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# US High Yield Market Update

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# AXA IM US High Yield - Performance Comparison

As of December 31, 2022

Strategy GIPS Composite		Annualized %						Strategy		Jan-23-2023	
2022	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception	AUM (\$mil)	Inception Date	Yield-to-	Worst	OAS	
Q4											
<b>AXA IM US Short Duration HY</b>											
Net Returns	<b>3.06</b>	<b>-4.98</b>	<b>0.68</b>	<b>2.23</b>	<b>2.71</b>	<b>4.66</b>	<b>\$5,494</b>	<b>30-Sep-01</b>	<b>7.05</b>	<b>279</b>	
Gross Returns	<b>3.17</b>	<b>-4.55</b>	<b>1.13</b>	<b>2.68</b>	<b>3.18</b>	<b>5.15</b>					
Strategy GIPS Composite		Annualized %						Strategy		Jan-23-2023	
2022	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception	AUM (\$mil)	Inception Date	Yield-to-	Worst	OAS	
Q4											
<b>AXA IM US Enhanced High Yield</b>											
Net Returns	<b>7.45</b>	<b>-14.84</b>	<b>-0.93</b>	---	---	<b>2.89</b>	<b>\$141</b>	<b>31-Dec-18</b>	<b>9.72</b>	<b>307</b>	
Gross Returns	<b>7.70</b>	<b>-14.01</b>	<b>0.02</b>	---	---	<b>3.87</b>					
Strategy GIPS Composite		Annualized %						Strategy		Jan-23-2023	
2022	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception	AUM (\$mil)	Inception Date	Yield-to-	Worst	OAS	
Q4											
<b>AXA IM US Core High Yield</b>											
Net Returns	<b>4.37</b>	<b>-9.55</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>2.43</b>	<b>3.97</b>	<b>6.83</b>	<b>\$2,866</b>	<b>30-Sep-01</b>	<b>8.19</b>	<b>425</b>	
Gross Returns	<b>4.50</b>	<b>-9.11</b>	<b>1.04</b>	<b>2.92</b>	<b>4.47</b>	<b>7.34</b>			<b>8.17</b>	<b>428</b>	
ICE BoA US High Yield Index	3.98	-11.22	-0.23	2.12	3.94	6.88					
Strategy GIPS Composite		Annualized %						Strategy		Jan-23-2023	
2022	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception	AUM (\$mil)	Inception Date	Yield-to-	Worst	OAS	
Q4											
<b>AXA IM US Dynamic High Yield</b>											
Net Returns	<b>4.72</b>	<b>-12.70</b>	<b>1.45</b>	<b>3.48</b>	---	<b>4.76</b>			<b>11.00</b>	<b>719</b>	
Gross Returns	<b>4.87</b>	<b>-12.17</b>	<b>2.06</b>	<b>4.10</b>	---	<b>5.39</b>	<b>\$935</b>	<b>28-Feb-14</b>	<b>8.17</b>	<b>428</b>	
ICE BoA US High Yield Index	3.98	-11.22	-0.23	2.12	3.94	3.32					

Investment in US High Yield markets involves risks including the loss of capital and some specific risks. The value of investments, and the income from them, can fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Source: AXA IM US Inc. As of Dec. 31, 2022. Performance shown gross of fees is calculated before expenses, carried interest, taxation costs and other expenses the investor may incur. An investor's return will be reduced by management fees and other expenses. Please see the Appendix for further information about the effect of management fees. Past performance is not indicative of future results. The above information presented is supplemental to the GIPS-compliant presentation included in the GIPS Disclosure Notes. No assurance can be given that the strategy will be successful or achieve its objectives.

A person in a red kayak is seen from behind, paddling on a body of water. The water is a vibrant blue-green color with white foam from the paddle strokes. In the background, there is a large, dark, rocky cliff face on the left and a smaller, more vegetated cliff on the right. The sky is bright with scattered white clouds. A large, semi-transparent white 'Z' shape is overlaid on the right side of the image.

# Market Update

# Asset Class Comparison - Performance and Yield Comparison

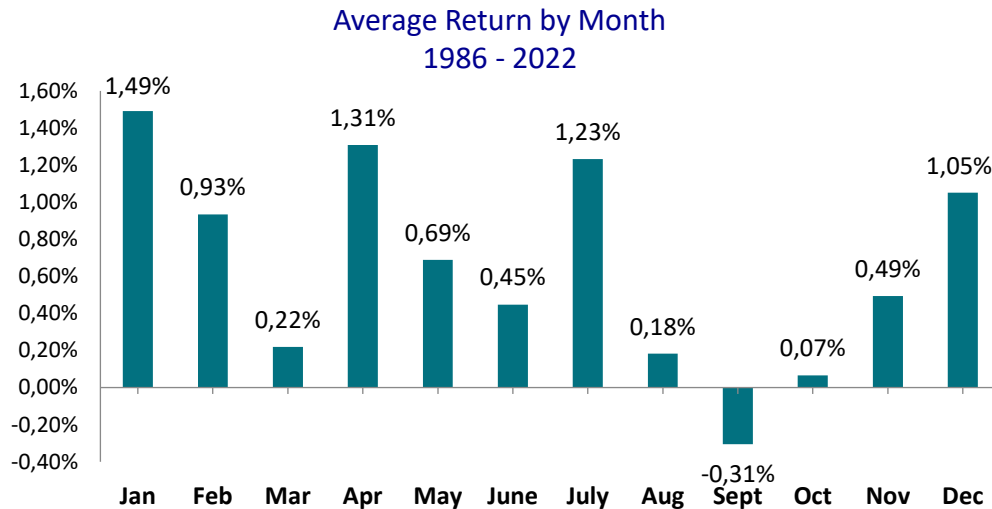
Markets rebound at the end of 2022 and into 2023

	As of December 31, 2022				As of January 20, 2023		
	2022 Total Return	2022 4Q Total Return	Yield-to-Worst	Option Adjusted Spread	2023 YTD Total Return	Yield-to-Worst	Option Adjusted Spread
<b>USD (H) Currency</b>							
Credit Suisse Lev Loan Index	-1.06	2.33	10.28	369	2.03	9.46	369
Euro High Yield Index (H USD)	-9.33	5.71	7.96	515	3.07	7.22	463
US Corporates 1-10yrs	-9.63	2.70	5.43	127	2.20	5.01	118
US High Yield BB Rated	-10.57	4.33	7.26	308	3.17	6.63	281
US High Yield B Rated	-10.58	4.33	9.34	515	3.62	8.48	461
<b>US High Yield Index</b>	<b>-11.22</b>	<b>3.98</b>	<b>8.99</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>3.58</b>	<b>8.17</b>	<b>435</b>
Euro Corporate Index (H USD)	-11.92	2.10	4.22	167	2.36	3.85	153
US Corporate Index	-15.44	3.53	5.51	138	3.38	5.08	129
US Corporates BBB Rated	-15.86	4.06	5.83	172	3.57	5.37	160
US Treasury 10 year	-16.28	0.65	3.83	N/A	2.98	3.49	4
US High Yield CCC and lower	-16.32	1.12	15.87	1170	5.25	14.13	1050
S&P 500 Index	-18.11	7.56	1.76*	N/A	3.55	1.69*	N/A
Russell 2000 Index	-20.44	6.23	1.63*	N/A	6.06	1.53*	N/A

\*12M Gross Dividend Yield

# January Effect

Historically the US High Yield market produces a positive return in January



- The positive return in January is often driven by Supply and Demand Technicals, particularly in the first 2 weeks of the month.
- Improved market sentiment as it relates to the probability and severity of a potential recession provided further strength to the US high yield market's return in January.

	High-yield return				Count		%
	Average	Median	Max	Min	Positive Return	Negative Return	Positive Return
1st half of Jan.	0.96%	0.88%	4.63%	-2.97%	18	6	75%
2nd half of Jan.	0.30%	0.22%	2.34%	-1.93%	15	9	63%

## 2023 Outlook

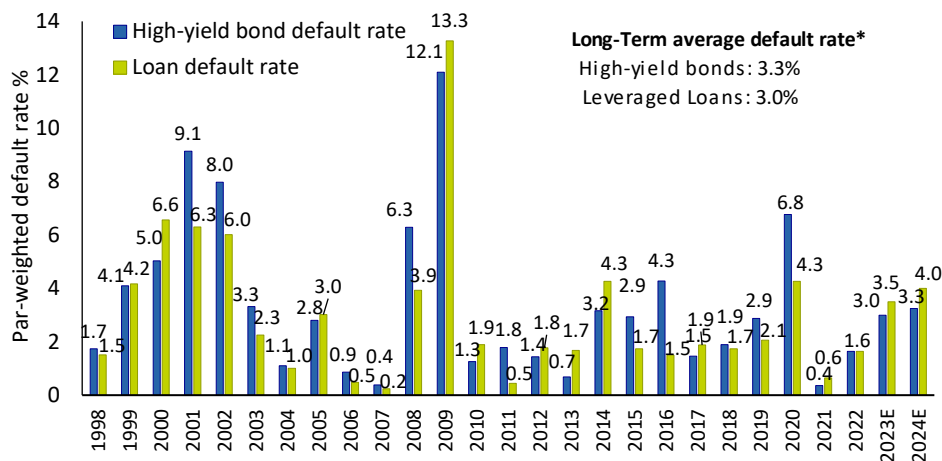
Key areas of focus include:

