

2024 Annual Report

iShares Trust

• iShares Preferred and Income Securities ETF | PFF | NASDAQ

The Markets in Review

Dear Shareholder.

The combination of continued economic growth and cooling inflation provided a supportive backdrop for investors during the 12-month reporting period ended March 31, 2024. Higher interest rates helped to rein in inflation, and the Consumer Price Index decelerated substantially while remaining above pre-pandemic levels. A moderating labor market helped ease inflationary pressure, although wages continued to grow. Wage and job growth powered robust consumer spending, backstopping the economy. On October 7, 2023, Hamas launched a horrific attack on Israel. The ensuing war has had a significant humanitarian impact and could lead to heightened economic and market volatility. We see geopolitics as a structural market risk going forward. See our geopolitical risk dashboard at blackrock.com for more details.

Equity returns were robust during the period, as interest rates stabilized and the economy proved to be more resilient than many investors expected. The U.S. economy continued to show strength, and growth further accelerated in the second half of 2023. Large-capitalization U.S. stocks posted particularly substantial gains, supported by the performance of a few notable technology companies, while small-capitalization U.S. stocks' advance was slower but still robust. Meanwhile, international developed market equities also gained strongly, while emerging market stocks advanced at a more modest pace.

The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield rose during the reporting period, as investors reacted to elevated inflation and attempted to anticipate future interest rate changes. However, higher yields drove positive returns overall for 10-year U.S. Treasuries and solid gains in shorter-duration U.S. Treasuries. The corporate bond market benefited from improving economic sentiment, although high-yield corporate bond prices fared significantly better than investment-grade bonds as demand from yield-seeking investors remained strong.

The U.S. Federal Reserve (the "Fed"), attempting to manage persistent inflation, raised interest rates twice during the 12-month period, but paused its tightening after its July meeting. The Fed also continued to reduce its balance sheet by not replacing some of the securities that reach maturity.

Supply constraints appear to have become an embedded feature of the new macroeconomic environment, making it difficult for developed economies to increase production without sparking higher inflation. Geopolitical fragmentation and an aging population risk further exacerbating these constraints, keeping the labor market tight and wage growth high. Although the Fed has stopped tightening for now, we believe that the new economic regime means that the Fed will need to maintain high rates for an extended period despite the market's hopes for rapid interest rate cuts, as reflected in the ongoing rally. In this new regime, we anticipate greater volatility and dispersion of returns, creating more opportunities for selective portfolio management.

Looking at developed market stocks, we have an overweight stance on U.S. stocks overall, particularly given the promise of emerging AI technologies. We are also overweight Japanese stocks as shareholder-friendly policies generate increased investor interest, although we maintain an underweight stance on European stocks. In credit, there are selective opportunities in the near term despite tighter credit and financial conditions. For fixed income investing with a six- to twelve-month horizon, we see the most attractive investments in short-term U.S. Treasuries and hard-currency emerging market bonds.

Overall, our view is that investors need to think globally, position themselves to be prepared for a decarbonizing economy, and be nimble as market conditions change. We encourage you to talk with your financial advisor and visit **iShares.com** for further insight about investing in today's markets.

Sincerely,

Rob Kapito President, BlackRock, Inc.



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Total Returns as of March 31, 2024

| | 6-Month | 12-Month |
|---|---------|----------|
| U.S. large cap equities (S&P 500° Index) | 23.48% | 29.88% |
| U.S. small cap equities (Russell 2000 [®] Index) | 19.94 | 19.71 |
| International equities (MSCI Europe, Australasia, Far East Index) | 16.81 | 15.32 |
| Emerging market equities (MSCI Emerging Markets Index) | 10.42 | 8.15 |
| 3-month Treasury bills (ICE BofA 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index) | 2.68 | 5.24 |
| U.S. Treasury securities (ICE BofA 10-Year U.S. Treasury Index) | 4.88 | (2.44) |
| U.S. investment grade bonds (Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index) | 5.99 | 1.70 |
| Tax-exempt municipal bonds (Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index) | 7.48 | 3.13 |
| U.S. high yield bonds (Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index) | 8.73 | 11.15 |

Past performance is not an indication of future results. Index performance is shown for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in an index.

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Market Overview

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Domestic Market Overview

U.S. stocks advanced for the 12 months ended March 31, 2024 ("reporting period"), when the Russell 3000® Index, a broad measure of U.S. equity market performance, returned 29.29%. The economy showed notable resilience even as interest rates rose, and analysts' optimism about the economy's trajectory improved. Meanwhile, inflation decelerated notably, enabling a pause in monetary policy tightening and providing a supportive backdrop for equities.

