

# Real Return Fund

Inst: IPBNX | Admin: IPBIX | A: IPBAX | C: IPBCX | R6: IPBJX

## Asset class: Multi Asset

### OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATING™,†



Out of 203 Inflation-Protected Bond funds. An investment's Overall Morningstar Rating™, based on its risk-adjusted return, is a weighted average of its applicable 3-, 5-, and 10-year Ratings.

### THE FUND

The Allspring Real Return Fund seeks to achieve a real return (a return in excess of the rate of inflation) over an economic cycle by dynamically investing in broad asset classes across debt, equity, and commodities.

### FUND STRATEGY

- Uses a multi-asset class strategy to target greater inflation protection and real returns than a traditional inflation-hedged strategy while seeking to achieve similar levels of volatility (risk).
- Utilizes an active allocation strategy diversifying the portfolio across debt securities, equity securities, and commodities in order to achieve higher long-term returns relative to inflation and higher absolute returns across market cycles.
- Combines top-down macroeconomic and sector outlooks with bottom-up security selection within an active asset allocation and risk management framework.

### FUND MANAGERS

Name	Yrs experience
Petros Bocray, CFA, FRM	23
Travis Keshemberg, CFA, FRM	29
Rushabh Amin	7
Matthias Scheiber, CFA, Ph.D.	24

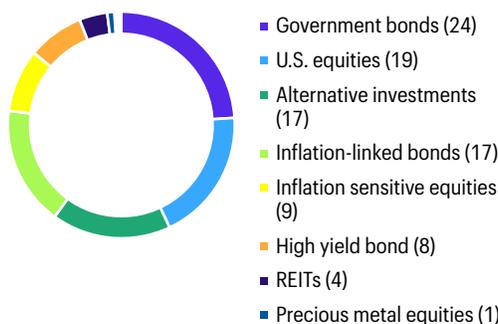
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Expense ratios (%)	Gross	Net
Institutional Shares	0.76	0.45
Administrator Shares	1.03	0.60
Class A Shares	1.08	0.77
Class C Shares	1.83	1.52
Class R6 Shares	0.71	0.40

## Competitive advantages

- Diversified multi-asset class strategy: A broader asset strategy is unique amongst its peers and seeks to provide greater inflation protection than a traditional inflation-hedged strategy while maintaining comparable volatility, or risk.
- Asset allocation and overlay expertise: The portfolio management team employs multiple overlays to dynamically rotate the portfolio towards segments of the market showing higher return opportunities.
- Disciplined risk management: The portfolio-management team uses comprehensive risk management tools at each step of the process to ensure appropriate levels of risk-adjusted returns.

## Portfolio composition (%)



Portfolio composition is subject to change and may have changed since the date specified. Percent total may not add to 100% due to rounding.

## Annual Returns

Total returns (%)	3 Month	YTD	Annualized			
			1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
Institutional Shares <sup>1</sup>	2.87	2.87	5.08	2.05	3.82	3.14
Administrator Shares	2.78	2.78	4.94	1.89	3.68	3.04
Class A Shares	2.73	2.73	4.70	1.71	3.48	2.82
<i>Including sales charge</i>	-1.89	-1.89	-0.01	0.16	2.54	2.35
Class C Shares	2.52	2.52	3.85	0.93	2.70	2.20
<i>Including sales charge</i>	1.52	1.52	2.85	0.93	2.70	2.20
Class R6 Shares <sup>1</sup>	2.78	2.78	5.13	2.10	3.88	3.19
Real Return Blended Index <sup>2</sup>	3.83	3.83	5.87	1.22	3.57	2.75
Bloomberg U.S. TIPS Index <sup>3</sup>	-0.08	-0.08	0.46	-0.53	2.49	2.21

