

# HSBC Global High Yield Bond Fund

Share Class A (HBYAX) and Class I (HBYIX)

## Fund description and strategy

This actively managed Fund aims to maximize total return through specialized credit selection and top-down strategic positioning. With a portfolio of 200+ non-investment grade bonds, the Fund offers exposure to a broad range of sectors in global credit markets. At least 80% of net assets are invested in a globally diversified portfolio of high yield securities in the US, Europe and emerging markets. The Fund invests predominantly in BB and B rated corporate bonds with the flexibility to invest in investment grade or CCC rated bonds opportunistically.

Total returns	As of December 31, 2018					
	1 month	3 months	YTD	1 Year	3 years	Since inception
Class A without sales charge	-1.24%	-3.54%	-2.98%	-2.98%	4.84%	2.63%
Class A with maximum sales charge (4.75%)	-5.88%	-8.11%	-7.63%	-7.63%	3.17%	1.20%
Class I	-1.20%	-3.45%	-2.65%	-2.65%	5.19%	3.00%
ICE BofA Merrill Lynch BB-B Global High Yield Constrained Index (USD Hedged)	-0.95%	-2.74%	-1.67%	-1.67%	6.60%	4.30%

**Past performance does not guarantee future results. The performance data quoted represents past performance and current returns may be lower or higher. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed may be worth more or less than the original cost. To obtain performance data current to the most recent month-end and other information, please call 1-888-936-4722 or visit <https://investorfunds.us.hsbc.com>.**

Fund inception date is July 14, 2015. Returns include the reinvestment of dividends and income. Returns greater than one year are annualized and returns less than one year are aggregated. Performance for other share classes will vary. The performance above reflects any fee waivers that have been in effect during the applicable periods as well as any expense reimbursements that have periodically been made. Absent such waivers and reimbursements, returns would have been lower. Currently, contractual fee waivers are in effect from March 1, 2018 through March 1, 2019.

Fund characteristics <sup>1</sup>	Fund	Benchmark
Average maturity (years)	4.50	5.40
Yield to maturity (%)	6.45	6.91
Duration (years)	3.61	4.12

Quality distribution (%) <sup>2</sup>	Fund	Benchmark
AAA	0.67	—
A	0.43	—
BBB	8.99	1.38
BB	33.21	57.67
B	31.48	38.81
CCC	10.60	1.88
D	0.09	—
Unrated	6.32	0.26
Cash	8.21	—

Top 10 geography breakdown (%)	Fund	Benchmark
United States	51.97	52.68
France	5.06	2.89
Brazil	3.38	5.38
Canada	3.07	3.41
Germany	2.98	2.30
United Kingdom	2.52	4.13
Netherlands	2.28	1.66
Ireland	2.22	1.23
Turkey	1.63	1.73
Russian Federation	1.42	1.66

Top 10 holdings by issuer (%)	Fund	Benchmark
Liberty Global Plc Class A	2.33	1.30
SoftBank Group Corp.	1.84	2.30
Government of Turkey	1.63	0.34
Petroleo Brasileiro SA Pfd	1.49	2.00
Charter Communications, Inc. Class A	1.32	1.06
Tenet Healthcare Corporation	1.25	0.80
HCA Healthcare, Inc.	1.23	1.41
Altice USA, Inc. Class A	1.22	0.89
Bohai Leasing Co., Ltd. Class A	1.20	0.32
Refinitiv	1.18	0.23

Top 10 industry sectors (%)	Fund	Benchmark
Energy	11.05	13.54
Basic Industry	9.74	11.79
Healthcare	8.86	7.64
Media	8.32	8.66
Banking	7.39	7.92
Telecommunications	5.45	8.68
Leisure	4.83	3.73
Utility	3.70	3.20
Foreign Sovereign	3.34	—
Capital Goods	3.21	4.67

## Fund details

**Total net assets of all Fund classes**  
\$29.4 M

### Portfolio Management

Mary Bowers  
Senior Portfolio Manager  
16 years of investment experience

### Expense ratio (gross/net)<sup>3</sup>

A: 2.66% / 1.18%      I: 2.31% / 0.83%

### SEC 30-day yield<sup>4</sup>

A: 4.79%      I: 5.39%

### Monthly income distributions per share (as of December 31, 2018)

A: \$0.1219      I: \$0.1248

The portfolio data will change and the information provided should not be considered as a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security, currency or securities in the sectors shown above. There is no assurance that the securities mentioned remain in the Fund's portfolio or that securities sold have not been repurchased.



