



# iShares US Aggregate Bond UCITS ETF Hedged British Pound (Distributing) iShares II plc



April 2024

Unless otherwise stated, Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Assets information as at: 30-Apr-2024. All other data as at 06-May-2024.

For Qualified Investors and Qualified Clients only.

### **FUND OVERVIEW**

The Share class seeks to track the performance of an index composed of US Dollar denominated investment grade government, government-related, corporate and securitised bonds.

### **KEY BENEFITS**

- 1. Diversified exposure to the broad US Dollar denominated investment grade bond market
- 2. Direct investment in government, government-related, corporate and securitised bonds
- 3. Investment grade bond exposure

## **RISK INDICATOR**

### **Lower Risk**

Potentially Lower Rewards

## Higher Risk

Potentially Higher Rewards



**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.
- Asset backed securities and mortgage backed securities are subject to the same risks described for fixed income securities. These instruments may be subject to 'Liquidity Risk', have high levels of borrowing and may not fully reflect the value of underlying assets.
- 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 Share Class 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.
- Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

**PRODUCT INFORMATION** ISIN: IEOOBDFGJ841 Share Class Launch Date: 10-Apr-2018 Share Class Currency : GBP Total Expense Ratio: 0.30% Use of Income : Distributing Net Assets of Share Class (M): 39.48 GBP **KEY FACTS** Asset Class : Fixed Income Benchmark : Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index Fund Launch Date: 13-Sep-2011 Fund Base Currency : USD Distribution Frequency: Semi-Annual Net Assets of Fund (M): 4,683.90 USD SFDR Classification : Other Domicile : Ireland Methodology: Sampled Issuing Company : iShares II plc Product Structure : Physical **PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS** Effective Duration: 6.00 yrs Average Weighted Maturity: 8.49 yrs Standard Deviation (3y): 7.35%

Yield To Maturity : 5.58

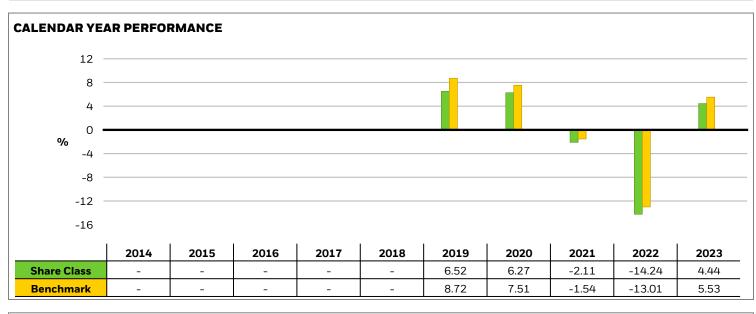
Trailing 12-month Yield : 3.07% 3y Beta : 1.00

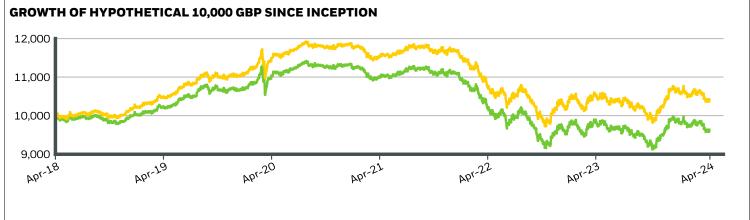
Number of Holdings: 9,102

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CUMULATIVE & ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE										
	CUMULATIVE (%)					ANNUALISED (% p.a.)				
	1m	3m	6m	YTD	ly	Зу	5у	Since Inception		
Share Class	-2.59	-3.20	4.45	-3.51	-2.41	-4.54	-1.29	-0.69		
Benchmark	-2.53	-3.02	4.97	-3.28	-1.47	-3.54	-0.16	0.62		

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 USD. 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

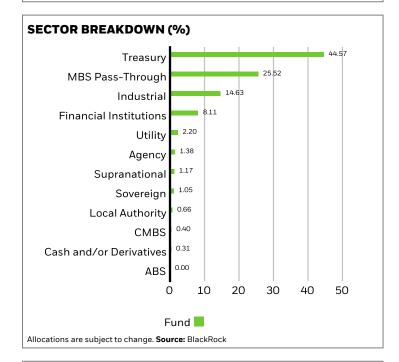
Share Class iShares US Aggregate Bond UCITS ETFHedged British Pound (Distributing)

Benchmark Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index

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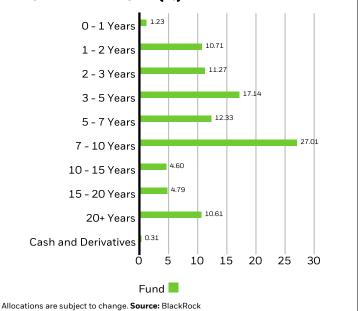
TOP ISSUERS	
UNITED STATES TREASURY	44.57%
FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION	11.77%
GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION II	5.74%
FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION	5.12%
UNIFORM MBS	2.88%
BANK OF AMERICA CORP	0.59%
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO	0.56%
MORGAN STANLEY	0.43%
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND	0.38%
DEVELOPMENT	
WELLS FARGO & COMPANY	0.37%
Total of Portfolio	72.41%
Holdings subject to change	

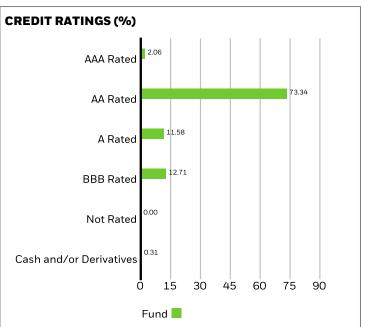


## TRADING INFORMATION

Exchange	London Stock Exchange
Ticker	IUGA
Bloomberg Ticker	IUGA LN
RIC	IUGA.L
SEDOL	BDFGJ84
VALOR	-
Listing Currency	GBP

## **MATURITY BREAKDOWN (%)**





Credit quality ratings on underlying securities of the fund are received from S&P, Moody's and Fitch and converted to the equivalent S&P major rating category. This breakdown is provided by BlackRock and takes the median rating of the three agencies when all three agencies rate a security the lower of the two ratings if only two agencies rate a security and one rating if that is all that is provided. Unrated securities do not necessarily indicate low quality. Below investment-grade is represented by a rating of BB and below. Ratings and portfolio credit quality may change over time.



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MSCI ESG % Coverage	73.49%	MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC)	Α
MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile	65.91%	MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10)	6.21
Funds in Peer Group	220	Fund Lipper Global Classification	Bond USD
MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage	28.45%	MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES)	213.13

All data is from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings as of **21 Apr 2024**, based on holdings as of **31 Mar 2024**. As such, the fund's sustainable characteristics may differ from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings from time to time.

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**SFDR Classification: Article 8:** Products that promote environmental or social characteristics and promote good governance practices. **Article 9:** Products that have sustainable investments as an objective and follow good governance practices. **Other:** Products that do not meet the criteria to be classified as Article 8 or 9.

**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.

**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 interestrate 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.

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