

# PIMCO Global Core Asset Allocation Fund

# PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

The PIMCO Global Core Asset Allocation Fund returned 2.68% after fees in March, outperforming the 60% MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) and 40% Bloomberg Global Aggregate USD Hedged Index by 0.43%. Year-to-date the Fund has returned 5.36% at NAV, while the benchmark returned 4.88%.

Over the quarter, the Global Core Asset Allocation Fund had positive absolute returns of 5.36%, outperforming its benchmark by 48 bps (after institutional share class fees). The Fund's overweight exposure to U.S. and South Korean equities, and securitized credit contributed to positive relative performance. Outperformance was partially offset by European duration positioning and an overweight to a basket of biotech stocks that are potential M&A targets.

#### **Contributors**

- Overweight to U.S. equities
- Overweight to securitized credit
- Overweight to South Korean equities

#### Detractors

- Eurozone duration positioning
- Overweight a basket of biotech stocks that are potential M&A targets
- Overweight to U.K. duration

Month end performance 31 March 2024			Quarter end performance 31 March 2024				
3 mos.	6 mos.	1 yr.	YTD	1 yr.	5 yrs.	10 yrs.	Since inception
5.36	15.68	14.66	5.36	14.66	6.05	5.77	5.76
4.88	14.36	15.37	4.88	15.37	7.08	6.27	7.84

 PIMCO Global Core Asset Allocation Fund share class INST at NAV (%)

■ Benchmark (%)

Benchmark: 60% MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) and 40% Bloomberg Global Aggregate USD Hedged Index

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Differences in the Fund's performance versus the index and related attribution information with respect to particular categories of securities or individual positions may be attributable, in part, to differences in the pricing methodologies used by the Fund and the index.

There is no assurance that any fund, including any fund that has experienced high or unusual performance for one or more periods, will experience similar levels of performance in the future. High performance is defined as a significant increase in either 1) a fund's total return in excess of that of the fund's benchmark between reporting periods or 2) a fund's total return in excess of the fund's historical returns between reporting periods. Unusual performance is defined as a significant change in a fund's performance as compared to one or more previous reporting periods.

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A Shares	PGMAX	INST Shares	PGAIX	
C Shares	PGMCX	I-2 Shares	PGAPX	
Fund Inceptio	n Date	29 October 2008		
Shareclass IN	ST Inception Date	29 October 2008		
Total Net Ass	Total Net Assets (in millions)  Performance Characteristics			
Performance				
INST 30-day	SEC yield <sup>1</sup>			
Subsidized	Subsidized		3.71%	
Unsubsidized		3.64%		

1The 30 day SEC Yield is computed under an SEC standardized formula based on net income earned over the past 30 days. The Subsidized yield includes contractual expense reimbursements and it would be lower without those reimbursements. The Unsubsidized 30 Day SEC yield excludes contractual expense reimbursements.

#### **Basic Facts**

Dividend frequency	Quarterly
Fund Expenses	
INST share Gross Expense Ratio	1.16%
INST share Net Expense Ratio	1.08%

The Net Expense Ratio reflects a contractual fee waiver and/or expense reduction, which is in place through 07/31/2024 and renews automatically for a full year unless terminated by PIMCO in accordance with the terms of the agreement. See the Fund's prospectus for more information. The Net Expense Ratio reflects a contractual fee waiver related to the Fund's subsidiary that will not terminate so long as PIMCO's advisory contract with the Fund's subsidiary is in place.

INST share Adjusted Expense Ratio 0.95%

The Adjusted Expense Ratio excludes certain investment expenses, such as interest expense from borrowings and repurchase agreements and dividend expense from investments on short sales, incurred directly by the Fund or indirectly through the Fund's investments in underlying PIMCO Funds (if applicable), none of which are paid to PIMCO.

## **Portfolio Managers**

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## **Fund Statistics**

Effective Duration (yrs)	2.84
Sharpe Ratio (10 year)	0.43
Volatility (10 year)	10.65%
Equity Beta	1.10

## **PORTFOLIO POSITIONING**

Equities: Given macro resilience, we are overweight the U.S. as we expect earnings growth to broaden out beyond megacap tech in 2024. We are neutral Europe given weaker earnings expectations and less insulation from Chinese import competition. We are slightly overweight EM equities as we become more constructive on select Asian markets, particularly in Korea given the recovery in semiconductor sales and reasonable valuations.

