EMD Hard Currency Strategy



As of June 30, 2025

STRATEGY HIGHLIGHTS Objective¹ To maximize excess returns versus the JPM EMBI			
	Global Diversified Index over the lo	ng term.	
Target Sources of Excess Return	Country / Issue Selection	40%	
	Currency	20%	
	Duration / Interest Rate	10%	
	Market	15%	
	• Sector	15%	

Inception Date	July 01, 1996
Strategy Assets	\$24.10 billion as of June 30, 2025
Benchmark	JPM EMBI Global Diversified Index

INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY & PROCESS

PGIM Fixed Income's Emerging Markets Debt investment philosophy is grounded in four beliefs:

- The ever-changing risk appetite of investors is a primary contributor to both market opportunity and market volatility. We therefore begin our investment process with a comprehensive assessment of the global appetite for risk.
- 2. Country allocation is a primary determinant of emerging markets portfolio returns. We therefore focus a significant part of our investment process on determining our country views. Our country decision process incorporates our global risk view along with an analysis of a country's foreign exchange, local bonds, and hard currency bonds from a fundamental, relative value, and technical perspective. We heavily emphasize qualitative factors in our fundamental analysis, as they are often the best predictors of performance.
- 3. Security selection is also a primary source of alpha generating opportunities. Our philosophy is to seek the widest possible universe of security selection opportunities, guidelines permitting. We analyze sovereign issuers as well as "quasi-sovereign" issuers within the same country. We evaluate opportunities in both hard currency and local currency bond curves based on potential changes in policy rates and inflation outlook. We evaluate corporate issuers, guidelines permitting.
- 4. Dynamic risk budgeting provides a disciplined framework for investment decision-making and provides important risk management as well. We heavily rely on risk budgeting and management to provide a consistent and disciplined framework for all investment decisions. We develop a broad strategic risk budget for each client portfolio that reflects the client's long-term objectives and risk parameters, as well as a tactical risk budget that permits us to incorporate our day-to-day views of market risk tolerances and opportunities within the broader strategic risk budget.
 - PGIM Fixed Income's investment approach seeks to add value primarily through research-based country allocation, security selection, FX, and, to a lesser extent, yield curve management. Duration management decisions are made on a country by country basis based on the outlook for central bank policy, inflation, and output gaps.
 - Duration management is also a function of our assessment of the global appetite for risk, which is Step 1 of our investment process.
 - · Yield curve decisions are made with similar considerations.
 - When we interpret the global appetite for risk as a positive factor (i.e. global investors appear
 willing to assume more risk), we will tend to express this through slightly more aggressive yield
 curve positioning.

Global Backdrop & Portfolio Strategy

Senior Portfolio Manager

 Assess global risk appetite to determine portfolio risk profile and refine portfolio positioning, leveraging firm's resources

2 Country Analysis

Regional Economists

- Develop comprehensive economic outlook by country
- Evaluate each country from quantitative and qualitative perspective & assign internal rating

Asset & Security Selection Regional Portfolio Managers/ Economists/Analysts

- Seek to determine best risk/ reward opportunities across hard currency, local rates, and FX
- Use proprietary tools to highlight relative value opportunities within markets

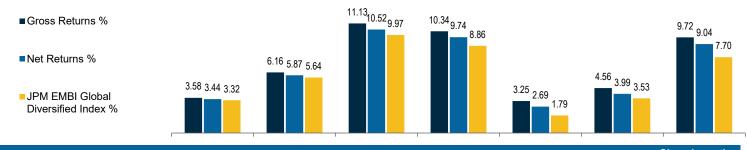
Risk Monitoring

Senior Portfolio Manager/Risk Manager

- Employ a rigorous process to tightly monitor risk at all levels
- Use proprietary tools to verify performance achieved is appropriate for risk taken

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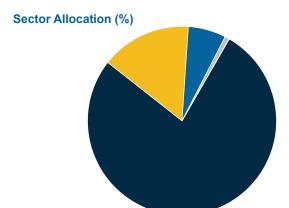
PERFORMANCE¹ | PERIODS ENDING JUNE 30, 2025



	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception (01 Jul 1996)
Excess Returns - Gross (bps)	+26	+52	+116	+148	+146	+103	+202
Excess Returns - Net (bps)	+12	+23	+56	+88	+90	+46	+134
Tracking Error (%)	NM	NM	NM	1.09	1.56	2.52	2.64
Information Ratio (Gross)	NM	NM	NM	1.26	0.95	0.47	0.76
Information Ratio (Net)	NM	NM	NM	0.76	0.60	0.25	0.52

Excess Returns may reflect rounding differences. Information ratio and tracking error are not meaningful (NM) for periods less than 3 years. Data is presented on both a gross and net basis, where applicable. Gross metrics do not reflect the deduction of fees and other expenses to be borne by accounts using the Strategy, which will reduce returns and, in the aggregate, may be substantial. Additional performance information is available upon request. Please visit www.pgimfixedincome.com for contact information.

