

Invesco International Bond Fund

Q1 2024

Key takeaways

- 1 The fund outperformed for the quarter**
 The fund outperformed its benchmark for the quarter. The fund's foreign currency exposure added to relative return, while interest rate and credit exposure detracted.
- 2 Opportunity to benefit from income**
 Income levels in international fixed income markets are attractive, in our view, particularly in emerging markets, where nominal and real interest rates have remained elevated and disinflation has generally continued.
- 3 Macroeconomic conditions appear to be aligning for international fixed income**
 Improving global growth and loosening financial conditions potentially make way for improved macroeconomic conditions for international fixed income markets, and individual country dynamics offer in our view compelling total return opportunities.

Investment objective

The fund seeks total return.

Fund facts

Fund AUM (\$M) 1,105.10

Portfolio managers

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Manager perspective and outlook

- The first quarter of 2024 saw continuation of 2023's global economic resilience. While US growth has stood out, emerging markets have also in our view shown remarkable resilience, despite individual emerging countries having interest rates above their respective neutral levels and China's economic wobbles.
- The US Federal Reserve (Fed), the European Central Bank and the Bank of England kept policy rates unchanged for the quarter, while noting progress on disinflation and signaling varying levels of confidence regarding easier monetary policy.
- In contrast, the Bank of Japan raised its policy rate for the first time in 17 years and ceased yield curve control, ending the era of negative interest rates.
- In emerging markets, disinflation generally continued; central banks in Latin America and Central and Eastern Europe continued to lower rates while maintaining a restrictive monetary stance. Asian central banks largely remained on hold.
- The US dollar was rangebound for the quarter, ending 3.1% higher as markets await more clarity on the Fed's path for reducing interest rates.
- The Fed remains the key driver for markets, and we believe the start of US interest rate cuts will be the primary catalyst for unlocking further emerging market performance.
- Meanwhile, international fixed income is attractive, in our view, and individual country dynamics offer compelling total return opportunities.



Portfolio characteristics*

Effective duration (years)	3.26
Weighted avg. effective maturity (years)	9.12
30-day SEC yield (Class A shares)	5.06
30-day SEC unsubsidized yield (Class A shares)	4.94

Quality breakdown

(% total)

AAA	1.1
AA	5.1
A	8.2
BBB	25.9
BB	24.9
B	1.7
CCC and below	2.4
Not rated	11.8
Cash and Cash equivalent	12.8
Derivatives & FX	6.0

Investment categories

(% total)

Emerging Market Debt	42.8
Emerging Market Sovereign Bonds	38.6
Emerging Market Corporate Bonds	4.0
Others	0.1
Non-US Debt	20.0
Non-US Sovereign Bonds	7.3
Non-US Investment Grade Bonds	6.4
Non-US High Yield Bonds	6.3
Securitized	7.8
ABS	4.9
MBS	3.0
Cash & Cash Equivalent	12.8
Derivatives & FX	6.0
Others	10.7

Portfolio positioning

During the quarter, we increased the fund's foreign currency exposure, primarily by increasing exposure to the Mexican Peso and South African Rand. We increased the fund's duration positioning, primarily by reducing the underweight in developed markets. Credit exposure decreased for the quarter, mainly due to a reduction in high-yield exposure.

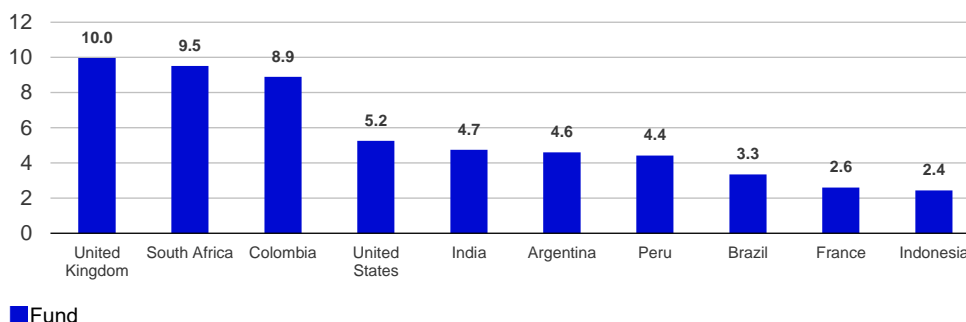
Growth resilience, ongoing general disinflation and restrictive monetary policy continued in the first quarter of 2024. Though services inflation has been sticky, we expect monetary policy to remain appropriate for the last step of the disinflation process. In other words, emerging market central banks can lower interest rates further while keeping monetary policy restrictive in order to guide inflation toward their respective targets, and developed market central banks seem poised to begin cutting policy rates as well.