- 1. Central banks and their ability to fight inflation**
- 2. Default expectations and the severity of an economic downturn**
- 3. Floating rate debt exposure**
- 4. Credit rating downgrades at senior levels of capital structures**
- 5. Returns across credit quality – the potential for dispersion and decompression**
- 6. Volatility and liquidity pressures in other fixed income and risk asset classes**
- 7. Higher carry produces higher returns**

# Default Expectations

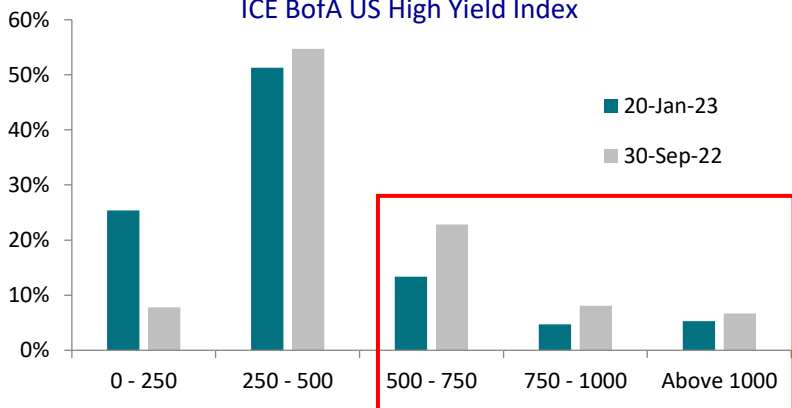
Monitoring investors expectation for defaults in 2023 and 2024

High-yield bond and loan default rates<sup>1</sup>

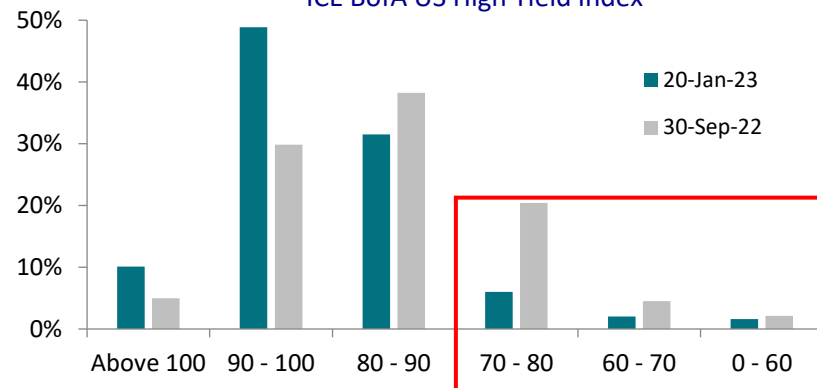


- Our bottom-up analysis of the US High Yield index projects a 2-4% default rate for 2023, on the low end of market expectations.
- Higher projections are typically the product of top-down macro models where the percentage of the market trading at distressed levels and lending standards points to higher defaults.

Market Composition by Spread  
ICE BofA US High Yield Index



Market Composition by Price  
ICE BofA US High Yield Index

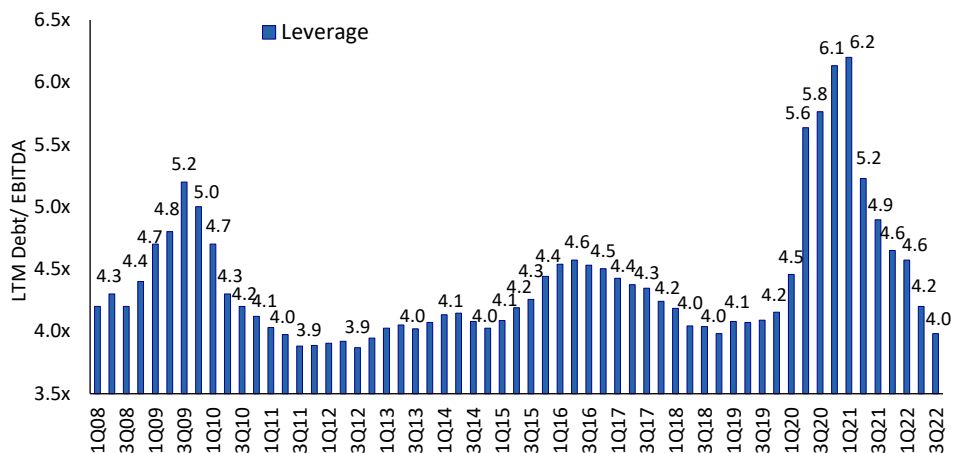


Source: J.P. Morgan: 1) Default Monitor January 3, 2023. \*High-yield bonds Long-Term default rate since 1997, Leveraged Loans Long-Term default rate since 1998. Due to the subjective aspect of these analyses, the effective evolution of the economic variables and values of the financial markets could be significantly different for the projections which are communicated in this material. For illustrative purposes only. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

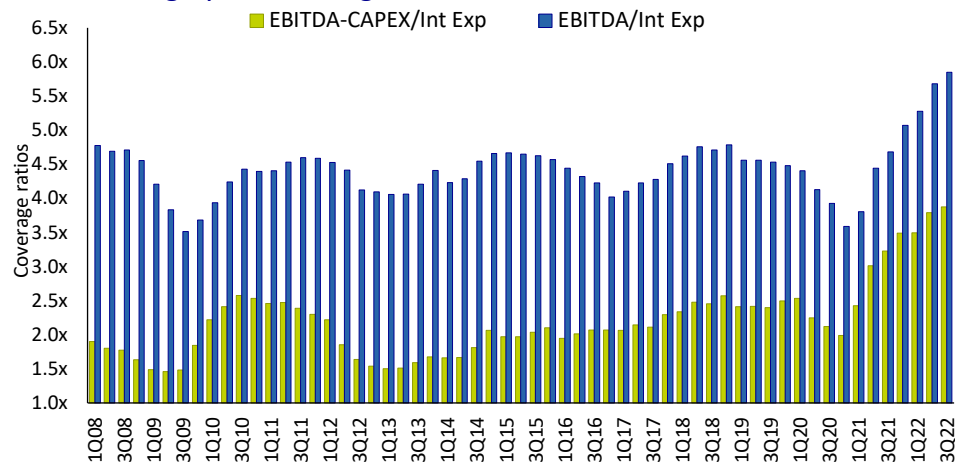
# Market Fundamentals

## Leverage and coverage metrics

### High yield leverage ratio<sup>1</sup>



### High yield coverage ratio<sup>2</sup>



### Leverage by Rating<sup>3</sup>

	Debt/EBITDA 3Q22*	Debt/EBITDA 3Q21*	Change y/y	Change y/y
<b>BB</b>	3.27x (3.08x)	4.30x (3.79x)	-1.03x	-24%
<b>B</b>	4.81x (3.98x)	6.23x (4.60x)	-1.42x	-23%
<b>CCC</b>	7.72x (6.40x)	8.03x (6.12x)	-0.31x	-4%

### Coverage by Rating<sup>3</sup>

	EBITDA/Net Interest Expense 3Q22	EBITDA/Net Interest Expense 3Q21	Change y/y	Change y/y %
<b>BB</b>	8.07x (8.59x)	6.13x (6.97x)	1.95x	32%
<b>B</b>	4.49x (5.32x)	3.39x (4.54x)	1.10x	32%
<b>CCC</b>	2.29x (2.85x)	2.04x (2.74x)	0.25x	12%

Note: Issuer ratings are computed based on weighted average debt outstanding. BB includes Split BBB and BB, B includes Split BB and B, while CCC includes Split B and CCC.

