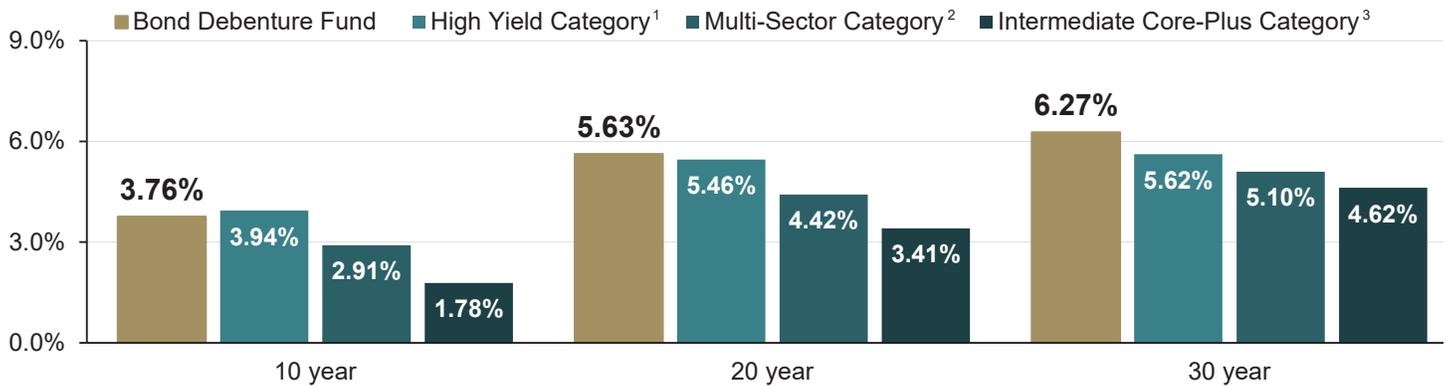
# LORD ABBETT BOND DEBENTURE FUND AUM: \$21.76BN

The Lord Abbett Bond Debenture Fund pioneered a new approach to fixed-income investing in 1971 with its flexible, multi-sector strategy. Over the decades, the Fund has continued to provide investors with income, portfolio diversification, and strong performance.

<b>MULTI-SECTOR EXPERTISE</b>	<b>A FLEXIBLE APPROACH</b>	<b>TIME-TESTED RESULTS</b>
Five decades of multi-sector bond investing, emphasizing in-depth credit research.	Diversified across sectors, with the ability to adjust allocations to take advantage of opportunities.	A 50-year track record illustrates performance in many market environments.

## TIME-TESTED RESULTS

### Historically Strong Long-Term Performance vs. Major Fixed Income Categories

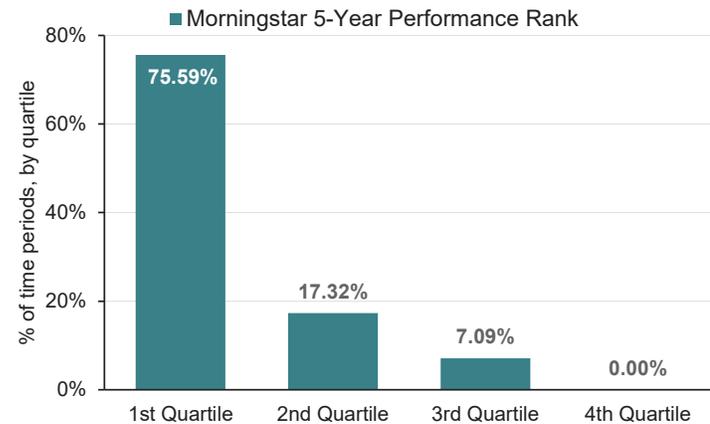


Source: Lord Abbett and Morningstar. <sup>1</sup>Morningstar High Yield Bond Fund category. <sup>2</sup>Morningstar Multi-Sector Bond Fund Category. <sup>3</sup>Morningstar Intermediate Core-Plus Category.

