

# CI Investment Grade Bond Private Pool

Management Report of Fund Performance for the period/year ended March 31, 2024

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Securityholders may also contact us using one of these methods to request a copy of the investment fund's proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record, or quarterly portfolio disclosure.

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGIES

The investment objective of the CI Investment Grade Bond Private Pool (the Fund) is to provide income and the potential for long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of investment grade fixed-income securities issued by companies or governments primarily located in North America and Europe.

The Fund will primarily invest in U.S., Canadian and European investment grade bonds and debt securities. The Fund may also invest up to 20% of its assets at the time of purchase in non-investment grade debt securities or high-yield corporate bonds rated, in each case, BB- or higher by Standard and Poor's or an equivalent rating of another nationally-recognized credit rating agency. The Fund may also invest in securities issued by or guaranteed by governments or governmental agencies, including Canadian government and Canadian government-guaranteed securities, provincial government and provincial government-guaranteed securities, U.S. Treasury securities and bonds issued or guaranteed by European government and their agencies. If the portfolio advisor deems it appropriate under certain market conditions, the Fund's portfolio may consist entirely of government and government-guaranteed securities.

The portfolio advisor uses a combination of top-down macroeconomic analysis involving the assessment of economic, political and market trends, and a bottom-up company and security level analysis to assess a company's ability to generate cash and meet interest and principal payment obligations on its debt securities. In respect of corporate debt, the portfolio advisor focuses on a company's industry position, operating leverage, management strength and experience, historical earnings, future projections, liquidity profile and accounting ratios and practices.

For a complete discussion of the Fund's investment objective and strategies, please refer to the Fund's most recently filed simplified prospectus.

## RISK

No changes affecting the overall level of risk associated with investing in the Fund were made during the period/year. The risks of the Fund remain as discussed in the Fund's most recently filed simplified prospectus or its amendments. The Manager reviews the risk rating for the Fund on an annual basis, at a minimum, based on the methodology mandated by the Canadian Securities Administrators to determine the risk level of the Fund. Any change to the risk rating made during the period/year was as a result of such review and was not a result of any change to the investment objective, strategies or management of the Fund.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The Fund's net assets decreased by \$6.7 million to \$25.3 million from March 31, 2023 to March 31, 2024. The Fund had net redemptions of \$6.9 million during the year. The portfolio's performance increased assets by \$0.6 million. The Fund paid distributions totalling \$0.4 million. Series A units returned 2.6% after fees and expenses for the one-year period ended March 31, 2024. Over the same time period, the Fund's benchmark returned 5.5%. The benchmark is the FTSE Canada All Corporate Bond Total Return Index (the Benchmark or the Index).

The performance of the Fund's other Series is substantially similar to that of Series A units, except for differences in the structure of fees and expenses. For the returns of the Fund's other Series, please refer to the "Past Performance" section.

Despite a relatively resilient economic backdrop, the unprecedented pace of monetary policy tightening led to a series of large regional bank failures in the United States and Switzerland. To prevent additional failures, regulators and policymakers swiftly provided generous liquidity backstops and unprecedented guarantees of deposits.

By late summer, investor focus had shifted to the large increases in fixed income supply required by continued deficit spending. Weaker-than-expected demand at government bond auctions and expectations of auction supply increases caused yields to rise rapidly. The term premium investors charge to hold longer-term government bonds increased to levels not seen since the financial crisis of 2008–09. In response to this bond market disruption, the U.S. Treasury announced a smaller-than-expected increase to coupon issuance in early November, igniting a rebound in assets that lasted into year-end.

The U.S. Federal Reserve Board (Fed) failed to push back against interest rate cut expectations in December, effectively communicating that peak rates had been achieved and cuts were likely on the horizon. This prompted markets to price in an economic soft-landing scenario, where inflation is contained without entering a deep recession. However, in early 2024, it became evident that the transition to initial interest rate cuts would be less clear. Through the first calendar quarter of 2024, data suggested that economic growth and the labour market remained resilient. Inflation remained at lower levels, but downward progress slowed as certain components bounced higher. At quarter-end, Fed projections continued to call for three interest rate cuts in 2024.

