

Hartford Schrodgers Tax-Aware Bond Fund

Tickers: **A:** STWVX **C:** HFKCX **F:** HFKFX **I:** STWTX **SDR:** HFKVX **Y:** HFKYX

What Happened?

- The Fund returned -2.16% due primarily to higher yields for tax-exempt. Long yields rose more than short- and intermediate-term yields, resulting in steeper yield curves.
- Issuance in March was just shy of the record for the month (set in March 2016), which is notable after January's and February's new issue volume was also close to record setting.
- The threat of tariffs resulted in higher volatility. The tax-exemption for municipals was also a popular topic and increased anxiety for the sector.

Performance Highlights

Contributors

- Income returns were positive, though not enough to offset the materially negative price returns.

Detractors

- Higher yields resulted in negative absolute returns with longer-duration bonds underperforming short- and intermediate-duration bonds. Tax-exempts were the worst performers in excess return terms among investment-grade fixed income.

Overall Morningstar Rating™ (I-Share)*

★★★★★

422 Products

Intermediate Core Bond Category Based on Risk-Adjusted Returns as of 3/31/25

Portfolio managers from Schroders Management and years of experience

Lisa Hornby, CFA, 18 years
 Neil G. Sutherland, CFA, 28 years
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Month End Performance (%) (I-Share) as of 3/31/25



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Spreads are the difference in yields between two fixed-income securities with the same maturity, but originating from different investment sectors.

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

Current Insight and Positioning From Schroders

- The last third of the month was more volatile as 25% tariffs on imported autos were announced and, as “Liberation Day” neared, bids for Treasuries strengthened and corporate spreads widened.
- Positioning is relatively unchanged relative to last month with a material allocation to tax-exempt municipals. The expectation is that tax-exempts will follow the move lower in Treasury yields, albeit with some delay.
- Questions about growth and the impact from tariffs remain, however, the initial reaction has been risk off. Valuations haven't cheapened enough to warrant a rotation into corporates, in our view, as the market awaits counter measures by US trading partners.

Portfolio Composition(%) as of 3/31/25

Tax Exempt Municipal	92
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4
Agency Mortgage Backed Securities	0
Asset Backed Securities	0
Cash	0
Corporate	0
Government Related Agencies	0
Mortgage Backed Securities	0
Other	0
Taxable Municipal	0
US Treasuries	0

Credit Exposure¹ (%) as of 3/31/25

Aaa/AAA	38
Aa/AA	44
A	17
Baa/BBB	2
Ba/BB	0
B	0
Caa/CCC or lower	0
Not Rated	0
Cash & Cash Offsets	0

Net Assets	\$1.3 billion
# of Holdings	224
# of Issuers	160
Dividend Frequency	Monthly

Holdings Characteristics

Effective Duration	9.37 yrs.
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Characteristics are subject to change.
Percentages may be rounded.

¹Credit exposure is the credit ratings for the underlying securities of the Fund as provided by Standard and Poor's (S&P), Moody's Investors Service, or Fitch and typically range from AAA/Aaa (highest) to C/D (lowest). If S&P, Moody's, and Fitch assign different ratings, the average rating is used. If only two ratings agencies assign ratings, the average rating is used. Securities that are not rated by any of the three agencies are listed as "Not Rated". The ratings breakdown includes cash and cash equivalents. Ratings do not apply to the Fund itself or to Fund shares. Ratings may change.

Average Annual Total Returns (%) as of 3/31/25

Class	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI	Expenses ¹	
								Gross	Net
A	-0.79	-0.79	1.48	1.38	0.80	1.84	3.11	0.82%	0.71%
A with 4.5% Max Sales Charge	—	—	-3.09	-0.16	-0.12	1.37	2.76	—	—
F	-0.73	-0.73	1.70	1.64	1.04	2.09	3.37	0.50%	0.46%
I	-0.73	-0.73	1.73	1.63	1.03	2.07	3.35	0.59%	0.49%
SDR	-0.73	-0.73	1.70	1.64	1.05	2.09	3.37	0.50%	0.46%
Y	-0.75	-0.75	1.59	1.53	0.94	2.02	3.32	0.61%	0.56%
Benchmark	-0.22	-0.22	1.22	1.53	1.07	2.13	—	—	—
Morningstar Category	2.65	2.65	4.97	0.55	0.05	1.41	—	—	—

Morningstar® Category Intermediate Core Bond

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Benchmark: Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index is designed to cover the USD-denominated long-term tax exempt bond market. Indices are unmanaged and not available for direct investment.

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