

MARKET COMMENTARY

Market Overview

Fourth quarter returns were generally positive in fixed income, even as the market dealt with increasingly worse inflation news and evolving responses from the Federal Reserve (Fed). At the beginning of the quarter, the Consumer Price Index (CPI), a year-over-year measure of inflation, was at 5.4%. By the end of October, it had risen to 6.2%, prompting the Fed to announce plans to taper asset purchases. By November 30, CPI clocked in at 6.8% and Fed Chairman Jerome Powell acknowledged that it might be time to retire the word “transitory” in describing inflationary pressures. The Fed then announced December 15 it would double the pace of its tapering plans and stop new purchases by March 2022. Investors have long expected the Fed to start raising interest rates in 2022, and the expected timing of the first hike continues to move earlier in the year. A new COVID strain appeared (the Omicron variant), but the Fed did not waver in its plans, and risk assets outperformed Treasuries in December after digesting the news. Looking back at the full year, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (the Agg) dropped nearly 3.5% in the first quarter, then recovered gradually throughout the rest of 2021 before ending the year with an approximate 1.5% loss. This marks just the fourth negative-return year since the index’s inception in 1970. Treasury yields showed some volatility throughout the year and ended higher across most of the curve, while credit spreads were quite stable amid mostly benign credit conditions. High yield bonds benefited from the strong fundamental corporate backdrop and were one of the top fixed income categories for the full year.

Performance

The Segall Bryant & Hamill Short Term Fixed Income strategy returned -0.48%* for the quarter versus -0.56% for the Bloomberg 1-3 Year Gov’t/Credit Index. Details of the contributors to and detractors from performance are in the table below.

Return Attribution	QTD	YTD	Notes
Security Selection	0.04%	0.01%	Security selection had a positive impact on performance in the quarter driven primarily by corporate and taxable municipal securities. The composite’s corporate and taxable municipals securities returned -0.48% and -0.27%, compared to the benchmark corporate and taxable municipal returns of -0.53% and -0.45%, respectively.
Sector Selection	0.02%	0.18%	Sector selection also had a positive impact on performance in the quarter. Compared to the benchmark, the composite was overweight corporate securities (45% vs. 22%) and taxable municipals (7% vs. 1%) and underweight U.S. Treasury securities (36% vs. 68%). This helped relative performance as corporate securities and taxable municipals in the benchmark returned -0.53% and -0.45%, respectively, compared to -0.58% for benchmark U.S. Treasury securities.
Parallel Duration Shift	0.12%	0.25%	The composite’s duration was shorter than the benchmark (1.69 versus 1.94). This had a positive impact on relative performance as 1 - 3 year U.S. Treasury yields increased in the quarter.
Yield Curve Positioning	-0.11%	-0.21	Yield curve positioning had a negative impact on relative performance in the quarter. The composite had a more barbelled maturity structure versus the benchmark which had a negative impact as the front end of the yield curve steepened. During the quarter, 3 month yields were unchanged, 6 month yields increased 13 bps, 1 year yields increased 31 bps, 2 year yields increased 46 bps, and 3 year yields increased 45 bps.
TOTAL**	0.07%	0.23%	

*Preliminary composite performance. ** Totals may not add exactly due to rounding. Source: Bloomberg, BondEdge

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MARKET COMMENTARY (continued)**Outlook and Positioning**

Shifting our view forward to 2022, the Fed, and its efforts to combat rising inflation, has both our and the market's full attention. The Fed has suggested that with the labor market close to reaching full employment, it could start raising short-term interest rates once the taper of asset purchases is complete, likely sometime in the first half of the year. It will thereafter begin to shrink its balance sheet. The corporate sector continues to grapple with supply chain constraints and labor issues, both in upward wage pressures and availability. Fortunately, corporate balance sheets are generally in good shape to weather these cost pressures. This strength is largely already reflected in spreads, which have stayed close to all-time tights for much of the past year. In this environment, we remain constructive on high quality credits, which should perform well in either a status quo scenario or in a credit sell-off; and we continue to look for opportunities to take advantage of extra spread in small, less liquid issues. We maintain our positive view of taxable municipal bonds, and we remain underweight mortgage-backed securities, which will be directly impacted by the Fed's plans to withdraw monetary support to the economy. Hovering over all this, of course, is the economic impact of COVID. If the Omicron variant's rapid spread produces a large increase in immunity without a commensurate increase in deaths, we could see less economic disruption, and we could thus envision a more normal future environment, akin to the impact of the yearly flu.