The Fund underperformed its benchmark during the year. Our expectations for a slowing economic backdrop led us to retain higher exposure to government bonds, which detracted from performance. The Fund's higher rate duration (sensitivity to interest rates) detracted from performance as interest rates rose. Exposure to hybrid bonds also detracted from the Fund's performance.

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Late in the year, we began to reconfigure the Fund's risk profile to better align with our overall investment methodology. We believed it was important to position the Fund for a late-cycle investment environment. Part of this realignment entailed reducing the Fund's corporate bond exposure and improving liquidity. As well, the Fund's duration had been slightly below that of the benchmark, so we increased it closer to the benchmark range. We believe the Fund's defensive positioning should better preserve capital and allow us to capture opportunities when corporate credit reprices.

At year-end, the Fund's corporate bond exposure was approximately 51%, government bond exposure was about 44%, and the balance was held in cash. The Fund's overall duration was approximately 5.9 years.

## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

We expect the path to interest rate cuts to be uncertain and data-dependent. While market tone appears optimistic on the surface, restrictive policy is producing its intended consequences and should eventually produce an economic slowdown, or even a recession, given sufficient time.

In our view, cyclical sectors in the United States are slowing. This weakness is seemingly being masked by non-cyclical job hiring (i.e., government, health care and education) tied to expanding state and local tax revenues. As state and local tax revenues are now projected to decline, we expect that the underlying softening in the U.S. economy should become more pronounced. Additionally, services-related activities have decelerated below the pre-pandemic average. Although the central bank narrative has been shifting, we expect that the longer restrictive conditions persist, the greater the likelihood of a recession.

In terms of fixed income markets, we believe a monetary tightening pause offers the opportunity to build a steady running yield and to extract value by range-trading while we wait for more meaningful opportunities to present themselves.

## RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

### Manager, Portfolio Adviser, Trustee and Registrar

CI Investments Inc. is the Manager, Portfolio Adviser, Trustee and Registrar of the Fund. CI Investments Inc. is a subsidiary of CI Financial Corp. The Manager, in consideration for management fees, provides management services required in the day-to-day operations of the Fund. The Manager bears all of the operating expenses of the Fund (other than taxes, borrowing costs and new governmental fees) in return for an administration fee.

Management fee and administration fee rates as at March 31, 2024, for the Series/Class or for each of the Series/Classes, as applicable, is/are shown below:

	Annual management fee rate (%):	Annual administration fee rate (%):
Series A	1.050	0.15
Series F	0.550	0.15
Series I	Paid directly by investor	Paid directly by investor

The Manager received \$0.2 million in management fees and \$0.04 million in administration fees for the year.

### Management Fees

Approximately 26% of total management fees were used to pay for sales and trailing commissions. The remaining 74% of management fees were used to pay for investment management and other general administration.

### Portfolio Sub-Advisor

Marret Asset Management Inc. provides investment advice to the Fund. CI Financial Corp., an affiliate of CI Investments Inc., owns a majority interest in Marret Asset Management Inc.

### Independent Review Committee

The Manager, in respect of the Fund, received the following standing instructions from the Independent Review Committee (IRC) with respect to related party transactions:

The applicable standing instructions require, amongst others, that related party transactions be conducted in accordance with the Manager's policies and procedures and applicable law and that the Manager reports related party transactions periodically to the IRC and advise the IRC of any material breach of such policies. The Manager's policies and procedures require that investment decisions in respect of related party transactions (a) are free from any influence by an entity related to the Manager and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to the Manager; (b) represent the business judgment of the Manager, uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund; (c) do not exceed the limitations of the applicable legislation; and (d) achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund.

Except as otherwise noted above under Related Party Transactions section, the Fund was not a party to any related party transactions during the period/year ended March 31, 2024. If the Fund invested in related party transactions, it relied on the IRC's standing instructions regarding related party transactions during this reporting period/year.

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following table/tables shows/show selected key financial information about the Fund and is/are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five period(s)/year(s), as applicable.