### Historically Consistent Performance Versus Peers

Rolling 5-Year Periods\*

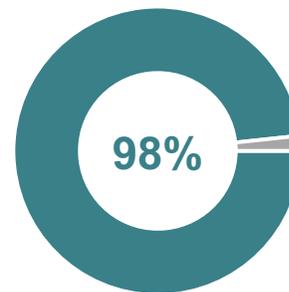
Outperformed Multi-Sector category in 93% of periods



### Historically Consistent Performance Versus Index

Rolling 5-Year Periods\*

Outperformed Bloomberg Aggregate in 98% of periods



- Outperformed Index in 125 of 127 periods
- Average Excess Return: 281 basis points

All data referenced in flyer is Class I Share as of 03/31/2025.

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## MULTI-SECTOR EXPERTISE

### A Pioneer in Multi-Sector Credit

- Longest track record in the Multi-Sector Bond Category\*
- \$150 billion in global fixed income under management
- Over \$100 billion in corporate credit

### A Deep Team of Experienced Credit Investors

- Experienced platform of 92 investment professionals
- 31-person Credit Research team of industry specialists
- Lead Portfolio Managers with a long history working together

## Lead Portfolio Managers



**Steve Rocco, CFA**  
Partner & Co-Head of Taxable Fixed Income  
24 Years of Experience  
Lord Abbett since 2004



**Chris Gizzo, CFA**  
Partner & Deputy Director of Leveraged Credit  
17 Years of Experience  
Lord Abbett since 2008

## A FLEXIBLE APPROACH

### Why Multi-Sector?

Returns across sectors can vary significantly depending on the macro environment

### U.S. Fixed-Income Sector Returns

2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Range of returns by year (Highest – Lowest)												
13.82	33.53	7.56	5.98	16.09	12.15	4.28	18.62	43.44	8.66	17.65	9.56	10.56
15.81	24.92	9.44	1.51	17.13	13.70	1.77	23.15	46.22	6.34	-1.06	13.46	11.14
High Yield	Convertibles	Convertibles	MBS	High Yield	Convertibles	ABS	Convertibles	Convertibles	Convertibles	Lev. Loans	High Yield	Convertibles
14.96	7.44	7.46	1.25	10.43	7.50	1.14	14.54	10.99	5.96	-4.30	13.04	8.95
Convertibles	High Yield	Corporates	ABS	Convertibles	High Yield	Lev. Loans	Corporates	TIPS	TIPS	ABS	Lev. Loans	Lev. Loans
9.82	6.15	6.08	0.84	9.88	6.42	0.99	14.32	9.89	5.40	-11.19	12.87	8.19
Corporates	Lev. Loans	MBS	Treasury	Lev. Loans	Corporates	MBS	High Yield	Corporates	Lev. Loans	High Yield	Convertibles	High Yield
9.43	-0.27	5.97	0.55	6.11	4.25	0.86	8.72	8.00	5.28	-11.81	8.52	5.02
Lev. Loans	ABS	Aggregate	Aggregate	Corporates	Lev. Loans	Treasury	Aggregate	Treasury	High Yield	MBS	Corporates	ABS
6.98	-1.41	5.05	-0.38	4.68	3.54	0.15	8.43	7.51	-0.34	-11.85	5.54	2.13
TIPS	MBS	Treasury	Lev. Loans	TIPS	Aggregate	Convertibles	TIPS	Aggregate	ABS	TIPS	ABS	Corporates
4.21	-1.53	3.64	-0.68	2.65	3.01	0.01	8.17	7.11	-1.04	-12.46	5.53	1.84
Aggregate	Corporates	TIPS	Corporates	Aggregate	TIPS	Aggregate	Lev. Loans	High Yield	Corporates	Treasury	Aggregate	TIPS
3.66	-2.02	2.45	-1.44	2.03	2.47	-1.26	6.86	4.52	-1.04	-13.01	5.05	1.25
ABS	Aggregate	High Yield	TIPS	ABS	MBS	TIPS	Treasury	ABS	MBS	Aggregate	MBS	Aggregate
2.59	-2.75	2.06	-2.99	1.67	2.31	-2.08	6.35	3.87	-1.54	-15.76	3.90	1.2
MBS	Treasury	Lev. Loans	Convertibles	MBS	Treasury	High Yield	MBS	MBS	Aggregate	Corporates	Treasury	MBS
1.99	-8.61	1.88	-4.47	1.04	1.55	-2.51	4.53	2.78	-2.32	-18.71	3.90	0.58
Treasury	TIPS	ABS	High Yield	Treasury	ABS	Corporates	ABS	Lev. Loans	Treasury	Convertibles	TIPS	Treasury

