

# PIMCO Diversified Income Fund

#### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

The PIMCO Diversified Income Fund returned 1.56% after fees in September, outperforming the Bloomberg Global Aggregate (USD Hedged) Index by 0.40%. Yearto-date the Fund has returned 7.03% at NAV, while the benchmark returned 4.38%.

Financial markets broadly gained in September as yields fell amid the start of quantitative easing by central banks. Credit spreads broadly tightened and developed sovereign bond yields fell while the dollar weakened. The U.S. 10-year Treasury yield ended 12 bps lower at 3.78% as the Fed cut its policy rate by 50 bps. The German 10year Bund yield fell 18 bps to 2.12% amid cooling inflation, while the U.K. 10-year Gilt yield moved less markedly, falling 1 bp to 4.00% as the BoE held rates steady. In Japan, 10-year government bond yields fell 4 bps to 0.86% as reactions to the Fed cut were tempered by a mixed BoJ outlook.

#### **Contributors**

(%)

- Overweight exposure to high yield, particularly via CDX
- Positioning within European emerging markets, particularly exposure to sovereign debt
- **Duration** positioning

#### **Detractors**

- Tactical exposure to securitized credit, particularly Agency RMBS
- Positioning within high yield financials, particularly underweight exposure to specialty finance

#### Month end performance 30 September 2024 Quarter end performance 30 September 2024 Since 3 mos. YTD 6 mos. 1 yr. 1 yr. 5 vrs. 10 yrs. inception 5.05 5 64 15.38 7 03 15 38 2 03 3 84 5.89 2.33 3.52 4 24 4 37 10.63 4 38 10.63 0.57 5.04 5.71 15.09 15.09 2.25 3.70 5.76

Benchmark 1 (%) Benchmark 2 (%)

Benchmark 1: Bloomberg Global Aggregate (USD Hedged) Index

PIMCO Diversified Income Fund share class INST at NAV ■

Benchmark 2: 1/3 each - Bloomberg 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
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A Shares	PDVAX	INST Shares	PDIIX
ADMIN Shares	PDAAX	I-2 Shares	PDVPX
C Shares	PDICX	I-3 Shares	PDNIX

**Fund Inception Date** 31 July 2003 Shareclass INST Inception Date 31 July 2003 Total Net Assets (in millions) \$2.974.9

#### **Performance Characteristics**

INST 30-day SEC yield1

<sup>1</sup>The 30 day SEC Yield is computed under an SEC standardized formula based on net income earned over the past 30 days.

#### **Basic Facts**

Dividend frequency Monthly with Daily Accrual

#### **Fund Expenses**

INST share Gross Expense Ratio 0.79%

**INST share Adjusted Expense** 

Ratio

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

Daniel J. Ivascyn, Alfred Murata, Regina Borromeo, Sonali Pier, Charles Watford

### **Fund Statistics**

Effective Duration (yrs)	5.00
Effective Maturity (yrs)	7.99
Sharpe Ratio (10 year)	0.36
Volatility (10 year)	6.55%

#### **PORTFOLIO POSITIONING**

The Fund is staying close to the benchmark in terms of duration exposure, although it has made tactical adjustments as rates have remained volatile this year. We currently favor modest risk-on exposure but plan to take a patient approach while adding risk to the portfolio, avoiding generic corporate credit. We maintain an overweight to high yield with a focus on active sector, issuer, and security selection as spread dispersion, particularly in the lower quality cohort, has risen substantially. Given compressed spreads in investment grade credit, we are focusing on sectors that have historically been more resilient to higher rates. Within emerging markets, we are staying selective and sizing our positions conservatively amid continued geopolitical uncertainty; given our expectation for diverging growth cycles and elevated uncertainty over global monetary and fiscal policy, we are focusing on opportunities that offer an attractive risk/reward balance. We maintain exposure to Agency and non-Agency MBS given their diversification benefits, stable cash flows, and resilient fundamentals.

Sector Allocation (% Market Value)	Fund
US Government Related¶	5.5
Securitized <sup>¢</sup>	25.1
Invest. Grade Credit	22.8
High Yield Credit	23.1
Non-USD Developed	21.6
Emerging Markets $^{\Omega}$	21.1
$Other^\Delta$	2.9
Net Other Short Duration Instruments <sup>rll</sup>	-22.2

#### **MONTH IN REVIEW**

In September, credit spreads broadly tightened, while returns were positive as the Fed cut rates in response to easing inflation and a cooling labor market. Specifically, global investment grade (IG) credit¹ spreads tightened 1 bp, developed market BB-B high yield (HY)² spreads widened 6 bps, and EM external³ spreads tightened 19 bps, respectively returning 1.46%, 1.12%, and 1.61% over the month.

The Fund's overweight exposure to high yield, particularly via CDX, contributed to performance as risk assets continued to rally with market expectations of a soft landing. Positioning within European emerging markets, particularly exposure to sovereign debt, contributed to performance as the region faces idiosyncratic moves. Duration positioning contributed to performance as rates fell over the period.

Conversely, tactical exposure to securitized credit, particularly Agency RMBS, detracted from performance as spreads widened. Positioning within high yield financials, particularly underweight exposure to specialty finance, detracted from performance as their ability to generate attractive absolute profitability remains strong.

Sector Allocation (Duration in Years)	Fund
US Government Related¶	0.5
Securitized <sup>†</sup>	0.8
Invest. Grade Credit	1.1
High Yield Credit	0.4
Non-USD Developed	0.7
Emerging Markets $^{\Omega}$	1.2
Other∆	0.3
Net Other Short Duration Instruments <sup>r</sup> ■	0.0

## **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

In our view, inflation risks have diminished as supply/demand and labor market dynamics have come into better balance. However, we maintain that recession risks in the U.S. remain elevated, as the interplay between slower activity and labor market growth could potentially lead to a more pronounced downturn. Furthermore, we believe that while other developed markets appear to be more stable, their ongoing low growth, coupled with geopolitical challenges, makes them susceptible to negative shocks.

Investment grade credit market technicals are supportive as a steepening curve continues to draw in yield-focused buyers on the long-end and investors moving out of cash on the short end. High yield fundamentals remain strong, and although modest spread widening is expected, total yields should remain attractive. Given divergent growth expectations in emerging markets, we are sizing positions conservatively as we weigh the impacts of geopolitical risks, commodity prices and the upcoming U.S. election. This warrants a patient approach and a focus on maintaining liquidity and flexibility in portfolios, capitalizing on opportunities as they present themselves.

We continue to seek out high-conviction opportunities, with a preference for sectors that have historically been more resilient to higher rates and non-cyclical sectors that may be better anchored in an economic slowdown. Our bottom-up positioning emphasizes companies with high barriers to entry, pricing power, asset coverage, and management teams that favor bondholders in the capital structure.

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The Bloomberg 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.

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¹Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit USD Hedged Index, ²ICE BofA Merrill Lynch BB-B Developed Market High Yield Index USD Hedged, ³J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Index Emerging Markets (EM); Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities (RMBS); U.S. Federal Reserve Bank (Fed); Credit Default Swap Index (CDX); Bank of England (BoE); Bank of Japan (BoJ).