Net Assets per Unit (\$)	Increase (decrease) from operations:					Distributions:					Net assets at the end of the period/year shown	
	Net assets at the beginning of period/year	Total revenue	Total expenses (excluding distributions)	Realized gains (losses) for the period/year	Unrealized gains (losses) for the period/year	Total increase (decrease) from operations	From net investment income (excluding dividends)	From dividends	From capital gains	Return of capital		Total distributions
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Series A</b> <sup>(1)(2)(3)(4)</sup>												
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018												
Mar. 31, 2024	9.08	0.27	(0.12)	(0.82)	0.84	0.17	(0.11)	-	-	-	(0.11)	9.20
Mar. 31, 2023	9.60	0.26	(0.12)	(0.56)	(0.06)	(0.48)	(0.12)	-	-	-	(0.12)	9.08
Mar. 31, 2022	10.25	0.26	(0.14)	(0.15)	(0.42)	(0.45)	(0.12)	-	-	-	(0.12)	9.60
Mar. 31, 2021	10.22	0.21	(0.14)	0.07	(0.64)	(0.50)	(0.06)	-	(0.05)	-	(0.11)	10.25
Mar. 31, 2020	10.18	0.23	(0.14)	(0.17)	0.30	0.22	(0.11)	-	(0.17)	-	(0.28)	10.22
<b>Series F</b> <sup>(1)(2)(3)(4)</sup>												
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018												
Mar. 31, 2024	9.02	0.26	(0.07)	(0.80)	0.83	0.22	(0.15)	-	-	-	(0.15)	9.15
Mar. 31, 2023	9.62	0.26	(0.07)	(0.57)	(0.09)	(0.47)	(0.25)	-	-	-	(0.25)	9.02
Mar. 31, 2022	10.27	0.26	(0.08)	(0.14)	(0.40)	(0.36)	(0.18)	-	-	-	(0.18)	9.62
Mar. 31, 2021	10.24	0.22	(0.09)	0.30	(0.34)	0.09	(0.12)	-	(0.05)	-	(0.17)	10.27
Mar. 31, 2020	10.19	0.23	(0.08)	(0.14)	0.31	0.32	(0.15)	-	(0.18)	-	(0.33)	10.24
<b>Series I</b> <sup>(1)(2)(3)(4)</sup>												
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018												
Mar. 31, 2024	9.18	0.28	-	(0.86)	0.95	0.37	(0.20)	-	-	-	(0.20)	9.34
Mar. 31, 2023	9.67	0.26	-	(0.56)	0.02	(0.28)	(0.21)	-	-	-	(0.21)	9.18
Mar. 31, 2022	10.33	0.26	-	(0.17)	(0.50)	(0.41)	(0.26)	-	-	-	(0.26)	9.67
Mar. 31, 2021	10.29	0.23	-	0.54	0.63	1.40	(0.19)	-	(0.06)	-	(0.25)	10.33
Mar. 31, 2020	10.20	0.23	-	(0.11)	0.34	0.46	(0.19)	-	(0.18)	-	(0.37)	10.29

(1) This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

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

(3) Distributions are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

(4) This information is provided for the period(s)/year(s) ended March 31.

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

	Total net assets \$000's	Number of units outstanding 000's	Management expense ratio before taxes %	Harmonized sales tax %	Management expense ratio after taxes %	Effective HST rate for the period/year %	Trading expense ratio %	Portfolio turnover rate %
<b>Series A</b> <sup>(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)</sup>								
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018								
Mar. 31, 2024	9,146	994	1.20	0.15	1.35	12.34	-	111.57
Mar. 31, 2023	10,480	1,155	1.20	0.15	1.35	12.40	0.02	53.15
Mar. 31, 2022	12,830	1,337	1.20	0.15	1.35	12.34	0.03	60.32
Mar. 31, 2021	18,711	1,825	1.20	0.14	1.34	11.83	0.03	120.69
Mar. 31, 2020	3,302	323	1.20	0.13	1.33	10.63	0.02	153.36
<b>Series F</b> <sup>(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)</sup>								
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018								
Mar. 31, 2024	16,167	1,767	0.70	0.08	0.78	12.15	-	111.57
Mar. 31, 2023	21,514	2,386	0.70	0.09	0.79	12.23	0.02	53.15
Mar. 31, 2022	35,533	3,695	0.70	0.09	0.79	12.17	0.03	60.32
Mar. 31, 2021	55,876	5,439	0.70	0.08	0.78	11.85	0.03	120.69
Mar. 31, 2020	42,369	4,137	0.70	0.08	0.78	12.15	0.02	153.36
<b>Series I</b> <sup>(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)</sup>								
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018								
Mar. 31, 2024	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	111.57
Mar. 31, 2023	1	-	-	-	-	-	0.02	53.15
Mar. 31, 2022	1	-	-	-	-	-	0.03	60.32
Mar. 31, 2021	1	-	-	-	-	-	0.03	120.69
Mar. 31, 2020	11	1	-	-	-	-	0.02	153.36

