

# Vanguard Intermediate-Term Treasury Index Fund

Bond fund | Institutional Shares

## Fund facts

Risk level Low ← → High					Total net assets	Expense ratio as of 12/22/20	Ticker symbol	Turnover rate as of 08/31/20	Inception date	Fund number
1	2	3	4	5	\$1,686 MM	0.05%	VIIGX	27.9%	03/19/10	1643

## Investment objective

Vanguard Intermediate-Term Treasury Index Fund seeks to track the performance of a market-weighted Treasury index with an intermediate-term dollar-weighted average maturity.

## Investment strategy

The fund employs an index sampling techniques to select securities. Using sophisticated computer programs, the fund's advisor generally selects a representative sample of securities that approximates the full target index in terms of key risk factors and other characteristics. These factors include duration, cash flow, quality, and callability of the underlying bonds. In addition, the fund keeps sector and subsector exposure within tight boundaries relative to its target index. Because the fund does not hold all issues in its target index, some of the issues (and issuers) that are held will likely be overweighted (or underweighted) compared with the target index. The maximum overweight (or underweight) is constrained at the issuer level with the goal of producing well-diversified credit exposure in the portfolio.

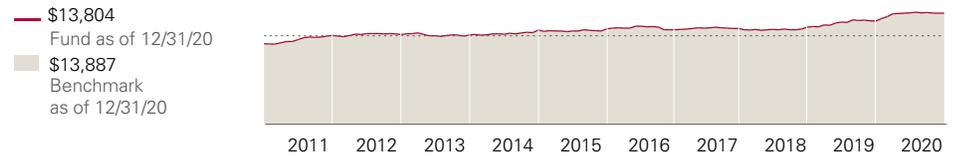
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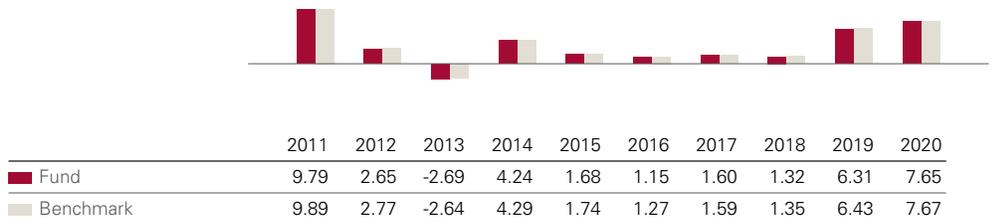
## Benchmark

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## Growth of a \$10,000 investment : January 31, 2011 – December 31, 2020



## Annual returns



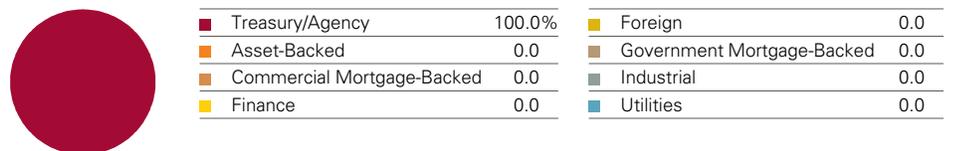
## Total returns

	Periods ended December 31, 2020					
	Quarter	Year to date	One year	Three years	Five years	Ten years
Fund	-0.42%	7.65%	7.65%	5.06%	3.57%	3.31%
Benchmark	-0.43%	7.67%	7.67%	5.12%	3.63%	3.38%

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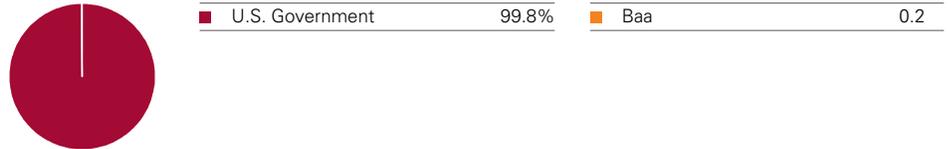
## Distribution by issuer—bonds



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Distribution by credit quality†



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**Plain talk about risk**

An investment in the fund could lose money over short or long periods of time. You should expect the fund’s share price and total return to fluctuate within a wide range. The fund is subject to the following risks, which could affect the fund’s performance:

**Interest rate risk:** The chance that bond prices will decline because of rising interest rates. Interest rate risk should be moderate for the fund because it invests primarily in intermediate-term bonds, whose prices are less sensitive to interest rate changes than are the prices of long-term bonds.

**Income risk:** The chance that the fund’s income will decline because of falling interest rates.

**Credit risk:** The chance that a bond issuer will fail to pay interest or principal in a timely manner or that negative perceptions of the issuer’s ability to make such payments will cause the price of that bond to decline. Credit risk should be very low for the fund because it invests primarily in bonds issued by the U.S. Treasury.

**Index sampling risk:** The chance that the securities selected for the fund, in the aggregate, will not provide investment performance matching that of the index. Index sampling risk for the fund should be low.

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