# **TD U.S. Long Term Treasury Bond Fund**

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# TD Mutual Funds Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

for the period ended December 31, 2024

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#### **Management Discussion of Fund Performance**

# **Investment Objectives and Strategies**

The investment objective of TD U.S. Long Term Treasury Bond Fund (the "Fund") is to seek to earn a high rate of interest income by investing primarily in, or gaining exposure to, longer-dated U.S. Treasury bonds denominated in U.S. dollars. The Fund primarily invests in semi-annual pay fixed rate bonds issued by the U.S. Treasury, denominated in U.S. dollars, with terms to maturity greater than 10 years, but may, from time to time, invest in U.S. Treasury bonds with terms to maturity between 7 and 10 years, with an overall portfolio duration target of approximately 15 years. In seeking to achieve this objective, the Fund may: invest in units of TD U.S. Long Term Treasury Bond ETF (the underlying fund or "UF"), invest directly in such securities and/or use derivatives to gain exposure to such securities.

#### Risk

The risks of investing in the Fund remain as outlined in the simplified prospectus.

#### Results of Operations

The Fund commenced its operations on September 17, 2024. This report covers the period from the commencement date to December 31, 2024 (the "Reporting Period"). Investment performance is not provided for a fund that has been available for less than one year.

#### Market Update

The U.S. economy continued to expand over 2024, demonstrating its relative strength despite tight financial conditions and softer economic activity elsewhere around the world. Consumer spending was the key driver of growth as U.S. households proved their resiliency amid high borrowing costs and elevated inflation. However, small cracks began to emerge as the year progressed. Relatively strong manufacturing activity began to fade in response to slower demand. Real estate market activity waned with high mortgage rates weighing on demand. A slowing U.S. labour market raised concerns about the health of the overall economy. The U.S. unemployment rate rose to its highest level since 2021. In response to the slowing labour market and easing inflationary pressures, the U.S. Federal Reserve Board ("Fed") lowered the target range of its benchmark interest rate by 1.00% to 4.25%-4.50%. At its final meeting of the year, the Fed lowered its expectations for the number of interest rate cuts in 2025 given inflation was still above its 2% target and economic conditions were relatively stable.

U.S. bond prices posted a small gain over 2024, while bond yields increased slightly. The Fed was a bit slower than some other major central banks to begin lowering interest rates as a result of the resilient U.S. economy and still elevated inflationary pressures. The Fed noted that further interest rate decreases would be gradual due to solid economic conditions, which helped push U.S. bond yields sharply higher near the end of the Reporting Period. The benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury bond yield increased from 3.88% to 4.57%. Government

bond prices increased but underperformed corporate bonds, which also advanced. Credit spreads (the difference in yields between corporate and government bonds with similar maturities) narrowed.

# **Recent Developments**

The UF's Portfolio Adviser expects slightly below or around-trend global economic growth for 2025 as the effects of tighter financial conditions continue to filter through the global economy, offset by decreasing interest rates. While most central banks have begun easing their monetary policies, the current financial conditions are still restrictive relative to those of the past decade, and higher borrowing costs may continue to weigh on business activity. While interest rates are moving lower, the UF's Portfolio Adviser believes the paths that central banks take regarding monetary policy will largely be determined by inflation's "stickiness" and labour market conditions, with the former playing an increasing role in policy decisions. The UF's return is influenced by the same factors that affect the U.S. treasury bond market. The UF's Portfolio Adviser continues to monitor all factors that could influence the UF's investment portfolio.

# **Related Party Transactions**

Affiliates of TD Asset Management Inc. ("TDAM") may earn fees and spreads in connection with various services provided to, or transactions with, the Fund, such as in connection with banking (including deposit taking), custody, securityholder account maintenance and reporting, brokerage and derivatives transactions.

#### Manager, Trustee and Portfolio Adviser:

TDAM, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Toronto-Dominion Bank ("TD"), is the manager, trustee and portfolio adviser of the Fund. The Fund pays TDAM an annual management fee, which may vary for each series of the Fund. The Fund also pays TDAM an annual administration fee of 0.15% with respect to D-Series units and 0.03% with respect to Private Series units of the Fund, calculated and accrued as a percentage of the net asset value. The Fund may hold underlying fund(s) managed by TDAM for which TDAM may be paid a fee. However, no management fees are payable by the Fund that, to a reasonable person, would duplicate a fee payable by the underlying fund(s) for the same services.

#### Distributor:

Certain series of units of the Fund are distributed through brokers and dealers including TD Waterhouse Canada Inc. ("TDWCI"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of TD. TDWCI, like other dealers, is paid a trailer commission by TDAM for distributing certain series of units of the Fund. Trailer commissions are paid by TDAM out of the management fees it receives from the Fund and are based on the average value of assets held by each dealer.