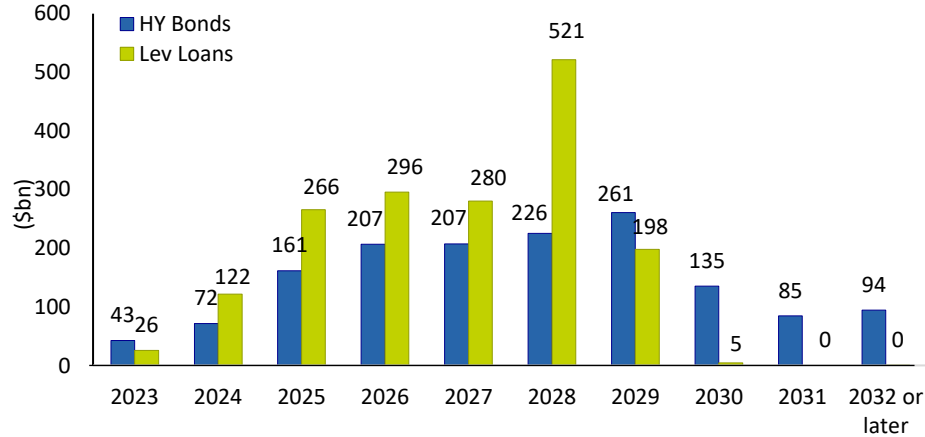
\*Numbers shown in parenthesis are excluding the Gaming/Leisure and Transportation sectors



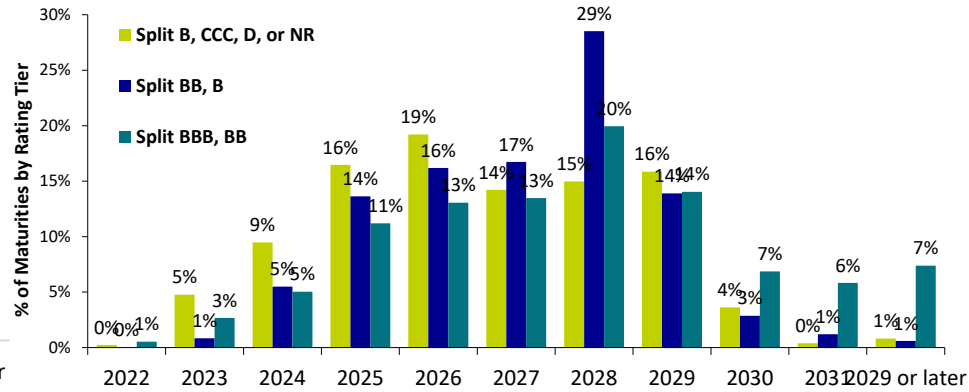
# Maturity Schedules

Maturity schedules remain manageable for most issuers

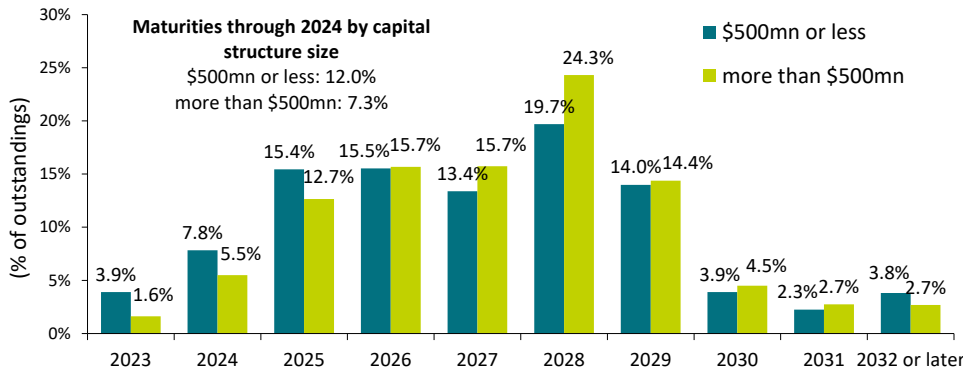
### High yield and institutional loan maturities



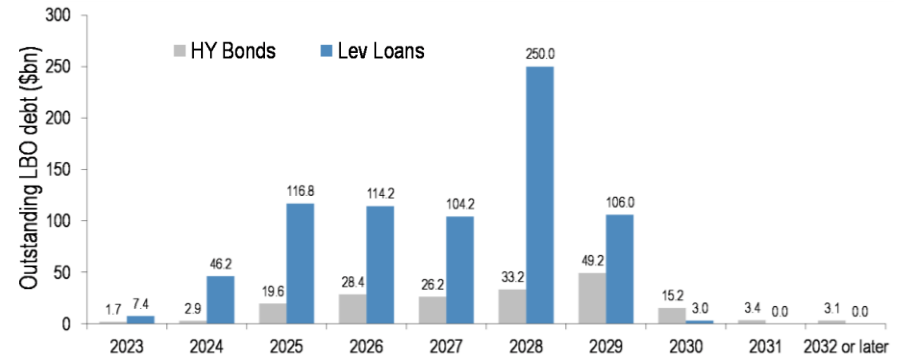
### Maturity by Rating (HY bonds and Lev Loans)



### Maturity by Capital Structure size (HY bonds and Lev Loans)



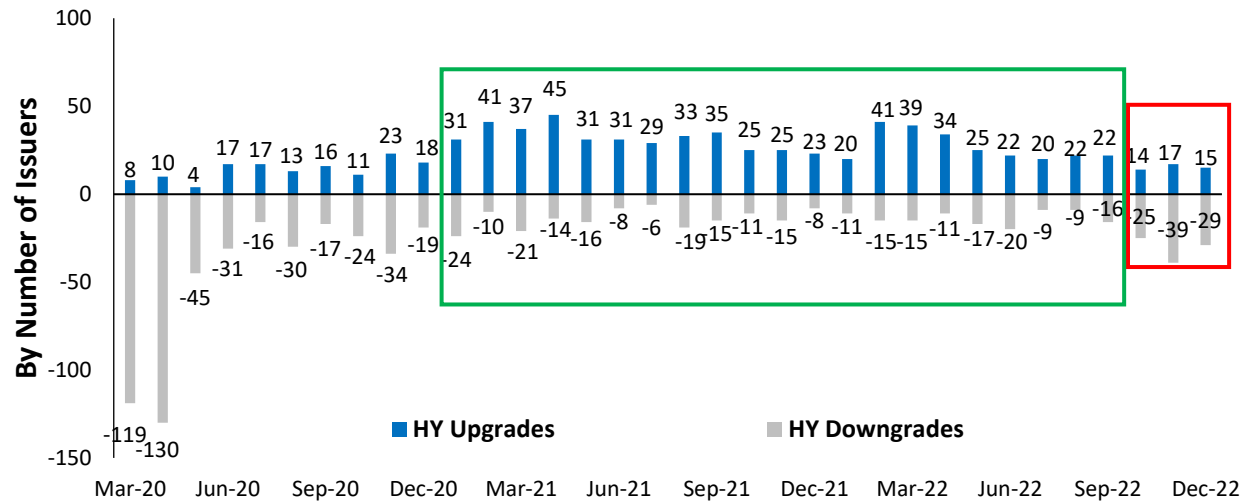
### LBO Maturity Schedule (HY bonds and Lev Loans)



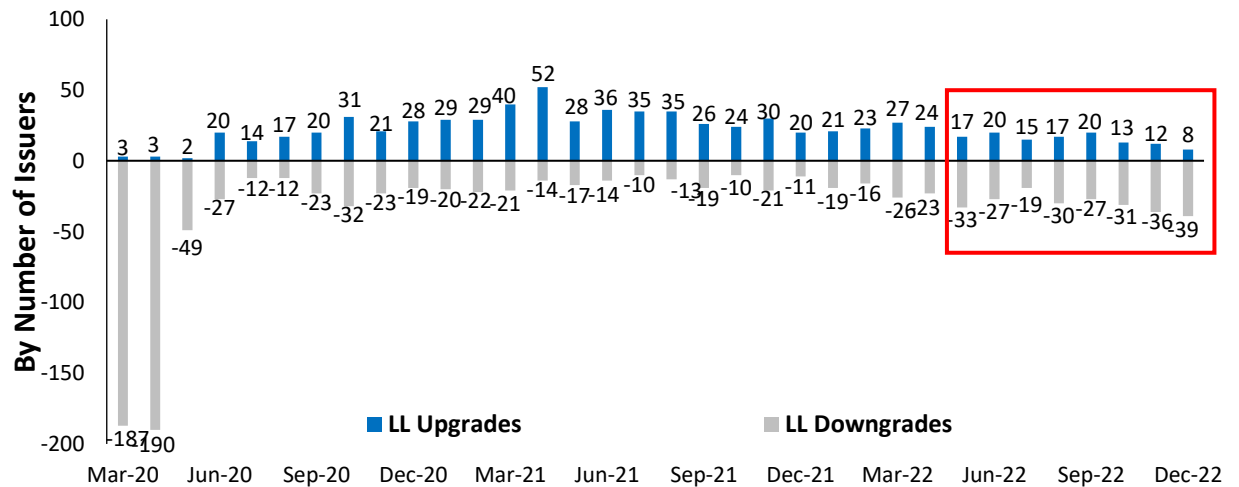
# Credit Rating Trends

## US High Yield and US Leveraged Loans

- US High Yield experienced more upgrades than downgrades from Jan-21 to Sept-22.
- However, during the last 3 months the market has experienced more downgrades than upgrades.



- The US Leverage Loan market has experienced 8 consecutive months where downgrades have exceeded upgrades.
- Key focus in this market will be the downgrades from single B to triple C ratings.



# Higher Returns Follow Higher Yields

## ICE US High Yield Index (H0A0)

Year	YTW at beginning of year	Annual Return (%)	Year	YTW at beginning of year	Annual Return (%)
2000	11.02	-5.12	2012	8.09	15.58
2001	14.14	4.48	2013	6.11	7.42
2002	12.67	-1.89	2014	5.67	2.5
2003	11.9	28.15	2015	6.65	-4.64
2004	7.56	10.87	2016	8.76	17.49
2005	6.93	2.74	2017	6.17	7.48
2006	8.24	11.77	2018	5.84	-2.27
2007	7.75	2.19	2019	7.95	14.41
2008	9.61	-26.39	2020	5.41	6.17
2009	19.43	57.51	2021	4.24	5.36
2010	8.83	15.19	2022	4.32	-11.22
2011	7.38	4.38	2023	8.99	???

