

RIDGEWOOD CANADIAN INVESTMENT GRADE BOND FUND

Price: \$14.87¹

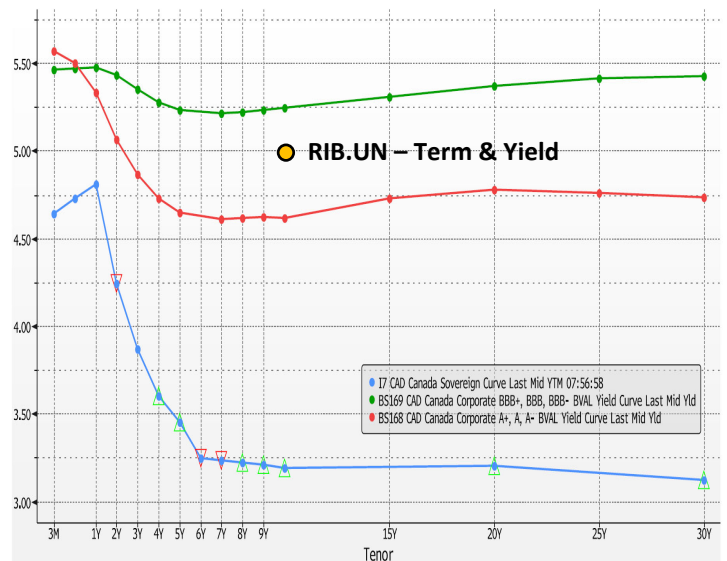
TSX: RIB.UN

Yield: 5.0 %¹

Bond Market Outlook

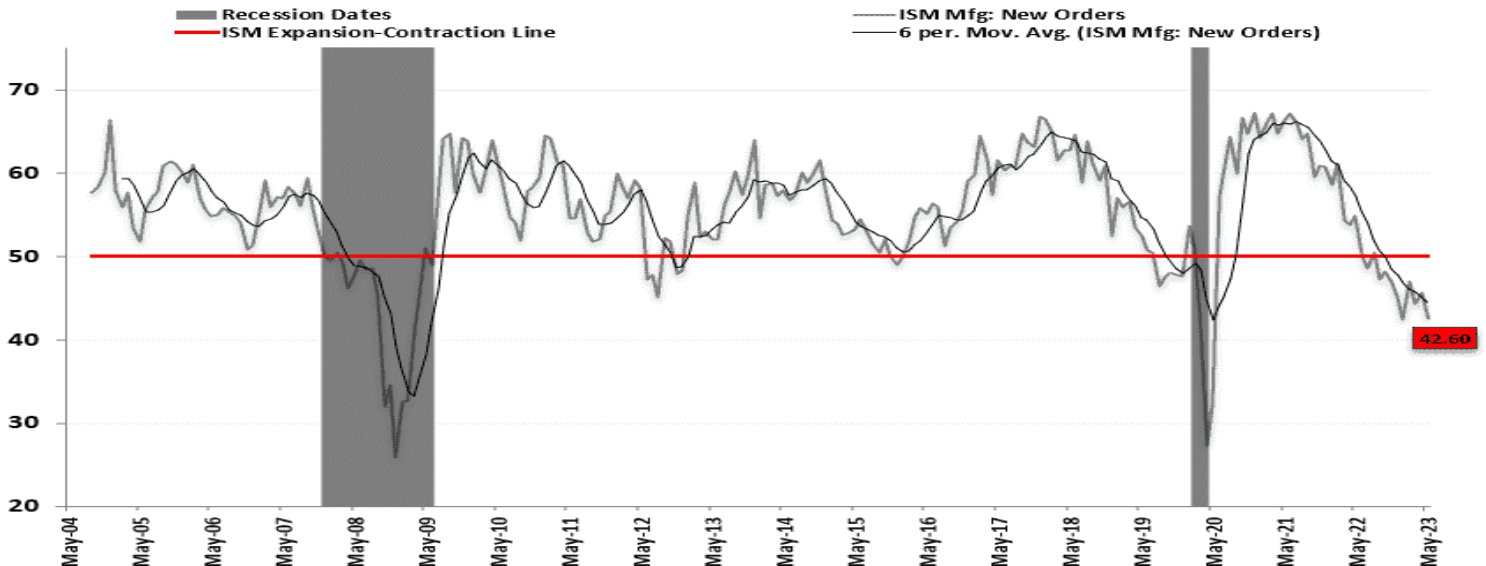
- The bond market had a sizable negative return of -1.69% for the month but year to date, still performing well with a return of 2.47%
- The drawn-out US Debt Ceiling negotiation led to Government of Canada bonds being the worst performing sector, returning -1.93%. In line with our investment stance, Corporate bonds had a relative performance advantage of 32 bps versus the index.
- Both the Bank of Canada and the FED are expected to be on hold when meetings for each respective banks take place on June 7, 2023 and June 14, 2023.
- ISM New Orders chart is further evidence that suggests monetary policy is approaching the cycle highs in terms of interest rates in Canada and the US; our investment stance continues to be extending portfolio duration.

Canadian Yield Curves ¹



Source: Bloomberg

ISM NEW ORDERS



DATA SOURCE: ISM

¹ as at May 31, 2023

Portfolio Update

- RIB outperformed the index by 32 basis points, primarily due to sector allocation.
- The fund added 2 holdings in May: Enbridge Inc. 5.76% 05/26/53 and FortisAlberta 4.862% 05/26/53.

NAV Performance (net of fees) ¹

	RIB.UN	FTSE Universe	Value Added
One Month	-1.4%	-1.7%	0.3%
YTD 2023	0.8%	2.5%	-1.7%
2022	-15.2%	-11.7%	-3.5%
2021	2.4%	-2.5%	4.9%
10 yr to Dec 2022	5.4%	1.6%	3.8%

RIB.UN Re-openings

- Nov 2021 deal for \$7.5 M at \$16.30
- May 2021 deal for \$19.3M at \$15.86
- April 2021 deal for \$8.1M at \$16.20
- December 2020 deal for \$11.7M at \$16.32
- August 2020 deal for \$8.2M at \$16.00
- March 2020 deal for \$11.9M at \$15.65
- June 2019 deal for \$5.6M at \$15.50
- February 2019 deal for \$7.3M at \$14.75

Fund Facts

- A unique opportunity for retail investors to access the **investment grade bond** market
- Focus on **Canadian issuers**, with up to 25% in non-Canadian investment grade bonds
- **Actively managed** with prudent use of leverage, up to 35% of the total assets of the fund may be borrowed
- **Attractive monthly distribution** yielding 4.24%¹
- **Experienced portfolio manager** with over 20 years of fixed income experience, Mark J. Carpani, CFA has been responsible for managing the fund since its inception in 2009

Ridgewood Capital Asset Management

- Ridgewood was founded in 2008 and manages \$1.3 billion for high net worth individuals and institutional clients
- A top quartile fixed income manager specializing in corporate bonds; fixed income assets represent 77% of total AUM
- The inception date of the Ridgewood Canadian Investment Grade Bond Fund (RIB.UN) was December 18, 2009

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