# GMO Multi-Sector Fixed Income Fund Class III (GUGAX) Annual Shareholder Report - February 28, 2025



This annual shareholder report contains important information about GMO Multi-Sector Fixed Income Fund for the period of March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025. You can find additional information about the Fund at https://www.gmo.com/americas/mutual-fund-documents/. You can also request this information by contacting us at (617) 346-7646 (collect).

## What were the Fund costs for the last year?

(based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

Class Name	Costs of a \$10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment
Class III	\$36	0.35%

### How did the Fund perform last year and what affected its performance?

Class III shares of GMO Multi-Sector Fixed Income Fund returned +5.82% (net) for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2025, as compared with +5.81% for the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index.

The Fund's investment exposure was implemented through global interest rate and currency derivatives, as well as indirect (through other GMO Funds, including GMO Opportunistic Income Fund and GMO Emerging Country Debt Fund) and direct fixed income investments.

The Fund benefited from sector positioning, with gains driven by overweights in emerging debt and securitized credit, though an underweight to agency mortgages tempered gains. Credit selection within the Fund's allocation to investment-grade corporates added value. Active interest rate strategies drew down, while currency positioning returned near flat.

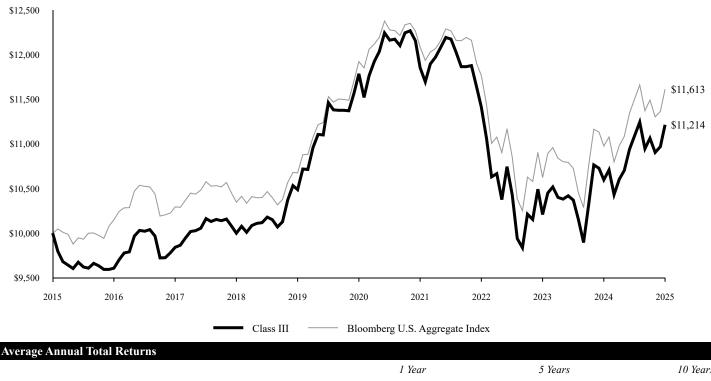
Developed interest rate performance was challenged by overall duration timing, though gains from cross-market positioning, namely in Europe and New Zealand, provided some support. Curve slope (2-year vs. 10-year) positions delivered modest but positive returns, aided both by market selection and global timing. Emerging interest rates detracted, driven entirely by Brazil.

G10 currency selection, led by positions in Swedish krona and Swiss franc, performed well. Emerging market currency selection struggled, weighted down by active positions in Israeli shekel and Brazilian real.

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## **Fund Performance**

Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment



	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class III	5.82%	(0.99%)	1.15%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index	5.81%	(0.52%)	1.51%

Performance data quoted represents past performance and is not indicative of 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 data may be lower or higher than the performance data provided herein. To obtain performance information up to the most recent month-end, visit www.gmo.com. Performance shown is net of all fees after reimbursement from GMO. Returns would have been lower had certain expenses not been reimbursed during the periods shown and do not include the effect of taxes on distributions and redemptions. The performance information shown above only includes purchase premiums and/or redemption fees in effect as of February 28, 2025.

The gross expense ratio of 0.74% for Class III is equal to the Total Annual Operating Expenses set forth in the Fund's most recent prospectus dated June 30, 2024. The net expense ratio of 0.44% reflects the reduction of expenses from fee reimbursements. The fee reimbursements will continue until at least June 30, 2025 and may not be terminated prior to this date without the action or consent of the Trust's Board of Trustees. Elimination of this reimbursement will result in higher fees and lower performance.

Key Fund Statistics	
Total Net Assets	\$82,245,630
Number of Portfolio Holdings	334
Portfolio Turnover Rate	444%
Total Advisory Fees Paid, Net	\$127,565

### What does the Fund invest in?

Asset Class Summary	% of Total Net Assets
Debt Obligations	47.5
Short-Term Investments	33.6
GMO Fixed Income Funds	22.8
Common Stocks	16.8
Futures Contracts	0.3
Forward Currency Contracts	(0.4)
Swap Contracts	(0.5)
Other	(20.1)

Country/Region Summary*	% of Investments
United States	98.2
Other (each between (1)% and 1%)	1.8

\* Excludes short-term investments and currency linked derivatives such as forward currency contracts and currency options, if any.

**Additional Information** 

For additional information about the Fund, including the Fund's prospectus, financial statements, quarterly portfolio holdings and proxy voting information, please visit https://www.gmo.com/americas/mutual-fund-documents/ or scan the QR code.

