



Chief Investment Officer Monthly Report

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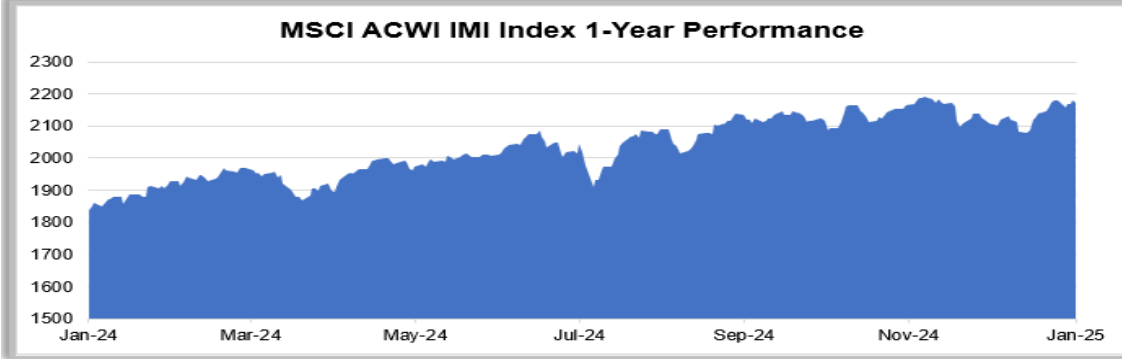


01 Market Environment

Global Market Performance as of January 31, 2025

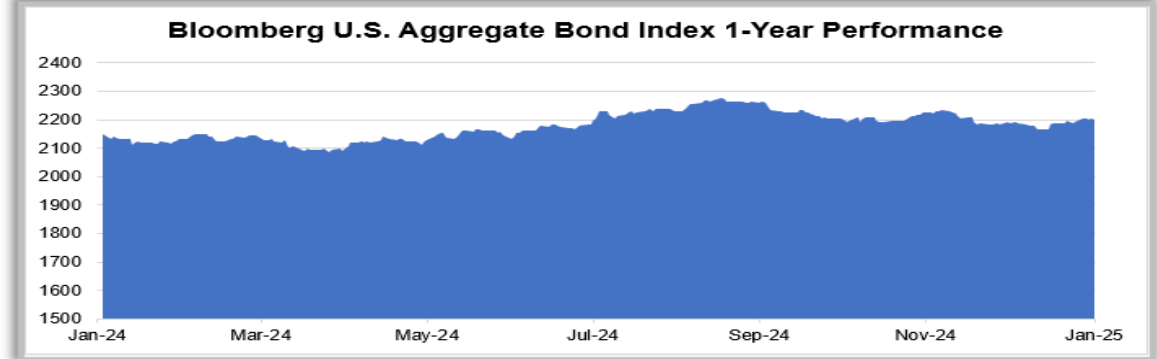


MSCI ACWI IMI Index (Global Equity Market)*							
Trailing Returns (%)				Annualized Returns (%)			
1-Month	3-Month	FYTD	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
3.3	4.4	9.0	3.3	19.9	7.9	10.7	9.5



*Global Equity Policy Benchmark - MSCI ACWIIMI Index

Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index**							
Trailing Returns (%)				Annualized Returns (%)			
1-Month	3-Month	FYTD	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
0.5	-0.1	2.5	0.5	2.1	-1.5	-0.6	1.2

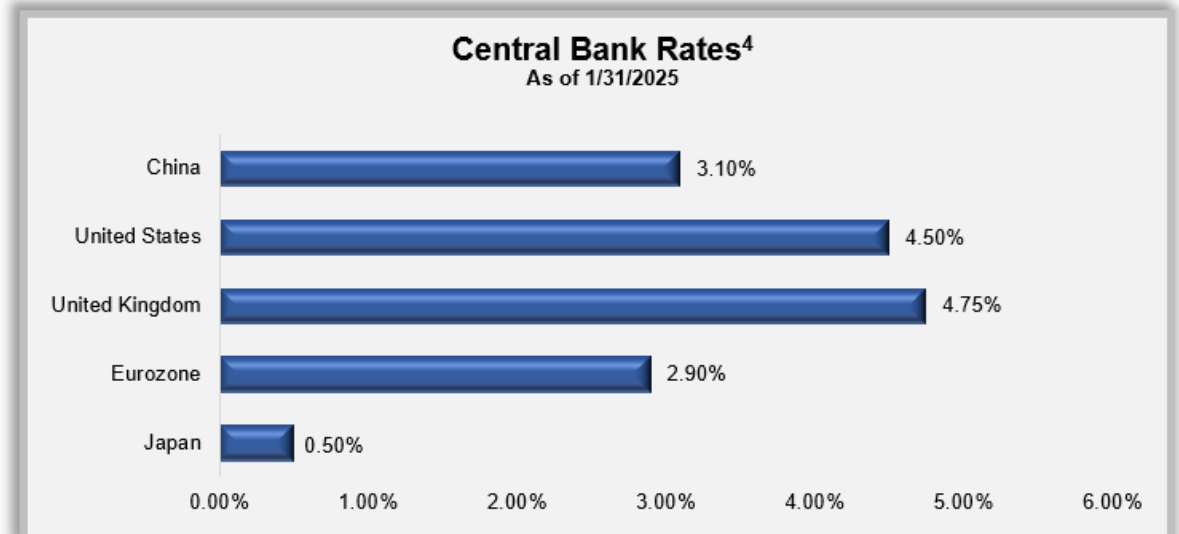
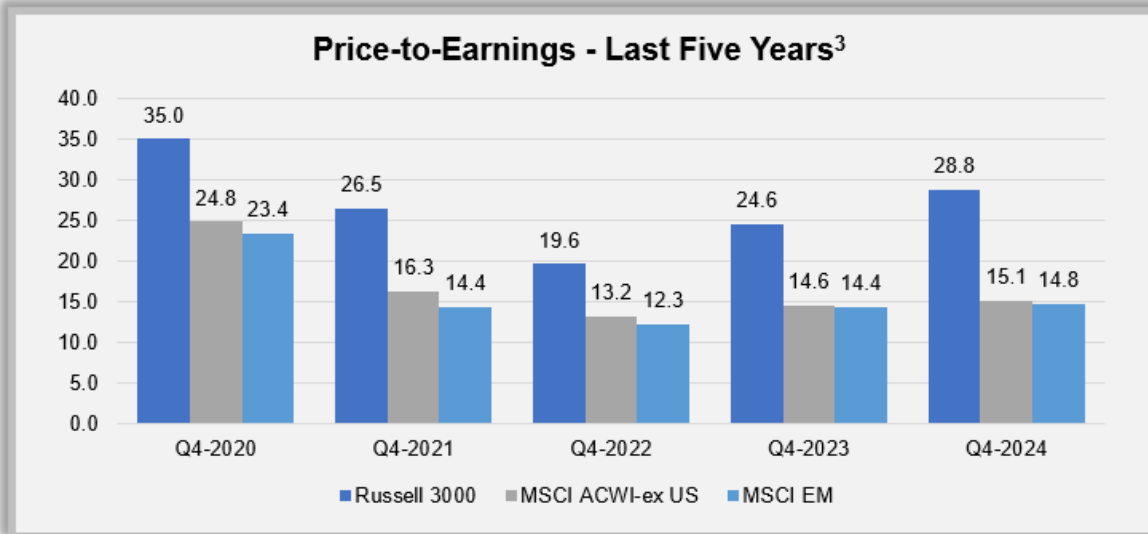
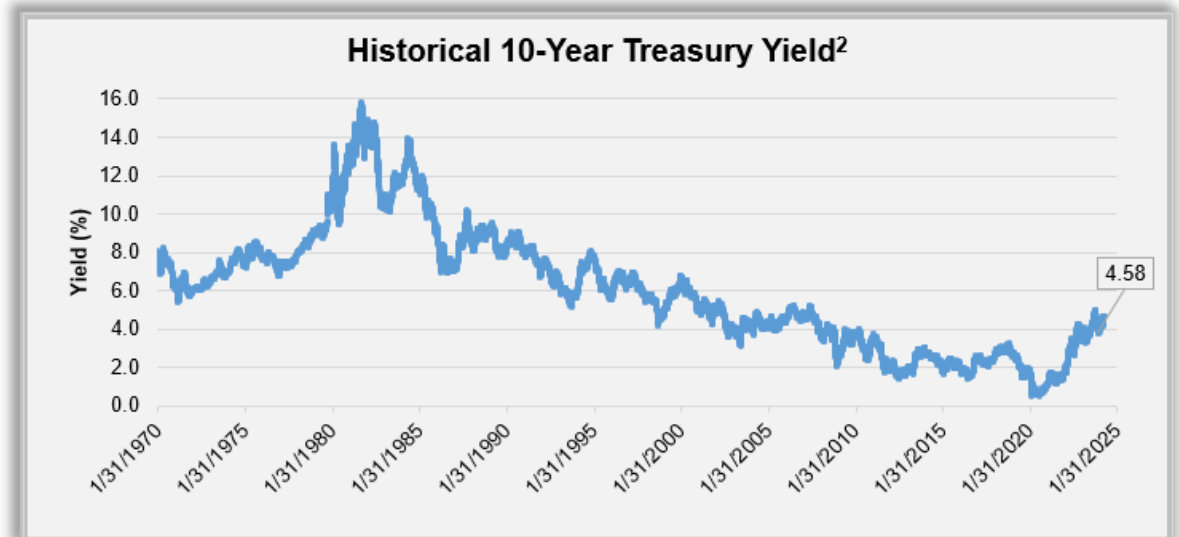
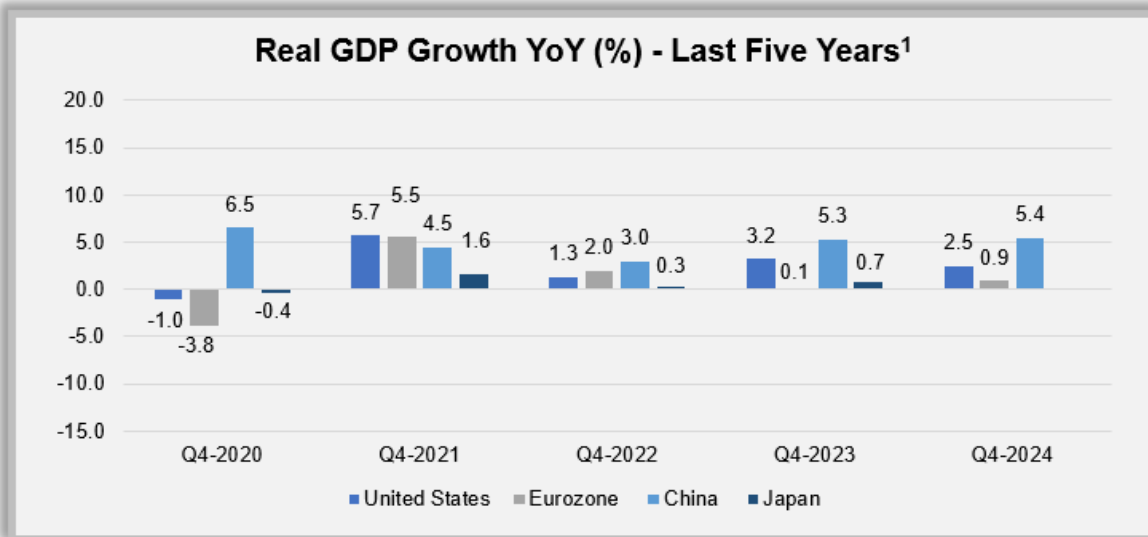


