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# Vanguard U.S. Government Bond Index Fund

An index-related fund

**Key fund facts**

	Inception date	Minimum initial investment	ISIN	SEDOL	Bloomberg
<b>USD</b>					
Investor	06.03.2002	100,000	IE0007471695	0747169	VGUGBVD
Institutional	31.01.2002	5,000,000	IE0007471927	0747192	VGUGBSD
Institutional Plus	06.12.2013	200,000,000	IE00BFPM9Z33	BFPM9Z3	VGUGBUP
<b>EUR</b>					
Institutional Hedged	31.03.2016	5,000,000	IE0007471471	0747147	VGUGBSE
<b>GBP</b>					
Accumulation Hedged	31.01.2014	100,000	IE00BFRTDB69	BFRTDB6	VGUGGHA
<b>Benchmark</b>		<b>Index ticker</b>		<b>Trading frequency (cut-off)</b>	
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Government Float Adjusted Bond Index		BGA4TRUU		Daily (14:00 Irish Time)	
<b>Domicile</b>		<b>Investment structure</b>		<b>Settlement**</b>	
Ireland		UCITS		T+2	
<b>Base currency</b>		<b>Total assets</b>			
USD		USD (million) 1,422			
<b>Investment manager</b>					
The Vanguard Group, Inc.					
U.S. Bond Index Team					

**Objective**

The Fund seeks to provide returns consistent with the performance of the index, a market-weighted index of the United States government market with an intermediate-term average-weighted maturity.

**Investment strategy**

The Fund employs a passive management or indexing strategy designed to track the performance of the index. This market-weighted index is designed to reflect the total universe of US dollar denominated US Treasury and US government-related securities with maturities greater than one year.

**Performance summary\***

USD—Vanguard U.S. Government Bond Index Fund

	Investor shares	Institutional shares	Institutional Plus shares
	Net of expenses	Net of expenses	Net of expenses
2012	1.74%	1.83%	—%
2013	-2.94	-2.85	—
2014	4.78	4.83	4.94
2015	0.60	0.65	0.75
2016	0.77	0.82	0.92

**Ongoing charges\*\***

	Ongoing Charges	Preset dilution levy on subscriptions	Preset dilution levy on redemptions
Investor	0.25%	—	—
Accumulation Hedged	0.25%	—	—
Institutional	0.20%	—	—
Institutional Hedged	0.20%	—	—
Institutional Plus	0.10%	—	—

**Performance\***

USD—Vanguard U.S. Government Bond Index Fund

Benchmark—Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Government Float Adjusted Bond Index

	Investor shares			Institutional shares			Institutional Plus shares		
	Net of expenses	Gross of expenses	Benchmark	Net of expenses	Gross of expenses	Benchmark	Net of expenses	Gross of expenses	Benchmark
1 month	1.02%	1.04%	1.06%	1.02%	1.04%	1.06%	1.03%	1.04%	1.06%
3 months	1.07	1.13	1.08	1.08	1.13	1.08	1.10	1.13	1.08
Year to date	3.02	3.19	3.12	3.05	3.19	3.12	3.12	3.19	3.12
1 year	-1.06	-0.81	-0.86	-1.01	-0.81	-0.86	-0.91	-0.81	-0.86
3 years	1.87	2.13	2.12	1.92	2.13	2.12	2.03	2.13	2.12
5 years	1.11	1.37	1.37	1.17	1.37	1.37	—	—	1.37
10 years	3.60	3.89	3.78	3.68	3.89	3.78	—	—	—
Since inception	3.95	4.25	4.15	4.02	4.23	4.13	2.44	2.54	2.55

**Key investment risks - Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.** The value of investments, and the income from them, may fall or rise and investors may get back less than they invested. Funds investing in fixed interest securities carry the risk of default on repayment, erosion of the capital value of your investment and the level of income may fluctuate. Where investments are made in assets that are denominated in multiple currencies changes in exchange rates may affect the value of the investments.

\*Figures for periods of less than one year are cumulative returns. All other figures represent average annual returns. Performance figures include the reinvestment of all dividends and any capital gains distributions. The performance data does not take account of the commissions and costs incurred in the issue and redemption of shares. Basis of fund performance NAV to NAV with gross income reinvested. Basis of index performance is total return.

Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Government Float Adjusted Bond Index: The benchmark for this portfolio was Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate U.S. Government Bond Index through 30 June 2010 and Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate U.S. Government Float Adjusted Bond Index thereafter.

\*\*The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) covers administration, audit, depositary, legal, registration and regulatory expenses incurred in respect of the Funds. Note that on 2 October 2017, Vanguard will be removing existing anti-dilution levies (ADLs and PDLs) and replacing them with a dilution adjustment to the net asset value per share (the "NAV") (i.e. swing pricing).

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### Characteristics

	Fund	Benchmark
Number of bonds	341	542
Effective YTM	1.76%	1.77%
Average coupon	2.0%	2.1%
Average maturity	7.5 years	7.5 years
Average quality	AAA	AAA
Average duration	6.0 years	6.0 years
Cash investment	0.6%	—

### Distribution by issuer (% of fund)

	Fund
Treasury	95.0%
Government-related - agencies	4.4
Cash	0.6
Total	100.0%

### Distribution by credit quality (% of fund)

	Fund
AAA	99.5%
AA	0.1
A	0.0
BBB	0.0
Less than BBB	0.0
Not Rated	0.4
Total	100.0%

Credit-quality ratings for each issue are obtained from Barclays using ratings derived from Moody's Investors Service, Fitch Ratings, and Standard & Poor's. When ratings from all three agencies are available, the median rating is used. When ratings are available from two of the agencies, the lower rating is used. When one rating is available, that rating is used.

### Distribution by credit maturity (% of fund)

	Fund
Under 5 Years	58.5%
5 - 10 Years	25.1
Over 10 Years	16.4
Total	100.0%

<sup>††</sup>Beginning Tuesday 5th September, 2017, the majority of Vanguard mutual funds' settlement cycle will be T+2, with the exception of the Vanguard Japan Stock Index Fund which will continue to settle on T+3. For all other funds, any dealing placed with trade date Tuesday 5th September 2017 or later will be settled within 2 business days.

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