

Transamerica Long Credit

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Investment objective

The fund seeks to provide total return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation.

Key facts

Investment Manager

Transamerica Asset Management, Inc. (TAM)

Lipper Category

Corporate Debt Funds BBB-Rated

Dividend Frequency

Daily

Benchmark

Bloomberg US Long Credit Index

SUB-ADVISER



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MACROECONOMIC OVERVIEW

The US economy rebounded in the second quarter after shrinking in the first quarter. Gross domestic product (GDP) rose 3.8% in the second quarter according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis' third GDP reading released in late September. Meanwhile, inflation rose 2.9% in August from a year earlier, higher than its 2.7% pace of growth in July. The September payroll report from the Bureau of Labor Statistics—which is typically released on the first Friday of each month—was delayed due to the US federal government shutdown. However, the previous release showed the economy added just 22,000 jobs in August. The recent uptick in inflation coupled with various signs of increasing slack in the labor market highlight risks to both sides of the Federal Reserve's (Fed) dual mandate. Nonetheless, at its September meeting, the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) reduced its benchmark fed-funds rate by 25 basis points (bps) to a range of 4% to 4.25%, marking its first rate cut in nine months, and signaled further easing is likely at upcoming meetings. Interest rates declined during the quarter, led by short-dated yields. The two-year U.S. Treasury yield fell by 11 bps, reflecting expectations for lower policy rates given weaker economic data, particularly pertaining to the labor market. Longer-dated yields fell modestly during the quarter as the near-term path of Fed policy was offset by continued strength in economic activity and elevated inflation. The Bloomberg US Long Credit Index returned 3.88% in the quarter. Positive returns were supported both by a decline in yields and tightening of credit spreads. The index yield to worst declined 19 bps from 5.72% to 5.53%. The index option-adjusted spread narrowed 13 bps to 91 bps, near its tightest level on record.

FUND OVERVIEW

Transamerica Long Credit's quarterly performance relative to the Bloomberg US Long Credit Index was largely driven by credit spread impacts as the portfolio benefited more than the benchmark from credit spread tightening. Excess carry was a modest contributor while duration and curve positioning detracted from relative returns. The largest contributors to the portfolio's relative return were security selection within investment grade corporate credit and emerging markets debt. Detractors included modest ex-index allocations to asset-backed securities and U.S. Treasury securities. Within corporate credit, selection within consumer non-cyclicals, consumer cyclicals and capital goods were the largest contributors. The largest detractors were selection in banking and brokerage/asset managers/exchanges, and an underweight allocation to electric.

OUTLOOK

The broad trends continue to support the sub-adviser's economic "cooling" theme and lend credence to the Fed's pivot to the resumption of interest-rate cuts. At the same time, various economic indicators continue to show signs of robust economic activity, keeping spreads near their tightest levels. Given the persistence of risks to the economic outlook and elevated valuations, the sub-adviser maintains a cautious risk stance and will continue to manage exposure alongside the evolving outlook.

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Average annual total returns and expense ratios (%)

	3M	YTD	1 YR	3 YRS	5 YRS	10 YRS	Inception	Gross	Net
Class I (at NAV)	4.08	7.67	1.11	-	-	-	3.57	0.65	0.65
Class A (at NAV)	4.03	7.43	0.87	-	-	-	3.35	0.78	0.78
Class A (at POP)	-0.94	2.36	-3.91	-	-	-	1.35	0.78	0.78
Bloomberg US Long Credit Index	3.88	7.78	1.03	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Performance figures reflect any fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements by the Investment Manager. Without such waivers and/or reimbursements, the performance would be lower. Future waivers and/or reimbursements are at the discretion of the Investment Manager. Contractual arrangements, if any, have been made with Transamerica Asset Management, Inc. through 3/1/2026.

Top 10 holdings (%)

Anheuser-Busch InBev Worldwide, Inc., 4.44%, due 10/06/2048	1.36
Charter Communications Operating LLC/ Charter Communications Operating Capital, 6.48%, due 10/23/2045	1.25
Oracle Corp., 6.90%, due 11/09/2052	1.13
JPMorgan Chase & Co., 3.11%, due 04/22/2041	1.06
Virginia Electric & Power Co., 8.88%, due 11/15/2038	0.98
AT&T, Inc., 3.55%, due 09/15/2055	0.94
U.S. Treasury Notes, 4.25%, due 08/15/2035	0.90
Verizon Communications, Inc., 3.70%, due 03/22/2061	0.87
Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc., 4.00%, due 11/15/2057	0.83
Energy Transfer LP, 7.50%, due 07/01/2038	0.83
Total	10.15

Holdings and weights are subject to change and are not recommendations to buy or sell a security. Holdings display excludes net other assets (liabilities).

Maturity (%)

5-10 Years	4.00
10-20 Years	25.16
20+ Years	69.36

The Net Other Assets (Liabilities) category may include, but is not limited to, repurchase agreements, reverse repurchase agreements, security lending collateral, forward foreign currency contracts, and cash collateral.

The Bloomberg U.S. Long Credit Index is an unmanaged index used as a general measure of market performance. It is not possible to invest directly into an index. Calculations assume dividends and capital gains are reinvested and do not include any managerial expenses.

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