

BlackRock Absolute Return Bond Fund  
Class D British Pound  
UK Retail Funds

Unless otherwise stated, Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Asset information as at: 31-Mar-2024. All other data as at 10-Apr-2024.

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FUND OVERVIEW

- The Fund seeks to achieve a positive absolute return on your investment (i.e. an increase in the overall value of the Fund) over a period of 12 months regardless of market conditions. As such, the Fund will not be managed against any fixed income benchmark.
- The Fund will be managed with the aim of delivering absolute (more than zero) returns on a 12 month basis in any market conditions. However, an absolute return is not guaranteed over a 12 month or any period and the Fund may experience periods of negative return. The Fund's capital is at risk.
- The Fund aims to gain investment exposure to fixed income (FI) securities, FI-related securities and money-market instruments (MMIs) issued by, or giving exposure to, companies, governments, government agencies and supranationals (i.e. the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development) worldwide.

RISK INDICATOR



**CAPITAL AT RISK:** The value of investments and the income from them can fall as well as rise and are not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

KEY RISKS:

- Credit risk, changes to interest rates and/or issuer defaults will have a significant impact on the performance of fixed income securities. Potential or actual credit rating downgrades may increase the level of risk.
- Due to its investment strategy an 'Absolute Return' fund may not move in line with market trends or fully benefit from a positive market environment.
- Derivatives may be highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset on which they are based and can increase the size of losses and gains, resulting in greater fluctuations in the value of the Fund. The impact to the Fund can be greater where derivatives are used in an extensive or complex way.
- Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.
- Credit Risk: The issuer of a financial asset held within the Fund may not pay income or repay capital to the Fund when due. If a financial institution is unable to meet its financial obligations, its financial assets may be subject to a write down in value or converted (i.e. "bail-in") by relevant authorities to rescue the institution.
- Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

RATINGS



KEY FACTS

**Comparator<sup>†</sup>:** 3 month SONIA Compounded in Arrears

**Asset Class :** Fixed Income

**Fund Launch Date :** 30-Sep-2011

**Share Class Launch Date :** 30-Sep-2011

**Share Class Currency :** GBP

**Use of Income :** Accumulating

**Net Assets of Fund (M) :** 810.39 GBP

**Morningstar Category :** Global Flexible Bond - GBP Hedged

**Domicile :** United Kingdom

**ISIN :** GB00B618DS31

**Management Company :** BlackRock Fund Managers Ltd

\* or currency equivalent

FEES AND CHARGES

**Annual Management Fee :** 0.50%

**Ongoing Charge :** 0.57%

**Performance Fee :** 0.00%

DEALING INFORMATION

**Minimum Initial Investment :** 100,000 GBP \*

**Settlement :** Trade Date + 3 days

**Dealing Frequency :** Daily, forward pricing basis

\* or currency equivalent

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

**Effective Duration :** 1.28 yrs

**Average Weighted Maturity :** 4.27

**Yield To Maturity :** 5.06%

**Standard Deviation (3y) :** 3.64

**3y Beta :** 1.65

**Number of Holdings :** 721

PORTFOLIO MANAGER(S)

Leopold Lansing  
Simon Blundell  
Joseph Di Censo  
Rekesh Varsani

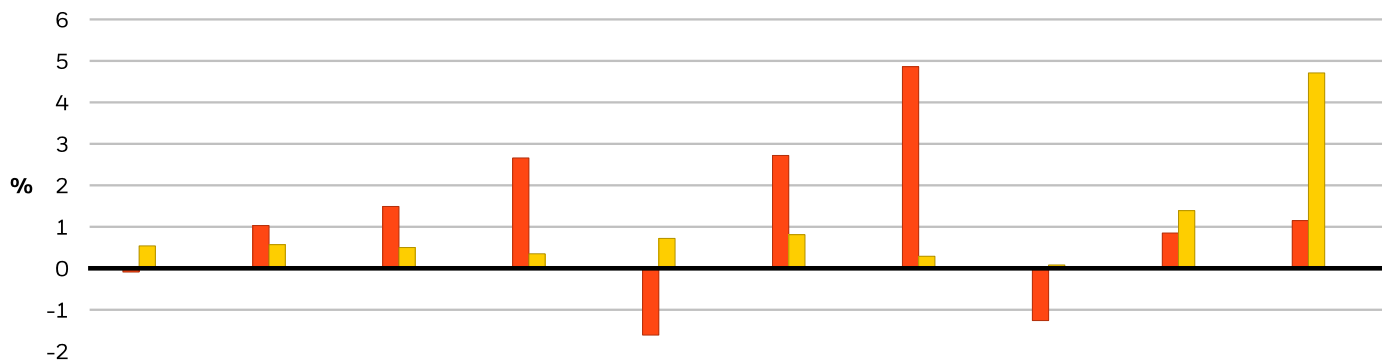
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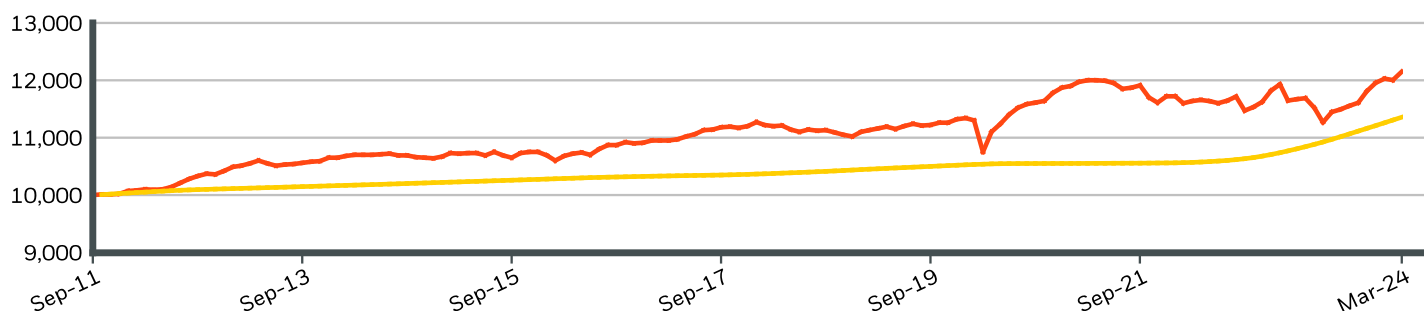
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#### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE



