

Western Asset Current Market Muni ESG Portfolios



Separately Managed Accounts | Fact Sheet as of March 31, 2025

Investment overview

Western Asset Current Market Muni ESG Portfolios invest in high-quality municipal bonds that typically range from 1-10 years in maturity. The portfolio seeks to outperform the Bloomberg Municipal Managed Money Short/Intermediate (1-10 Year) Index by actively managing duration, curve and credit exposures. Within environmental, social and governance (ESG) Current Market Muni ESG Portfolios, Western Asset seeks to incorporate ESG principles into its fundamental research and portfolio construction process by evaluating whether each individual bond's "use of proceeds" aligns with ESG advancement.

Investment objective

Seeks to:

Provide total return over a market cycle, consisting of capital gain (taxable) and income that is exempt from regular U.S. income tax.

Investment philosophy

Long-term

- Seek out the greatest long-term value by thoroughly analyzing a wide range of sectors of the municipal fixed income market.

Value-oriented

Identify and favor sectors and issues that are undervalued versus underlying risk profile.

Diversified strategies¹

- Results do not depend on only one or two opportunities; multiple themes are employed in portfolios. Diversification seeks to limit the impact of a single adverse market event.
- Strive to add incremental value over time and potentially reduce volatility.

Sector rotation

The Current Market Muni ESG Portfolios solely focus on investment-grade securities within the municipal bond market. These securities are similar to those represented within the Bloomberg Municipal Managed Money Short/Intermediate (1-10 Year) Index

Key differentiators

Team-managed approach

- Utilizes a team of sector specialists

Leverage Western Asset Management resources

- Institutional-caliber buying power and trading expertise
- Access to proprietary credit research team
- Exclusive focus on fixed income management

Management team

Western Asset, one of the world's leading fixed income managers, was founded in 1971. With a focus on long-term fundamental value investing that employs a top-down, bottom-up approach, the firm has nine offices around the globe and deep experience across the range of fixed income sectors. Western Asset has been recognized for its emphasis on team management and intensive proprietary research, supported by robust risk management.

Western Asset team-managed approach

- Team unites groups of specialists dedicated to different market sectors.
- Each group of sector specialists utilizes their expertise in bottom-up analysis of each portfolio sector.

For tax-exempt securities, certain investors may be subject to the federal Alternative Minimum Tax, and state and local taxes may apply. Capital gains, if any, are fully taxable. Please see "Important tax information" on the last page.

State-specific and state-biased portfolios within this Portfolio focus on individual states and are more vulnerable to losses caused by adverse developments in those states than are national portfolios, which diversify investments across multiple states.

¹ Diversification does not ensure a profit or protect against market loss.

Investment process

STEP 1

Interest rate exposure/
duration weighting

Western Asset’s investment team comprehensively analyzes a variety of domestic and international macroeconomic factors to establish a duration target.

STEP 2

Term structure weighting

The Firm carefully employs strategies in an attempt to take advantage of changes in the yield curve’s shape and shifts in the relationship between short-, intermediate- and long-maturity securities.

STEP 3

Sector allocation

Western Asset believes that value can be added to a portfolio by actively rotating among, and within, different sectors of the bond market. The investment team studies the fundamental factors that influence sector spread relationships.

STEP 4

Issue selection

Using a bottom-up process, the Firm seeks to identify companies with changing credit characteristics and securities that are undervalued and out of favor due to unusual circumstances. Each individual bond is evaluated to ensure “use of proceeds” will be used for positive ESG advancement and incorporates ESG risks into its credit analysis.

The investment process may change over time. The characteristics set forth above are intended as a general illustration of some of the criteria the strategy team considers in selecting securities for client portfolios. There is no guarantee that investment objectives will be achieved.

Portfolio Information†

As of March 31, 2025

Characteristics

	Portfolio
Effective Duration	3.93 Years
Yield to Worst	3.35%
Weighted Average Life	4.49 Years
Cash Flow	3.33%

Sector Weightings (%)

	Portfolio
Local General Obligation	22.48
Water & Sewer	16.36
Education	15.89
Hospital/Healthcare	10.91
Leasing	9.18
Housing	8.15
Industrial Revenue	6.59
Special Tax	5.02
Transportation	3.34
Pre-Refunded	2.09

Credit Quality (%)

	Portfolio
AAA	28.36
AA	37.58
A	34.07

Average Life (%)

	Portfolio
0 to 1 Year	13.66
1 to 3 Years	23.08
3 to 5 Years	20.02
5 to 7 Years	25.97
7 to 10 Years	9.94
>10 Years	7.33

† Source: Western Asset. Portfolio characteristics listed are based on representative accounts and assumes no withdrawals, contributions, or client-imposed restrictions. Portfolio characteristics of individual client accounts may differ from those of the representative accounts as a result of account size, client-imposed restrictions, the timing of client investments, market conditions, contributions, withdrawals and other factors..