#### Registrar and Transfer Agent:

TD is the registrar and transfer agent of the Fund, and as such maintains all unitholder records, processes purchase, switch, conversion and redemption orders, issues investor statements and prepares annual tax reporting information on behalf of the Fund.

TD earns a foreign exchange spread when unitholders switch between units of funds denominated in different currencies. The Fund also maintains bank accounts and overdraft provisions with TD for which TD earns a fee.

#### Custodian:

TD is the sub-custodian of the Fund and may hold a portion of the assets (including cash and investments) of the Fund.

#### Buying and Selling Securities:

TDAM has established an independent review committee ("IRC") which acts as an impartial and independent committee to review and provide recommendations or, if appropriate, approvals respecting any conflict of interest matters referred to it by TDAM. The IRC prepares, at least annually, a report of its activities for securityholders of the Fund. The report is available on the TDAM website at www.td.com/ca/en/asset-management or at the securityholder's request at no cost by contacting TDAM (see front cover).

The Fund and/or underlying fund(s) in which the Fund invests relied on standing instructions from the IRC in respect of one or more of the following transactions:

- (a) trades in securities of TD or any affiliate or associate thereof;
- (b) investments in the securities of an issuer where TD Securities Inc., TDWCI, or any other affiliate of TDAM (a "Related Dealer") acted as an underwriter during the distribution of such securities and the 60-day period following the completion of the distribution of the underwritten securities:
- (c) purchases or sales of securities of an issuer from or to another investment fund or discretionary managed account managed by TDAM; and
- (d) purchases of securities from or sales of securities to a Related Dealer, where it acted as principal.

The relevant standing instructions require that securities transactions with related parties conducted by TDAM (i) are free from any influence by an entity related to TDAM and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to TDAM; (ii) represent the business judgment of TDAM uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund and/or underlying fund(s); (iii) comply with the applicable policies and procedures of TDAM; and (iv) achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund and/or underlying fund(s).

#### Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five fiscal years, as applicable. For series that commenced operations during any of the periods presented, the data reported for that period represents results from the commencement of operations (as disclosed in the Past Performance section) to the end of that reporting period.

#### Net Assets per Unit (\$)1

	D-SERIES	D-SERIES				PRIVATE SERIES				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	10.00 <sup>†</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	10.00 <sup>†</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Increase (Decrease) from Operations:										
Total Revenue	0.27	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.25	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.01)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Realized Gains (Losses) for the Period	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Unrealized Gains (Losses) for the Period	(0.75)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	(0.74)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations <sup>2</sup>	(0.49)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	(0.49)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distributions:										
From Net Investment Income										
(excluding dividends)	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
From Dividends	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
From Capital Gains	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return of Capital	(0.22)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	(0.26)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Annual Distributions <sup>3</sup>	(0.22)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	(0.26)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net Assets at December 31	9.30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9.27	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. The Fund measures fair value of its investments based on close market prices, where the close market price falls within the bid-ask spread or based on quotations from recognized dealers. As such, the Fund's accounting policies for measuring the fair value of investments in the financial statements are substantively consistent with those used in measuring the net asset value ("NAV") for transactions with unitholders.

# **Ratios and Supplemental Data**

	D-SERIES .					PRIVATE SERIES				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total Net Asset Value (\$000s) 1	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	133	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of Units Outstanding (000s) 1	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	14	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Management Expense Ratio (%)2	0.40	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.04	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Management Expense Ratio Before										
Waivers or Absorptions (%)	1.50	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Trading Expense Ratio (%)3	0.03	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.03	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Portfolio Turnover Rate (%)4	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net Asset Value per Unit (\$)	9.30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9.27	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>2</sup> Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial periods. These tables are not intended to be a reconciliation of the net assets per unit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.

<sup>†</sup> Initial offering price.

<sup>1</sup> This information is provided as at December 31 of the past five fiscal years, as applicable.
2 Management Expense Ratio ("MER") is based on total expenses (excluding distributions, commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) net of any waivers or absorptions for the stated period, including the Fund's proportionate share of the MER, if any, of the underlying fund(s) in which the Fund has invested in, and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average NAV during the period. Management Expense Ratio Before Waivers or Absorptions is based on total expenses and excludes the management fees on the portion of the NAV the Fund invests in the underlying funds that are managed by TDAM or its affiliates. There will be no duplication of management fees paid to TDAM or its affiliates. Any waivers or absorptions may be discontinued at any time by TDAM at its discretion without notice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The trading expense ratio ("TER") represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average NAV during the stated period. Where a Fund invests in units of any underlying fund, the TER presented for the Fund includes the portion of TERs, if available, of the underlying fund(s) attributable to this investment

<sup>4</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate ("PTR") indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio adviser manages its investments. A PTR of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the stated period. The higher a fund's PTR, the greater the trading costs payable, directly or indirectly, by the fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the fiscal year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

#### Management Fees

As manager and trustee of the Fund, TDAM is responsible for the overall business and affairs of the Fund, including activities related to making units of the Fund available to investors, and providing, or arranging for the provision of, investment advisory services and marketing services to the Fund. In consideration for the provision of such services, each series of the Fund, other than Private Series units, pays TDAM a management fee.

