

## Hartford Dynamic Bond Fund

Tickers **A:** HDBAX **C:** HDBCX **F:** HDBFX **I:** HDBIX **R5:** HDBRX **R6:** HDBSX **Y:** HDBYX

Morningstar® Category Multisector Bond Inception Date 6/07/22

### Market Overview

US fixed-income markets delivered positive total returns in the fourth quarter of 2025, as policy uncertainty, fiscal developments, and divergent central-bank actions shaped the investment landscape. The US began the quarter with its longest government shutdown on record, which delayed key economic data and forced the Federal Reserve (Fed) to make policy decisions with limited visibility. The shutdown ended in mid-November, but data gaps persisted, adding to market uncertainty. US agency mortgage-backed securities (MBS), investment-grade corporate, and high-yield corporate bonds produced positive total returns. MBS and high yield outperformed duration<sup>1</sup>-equivalent US Treasuries, while investment-grade corporate bonds underperformed as spreads<sup>2</sup> widened.

### Performance Summary

- Hartford Dynamic Bond Fund (I share) generated positive total returns during the period, driven primarily by duration positioning.
- The US Treasury yield curve steepened with front-end yields lower as the Fed continued its easing cycle while long dated yields edged higher.
- Positioning within credit detracted from returns on a credit-excess-returns basis relative to duration-equivalent treasuries. Investment-grade corporate spreads widened modestly, while high yield spreads were little changed. Investment-grade corporates delivered negative excess returns whereas high-yield corporates outperformed duration-equivalent government bonds.
- Our positioning within investment-grade credit and emerging-market debt generated negative credit excess returns relative to duration-equivalent treasuries during the period. This was somewhat offset by our allocation to high yield, which generated positive credit-excess returns and was additive to performance.

### Positioning & Outlook

- The Fund maintains a significant allocation to Treasuries and cash to provide ample liquidity in the current environment. Elevated Treasury yields, historically tight credit spreads, and potential labor-market risks reinforce our view that Treasuries offer both stability and flexibility.
- Within corporate credit, we favor the intermediate segment of the investment-grade curve, which currently represents our largest allocation. Intermediate investment-grade bonds offer a compelling balance of duration, credit quality, and risk-adjusted return potential across diverse scenarios. We expect early-year issuance to create opportunities to add exposure through the primary market as companies seek to raise debt capital. At the same time, we remain selective, prioritizing higher-quality issuers over riskier credits given compressed valuations and forward-looking total return considerations.
- Looking ahead, macroeconomic conditions remain uncertain. Geopolitical risks and persistent fiscal deficits present headwinds, while declining rents and oil prices should support further moderation in inflation. We are monitoring the gradual impact of AI on growth, productivity, and labor markets, as well as policy shifts that could influence economic dynamics.

### Portfolio managers from Wellington Management and years of experience

Connor Fitzgerald, CFA, 20 years

Schuyler S. Reece, CFA, 19 years

### Top Ten Holdings (%)

U.S. Treasury Notes	53.57
U.S. Treasury Bonds	6.47
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	1.83
Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	1.65
Energy Transfer LP	1.18
Paramount Global	1.11
Mexico Government International Bonds	0.86
Oracle Corp.	0.85
Citigroup, Inc.	0.78
Southern California Edison Co.	0.75
<b>Percentage Of Portfolio</b>	<b>69.05</b>

Holdings and characteristics are subject to change. Percentages may be rounded.

<sup>1</sup>**Duration** is a measure of the sensitivity of an investment's price to nominal interest-rate movement.

<sup>2</sup>**Spreads** are the difference in yields between two fixed-income securities with the same maturity but originating from different investment sectors.

## Average Annual Total Returns (%)

Class	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI	Expenses <sup>1</sup>	
								Gross	Net
A	0.49	6.52	6.52	7.13	—	—	5.92	1.11%	1.05%
A with 4.5% Max Sales Charge	—	—	1.72	5.50	—	—	4.56	—	—
F	0.67	6.87	6.87	7.50	—	—	6.30	0.61%	0.60%
I	0.57	6.79	6.79	7.37	—	—	6.17	0.73%	0.69%
R5	0.55	6.65	6.65	7.39	—	—	6.17	0.73%	0.70%
R6	0.57	6.87	6.87	7.49	—	—	6.29	0.62%	0.60%
Y	0.55	6.74	6.74	7.38	—	—	6.19	0.71%	0.70%
Benchmark	1.10	7.30	7.30	4.66	—	—	—	—	—
Morningstar Category	1.29	7.75	7.75	7.40	—	—	—	—	—

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**Performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For more current performance information to the most recent month ended, please visit [hartfordfunds.com](http://hartfordfunds.com).**

SI = Since Inception. Fund Inception: 06/07/2022. Performance for periods of less than one year is not annualized.

Benchmark: Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index is composed of securities that cover the US investment grade fixed rate bond market, with index components for government and corporate securities, mortgage pass-through securities, and asset-backed securities. Indices are unmanaged and not available for direct investment.

<sup>1</sup>Expenses are from the Fund's most recent prospectus at the time of publication. Gross expenses do not reflect contractual expense reimbursement arrangements. Net expenses reflect such arrangements in instances when they reduce gross expenses. These arrangements remain in effect until 2/28/26 unless the Fund's Board of Directors approves an earlier termination. Without these arrangements, performance would have been lower.

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