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# SHORT DURATION INCOME FUND

# A HIGH INCOME, LOW DURATION CORE BOND ALTERNATIVE

The Lord Abbett Short Duration Income Fund takes a flexible, multi-sector approach to investing, while seeking to deliver high income, low duration, and consistent strong performance.

# STRATEGIC DESIGN, WITH A FLEXIBLE APPROACH

Has the agility to take advantage of opportunities across multiple sectors of the short duration bond market

# ATTRACTIVE INCOME WITH LOW DURATION

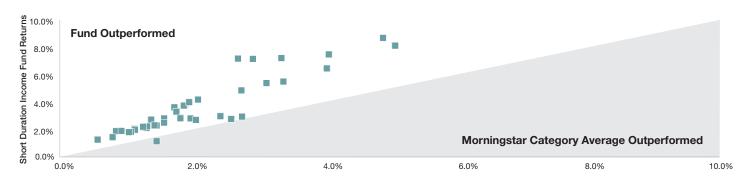
Designed to provide a higher yield than a typical short duration strategy, while maintaining a lower duration than a traditional core bond strategy

#### STRONG PERFORMANCE

Has offered a track record of strong performance through many market environments

#### CONSISTENT EXCESS RETURNS VERSUS ITS PEERS

The Fund (Class I Share) Outperformed its Category 98% of the Time 52 out of 53 Rolling Three-Year Periods (01/01/2008 – 12/31/2023)



Morningstar Short-Term Bond Category Average Returns

#### **AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS\*:**

1 YEAR: 5.39%; 3 YEARS: 0.55%; 5 YEARS: 2.07%; 10 YEARS: 2.10%; EXPENSE RATIO: 0.38%

#### **CURRENT PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

Yield to Maturity	5.93%	
Yield to Worst	5.88%	
Average Price	\$97.62	
Effective Duration	1.64 Years	

Note: All Fund data is based on Class I shares. Morningstar peer group average returns are based on all share classes within the category and include the reinvested dividends and capital gains, if any, and exclude sales charges. Performance during other time periods may have been different or negative. Due to market volatility the Fund may not perform in a similar manner in the future. \*Based on total return at net asset value, including the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains, if any, but does not reflect deduction of any front-end sales charges which are not applicable to Class Lebarge.

## **LOW EXPENSES**



Data as of 12/31/2023.

<sup>1</sup>Reflects expenses for the Fund's fiscal year 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 expenses of Class I shares of all funds within the Morningstar Short-Term Bond Average based on Morningstar data available.

The performance quoted represents past performance, which is no indication of future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance data 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 the 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.

# INTELLIGENT STRATEGIC DESIGN

#### FLEXIBLE APPROACH

Able to Pursue Opportunities Across Multiple Sectors of the Bond Market

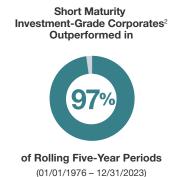


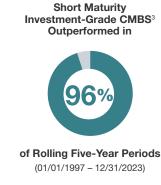
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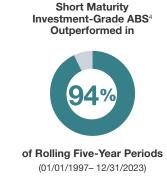
### **FOCUSED ON CREDIT**

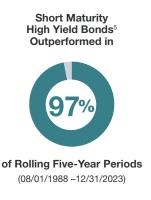
Emphasis on Credit Sectors that have Consistently Outperformed Government-Related Securities

### Compared to Short Maturity Government Bonds:1









### MANAGED BY AN EXPERIENCED, TENURED TEAM

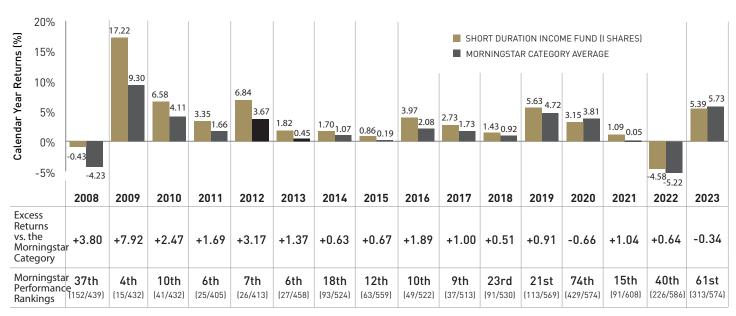
- Includes over 75 investment professionals with an average of 17 years of industry experience
- Managed through a collaborative effort between Portfolio Management and the Credit Research and Trading teams
- Recognized for delivering consistent performance

