

This annual shareholder report contains important information about Vanguard Short-Term Investment-Grade Fund (the "Fund") for the period of February 1, 2024, to January 31, 2025. You can find additional information about the Fund at <https://personal1.vanguard.com/ngf-next-gen-form-webapp/fund-literature>. You can also request this information by contacting us at 800-662-7447. **The report describes changes to the Fund that occurred during the reporting period.**

What were the Fund costs for the last year?

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

Share Class Name	Costs of a \$10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment
Admiral Shares	\$10	0.10%

How did the Fund perform during the reporting period?

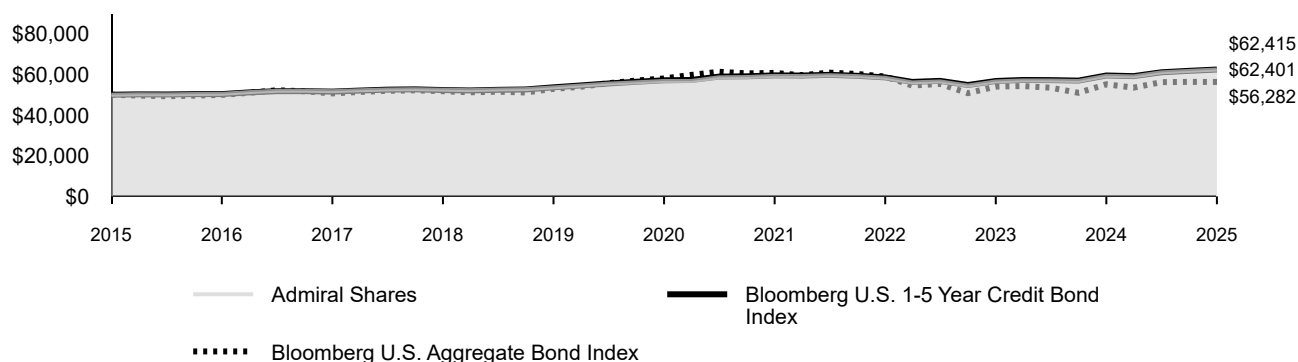
- For the 12 months ended January 31, 2025, the Fund outperformed its benchmark, the Bloomberg U.S. 1-5 Year Credit Bond Index.
- In the United States, the economy saw steady growth during the fiscal period, supported by a solid labor market and inflation staying below 3% in the second half of 2024. While the Federal Reserve began cutting short-term interest rates in September, sticky inflation, solid growth, and potential tariffs clouded prospects for further rate cuts, weighing on bond prices.
- While Fed rate cuts drove down yields of very short-term U.S. Treasuries, yields of longer-term Treasuries finished the period higher amid increased expectations for inflation down the road.
- The Fund's outperformance was driven largely by its overweight allocation to credit risk as credit spreads tightened over the 12-month period. Security selection within industrial corporate bonds and allocations to asset-backed securities and commercial mortgage-backed securities also contributed.

How did the Fund perform over the past 10 years?

Keep in mind that the Fund's past performance does not indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available on our website at vanguard.com/performance or by calling Vanguard toll-free at 800-662-7447. The graph and returns shown do not reflect taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or on the sale of fund shares.

Cumulative Performance: January 31, 2015, Through January 31, 2025

Initial Investment of \$50,000



Average Annual Total Returns

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Admiral Shares	5.23%	1.91%	2.24%
Bloomberg U.S. 1-5 Year Credit Bond Index	4.93%	1.79%	2.24%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	2.07%	-0.60%	1.19%

Fund Statistics (as of January 31, 2025)		This table reflects the Fund's investments, including short-term investments, derivatives and other assets and liabilities. Portfolio Composition % of Net Assets (as of January 31, 2025)	
Fund Net Assets (in millions)	\$54,926	Communications	5.1%
Number of Portfolio Holdings	2,127	Consumer Discretionary	5.0%
Portfolio Turnover Rate	75%	Consumer Staples	4.5%
Total Investment Advisory Fees (in thousands)	\$6,440	Energy	6.4%
		Financials	30.3%
		Health Care	7.6%
		Industrials	5.4%
		Materials	2.0%
		Real Estate	4.0%
		Technology	5.1%
		Utilities	5.7%
		Other	17.5%
		Other Assets and Liabilities—Net	1.4%

How has the Fund changed?

Subsequent to the Fund's fiscal year end, the expense ratio for the Admiral Share class was reduced.

This is a summary of certain changes to the Fund since January 31, 2024. For more complete information, you may review the Fund's next prospectus, which we expect to be available by May 31, 2025, at <https://personal1.vanguard.com/ngf-next-gen-form-webapp/fund-literature> or upon request at 800-662-7447.

Where can I find additional information about the Fund?

Additional information about the Fund, including its prospectus, financial information, holdings, and proxy voting information is available at <https://personal1.vanguard.com/ngf-next-gen-form-webapp/fund-literature>.

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