

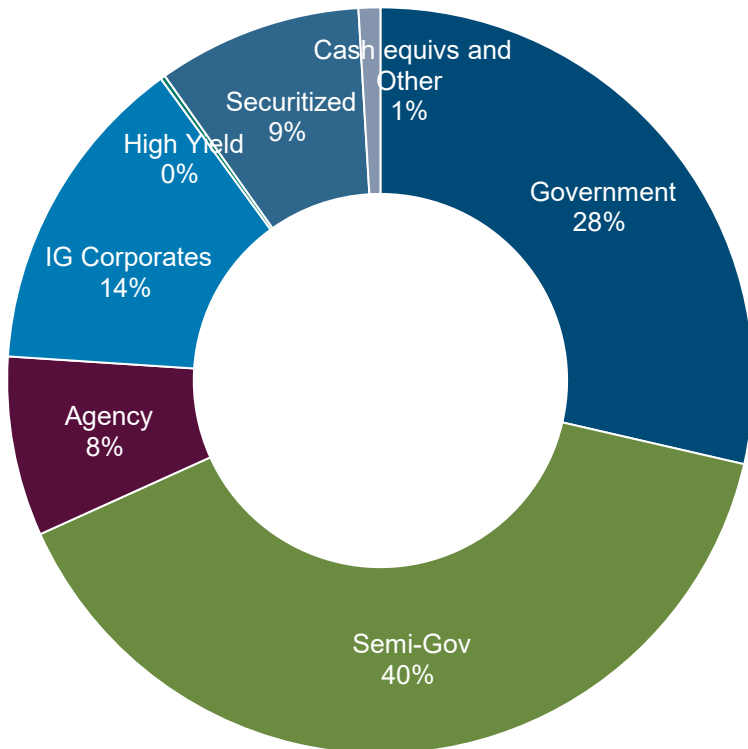
# PIMCO Australian Bond Fund

Anchor your portfolio with domestic bonds

## WHY INVEST IN THE FUND?

- 1 True core bond holding**  
 The Australian Bond Fund seeks to provide all the benefits investors have come to expect from a core bond holding, including total returns with low expected volatility, which can help stabilise portfolio returns.
- 2 Diversification benefits**  
 The Australian Bond Fund may help diversify an investment portfolio because it is designed to have low or negative correlation to many asset classes, including equities, which have been prone to volatility when markets have become risk-averse.
- 3 Australian high-quality yield opportunities**  
 Designed specifically for Australian investors, the fund invests predominantly in a wide range of high-quality bonds from issuers in Australia and New Zealand, ranging from Commonwealth and state government bonds to corporate bonds and mortgage-backed securities.

## DIVERSIFIED EXPOSURE TO A BROAD RANGE OF AUSTRALIAN FIXED INTEREST OPPORTUNITIES



Source: PIMCO, 30 September 2024

## FUND IN NUMBERS

**25 years**

Track record of the PIMCO Australian Bond Fund<sup>1</sup>

**4.47%**

Yield to Maturity<sup>2</sup>

**AA**

Average Credit Quality<sup>3</sup>

- 1 PIMCO Australian Bond Fund Inception date is 12 July 1999.
- 2 Past performance is not a guarantee or a reliable indicator of future results. Fund performance is quoted net of fees and expenses and assumes the reinvestment of all distributions but does not take into account personal income tax. Yield to Maturity (YTM) is the estimated annual rate of return that would be received if the Fund's current securities were all held to their maturity and all coupons and principal were made as contracted. YTM does not account for fees or taxes. YTM is not a forecast, and is not a guarantee of, the future return of the Fund. The Fund's actual return will depend on a range of factors, including fluctuations in the value of the Fund's securities held from time to time
- 3 This is the average credit quality of the bonds held in the fund.

Source: PIMCO 30 September 2024

## Role in a portfolio

### CORE BOND HOLDING

The fund may serve as an anchor fixed income allocation, offering the potential for income, capital gains, diversification and a hedge against the volatility in higher-risk asset classes, including equities.

### PORTFOLIO DIVERSIFICATION

Invested predominantly in bonds from Australia and New Zealand, the fund can help diversify investors' portfolios that are heavily weighted toward growth assets

### FUND OBJECTIVE

To achieve maximum total return by investing in fixed interest securities predominantly denominated in Australian or New Zealand currencies, and to seek to preserve capital through prudent investment management.

### RATINGS



Rating assigned  
August 2023



Rating assigned  
June 2024



Rating assigned  
December 2023

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Our Australian fixed income team is local so we can identify and evaluate local investment opportunities for the fund, but the team also enjoys the advantages and resources of PIMCO, one of the largest investment managers in the world.

– Robert Mead, Co-head of Asia-Pacific Portfolio Management

### OUR EXPERTISE



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Co-head of Asia-Pacific  
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Managing Director  
35 years investment experience



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# PIMCO’s time-tested investment process: analysing the capital markets from top to bottom

PIMCO’s investment process combines an informed global macroeconomic outlook with robust bottom-up analysis. Our Australian investment specialists contribute to our global top-down views and then implement these views through bottom-up strategies.