**Investment Grade Bonds Policy Benchmark - Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index

Market	Sub-Category	Index Name	1-Month	3-Month	FYTD	YTD	1 Y	3 Y	5 Y	10 Y
Reference Portfolio	60:40 Equity: Bond Portfolio	60% MSCI ACWI IMI/ 40% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index	2.2	2.6	6.4	2.2	12.5	4.2	6.3	6.4
Equity	Global All Cap	MSCI ACWI IMI Total Return	3.3	4.4	9.0	3.3	19.9	7.9	10.7	9.5
	U.S. All Cap	Russell 3000 Total Return	3.2	6.7	12.5	3.2	26.3	11.3	14.6	13.2
	U.S. Large Cap	S&P 500 Total Return	2.8	6.2	11.5	2.8	26.4	11.9	15.1	13.7
	U.S. Small Cap	Russell 2000 Total Return	2.6	4.5	12.5	2.6	19.1	5.6	8.7	8.4
	Non-U.S. All Cap	MSCI ACWI-ex U.S. IMI Total Return	3.6	0.8	3.6	3.6	10.3	3.1	5.5	5.3
	Emerging Markets	MSCI Emerging Markets Total Return	1.8	-2.0	1.8	1.8	14.8	-0.7	3.0	3.8
Private Equity	Private Equity Buyout	Thomson Reuters PE Buyout Index	4.9	6.9	12.3	4.9	33.1	4.4	10.2	11.9
Fixed Income	U.S. Investment Grade Bonds	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index	0.5	-0.1	2.5	0.5	2.1	-1.5	-0.6	1.2
	U.S. Corporate High Yield Bonds	Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Total Return	1.4	2.1	6.9	1.4	9.7	4.3	4.5	5.2
	U.S. Long Term Treasury Bonds	Bloomberg Long Term U.S. Treasury Total Return Index	0.4	-3.2	-1.1	0.4	-3.9	-10.6	-6.4	-1.4
	Developed Markets Leveraged Loans	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Total Return	0.7	2.2	5.2	0.7	9.0	7.0	5.8	5.2
	U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities	Bloomberg U.S. Treasury TIPS Total Return Index	1.3	0.2	2.4	1.3	3.0	-1.2	1.7	2.1
	U.S. 3 Month Treasury Bill	FTSE 3 Month Treasury Bill	0.4	1.2	3.0	0.4	5.4	4.2	2.6	1.8
Commodity	Commodity Prices Index	Bloomberg Commodity Index Total Return	4.0	5.4	4.2	4.0	9.1	2.5	9.2	2.0
	Natural Resources	S&P Global LargeMidCap Commodity & Resources Index	4.9	-2.8	-1.9	4.9	6.4	2.9	9.8	6.2
Infrastructure	Global Infrastructure	Dow Jones Brookfield Global Infrastructure Composite Index	0.7	0.3	11.7	0.7	14.8	4.9	4.1	4.4
Real Estate	U.S. REITs	MSCI U.S. REIT Index	1.0	-2.3	10.1	1.0	14.6	0.5	4.3	5.1