(1) This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

(2) Management expense ratio is calculated based on expenses charged to the Fund (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets for the period/year, including the Fund's proportionate share of any underlying fund(s) expenses, if applicable. The Effective HST tax rate is calculated using the attribution percentage for each province based on unitholder residency and can be different from 13%.

(3) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period/year, including the Fund's proportionate share of such expenses of any underlying fund(s), if applicable.

(4) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the fiscal period/year. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a period/year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the period/year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period/year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a higher turnover rate and the performance of a Fund. Portfolio turnover rate is calculated by dividing the lesser of the cost of purchases and the proceeds of sales of portfolio securities for the period/year, and excluding cash and short-term investments maturing in less than one year, and before assets acquired from a merger, if applicable, by the average of the monthly fair value of investments during the period/year.

(5) This information is provided for the period(s)/year(s) ended March 31.

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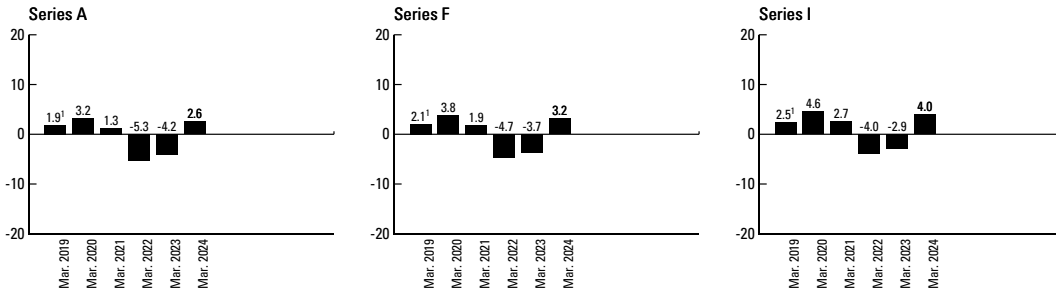
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## PAST PERFORMANCE

This section describes how the Fund has performed in the past. Remember, past returns do not indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The information shown assumes that distributions made by the Fund in the period(s)/year(s) shown were reinvested in additional units of the Fund or relevant Series/Class of the Fund, as applicable. In addition, the information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance.

### Year-by-Year Returns

The following chart/charts shows/show the Fund's annual performance for each of the period(s)/year(s) shown and illustrates/illustrate how the Fund's performance has changed from period/year to period/year. In percentage terms, the chart/charts shows/show how much an investment made on the first day of each financial period/year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial period/year, except where noted.



<sup>1</sup> 2019 return is for the period from October 29, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

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## Annual Compound Returns

The following table shows the Fund's annual compound returns for each year indicated, compared to the FTSE Canada All Corporate Bond Total Return Index.

The FTSE Canada All Corporate Bond Index is a market capitalization weighted index that measures the performance of fixed income market of Canadian corporation. The Index consists of fixed-rate corporate bonds denominated in Canadian dollars, with a remaining effective term to maturity of at least one year, rated BBB or higher and market capitalization of minimum \$100 million.

A discussion of the performance of the Fund as compared to the benchmark is found in the Results of Operations section of this report.