### Since 1999:

- The US high yield market has **never experienced back-to-back calendar years of negative returns.**
- **Following years with negative returns, the average return in the next year was +24.4%.**
- **Following negative returning years, the next year had double-digit returns 80% of the time.**
- When the Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> yield-to-worst of the preceding year was greater than 8%, **only three years (2000, 2002 and 2008) followed with a negative return**
- Seasonality: **January returns have been positive 83% of the time.**



# Update on AXA IM US High Yield Strategies

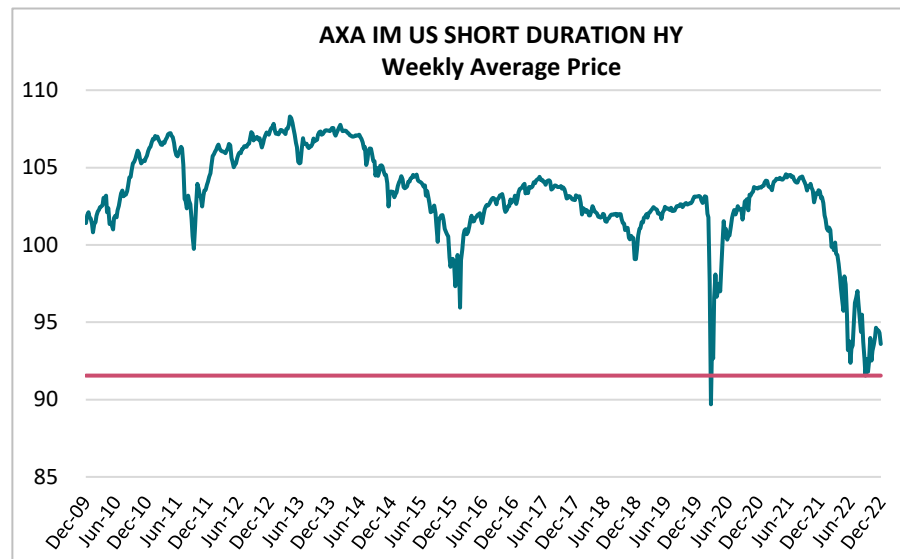
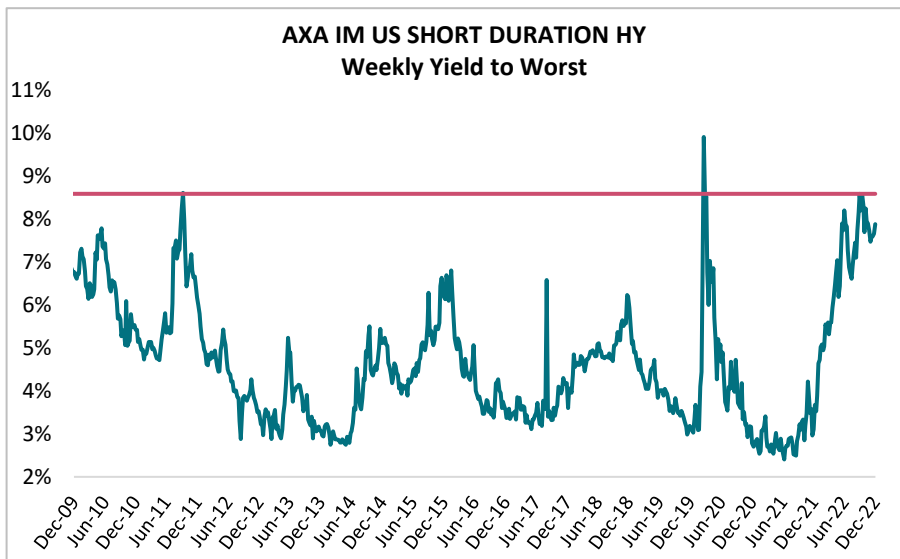
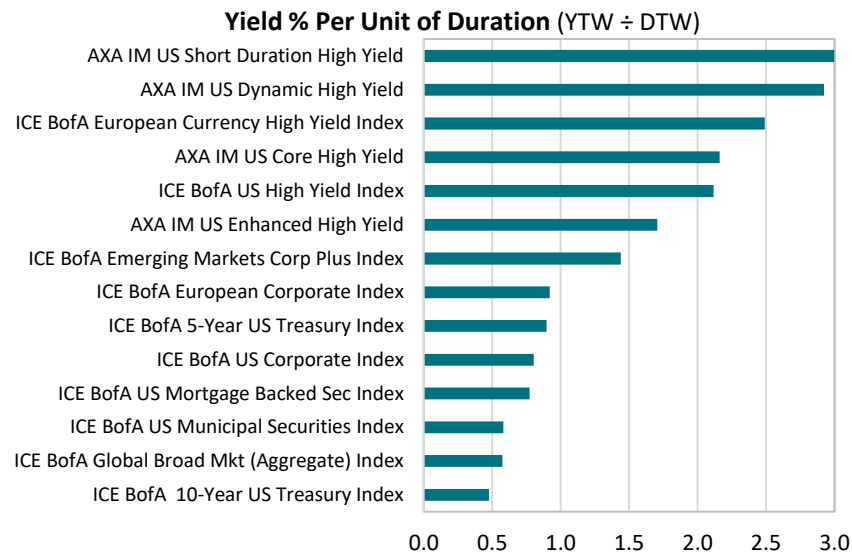
# US Short Duration High Yield

Yield-to-worst near highest since the Credit Crisis

As of December month-end, US SDHY was capturing almost 90% of the yield-to-worst of the broad US high yield market.

Since the 2008-2009 Credit Crisis, there were only:

- **2 other (brief) periods where SDHY had higher yields:**
  - Late Sept/early Oct. 2011: US downgrade
  - Late Mar/ early April 2020: Onset of the pandemic
- **1 week where SDHY had a lower average price :**
  - Late March 2020: Onset of pandemic



# Summary Statistics

## AXA IM Short Duration HY Strategy – December 31, 2022

ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT (\$millions)	
Representative Portfolio	\$3,811
US SD High Yld Strategy	\$6,408

CHARACTERISTICS	AXA IM	Index
Ave Years to Maturity	3.1	5.5
Yield to Maturity	7.89%	9.01%
Yield To Worst	7.88%	8.99%
Current Yield	5.91%	6.78%
Duration To Worst	2.6	4.2
Average Coupon	5.52%	5.77%
Option Adjusted Spread	347	481
Duration Times Spread	8.6	18.2
Average Price	94	86
Cash Position	4.1%	N/A
Number of Issuers	131	905
Number of Positions	183	1928
Average ML Rating	B1	B1

DATA AS OF	12/31/2022
INDEX	ICE BofA ML US HY Index

ICE BofA ML RATING	AXA IM	Index
AAA Holdings	2.6%	0.0%
BBB Holdings	1.7%	0.0%
BB Holdings	45.4%	50.8%
B Holdings	40.3%	38.4%
CCC or Under	8.1%	10.9%
Not Rated	1.8%	0.0%

YEARS TO MATURITY	AXA IM	Index
Less than 1 Year	3.4%	0.0%
1-3 Years	45.5%	16.5%
3-5 Years	50.8%	29.7%
5-7 Years	0.3%	32.7%
7-10 Years	0.0%	17.4%
Over 10 Years	0.0%	3.7%

ICE BofA ML SECTOR	AXA IM	Index	AXA/ Index
Services	17.0%	6.6%	257%
Media	10.0%	9.0%	111%
Consumer Goods	8.2%	3.8%	216%
Real Estate	8.1%	4.0%	203%
Capital Goods	7.5%	6.6%	114%
Technology & Electronics	6.3%	5.2%	120%
Leisure	6.0%	7.8%	77%
Healthcare	6.0%	7.7%	78%
Basic Industry	5.9%	7.8%	76%
Financial Services	5.1%	5.1%	101%
Retail	5.0%	5.4%	94%
Energy	4.7%	12.2%	39%
Telecommunications	4.3%	6.5%	66%
U.S. Treasuries	2.6%	0.0%	N/A
Automotive	1.5%	4.4%	34%
Transportation	1.0%	2.3%	44%
Insurance	0.6%	1.6%	41%
Banking	0.0%	0.9%	0%

TOP FIVE SECURITIES	Coupon (%)	Maturity	ICE BofA Rating	Issue Size (\$MM)	ICE BofA ML Industry	Current Price	Yield to Worst (%)	Duration to Worst	% of Portfolio
IRB Holding Corp.	7.000	6/15/2025	B2	750	Restaurants	99.75	7.11	2.2	1.5
CD&R Smokey Buyer, Inc.	6.750	7/15/2025	B3	625	Personal & Household Products	85.81	13.53	2.1	1.3
BWAY Holding Co., Inc.	5.500	4/15/2024	B3	1,480	Packaging	97.22	7.80	1.2	1.3
B&G Foods, Inc.	5.250	4/01/2025	CCC1	500	Food - Wholesale	87.69	11.61	2.0	1.3
CommScope Finance LLC	6.000	3/01/2026	B2	1,500	Tech Hardware & Equipment	91.91	8.99	2.7	1.3