Source: Bloomberg

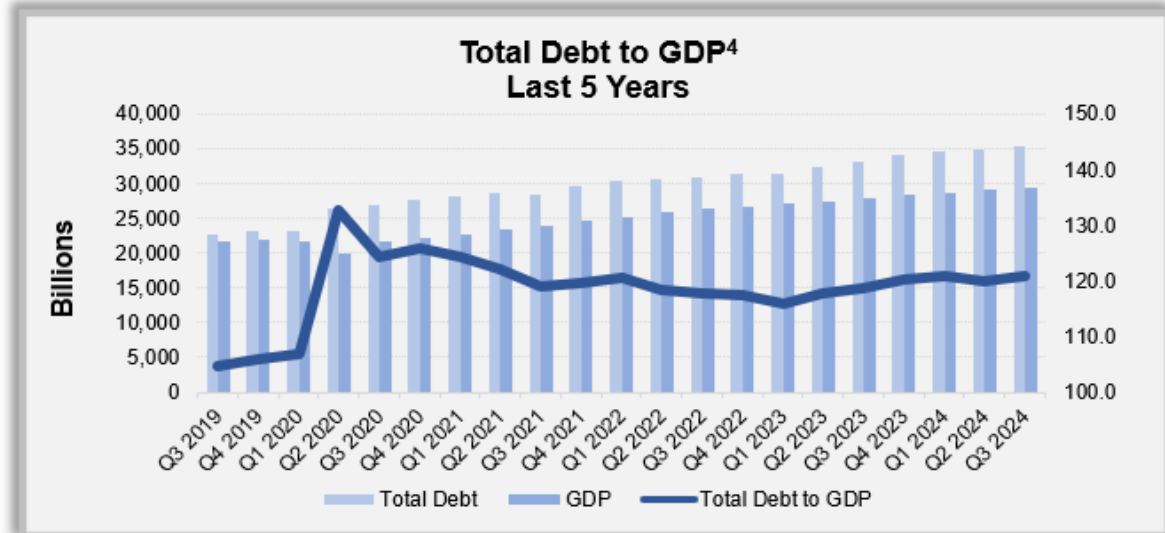
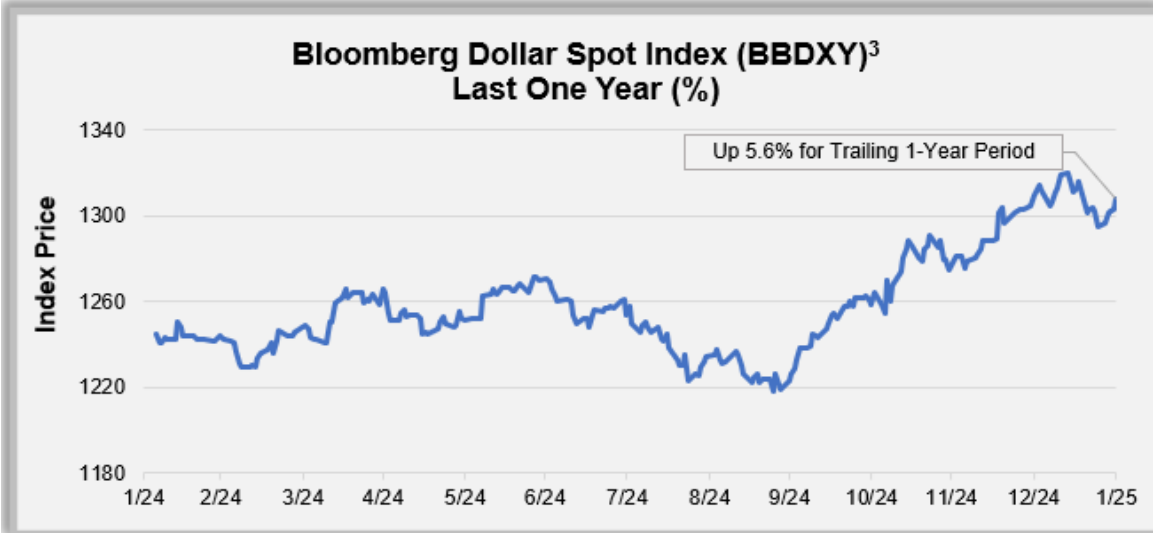
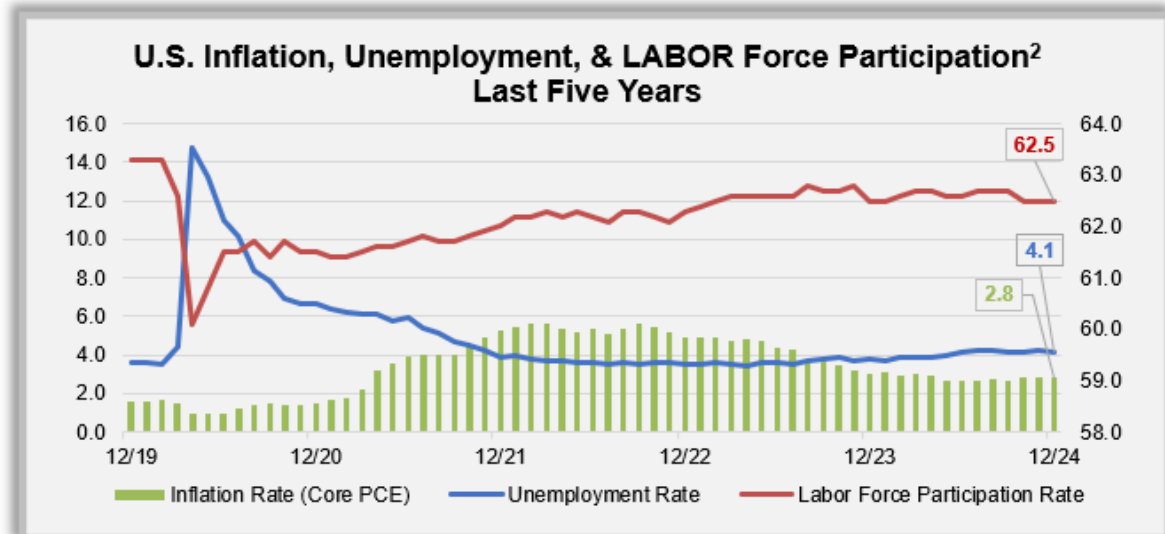
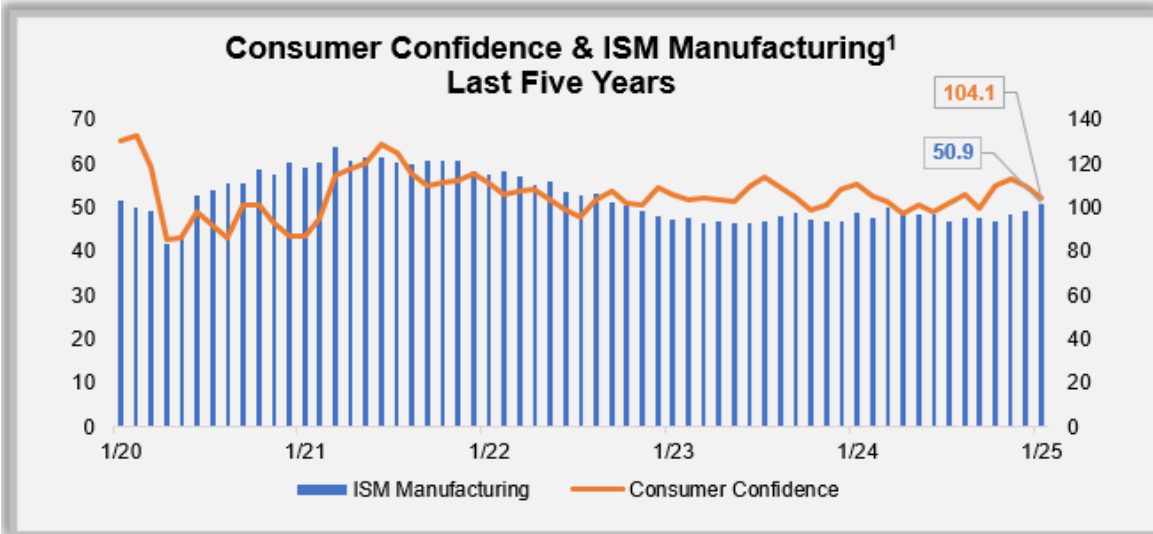
Key Macro Indicators*



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Sources: 1. Bloomberg 3. FactSet
2. St. Louis Federal Reserve 4. FactSet

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02 Portfolio Performance & Risk Updates



Recent Themes

- The Federal Reserve decided to maintain the federal funds rate in the target range of 4.25% - 4.50% in January
- Jerome Powell, Chair of the Federal Reserve, noted that inflation has eased significantly over the past two years but remains above the Fed's 2% longer-run goal
- Powell highlighted that labor market conditions remain solid, with nominal wage growth easing and the jobs-to-workers gap narrowing
- Powell mentioned that economic activity has continued to expand at a solid pace
- The U.S. 10-year Treasury yield ended January at 4.58%, unchanged from the end of December
- Global equities (MSCI All Country World Investable Index) increased 3.3% in January

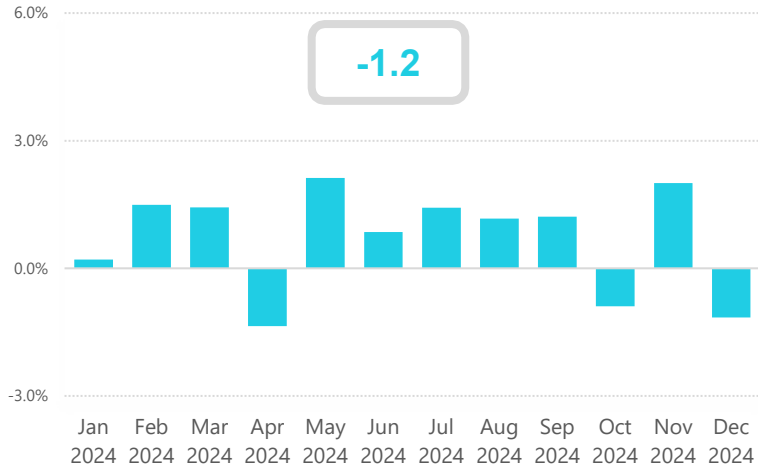
What to Watch

- Interest rates and central bank actions
- Economic data and trends
 - Inflation, supply chains, and labor developments
- Macro conditions and geopolitical activities including tariffs
- Artificial intelligence including research developments, applications, and infrastructure investment
- Corporate governance and stewardship developments
 - Mandatory and voluntary climate risk corporate reporting implementation and global agreements
 - Securities and Exchange Commission guidance on shareholder resolution permissibility

