PIMCO

Diversified Income Fund

SHARE CLASS: INSTITUTIONAL

AS OF: **31 OCTOBER 2020**

Monthly Commentary

Fund information			
Fund inception date	31 July 2003		
Strategy	Income		
Total Net Assets (in milli	\$4,963.1		
Portfolio manager(s)	Dan Ivascyn Alfred Murata Eve Tournier Sonali Pier		
Effective duration (yrs)	5.92		
Benchmark duration (yrs	6.82		
Effective maturity (yrs)	9.72		
Inst. share 30-day SEC y	2.36%		
Class	CUSIP	Ticker	
Institutional	693391880	PDIIX	

0.79
0.75

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.



The Lipper Fund Awards recognized the Diversified Income Fund, Institutional for the 5 year performance period out of 69 funds under the Multi-Sector Income Funds Classification.

Performance summary

The PIMCO Diversified Income Fund returned -0.05% after fees in October versus the Bloomberg Barclays Global Credit Hedged USD Index, which returned 0.11% for the month. Year-to-date the Fund has returned 1.76% after fees, while the benchmark returned 4.40%.

Risk asset performance was mixed in October as a host of uncertainties - including surging coronavirus cases, declining expectations of further U.S. fiscal stimulus, and election jitters - weighed on sentiment. Global equity markets experienced volatility with the S&P 500 ending 2.7% lower. Credit spreads, on the other hand, tightened amid strong technicals and declining supply. Meanwhile, developed market rate moves were mixed: yields across the eurozone broadly fell as new lockdown measures were introduced, while yields in the U.S., U.K., and Japan rose.

Contributors

- Overweight exposure to financials
- Exposure to non-Agency RMBS

Detractors

- Positioning within high yield credit
- Positioning within investment grade credit

• Underweight exposure to external emerging market debt



3 Mos.	6 Mos.	1 Yr.	YTD	1 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.	Since Inception
-0.34	7.24	2.93	1.76	3.50	6.65	5.43	6.90
-0.49	5.68	5.07	4.40	5.26	5.67	5.04	5.46
-0.61	8.35	3.57	2.15	3.74	6.04	5.57	6.68

- PIMCO Diversified Income Fund net of fees (%)
- Bloomberg Barclays Global Credit Hedged USD
- 1/3 each Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Credit ex Emerging Markets, USD Hedged; ICE BofAML BB-B Rated Developed Markets High Yield Constrained Index, USD Hedged; and JPMorgan EMBI Global, USD Hedged (%) (Secondary benchmark)

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The minimum initial investment for institutional class shares is \$1 million; however, it may be modified for certain financial intermediaries who submit trades on behalf of eligible investors.

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Portfolio characteristics as of 31 October 2020 **Duration (years)** % Market Value Fund **Fund** Index Government-Related 19.4 1.34 0.53 11.5 0.30 0.00 Securitized 1 Investment Grade Credit 22.9 1.36 3.39 High Yield Credit 26.7 0.50 0.32 Non-U.S. Developed 11.2 0.61 1.88 26.0 0.69 **Emerging Markets** 1.32 Other 5.1 0.44 0.00 **Net Other Short Duration** -22.7 0.05 0.00 Instruments 2

Portfolio structure is subject to change without notice and may not be representative of current or future allocations.

MV% may not equal 100 due to rounding.

- ¹ The Securitized bucket will include Agency MBS, non-Agency MBS, CMBS, ABS, CDO, CLO, and Pooled Funds.
- ² Net Other Short Duration Instruments includes securities and other instruments (except those 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.

Portfolio positioning

In this uncertain environment, we plan to take a selective approach and focus on sectors we believe would be resilient across a range of different economic scenarios. We continue to see value in the banking sector, particularly in names with higher equity capital ratios, healthy balance sheets, and exposure to U.S. housing activity. We emphasize sectors that are asset-rich and defensive in nature, continuing to hold core positions in "bend-but-not-break" corporate credits. We have a cautious approach to EM exposure, staying selective and sizing our positions conservatively. Moreover, we maintain exposure to Non-Agency RMBS given their diversification benefits, stable cash flows, and resilient fundamentals and to Agency RMBS given their resilience in downside scenarios, policymaker support, and favorable valuations.