Credit quality is a measure of a bond issuer’s ability to repay interest and principal in a timely manner. The credit ratings shown are based on each portfolio security’s rating as provided by the following Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations (“NRSRO”): Standard and Poor’s (“S&P”), Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”), Fitch Ratings, Ltd. In the event a portfolio security is rated by more than one NRSRO, the higher rating is shown. In the case where a security is not rated by an NRSRO, these are listed as “Non Rated”. The credit quality of the investments in the Portfolio does not apply to the stability or safety of the Portfolio. These ratings may change over time. The Portfolio itself has not been rated by an NRSRO.

Performance

Annualized Rates of Return – Pure Gross and Net of Fees (%) as of March 31, 2025 – PRELIMINARY

	1 Mth	3 Mths	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	Since Incept
Current Market Muni ESG—Pure Gross of Fees—(USD)	-1.19	0.44	0.44	1.82	1.50	-0.27
Current Market Muni ESG—Net of Fees—(USD)	-1.31	0.07	0.07	0.32	0.00	-1.74
Bloomberg Mgd Money Short/Interm (1-10YR—(USD)	-1.16	0.48	0.48	1.23	1.59	-0.38

Calendar-Year Total Returns – Pure Gross and Net of Fees (%) ending December 31

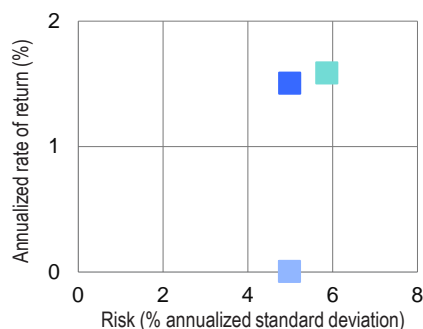
	2024	2023	2022
Current Market Muni ESG—Pure Gross of Fees—(USD)	0.82	3.80	-5.41
Current Market Muni ESG—Net of Fees—(USD)	-0.67	2.27	-6.82
Bloomberg Mgd Money Short/Interm (1-10YR—(USD)	-0.17	4.48	-5.44

The strategy returns shown are preliminary composite returns, subject to future revision (downward or upward). Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. An investment in this strategy can lose value. Please visit www.franklintempleton.com for the latest performance figures. Investors cannot invest directly in an index, and unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges.

¹ **Fees:** Periods less than one year are not annualized. Performance results are for the composite which includes all actual, fully discretionary accounts with substantially similar investment policies and objectives managed to the composite's investment strategy. Composite returns are stated in U.S. dollars and assume reinvestment of any dividends, interest income, capital gains, or other earnings. The composite may include account(s) that are gross of fees and pure gross of fees. "Pure" gross-of-fee returns do not reflect the deduction of any expenses, including transaction costs. A traditional (or "true") gross-of-fee return reflects performance after the reduction of transaction costs but before the reduction of the investment advisory fee. The gross-of-fee return may include a blend of "true" gross-of-fee returns for non-wrap accounts and "pure" gross-of-fee returns for wrap accounts. Net-of-fee returns is reduced by a model "wrap fee" (1.5% is the maximum anticipated wrap fee for fixed income portfolios) which includes trading expenses as well as investment management, administrative and custodial fees. The model wrap fee used represents the highest anticipated wrap fee applicable to the strategy. Actual fees and account minimums may vary. For fee schedules, contact your financial professional, or if you enter into an agreement directly with Franklin Templeton Private Portfolio Group, LLC ("FTPPG"), refer to FTPPG's Form ADV Part 2A disclosure document. Management and performance of individual accounts may vary for reasons that include the existence of different implementation practices and model requirements in different investment programs. To obtain specific information on available products and services or a GIPS® Report, contact your Franklin Templeton separately managed account sales team at (800) DIAL BEN/342-5236. Western Asset Management Company, LLC claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®). GIPS® is a registered trademark of CFA Institute. CFA Institute does not endorse or promote this organization, nor does it warrant the accuracy or quality of the content contained herein.

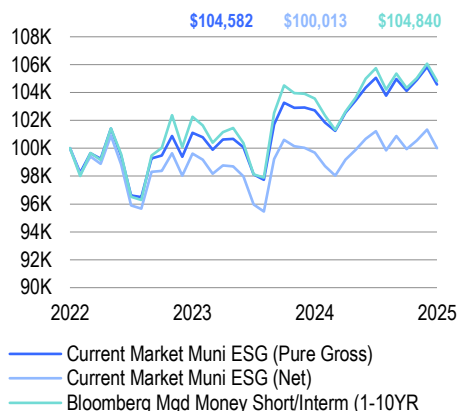
Performance Statistics ¹ Preliminary (based on 3-year period ending March 31, 2025)

Risk/Return profile (%)

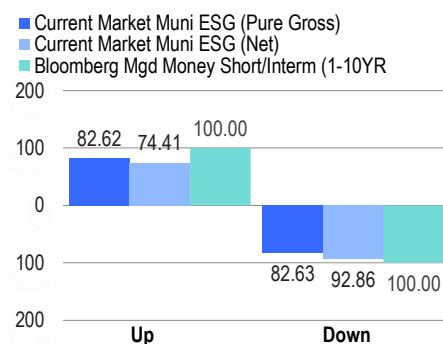


■ Current Market Muni ESG (Pure Gross)	
Annualized Return (%)	1.50
Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	4.99
■ Current Market Muni ESG (Net)	
Annualized Return (%)	0.00
Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	4.99
■ Bloomberg Mgd Money Short/Interm (1-10YR)	
Annualized Return (%)	1.59
Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	5.87