Last but surely not least, we appreciate the trust placed in us and intend to apply our usual rigor in evaluating all securities that comprise client portfolios.

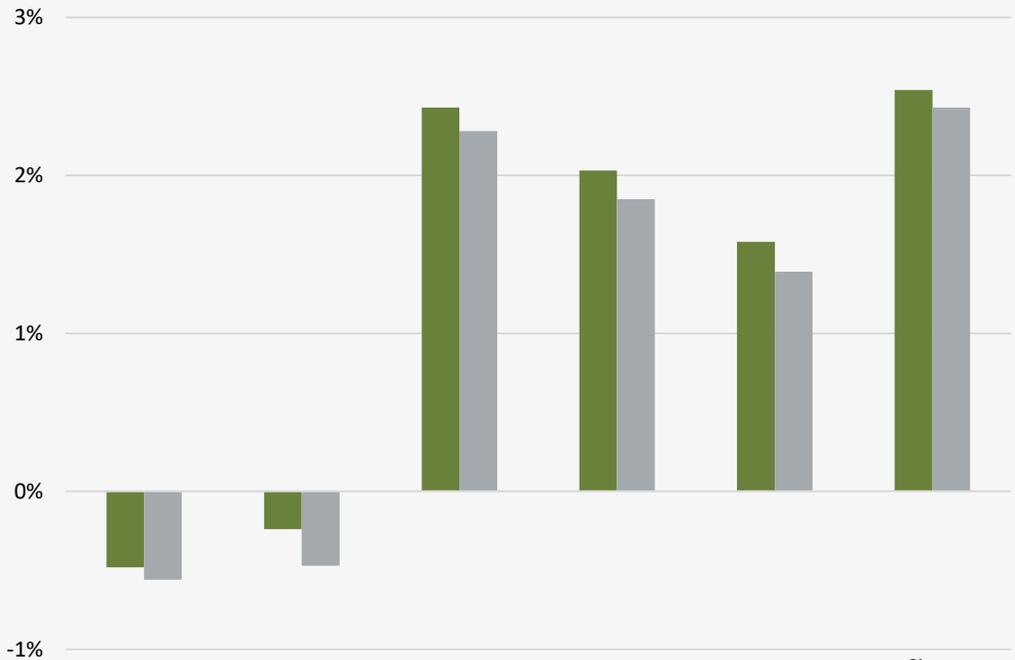
Thank you for your continued support.

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GROSS RETURNS*¹ (as of 12/31/21)



■ SBH Gross

■ Bloomberg U.S. 1-3 Year Govt/Credit Index

* Preliminary composite performance. Periods greater than one year are annualized. Historical performance cannot guarantee future results.

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¹ SBH Composite

SHORT TERM FIXED INCOME COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE*

Short Term Fixed Income

Quarterly & Annual Returns
Period Ending: 12/31/2021

Annualized Cumulative Returns

	SBH	SBH	Bloomberg
<u>Annualized</u>	<u>Gross (%)</u>	<u>Net (%)</u>	<u>G/C 1-3 (%)</u>
1 Year	-0.24	-0.44	-0.47
3 Years	2.43	2.22	2.28
5 Years	2.03	1.84	1.85
10 Years	1.58	1.37	1.39

3 Year Ex-Post Standard Deviation

	SBH (%)	Bloomberg G/C 1-3 (%)
2011	0.89	0.84
2012	0.69	0.59
2013	0.54	0.44
2014	0.52	0.40
2015	0.58	0.47
2016	0.69	0.75
2017	0.68	0.73
2018	0.74	0.82
2019	0.80	0.92
2020	1.18	0.98
2021	1.20	0.98