Ultimately, we believe differences between various economies will drive the opportunity set. Considering the disinflation in Central and Eastern Europe over the last few months, we believe individual country dynamics can drive returns, regardless of external outcomes, such as Fed actions. For example, though growth in Poland and Romania has been strong, growth in the Czech Republic and Hungary will likely be challenged. In those countries, we expect domestic growth considerations to take precedence in central bank rate decisions.

We could see a similar dynamic in Asia. Thai and South Korean central banks may cut next, having signaled greater willingness to diverge from developed market central banks. Nevertheless, policies may be guided or limited by movements in their respective currencies, as currency stability has remained a regional focus.

Overall, we expect a favorable environment for international fixed income in 2024, led by emerging markets. While bumpy US disinflation has called into question the exact path of US interest rates, we still expect a soft landing in the US and globally, with inflation falling and staying around 2-3%. In our view, even a shallower US interest rate cutting cycle (with fewer cuts this year than the Fed's initial forecast of three) would still benefit international markets, while improving global growth cushions the effects of higher US rates in the meantime. Importantly, we believe diverging individual country dynamics offer compelling total return opportunities for active managers such as ourselves, and we remain committed to pursuing them.

Top countries (% of total net assets)



Top/bottom rates relative returns

	bps
Germany	15
India	9
South Africa	8
Argentina	-17
Czech Republic	-17
China	-21

Top/bottom FX rates relative returns

	bps
MXN	53
ZAR	20
INR	18
AUD	-14
ARS	-21
JPY	-25

Top/bottom credit relative returns

	bps
Mexico	11
Austria	11
France	9
Italy	-6
Ecuador	-11
Argentina	-35

Performance highlights

The fund's Class A shares at net asset value (NAV) outperformed its benchmark. The fund's foreign currency exposure added to relative return while interest rate positioning and credit exposure detracted from relative return. The top contributors to relative return were positioning in the Mexican Peso, the South African Rand and the Indian Rupee. The largest detractors were positioning in Japanese Yen, and interest rate positioning in China and Czech Republic.

Contributors to performance

- Positioning in the Mexican Peso
- Positioning in the South African Rand
- Positioning in the Indian Rupee

Detractors from performance

- Positioning in the Japanese Yen
- Interest Rate Positioning in China
- Interest Rate Positioning in Czech Republic

Standardized performance (%) as of March 31, 2024

		Quarter	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since inception
Class A shares inception: 06/15/95	NAV	-1.51	-1.51	4.91	-3.63	-0.95	0.42	5.54
	Max. Load 4.25%	-5.75	-5.75	0.50	-5.02	-1.80	-0.01	5.38
Class R6 shares inception: 01/27/12	NAV	-1.44	-1.44	5.25	-3.38	-0.60	0.81	1.10
Class Y shares inception: 09/27/04	NAV	-1.22	-1.22	5.18	-3.38	-0.70	0.68	3.76
Custom Invesco International Bond Fund Benchmark		-1.95	-1.95	2.93	-4.94	-1.61	-0.36	-
Total return ranking vs. Morningstar								
Global Bond category		-	-	27%	47%	50%	27%	-
(Class A shares at NAV)				(38 of 164)	(66 of 159)	(65 of 143)	(33 of 120)	

Expense ratios per the current prospectus: Class A**: Net: 1.05%, Total: 1.15%; Class R6**: Net: 0.75%, Total: 0.75%; Class Y**: Net: 0.80%, Total: 0.91%.

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Class Y and R6 shares have no sales charge; therefore performance is at NAV. Class Y shares are available only to certain investors. Class R6 shares are closed to most investors. Please see the prospectus for more details.