The U.S. economy grew at a robust pace in 2023 despite concerns about the impact of higher interest rates on growth. The U.S. consumer helped to power the expansion, as consumer spending continued to grow in both nominal and real (inflation-adjusted) terms. A strong labor market bolstered consumer spending, as employers continued to add jobs, and average hourly wages increased notably. Consumer spending was also supported by higher asset values, as both home prices and strong equity performance increased household net worth. Government spending also stimulated the economy, as the federal deficit increased amid rising expenditures, while state and local governments also boosted spending to fill personnel vacancies.

Despite high spending and healthy household balance sheets, consumer sentiment remained below pre-pandemic levels, as elevated inflation and high interest rates weighed on consumers' outlook. While inflation declined early in the reporting period — decreasing from 4.9% in April 2023 to 3% in June 2023 — it remained stubbornly persistent thereafter, fluctuating between 3% and 4%, above the pre-pandemic average. While improved supply chains eased goods inflation, the tight labor market kept labor costs near record highs, and growing services inflation was a significant driver of inflation's overall persistence.

To counteract inflation, the U.S. Federal Reserve ("Fed") raised interest rates twice early in the reporting period, reaching the highest level since 2001. However, the Fed paused its interest rate increases thereafter as inflation edged down, keeping interest rates steady after its July 2023 meeting. The Fed also continued to decrease the size of its balance sheet by reducing the store of U.S. Treasuries it had accumulated to stabilize markets in the early phases of the coronavirus pandemic. Projections released by the Fed late in the reporting period included several interest rate decreases later in 2024, as it forecast inflation would continue to moderate despite the robust economy.

The strong economy supported corporate profits, which grew substantially in the last three quarters of 2023. Despite higher input costs, companies were able to raise prices sufficiently to widen profit margins, as the U.S. consumer continued to spend. Firms increasingly kept assets in short-term investments that earned higher yields due to elevated interest rates. This helped to mitigate the negative impact of higher borrowing costs, which drove a rise in interest expense. Innovations in computing also drove enthusiasm for equities, as new technologies drove hopes for economy-wide improvements in productivity.

Despite the strong economic conditions during the reporting period, analysts noted several areas of caution about potential disruptions to markets. Geopolitical tensions were high amid Russia's ongoing invasion of Ukraine and fighting in Gaza following Hamas' terrorist attack on Israel. Missile attacks on a major shipping lane in the Middle East raised concerns about a wider conflict while disrupting some supply chains. While inflation declined during the reporting period, it remained more persistent than some analysts expected, raising concerns about the effect of continued inflation on the Fed's interest rate policy.

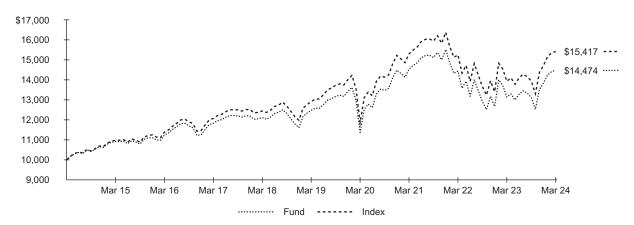
Investment Objective

The iShares Preferred and Income Securities ETF (the "Fund") seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated preferred and hybrid securities, as represented by the ICE Exchange-Listed Preferred & Hybrid Securities Index (the "Index"). The Fund invests in a representative sample of securities included in the Index that collectively has an investment portfolio similar to the index. Due to the use of representative sampling, the Fund may or may not hold all of the securities that are included in the Index.

Performance

| | Average Annual Total Returns | | | Cumulative Total Returns | | |
|-------------|------------------------------|---------|----------|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| | 1 Year | 5 Years | 10 Years | 1 Year | 5 Years | 10 Years |
| Fund NAV | 10.14% | 3.01% | 3.77% | 10.14% | 15.99% | 44.74% |
| Fund Market | 10.28 | 3.02 | 3.79 | 10.28 | 16.04 | 45.03 |
| Index | 10.69 | 3.60 | 4.42 | 10.69 | 19.36 | 54.17 |

GROWTH OF \$10,000 INVESTMENT (AT NET ASSET VALUE)



Index returns through January 31, 2019 reflect the performance of the S&P U.S. Preferred Stock Index, which, effective as of February 1 2019, was replaced by the ICE Exchange-Listed Preferred & Hybrid Securities Transition Index as the Underlying Index of the Fund. Index returns from February 1, 2019 through October 31, 2019 reflect the ICE Exchange-Listed Preferred & Hybrid Securities Transition Index. Index returns beginning on November 1, 2019 reflect the performance of the ICE Exchange-Listed Preferred & Hybrid Securities Index, which, effective as of November 1, 2019, replaced the ICE Exchange-Listed Preferred & Hybrid Securities Transition Index as the Underlying Index of the Fund.