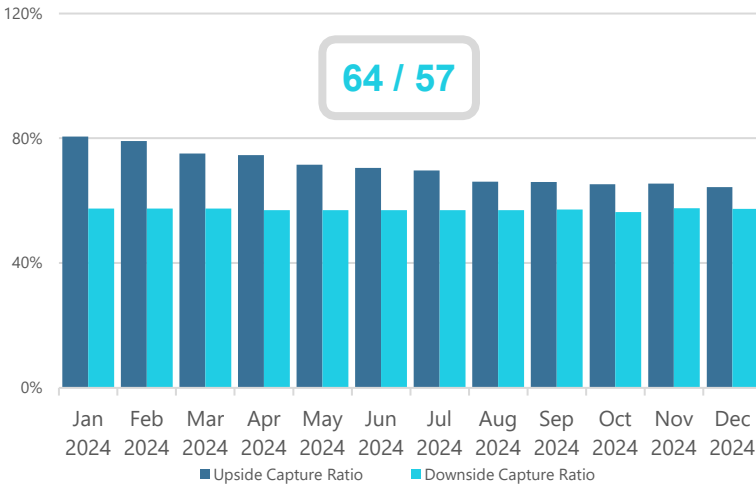
Total Fund Summary as of December 2024



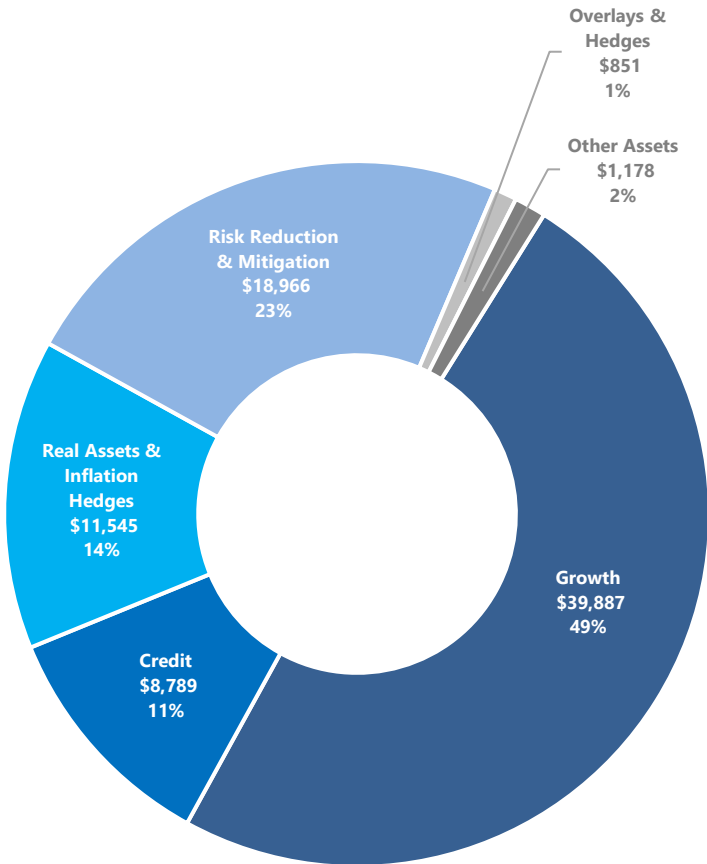
Monthly Net Return (%)



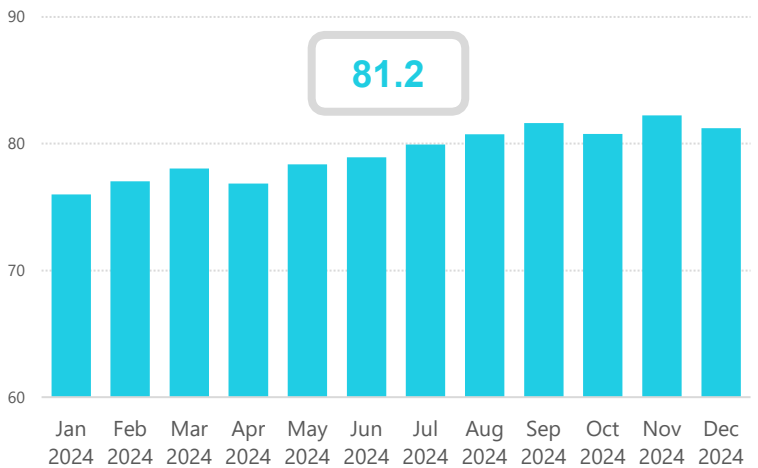
Upside / Downside Capture (%)¹



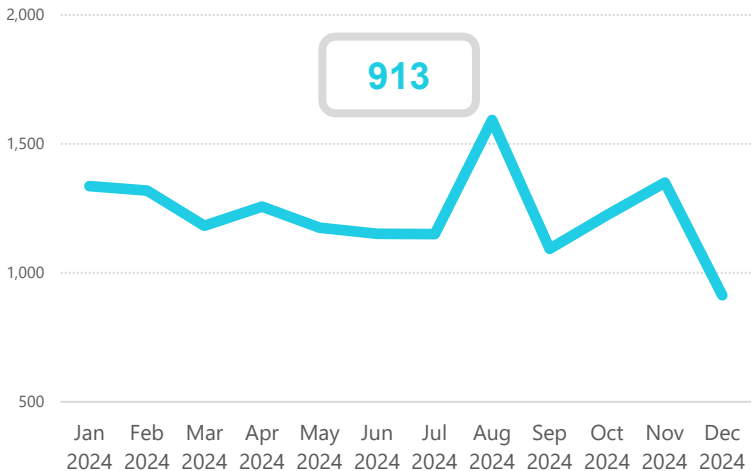
Asset Allocation (\$ millions)²



Total Market Value (\$ billions)



Cash (\$ millions)



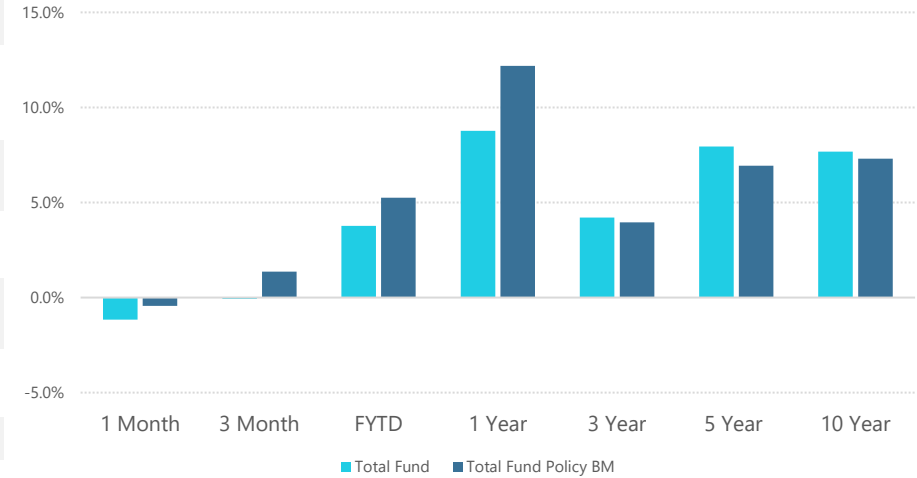
¹ Reference portfolio = 60% MSCI ACWI IMI / 40% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index
² Other Assets include receivables due to deferred sales and rebalancing activity pending settlement.

Historical Net Performance as of December 2024



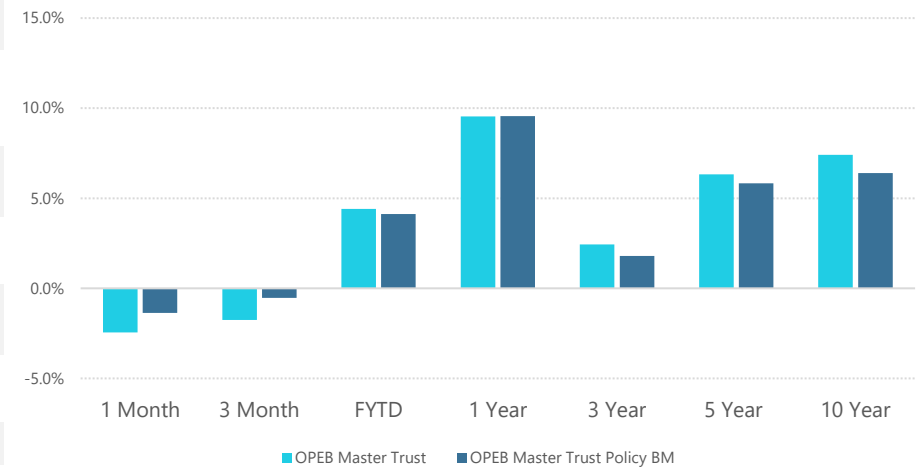
LACERA Pension Fund

	Market Value (\$ mm)	% of Total Fund	Interim Target	1 Month	3 Month	FYTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Total Fund	81,217	100.0%	100.0%	-1.2%	-0.1%	3.8%	8.8%	4.2%	7.9%	7.7%
Total Fund Policy BM				-0.4%	1.4%	5.3%	12.2%	3.9%	6.9%	7.3%
7% Annual Hurdle Rate				0.6%	1.7%	3.4%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%
Growth	39,887	49.1%	50.5%	-1.8%	-0.6%	4.1%	11.4%	5.0%	11.3%	
Growth Policy BM				-0.8%	1.7%	6.9%	20.1%	6.1%	10.9%	
Credit	8,789	10.8%	12.0%	0.6%	3.0%	6.7%	14.8%	7.2%	7.2%	
Credit Policy BM				1.0%	2.6%	5.5%	10.8%	4.7%	4.6%	
Real Assets & Inflation Hedges	11,545	14.2%	16.0%	-1.8%	-1.1%	1.5%	0.7%	2.1%	4.6%	
RA & IH Policy BM				0.9%	4.1%	4.0%	1.8%	2.0%	4.8%	
Risk Reduction & Mitigation	18,966	23.4%	21.5%	-1.0%	-1.7%	2.4%	2.8%	-0.9%	0.9%	
RR & M Policy BM				-1.4%	-2.2%	2.0%	1.9%	-1.4%	0.3%	
Overlays & Hedges	851	1.0%								
Other Assets	1,178	1.5%								