	One Year (%)	Three Years (%)	Five Years (%)	Ten Years (%)	Since Inception (%)
<b>Series A</b>	2.6	(2.3)	(0.5)	n/a	(0.1)
FTSE Canada All Corporate Bond Total Return Index	5.5	0.0	1.7	n/a	2.5
<b>Series F</b>	3.2	(1.8)	0.0	n/a	0.4
FTSE Canada All Corporate Bond Total Return Index	5.5	0.0	1.7	n/a	2.5
<b>Series I</b>	4.0	(1.0)	0.8	n/a	1.2
FTSE Canada All Corporate Bond Total Return Index	5.5	0.0	1.7	n/a	2.5

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## SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO as at March 31, 2024

Category	% of Net Assets	Category	% of Net Assets
<b>Country allocation</b>		<b>Sector allocation</b>	
Canada .....	81.6	Corporate Bonds .....	51.1
U.S.A. ....	11.5	Canadian Government Bonds .....	34.2
Cash & Cash Equivalents .....	3.9	Provincial Bonds .....	5.8
Other Net Assets (Liabilities) .....	1.2	Foreign Government Bonds .....	4.0
Netherlands .....	0.9	Cash & Cash Equivalents .....	3.9
U.K. ....	0.6	Other Net Assets (Liabilities) .....	1.2
Australia .....	0.4	Foreign Currency Forward Contract(s) .....	(0.1)
France .....	0.1	Swap Contract(s) .....	(0.1)
Foreign Currency Forward Contract(s) .....	(0.1)		
Swap Contract(s) .....	(0.1)		

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## SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO as at March 31, 2024 (cont'd)

Top 25 Holdings	% of Net Assets
Government of Canada, 3.25%, December 01, 2033	8.6
Government of Canada, 1.25%, March 01, 2027	5.3
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.9
Government of Canada, 0.5%, December 01, 2030	3.6
Government of Canada, 2.75%, June 01, 2033	3.3
Government of Canada, 1.5%, June 01, 2026	3.2
Province of Ontario, 4.15%, June 02, 2034	2.8
Province of Ontario, 4.15%, December 02, 2054	2.5
Government of Canada, 1.75%, December 01, 2053	1.9
Government of Canada, 3.5%, March 01, 2034	1.7
Government of Canada, 3.25%, September 01, 2028	1.6
United States Treasury Bond, 4.38%, November 30, 2030	1.4
United States Treasury Bond, 4.5%, November 15, 2033	1.3
Government of Canada, 2.5%, December 01, 2032	1.2
Ford Motor Credit Co., LLC, 3.66%, September 08, 2024	1.1
Government of Canada, 2.25%, June 01, 2029	1.0
SNC-Lavalin Group Inc., Series 6, 3.8%, August 19, 2024	1.0
Pembina Pipeline Corp., Convertible, Variable Rate, January 25, 2081	0.9
Choice Properties REIT, Series L, 4.18%, March 08, 2028	0.9
Thomson Reuters Corp., 2.24%, May 14, 2025	0.9
Dream Industrial REIT, Series C, 2.06%, June 17, 2027	0.8
ARC Resources Ltd., 3.47%, March 10, 2031	0.8
BCI QuadReal Realty, 1.75%, July 24, 2030	0.7
Rogers Communications Inc., 4.25%, December 09, 2049	0.7
Choice Properties REIT, Series K, 3.56%, September 09, 2024	0.7
<b>Total Net Assets (in \$000's)</b>	<b>\$25,314</b>

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and updates will be available on a quarterly basis.

### A NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, its future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action. The words "may," "could," "should," "would," "suspect," "outlook," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "forecast," "objective," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both about the Fund and general economic factors, so it is possible that predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution you not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statement made by the Fund. These factors include, but are not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in Canada, the United States and internationally, interest and foreign exchanges rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological changes, changes in laws and regulations, judicial or regulatory judgments, legal proceedings and catastrophic events.

The above list of important factors that may affect future results is not exhaustive. Before making any investment decisions, we encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully. All opinions contained in forward-looking statements are subject to change without notice and are provided in good faith but without legal responsibility.