*Figures quoted represent past performance, which is no guarantee of future results, and do not reflect taxes that a shareholder may pay on an investment in a fund. Investment return, principal value, and yields of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Performance shown without sales charges would be lower if sales charges were reflected. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Current month-end performance is available at the funds' website, allspringglobal.com. Administrator, Institutional and R6 Class shares are sold without a front-end sales charge or contingent deferred sales charge. For Class A, the maximum front-end sales charge is 4.50%. For Class C, the maximum contingent deferred sales charge is 1.00%. Performance shown without sales charges would be lower if sales charges were reflected. Performance including sales charge assumes the sales charge for the corresponding time period.*

*The manager has contractually committed through 9-30-2025, to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses to the extent necessary to cap the fund's total annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers at 0.77%(A), 1.52%(C), 0.60%(Admin), 0.45%(I) and 0.40% (R6). Brokerage commissions, stamp duty fees, interest, taxes, acquired fund fees and expenses (if any) from funds in which the underlying master portfolios and funds invest and from money market funds, and extraordinary expenses are excluded from the expense cap. All other acquired fund fees and expenses from the affiliated master portfolios and funds are included in the expense cap. Prior to or after the commitment expiration date, the cap may be increased or the commitment to maintain the cap may be terminated only with the approval of the Board of Trustees. The expense ratio paid by an investor is the net expense ratio (the total annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers) as stated in the prospectus.*



# Real Return Fund

Top holdings (%)	Percent
REAL RETURN SPE INV CAYMAN LTD WBSA	12.64
U.S. Treasuries, 0.13, 4-15-2026	1.94
U.S. Treasuries, 0.13, 1-15-2030	1.85
U.S. Treasuries, 1.38, 7-15-2033	1.79
U.S. Treasuries, 1.63, 10-15-2027	1.72
U.S. Treasuries, 0.13, 7-15-2026	1.70
U.S. Treasuries, 0.13, 7-15-2030	1.66
U.S. Treasuries, 0.63, 1-15-2026	1.60
U.S. Treasuries, 0.88, 1-15-2029	1.13
U.S. Treasuries, 0.25, 7-15-2029	0.88

Portfolio holdings are subject to change and may have changed since the date specified. The holdings listed should not be considered recommendations to purchase or sell a particular security.

Fund characteristics	Fund
P/E (Trailing 12 month)	27.14x
P/B	3.53x
Median market cap (\$B)	41.29
5 Year earnings growth (historic)	15.68%
Average duration of bond portfolio	4.56 years
Portfolio turnover	40.81%
Number of holdings	342

## Fund information

**Advisor:** Allspring Funds Management, LLC

**Sub-Advisor:** Allspring Global Investments (UK) Limited, Allspring Global Investments, LLC

**Fund inception date:** 2/28/2003

**Distribution frequency:** Quarterly

**Fiscal year-end:** May 31

**Fund assets (\$M):** 75.17

**Morningstar category:** Inflation-Protected Bond

Share class information	Class inception date	NAV	YTD high-low NAV	Class assets (\$M)
Institutional Shares	10/31/2016	\$10.01	\$10.01/\$9.59	\$21.52
Administrator Shares	2/28/2003	\$10.12	\$10.12/\$9.69	\$8.06
Class A Shares	2/28/2003	\$9.89	\$9.89/\$9.47	\$12.05
Class C Shares	2/28/2003	\$9.69	\$9.69/\$9.29	\$0.71
Class R6 Shares	10/31/2016	\$10.01	\$10.02/\$9.59	\$32.83

Investing involves risk, including the possible loss of principal. Bond values fluctuate in response to the financial condition of individual issuers, general market and economic conditions, and changes in interest rates. Stock values fluctuate in response to the activities of individual companies and general market and economic conditions. The value of commodities investments is affected by overall market movements as well as factors specific to a particular industry or commodity and exposure to commodities may subject a fund to greater volatility than investments in traditional securities. Consult the fund's prospectus for additional information on these and other risks.

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Class A and Class C require a minimum initial investment of \$1000 and minimum subsequent purchase of \$100 for regular accounts.

Note: Not all Share Classes may be available at all firms.

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