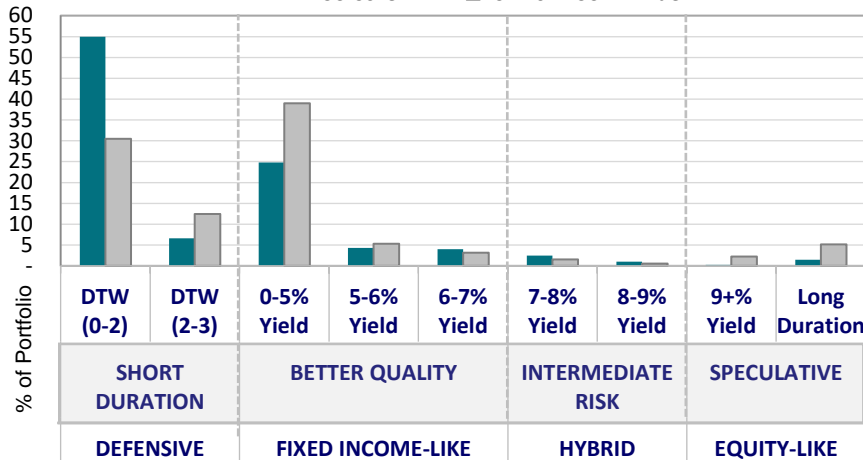
# US Core High Yield Top-Down Risk Positioning

## Actively managed using custom market segmentation

- ▶ Macro positioning of our US Core High Yield strategy has evolved over the past year.
- ▶ At the end of 3Q 2021, the strategy had a more defensive positioning, with a significant overweight to shorter duration securities that resulted in a duration of 2.5 compared to the benchmark's duration of 3.9.
- ▶ At the end of 2021 and throughout 2022, we have allowed the short duration overweight to decline, making room for securities with longer maturities which are now attractively priced. This has resulted in a macro positioning that is more in-line with the benchmark from a duration and yield standpoint.

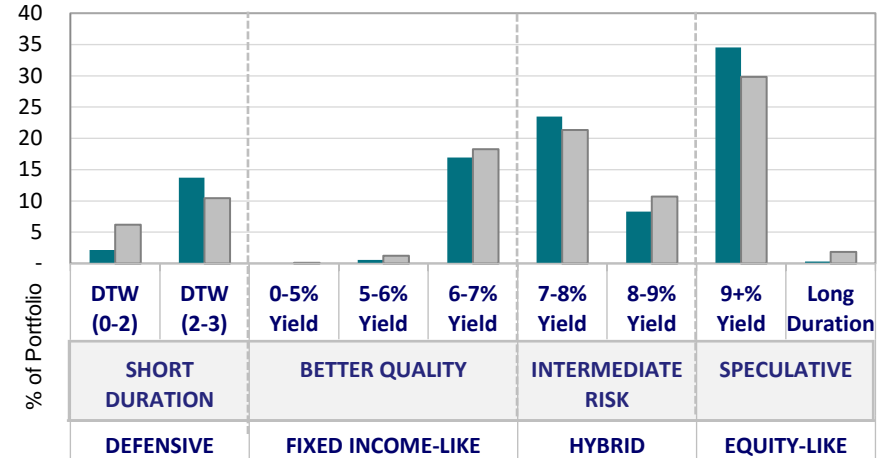
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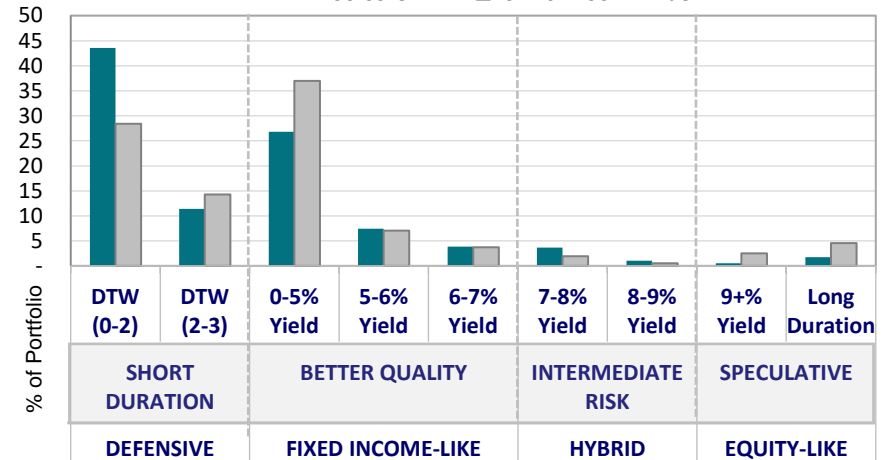
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DTW = duration-to-worst

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## AXA IM Core HY Strategy – December 31, 2022

CHARACTERISTICS	AXA IM	Index
Years to Maturity	5.3	5.5
Yield to Maturity	9.06%	9.01%
Yield To Worst	9.06%	8.99%
Current Yield	6.93%	6.78%
Duration To Worst	4.2	4.2
Average Coupon	6.03%	5.77%
Option Adjusted Spread	485	481
Duration Times Spread	18.1	18.2
Average Price	87	86
Cash Position	3.6%	N/A
Number of Issuers	200	905
Number of Positions	254	1928
Average ML Rating	B2	B1

MATURITY	AXA IM	Index
Less Than 1 Year	0.0%	0.0%
1 - 3 Years	14.5%	16.5%
3 - 5 Years	31.9%	29.7%
5 - 7 Years	34.9%	32.7%
7 - 10 Years	17.3%	17.4%
Over 10 Years	1.4%	3.7%

DATA AS OF	12/31/2022	
<b>ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT (\$millions)</b>		
Representative Portfolio*	\$1,957	
US Core HY Strategy	\$5,582	
<b>ICE BofA ML RATING</b>		
AAA Holdings	0.0%	0.0%
BBB Holdings	0.4%	0.0%
BB Holdings	29.9%	50.8%
B Holdings	50.2%	38.4%
CCC or Under	18.5%	10.9%
Not Rated	0.9%	0.0%

DURATION TO WORST	AXA IM	Index
Less Than 1	0.0%	0.5%
1 - 3	25.4%	26.1%
3 - 5	43.2%	41.6%
5 - 7	28.4%	27.0%
7 - 10	2.6%	3.2%
Over 10	0.3%	1.6%

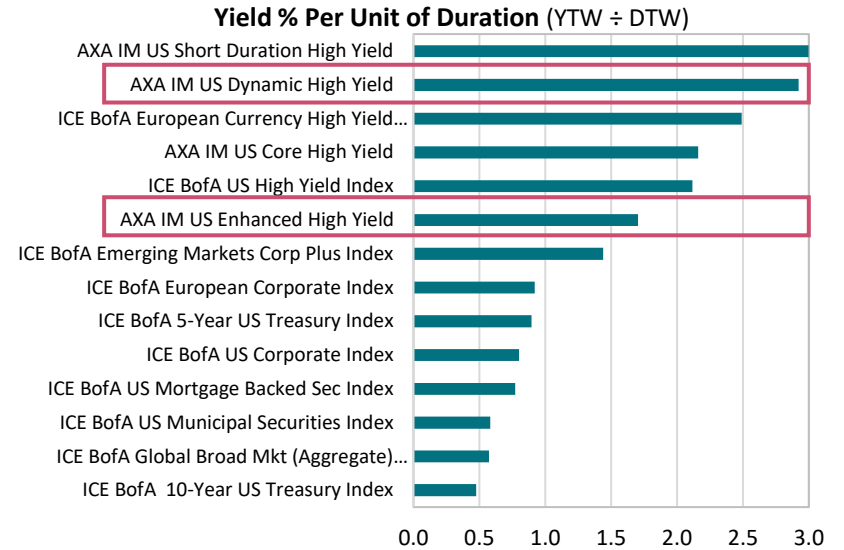
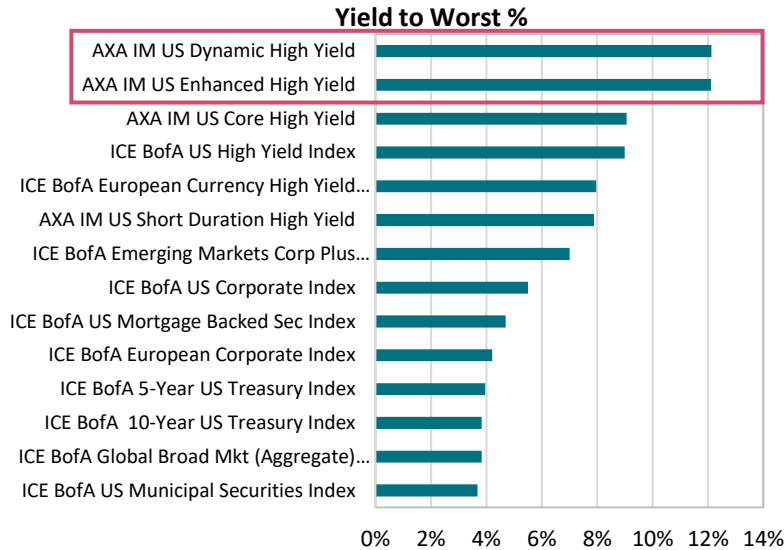
INDEX	ICE BofA ML US High Yield		
ICE BofA ML SECTOR	AXA IM	Index	AXA / Index
Services	12.4%	6.6%	186%
Energy	11.4%	12.2%	93%
Healthcare	10.2%	7.7%	133%
Technology & Electronics	9.8%	5.2%	188%
Media	9.8%	9.0%	108%
Basic Industry	8.5%	7.8%	108%
Leisure	6.8%	7.8%	88%
Capital Goods	6.5%	6.6%	99%
Consumer Goods	5.7%	3.8%	150%
Telecommunications	4.4%	6.5%	67%
Financial Services	3.8%	5.1%	74%
Retail	3.5%	5.4%	66%
Real Estate	3.3%	4.0%	82%
Insurance	1.3%	1.6%	84%
Transportation	1.3%	2.3%	57%
Automotive	1.2%	4.4%	28%
Banking	0.0%	0.9%	0%
Utility	0.0%	3.1%	0%

