

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The investment objective of the Five-Year Global Fixed Income Portfolio is to provide a market rate of return for a fixed income portfolio with low relative volatility of returns. Generally, the Portfolio will invest in high-quality obligations that mature within five years from the date of settlement. The Portfolio expects to invest primarily in obligations issued or guaranteed by any of the following countries (but may invest in other countries as well): Australia, Canada, Denmark, EMU countries, Japan, New Zealand, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Investments in obligations of other foreign issuers rated AA or better, corporate debt obligations, bank obligations, and commercial paper may also be included. The Portfolio will also enter into forward foreign currency contracts solely for the purpose of hedging against fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

## PRINCIPAL RISKS

The principal risks associated with this investment include market risk, foreign securities and currencies risk, interest rate risk, credit risk and income risk. These risks are described in the Principal Risks section of the prospectus, available at [dimensional.com](http://dimensional.com).

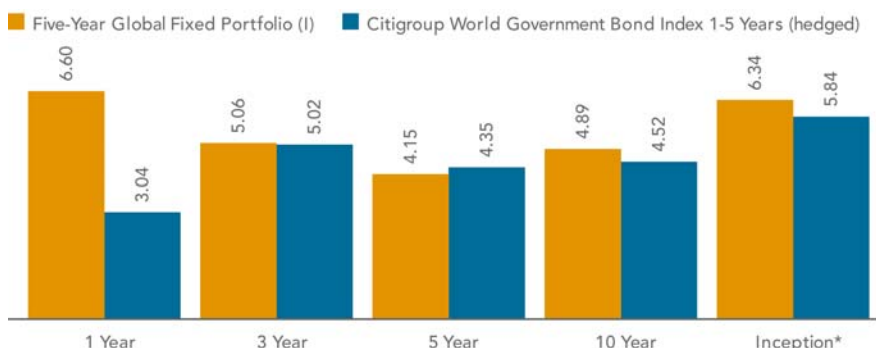
\*Daily index data not available at the inception of the fund (11/6/1990). Index return is from the first full month of fund inception. Growth chart starts with earliest available data.

## FUND COSTS

Total Operating Expense Ratio	0.30%
Net Expense Ratio (to investor)	0.30%

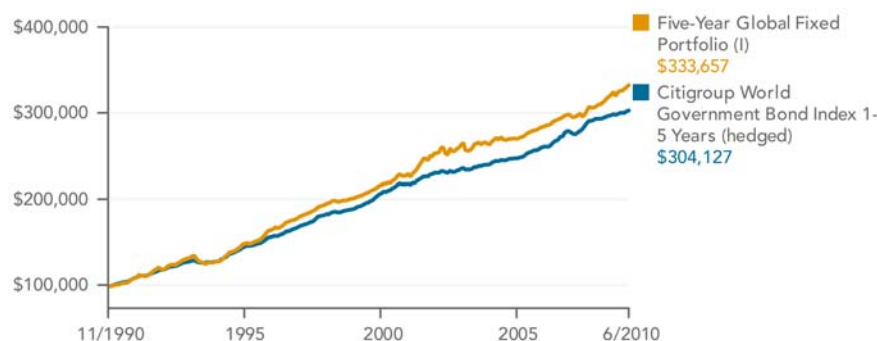
Annual expense ratio as of 10/31/2009. The fund's prospectus contains more complete information on risks, advisory fees, expense reimbursements, and other expenses.

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%)



Past performance does not necessarily indicate future performance. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investment's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

## GROWTH OF \$100,000



## BEST/WORST RETURNS

Since Fund Inception	Best	Worst
Three-Month Total Return	5.91% (3/95-5/95)	-5.37% (2/94-4/94)
One-Year Total Return	16.06% (2/95-1/96)	-4.34% (1/94-12/94)
Three-Year Annualized Average Return	11.73% (2/95-1/98)	1.48% (6/03-5/06)
Five-Year Annualized Average Return	9.49% (7/94-6/99)	2.56% (6/03-5/08)

# Five-Year Global Fixed Income Portfolio

## ABOUT DIMENSIONAL

Working years ahead of the industry, Dimensional has forged a new way to invest based on the dimensions of risk and return identified by financial science. The firm inaugurated its strategies in 1981 with early research into the stronger performance of small cap stocks. Later, a comprehensive analysis of stock prices worldwide deepened the strategy repertoire and set a new standard for portfolio design. This evolution reflects an abiding belief in the efficacy of capital markets.

## PHILOSOPHY

Fixed income securities expand the opportunity of investors to participate in the performance of capital markets and provide a more reliable source of income than other asset classes. Because bonds behave independently from equities, adding fixed income to a portfolio can improve overall diversification. Due to low correlations in global interest rates, adding international bonds to a US fixed income portfolio provides additional diversification. Dimensional believes the risk and expected return of fixed income securities are related and broad diversification is crucial in capturing the fixed income risk factors.

## PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

The Five-Year Global Fixed Income Portfolio applies Dimensional's variable maturity approach in seeking to identify the optimal maturity and country weighting that will produce the highest expected returns within its five-year maturity range. Investments are made in high-quality government and corporate debt obligations issued in the US and nineteen other developed countries. The portfolio hedges foreign currency to reduce risk. Maturities are shifted within each country, and country weightings are increased or reduced based on expected hedged returns.

## CHARACTERISTICS

As of 6/30/2010	Five-Year Global Fixed Portfolio (I)	Citigroup World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years (hedged)
Average Maturity	4.07 years	2.83 years
Duration	3.73 years	2.70 years

## ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT

All Strategies	\$161.4 Billion
Portfolio	\$3.9 Billion

AUSTIN  
 SANTA MONICA  
 LONDON  
 SYDNEY  
 VANCOUVER  
 AMSTERDAM  
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