Fund Commentary



Hartford Multi-Asset Income Fund

Tickers A: ITTAX C: HAFCX F: ITTFX I: ITTIX R3: ITTRX R4: ITTSX R5: ITTTX R6: ITTVX Y: IHAYX

Morningstar® Category Moderately Conservative Allocation Inception Date 7/22/96

Market Overview

Global equities fell in the first quarter, as financial markets were rattled by seismic shifts in US foreign policy, which significantly altered the outlook for global trade, economic growth, and inflation. Enthusiasm for artificial-intelligence (Al) related expansion and a more accommodative US business environment waned in response to rising economic and tariff uncertainty. Consequently, capital rotated away from the US to international markets, particularly Europe, which outperformed amid signs of a more favorable economic backdrop. Among these signs were less restrictive monetary policy, improving leading indicators such as manufacturing output, and greater fiscal stimulus. In Germany, the center-right Christian Democratic Union and the Christian Social Union won the federal election, sparking optimism for economic revitalization.

In March, US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent outlined an ambitious vision to reduce the US deficit to 3–3.5% of GDP by 2028 while avoiding a recession. US GDP grew by 2.8% in 2024, and the federal deficit was 6.4% of GDP. The plan aims to shift more growth back into the private sector through a combination of deregulation and affordable energy. Additionally, the US announced plans for a multi-hundred-billion-dollar investment in the AI project "Stargate," with the aim to invest heavily in AI infrastructure. China's economy expanded by 5% in 2024, meeting the government's official target. Its State Council announced a special action plan to bolster consumption and the economy, including tax incentives and subsidies for key industries.

Performance Summary

- The Fund generated positive returns and outperformed its benchmark.
- Equity exposures generated a positive absolute return and contributed to relative performance, driven by income factor opportunities, a global high dividend factor-based approach. Equity-linked notes also contributed modestly to relative performance.
- Fixed-income exposure generated positive absolute returns but detracted from relative performance, driven by the strategic income allocation.
- Active asset allocation positioning generated negative results, mainly through long US equity positioning. Active risk control was neutral.

Positioning & Outlook

• In the Fund manager's view, the economic growth backdrop remains constructive, with solid earnings growth, especially in the US, despite some downward revisions. However, recent softer macroeconomic data releases, elevated valuations at the aggregate level and growing geopolitical uncertainty warrant some caution. We continue to expect a broadening of regional equity-market performance. In terms of fixed income, we expect government bond markets to experience meaningful regional divergence in 2025, with central banks' policies and economic conditions driving different outcomes across regions. While corporate bonds remain attractive from a yield perspective, spreads are tight across the board, offering limited scope for further tightening.

Overall Morningstar Rating™ (I-Share)*

★★★★ 426 Products

Moderately Conservative Allocation Category Based on Risk-Adjusted Returns as of 03/31/2025

Portfolio manager from Wellington Management and years of experience

Stephen A. Gorman, PhD, CFA, 31 years Nick L. Samouilhan, PhD, CFA, FRM, 6 years

Top Five Equity Holdings (%)

Percentage Of Portfolio	7.02
Netflix, Inc. (Societe Generale)	0.59
Intl Business Machines Corp. (HSBC Bank PLC)	0.59
Royal Bank of Canada	1.82
BNP Paribas Issuance BV	1.84
Mizuho Markets Cayman LP	2.18

Top Five Fixed-Income Issuers (%)

Uniform Mortgage-Backed Security	2.87
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.	2.49
Federal National Mortgage Association Connecticut Avenue Securities Trust	1.97
U.S. Treasury Inflation- Indexed Bonds	1.51
PRET LLC	0.82
Percentage Of Portfolio	9.66

Holdings and characteristics are subject to change. Percentages may be rounded.

Average Annual Total Returns (%)

								Expenses ¹	
Class	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI	Gross	Net
Ā	1.74	1.74	5.19	3.80	6.19	4.51	6.08	1.05%	1.05%
A with 5.5% Max Sales Charge	_	_	-0.59	1.86	5.00	3.92	5.87	_	_
F	1.80	1.80	5.63	4.20	6.60	4.89	6.22	0.66%	0.66%
1	1.76	1.76	5.50	4.10	6.50	4.82	6.19	0.75%	0.75%
R3	1.62	1.62	4.87	3.49	5.88	4.22	6.09	1.37%	1.37%
R4	1.70	1.70	5.15	3.75	6.15	4.49	6.27	1.07%	1.07%
R5	1.78	1.78	5.46	4.06	6.46	4.81	6.48	0.77%	0.77%
R6	1.80	1.80	5.60	4.19	6.59	4.90	6.54	0.66%	0.66%
Υ	1.77	1.77	5.47	4.07	6.47	4.84	6.52	0.76%	0.76%
Benchmark	-0.39	-0.39	6.51	4.50	8.02	6.57	_	_	_
Morningstar Category	0.73	0.73	5.15	3.01	6.66	4.36	_	_	_

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Share Class Inception: A, Y - 7/22/96; F - 2/28/17; I - 3/31/15; R3, R4, R5 - 12/22/06; R6 - 2/28/18. Performance shown prior to the inception of a class reflects performance and operating expenses of another class(es) (excluding sales charges, if applicable). Had fees and expenses of a class been reflected for the periods prior to the inception of that class, performance would be different. Since inception (SI) performance is from 7/22/96. Performance and expenses for other share classes will vary. Additional information is in the prospectus. Only Class A assesses a sales charge. Performance for periods of less than one year is not annualized.

Benchmark: The Blended Index consists of 55% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index and 45% S&P 500 Index. Indices are unmanaged and not available for direct investment.

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