Past performance is not an indication of future results. Performance results do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or on the redemption or sale of fund shares. See "About Fund Performance" for more information.

Expense Example

| | Actual | | | Hypothetical 5% Return | | |
|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| Beginning | Ending | Expenses | Beginning | Ending | Expenses | Annualized |
| Account Value | Account Value | Paid During | Account Value | Account Value | Paid During | Expense |
| (10/01/23) | (03/31/24) | the Period ^(a) | (10/01/23) | (03/31/24) | the Period ^(a) | Ratio |
| \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 1,102.70 | \$ 2.41 | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 1,022.71 | \$ 2.33 | 0.46% |

⁽a) Expenses are equal to the annualized expense ratio, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 183/366 (to reflect the one-half year period shown). Other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, may be paid which are not reflected in the tables and examples above. See "Disclosure of Expenses" for more information

Portfolio Management Commentary

U.S. dollar-denominated preferred stocks posted a solid advance for the reporting period. Preferred stock typically pays a steady stream of dividends; therefore, its value is sensitive to prevailing interest rates. When interest rates rise, the dividends paid on preferred stock become relatively less attractive to investors, which weighs on the value of preferred stock. The Fed raised short-term interest rates twice early in the reporting period; however, it shifted to a more accommodative stance as the reporting period continued. The value of preferred and hybrid securities is also influenced by the financial conditions of the issuing company, and the strong performance of some companies represented in the Index during the reporting period also positively impacted the Index's return.

The financials sector, representing approximately 66% of the Index on average for the reporting period, contributed the most to the Index's return. The capital markets industry gained notably as the wider market advanced, boosting the value of the industry's investments. Mortgage real estate investment trusts ("REITs") also contributed, as high yields and stabilizing interest rates benefited preferred stock in the industry.

Preferred stock issued by banks also advanced. Because preferred stock is classified as equity rather than debt on balance sheets, banks tend to issue high levels of preferred stock to meet regulatory capital requirements. When the reporting period began, markets were adjusting to the impact of the failure of several large regional banks, and another prominent regional bank failed in May 2023. The uncertainty surrounding the health of regional banks initially drove declines in the industry's preferred stock. However, the shift in the Fed's monetary policy bolstered the industry, as investors anticipated that looser financial conditions would benefit regional banks. The real estate sector, particularly REITs, also contributed to performance.

Portfolio Information

SECTOR ALLOCATION

TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS

| Sector | Percent of Total Investments ^(a) | Security | Percent of Total Investments ^(a) | | |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| Financials | 66.2% | Wells Fargo & Co., Series L, NVS | 2.3% | | |
| Utilities | 9.7 | Albemarle Corp., NVS | 1.8 | | |
| Real Estate | 7.9 | Citigroup Capital XIII, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 6.632%), NVS | 1.7 | | |
| Communication Services | 4.7 | Bank of America Corp., Series L, NVS | 1.3 | | |
| Industrials | 3.2 | Apollo Global Management, Inc | 1.2 | | |
| Consumer Discretionary | 2.6 | NextEra Energy, Inc | 1.0 | | |
| Energy | 1.9 | JPMorgan Chase & Co., Series EE, NVS | 1.0 | | |
| Materials | 1.9 | AT&T Inc., Series C, NVS | 0.9 | | |
| Consumer Staples | 1.6 | JPMorgan Chase & Co., Series DD, NVS | 0.9 | | |
| Other (each representing less than 1%) | 0.3 | JPMorgan Chase & Co., Series MM, NVS | 0.9 | | |

⁽a) Excludes money market funds.

About Fund Performance

Past performance is not an indication of future results. Financial markets have experienced extreme volatility and trading in many instruments has been disrupted. These circumstances may continue for an extended period of time and may continue to affect adversely the value and liquidity of the Fund's investments. As a result, current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month-end is available at **iShares.com**. Performance results assume reinvestment of all dividends and capital gain distributions and do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or on the redemption or sale of fund shares. The investment return and principal value of shares will vary with changes in market conditions. Shares may be worth more or less than their original cost when they are redeemed or sold in the market. Performance for certain funds may reflect a waiver of a portion of investment advisory fees. Without such a waiver, performance would have been lower.

