

## Western Asset Management

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Style: US Taxable Core  
Sub-Style: Intermediate Taxable Corporate  
Firm AUM: \$446.1 billion<sup>^</sup>  
Firm Strategy AUM: \$249.4 million<sup>^^</sup>

Year Founded: 1971  
GIMA Status: Approved  
Firm Ownership: Legg Mason, Inc.  
Professional-Staff: 168

### PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Western Asset believes ladders are a discipline that allows an investor to create a stream of income and keep pace with changes in interest rates. Professional management provides access to inventory and competitively priced securities, while credit monitoring provides opportunities to allocate across the full range of investment grade securities to enhance income. Corporate Bond Ladders are assembled utilizing Western Asset's in-depth bond research. The Firm seeks to add significant value by analyzing sectors and issues. Initial portfolio candidates and reinvestment opportunities are based on the current valuation of specific issues on a buy list maintained by the long tenured SMA team, in conjunction with the Firm's investment grade research analysts. All cash flows are thoughtfully reinvested across sectors and issues, seeking to maintain attractive income and ensure diversification. Western Asset's in-depth research process provides us the ability to seek yield across the entire investment grade rating spectrum.

### TARGET PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Number of bond holdings:	0
Average credit quality:	A
Average maturity:	5.00
Average duration:	4.38
Average coupon:	3.30
Average turnover rate:	10 to 10%

### PORTFOLIO STATISTICS

	-----03/18-----	09/17
	Western Asset	Index*** Western Asset
Number of bond holdings	—	40
SEC Yield	—	—
Avg credit quality	A	A
Avg maturity	5 yrs.	5.01 yrs.
Avg duration	4.38 yrs.	4.4 yrs.
Avg coupon	3.3%	3.4%

### FIXED INCOME SECTOR DISTRIBUTION (%) <sup>+</sup>

	03/18	12/17	09/17	06/17
Industrials <sup>1</sup>	0.00	64.09	64.96	64.99
Financials <sup>1</sup>		33.40	32.62	32.52
Medium capitalization <sup>1</sup>		2.51	2.42	2.50
FIN	32.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
IND	65.02			
UTIL	2.49			

<sup>^</sup>As of 09/30/2015. Information as of 03/31/2018 is not yet available.

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<sup>1</sup>High Grade Corporates

## MANAGER'S INVESTMENT PROCESS

- The strategy looks to minimize rate risk through a "laddered" portfolio purchasing corporate bonds maturing at regular intervals. This is a structured approach purchasing securities intending to hold until maturity and reinvesting into new portfolio candidates at the longest maturity rung of the ladder.
- Coupon income is reinvested or may be withdrawn. Roughly 40 individual issues with approximately one bond maturing each quarter over the 1-10 year period provides reinvestment opportunities. Coupon income if not withdrawn is picked up each quarter along with the maturing bond and reinvested into a new ten year security
- Portfolios are diversified among sectors and issuers with a minimum credit rating of BBB. Issues are monitored by credit teams for their ability to pay coupons and proceeds at maturity. Credit concerns would prompt a replacement security being identified. Sector team views are incorporated into picking reinvestment candidates and to maintain diversification among industries, issuers and credit quality.
- Ladder portfolios are a structured approach and intend to be buy and hold and don't reflect the Firm's macro views on duration and yield curve instead have a constant maturity and is essentially neutral on the future path of interest rates. As rates rise quarterly reinvestment opportunities at higher rates gradually shift the income potential higher and as rates decline the longer ends of the ladder serve to preserve purchasing power continuing to earn a higher yield than current market rates.
- Return objective is to provide attractive market level income and preservation of principal. Unless a bond is sold for credit concern, gains and losses (on an amortized basis) will not be realized as bonds are intended to be held to maturity.

## RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Investing in securities entails risks, including: Fixed Income securities may be sensitive to changes in prevailing interest rates. When rates rise the value generally declines. There is no assurance that the private guarantors or insurers will meet their obligations. U.S. Treasuries are guaranteed by the U.S. government and, if held to maturity, offer a fixed rate of return and fixed principal value. Growth investing does not guarantee a profit or eliminate risk. The stocks of these companies can have relatively high valuations. Because of these high valuations, an investment in a growth stock can be more risky than an investment in a company with more modest growth expectations. Value investing does not guarantee a profit or eliminate risk. Not all companies whose stocks are considered to be value stocks are able to turn their business around or successfully employ corrective strategies which would result in stock prices that do not rise as initially expected.

