

# Aegon BlackRock Corporate Bond Tracker (ARC)

## Fund information

Fund provider	Aegon/Scottish Equitable plc
Fund launch date	11 Nov 2011
Benchmark	Markit iBoxx GBP Non Gilts
Fund charge*	0.11%
Aegon fund size	£518.83m
ABI sector	ABI Sterling Corporate Bond
Fund type	Pension
ISIN	GBO0B3N48N80
SEDOL	B3N48N8
Aegon mnemonic	ZCG
CitiCode	00KJ

\*This is on top of any product or adviser charge you pay and includes a fixed management fee plus expenses that vary with the day to day costs of running the fund. Expenses can include costs paid by Aegon to third parties. The fund charges may differ for Retiready (RR) or Aegon One Retirement (AOR).

## About fund performance

Investors should always consider performance in relation to the objective of the fund and over periods of at least five years. If a fund has risen in value, it doesn't mean it is meeting its objective – especially if the fund is aiming to outperform a particular benchmark or meet a risk target. The same applies if the fund has fallen in value.

## Our risk rating



**Below-average risk**

Below average risk funds will generally see some change in day-to-day value, both up and down, and these changes will typically be larger than those of a cash deposit. They may hold a broad range of investment types, including equities (shares), but a significant proportion may also be invested in investments that aim to provide a reliable source of income (like government and corporate bonds) and, with that, greater stability than would typically be available from equities. They try to provide better long-term growth prospects than a cash deposit, but are lower risk than funds investing largely in equities.

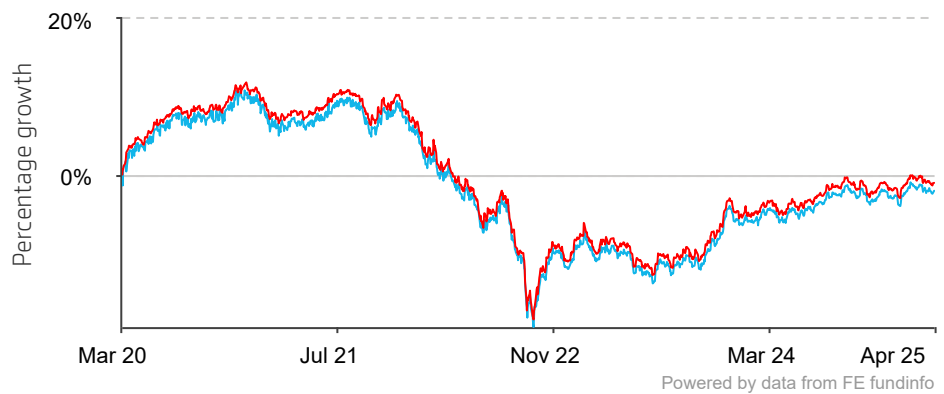
## Fund objective

The fund aims to achieve a return consistent with the Markit iBoxx Sterling Non-Gilts Index by investing in sterling denominated investment-grade corporate bonds. This Index covers the broad spectrum of investment-grade corporate bonds in issue. The fund may also invest in permitted money market instruments, deposits and collective investment schemes.

## Fund performance

The following graph and tables show the performance of the fund over various time periods compared to the fund's benchmark (if there is one). All performance information is as at 31 Mar 2025 unless otherwise stated.

In the graph, performance is shown since launch if the fund is less than five years old.



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	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs
Fund	2.6%	-0.7%	-0.4%	1.5%
Benchmark	2.4%	-0.8%	-0.2%	1.5%
Sector quartile	2	3	3	2

	Mar 24 to Mar 25	Mar 23 to Mar 24	Mar 22 to Mar 23	Mar 21 to Mar 22	Mar 20 to Mar 21
Fund	2.6%	6.2%	-10.3%	-5.8%	6.3%
Benchmark	2.4%	6.1%	-10.2%	-5.2%	7.0%
Sector quartile	2	3	2	4	4

Source: FE fundinfo. The performance information has been calculated in pounds on a bid-to-bid basis and is net of charges with gross income reinvested. Performance for periods over a year is annualised (% per year). Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of an investment can fall as well as rise and is not guaranteed. Investors could get back less than they invested.