Source: Bloomberg Index Services Limited and Credit Suisse. Sector returns shown are Bloomberg indexes as follows: U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, U.S. MBS Fixed Rate Index, U.S. Corporate Investment Grade Index, U.S. Corporate High Yield Index, U.S. Treasury Index, and Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index used for leveraged loans. ICE BofA All U.S. Convertibles Index used for convertibles.

## CURRENT FUND CHARACTERISTICS

### A Balanced Approach to Credit



- Investment Grade
- Below Investment Grade

As of 03/31/2025	Bond Debenture Fund
Average Effective Duration	5.19 Years
Average Price	\$97.61
Yield to Maturity	7.05%
SEC Yield	6.23%
Gross/Net Expense Ratio	0.64%
Adjusted Expense Ratio**	0.58%

Source: Morningstar. The historical data shown in the chart above are for illustrative purposes only and do not represent any specific portfolio managed by Lord Abbett.

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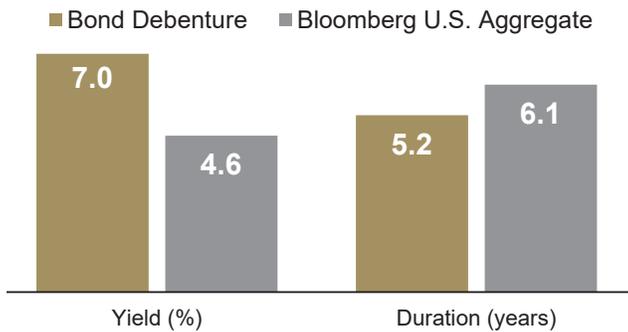


## APPLICATIONS – THE ROLE OF BOND DEBENTURE IN YOUR PORTFOLIO

### 1 Potentially Enhance Your Income and Returns versus Core Bonds

Bond Debenture offers the potential for higher income while reducing exposure to rate volatility.