## PORTFOLIO'S MATURITY STRUCTURE (%) \*

	03/18	12/17	09/17	06/17
0 to 2 Years	19.97	20.32	19.79	19.84
2 to 4 Years	19.98	20.18	19.86	19.91
4 to 6 Years	20.01	20.56	20.08	20.03
6 to 8 Years	22.50	20.70	20.19	17.54
8 to 12 Years	17.55	18.23	20.08	22.69
12 to 17 Years	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Over 17 Years	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash/Cash Equivalents	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

## PORTFOLIO'S CREDIT QUALITY STRUCTURE (%) \*

## Investment Grade

	03/18	12/17	09/17	06/17
AAA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AA	12.50	10.13	12.38	14.86
A	64.98	66.74	65.19	65.12
BBB	22.52	23.13	22.43	20.02

## Below Investment Grade

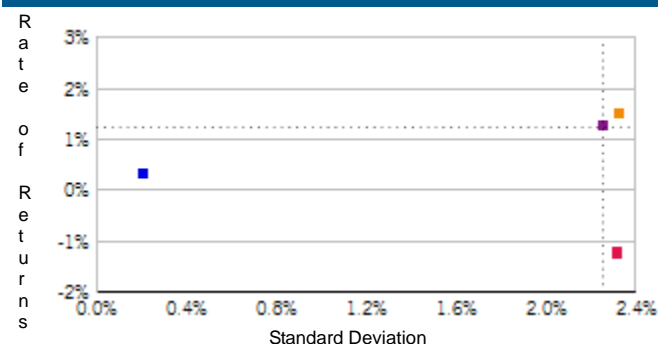
BB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Below B	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Not Rated	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash/Cash Equivalents	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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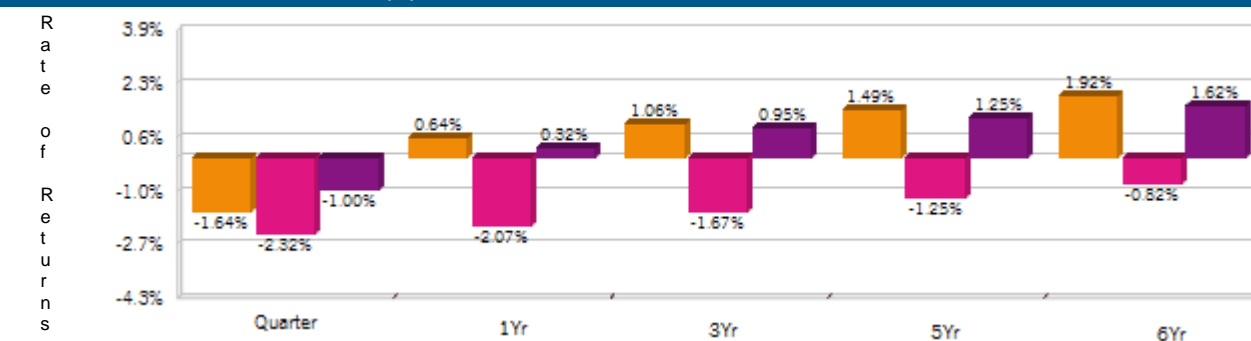
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## RISK/RETURN ANALYSIS - 5 YEARS ENDING 03/31/18



	STD	ROR
Western Asset (Gross)	2.33	1.49
Western Asset (Net)	2.32	-1.25
BC US Gov/Corp Intm	2.26	1.25
90-Day T-Bills	0.21	0.31

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN (%) - PERIODS ENDING 03/31/18

