# Franklin Strategic Income Fund A (acc) USD



Multi-Sector LU0300737037 Factsheet as of 30 September 2023

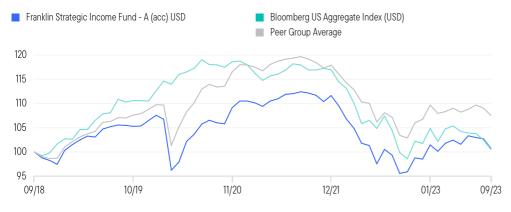
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### **Investment Overview**

The Fund aims to earn high income and, secondarily, to increase the value of its investments over the medium to long term. The Fund pursues an actively managed investment strategy and invests mainly in debt securities of any quality issued by governments and corporations located in any country, including emerging markets, and in mortgage- and asset-backed securities.

Past performance does not predict future returns.

# Performance Over 5 Years in Share Class Currency (%)



# **Discrete Annual Performance (%)**

	09/22 09/23	09/21 09/22	09/20 09/21	09/19 09/20	09/18 09/19	09/17 09/18	09/16 09/17	09/15 09/16	09/14 09/15	09/13 09/14
A (acc) USD	5.34	-14.79	5.80	0.50	5.49	-0.25	3.16	6.21	-5.72	4.36
Benchmark (USD)	0.64	-14.60	-0.90	6.98	10.30	-1.22	0.07	5.19	2.93	3.96
Peer Group Average	4.10	-13.10	4.34	3.77	5.84	-0.58	4.35	6.59	-2.96	4.55

# **Total Returns (%)**

	Guillulative					Average Amilia					
	1-Mo	3-Mo	YTD	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr li	nception	3-Yr	5-Yr Ir	nception	Inception Date
A (acc) USD	-1.60	-1.09	2.19	5.34	-5.04	0.67	54.17	-1.71	0.13	2.70	12/7/2007
Benchmark (USD)	-2.54	-3.23	-1.21	0.64	-14.82	0.51	55.57	-5.21	0.10	2.76	_
Peer Group Average	-1.40	-1.16	0.76	4.10	-5.62	3.66	59.70	-1.91	0.72	2.93	_
Quartile Ranking	3	3	2	2	3	4	_	3	4	_	_

Average Annual

The value of shares in the Fund and income received from it can go down as well as up, and investors may not get back the full amount invested.

Performance details provided are in share class currency, include the reinvested dividends gross of tax and are net of management fees. Sales charges, taxes and other locally applied costs have not been deducted. The fund's returns may increase or decrease as a result of changes to foreign exchange rates.

Up to date performance figures can be found on our website.

When performance for either the portfolio or its benchmark has been converted, different foreign exchange closing rates may be used between the portfolio and its benchmark.

### **Fund Overview**

Fund Base Currency	USD
Fund Inception Date	12/07/2007
Share Class Inception Date	12/07/2007
ISIN	LU0300737037
Sedol	B1Z6FP9
Valor Number	3103505
Bloomberg	FTSIACU LX
Morningstar Peer Group	USD Flexible Bond

# Benchmark(s) and Type

Bloomberg US Aggregate Index	Comparator
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### **Charges**

Minimum Investment	USD 1000
Maximum Initial Charge	3.00%
Exit Charge	
Ongoing Charges Figure	1.35%
Performance Fee	_

The charges are the fees the Fund charges to investors to cover the costs of running the Fund. Additional costs, including transaction fees, will also be incurred. These costs are paid out by the Fund, which will impact on the overall return of the Fund. Fund charges will be incurred in multiple currencies, meaning that payments may increase or decrease as a result of currency exchange fluctuations.

The **Ongoing Charges Figure** (OCF) is an amount representing all operating charges and expenses of the Fund in the prior 12 months as a percentage of the Fund's average net assets for the period. Where that figure would not be a fair representation of future costs or if 12 months data is not available, an estimated figure will be shown

Fund Characteristics	Fund
NAV-A (acc) USD	\$15.41
Total Net Assets	\$444.75 Million
Number of Holdings	472
Average Credit Quality	BBB+
Weighted Average Maturity	5.42 Yrs
Effective Duration	4.15 Yrs
Yield to Maturity	6.93%
Standard Deviation (5 Yr)	7.07%

# **Sector Exposure (% of Total)**

	Fund	Benchmark
High Yield Corporates	31.95	0.01
Investment Grade Corporates	26.33	24.60
U.S. Treasuries	26.23	41.44
Interest Rate Derivatives	7.27	0.00
Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities	6.84	26.65
Collateralized Loan Obligation	5.21	0.00
Bank Loans	3.13	0.00
Non-US Developed Bonds	1.37	2.56
Other	5.86	4.75
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.51	0.00