OPEB Trust

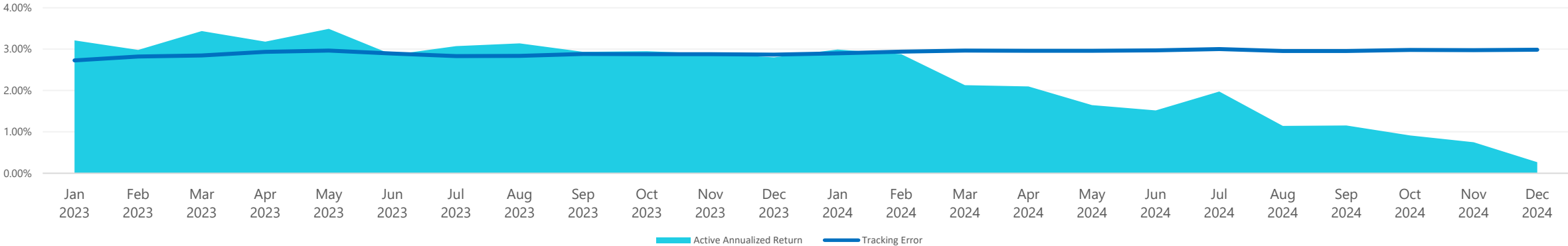
	Market Value (\$ mm)	% of Master Trust	Interim Target	1 Month	3 Month	FYTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
OPEB Master Trust	4,434			-2.4%	-1.8%	4.4%	9.5%	2.4%	6.3%	7.4%
OPEB Master Trust Policy BM				-1.4%	-0.5%	4.1%	9.6%	1.8%	5.8%	6.4%
6% Annual Hurdle Rate				0.5%	1.5%	3.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%
OPEB Growth	1,996	45.0%	45.0%	-2.8%	-1.0%	5.6%	16.7%	5.1%	9.9%	
OPEB Growth Policy BM				-2.1%	-0.3%	6.1%	18.2%	5.0%	9.8%	
OPEB Credit	768	17.3%	17.0%	0.0%	0.4%	4.5%	6.7%	4.2%	3.5%	
OPEB Credit Policy BM				1.0%	2.6%	5.5%	9.8%	4.6%	4.1%	
OPEB Real Assets & Inflation Hedges	571	12.9%	16.5%	-4.2%	-3.5%	5.0%	5.7%	-2.9%	3.2%	
OPEB RA & IH Policy BM				-0.5%	0.0%	1.0%	-0.5%	-4.2%	2.1%	
OPEB Risk Reduction & Mitigation	1,098	24.8%	21.5%	-2.3%	-4.0%	1.3%	0.0%	-2.0%	-0.2%	
OPEB RR & M Policy BM				-2.3%	-4.0%	1.3%	-0.3%	-2.7%	-0.7%	
OPEB HL PM Cash	0	0.0%								



Active and Excess Return as of December 2024



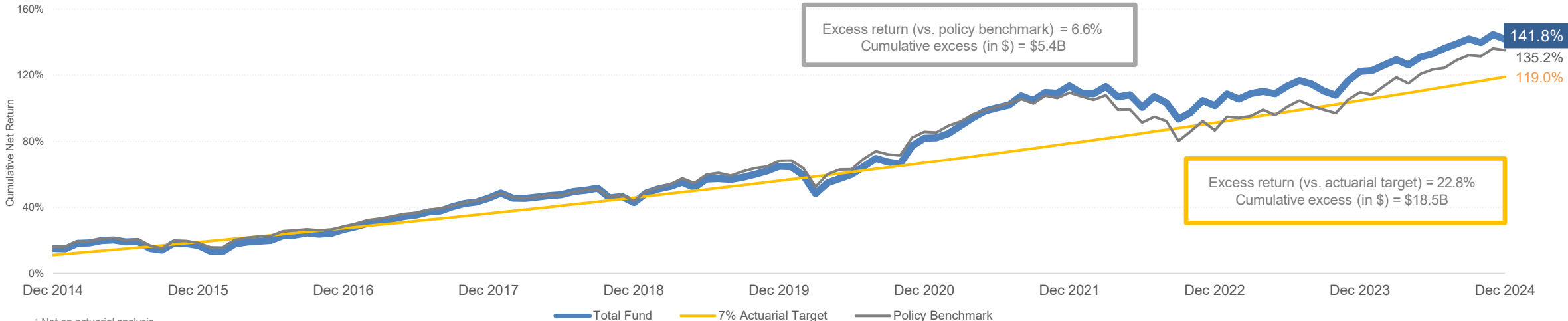
Active Return vs. Tracking Error^{1,2,3}



Period Ending	Annualized Return	Annualized Benchmark Return	Annualized Active Return	Tracking Error
Dec 2024	4.2%	3.9%	0.3%	3.0%

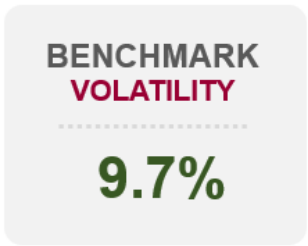
¹ Rolling 36 months.
² Active return equals the difference in return between a portfolio and its benchmark.
³ Tracking error (or active risk) measures the volatility of active returns.

Excess Return¹

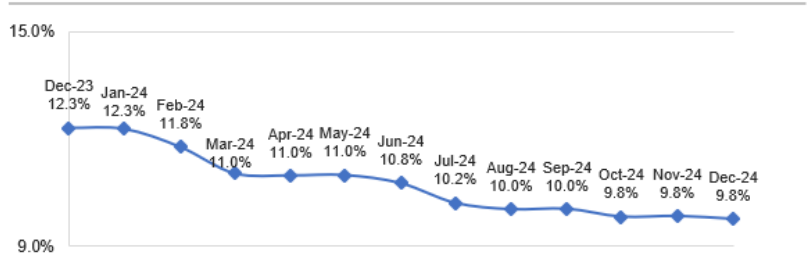


¹ Not an actuarial analysis.