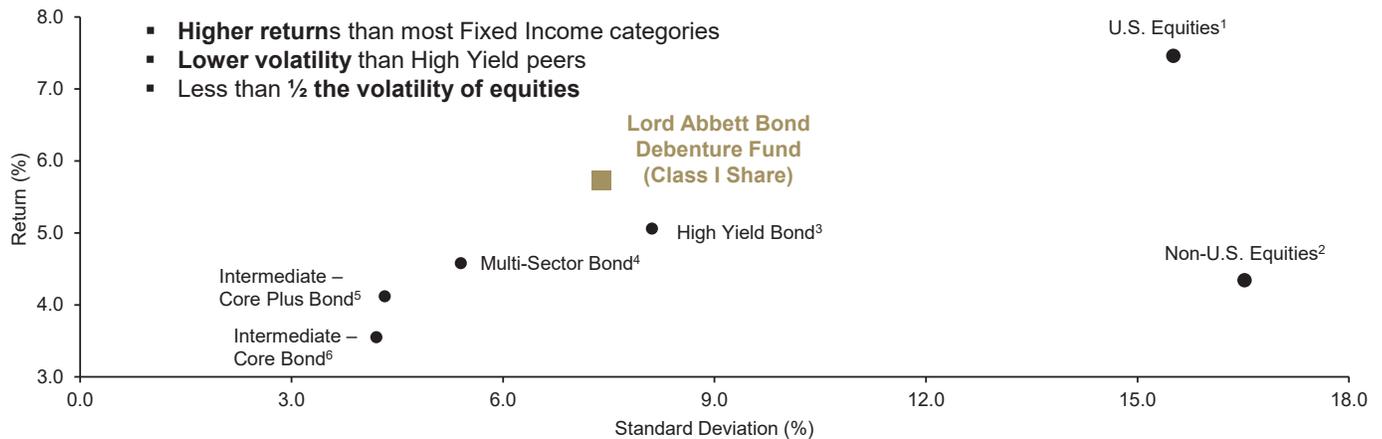
Yield versus Duration



Portfolio (Trailing 20 Years)	Annualized Return (%)	Sharpe Ratio
Bond Debenture Fund	5.63%	0.54
Bloomberg Aggregate Index	3.18%	0.37

### 2 High Yield Returns with Lower Volatility

Trailing 25 Year Risk / Return



Source: Zephyr. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance quoted. <sup>1</sup>Russell 1000 Index. <sup>2</sup>MSCI EAFE GR Index. <sup>3</sup>Morningstar U.S. OE High Yield Bond Category. <sup>4</sup>Morningstar U.S. OE Multisector Bond Category. <sup>5</sup>Morningstar U.S. OE Intermediate-Core Plus Bond Category. <sup>6</sup>Morningstar U.S. OE Intermediate-Core Bond Category.

### 3 Pair With the Lord Abnett Short Duration Income Fund to Build a Better Core Plus Allocation

A blend of two flexible strategies with lower duration has historically delivered higher returns with lower volatility (12/31/2007 – 03/31/2025)

Portfolio	Annualized Return (%)	Standard Deviation (%)	Sharpe Ratio
Equal blend of Bond Debenture/Short Duration Income Fund	4.54%	5.38%	0.62
Morningstar Intermediate Core Plus Bond Category Average	3.25%	4.63%	0.44

Annualized Returns (%)	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year	15 Year
Lord Abnett Short Duration Income Fund	6.12	3.50	2.51	2.94

All data as of 03/31/2025.

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## Bond Debenture: Time-Tested Performance Through the Years

1971*	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
7.7%	6.3%	-9.8%	-5.1%	29.6%	30.9%	7.0%	2.8%	7.0%	8.9%	5.3	27.5%	16.9%	5.0%
1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
21.0%	10.6%	1.9%	13.1%	5.1%	-7.6%	38.3%	16.0%	16.0%	-3.9%	17.5%	11.2%	12.7%	4.8%
1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
3.9%	-0.9%	4.9%	-1.1%	20.3%	8.6%	1.6%	9.9%	5.3%	-20.3%	35.4%	12.9%	3.9%	13.2%
2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
7.8%	4.5%	-1.7%	12.4%	9.2%	-3.8%	13.4%	7.6%	3.3%	-12.7%	6.9%	6.7%		

Bond Debenture I Shares (As of 03/31/2025)	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Annualized Returns	5.72%	2.40%	5.05%	3.76%	5.47%
Peer Rankings	69 (256/369)	77 (260/340)	46 (119/284)	21 (37/198)	20 (15/98)

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### Bond Fund Category Definitions:

**Morningstar High Yield Funds:** High-yield bond Funds concentrate on lower-quality bonds, which are riskier than those of higher-quality companies. These Funds generally offer higher yields than other types of Funds, but they are also more vulnerable to economic and credit risk. These Funds primarily invest in U.S. high-income debt securities where at least 65% or more of bond assets are not rated or are rated by a major agency such as Standard & Poor's or Moody's at the level of BB (considered speculative for taxable bonds) and below.