Past performance is not a reliable indicator or guarantee of future results. The value of an investment in fixed-income securities will change as interest rates fluctuate and in response to market movements. As interest rates fall, the prices of debt securities tend to rise. As rates rise, prices tend to fall. Treasuries are debt securities issued by the U.S. government and secured by its full faith and credit. Income from Treasury securities is exempt from state and local taxes.

Source: Bloomberg Index Services Limited, Bloomberg, and Morningstar, Inc. ¹Bloomberg 1-3 Year Government Index. ²ICE BofA 1-3 Year Corporate Index. ³Bloomberg 1-3.5 Year CMBS Index. ⁴ICE BofA ABS Fixed Rate 0-3 Year Index. ⁵Bloomberg 1-3 Year High Yield Index. Rolling five-year returns as of 12/31/2023. Beginning dates for the rolling five-year return series are the inception dates of the respective indexes.

Indexes are unmanaged, do not reflect the deduction of fees or expenses, and are not available for direct investment.

# STRONG TRACK RECORD ATTRACTIVE PERFORMANCE THROUGH VOLATILE MARKETS



Source: Morningstar, Inc. (As of 12/31/2022)

#### STRONG LONG-TERM PERFORMANCE

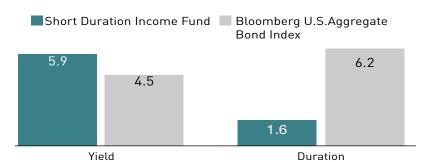
Strong Performance Versus Short-Term Bond Peers and Versus Intermediate Term Core Bonds

	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	15 YR
Short Duration Income Fund* (Class I)	5.39%	0.55%	2.07%	2.10%	3.72%
Bloomberg Aggregate Index	5.53%	-3.31%	1.10%	1.81%	2.68%
Morningstar Category Average	5.73%	0.14%	1.88%	1.58%	2.42%
Percentile Ranking <sup>†</sup>	61 (313/574)	31 (140/535)	33 (145/495)	12 (34/357)	7 (27/370)

# ATTRACTIVE YIELD / DURATION VERSUS CORE BONDS



- 1/3 of the Duration Exposure
- Less than 1/2 the Volatility\*



Source: Morningstar, Inc. The Fund is in the Morningstar Short-Term Bond Fund peer category. Morningstar peer group average returns and rankings are based on all share classes within the category and include the reinvested dividends and capital gains, if any, and exclude sales charges.

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<sup>\*</sup>Measured by trailing 3 year standard deviation

<sup>\*</sup>Based on total return at net asset value, including the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains, if any, but does not reflect deduction of any front-end sales charges which are not applicable to Class I shares.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Fund is ranked based on share classes within a universe of funds similar in investment objective.

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The **Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index** is an unmanaged index composed of securities from the Barclays 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 **Morningstar Short-Term Bond Category** represents funds that invest primarily in corporate and other investment-grade U.S. fixed income issues and typically have durations of 1.0 to 3.5 years.

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The **Bloomberg 1-3.5 Year CMBS Index** is the 1-3.5 year component of the U.S. CMBS Investment Grade Index, which measures the market of conduit and fusion CMBS deals with a minimum current deal size of \$300mm.

The ICE BofA ABS Fixed Rate 0-3 Year Index tracks the performance of U.S. dollar denominated invesment grade fixed and floating rate asset backed securities publicly issued in the ILS. domestic market

The **Bloomberg 1-3 Year High Yield Index** is the 3 Year (1-2.9999) component of the Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Index. The Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Index covers the universe of fixed rate, non-investment grade debt.

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Neither diversification nor asset allocation can guarantee a profit or protect against loss in declining markets.

#### Glossarv

**Excess return** is the amount by which the Fund's performance exceeded the peer group at net asset value (NAV) of average annual 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. **Basis point (BPS)** is one one-hundredth of a percentage point.

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