PORTFOLIO HIGHLIGHTS²



■ Hard Currency Sovereign	Hard Currency Quasi-Sovereign

■ Hard Currency Corporates ■ Local Currency Sovereign

Local Currency Quasi-Sovereign

Sector Allocation (%)

	Portfolio	JPM EMBI Global Diversified Index
Hard Currency	98.1	100.0
Sovereign	76.4	80.5
Quasi-Sovereign	15.3	19.5
Corporates	6.4	0.0
Local Currency	0.8	0.0
Sovereign	0.8	0.0
Quasi-Sovereign	0.0	0.0

Representative Characteristics (%)

	Portfolio	JPM EMBI Global Diversified Index
Effective Duration (yrs)	6.91	6.40
Effective Yield (%)	8.04	6.54
Spread (bps)	287	236
Average Coupon (%)	4.91	5.06
Average Quality (Moody's)	Ba2	Ba1
Number of Issuers	156	114

Top 10 Country Allocation (%)

	Portfolio	JPM EMBI Global Diversified Index
Mexico	6.9	4.9
Turkey	4.5	4.2
Dominican Republic	4.5	2.8
Colombia	4.4	2.8
Brazil	3.9	3.1
Argentina	3.6	2.6
South Africa	3.5	2.6
Indonesia	3.4	4.3
Romania	3.3	2.6
United Arab Emirates	3.2	4.3
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Rating Distribution^{3,4}(%)

	Portfolio	JPM EMBI Global Diversified Index
AAA	0.0	0.0
AA	5.1	5.2
Α	5.8	16.0
BBB	25.4	27.0
BB	35.4	27.5
В	14.1	14.3
CCC & Below	12.6	9.6
Not Rated	0.6	0.4

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INVESTMENT COMMENTARY Markets

EM debt performance was strong in Q2, underpinned by a combination of yield, diversification, resilient fundamentals, and a decline in the U.S. dollar. With U.S. policy uncertainty rising and capital flows shifting, EM hard currency spreads ended the quarter at the tight end of their YTD range, with broad dispersion persisting between rating categories.

From a valuation perspective, in a world of compressed credit spreads, EM hard currency yields stand out, particularly give the stable-to-improving credit trajectory in many emerging markets. Given the high all-in carry of the Index (which can offset 95 bps of spread widening without any move in core rates), we believe investors are being fairly compensated for the current uncertainty and expect total returns to continue to skew positive. In a negative global growth shock, rates should help drive performance in hard currency assets. In a scenario where EM growth remains positive, carry should provide attractive returns alone.

We continue to prefer high-carry, yet resilient, BB issuers, such as Brazil, Serbia, Guatemala, Ivory Coast, Colombia, Dominican Republic, and Costa Rica. We also prefer idiosyncratic stories in Argentina, Ecuador, Ghana, El Salvador, Egypt, Zambia, and Angola. Additionally, we see relative value opportunities within individual higher-quality countries. Despite some domestic headwinds, we see opportunities to be defensive in Mexico (e.g., we are underweight the sovereign, but overweight Mexico City Airport's secured debt and down the curve in Pemex). In aggregate, Kazakhstan is a small overweight as we maintain a large overweight to KazMunayGaz but nearly an almost equal underweight to the sovereign. Saudi Arabia is an overweight through the sovereign as well as through the quasi-sovereign Aramco. Within the UAE, we have overweights in DP World, Galaxy Pipeline, Sharjah, and Dubai. Romania also remains an overweight.

Portfolio

The average market risk of the portfolio was greater than that of the benchmark in Q2, which contributed to results. Sector positioning also contributed to performance, primarily due to an overweight to the EM high yield sector. Overall country selection detracted from results, with overweights to Colombia and Angola detracting the most. This was partially offset by an overweight to Ecuador, which contributed.

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS



Cathy L. Hepworth, CFA Managing Director and Head of Emerging Markets Debt Team

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