	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Share Class	-0.09	1.03	1.49	2.66	-1.61	2.72	4.86	-1.26	0.85	1.15
Comparator <sup>†1</sup>	0.54	0.57	0.50	0.35	0.72	0.81	0.29	0.08	1.39	4.71

#### GROWTH OF HYPOTHETICAL 10,000 GBP SINCE INCEPTION



#### CUMULATIVE & ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE

	CUMULATIVE (%)					ANNUALISED (% p.a.)		
	1m	3m	6m	YTD	1y	3y	5y	Since Inception
Share Class	1.22	1.62	5.16	1.62	4.10	0.41	1.71	1.57
Comparator <sup>†1</sup>	0.44	1.30	2.63	1.30	5.09	2.48	1.66	1.02

The figures shown relate to past performance. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of current or future performance and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product or strategy. Share Class and Benchmark performance displayed in GBP, hedged share class benchmark performance is displayed in GBP. Performance is shown on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, with gross income reinvested where applicable. The return of your investment may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation. **Source:** BlackRock

■ Share Class      BlackRock Absolute Return Bond Fund Class D British Pound  
■ Comparator<sup>†1</sup>      3 month SONIA Compounded in Arrears

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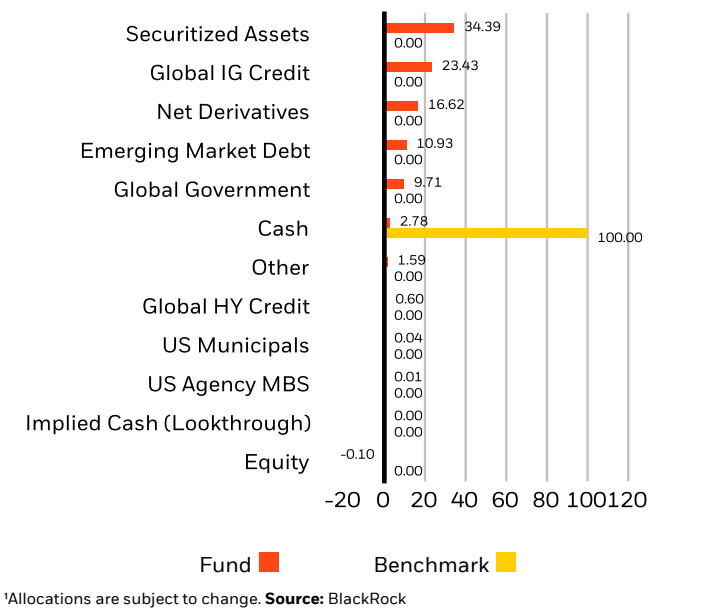


TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)

ISHARES CORPORATE BOND 0-5YR UCIT	5.31%
BSF EM FLEXI DYNAMIC BD FD X2 USD	4.85%
NATWEST GROUP PLC MTN RegS 3.622 08/14/2030	1.86%
BABCOCK INTERNATIONAL GROUP PLC MTN RegS 1.875 10/05/2026	1.27%
FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY LLC MTN 4.535 03/06/2025	1.13%
TOTALENERGIES SE MTN RegS 1.75 12/31/2079	0.97%
TRATON FINANCE LUXEMBOURG SA MTN RegS 5.625 01/16/2029	0.96%
BP CAPITAL MARKETS PLC NC6 RegS 3.25 12/31/2079	0.96%
JAPAN (GOVERNMENT OF) 30YR #81 1.6 12/20/2053	0.93%
GLENCORE FINANCE (EUROPE) LTD MTN RegS 3.125 03/26/2026	0.92%
<b>Total of Portfolio</b>	<b>19.16%</b>

