

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE ATTRIBUTION

SHORT CORE COMPOSITE
SECOND QUARTER 2021



INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

as of June 30, 2021

Performance ¹	2Q'21	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr
Short Core Composite (before inv. mgmt. fees)	0.24	0.91	3.43	2.30	1.99
Short Core Composite (after max. fees)	0.16	0.61	3.12	2.00	1.69
Short Core Linked Benchmark ²	0.04	0.44	2.96	1.76	1.30
Value Added (before inv. mgmt. fees)	+0.19	+0.47	+0.47	+0.55	+0.70

PERFORMANCE RECAP

Galliard's Short Core Composite (composite) outperformed its benchmark, the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 1-3 Year Government/Credit Bond Index (index), during the second quarter (Q2). The composite returned 0.24%, +0.19% or 19 basis points (bps) more than the index return of 0.04%. An overweight to 3-5 year maturities proved beneficial, as did a general overweight to non-Treasury sectors.

PERFORMANCE ATTRIBUTION

as of June 30, 2021

	2Q'21 Attribution (basis points)
Sector Allocation	+9
Security Selection	+2
Yield Curve/Duration	+9
Residual Impact ⁴	+0
Total Attribution	+20

COMMENTARY ON PERFORMANCE ATTRIBUTION

- An overweight to the spread sectors added to returns, as they generally outperformed like-duration Treasuries over the quarter. In particular, allocations to ABS and Agency MBS contributed positively.
- Neutral duration positioning did not have a material impact on performance; however, yield curve positioning, with an overweight to 3-5 year maturities, proved positive.
- Issue selection was generally muted for the quarter, however, a higher quality bias within Corporate issue selection was slightly additive to relative returns.

¹ See endnote on reverse side of this page.

² Bloomberg Barclays 1-3 Year Gov't linked to Bloomberg Barclays 1-3 Year Gov't/Credit as of 7/2018

³ The Weighted Average Quality shown has NOT been assessed by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The Weighted Average Quality shown represents the individual holding's composite ratings, as rated by S&P, Moody's, and Fitch. If S&P, Moody's, and Fitch all provide a credit rating, the composite rating is the median of the three agency ratings. If only two agencies provide ratings, the composite is the more conservative rating. If only one agency provides a rating, the composite rating reflects that agency's rating.

⁴ Includes trading, cash flows and other residual impacts.

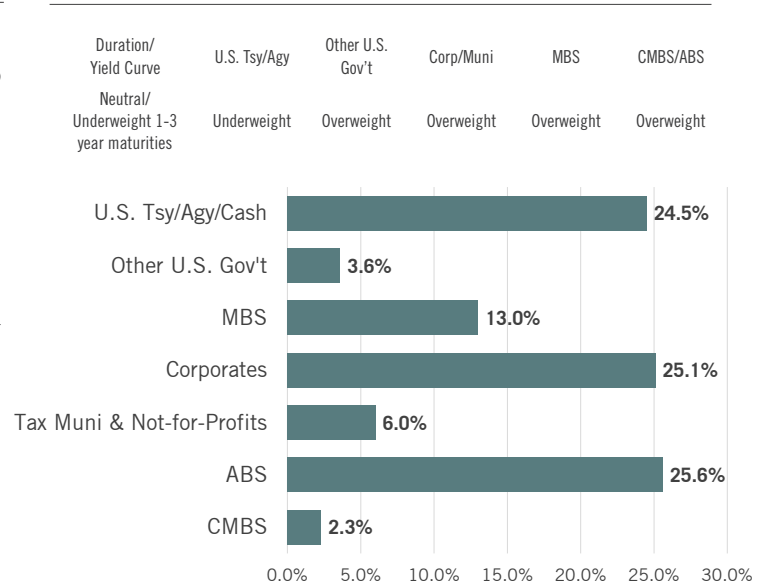
COMPOSITE CHARACTERISTICS

as of June 30, 2021

	Short Core Composite	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 1-3 Year Gov't/Credit Bond Index
Weighted Average Quality ³	AA	AA+
Yield to Maturity	0.59%	0.36%
Effective Duration	1.87 Yrs	1.86 Yrs

SECTOR ALLOCATION

as of June 30, 2021



CURRENT STRATEGY & OUTLOOK

- Continue to stress high quality, diversification, and liquidity in portfolios.
- Remain focused on relative value across spread (non-Treasury) sectors, trimming where appropriate while still looking for opportunities to add if valuations make sense.
- Maintain slightly higher liquidity positioning to protect against downside risks and provide 'dry powder' for opportunistic purchases.
- Maintain broadly neutral duration positioning versus benchmarks.

