

## Hartford Strategic Income Fund

**Tickers** A: HSNAX C: HSNCX F: HSNFX I: HSNIX R3: HSNRX R4: HSNSX R5: HSNTX R6: HSNVX Y: HSNYX

**Morningstar® Category** Multisector Bond

**Inception Date** 05/31/2007

**Lipper Peer Group** Multi-Sector Income

### Market Overview

Global fixed income sectors generated positive returns over the third quarter of 2020. Global COVID-19 cases swelled amid encouraging vaccine trial developments and economic data continued to rebound as restrictions eased. Sovereign yield curves generally steepened as easy central bank policies anchored front-end yields and lifted inflation expectations. Fixed income credit spreads tightened, supported by expansionary fiscal policies, including agreement on the European Union “Next Generation” recovery package, purchase programs by the Federal Reserve and European Central Bank, and strong demand even as corporate issuance set records for the year. The US dollar weakened versus most currencies during the period.

### Performance Summary

- The Hartford Strategic Income Fund (I Share) outperformed the Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index and the Lipper Multi-Sector Income peer group average during the quarter
- Within credit, the Fund’s allocations to bank loans and high yield contributed the most to relative results. Spreads tightened, supported by accommodative fiscal and monetary policies, and strong demand. An underweight to investment grade (IG) corporates detracted from relative results.
- Select exposure within emerging markets (EM) sovereign external and corporate debt contributed favorably to performance as the global policy response helped stabilize markets
- Allocations to securitized sectors, including non-agency residential mortgage-backed securities (RMBS) and agency mortgage-backed securities (MBS) contributed positively to relative results, while commercial mortgage-backed securities detracted slightly
- Our tactical duration\* and yield curve positioning had a negative impact, as sovereign yields generally rose. We were positioned with a shorter duration compared to the benchmark by the end of the period. Our allocation to Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities contributed positively to relative results.

### Positioning & Outlook

- We believe the global economy is vulnerable to future shocks. The recovery will likely be slow and uneven, though this is balanced by extraordinary monetary and fiscal stimulus measures; we have a pro-cyclical risk posture, preserving cash/liquidity, and focusing on tactical duration positions.
- We have been positioned with an underweight to IG corporates and agency MBS in favor of higher-yielding sectors such as high yield, bank loans (largest allocation), and select non-agency RMBS, seeking to add exposure where dislocations occur
- The downturn will be particularly challenging for EM. We have focused our exposures on countries better able to cope with the economic and healthcare impact of coronavirus. We also hold a small exposure to select convertible bonds.

### Portfolio Managers from Wellington Management

**Campe Goodman, CFA**

Senior Managing Director  
Fixed-Income Portfolio Manager  
Professional Experience Since 2000

**Joseph F. Marvan, CFA**

Senior Managing Director  
Fixed-Income Portfolio Manager  
Professional Experience Since 1988

**Robert D. Burn, CFA**

Managing Director  
Fixed-Income Portfolio Manager  
Professional Experience Since 1998

The portfolio managers are supported by the full resources of Wellington.

### Top Ten Holdings (%)

U.S. Treasury Notes	13.95
UMBS	3.73
Japan Treasury Discount Bill	3.54
FNMA Mortgage Backed Securities (POOLS)	2.78
U.S. Treasury Bonds	1.91
Mexico Government International Bond	1.16
FHLMC Mortgage Backed Securities (POOLS)	1.02
Argentine Republic Government International Bond	1.00
Canadian Treasury Bill	0.63
Turkey Government International Bond	0.63
<b>Percentage Of Portfolio</b>	<b>30.35</b>

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

\***Duration** is a measure of the sensitivity of an investment’s price to nominal interest-rate movement.

Class	Performance (%)		Average Annual Total Returns				Expenses <sup>1</sup>		
	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI	Gross	Net
A	3.27	6.78	8.92	5.62	6.66	5.13	4.96	1.03%	0.95%
A with 4.5% Max Sales Charge	—	—	4.01	4.01	5.69	4.64	4.60	—	—
F	3.37	6.95	9.20	6.01	6.99	5.43	5.26	0.63%	0.60%
I	3.35	7.02	9.24	5.91	6.94	5.41	5.24	0.74%	0.70%
R3	3.21	6.43	8.47	5.30	6.32	4.86	5.06	1.35%	1.25%
R4	3.29	6.70	8.83	5.63	6.64	5.16	5.28	1.05%	0.95%
R5	3.36	7.05	9.16	5.97	6.99	5.45	5.51	0.74%	0.65%
R6	3.38	7.10	9.23	6.03	7.05	5.51	5.55	0.63%	0.60%
Y	3.26	6.84	9.07	5.92	6.99	5.48	5.53	0.74%	0.69%
Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index	0.62	6.79	6.98	5.24	4.18	3.64	—	—	—
Morningstar Category	2.80	0.77	2.18	3.09	4.34	4.24	—	—	—
Lipper Peer Group	2.92	1.59	2.87	3.33	4.43	4.35	—	—	—

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**Performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For more current performance information to the most recent month ended, please visit [hartfordfunds.com](http://hartfordfunds.com).**

Share Class Inception: A, I - 5/31/07; F - 2/28/17; R3, R4, R5 - 9/30/11; R6 - 11/7/14; Y - 8/31/07. 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 for A, F, I is from 5/31/07; R3, R4, R5, R6, and Y is from 8/31/07. Performance and expenses for other share classes will vary. Additional information is in the prospectus. Only Class A assesses a sales charge.

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<sup>1</sup>Expenses as shown in the Fund's most recent prospectus. Gross expenses do not reflect contractual expense reimbursement arrangements. Net expenses reflect such arrangements in instances when they reduce gross expenses. These arrangements remain in effect until 2/28/21 unless the Fund's Board of Directors approves an earlier termination.

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