

# MACKENZIE US GOVERNMENT LONG BOND INDEX ETF

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## **Interim Management Report of Fund Performance**

*For the Six-Month Period Ended September 30, 2024*

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## Management Discussion of Fund Performance

November 12, 2024

This Management Discussion of Fund Performance presents the portfolio management team's view on the significant factors and developments that have affected the ETF's performance and outlook in the six-month period ended September 30, 2024 (the "period"). If the ETF was established during the period, "period" represents the period since inception.

In this report, "Mackenzie" and "the Manager" refer to Mackenzie Financial Corporation, the manager of the ETF. In addition, net asset value ("NAV") refers to the value of the ETF as calculated for subscription and redemption purposes, on which the discussion of ETF performance is based.

Please read *A Note on Forward-Looking Statements* on the first page of this document.

## Results of Operations

### Investment Performance

During the period, the ETF returned 5.1% (after deducting fees and expenses). This compares with the Solactive US 20+ Year Treasury Bond CAD Index return of 5.7%. All index returns are calculated on a total return basis in Canadian dollar terms. Investors cannot invest in an index without incurring fees, expenses and commissions, which are not reflected in the index returns.

In response to an uncertain economic outlook and increasing confidence that inflation was easing, the U.S. Federal Reserve reduced its federal funds rate once by 50 basis points to a target range of 4.75%–5.00%. Treasury bond yields declined in anticipation of significantly lower Federal Reserve rates. Inflation softened, consumer spending remained resilient and labour market conditions cooled as the unemployment rate rose to 4.2%.

Through the period, the ETF used a sampling methodology to invest in broadly diversified securities that collectively approximate the full index in terms of key characteristics. Alternatively, the ETF may invest its assets directly in the bonds that make up the index, holding each bond in approximately the same proportion as its weighting in the index.

The difference in performance between the ETF and the index resulted primarily from management fees and other operating expenses, as well as from the sampling methodology of the ETF and variations in the timing of currency conversions.

Over the period, changes were made to the ETF's holdings to reflect changes in the composition of the index.

### Net Assets

The ETF's net assets increased by 61.7% during the period to \$136.8 million. This change was composed primarily of \$7.5 million in net income (including any interest and/or dividend income) from investment performance, after deducting fees and expenses, and an increase of \$44.7 million due to net unitholder activity (including sales, redemptions and cash distributions).

## Recent Developments

Because the ETF is an index fund, neither market expectations nor recent developments affect the composition of the portfolio.

The following changes to the Mackenzie Funds' Independent Review Committee occurred:

- effective September 13, 2023, Saijal Patel was appointed;
- effective March 5, 2024, Atul Tiwari resigned; and
- effective April 30, 2024, the terms for Robert Hines and George Hucal expired, and Rebecca Cowdery was appointed.

## Related Party Transactions

### Management Fees

The annualized management expense ratio ("MER") for the ETF during the period ended September 30, 2024, was similar to the annualized MER for the period ended March 31, 2024. Total expenses paid vary from period to period mainly as a result of changes in average assets in the ETF. The MERs are presented in the *Financial Highlights* section of this report. The ETF paid management fees to the Manager at the annual rate of 0.18%.

The management fee for the ETF is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of its NAV. The ETF's management fees were used by the Manager to pay for the costs of managing the investment portfolio of the ETF, including providing investment analysis and recommendations, making investment decisions, making brokerage arrangements for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio, providing other services and licensing the index, and to pay for all costs and expenses (other than certain specified fund costs as more fully described in the Prospectus) required to operate the ETF.

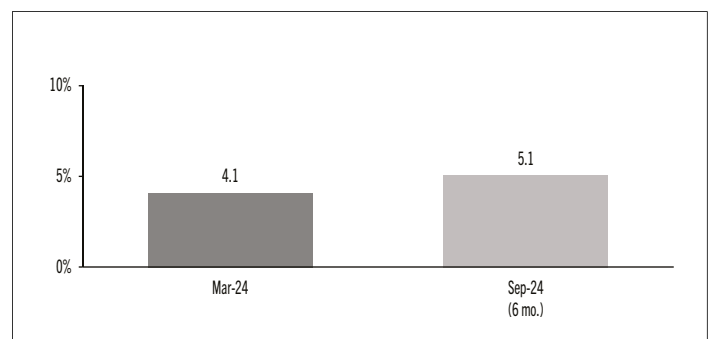
### Other Related Party Transactions

Investment funds managed by Mackenzie and its affiliates may invest in the ETF in accordance with the investment objectives of those funds. At September 30, 2024, funds managed by Mackenzie owned 13.4% of the ETF's NAV, and funds managed by I.G. Investment Management, Ltd. owned 80.9% of the ETF's NAV. All related party transactions are based on the current market price. As a result of these investments, the ETF may be subject to large transaction risk as discussed in the Prospectus. Mackenzie manages this risk to reduce the possibility of any adverse effects on the ETF or on its investors, through such processes as settling transactions in kind, charging creation and/or redemption fees for transactions settling in cash, and establishing appropriate order cut-off times for transactions.

The ETF did not rely on an approval, positive recommendation or standing instruction from the Mackenzie Funds' Independent Review Committee with respect to any related party transactions in the period.

## Past Performance

The following bar chart presents the performance of all units of the ETF for each of the fiscal periods shown. The chart shows, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each fiscal period, or on the units' inception date (November 20, 2023), as applicable, would have increased or decreased by the last day of the fiscal period presented.