Period		1Q (%)	2Q (%)	3Q (%)	4Q (%)	YTD (%)	# of Accounts	Std Dev. (%)	Composite Market Value (\$ mil)	Total Firm Market Value
2011	Gross of Fee	0.24	0.80	0.50	0.40	1.96	3	nm	\$84.2	\$7,866.5
	Net of Fee	0.21	0.78	0.44	0.35	1.80				
	Blended Benchmark	0.18	0.72	0.20	0.20	1.32				
	Merrill 1-3 Yr Gov/Credit	0.20	0.88	0.24	0.24	1.57				
2012	Gross of Fee	0.56	0.31	0.62	0.14	1.63	6	nm	\$95.3	\$8,936.6
	Net of Fee	0.51	0.25	0.56	0.08	1.42				
	Blended Benchmark	0.36	0.20	0.48	0.17	1.22				
	Merrill 1-3 Yr Gov/Credit	0.45	0.24	0.58	0.20	1.48				
2013	Gross of Fee	0.26	-0.26	0.47	0.21	0.68	6	0.03%	\$94.6	\$9,468.1
	Net of Fee	0.21	-0.32	0.42	0.16	0.47				
	Blended Benchmark	0.19	-0.10	0.36	0.16	0.60				
	Merrill 1-3 Yr Gov/Credit	0.22	-0.14	0.43	0.20	0.71				
2014	Gross of Fee	0.32	0.38	0.06	0.20	0.96	5	nm	\$30.2	\$9,729.0
	Net of Fee	0.27	0.33	0.01	0.15	0.76				
	Blended Benchmark	0.21	0.30	0.02	0.10	0.64				
	Merrill 1-3 Yr Gov/Credit	0.25	0.37	0.02	0.13	0.77				
2015	Gross of Fee	0.62	0.12	0.39	-0.30	0.83	6	nm	\$100.1	\$9,592.2
	Net of Fee	0.57	0.07	0.34	-0.35	0.63				
	Blended Benchmark	0.48	0.13	0.24	-0.29	0.56				
	Merrill 1-3 Yr Gov/Credit	0.59	0.14	0.28	-0.35	0.66				
2016	Gross of Fee	1.00	0.65	0.14	-0.29	1.50	5	nm	\$95.7	\$11,171.6
	Net of Fee	0.95	0.60	0.09	-0.34	1.30				
	Bloomberg G/C 1-3	0.97	0.67	0.02	-0.39	1.28				
	Merrill 0-1 Year Treasury	0.06	0.07	0.07	-0.40	0.16				
2017	Gross of Fee	0.40	0.38	0.38	-0.09	1.08	4	nm	\$103.6	\$12,466.3
	Net of Fee	0.35	0.33	0.34	-0.14	0.87				
	Bloomberg G/C 1-3	0.41	0.31	0.34	-0.21	0.84				
	Merrill 0-1 Year Treasury	0.05	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.17				
2018	Gross of Fee	-0.14	0.39	0.44	1.10	1.80	5	nm	\$132.8	\$18,587.0
	Net of Fee	-0.19	0.34	0.40	1.09	1.64				
	Bloomberg G/C 1-3	-0.20	0.28	0.33	1.18	1.60				
	Merrill 0-1 Year Treasury	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.17				
2019	Gross of Fee	1.19	1.33	0.73	0.60	3.90	5	nm	\$140.3	\$19,522.9
	Net of Fee	1.14	1.28	0.68	0.55	3.70				
	Bloomberg G/C 1-3	1.21	1.48	0.69	0.59	4.03				
	Merrill 0-1 Year Treasury	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.17				
2020	Gross of Fee	0.79	2.23	0.37	0.25	3.68	2	nm	\$16.3	\$22,890.8
	Net of Fee	0.75	2.17	0.31	0.20	3.47				
	Bloomberg G/C 1-3	1.69	1.17	0.23	0.21	3.33				
	Merrill 0-1 Year Treasury	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.17				
2021	Gross of Fee	0.01	0.11	0.13	-0.48	-0.24	4	nm	\$22.6	\$25,642.3
	Net of Fee	-0.05	0.05	0.08	-0.52	-0.44				
	Bloomberg G/C 1-3	-0.04	0.04	0.09	-0.56	-0.47				

nm: composite held five of fewer accounts for the entire year. Internal dispersion (standard deviation) is not presented for this period.

* Preliminary. Periods greater than one year are annualized. Historical performance cannot guarantee future results.

SHORT TERM FIXED INCOME COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE

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