Rates: We remain slightly overweight duration over the cyclical timeframe as DM central banks are signaling a mid-year start to rate cuts. Given U.S. growth resilience compared to other regions, we favor developed ex-U.S. duration as we believe the pace of cuts may be faster outside the U.S. Therefore, we flattened our overweight to U.S. duration, moving to neutral.

<u>Credit:</u> We remain overweight credit with an emphasis on higher-quality segments of the market. We are overweight securitized credit, with a preference for non-agency MBS, given support from resilient fundamentals, attractive valuations, and robust household balance sheets.

<u>Currency:</u> We are overweight the U.S. Dollar given high carry and more reasonable valuations. In emerging markets, we continue to take overweight exposures to select high-yielding currencies that offer compelling valuation and quality profiles.

Top Country Exposure (% Market Value)	Fund
United States	119.9
Euro Currency	28.3
United Kingdom	16.0
EM Index Product	8.5
Brazil	5.1
Canada	5.1
China	4.6
Japan	4.6
South Korea	3.3
Australia	2.3

### **QUARTER IN REVIEW**

Developed market equities, as represented by the MSCI World Index, rose 8.9% in the first quarter of 2024, driven by optimism around interest rate cuts, easing inflationary pressures, and economic growth. The S&P 500 rose 10.6% over the quarter, as mega-cap leaders continued to drive the index higher - the Magnificent Seven had an average return of 17%. The MSCI Emerging Markets index gained 2.4% in the first quarter. South Korean equities gained 4.0% in Q1 amid robust demand for chips as companies around the globe seek to develop AI capabilities. Yields rose broadly across developed markets as inflation remained firm and economic activity robust, particularly in the U.S. While central banks generally held policy rates steady, including in the U.S., U.K., and Europe, dovish remarks from officials bolstered risk sentiment even as investors adjusted expectations for rate cuts in 2024. In Japan, the BOJ hiked rates for the first time in 17 years, ending its negative interest rate

U.S. investment grade credit spreads tightened 8 bps, ending the quarter at 85 bps. The sector returned -0.41%, outperforming like-duration treasuries by 0.83%. Credit spreads continued to tighten amid strong earnings results and heavy issuance to start the year. Legacy non-Agency residential MBS spreads tightened during the quarter while non-Agency CMBS returned 1.97%, outperforming like-duration Treasuries by 240 bps.

Asset Allocation (% Market Value)	Fund
US Equities	43.1
Developed ex-US Equities	15.0
Emerging Markets Equities	8.7
US Fixed Income	38.8
Developed ex-US Fixed Income	35.0
Emerging Markets Fixed Income	15.6
Commodities	-0.5
Net Other Short Duration Instruments <sup>rft</sup>	-55.7

# **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

We are more constructive on overall risk as a soft landing appears achievable in the U.S. Continued economic resilience supports this possibility, though we continue to see both up- and downside risks - namely the risks of reaccelerating inflation and possible recession. We expect the trajectories of developed market economies to diverge over the cyclical horizon as we see greater dispersion in growth, inflation, and the paths of monetary policy across regions. We believe the traditional negative correlation between equity and fixed income will re-assert itself, resulting in improved diversification benefits for multi-asset portfolios. We remain focused on up-in-quality exposures, risk factor diversification, and flexibility given the wide distribution of possible macro outcomes. Against this backdrop, we are overweight equities. We favor the U.S. amid buoyant economic activity and expectations for EPS growth to broaden beyond mega-cap technology in the second half of 2024. We continue to acknowledge the range of possible economic scenarios, so we remain nimble and focused on higher-quality exposures across countries and sectors. We are slightly overweight duration, favoring countries with more direct transmission of monetary policy to their economies, like Australia and Canada, and regions with greater downside growth risks, like Europe. Across global credit markets, we continue to prefer higher-quality exposures, underscored by an overweight to securitized credit. Within developed market currencies, we are overweight the U.S. Dollar amid economic resilience. relatively high carry and less demanding valuations versus recent history.

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## OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATING™ as of 03/31/2024

Category	Global Allocation
Number of funds in category	356
Criteria	Risk-Adjusted Return

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"Net Other Short Duration Instruments includes securities and other instruments (except instruments tied to emerging markets by country of risk) with an effective duration less than one year and rated investment grade or higher or, if unrated, determined by PIMCO to be of comparable quality, commingled liquidity funds, uninvested cash, interest receivables, net unsettled trades, broker money, short duration derivatives and derivatives offsets. With respect to certain categories of short duration securities, the Adviser reserves the discretion to require a minimum credit rating higher than investment grade for inclusion in this category. Derivatives Offsets includes offsets associated with investments in futures, swaps and other derivatives. Such offsets may be taken at the notional value of the derivative position.