TOP 5 SECURITIES	Coupon (%)	Maturity	ICE BofA Rating	Issue Size	ICE BofA ML Industry	Current Price	Yield to Worst %	Duration to Worst	% of Portfolio
Matthew s International	5.250	12/01/2025	B2	300	Support-Services	94.25	7.48	2.6	1.1
Getty Images, Inc.	9.750	3/01/2027	B3	300	Advertising	98.71	10.13	3.2	1.1
Watco Companies, Inc.	6.500	6/15/2027	CCC1	500	Rail	95.00	7.85	3.8	0.9
Verscend Escrow Corp.	9.750	8/15/2026	CCC1	1,100	Health Services	97.97	10.43	2.9	0.9
Illuminate Buyer LLC	9.000	7/01/2028	CCC1	460	Chemicals	83.72	13.26	4.1	0.9



# US Enhanced High Yield and US Dynamic High Yield

Two liquid alternative options for return-seeking clients looking for a complement to, or replacement to equity



# Summary Overview

## US Enhanced High Yield Strategy

### PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW - Enhanced High Yield

Portfolio Total AUM	\$147,022,563
Portfolio Total AUM Ex Cash	\$144,414,767
Gross Exposure Ex Cash	\$368,069,140
Gross Exposure (%)	255%
Cost of Financing (SOFR + 130bps)	5.60%
Cash Position	1.7%

### CHARACTERISTICS

	Levered	Unlevered	SDHY	Index
Years to Maturity		3.3	3.1	5.5
Yield to Maturity	12.14% <sup>1</sup>	8.17%	7.89%	9.01%
Yield To Worst	12.11% <sup>1</sup>	8.15%	7.88%	8.99%
Current Yield	7.15% <sup>1</sup>	6.21%	5.91%	6.78%
Duration To Worst	7.1 <sup>2</sup>	2.8	2.6	4.2
Average Coupon		5.78%	5.52%	5.77%
Option Adjusted Spread		374	347	481
Duration Times Spread		9.3	8.6	18.2
Average Price		93	94	86
Number of Issuers		118	131	905
Number of Issues		159	183	1928

### Index ICE BofA ML US High Yield

ICE BofA ML RATING	ENH HY	SDHY	Index
A Holdings	0.0%	2.6%	0.0%
BBB Holdings	1.7%	1.7%	0.0%
BB Holdings	42.4%	45.4%	50.8%
B Holdings	43.7%	40.3%	38.4%
CCC or Under	10.6%	8.1%	10.9%
Not Rated	1.7%	1.8%	0.0%
Average ML Rating	B1	B1	B1

### YEARS TO MATURITY

	ENH HY	SDHY	Index
Less than 1 Year	0.0%	3.4%	0.0%
1-3 Years	42.9%	45.5%	16.5%
3-5 Years	56.6%	50.8%	29.7%
5-7 Years	0.5%	0.3%	32.7%
7-10 Years	0.0%	0.0%	17.4%
Over 10 Years	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%

### ICE BofA ML SECTOR ENH HY SDHY Index

Services	15.4%	17.0%	6.6%
Media	11.3%	10.0%	9.0%
Real Estate	9.0%	8.1%	4.0%
Consumer Goods	8.6%	8.2%	3.8%
Capital Goods	7.1%	7.5%	6.6%
Basic Industry	6.7%	5.9%	7.8%
Healthcare	6.6%	6.0%	7.7%
Energy	6.0%	4.7%	12.2%
Leisure	5.5%	6.0%	7.8%
Telecommunications	5.3%	4.3%	6.5%
Retail	5.3%	5.0%	5.4%
Technology & Electronics	5.2%	6.3%	5.2%
Financial Services	4.7%	5.1%	5.1%
Transportation	1.4%	1.0%	2.3%
Insurance	1.2%	0.6%	1.6%
Automotive	0.6%	1.5%	4.4%
Banking	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%
Utility	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%

### TOP FIVE HOLDINGS

	Coupon (%)	Maturity	Rating	Issue Size	Industry	Current Price	Yield to Worst (%)	Duration to Worst	% Weight
Labl Escrow Issuer LLC	6.750	7/15/2026	B3	700	Printing & Publishing	94.68	8.52	3.0	1.7
Aramark Services, Inc.	6.375	5/01/2025	B1	1,500	Support-Services	98.77	6.95	2.1	1.7
BWAY Holding Co., Inc.	5.500	4/15/2024	B3	1,480	Packaging	97.22	7.80	1.2	1.7
Getty Images, Inc.	9.750	3/01/2027	B3	300	Advertising	98.71	10.13	3.2	1.6
Matthew s International Corporation	5.250	12/01/2025	B2	300	Support-Services	94.25	7.48	2.6	1.6

Source: AXA IM, FactSet as of December 31, 2022. AXA IM Enhanced HY (ENH HY) and AXA IM Short Duration HY (SDHY) Representative portfolios. SOFR=Secured Overnight Financing Rate. All Data measured on Gross Exposure, exclusive of cash except for Portfolio Overview section. <sup>1</sup>Levered Yield = Unlevered Yield + (Debt/Equity) × (Unlevered Yield - Cost of financing). <sup>2</sup>Levered DTW= Unlevered DTW × Gross Exposure. ICE BofA US High Yield Index is shown for illustrative purposes only. The representative account shown has been selected because it utilizes an investment setup that is typical for accounts in the relevant strategy and/or on the basis that it has adequate assets under management to effectuate a fair comparison. Please refer to the appendix for additional information. Diversification does not ensure profit or protection against loss.



# Summary Statistics

## AXA IM Dynamic HY Strategy – December 31, 2022

POSITION COUNTS	AXA IM	Index
Number of Issuers	119	905
Number of Cash Bonds	108	1,928
Number of CDS Positions	29	N/A

AUM / NOTIONAL EXPOSURE	
Portfolio Total AUM	\$935,120,203
Notional AUM	\$1,147,928,281
Gross Exposure:	123%
Cash*:	3.5%

All Data as of 12/31/2022
Index: ICE BofA ML US HY Index

For Cash Bonds only (excludes CDS)		
CHARACTERISTICS	AXA IM	Index
Yield to Maturity	12.12%	9.01%
Yield To Worst	12.12%	8.99%
Current Yield	8.85%	6.78%
Duration To Worst	4.1	4.2
Average Coupon	7.08%	5.77%
Option Adjusted Spread	801	481
Duration Times Spread	30.2	18.2
Average Price	80	86
Avg Years to Maturity	5.5	5.5

ICE BofA ML RATING	AXA IM	Index
AAA Holdings	0.0%	0.0%
BBB Holdings	0.0%	0.0%
BB Holdings	3.2%	50.8%
B Holdings	36.8%	38.4%
CCC or Under	59.8%	10.9%
Not Rated	0.2%	0.0%
Average ML Rating	CCC1	B1

ICE BofA ML SECTOR	AXA IM	Index
Services	13.8%	6.6%
Basic Industry	12.6%	7.8%
Media	10.8%	9.0%
Technology & Electronics	9.5%	5.2%
Capital Goods	9.2%	6.6%
Financial Services	9.0%	5.1%
Energy	8.3%	12.2%
Consumer Goods	6.6%	3.8%
Healthcare	6.3%	7.7%
Leisure	5.0%	7.8%
Retail	3.7%	5.4%
Insurance	2.8%	1.6%
Telecommunications	1.5%	6.5%
Automotive	0.5%	4.4%
Transportation	0.3%	2.3%
Banking	0.0%	0.9%
Real Estate	0.0%	4.0%
Utility	0.0%	3.1%

DURATION TO WORST	AXA IM	Index
Less Than 1	0.0%	0.5%
1 - 3	19.0%	26.1%
3 - 5	52.8%	41.6%
5 - 7	26.8%	27.0%
7 - 10	1.4%	3.2%
Over 10	0.0%	1.6%

MATURITY	AXA IM	Index
Less Than 1 Year	0.0%	0.0%
1 - 3 Years	7.6%	16.5%
3 - 5 Years	28.0%	29.7%
5 - 7 Years	52.7%	32.7%
7 - 10 Years	10.3%	17.4%
Over 10 Years	1.4%	3.7%

