# **IGOV**

# **iShares International Treasury Bond ETF**

# **Analyst Report**

This ETF offers exposure to bonds issued by governments outside the U.S., offering an efficient way to access an asset class that is overlooked within the portfolios of many U.S.-based investors. Most fixed income portfolios are comprised almost entirely of securities from U.S. issuers, but the addition of international debt has the potential to enhance returns and add diversification benefits as well. As such, IGOV may be an appealing option for those looking to construct a balanced fixed income portfolio or have tactical appeal to those with a less-than-bullish outlook on U.S. debt markets. IGOV is one of several options available offering exposure to this asset class, joining BWX, BWZ, and ISHG. When evaluating these ETF options, factors to consider include the breakdown by country, effective duration, and attractiveness of the current yield.

## **ESG Themes and Scores**

6.77/10
ESG Rate

60.03%

81.9%

#### **Vitals**

| Issuer        | BlackRock, Inc.  |
|---------------|--|
| Brand         | iShares  |
| Structure     | ETF  |
| Expense Ratio | 0.35%  |
| Inception     | Jan 21, 2009   |
| Index Tracked | FTSE World Government Bond Index<br>Developed Markets Capped Select<br>Index |

### **Performance Data**

|               | IGOV   | ETF Database Category<br>Average | Factset Segment<br>Average |
|---------------|--------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Month       | -4.63% | -3.35%                           | -4.63%                     |
| 3 Month       | 0.96%  | 1.39%                            | 0.96%                      |
| YTD Return    | -2.88% | -1.93%                           | -2.88%                     |
| 1 Year Return | 8.57%  | 4.09%                            | 8.57%                      |
| 3 Year Return | -7.59% | -4.82%                           | -7.59%                     |
| 5 Year Return | -4.36% | -3.06%                           | -4.36%                     |

## **ETF Database Themes**

| Category          | International Government Bonds |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Asset Class       | Bond                           |
| Asset Class Size  | N/A                            |
| Asset Class Style | N/A                            |
| Region (General)  | Developed Markets              |
| Region (Specific) | Broad                          |

# **Top 5 Holdings**

| Holding                                | % Assets  |
|--|---|
| Donmark 4.59/ 15 NOV 2020              | 1.09%   |
|  |   |
| Denmark 1.75% 15-NOV-2025              | 0.60%   |
| Government of Israel 3.75% 28-FEB-2029 | 0.53%   |
| Government of Ireland 1.0% 15-MAY-2026 | 0.52%   |
| Government of Israel 1.0% 31-MAR-2030  | 0.50%   |
|  | Denmark 4.5% 15-NOV-2039  Denmark 1.75% 15-NOV-2025  Government of Israel 3.75% 28-FEB-2029  Government of Ireland 1.0% 15-MAY-2026 |

# **FactSet Classifications**

| Segment   | Fixed Income: Developed Markets<br>Ex-U.S. Government, Treasury<br>Investment Grade |
|-----------|---|
| Category  | Government, Treasury  |
| Focus     | Investment Grade  |
| Niche     | Broad Maturities  |
| Strategy  | Vanilla   |
| Weighting | Market Value  |
|           | As of 2024-11-03  |