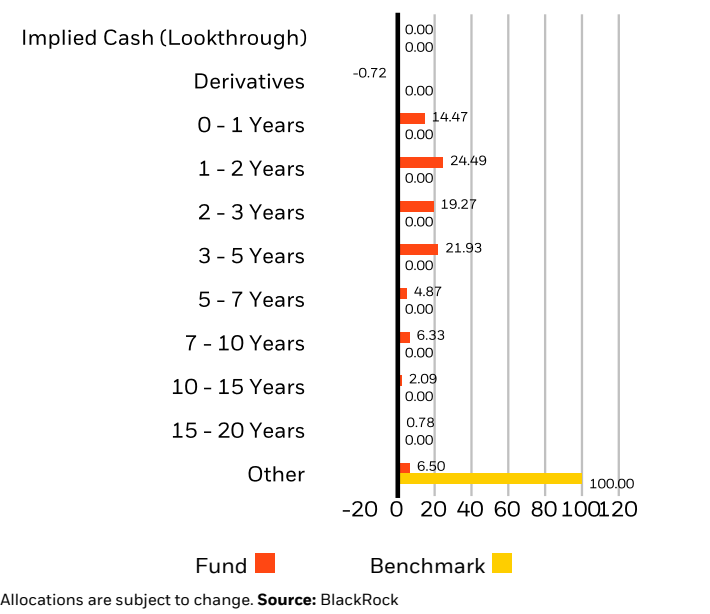
Holdings subject to change

SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)



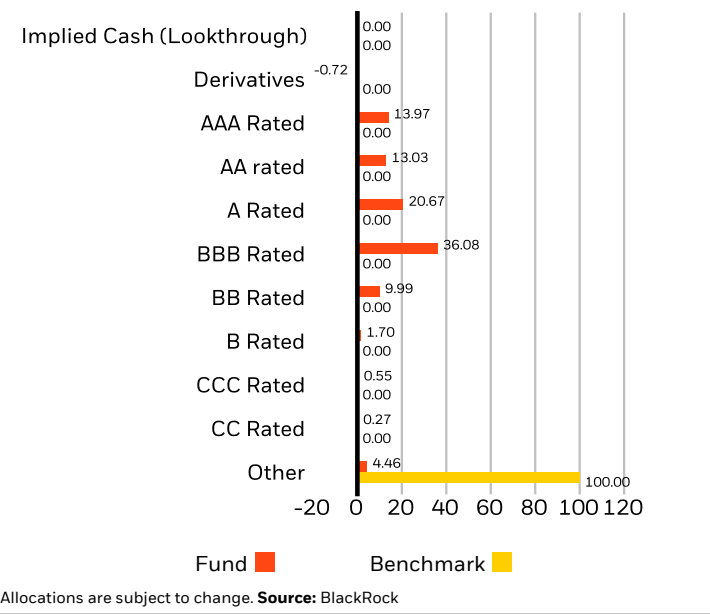
Allocations are subject to change. Source: BlackRock

MATURITY BREAKDOWN (%)



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CREDIT RATINGS (%)



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#### GLOSSARY

**MSCI ESG % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which the MSCI ESG ratings data is available. The MSCI ESG Fund Rating, MSCI ESG Quality Score, and MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile metrics are displayed for funds with at least 65% coverage.

**Effective Duration:** Effective duration is a measure of a fund's interest-rate sensitivity. Put simply, the longer a fund's duration, the more sensitive the fund is to shifts in interest rates. So a fund with a duration of 10 years is twice as volatile as a fund with a five-year duration.

**MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC):** The MSCI ESG Rating is calculated as a direct mapping of ESG Quality Scores to letter rating categories (e.g. AAA = 8.6-10). The ESG Ratings range from leader (AAA, AA), average (A, BBB, BB) to laggard (B, CCC).

**MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile:** The fund's ESG Percentile compared to its Lipper peer group.

**MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which MSCI Carbon Intensity data is available. The MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity metric is displayed for funds with any coverage. Funds with low coverage may not fully represent the fund's carbon characteristics given the lack of coverage.

**Funds in Peer Group:** The number of funds from the relevant Lipper Global Classification peer group that are also in ESG coverage.

**Fund Lipper Global Classification:** The fund peer group as defined by the Lipper Global Classification.

**MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10):** The MSCI ESG Quality Score (0 - 10) for funds is calculated using the weighted average of the ESG scores of fund holdings. The Score also considers ESG Rating trend of holdings and the fund exposure to holdings in the laggard category. MSCI rates underlying holdings according to their exposure to industry specific ESG risks and their ability to manage those risks relative to peers.

**MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES):** Measures a fund's exposure to carbon intensive companies. This figure represents the estimated greenhouse gas emissions per \$1 million in sales across the fund's holdings. This allows for comparisons between funds of different sizes.

**Yield to Maturity:** Yield to Maturity (YTM) is the discount rate that equates the present value of bond's cash flows with its market price (including accrued interest). The fund YTM is the weighted average of fund's individual bond holding YTMs based upon Net Asset Value ('NAV'). The measure does not include fees and expenses. For callable bonds, YTM is the Yield-to-Worst.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

The Ongoing Charge may be discounted depending on the size of the fund.

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