

Short Duration Fixed Income

As of March 31, 2025

Objective

To build and maintain a portfolio that represents the best relative value available based on the expected economic and market environment. We alter portfolio composition based on the liquidity constraints of the client. We look to add incremental return by taking advantage of market anomalies. Our goal is to outperform the Bloomberg 1-3 Year Govt/Corp Index and to rank in the upper quartile in a universe of our peers.

Strategy

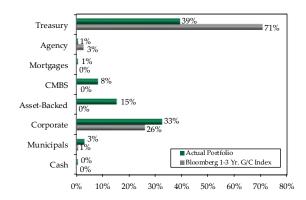
We seek total rate of return through the active management of all structural components of the portfolio; sector/ industry allocation, credit quality, liquidity, yield curve, maturity exposure and call structure. Our primary focus is issue selection and sector rotation. We attempt to buy credits or structure that should perform well in the current economic environment. We typically do not look to benefit from duration management.

Philosophy

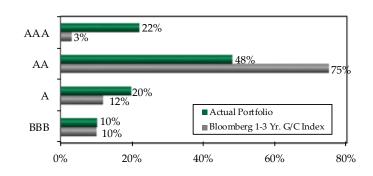
Fixed Income returns correlate to the economic cycle, so our portfolio strategy emanates from a detailed, ongoing assessment of the economy. Our bias is to maximize yield, but with great respect for the risk inherit in such a strategy. We believe over the long term, that maximizing yield and relative value with sensitivity to credit risk leads to higher returns.

Minimum account size \$15 million.

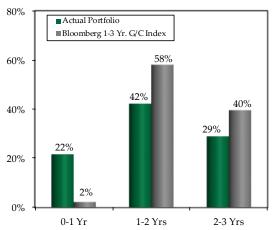
Sector Distribution



Quality Distribution



Duration Distribution



Disclosures: Distribution totals may not equal 100% due to rounding. The Actual Portfolio data shown represents a client portfolio that NIS believes to be representative of the NIS Short Duration Fixed Income management strategy. The Bloomberg 1-3 Year Govt/Credit Index is comprised of all outstanding U.S. Treasury and Agency issues and investment grade credit bonds less than three years in maturity. The Bloomberg Intermediate Government/Credit Index is comprised of all outstanding U.S. Treasury and Agency issues and investment grade credit bonds greater than one year, but less than ten years in maturity. Comparative data was provided by or compiled based on information gathered from Bloomberg which is a third party source. Although we believe this source is reliable, we have not independently verified any such information and make no representations or warranties as to the accuracy, timeliness or completeness of such information. All investments are subject to a risk of loss.

Portfolio Statistics

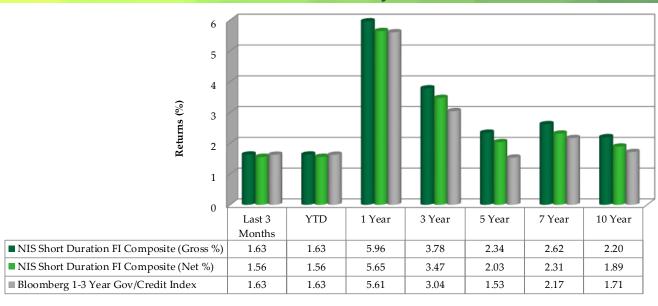
	Actual Portfolio	Bloomberg 1-3 Year G/C Index
Average Yield	4.37	4.11
Average Maturity	1.77	1.85
Average Coupon	3.75	3.12
Effective Duration	1.65	1.74
Average Quality	AA	AA

Strategy AUM: \$334 Million Accounts in the Strategy: 9

Portfolio Managers

		Years at	Years of
	Focus	NIS	Experience
Jason Berrie, CFA	CIO, Credit	21	32
Mark Anderson, CFA	Strategist/Preferred	24	31
James Kaplan, CFA	Lead PM - Structured	16	43
Barbara Schalla, CFA	Credit	33	40
Vincent Russo, CFA	Credit	10	26
Lesly Barnes	ABS	17	22
Stefan Martin	CMBS	7	25
Stephen Smitley	Municipal/Structured	4	35

Performance History (as of 3/31/25)



Returns greater than one year are annualized.