Top 5 Cash Bond Positions	Coupon (%)	Maturity Date	ICE BofA Rating	Issue Size (\$mil)	ICE BofA ML Industry	Current Price	Yield to Worst	Duration to Worst	% of Portfolio
W.R. Grace Holdings LLC	5.625	8/15/2029	B3	1,155	Chemicals	80.73	9.63	5.1	2.7
Illuminate Buyer LLC	9.000	7/01/2028	CCC1	460	Chemicals	83.72	13.26	4.1	2.5
BWAY Holding Co., Inc.	7.250	4/15/2025	CCC2	1,200	Packaging	92.47	11.05	2.0	2.4
Getty Images, Inc.	9.750	3/01/2027	B3	300	Advertising	98.71	10.13	3.2	2.1
Garda World Security Corporation	6.000	6/01/2029	CCC1	500	Support-Services	81.25	10.03	5.0	2.0

Source: AXA Investment Managers, FactSet. AXA IM Dynamic HY rep portfolio exclusive of cash. \*Cash includes cash and cash equivalents. Index is the ICE BofA US High Yield Index. The representative account shown has been selected because it utilizes an investment setup that is typical for accounts in the relevant strategy and/or on the basis that it has adequate assets under management to effectuate a fair comparison. Please refer to the appendix for additional information. Diversification does not ensure a profit or protection against loss. As of the date of this presentation, AXA Investment Managers US Inc. is not a registered commodity trading adviser (CTA) or commodity pool operator (CPO), and relies on applicable exemptions from CTA and CPO registration requirements in respect of such trading.



# Additional Risks

## US High Yield

**CREDIT RISK** - If an issuer of bonds defaults on its obligations to pay income or repay capital, it may result in a decrease in portfolio value. The value of a bond (and subsequently, the portfolio) is also affected by changes in credit rating downgrades and/ or market perceptions of the risk of future default. Investment grade issuers are regarded as less likely to default than issuers of high yield bonds. High-yield, lower-rated, securities involve greater risk than higher-rated securities. Portfolios that invest in them may be subject to greater levels of credit and liquidity risk than portfolios that do not.

**RISK OF CAPITAL LOSS** – Any investment in our high yield strategies are not guaranteed and returns can be negative. The performance of a portfolio may not be consistent with the objectives of investors and their investment may not be fully returned.

**INTEREST RATE RISK** - Fluctuations in interest rates will change the value of bonds, impacting the value of the investment portfolio. Often, when interest rates rise, the value of the bonds fall and vice versa. The valuation of bonds will also change according to market perceptions of future movements in interest rates.

**LIQUIDITY RISK** - Some investments may trade infrequently and in small volumes and the risk of low liquidity level in certain market conditions might lead to difficulties in valuing, purchasing or selling bonds.

**HIGH YIELD BOND RISK** - The portfolio will be exposed to a risk related to investments in high yield financial instruments. These instruments present higher default risks than those of the investment grade category. In case of default, the value of these instruments may decrease significantly, which would affect the value of the portfolio. Lower-rated securities generally tend to reflect short-term corporate and market developments to a greater extent than higher-rated securities which respond primarily to fluctuations in the general level of interest rates.

**RE-INVESTMENT RISK** - Reinvestment risk describes the risk that, as interest rates or market environment changes, the future coupons and principal from any bond may have to be reinvested in a less favorable rate environment. This is more likely to occur during periods of declining interest rates when issuers can issue bonds with lower levels of coupon. Re-investment risk may be greater with callable bonds.

# Appendix

# US Core High Yield Composite

## GIPS Compliant Performance Presentation

### Investment Strategy Objective

Generates total returns by investing in the full maturity spectrum of non-investment grade debt of U.S. companies with improving fundamentals. The portfolios in this composite are managed with a total return investment strategy and aim to provide risk-adjusted out-performance, given their respective benchmarks and constraints.

### Composite Benchmark

ICE BofA Merrill Lynch US High Yield Index (HOAO)

Annualized (%)	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since inception
Composite (Gross)	-9.11	1.04	2.92	7.34
Composite (Net)	-9.55	0.56	2.43	6.83
Benchmark	-11.22	-0.23	2.12	6.88

Calendar year (%)	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Composite (Gross)	5.04	8.04	13.30	-1.20	8.07	15.83	-4.47	2.08	9.88	16.06
Composite (Net)	4.54	7.53	12.77	-1.68	7.55	15.29	-4.92	1.59	9.37	15.51
Benchmark	5.36	6.17	14.41	-2.26	7.48	17.49	-4.64	2.50	7.42	15.58
Internal Dispersion (Std. Deviation)	0.15	0.28	0.19	0.07	0.35	0.16	0.07	0.05	0.10	0.08

As of end of period	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Composite Assets (USD mil)	4,758	5,575	4,649	4,221	5,010	5,578	6,882	7,549	8,490	5,603
# of Portfolios in Composite	12	12	11	11	11	11	10	8	7	6
Total Strategy Assets (USD mil)	10,076	8,915	7,264	6,329	7,716	7,513	8,172	8,951	9,405	6,052
Total Firm Discr. Assets (USD mil)	291,036	250,851	208,569	191,910	223,150	177,183	182,303	215,895	225,582	196,489
Total Firm Assets (USD mil)	618,555	689,782	618,264	583,866	650,149	555,036	558,650	668,139	686,214	658,109

### General Information

Reporting date	December 31, 2022
Composite Inception Date	September 30, 2001
Composite Creation Date	September 30, 2001
Composite Currency	USD

Cumulative (%)	1 mo	3 mo	6 mo	YTD
Composite (Gross)	-0.26	4.50	4.24	-9.11
Composite (Net)	-0.30	4.37	4.00	-9.55
Benchmark	-0.75	3.98	3.28	-11.22

Quarterly (%)	2022 1Q	2022 2Q	2022 3Q	2022 4Q
Composite (Gross)	-3.58	-9.57	-0.24	4.50
Composite (Net)	-3.70	-9.68	-0.36	4.37
Benchmark	-4.51	-9.97	-0.68	3.98

# US Short Duration High Yield Composite

## GIPS Compliant Performance Presentation

### Investment Strategy Objective

Aims to generate high current income by investing in better-quality, non-investment grade debt of U.S. companies with an expected redemption of three years or less.

### Composite Benchmark

The "US Short Duration High Yield" composite is not shown against a benchmark, since the strategy is an absolute return strategy and not managed against a benchmark.

Annualized (%)	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since inception
Composite (Gross)	-4.55	1.13	2.68	5.15
Composite (Net)	-4.98	0.68	2.23	4.66

Calendar year (%)	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Composite (Gross)	3.80	4.38	8.50	1.69	3.98	6.38	1.23	1.51	5.46	7.87
Composite (Net)	3.34	3.93	8.06	1.22	3.48	5.88	0.77	1.03	4.96	7.35
Internal Dispersion (Std. Deviation)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.10	0.04

As of end of period	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Composite Assets (USD mil)	6,507	5,772	5,712	5,575	8,217	10,039	11,014	12,390	20,483	17,520
# of Portfolios in Composite	5	5	7	4	4	5	4	3	12	12
Total Strategy Assets (USD mil)	8,161	7,131	7,109	8,351	13,335	18,867	18,648	19,681	24,991	21,182
Total Firm Discr. Assets (USD mil)	291,036	250,851	208,569	191,910	223,150	177,183	182,303	215,895	225,582	196,489
Total Firm Assets (USD mil)	618,555	689,782	618,264	583,866	650,149	555,036	558,650	668,139	686,214	658,109

### General Information

Reporting date	December 31, 2022
Composite Inception Date	September 30, 2001
Composite Creation Date	September 30, 2001
Composite Currency	USD

Cumulative (%)	1 mo	3 mo	6 mo	YTD
Composite (Gross)	-0.29	3.17	3.35	-4.55
Composite (Net)	-0.33	3.06	3.12	-4.98

Quarterly (%)	2022 1Q	2022 2Q	2022 3Q	2022 4Q
Composite (Gross)	-1.39	-6.34	0.17	3.17
Composite (Net)	-1.50	-6.45	0.06	3.06

# US Dynamic High Yield Composite

## GIPS Compliant Performance Presentation

### Investment Strategy Objective

Seeks to generate high income by investing in US high yield debt securities and credit default sw aps. This is a total return investment strategy that aims to provide risk-adjusted out-performance, given their respective benchmarks and constraints

### Composite Benchmark

BofA Merrill Lynch US High Yield Index (H0A0)

### General Information

Reporting date	December 31, 2022
Composite Inception Date	February 28, 2014
Composite Creation Date	February 22, 2017
Composite Currency	USD

Cumulative (%)	1 mo	3 mo	6 mo	YTD
Composite (Gross)	-0.44	4.87	5.52	-12.17
Composite (Net)	-0.49	4.72	5.21	-12.70
Benchmark	-0.75	3.98	3.28	-11.22

Annualized (%)	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since inception
Composite (Gross)	-12.17	2.06	4.10	5.39
Composite (Net)	-12.70	1.45	3.48	4.76
Benchmark	-11.22	-0.23	2.12	3.32