### Investment products:

ARE NOT A BANK DEPOSIT OR OBLIGATION OF THE BANK OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES	ARE NOT FDIC INSURED	ARE NOT INSURED BY ANY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY	ARE NOT GUARANTEED BY THE BANK OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES	MAY LOSE VALUE
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- <sup>1</sup> **Yield to maturity** (YTM) reflects the rate of return an investor could receive if a long-term bond is held until the maturity date. **Average maturity** is the average length of maturity for fixed income investments in a portfolio. **Duration** is a measure of the sensitivity of the price (the value of principal) of a fixed-income investment to a change in interest rates. Rising interest rates generally mean falling bond prices, while declining interest rates mean rising bond prices.
- <sup>2</sup> Utilizing both the Standard and Poor and Moody's quality rating, securities will be classified according to the Standard and Poor classification. Where there is a split rating, the median of the rating agencies will be used. If a security is not eligible for a rating, i.e. Equity and Cash, it is categorized as Not Applicable. When a security is not rated, but eligible to be rated, it is categorized as Not Rated. Further, if a security is rated by only one rating agency, it will use that agency's rating exclusively. Standard & Poor's rates securities from AAA (highest quality) to C (lowest quality) with BBB and above being called investment grade securities. BB and below are considered below investment grade.
- <sup>3</sup> Reflects the expense ratio as reported in the prospectus dated February 28, 2018. HSBC Global Asset Management (USA) Inc., the Fund's investment adviser has entered into a contractual expense limitation agreement with the Fund under which it will limit total expenses of the Fund (excluding interest, tax, brokerage commissions, extraordinary expenses and estimated indirect expenses attributable to the Fund's investments in investment companies) to an annual rate of: Class A: 1.15%, Class I: 0.80%. The expense limitation agreement is effective until March 1, 2019.
- <sup>4</sup> This yield is based on a 30-day period and is computed by dividing the net investment income per share earned during the period by the maximum offering price per share on the last day of the period. The SEC 30-day yield reflects a reduction in the Fund's fees. Without the reduction of those fees, the yield would have been A: 3.31%, I: 3.82%.

## Investment Risks:

There is no assurance that a portfolio will achieve its investment objective or will work under all market conditions. The value of investments may go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount originally invested. Portfolios may be subject to certain additional risks, which should be considered carefully along with their investment objectives and fees. Investments in **foreign markets** entail special risks such as currency, political, economic, and market risks. The risks of investing in **emerging markets** geographies are greater than the risks generally associated with foreign investments. **Fixed income securities** are subject to credit and interest rate risk. Credit risk refers to the ability of an issuer to make timely payments of interest and principal. Interest rate risk refers to fluctuations in the value of a fixed income security resulting from changes in the general level of interest rates. In a declining interest rate environment, the portfolio may generate less income. In a rising interest rate environment, bond prices may fall. Investments in **high-yield securities** (commonly referred to as "junk bonds") are often considered speculative investments and have significantly higher credit risk than investment grade securities. The prices of high-yield securities, which may be less liquid than higher rated securities, may be more vulnerable to adverse market, economic or political conditions. **Derivatives** may be riskier than other types of investments and could result in losses that significantly exceed the Fund's original investment. **Convertible securities** entail risks associated with equity securities (whose value can fluctuate based on changes in a company's financial condition or overall market conditions); investments in convertible securities are subject to the risks associated with fixed-income securities.

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The Fund's primary benchmark, the **ICE BofA Merrill Lynch BB-B Global High Yield Constrained Index (USD Hedged)** tracks the performance of below investment-grade bonds of corporate issuers domiciled in geographies having an investment-grade foreign currency long-term debt rating (based on a composite of Moody's, S&P, and Fitch). Index returns assume reinvestment of all distributions and do not reflect fees or expenses, or taxes. You cannot invest directly in an index.

The portfolio data are based on records maintained by the Fund's service providers. This data is unaudited, has not been taken from the Fund's official books and records. Care has been taken to ensure the accuracy of the information, however, HSBC Global Asset Management and its affiliates, Foreside Distribution Services and the Fund accept no responsibility for any errors or omissions.

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