Management fees are calculated and accrued on a daily basis for each applicable series based on the net asset value of that series and paid monthly to TDAM.

The simplified prospectus discloses a specified annual management fee rate that TDAM can charge for each series of the Fund. Where TDAM chooses to charge a management fee rate below the specified annual management fee rate, the difference represents a waiver of management fees. TDAM may waive all or a portion of the management fees being charged to the Fund, which may be discontinued at any time by TDAM at its discretion without notice to unitholders.

The annual management fees and a breakdown of the major services rendered for each series, as a percentage of the management fees paid, are as follows:

(expressed as a %)	Annual Mgmt. Fees*	Dealer Compensation	Waived Operating Expenses	Other <sup>‡</sup>
D-Series	0.20	0.00	>100.00°	0.00°
Private Series	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>°</sup> TDAM's expenses for servicing the Fund exceeded the management fees paid by the Fund.

There are no management fees paid by the Fund in respect of Private Series units of the Fund. Unitholders in the Private Series pay a negotiated fee directly to TDAM, their dealer or TD Waterhouse Private Investment Coursel Inc.

#### **Past Performance**

The Fund commenced its operations on September 17, 2024. TDAM does not report performance returns for funds with a history of less than one year.

Includes management fees paid by the Fund and the proportionate management fees, if any,
of the underlying fund(s) managed by TDAM held by the Fund. However, no management
fees are payable by the Fund that, to a reasonable person, would duplicate a fee payable by
the underlying fund(s) for the same services.

<sup>‡</sup> Investment advisory, trustee, marketing services and other.

# **Summary of Investment Portfolio**

as at December 31, 2024

Other Net Assets (Liabilities)

	% of Net Asset Va	alue
ASSET ALLOCATION		
U.S. Bond Funds	98	8.6
Cash (Bank Overdraft)	(	0.4
Other Net Assets (Liabilities)		1.0
	% of Net Asset Va	alue
TOP 25 INVESTMENTS		
TD U.S. Long Term Treasury Bond ETF†	98	8.6
Cash (Bank Overdraft)	(	0.4
Total % of Net Asset Value represented by these holdings	99	9.0
TOTAL NET ASSET VALUE (000s)	\$ 1	145
	% of Net Asset Va	alue
INVESTMENT MIX OF UNDERLYING FUND(S)	% of Net Asset va	iiu
Federal Bonds & Guarantees	99	9.9
Cash (Bank Overdraft)	(	0.

	% of Net Asset Value
TOP 25 INVESTMENTS OF UNDERLYING FUND(S)	
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 4.250% Feb 15, 2054	14.9
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 4.750% Nov 15, 2053	11.7
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 4.000% Nov 15, 2052	11.3
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 1.875% Nov 15, 2051	10.8
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 2.250% Aug 15, 2049	10.5
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 2.500% Feb 15, 2045	8.4
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 3.375% Nov 15, 2048	7.2
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 3.250% May 15, 2042	6.7
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 2.875% May 15, 2043	6.3
U.S. Treasury Notes (USD) 4.000% Feb 15, 2034	6.1
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 3.125% Aug 15, 2044	6.0
Cash (Bank Overdraft)	0.1
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 2.750% Nov 15, 2042	0.0
U.S. Treasury Notes (USD) 1.875% Feb 15, 2032	0.0
U.S. Treasury Bonds (USD) 3.125% Feb 15, 2043	0.0
Total % of Net Asset Value represented by these holdings	100.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Related party to the Fund as an affiliated entity of TD Asset Management Inc. Note: Totals may not add due to rounding to one decimal place of individual figures.

#### **CURRENCY LEGEND**

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(USD) United States Dollar

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The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and underlying fund(s). Updates are available quarterly. You may obtain the most current quarterly information by contacting 1-800-386-3757, by writing to us at TD Asset Management Inc., P.O. Box 100, 66 Wellington Street West, TD Bank Tower, Toronto, Ontario, M5K 1G8, or by visiting our website at www.td.com/ca/en/asset-management.

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