Performance highlights (cont'd)

Calendar year total returns (%)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Class A shares at NAV	0.33	-3.72	6.13	10.85	-5.88	9.42	8.23	-10.24	-12.96	8.25
Class R6 shares at NAV	0.77	-3.31	6.79	11.13	-5.53	10.06	8.47	-9.90	-12.49	8.34
Class Y shares at NAV	0.41	-3.32	6.40	11.12	-5.65	9.69	8.49	-10.00	-12.73	8.27
Custom Invesco International Bond Fund Benchmark	-1.59	-7.04	6.00	11.83	-3.58	9.68	7.39	-7.83	-18.10	8.96

** Net = Total annual operating expenses less any contractual fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements by the adviser in effect through at least Feb 28, 2025.

Unless otherwise specified, all information is as of 03/31/24. Unless stated otherwise, Index refers to Custom Invesco International Bond Fund Benchmark.

The Custom Invesco International Bond Index is composed of 50% FTSE Non-U.S. Dollar World Government Bond Index, 30% JP Morgan Government Bond Index - Emerging Markets Global Diversified and 20% JP Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global Diversified. From Jan. 1, 2003, through Dec. 31, 2011, the underlying index weights were 70% FTSE Non-U.S. Dollar World Government Bond Index, 20% JP Morgan Government Bond Index - Emerging Markets Global Diversified and 10% JP Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global Diversified. The FTSE Non-U.S. Dollar World Government Bond Index is a broad benchmark providing exposure to the global sovereign fixed income market, excluding the US. The JP Morgan Government Bond Index - Emerging Markets Global Diversified is composed of regularly traded, liquid fixed-rate, domestic currency government bonds. The JP Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global Diversified tracks the traded market for US dollar-denominated Brady bonds, Eurobonds, traded loans and local market debt instruments issued by sovereign and quasi-sovereign entities. An investment cannot be made directly in an index.

About risk

An issuer may be unable to meet interest and/or principal payments, thereby causing its instruments to decrease in value and lowering the issuer's credit rating.

Derivatives may be more volatile and less liquid than traditional investments and are subject to market, interest rate, credit, leverage, counterparty, and management risks. An investment in a derivative could lose more than the cash amount invested.

The risks of investing in securities of foreign issuers, including emerging markets, can include fluctuations in foreign currencies, political and economic instability, and foreign taxation issues.

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that bond prices generally fall as interest rates rise and vice versa.

Many countries in the European Union are susceptible to high economic risks associated with high levels of debt, notably due to investments in sovereign debts of European countries such as Greece, Italy, and Spain.

Junk bonds have greater risk of default or price changes due to changes in the issuer's credit quality. Junk bond values fluctuate more than high quality bonds and can decline significantly over a short time.

The Fund is considered non-diversified and may experience greater volatility than a more diversified investment.

Stocks of small and medium-sized companies tend to be more vulnerable to adverse developments, may be more volatile, and may be illiquid or restricted as to resale.

Issuers of sovereign debt or the governmental authorities that control repayment may be unable or unwilling to repay principal or interest when due, and the Fund may have limited recourse in the event of default. Without debt holder approval, some governmental debtors may be able to reschedule or restructure their debt payments or declare moratoria on payments.

Because the Subsidiary is not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (1940 Act), the Fund, as the sole investor in the Subsidiary, will not have the protections offered to investors in U.S. registered investment companies.

The fund is subject to certain other risks. Please see the current prospectus for more information regarding the risks associated with an investment in the fund.

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* **30-day SEC yield** is based on a 30-day period and is computed by dividing the net investment income per share earned during the period by the maximum offering price per share on the last day of the period. **30-day SEC unsubsidized yield** reflects the 30-day yield if the investment adviser were not waiving all or part of its fee or reimbursing the fund for part of its expenses. Total return would have also been lower in the absence of these temporary reimbursements or waivers. **Effective duration** is the managers' estimate of a bond fund's price sensitivity to changes in interest rates. This measure takes into account mortgage prepayments, puts, adjustable coupons and potential call dates. **Weighted average maturity** is a measure, as estimated by the fund's portfolio managers, of the length of time the average security in a bond fund will mature or be redeemed by its issuer. It takes into account mortgage prepayments, puts, adjustable coupons and potential call dates.

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