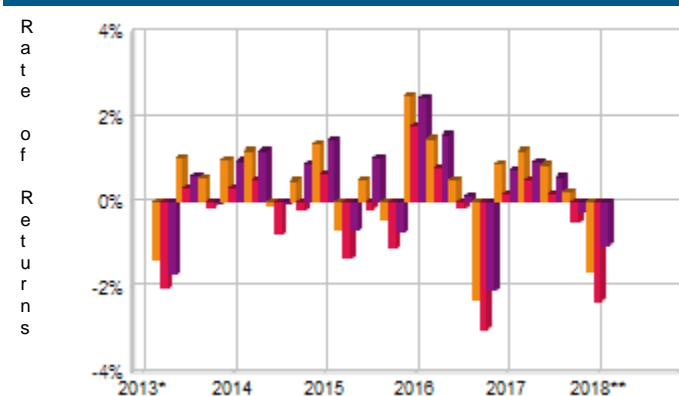


## INVESTMENT RESULTS

	Annual Rates of Return (%)						6 Year - Ending 03/31/18		
	2011*	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Annual	Std. Dev.
Western Asset (Gross)	0.90	5.88	0.71	2.66	0.83	2.18	3.23	1.92	2.27
Western Asset (Net)	0.22	3.05	-2.00	-0.10	-1.89	-0.57	0.45	-0.82	2.26
BC US Gov/Corp Intm	0.90	3.79	-0.84	3.10	1.14	2.08	2.10	1.62	2.14

\*12/01/2011-12/31/2011

## RISK VOLATILITY (%)



\*04/01/13-12/31/13

\*\*01/01/18-03/31/18

	Number Of	Up Qtrs.	Down
Western Asset (Gross)	14	6	
Western Asset (Net)	9	11	
BC US Gov/Corp Intm	12	8	

## PORTFOLIO'S QUARTERLY RETURNS (%)

	Quarter1		Quarter2		Quarter3		Quarter4	
	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
2011							0.90	0.22
2012	2.16	1.47	0.57	-0.11	2.37	1.68	0.67	-0.01
2013	0.47	-0.22	-1.34	-2.01	1.03	0.34	0.57	-0.11
2014	1.01	0.33	1.20	0.52	-0.07	-0.76	0.50	-0.18
2015	1.36	0.68	-0.64	-1.32	0.53	-0.16	-0.41	-1.09
2016	2.51	1.81	1.49	0.80	0.54	-0.14	-2.31	-2.98
2017	0.89	0.20	1.20	0.52	0.87	0.19	0.23	-0.45
2018	-1.64	-2.32						

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PORTFOLIO'S RISK STATISTICS -  
ENDING 03/31/18 <sup>1 2</sup>

	3 Year	5 Year
Standard Deviation	2.69%	2.33%
Standard Deviation of Primary Benchmark	2.48%	2.26%
Sharpe Ratio	0.21	0.51
Sharpe Ratio of Primary Benchmark	0.18	0.42
Alpha	0.09%	0.24%
Beta	1.05	0.99
Downside Risk	0.52%	0.44%
R-Squared	0.94	0.92
Tracking Error	0.69%	0.67%
Information Ratio	0.16	0.35

PORTFOLIO DIVERSIFICATION - R<sup>2</sup>(INCEPTION THROUGH 12/14)+

	R <sup>2</sup>
Western Asset vs. BC US Gov/Corp Intm	0.87

+Statistics are calculated using gross of fee performance only.

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2. BC US Gov/Corp Intm was used as the primary benchmark and the 90-Day T-Bills Index as the risk-free benchmark.

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## INDEX DESCRIPTIONS

### 90-Day T-Bills

The 90-Day Treasury Bill is a short-term obligation issued by the United States government. T-bills are purchased at a discount to the full face value, and the investor receives the full value when they mature. The difference of discount is the interest earned. T-bills are issued in denominations of \$10,000 auction and \$1,000 increments thereafter.

### BC US Gov/Corp Intm

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. This index is the Intermediate component of the U.S. Corporate Investment Grade index.

### S&P 500

The S&P 500 Total Return has been widely regarded as the best single gauge of the large cap U.S. equities market since the index was first published in 1957. The index has over \$5.58 trillion benchmarked, with index assets comprising approximately \$1.31 trillion of this total. The index includes 500 leading companies in leading industries of the U.S. economy, capturing 75% coverage of U.S. equities. This index includes dividend reinvestment.

**Indices are unmanaged and have no expenses. You cannot invest directly in an index.**

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Alpha** is a mathematical estimate of risk-adjusted return expected from a portfolio above and beyond the benchmark return at any point in time.