Quarterly (%)	2022 1Q	2022 2Q	2022 3Q	2022 4Q
Composite (Gross)	-3.77	-13.50	0.62	4.87
Composite (Net)	-3.92	-13.64	0.47	4.72
Benchmark	-4.51	-9.97	-0.68	3.98

Calendar year (%)	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Composite (Gross)	7.41	12.67	19.64	-3.87	12.15	24.4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Composite (Net)	6.77	12.01	18.93	-4.45	11.48	23.67	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Benchmark	5.36	6.17	14.41	-2.26	7.48	17.49	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

As of end of period	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Composite Assets (USD mil)	1,444	740	319	214	232	122	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
# of Portfolios in Composite	1	1	1	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Strategy Assets (USD mil)	1,444	740	318	247	287	122	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Firm Discr. Assets (USD mil)	291,036	250,851	208,569	191,910	223,150	177,183	182,303	215,895	225,582	196,489
Total Firm Assets (USD mil)	618,555	689,782	618,264	583,866	650,149	555,036	558,650	668,139	686,214	658,109



# US Enhanced High Yield Composite

## GIPS Compliant Performance Presentation

### Investment Strategy Objective

Aims to generate high current income by investing in better-quality, non-investment grade (high yield) debt of U.S. companies with an expected redemption of three years or less (i.e. short duration) and in Total Return Swaps derived on single-name better-quality, short duration high yield bonds of U.S. companies. Portfolios in this composite may utilize leverage.

### Composite Benchmark

The "US Enhanced High Yield" composite is not shown against a benchmark, since the strategy is an absolute return strategy and not managed against a benchmark.

Annualized (%)	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since inception
Composite (Gross)	-14.01	0.02	---	3.87
Composite (Net)	-14.84	-0.93	---	2.89

Calendar year (%)	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Composite (Gross)	6.46	9.32	16.31	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Composite (Net)	5.46	8.28	15.22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

As of end of period	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Composite Assets (USD mil)	359	320	101	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
# of Portfolios in Composite	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Strategy Assets (USD mil)	359	320	101	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Firm Discr.Assets (USD mil)	291,036	250,851	208,569	191,910	223,150	177,183	182,303	215,895	225,582	196,489
Total Firm Assets (USD mil)	618,555	689,782	618,264	583,866	650,149	555,036	558,650	668,139	686,214	658,109

### General Information

Reporting date	December 31, 2022
Composite Inception Date	December 31, 2018
Composite Creation Date	December 31, 2018
Composite Currency	USD

Cumulative (%)	1 mo	3 mo	6 mo	YTD
Composite (Gross)	-1.53	7.70	5.44	-14.01
Composite (Net)	-1.61	7.45	4.95	-14.84

Quarterly (%)	2022 1Q	2022 2Q	2022 3Q	2022 4Q
Composite (Gross)	-3.49	-15.51	-2.09	7.70
Composite (Net)	-3.72	-15.72	-2.32	7.45

# GIPS® Performance Disclosure Notes

## Claim of Compliance

AXA IM claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. AXA IM has been independently verified for the periods from December 31, 1999 through December 31, 2018. Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with GIPS standards. The US Core High Yield and the US Short Duration High Yield Composites have been examined since inception. GIPS verification and performance examination reports are available upon request. Select AXA IM funds under management that are included in select GIPS composites are subject from time to time to "swing" pricing. In order to ensure that AXA IM maintains its GIPS compliance standards, it has developed a comprehensive set of policies and procedures to account for such swing price impacts. As with other policies and procedures, the GIPS standards are reviewed and revised on an as needed basis.

## Presentation of the Firm

AXA IM is an active long-term, responsible multi-asset manager with investment centers in the Americas, Asia Pacific and Europe offering the following investment capabilities:

**Framlington Equity** - an active, fundamental, bottom-up stock selection approach for core equities and thematic equity strategies incorporating specialist investment capabilities and responsible investing (RI).

**Equity QI (Quant Investing)** - offering quantitative investing by the use of technology and modelling to deliver fundamental strategies including advanced factor, systematic alpha and targeted outcome, underpinned by environmental, social and governance (ESG) principles.

**Active Fixed Income Europe & Asia** - a robust, repeatable process, which involves bottom-up credit analysis and top-down macroeconomic research to deliver outcome-oriented solutions that span the fixed income spectrum.

**US Active Fixed Income and European & Global High Yield** - a range of high yield strategies investing within and across regions, sectors and maturities. Dedicated high yield teams employ a consistent investment process which has been tested over a range of market cycles and conditions.

**Fixed Income for AXA and Buy & Maintain** - a strong bottom-up credit analysis and top-down macroeconomic research approach for traditional, benchmarked to fully flexible strategies which employ several different investment styles, including active and buy-and-maintain.

**Structured Finance** - a broad range of alternative sources of return from across the credit continuum, beyond traditional credit investments, to suit various risk/return and liquidity profiles through standalone and multi-strategy investments.

**Multi Asset** - a combined fundamental top-down and bottom-up analysis with embedded risk monitoring to all client types for outcome-oriented and customized multi-asset solutions.

**Chorus** - a research and technology-driven approach to deliver stable and sustainable, positive returns regardless of market conditions offering clients a differentiated proposition with low correlation to traditional assets..

## Composite List and Description

A complete list and description of all composites is available on request.

## Portfolio Valuation

Portfolios are valued according to the market closing prices each day, except for certain portfolios valued in Germany, which use the closing price of the previous day, and the UK, where the price used is the 2pm price of the same day. In order to apply this valuation policy, the NAV of the day following the valuation date is used for certain portfolios. Dividends paid on securities in the portfolio are accounted for using ex-dividend date and are gross of any withholding taxes. Buy and sell transactions are taken into account using trade-date valuation after confirmation of the trade by the counterparty, except in Germany where settlement date valuation is used. Accrued interest on debt securities is recorded each time the portfolio is valued. All proceeds, including realized and unrealized gains or losses in the portfolio are included in the value of assets. There are minor exceptions to these general rules for specific types of portfolios. Some securities in portfolios of US High Yield composites are valued by reference to broker quotes.

## Minimum Asset Level & Total Firm Assets

The minimum portfolio size for the US High Yield and US Investment Grade composites is 10,000,000 USD. If the portfolio falls below 10,000,000 USD for more than three months it is excluded from the performance calculations for the following month. For all other composites, the upper threshold is defined at 10,000,000 EUR the lower threshold at 8,000,000 EUR, with a 6-month grace period. AUM figures for the Firm include all portfolios falling within the definition of the Firm.

# GIPS® Performance Disclosure Notes (Continued)

## Significant Cash Flows

If the average cash balance of a portfolio is above 10% for a specific month, the entire portfolio is temporarily removed from the composite performance for that particular month. Additional information regarding the treatment of significant cash flows is available upon request.

## Currency Used to Express Performance

Composite performance figures are presented in the currency of the composite.

## Performance Results / Fees

Composite returns are calculated gross of fees. Gross of fees returns are calculated gross of management and custodial fees and net of all trading expenses. The management fee schedule is as follows:

US Core High Yield Composite: First \$50 million: 0.48%; next \$50 million: 0.44%, next \$50 million: 0.41%, next \$50 million: 0.39%, Amount above \$200 million: 0.37%.

US Short Duration High Yield Composite: Flat fee: 0.45%.

US Dynamic High Yield Composite: Flat fee: 0.60%.

US Enhanced High Yield Composite: Flat fee: 0.95%

US Investment Grade Corporate Bond Composites: First \$50 Million: 0.26%; next \$50 million: 0.24%; next \$50 million: 0.20%; next \$50 million: 0.18%. Amount above \$200 million: 0.17%.

## Benchmarks

The composite may be managed against a specific benchmark as indicated on the composite page. The extent to which any given composite invests in countries or regions not included in the benchmark depends on the limits (if any) specified in the investment management contracts of the individual portfolios in the composite. In general, such investment is marginal and is typically less than 10% for any given portfolio.

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## Calculation Methods

Composite performance is calculated on a monthly basis as follows:

- The portfolios entering the performance calculation are determined according to the Minimum Asset Level described above.
- Each portfolio brings its own specific start and end dates to the calculation, depending on the particular valuation dates of the portfolio.
- The performance of each portfolio is calculated using the start and end dates relevant to the period in question, and using daily-weighted cash flows.
- The performance of a composite is calculated as a weighted average (using each portfolio's assets under management as at each portfolio's specific start date for the period in question) of the performances of the portfolios.
- Quarterly, annual, cumulative and since-inception returns are calculated by linking the composite monthly returns through compounded multiplication.

The benchmark performance is calculated in a similar fashion, using the same portfolio-related weights and date values, and replacing the portfolio values by the composite benchmark values. The calculation of the composite benchmark return is always comparable in terms of time periods and asset-weightings to the calculation of the composite return.

## Dispersion

Dispersion is the weighted average (using the AUM of each portfolio at the start of the period) of the tracking error between the composite and those portfolios satisfying the Minimum Asset Level test (see above) for the whole period. Composites dispersion is defined as the standard deviation of the returns of the portfolios for the period in question, taking into account the relative size of the portfolios. It is only displayed if there are at least 5 such portfolios.

## Representative Portfolios and Indices used

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