Net asset value or "NAV" is the value of one share of a fund as calculated in accordance with the standard formula for valuing mutual fund shares. Beginning August 10, 2020, the price used to calculate market return ("Market Price") is the closing price. Prior to August 10, 2020, Market Price was determined using the midpoint between the highest bid and the lowest ask on the primary stock exchange on which shares of a fund are listed for trading, as of the time that such fund's NAV is calculated. Market and NAV returns assume that dividends and capital gain distributions have been reinvested at Market Price and NAV, respectively.

An index is a statistical composite that tracks a specified financial market or sector. Unlike a fund, an index does not actually hold a portfolio of securities and therefore does not incur the expenses incurred by a fund. These expenses negatively impact fund performance. Also, index returns do not include brokerage commissions that may be payable on secondary market transactions. If brokerage commissions were included, index returns would be lower.

Disclosure of Expenses

Shareholders of the Fund may incur the following charges: (1) transactional expenses, including brokerage commissions on purchases and sales of fund shares and (2) ongoing expenses, including management fees and other fund expenses. The expense example shown (which is based on a hypothetical investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held through the end of the period) is intended to assist shareholders both in calculating expenses based on an investment in the Fund and in comparing these expenses with similar costs of investing in other funds.

The expense example provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. Annualized expense ratios reflect contractual and voluntary fee waivers, if any. In order to estimate the expenses a shareholder paid during the period covered by this report, shareholders can divide their account value by \$1,000 and then multiply the result by the number under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During the Period."

The expense example also provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on a fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses. In order to assist shareholders in comparing the ongoing expenses of investing in the Fund and other funds, compare the 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

The expenses shown in the expense example are intended to highlight shareholders' ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional expenses, such as brokerage commissions and other fees paid on purchases and sales of fund shares. Therefore, the hypothetical example is useful in comparing ongoing expenses only and will not help shareholders determine the relative total expenses of owning different funds. If these transactional expenses were included, shareholder expenses would have been higher.