**American Depositary Receipts (ADRs)** are receipts for shares of a foreign-based corporation held in the vault of a U.S. bank.

**Average Portfolio Beta** is a measure of the sensitivity of a benchmark or portfolio's rates of return to changes against a market return. The market return is the S&P 500 Index. It is the coefficient measuring a stock or a portfolio's relative volatility.

**Beta** is a measure of the sensitivity of a portfolio's rates of return to changes in the market return. It is the coefficient measuring a stock or a portfolio's relative volatility.

**Bottom-Up Stock Selection** Emphasis primarily on individual stock selection. Considerations of economic and industry factors are of secondary importance in the investment decision-making process.

**Capitalization** is defined as the following: Mega (Above \$100 billion), Large (\$12 to \$100 billion), Medium (\$2.5 - \$12 billion), Small (\$.50 - \$2.5 billion) and Micro (below \$.50 billion).

**Dividend** a portion of a company's profit paid to common and preferred shareholders.



**Downside Risk** is a measure of the risk associated with achieving a specific target return. This statistic separates portfolio volatility into downside risk and upside uncertainty. The downside considers all returns below the target return, while the upside considers all returns equal to or above the target return.

**Duration** is a measure of price sensitivity expressed in years.

**High Grade Corporate Bonds** corporate bonds from issuers with credit ratings of AA or AAA.

**Information Ratio** is a measure of the investment manager's skill to add active value against a given benchmark relative to how stable that active return has been. Essentially, the information ratio explains how significant a manager's alpha is. Therefore, the higher the information ratio, the more significant the alpha.

**Investment Grade Bonds** are those rated by Standard & Poor's AAA (highest rated), AA, A or BBB (or equivalent rating by other rating agencies or, in the case of securities not rated, by the investment manager).

**Price/Book Ratio (P/B)** weighted average of the stocks' price divided by book value per share. Book value per share is defined as common equity, including intangibles, divided by shares outstanding times the adjustment factor.

**Price/Cash Flow Ratio** a ratio used to compare a company's market value to its cash flow. It is calculated by dividing the company's market cap by the company's operating cash flow in the most recent fiscal year (or the most recent four fiscal quarters); or, equivalently, divide the per-share stock price by the per-share operating cash flow.

**Price/Earnings Ratio (P/E Ratio)** shows the multiple of earnings at which a stock sells. Determined by dividing current stock price by current earnings per share (adjusted for stock splits). Earnings per share for the P/E ratio are determined by dividing earnings for past 12 months by the number of common shares outstanding. The P/E ratio shown here is calculated by the harmonic mean.

**Price/Sales Ratio** determined by dividing current stock price by revenue per share (adjusted for stock splits). Revenue per share for the P/S ratio is determined by dividing revenue for past 12 months by number of shares outstanding.

**R<sup>2</sup> (R-Squared)/Portfolio Diversification** indicates the proportion of a security's total variance that is benchmark-related or is explained by variations in the benchmark.

**Sharpe Ratio** measures the efficiency, or excess return per unit of volatility, of a manager's returns. It evaluates managers' performance on a volatility-adjusted basis.

**Standard Deviation** is a statistical measure of historical variability or spread of returns around a mathematical average return that was produced by the investment manager over a given measurement period. The higher the standard deviation, the greater the variability in the investment manager's returns relative to its average return.

**Top-Down/Economic Analysis** Emphasis primarily on macroeconomic trends as opposed to bottom-up stock selection.

**Tracking Error** represents the standard deviation of the difference between the performance of the investment strategy and the benchmark. This provides a historical measure of the variability of the investment strategy's returns relative to its benchmark.

**U.S. Treasury Bonds** a marketable, fixed interest U.S. government debt security with a maturity of more than 10 years. Treasury bonds make interest payments semi-annually and the income that holders receive is only taxed at the federal level.

**Volatility** a measure of risk based on the standard deviation of the asset return. Volatility is a variable that appears in option pricing formulas, where it denotes the volatility of the underlying asset return from now to the expiration of the option. There are volatility indexes. Such as a scale of 1-9; a higher rating means higher risk.