Performance Disclosure

	Annual Performance History										
Year	Composite Gross Return (%)	Composite Net Return (%)	Bloomberg 1-3 Year Govt/Credit (%)	Composite Gross 3-Yr St. Dev (%)	Bloomberg 1-3 Year Govt/Credit (%)	Number of Portfolios	Composite Dispersion (%)	Total Assets at End of Period (USD millions)	Percentage of Firm Assets	Total Firm Assets (USD millions)	
2024	5.02	4.71	4.36	2.26	2.47	9	0.06	334.0	2.59	12,876	
2023	5.53	5.22	4.61	2.01	2.18	9	0.10	364.3	3.73	9,771	
2022	-3.07	-3.36	-3.84	1.77	1.72	9	0.07	325.9	4.11	7,923	
2021	-0.13	-0.43	-0.47	1.22	1.00	13	0.07	394.3	3.95	9,993	
2020	3.45	3.14	3.33	1.20	0.99	12	0.08	343.3	3.65	9,411	
2019	4.17	3.85	4.03	0.83	0.93	14	0.10	342.1	3.91	8,751	
2018	1.93	1.62	1.60	0.73	0.74	15	0.07	332.2	4.61	7,210	
2017	1.59	1.28	0.84	0.68	0.74	15	0.13	271.3	4.04	6,709	
2016	1.72	1.42	1.28	0.71	0.76	15	0.11	315.7	5.04	6,261	
2015	1.12	0.81	0.65	0.71	0.59	15	0.10	293.9	6.00	4,899	
2014	1.47	1.17	0.77	0.73	0.50	16	0.11	304.8	7.39	4,122	
2013	0.90	0.59	0.64	0.81	0.55	16	0.11	258.7	7.03	3,678	
2012	3.44	3.13	1.26	1.00	0.73	14	0.43	218.4	6.31	3,463	
2011	2.28	1.97	1.59	1.42	1.01	12	0.12	250.3	8.26	3,031	
2010	5.44	5.13	2.80			10	0.33	212.1	7.50	2,827	
2009	7.73	7.41	3.82			10	0.67	223.0	7.61	2,931	
2008	2.88	2.57	4.97			10	0.89	213.1	7.05	3,024	
2007	6.34	6.02	6.83			10	0.13	203.5	6.40	3,181	
2006	4.84	4.53	4.25			10	0.10	172.1	5.59	3,081	
2005	2.30	2.00	1.77			9	0.08	143.5	4.65	3,088	

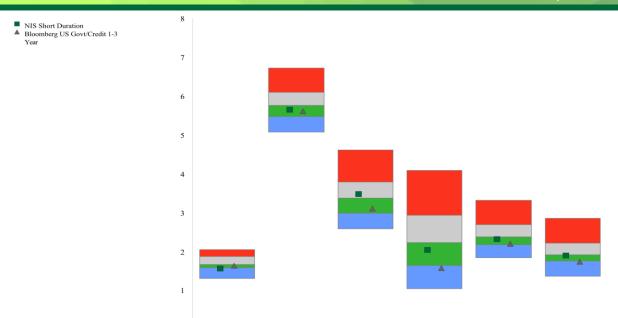
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Performance results are shown gross-of-fees and net-of-fees. The gross-of fees returns are presented before the management fee but after all trading costs. The net-of-fees returns are calculated by deducting a model investment management fee of 0.025%, 1/12h of the highest management fee of .30%, from the monthly gross composite return. Investment advisory fees are described in Part 2 of the firm's form ADV. Fees are negotiable. Portfolios are valued monthly on a trade date basis including accrued interest and dividends. Returns shown are on a total return basis, which includes realized and unrealized gains and losses, capital changes, dividends, interest income and brokerage commissions or trading costs, and excluding management and custodial fees. Valuations and returns are computed and stated in U.S. Dollars. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. Market conditions can vary widely over time and can result in the loss of portfolio value. Annualized returns are shown for all periods over one year. Performance results are total returns which includes the reinvestment of all income. The dispersion of annual returns is measured by the standard deviation across equal-weighted portfolio returns represented within the composite for the full year. The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. The standard deviation is not presented for the other calendar years because it is not a requirement for periods prior to 2011. National Investment Services uses a significant cash flow rate of 15%. Accounts that reach a significant cash flow of 15% or more will be removed from their defined composites for the month of the flow. They will be added back into their defined composites the following month A complete list and description of firm composites and performance results is available upon request. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request

U.S. Short Duration Fixed Income Universe Ranking

(as of 3/31/25)



Universe: eVestment US Short Duration - Gov/Cred Fixed Income (Percentile)

	DS	1.70	VT RM	YTD		1 Year		3 Years		5 Years		7 Years		10 Years	
	DS	VI			Rk		Rk		Rk		Rk		Rk		Rk
5th percentile				2.0		6.7		4.6		4.1		3.3		2.8	
25th percentile				1.9		6.1		3.8		2.9		2.7		2.2	
Median				1.7		5.8		3.4		2.2		2.4		1.9	
75th percentile				1.6		5.5		3.0		1.6		2.2		1.7	
95th percentile				1.3		5.1		2.6		1.0		1.8		1.4	
# of Observations				160		160		157		155		147		141	
NIS Short Duration	IM	SA	NF	1.6	80	5.6	61	3.5	42	2.0	57	2.3	59	1.9	53
Bloomberg US Govt/Credit 1-3	IM	IX	IX	1.6	60	5.6	65	3.1	69	1.6	78	2.2	73	1.7	77

Results displayed in USD using Spot Rate (SR).

Source: eVestment Alliance

Disclosure: eVestment US Short Duration Fixed Income Universe includes, but is not limited to the following single sector focused products: GNMA MBS, MBS, Credit, Taxable Municipal and Tax-Exempt Municipal. The universe also includes multisector, low duration core plus strategies.

Standard Deviation

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	7 Year	10 Year
NIS Short Duration FI Composite	1.56	1.99	1.84	1.70	1.48
Bloomberg 1-3 Year Govt/Credit Index	1.74	2.23	1.98	1.77	1.54

NIS Short Duration Fixed Income performance is net of a 30 bps investment management fee. Returns greater than one year are annualized.

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