## STARTING AT THE TOP

PIMCO’s investment process is anchored by our economic forums. At our annual Secular Forum, our global investment professionals gather with industry experts for a discussion about the economic, social and political trends that are likely to affect the global economy and financial markets over the next three to five years. We also hold quarterly Cyclical Forums to refine our longer-term views and forecast shorter-term economic performance in all major regions as well as country-specific forums.

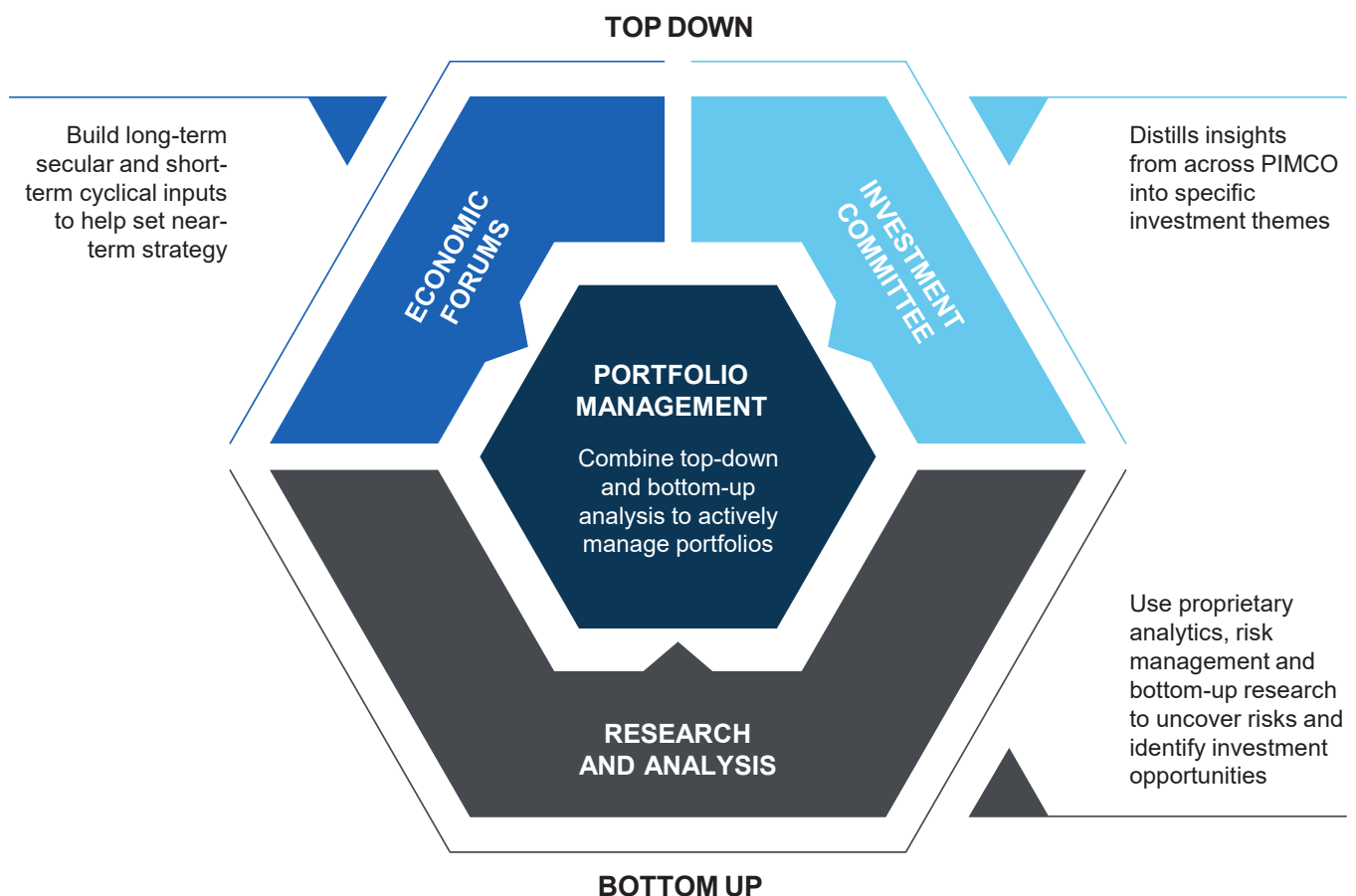
## FROM THE BOTTOM UP

Rigorous bottom-up analysis is meshed with our top-down themes to identify the most attractive securities for our clients’ portfolios. PIMCO’s regional and specialist portfolio managers work extensively with our robust global research team – industry sector specialists, who log millions of miles a year to target opportunities across the globe and capital structure before the market does.

## DEDICATED CLIENT SERVICE EXPERTISE

PIMCO’s expansive team of dedicated investment professionals have weathered various market cycles, and are experts in generating alpha, managing risk and providing the highest level of client service to help meet the asset management needs of financial advisers and your clients.

## ADDING VALUE FROM TOP TO BOTTOM



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