# **Geographic Exposure (% of Total)**

	Fund	Benchmark
United States	99.60	92.71
United Kingdom	1.90	1.04
Canada	1.39	1.17
France	1.29	0.06
Switzerland	0.98	0.12
Japan	0.66	0.69
Mexico	0.65	0.30
Germany	0.56	0.42
Other	7.16	3.48
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.51	0.00

# **Credit Quality Exposure (% of Total)**

	Fund	Benchmark
AAA	3.38	3.81
AA	37.73	72.12
A	11.36	11.64
BBB	18.89	12.43
BB	20.24	0.01
В	12.98	0.00
CCC	1.98	0.00
Not Applicable	0.33	0.00
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.51	0.00

### **Portfolio Data Information**

**Exposure:** Notional exposure figures are intended to estimate the portfolio's exposure, including any hedged or increased exposure through certain derivatives held in the portfolio (or their underlying reference assets). Portfolio breakdown percentages may not total 100% and may be negative due to rounding, use of any derivatives, unsettled trades or other factors.

Credit Quality is a measure of a bond issuer's ability to repay interest and principal in a timely manner. The credit ratings shown are based on each portfolio security's rating as provided by Standard and Poor's, Moody's Investors Service and/or Fitch Ratings, Ltd. and typically range from AAA (highest) to D (lowest), or an equivalent and/or similar rating. For this purpose, the manager assigns each security the middle rating from these three agencies. When only two agencies provide ratings, the lower of the two ratings will be assigned. When only one agency assigns a rating, that rating will be used. Foreign government bonds without a specific rating are assigned a country rating, if available. Securities that are unrated by all three agencies are reflected as such. The credit quality of the investments in the Fund's portfolio does not apply to the stability or safety of the Fund. These ratings are updated monthly and may change over time. Please note, the Fund itself has not been rated by an independent rating

# **Portfolio Management**

	Years with Firm	Years of Experience		Years with Firm	Years of Experience
Sonal Desai, PhD	13	29	Thomas Runkel, CFA	36	40
Patrick A. Klein, PhD	18	18	Benjamin Cryer, CFA	17	17
Patricia O'Connor, CFA	26	27			

### What are the Risks?

The Fund does not offer any capital guarantee or protection and you may not get back the amount invested. The Fund is subject to the following risks which are materially relevant: **Credit risk:** the risk of loss arising from default that may occur if an issuer fails to make principal or interest payments when due. This risk is higher if the Fund holds low-rated, sub-investment-grade securities. **Derivative Instruments risk:** the risk of loss in an instrument where a small change in the value of the underlying investment may have a larger impact on the value of such instrument. Derivatives may involve additional liquidity, credit and counterparty risks. **Emerging markets risk:** the risk related to investing in countries that have less developed political, economic, legal and regulatory systems, and that may be impacted by political/economic instability, lack of liquidity or transparency, or safekeeping issues. **Liquidity risk:** the risk that arises when adverse market conditions affect the ability to sell assets when necessary. Such risk may be triggered by (but not limited to) unexpected events such as environmental disasters or pandemics. Reduced liquidity may have a negative impact on the price of the assets. **Securitisation risk:** investment in securities which generate return from various underlying groups of assets such as mortgages, loans or other assets may bear a greater risk of loss due to possible default of some of the underlying assets. Complete information on the risks of investing in the Fund are set out in the Fund's prospectus.

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Comparator: Benchmark is used for comparing Fund performance, but is not a constraint to Fund Investment. Average Credit Quality:
The average credit quality reflects the holdings of the underlying issues, based on the size of each holding and ratings assigned to each based on rating agency assessments of its creditworthiness. Weighted Average Maturity: An estimate of the number of years to maturity, taking the possibility of early payments into account, for the underlying holdings. Effective Duration is a duration calculation for bonds with embedded options. Effective duration takes into account that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change.

Duration measures the sensitivity of price (the value of principal) of a fixed-income investment to a change in interest rates. The higher the duration number, the more sensitive a fixed-income investment will be to interest rate changes. Yield to Maturity ('YTM') is the rate of return anticipated on a bond if it is held until the maturity date. YTM is considered a long-term bond yield expressed as an annual rate. The calculation of YTM takes into account the current market price, par value, coupon interest rate and time to maturity. It is also assumed that all coupons are reinvested at the same rate. Yield figures quoted should not be used as an indication of the income that has or will be received. Yield figures are based on the portfolio's underlying holdings and do not represent a payout of the portfolio. Standard Deviation: Measure of the degree to which a fund's return varies from the average of its previous returns. The larger the standard deviation, the greater the likelihood (and risk) that a fund's performance will fluctuate from the average return.

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Given the variety of investment options available today, we suggest investors seek guidance from a Financial Adviser.

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