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A word about risk: The Fund invests in other funds and performance is subject to underlying investment weightings which will vary. The cost of investing in the Fund will generally be higher than the cost of investing in a fund that invests directly in individual stocks and bonds. Absolute return portfolios may not fully participate in strong positive market rallies. Investing in the bond market is subject to risks, including market, interest rate, issuer, credit, inflation risk, and liquidity risk. The value of most bonds and bond strategies are impacted by changes in interest rates. Bonds and bond strategies with longer durations tend to be more sensitive and volatile than those with shorter durations; bond prices generally fall as interest rates rise, and low interest rate environments increase this risk. Reductions in bond counterparty capacity may contribute to decreased market liquidity and increased price volatility. Bond investments may be worth more or less than the original cost when redeemed. Investing in **foreign denominated and/or domiciled securities** may involve heightened risk due to currency fluctuations, and economic and political risks, which may be enhanced in emerging markets. 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. Equities may decline in value due to both real and perceived general market, economic, and industry conditions. Mortgage and asset-backed securities may be sensitive to changes in interest rates, subject to early repayment risk, and their value general market, economic, and industry conditions. Mortgage and asset-backed securities may be sensitive to changes in interest rates, subject to early repayment risk, and their value may fluctuate in response to the market's perception of issuer creditworthiness; while generally supported by some form of government or private guarantee there is no assurance that private guarantors will meet their obligations. Income from municipal bonds may be subject to state and local taxes and at times the alternative minimum tax. The Fund may seek exposure to commodities through commodity-linked derivatives through the PIMCO Cayman Commodity Fund II Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Fund organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Subsidiary"). The Subsidiary is advised by PIMCO and may invest without limitation in commodity-linked swap agreements and other commodity-linked derivative instruments. Commodities contain heightened risk including market, political, regulatory, and natural conditions, and may not be appropriate for all investors. REITs are subject to risk, such as poor performance by the manager, adverse changes to tax laws or failure to qualify for tax-free pass-through of income. Derivatives and commodity-linked derivatives may involve certain costs and risks such as liquidity, interest rate, market, credit, management and the risk that a position could not be closed when most advantageous. Commodity-linked derivative instruments may involve additional costs and risks such as changes in commodity index volatility or factors affecting a particular industry or commodity, such as drought, floods, weather, livestock disease, embargoes, tariffs and international economic, political and regulatory developments. Investing in derivatives could lose more than the amount invested. Entering into short sales includes the potential for loss of more money than the actual cost of the investment, and the risk that the third party to the short sale may fail to honor its contract terms, causing a loss to the port does not ensure against loss

Effective duration is a measure of a portfolio's price sensitivity to interest rate changes, including expected changes in cash flows caused by embedded options. The **Sharpe Ratio** measures the risk-adjusted performance. The risk-free rate is subtracted from the rate of return for a portfolio and the result is divided by the standard deviation of the risk-free rate subtracted from the portfolio returns. **Volatility** is measured by the standard deviation, or dispersion of a set of data from its mean, based on historical portfolio returns. A larger spread of

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The benchmark is a blend of 60% MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) and 40% Bloomberg Global Aggregate USD Hedged Index. The MSCI All Country World Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets. The Index consists of a group of country adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets. The Index consists of a group of country indices comprising developed and emerging market country indices. Bloomberg Global Aggregate (USD Hedged) Index provides a broad-based measure of the global investment-grade fixed income markets. The three major components of this index are the U.S. Aggregate, the Pan-European Aggregate, and the Asian-Pacific Aggregate Indices. The index also includes Eurodollar and Euro-Yen corporate bonds, Canadian Government securities, and USD investment grade 144A securities. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index. PIMCO as a general matter provides services to qualified institutions, financial intermediaries and institutional investors. Individual investors should contact their own financial professional to determine the most appropriate investment options for their financial situation. This material contains the current opinions of the manager and such opinions are subject to change without notice. Information contained herein has been obtained from sources believed to be reliable, but not guaranteed. No part of this material may be reproduced in any form, or referred to in any other publication, without express written permission. PIMCO is a trademark of Allianz Asset Management of America LLC in the United States and throughout the world. ©2024, PIMCO. PIMCO Investments LLC, distributor, 1633 Broadway, New York, NY, 10019 is a company of PIMCO.

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Currency rates may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time and may reduce the returns of a portfolio.

Inflation-linked bonds (ILBs) issued by a