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## Summary of Investment Portfolio at September 30, 2024

PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
Bonds	98.3
Bonds	94.5
Long bond futures*	3.8
Other assets (liabilities)	0.9
Cash and cash equivalents	0.8

REGIONAL ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
United States	98.3
Other assets (liabilities)	0.9
Cash and cash equivalents	0.8

SECTOR ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
Foreign government bonds	98.3
Other assets (liabilities)	0.9
Cash and cash equivalents	0.8

BONDS BY CREDIT RATING **	% OF NAV
AA	94.5

\* Notional values represent 3.8% of NAV for long bond futures.

\*\* Credit ratings and rating categories are based on ratings issued by a designated rating organization.

## TOP 25 POSITIONS

Issuer	% OF NAV
United States Treasury 2.00% 08-15-2051	9.1
United States Treasury 1.63% 11-15-2050	7.8
United States Treasury 2.88% 05-15-2049	7.5
United States Treasury 2.38% 05-15-2051	6.8
United States Treasury 3.38% 11-15-2048	6.2
United States Treasury 2.25% 08-15-2046	5.9
United States Treasury 2.25% 02-15-2052	5.7
United States Treasury 1.38% 08-15-2050	4.9
Cash and cash equivalents	4.6
United States Treasury 4.13% 08-15-2053	4.2
United States Treasury 2.38% 11-15-2049	3.8
United States Treasury 3.00% 02-15-2049	3.1
United States Treasury 4.25% 02-15-2054	3.0
United States Treasury 4.25% 08-15-2054	2.7
United States Treasury 4.00% 11-15-2052	2.4
United States Treasury 3.00% 02-15-2048	2.4
United States Treasury 3.00% 08-15-2048	2.2
United States Treasury 3.00% 02-15-2047	2.1
United States Treasury 1.88% 02-15-2051	2.0
United States Treasury 2.75% 08-15-2047	2.0
United States Treasury 2.88% 05-15-2052	2.0
United States Treasury 2.00% 02-15-2050	2.0
United States Treasury 3.00% 08-15-2052	1.9
United States Treasury 3.63% 02-15-2053	1.7
United States Treasury 1.25% 05-15-2050	1.6

Top long positions as a percentage of total net asset value	97.6
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The ETF held no short positions at the end of the period.

The investments and percentages may have changed since September 30, 2024, due to the ongoing portfolio transactions of the ETF.

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## Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the ETF and are intended to help you understand the ETF's financial performance for each of the fiscal periods presented below. In the period when the ETF was established, "period" represents the period from inception (November 20, 2023) to the end of that fiscal period.

### THE ETF'S NET ASSETS PER SECURITY (\$)¹

CAD Units (Ticker: QTLT)	Sep. 30 2024	Mar. 31 2024
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	103.15	100.00
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>		
Total revenue	1.93	1.58
Total expenses	(0.02)	(0.03)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.22	(0.05)
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	4.48	1.45
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations²</b>	<b>6.61</b>	<b>2.95</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>		
From net investment income (excluding Canadian dividends)	(0.89)	(0.75)
From Canadian dividends	–	–
From capital gains	(0.29)	(0.24)
Return of capital	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions³</b>	<b>(1.18)</b>	<b>(0.99)</b>
<b>Net assets, end of period</b>	<b>106.85</b>	<b>103.15</b>

(1) These calculations are prescribed by securities regulations and are not intended to be a reconciliation between opening and closing net assets per unit. This information is derived from the ETF's unaudited interim financial statements and audited annual financial statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value per unit calculated for ETF pricing purposes. An explanation of these differences, if any, can be found in the *Notes to Financial Statements*.

(2) Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the fiscal period.

(3) Distributions were paid in cash/reinvested in additional units of the ETF, or both.

## RATIOS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

CAD Units (Ticker: QTLT)	Sep. 30 2024	Mar. 31 2024
Total net asset value (\$000)¹	136,773	84,562
Units outstanding (000)¹	1,280	820
Management expense ratio (%)²	0.20	0.22
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)²	0.20	0.22
Trading expense ratio (%)³	–	–
Trading expense ratio before reimbursements (%)³	–	–
Portfolio turnover rate (%)⁴	5.67	n/a
Net asset value per unit (\$)	106.85	103.12
Closing market price (\$)⁵	106.89	102.91

(1) This information is provided as at the end of the fiscal period shown.

(2) Management expense ratio ("MER") is based on total expenses, excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, income taxes and withholding taxes, for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period, except as noted. If the ETF was established in the period, the MER is annualized from the date of inception to the end of the period. Where the ETF directly invests in securities of another fund (including other ETFs), the MER presented for the ETF includes the portion of MERs of the other fund(s) attributable to this investment. Any income distributions received from ETFs managed by the Manager, with the intention of offsetting fees paid within those ETFs but which are not considered to be duplicative fees under regulatory requirements, are treated as waived expenses for MER purposes. The Manager may waive or absorb operating expenses at its discretion and stop waiving or absorbing such expenses at any time without notice.

(3) The trading expense ratio ("TER") represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period. Where the ETF invests in securities of another fund (including other ETFs), the TER presented for the ETF includes the portion of TERs of the other fund(s) attributable to this investment. The Manager may reimburse the ETF for certain brokerage commissions and other transaction costs (including those payable to the custodian or its agents). The Manager may make these reimbursements at its discretion and stop these reimbursements at any time without notice.

(4) The ETF's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the ETF's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the ETF buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher the ETF's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the ETF in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of the ETF. The portfolio turnover rate is not provided when the ETF is less than one year old.

(5) Closing market price, or the midpoint of the bid and ask prices in the absence of a closing market price, on the last trading day of the period as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

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