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## Underlying fund

Fund mgmt group	BlackRock
Fund name	Corporate Bond Index
Launch date	30 Jun 2010
Fund size	£4,149.54m as at 31 Mar 2025
Sedol code:	B5WN614
ISIN	GB00B5WN6148
Crown rating	N/A

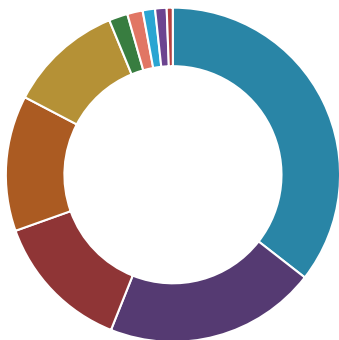
## Fund manager information



Fund manager	Divya Manek
Start date	01 Oct 2023

Divya Manek, Managing Director, is a Senior Portfolio Manager and Head of Investment Grade Credit and Emerging Market Debt, Indexed Fixed Income in EMEA. Before joining BlackRock, Divya spent the first 12 years of her career as a fundamental active credit investor. She was previously at Santander Asset Management in charge of European Fixed Income (U.K.). Prior to that she spent seven years at Schroders working on flagship EUR/GBP credit mutual funds and managing segregated mandates. Divya obtained a first-class engineering degree from the University of Mumbai in 2006, graduated top of her class at Cass Business School in 2007 and is a CFA Charterholder.

## Sector breakdown as at 31 Mar 2025



Name	Weight
Financial Institutions	35.5%
Industrial	20.5%
Supranational	13.5%
Agency	13.1%
Utility	11.1%
Local Authority	1.8%
ABS	1.5%
CMBS	1.2%
Covered	1.1%
Other	0.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>99.9%</b>

## Credit breakdown as at 31 Mar 2025

Name	Weight
A	30.1%
AA	11.1%
AAA	21.2%
BB	0.1%
BBB	37.6%
Money Market	-0.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Top holdings as at 31 Mar 2025

Holding	%
KFW BANKENGRUPPE MTN 6 12/07/2028	0.6%
KFW MTN REGS 3.75 07/30/2027	0.5%
EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK 5.625 06/07/2032	0.5%
EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK 6 12/07/2028	0.4%
KFW MTN REGS 4.875 10/10/2028	0.4%
EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK MTN REGS 1 09/21/2026	0.4%
TESCO PROPERTY REGS	0.3%
ONTARIO (PROVINCE OF) REGS 0.25 12/15/2026	0.3%
KFW MTN REGS 0.875 09/15/2026	0.3%
ELECTRICITE DE FRANCE REGS 6.125 06/02/2034	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.0%</b>

Total number of holdings: 1248

Source of fund breakdown and holdings: Fund mgmt group

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## Risks specific to this fund

There is no guarantee the fund will meet its objective. The value of an investment can fall as well as rise and investors could get back less than they originally invested. All funds carry a level of risk and the information below outlines the key risks for this fund.

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**Third party risk** - in the event that the underlying investments which the fund invests in suspend trading, Aegon may defer trading and/or payment to investors. The value ultimately payable will depend on the amount Aegon receives or expects to receive from the underlying investments.

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**Credit risk** - this fund invests in bonds or other types of debt. Bonds are essentially loans to companies, governments or local authorities so there's a risk that these companies or government bodies may default on the loan. Bonds are rated in terms of quality, usually from AAA down to B and below. AAA is the highest quality and therefore the least likely to default and B or lower the most likely to default. Where we have it we show the credit quality of the loans held by this fund.

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**Interest rate risk** - interest rate changes could affect the value of bond investments. Where long term interest rates rise, the value of bonds is likely to fall, and vice versa.

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