Month in review

In October, credit spreads tightened. Specifically, global investment grade (IG) credit¹ spreads tightened by 8 bps, developed market high yield (HY)² spreads tightened 14 bps, and EM external³ spreads tightened by 10 bps, respectively returning 0.10%, 0.47%, and -0.12% over the month.

Overweight exposure to financials contributed to performance as spreads tightened due to strong technicals. Exposure to non-Agency RMBS contributed to performance as spreads continued to tighten.

Conversely, positioning within investment grade and high yield credit detracted from performance as volatility surrounding surging coronavirus cases, US stimulus, and election uncertainty led to mixed results within risk assets. In addition, the Fund's underweight exposure to emerging markets detracted from performance as the sector bounced back from its previous September weakness.

Outlook and strategy

Despite the swift recovery from March lows, uncertainty still surrounds the trajectory of the virus, geopolitical tensions, and presidential election. We remain focused on resilient, "bend but not break" exposures, where we may experience some price volatility but have limited expectation for permanent capital impairment. In particular, we emphasize a high quality bias, a close focus on liquidity, and a preference for diversified sources of return. While maintaining a preference for U.S. duration, we do not anticipate taking large positions and expect to stay fairly close to neutral. Within corporate credit, we continue to see unprecedented accommodative central bank policy support, including the Fed's corporate purchase program. We are constructive on more defensive credits in certain sectors, such as gaming and lodging, which have not recovered as quickly as the broad credit market. We continue to prefer credits within U.S. domestic-focused, non-cyclical sectors that exhibit high barriers-to-entry, solid growth prospects, pricing power, and healthy balance sheets. Given limited explicit policy backstops in emerging markets, we expect global macroeconomic factors to remain the key drivers of performance and accordingly maintain a cautious approach focusing on select opportunities that offer attractive risk/reward balance in positioning for global market healing.

Management profile



Dan Ivascyn Managing Director and Group CIO



Eve Tournier Managing Director



Alfred Murata Managing Director



Sonali Pier **Executive Vice** President

INCEPTION DATE



Category: Multisector Bond MORNINGSTAR RATING Number of funds in category: 289 Criteria: Risk-Adjusted Return

Higher income and growth potential from multiple global bond sectors

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Bloomberg Barclays Global Credit Hedged USD contains investment grade and high yield credit securities from the Multiverse represented in US Dollars on a hedged basis, (Multiverse is the merger of two groups: the Global Aggregate and the Global High Yield). The Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Credit ex Emerging Markets (USD Hedged) provides a broad-based measure of the global developed markets investment-grade fixed income markets. The ICE BofAML BB-B Rated Developed Markets High Yield Constrained Index (USD Hedged) tracks the performance of below investment grade bonds of corporate issuers domiciled in developed market countries rated BB1 through B3, based on an average of Moody's, S&P and Fitch. Qualifying bonds are capitalization-weighted provided the total allocation to an individual issuer (defined by Bloomberg tickers) does not exceed 2%. Issuers that exceed the limit are reduced to 2% and the face value of each of their bonds is adjusted on a pro-rata basis. Similarly, the face value of bonds of all other issuers that fall below the 2% cap are increased on a pro-rata basis. The index is rebalanced on the last calendar day of the month. The JPMorgan EMBI Global (USD Hedged) tracks total returns for U.S. dollar-denominated debt instruments issued by emerging market sovereign and quasi-sovereign entities, Brady bonds, loans, Eurobonds and local market instruments. It is not possible to invest in an unmanaged index. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index.

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Credit spreads are the difference in yield between any type of bond, and a U.S. treasury of the same maturity.

"Bend-but-not-break" refers to credits that PIMCO would not expect to default in a credit-stressed environment.

¹Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Credit USD Hedged Index, ²ICE BofA Merrill Lynch BB-B Developed Market High Yield Index, ³J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Index Investment Grade (IG), High Yield (HY), U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed), Emerging Markets (EM), Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities (RMBS)