Total Fund Forecast Volatility as of December 2024*

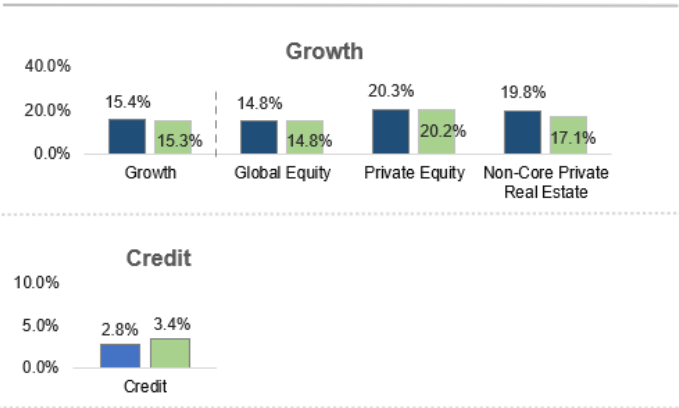


Forecasted Total Fund Volatility Trend

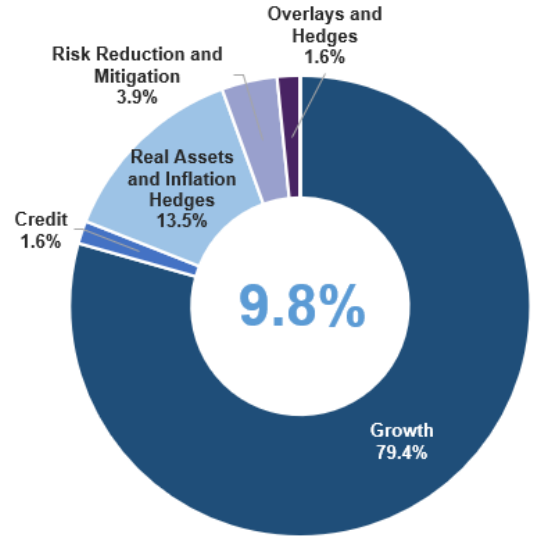


Subcategory Volatility

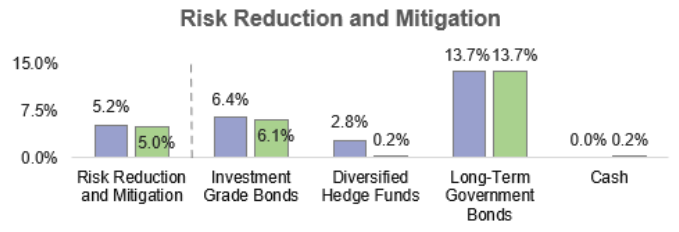
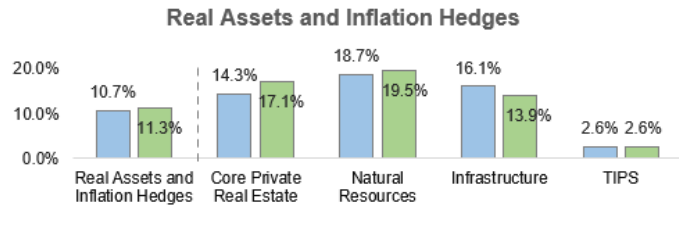
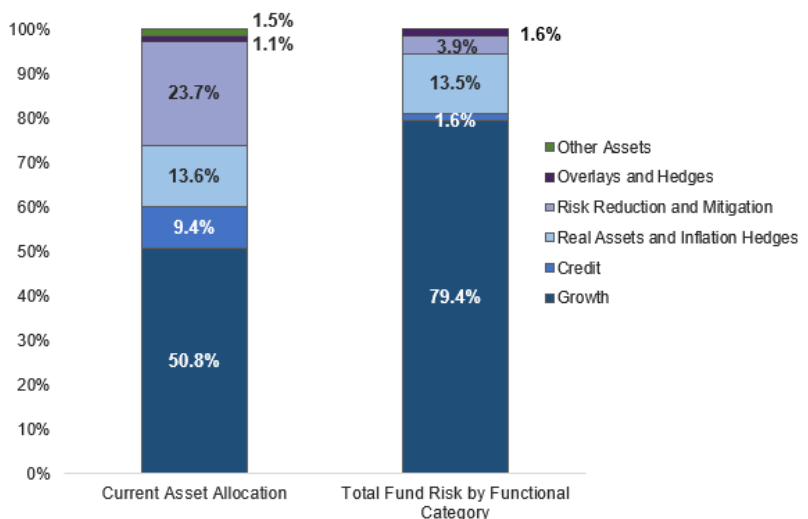
1 Subcategory volatility is on the left bar and benchmark risk is on the right bar.



Functional Category Contributions to Total Fund Volatility



Total Fund Asset Allocation
Capital-based versus Risk-based



Source: MSCI BarraOne

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Total Fund Forecast Tracking Error as of December 2024*



TOTAL FUND TRACKING ERROR

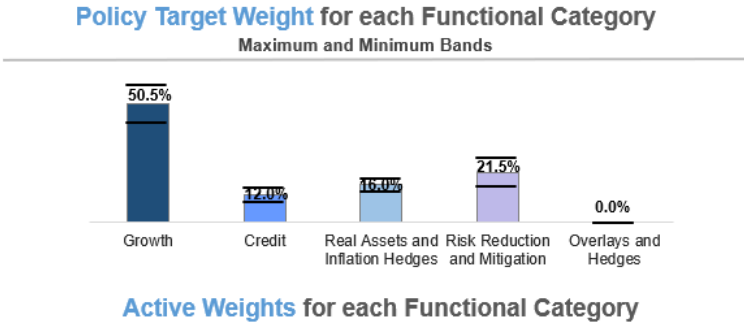
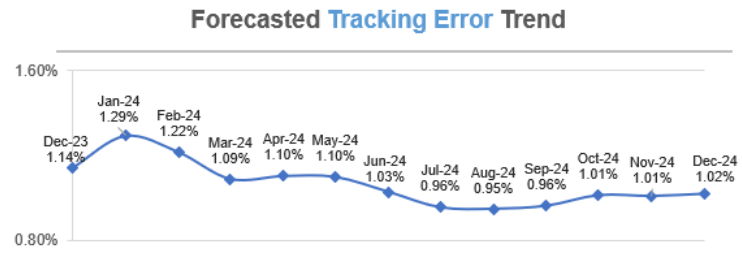
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ALLOCATION RISK

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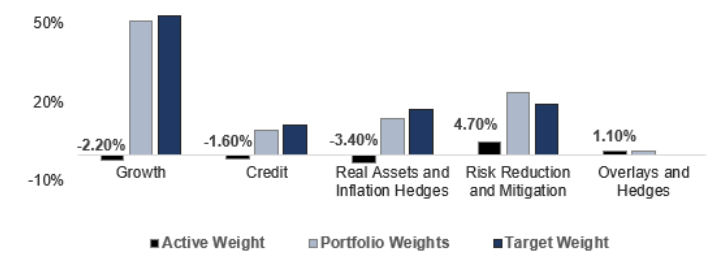
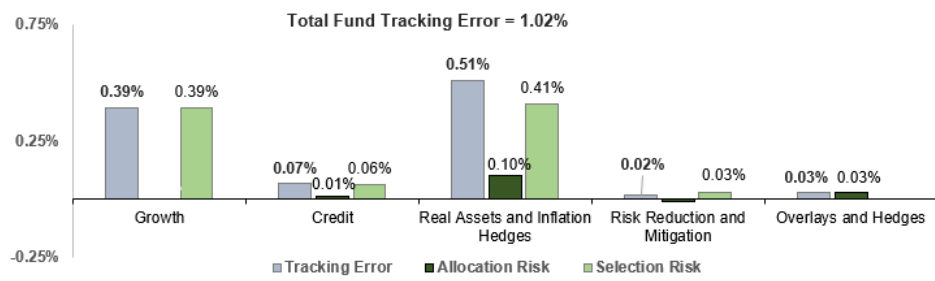
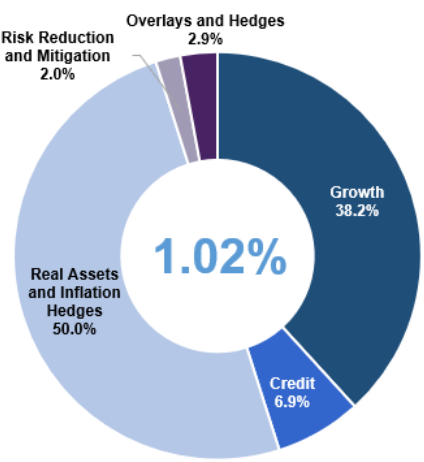
SELECTION RISK

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Functional Category Contributions to Tracking Error

Tracking Error Attribution



Subcategory Tracking Error

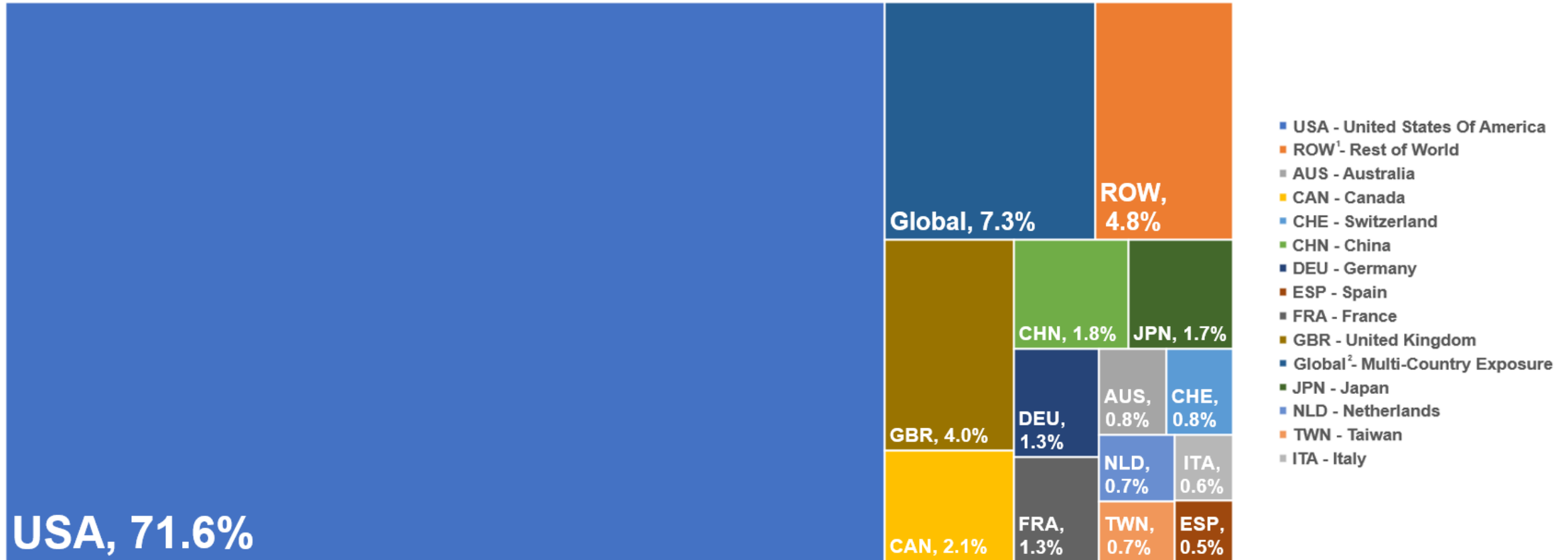
Total Fund	Global					Credit	Real Assets and Inflation Hedges				Risk Reduction and Mitigation					
1.02%	1.09%	0.39%	3.01%	7.05%		0.03	4.02%	5.01%	3.85%	9.93%	0.07%	0.83%	0.37%	2.75%	0.03%	0.18%
Total Fund	Growth	Global Equity	Private Equity	Non-Core Private Real Estate		Credit	Real Assets and Inflation Hedges	Core Private Real Estate	Natural Resources	Infrastructure	TIPS	Risk Reduction and Mitigation	Investment Grade Bonds	Diversified Hedge Funds	Long-Term Government Bonds	Cash

Source: MSCI BarraOne

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Geographic Exposures by AUM

Total Fund as of December 2024* Ex-Overlays and Hedges



AUM = Assets under management.

