

GNMA

iShares GNMA Bond ETF

Analyst Report

This ETF offers targeted exposure to mortgage-backed pass-through securities issued by GNMA, a unique corner of the domestic fixed income market that has had its shares of ups and downs over the years. The GNMA portfolio will generally consist of bonds with strong credit ratings, though history has taught investors that these ratings are not always worth all that much. GNMA focuses on types of bonds that are often included in broad-based bond funds such as AGG or BND, so this fund might not be all that useful for those building a long-term portfolio (since it is a bit targeted). But it can certainly be very useful as a tactical tool for establishing exposure to this segment in the market for those who believe it offers superior risk adjusted returns or is poised for a period of strong performance.

GNMA tends to be tilted towards the long end of the duration spectrum, so investors will be taking on a fair amount of interest rate risk along with some moderate credit risk with this investment. There are a handful of other ETFs in the Mortgage Backed Securities ETFdb Category; investors would be wise to compare the risk and return characteristics of these products before establishing a position.

ESG Themes and Scores

N/A

ESG Rate

N/A

Global Percentile

N/A

Peer Percentile

Performance Data

	GNMA	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	0.57%	0.60%	0.54%
3 Month	2.73%	2.42%	2.62%
YTD Return	7.51%	7.10%	6.61%
1 Year Return	7.62%	7.51%	6.07%
3 Year Return	5.59%	5.35%	3.91%
5 Year Return	0.10%	0.44%	0.11%

Top 5 Holdings

Symbol	Holding	% Assets
Other	U.S. Dollar	8.13%
Other	GNMA II 30yr Pool#MA7192 2.000% 20-Feb-2051 2.0%	3.14%
Other	GNMA II 30yr Pool#MA7766 2.000% 20-Dec-2051 2.0%	2.30%
Other	GNMA II TBA 30yr 5.5% November Delivery 5.500% 01-	2.24%
Other	GNMA II 30yr Pool#MA8801 5.500% 20-Apr-2053 5.5%	2.11%

Vitals

Issuer	BlackRock, Inc.
Brand	iShares
Structure	ETF
Expense Ratio	0.10%
Inception	Feb 14, 2012
Index Tracked	Bloomberg U.S. GNMA Index

ETF Database Themes

Category	Mortgage Backed Securities
Asset Class	Bond
Asset Class Size	N/A
Asset Class Style	N/A
Region (General)	North America
Region (Specific)	U.S.

FactSet Classifications

Segment	Fixed Income: U.S. - Government, Mortgage-backed Investment Grade
Category	Government, Mortgage-backed
Focus	Investment Grade
Niche	Broad Maturities
Strategy	Vanilla
Weighting	Market Value