**Morningstar Multi-Sector Bond Funds:** Multisector-bond portfolios seek income by diversifying their assets among several fixed income sectors, usually U.S. government obligations, U.S. corporate bonds, foreign bonds, and high-yield U.S. debt securities. These portfolios typically hold 35% to 65% of bond assets in securities that are not rated or are rated by a major agency such as Standard & Poor's or Moody's at the level of BB (considered speculative for taxable bonds) and below.

**Morningstar Intermediate Core Bond Funds:** Intermediate-term core bond portfolios invest primarily in investment-grade U.S. fixed-income issues including government, corporate, and securitized debt, and hold less than 5% in below-investment-grade exposures. Their durations (a measure of interest-rate sensitivity) typically range between 75% and 125% of the three-year average of the effective duration of the Morningstar Core Bond Index.

**Morningstar U.S. OE Intermediate-Core Plus Bond Category.** Intermediate-term core-plus bond portfolios invest primarily in investment-grade U.S. fixed-income issues including government, corporate, and securitized debt, but generally have greater flexibility than core offerings to hold non-core sectors such as corporate high yield, bank loan, emerging markets debt, and non-U.S. currency exposures. Their durations (a measure of interest-rate sensitivity) typically range between 75% and 125% of the three-year average of the effective duration of the Morningstar Core Bond Index.

### INDEX INFORMATION

Indexes are unmanaged, do not reflect the deduction of fees or expenses, and an investor cannot invest directly in an index.

### Index Definitions:

**The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index** is an unmanaged index composed of securities from the Bloomberg Government/Corporate Bond Index, Mortgage-Backed Securities Index and the Asset-Backed Securities Index. Total return comprises price appreciation/ depreciation and income as a percentage of the original investment. Indexes are rebalanced monthly by market capitalization.

**The Bloomberg U.S. Mortgage-Backed Securities Index** is the U.S. MBS component of the U.S. Aggregate index. The MBS Index covers the mortgage-backed pass-through securities of Ginnie Mae (GNMA), Fannie Mae (FNMA), and Freddie Mac (FHLMC).

**The Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Investment Grade Index** is the Corporate component of the U.S. Credit index. The U.S. Credit index is defined as publicly issued U.S. corporate and specified foreign debentures and secured notes that meet the specified maturity, liquidity, and quality requirements. To qualify, bonds must be SEC-registered. The index includes both corporate and non-corporate sectors. Bonds must be an investment grade credit security and have at least \$250 million par amount outstanding.

**The Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Bond Index** is a market value-weighted index which covers the U.S. non-investment grade fixed-rate debt market. The index is composed of U.S. dollar-denominated corporate debt in Industrial, Utility, and Finance sectors with a minimum \$150 million par amount outstanding and a maturity greater than 1 year. The index includes reinvestment of income.

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**The Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index** is designed to mirror the investable universe of the U.S. dollar-denominated leveraged loan market. The CS Leveraged Loan Index is an unmanaged, trader-priced index that tracks leveraged loans. The CS Leveraged Loan Index, which includes reinvested dividends, has been taken from published sources.

**The ICE BofA All Convertibles Index** contains issues that have a greater than \$50 million aggregate market value. The issues are U.S. dollar-denominated, sold into the U.S. market and publicly traded in the United States.

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## GLOSSARY

**Standard deviation** is a measure of volatility. Applied to an asset's return, it provides a measure of the range of those returns. A higher standard deviation means a greater range of returns. Duration is a measure of the sensitivity of the price of a fixed-income asset to a change in interest rates and is expressed in years. Sharpe ratio is the measure of excess return per unit of risk.

**Barron's Top Fund Families of 2024**, February 27, 2025, Lord Abbett Funds ranked 1 out of 48, 6 out of 46, 23 out of 46 mutual fund families within the overall category for the 1-, 5- and 10-year periods ending 12/31/2024, respectively.

The Bond Debenture Fund I share rankings within the Multi Sector Income Category as of 03/31/2025 for the one-year time period was 60 (255/375). Source: Lipper Analytical Services. Lipper Funds Average ranking reflect all share classes within the category and are based on total return and do not reflect the effect of sales charges.

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