Geographic exposure is based on the domicile country of a given security/asset.

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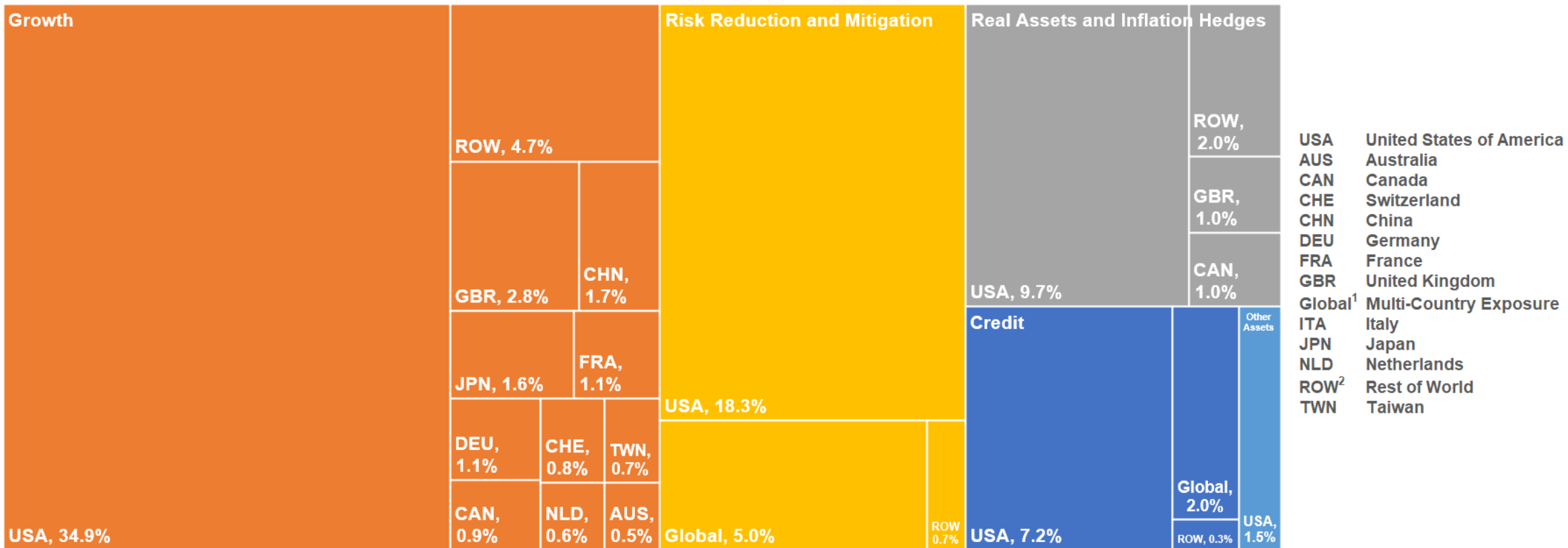
¹ "ROW - Rest of World" is sum of countries with weights below 0.5%.

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SOURCE: MSCI BarraOne

Geographic Exposures by AUM

Functional Categories as of December 2024* Ex-Overlays and Hedges

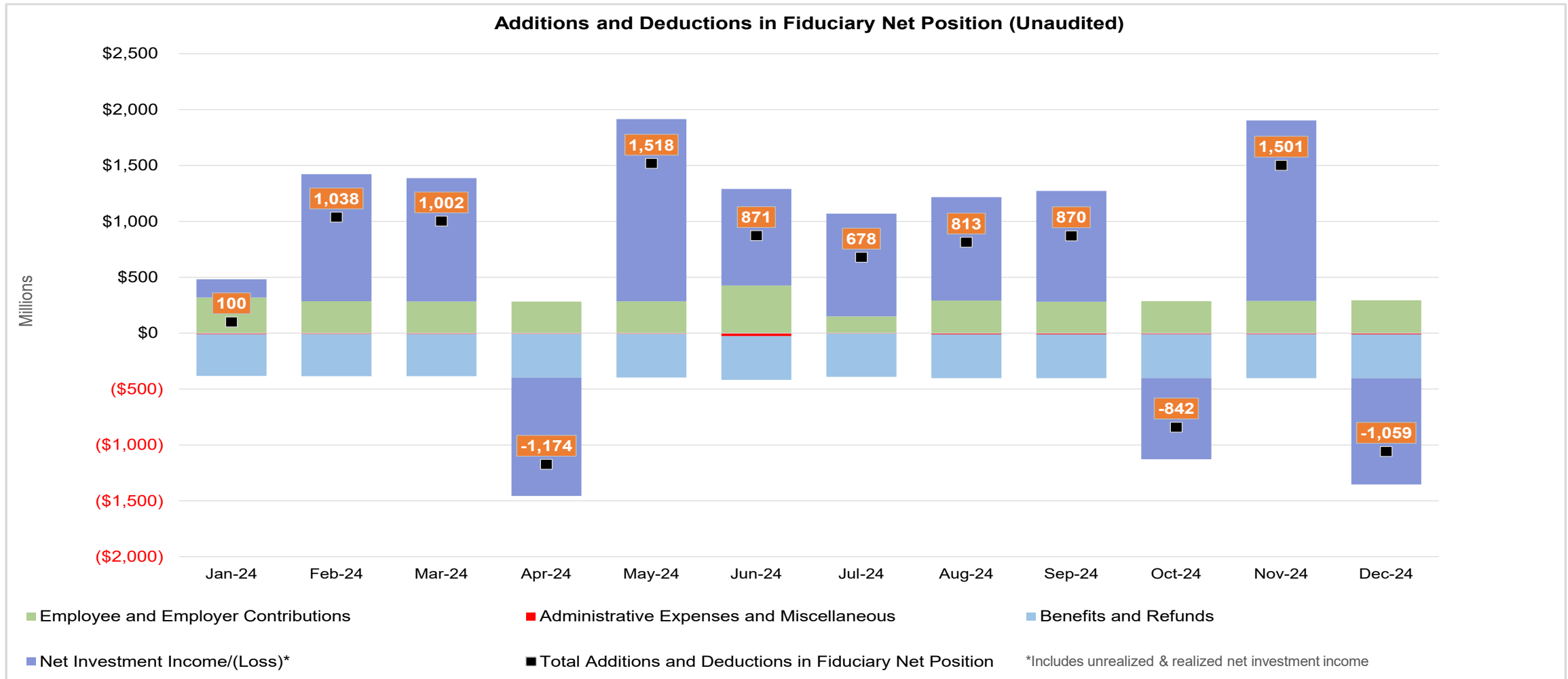


- USA United States of America
- AUS Australia
- CAN Canada
- CHE Switzerland
- CHN China
- DEU Germany
- FRA France
- GBR United Kingdom
- Global¹ Multi-Country Exposure
- ITA Italy
- JPN Japan
- NLD Netherlands
- ROW² Rest of World
- TWN Taiwan

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Change In Fiduciary Net Position



Fiscal Year	Negative Months	Positive Months	Total Net Position Change \$
FY-23	5	7	\$3.3 billion
FY-24	4	8	\$5.2 billion
FY-25	2	4	\$2.0 billion