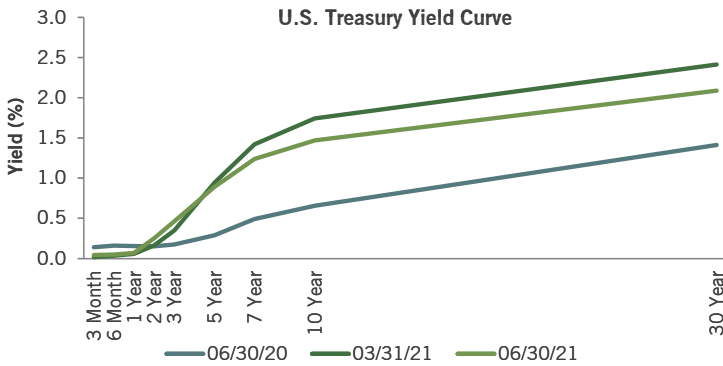
SHORT CORE COMPOSITE

SECOND QUARTER

Fed Flattens the Yield Curve; Most Non-Treasury Sectors Outperform

CHANGES IN U.S. TREASURY RATES

Long Rates Fall, as Curve Flattens



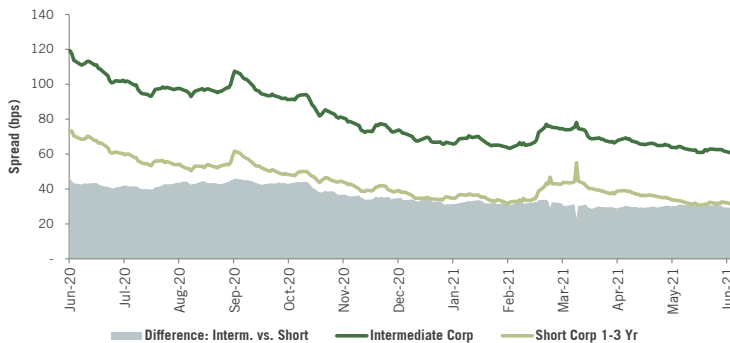
Source: Bloomberg

QUARTERLY MARKET COMMENTARY

- The economy has accelerated considerably, fueled by pent-up consumer demand and the removal of COVID-19 restrictions. With virtually all measures of economic activity signaling a robust rebound for the remainder of the year, 2Q21 GDP is expected to increase at a 10%-11% q/q annualized pace with full-year GDP growth projections in the 6%-7% range.
- As expected, the Federal Reserve kept its policy rate unchanged throughout the quarter; however, published inflation forecasts and expected future rate hike messaging turned slightly hawkish in June. The market expects a formal announcement of QE tapering at the September meeting with implementation in early 2022.
- In a partial reversal of first quarter's steepening, the curve flattened considerably in 2Q21. 2s vs. 10s flattened 36 bps reflecting the Fed's more hawkish tone. Not surprisingly, long-term break-even inflation rates also compressed.
- Retail sales are 18% higher than February 2020, indicating that consumers continue to spend at an elevated rate, but the labor market recovery since early spring has been somewhat underwhelming. The housing market remains red hot, buoyed by low mortgage rates, tight supply, and strong demand.
- Businesses are expanding rapidly, but elevated consumer demand and supply chain bottlenecks are accelerating inflation in the near term, sparking a debate about whether inflationary pressures will be transitory or persistent.

CORPORATE CREDIT SPREADS

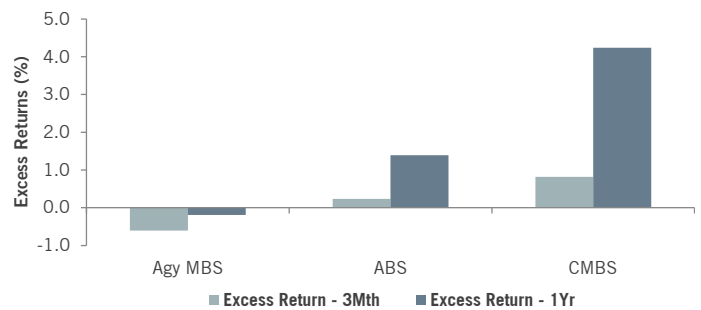
Corporate Spreads Moved Modestly Tighter



Source: Barclays

STRUCTURED PRODUCT SPREADS

Agency MBS struggled, while ABS and CMBS continue to outperform



Source: Barclays

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