Growth of \$100,000*



Up/Down market capture ratios (%)



Modern portfolio statistics

	Portfolio (Pure gross)	Portfolio (Net)	BM
Sharpe Ratio	-0.55	-0.85	-0.44
Beta	0.84	0.84	N/A
Alpha (%)	-0.54	-2.01	N/A
R-Squared	0.98	0.98	N/A

	(+) Months	(-) Months
Pure Gross:	17	19
Net:	17	19

¹ Source: Franklin Templeton.

*For illustrative purposes only. Assumes no withdrawals or contributions. These statistics are based on pure gross and net-of-fees quarterly composite returns, were calculated assuming reinvestment of dividends and income, and take into account both realized and unrealized capital gains and losses.

Performance results are for the composite which includes all actual, fully discretionary accounts with substantially similar investment policies and objectives managed to the composite's investment strategy. Composite returns are stated in U.S. dollars and assume reinvestment of any dividends, interest income, capital gains, or other earnings. The composite may include account(s) that are gross of fees and pure gross of fees. "Pure" gross-of-fee returns do not reflect the deduction of any expenses, including transaction costs. A traditional (or "true") gross-of-fee return reflects performance after the reduction of transaction costs but before the reduction of the investment advisory fee. The gross-of-fee return may include a blend of "true" gross-of-fee returns for non-wrap accounts and "pure" gross-of-fee returns for wrap accounts. Net-of-fee returns is reduced by a model "wrap fee" (1.5% is the maximum anticipated wrap fee for fixed income portfolios) which includes trading expenses as well as investment management, administrative and custodial fees. The model wrap fee used represents the highest anticipated wrap fee applicable to the strategy. Actual fees and account minimums may vary.

Terms and definitions:

Weighted Average Life: 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.

Yield to worst (YTW) is based on a portfolio's current holdings on one specific day, is gross of all portfolio expenses, and is calculated based on assumptions that prepayment occurs if the bond has call or put provisions and the issuer can offer a lower coupon rate based on current market rates. If market rates are higher than the current yield of a bond, the YTW calculation will assume no prepayments are made, and YTW will equal the yield to maturity. The YTW will be the lowest of yield to maturity or yield to call (if the bond has prepayment provisions). The YTW of a bond portfolio is the market-weighted average of the YTWs of all the bonds in the portfolio.

Standard deviation measures the risk or volatility of an investment's return over a particular time period; the greater the number, the greater the risk.

The **up-capture ratio** measures the manager's overall performance to the benchmark's overall performance, considering only quarters that are positive in the benchmark. An up-capture ratio of more than 100 indicates a manager who outperforms the relative benchmark in the benchmark's positive quarters.

The **down-capture ratio** is the ratio of the manager's overall performance to the benchmark's overall performance, considering only quarters that are negative in the benchmark. A down-capture ratio of less than 100 indicates a manager who outperforms the relative benchmark in the benchmark's negative quarters and protects more of a portfolio's value during down markets.

Alpha is a measure of performance vs. a benchmark on a risk-adjusted basis. A positive alpha of 1.0 means the portfolio has outperformed its benchmark index by 1%. Correspondingly, a similar negative alpha would indicate an underperformance of 1%. Alpha is a measure of the difference between actual returns and expected performance measuring sensitivity to index movements.

Beta measures the sensitivity of an investment to the movement of its benchmark. A beta higher than 1.0 indicates the investment has been more volatile than the benchmark and a beta of less than 1.0 indicates that the investment has been less volatile than the benchmark.

Sharpe ratio is a risk-adjusted measure, calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the better a portfolio's historical risk-adjusted performance.

R-squared measures the strength of the linear relationship between a fund and its benchmark. R-squared at 1.00 implies perfect linear relationship and zero implies no relationship exists.

The **Bloomberg Municipal 5 Year Index** is an unmanaged index that tracks USD-denominated long-term, tax-exempt bond market with maturities of 4-6 years, including state and local general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, insured bonds, and pre-refunded bonds. Source: Bloomberg Indices.

The **Bloomberg Municipal Managed Money Short Intermediate Index** measures the performance of the publicly traded municipal bonds that cover the USD-denominated short/intermediate term tax exempt bond market, including state and local general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, insured bonds, and pre-refunded bonds. Source: Bloomberg Indices.

What are the risks?

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. **Liquidity risk** exists when securities or other investments become more difficult to sell, or are unable to be sold, at the price at which they have been valued. Portfolios focused on a **single state** are subject to greater risk of adverse economic and regulatory changes than a geographically diversified portfolio. The managers' **environmental, social and governance (ESG) strategies** may limit the types and number of investments available and, as a result, may forgo favorable market opportunities or underperform strategies that are not subject to such criteria. There is no guarantee that the strategy's ESG directives will be successful or will result in better performance.

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