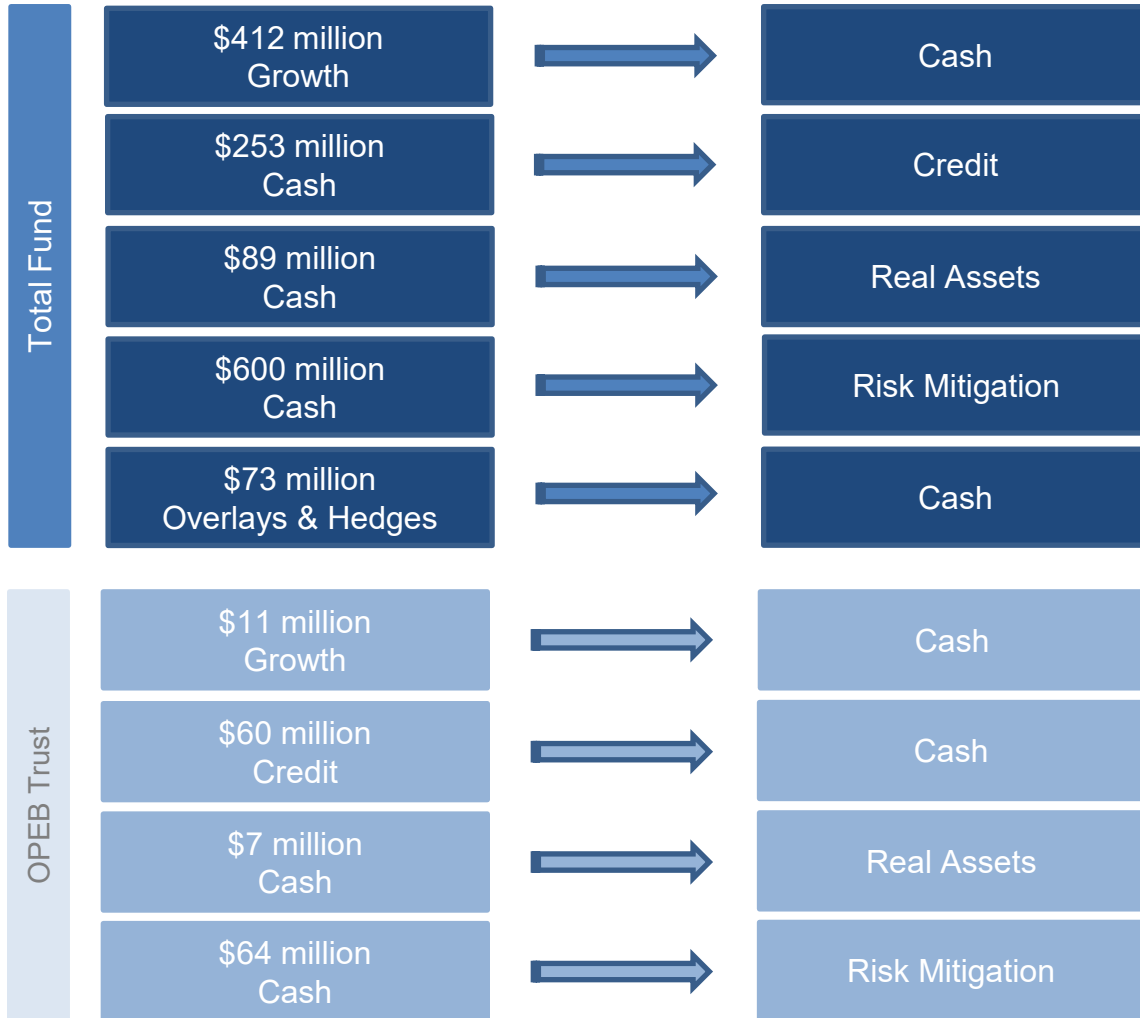


03 Portfolio Structural Updates

Portfolio Structural Updates



Rebalancing Activity



Overlays & Hedges

Monthly Activity

Program	December Return	December Gain/(Loss)	Inception ¹ Gain/(Loss)
Currency Hedge ²	1.5%	\$96.8 Million	\$1.6 Billion
Cash / Rebalance Overlay ³	0.3%	\$2.9 Million	\$577.4 Million

¹ Currency and overlay program inception dates are 8/2010 & 7/2019, respectively.

² LACERA's currency hedge program's 1-month return is calculated monthly whereas the monthly gain/loss amount for the same period is the net realized dollar amount at contract settlement over three monthly tranches.

³ LACERA's overlay program's 1-month return includes interest earned on the cash that supports the futures contracts.

Current Search Activity

Status of Active Searches – Subject to Change

Name	RFP Issued	Due Diligence	Selection/ Review
Real Assets Emerging Manager Program	✓	✓	✓
Discretionary Separate Account Manager Search			



04 Key Initiatives & Operational Updates

Notable Initiatives and Operational Updates



Key Initiative Updates

- The April 2024 approved Strategic Asset Allocation implementation is in progress
 - The allocation shifted from the interim policy targets to final targets on January 1, 2025
- Adhering to the BOI-approved 2025 Strategic Framework and Initiatives
- Financial Analyst I program is under development

Team Searches and Vacancies

- Principal Investment Officer
- 2 – Senior Investment Officer
 - 2 in progress
- 3 – Financial Analyst-III
 - 2 in progress
- 1 – Financial Analyst-II

Operational Updates

- CIO Report update is in progress
- Onboarding workflow management for risk provider

Manager/Consultant Updates

Global Alpha – Global Equities – Notified LACERA that Tracy Li, Portfolio Manager, will leave the firm for personal reasons, effective February 7, 2025. Her responsibilities will be taken over by portfolio managers Qing Ji, Sain Godhil, and Robert Beauregard, until a replacement is found.



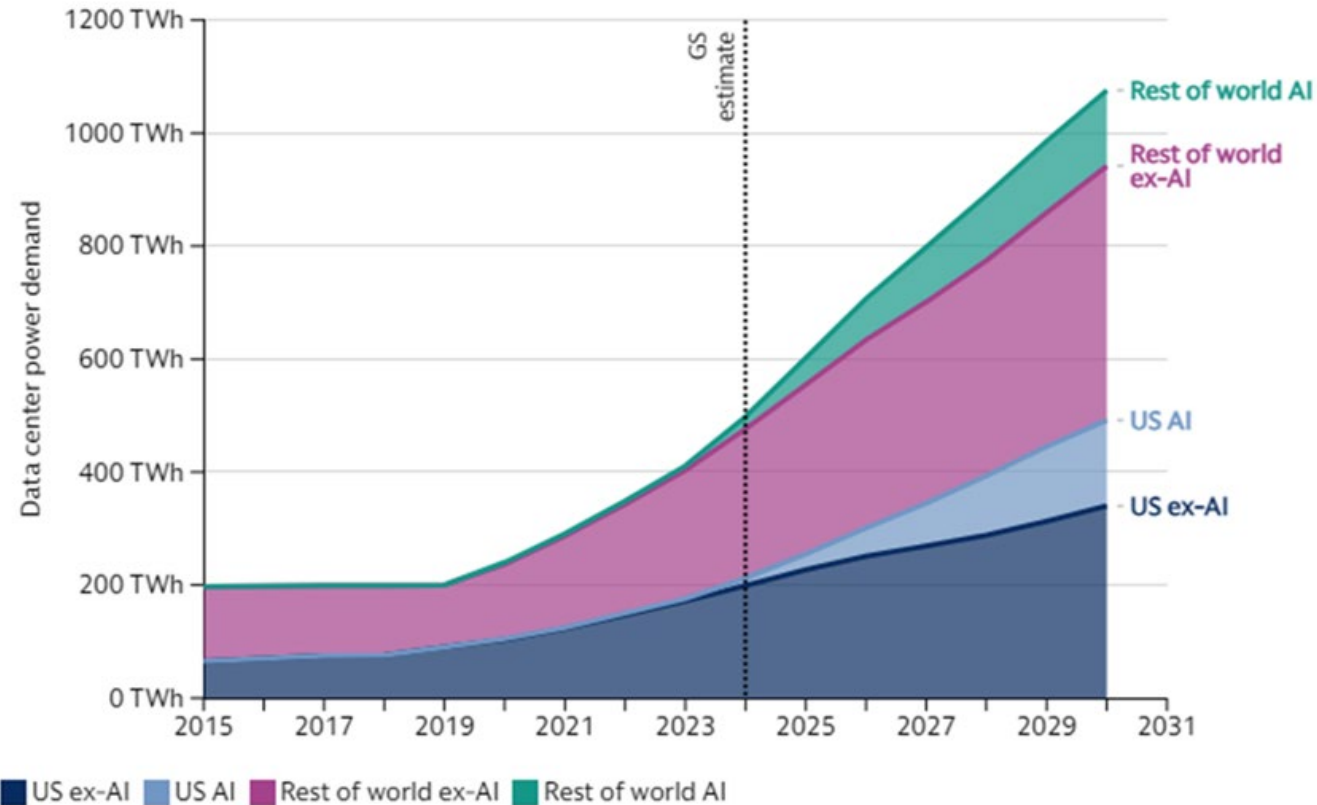
05 **Commentary**

Staff Chart of the Month

Data Center Power Consumption Forecast to Increase Through 2030



Data center power consumption is forecast to increase by more than 160% by 2030



Source: Masanet et al. (2020), Cisco, IEA, Goldman Sachs Research





06 Appendix

Quiet Period for Search Respondents



Real Assets Emerging Manager Program Discretionary Separate Account Manager

- ✓ ORG Portfolio Management
- ✓ Barings
- ✓ Belay Investment Group
- ✓ Hamilton Lane
- ✓ Cambridge Associates
- ✓ Seed Partners
- ✓ Stable Asset Management
- ✓ Wafra Inc.
- ✓ Artemis Real Estate Partners
- ✓ Aether Investment Partners
- ✓ Neuberger Berman Group
- ✓ The Townsend Group
- ✓ BGO Strategic Capital Partners
- ✓ BlackRock
- ✓ StepStone
- ✓ GCM Grosvenor