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Franklin Premier Income Trust (PPT)

Multi-Sector | Factsheet as of September 30, 2026

Investment Overview

The fund seeks high current income consistent with the preservation of capital by allocating investments among U.S. government, high-yield, and international fixed income securities. The fund seeks multiple sources of return outside the constraints of its benchmark, investing across traditional and alternative bond markets.

Total Returns (%)

	Cumulative		Average Annual					Inception
	3-Mth	YTD	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	Inception	Date
Market Price Return	-3.83	-0.95	-2.90	8.26	1.82	3.81	5.83	2/29/1988
NAV Returns	-2.51	-0.50	1.03	7.13	3.07	3.33	5.77	2/29/1988
Benchmark	0.92	2.69	3.74	4.57	3.72	2.44	—	—

Calendar Year Total Returns (%)

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Market Price Return	8.25	8.65	7.22	-7.88	-1.78	-6.65	25.37	-6.41	13.66	7.10
NAV Returns	9.15	5.99	5.77	-1.58	-6.69	-1.09	13.72	-1.23	7.33	6.27
Benchmark	4.28	5.29	5.08	1.33	0.05	0.74	2.35	1.88	0.81	0.37

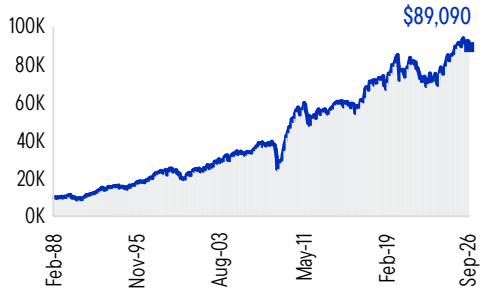
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Gross expenses are the fund's total annual operating expenses as of the fund's annual report available at the time of publication. Actual expenses may be higher and may impact portfolio returns. Net expenses reflect voluntary fee waivers, expense caps and/or reimbursements. Voluntary waivers may be modified or discontinued at any time without notice. **NAV** is total assets less total liabilities divided by the number of shares outstanding. **Market Price**, determined by supply and demand, is the price an investor purchases or sells the fund. The Market Price may differ from a fund's NAV. **Premium / Discount** reflects the difference between the NAV and the Market Price of the fund, and represents the amount that the fund is trading above or below its NAV, expressed as a percentage of the NAV. **Distribution Rate** is calculated by annualizing the most recent distribution amount paid, divided by the closing market price or NAV as of the date indicated. The Distribution Rate calculation includes income, may include return of capital and excludes special distributions. The Distribution Rate is subject to change and is not guaranteed nor a quotation of fund performance.

Growth of $10,000

Inception through September 30, 2026

Market Price Returns, assuming dividends reinvested



The Growth of $10,000 chart reflects a hypothetical $10,000 investment on Market Price and assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Fund expense, including management fees and other expenses were deducted.

Fund Overview

NYSE Ticker	PPT
NAV Symbol	XPPTX
Listed Exchange	NYSE
Fund Inception Date	02/29/1988
NAV	$3.54
Market Price	$3.28
Premium/Discount	-7.34%
Last Distribution Paid	$0.0260
Distribution Rate at Market Price (%)	9.51
Distribution Rate at NAV (%)	8.81
Dividend Frequency, if any	Monthly

Benchmark(s)

ICE BofA U.S. Treasury Bill Index

Fund Characteristics

	Fund
Total Net Assets	$338.02 Million
Number of Holdings	886
Average Weighted Maturity	6.32 Years
Effective Duration	4.13 Years

Risk Statistics (NAV Returns) (3-Year)

	Fund
Beta	8.32
R-Squared	0.18
Sharpe Ratio	0.58
Standard Deviation (%)	4.41

Sector Exposure (% of Total)

	Fund
High Yield Corporates	31.51
Mortgage-Backed Securities	13.71
Agency CMO	11.86
EM Bonds	11.80
Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities	11.29
Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities	10.24
Interest Rate Derivatives	-11.49
Other	21.91
Cash & Cash Equivalents	-11.15

Geographic Allocation (% of Total)

	Fund
United States	92.20
Canada	1.21
Mexico	1.01
Jersey Islands	0.92
France	0.90
Brazil	0.82
Colombia	0.79
South Africa	0.76
Other	12.54
Cash	-11.15

Credit Quality Allocation (% of Total)

	Fund
AAA	4.18
AA	17.46
A	4.36
BBB	12.96
BB	21.96
B	17.51
CCC and Below	3.93
NR	20.87
Not Applicable	7.91
Cash & Cash Equivalents	-11.15

Portfolio Data Information

Exposure: Notional exposure figures are estimated and are intended to show the portfolio's direct exposure to securities and indirect exposure, through derivatives. Direct and indirect exposures are subject to change over time and methodologies for calculating indirect exposures vary by derivative type. Portfolio breakdown percentages may not total 100% and may be negative due to rounding, use of derivatives, unsettled trades or other factors.

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Portfolio Management

	Years with Firm	Years of Experience
Michael V Salm	28	37
Albert W Chan, CFA	23	23
Matthew J Walkup	12	14
Patrick A. Klein, PhD	21	21

What should I know before investing?

All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Fixed income securities involve interest rate, credit, inflation and reinvestment risks, and possible loss of principal. As interest rates rise, the value of fixed income securities falls. **Low-rated, high-yield bonds** are subject to greater price volatility, illiquidity and possibility of default. **Asset-backed, mortgage-backed or mortgage-related securities** are subject to prepayment and extension risks. **International investments** are subject to special risks, including currency fluctuations and social, economic and political uncertainties, which could increase volatility. These risks are magnified in **emerging markets**. **Derivative instruments** can be illiquid, may disproportionately increase losses, and have a potentially large impact on performance. **Active management** does not ensure gains or protect against market declines. The manager may consider **environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria** in the research or investment process; however, ESG considerations may not be a determinative factor in security selection. In addition, the manager may not assess every investment for ESG criteria, and not every ESG factor may be identified or evaluated.

Glossary

Beta: A measure of the fund's volatility relative to the market, as represented by the stated Index. A beta greater than 1.00 indicates volatility greater than the market. **R-squared** measures the strength of the linear relationship between the fund and its benchmark. R-squared at 1 implies perfect linear relationship and zero implies no relationship exists. **Sharpe Ratio** refers to a risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess returns to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the ratio, the greater the risk-adjusted performance. **Standard Deviation:** Measure of the degree to which a fund's return varies from the average of its previous returns. The larger the standard deviation, the greater the likelihood (and risk) that a fund's performance will fluctuate from the average return. **Weighted Average Maturity:** An estimate of the number of years to maturity, taking the possibility of early payments into account, for the underlying holdings. **Effective Duration** is a duration calculation for bonds with embedded options. Effective duration takes into account that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change. Duration measures the sensitivity of price (the value of principal) of a fixed-income investment to a change in interest rates. The higher the duration number, the more sensitive a fixed-income investment will be to interest rate changes.

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