

# Ashmore Emerging Markets Total Return Fund

## FIXED INCOME

### Fund information

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Inception</b>	<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Dividend frequency</b>
USD 471.7 million	08 December 2010	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Monthly

### Fund information

Share Class	Symbols	CUSIP	Annual fund operating expenses	
			Total	Net
Class I	EMKIX	044820405	1.17%	1.02%
Class C	EMKCX	044820827	2.17%	2.02%
Class A	EMKAX	044820835	1.42%	1.27%

Ashmore has contractually agreed to waive or reimburse certain fees and expenses until February 28, 2024. The expense limitation arrangement may only be terminated prior to that date by the Board of Trustees.

### Fund objective and strategy

This fund seeks to maximize total return. Investing across a diverse range of Emerging Market fixed-income securities, including government, government agency and corporate issues. The Fund normally maintains an average portfolio duration of 2–10 years and invests 25–75% of its assets in locally denominated bonds, giving it the flexibility to adapt to changing interest rate conditions and help investors gain exposure to emerging market currencies.

### Period returns as of September 30, 2023

Net returns %	1 month	3 months	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Class I	-3.13	-3.62	-0.86	9.71	-8.04	-4.58	-1.05	-0.09
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	-2.47	-2.16	2.72	10.93	-3.07	-0.09	0.95	1.54
Excess	-0.66	-1.46	-3.57	-1.22	-4.97	-4.49	-2.00	-1.64

### Calendar year performance

Net returns %	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Class I	-21.10	-10.07	2.44	9.80	-5.34	13.66	17.20
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	-13.63	-3.88	3.86	12.17	-4.45	11.82	8.50
Excess	-7.47	-6.19	-1.42	-2.37	-0.88	1.84	8.71

**Past performance does not guarantee future results.** The performance data quoted represents past performance and current returns may be lower or higher. The investment return and net asset value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. To obtain performance current to the most recent month-end, please call 1-866-876-8294. Periods greater than one year are annualized. Returns are calculated as the movement in net price over the specified performance period, assuming full dividend reinvestment. Changes in rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of investments to decrease or increase. The information above shows only the performance of the Fund's Institutional Class Shares. Although Class A and Class C shares would have similar annual returns (because all the Fund's shares represent interests in the same portfolio of securities), Class A and Class C performance would be lower than Institutional Class performance because of the lower expenses paid by Institutional Class shares of the Fund. The information above does not reflect any sales loads applicable to Class A or Class C shares. The performance shown above would be lower if it reflected sales charges applicable to Class A and Class C shares.

The portfolio holdings are subject to change.

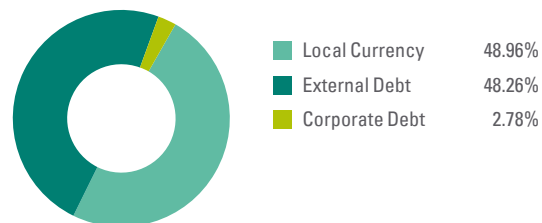
<sup>1</sup>Comprised of 50% JPMorgan EMBI GD (tracks total returns for USD-denominated debt instruments - Brady bonds, loans, Eurobonds - issued by EM sovereign and quasi-sovereign entities), 25% JPMorgan ELMI+ (tracks total returns for EM local currency denominated money market instruments), 25% JPMorgan GBI-EM GD (regularly traded, liquid fixed-rate, EM domestic currency government bonds). You cannot invest directly in an index.

Top 10 country exposure %	Fund	Benchmark
Mexico	8.8	7.4
Indonesia	7.0	5.9
Brazil	6.7	5.3
China	6.1	7.3
Malaysia	4.8	5.1
Thailand	4.1	3.7
South Korea	4.1	2.5
Venezuela	4.1	-
South Africa	3.8	4.0
Chile	3.0	2.5
Total number of countries	54	74

Top 10 currency exposure %	Fund	Benchmark
United States Dollar	49.4	50.0
Mexican Peso	4.8	4.9
Brazilian Real	4.3	3.7
Thai Baht	4.1	3.7
South Korean Won	4.1	2.5
Malaysian Ringgit	4.0	3.7
Chinese Yuan (offshore)	3.6	-
Indonesian Rupiah	3.5	3.5
South African Rand	2.6	2.6
Czech Koruna	2.5	2.6
Total number of currencies	30	30

Credit rating of debt instruments %	Fund	Benchmark
AAA	0.0	0.0
AA	11.1	6.6
A	12.4	20.3
BBB	31.5	33.2
BB	22.7	20.4
B	9.5	14.2
<B	6.7	5.0
Not rated	6.0	0.2

#### Breakdown by theme



Fund statistics	Fund
30 SEC Day Yield: Unsubsidized	5.58%
30 SEC Day Yield: Subsidized	5.77%
Average life	9.73
Modified duration	5.17
Yield to maturity	7.24%

**Unsubsidized SEC 30 Day Yield:** computed under a SEC standardized formula based on net income earned over the past 30 days. It excludes contractual expense reimbursements, resulting in a lower yield.

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**Average life:** Average time to maturity for the portfolio's securities (expressed in years).

**Duration:** Weighted average of the portfolio's sensitivity (in years) to a 1% change in interest rates.

**Yield to maturity:** Average anticipated rate of return for the portfolio's positions if held to maturity.

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