| Security | Shares | Value | Security | Shares | Value |
|--|----------------|-------------|---|------------|-------------|
| Preferred Securities | | | Banks (continued) | | |
| Desferred 0(1) describes 00.00/ | | | Heartland Financial U.S.A., Inc., Series E, 7.00%, | | |
| Preferred Stocks — 98.8% | | | NVS ^(a) | 455,677 \$ | 11,337,244 |
| Automobiles — 1.3% | | | Huntington Bancshares, Inc. | | |
| Ford Motor Co. | 0.000 = 44 . 0 | | Series C, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) | 680,621 | 15,490,934 |
| 6.00% | 3,089,711 \$ | 72,144,752 | Series H, 4.50%, NVS ^(a) | 2,016,382 | 39,137,975 |
| 6.50%, NVS | 2,304,259 | 57,237,794 | Series J, 6.88%, NVS ^(a) | 1,246,346 | 30,485,623 |
| 6.20% | 2,785,510 | 67,270,066 | JPMorgan Chase & Co. | | |
| | | 196,652,612 | Series DD, 5.75%, NVS ^(a) | 5,298,077 | 132,557,887 |
| Banks — 25.2% | | | Series EE, 6.00%, NVS ^(a) | 5,789,857 | 145,788,599 |
| Associated Banc-Corp | | | Series GG, 4.75%, NVS ^(a) | 2,777,992 | 62,393,700 |
| 6.63% | 1,162,511 | 26,458,750 | Series JJ, 4.55%, NVS ^(a) | 4,669,701 | 99,978,298 |
| Series E, 5.88%, NVS ^(a) | 391,652 | 8,256,024 | Series LL, 4.63%, NVS ^(a) | 5,776,245 | 125,806,616 |
| Series F, 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 388,855 | 7,815,986 | Series MM, 4.20%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 6,243,636 | 125,871,702 |
| Atlantic Union Bankshares Corp., Series A, | , | ,, | KeyCorp | | |
| 6.88%, NVS ^(a) | 650,572 | 15,288,442 | 6.20%, NVS ^(a) | 2,347,771 | 53,787,434 |
| Banc of California, Inc., Series F, 7.75%, NVS ^(a) | 2,013,624 | 46,353,625 | Series E, 6.13%, NVS ^(a) | 1,944,529 | 46,552,024 |
| Bank of America Corp. | _,,,,,_, | ,,. | Series F, 5.65%, NVS ^(a) | 1,652,763 | 35,137,741 |
| Series 02, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 0.912%), | | | Series G, 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,752,567 | 38,188,435 |
| 6.25%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 609,296 | 12,917,075 | M&T Bank Corp., Series H, 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 972,142 | 22,368,987 |
| Series 4, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 1.012%), | 000,200 | 12,011,010 | Midland States Bancorp, Inc., 7.75%, NVS ^(a) | 444,188 | 11,189,096 |
| 6.35%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 428,233 | 9,682,348 | New York Community Bancorp, Inc., Series A., | | |
| Series 5, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 0.762%), | 420,200 | 3,002,540 | 6.38%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 2,032,573 | 35,407,422 |
| 6.08%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 851,072 | 18,757,627 | New York Community Capital Trust V, 6.00%, | | |
| Series E, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 0.612%), | 051,072 | 10,737,027 | NVS ^(d) | 300,846 | 9,876,774 |
| 5.92%, NVS ^{(a)(b)(c)} | 627,519 | 14,771,797 | Old National Bancorp | , | -,, |
| Series GG, 6.00% ^(a) | 2,710,307 | 68,082,912 | Series A, 7.00%, NVS ^(a) | 419,910 | 10,627,922 |
| Series HH, 5.88%, NVS ^(a) | 1,704,462 | 42,424,059 | Series C, 7.00%, NVS ^(a) | 471,737 | 11,920,794 |
| | | | Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc., Series B, | , | ,020,.0. |
| Series K*, 6.45% | 2,102,269 | 53,250,474 | 6.75%, NVS ^(a) | 870,569 | 20,562,840 |
| Series KK, 5.38%, NVS ^(a) | 2,773,433 | 66,423,720 | Popular Capital Trust II, 6.13%(c) | 388,957 | 9,883,397 |
| Series L, 7.25%, NVS ^{(a)(d)} | 156,246 | 186,517,100 | Regions Financial Corp. | 000,001 | 0,000,001 |
| Series LL, 5.00%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 2,608,214 | 58,476,158 | Series B, 6.38%, NVS ^(a) | 1,920,198 | 47,121,659 |
| Series NN, 4.38%, NVS ^(a) | 2,152,657 | 44,409,314 | Series C, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) | 2,008,383 | 47,397,839 |
| Series PP, 4.13%, NVS ^(a) | 1,819,868 | 35,378,234 | Series E, 4.45%, NVS ^(a) | 1,539,079 | 29,180,938 |
| Series QQ, 4.25%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 2,603,581 | 51,550,904 | Synovus Financial Corp. | 1,000,010 | 20,100,000 |
| Series SS, 4.75%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,364,483 | 30,155,074 | Series D, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 3.614%), | | |
| Bank of Hawaii Corp., Series A, 4.38%, NVS ^(a) | 679,352 | 10,937,567 | 8.91%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 769,362 | 19,164,807 |
| Bank OZK, Series A, 4.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,378,553 | 24,083,321 | Series E, 5.88%, NVS ^(a) | 1,382,545 | 34,065,909 |
| Cadence Bank, Series A, 5.50%, NVS ^(a) | 650,572 | 13,453,829 | Texas Capital Bancshares, Inc., Series B, 5.75%, | 1,502,545 | 04,000,000 |
| Citizens Financial Group, Inc. | 4 400 000 | 00.444.000 | NVS ^(a) | 1,235,917 | 25,175,629 |
| Series D, 6.35%, NVS ^(a) | 1,188,998 | 30,141,099 | Truist Financial Corp. | 1,200,017 | 23,173,023 |
| Series E, 5.00%, NVS ^(a) | 1,783,331 | 38,769,616 | Series I, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 0.792%), | | |
| ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc., Series A, 5.25%, | | | 6.12%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 664,459 | 14,558,297 |
| NVS ^(a) | 453,142 | 9,062,840 | Series O, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) | 2,208,228 | 52,401,250 |
| Cullen/Frost Bankers, Inc., Series B, 4.45%, | | | Series R, 4.75%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 3,565,222 | |
| NVS ^(a) | 579,961 | 11,210,646 | | 3,303,222 | 75,939,229 |
| Dime Community Bancshares, Inc., 5.50%, | | | U.S. Bancorp | | |
| NVS ^(a) | 513,779 | 8,898,652 | Series A, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 1.282%), | EE E00 | 40 000 000 |
| Fifth Third Bancorp | | | 6.60%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 55,528 | 46,890,620 |
| Series A, 6.00%, NVS ^(a) | 769,352 | 19,295,348 | Series B*, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 0.862%), | 0.000.705 | 04 770 007 |
| Series I, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 3.972%), | | | 6.18%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 3,888,725 | 81,779,887 |
| 9.30%, NVS ^{(a)(b)(c)} | 1,749,855 | 44,201,337 | Series K, 5.50%, NVS ^(a) | 2,235,962 | 55,138,823 |
| Series K, 4.95%, NVS ^(a) | 988,999 | 23,261,257 | Series L, 3.75%, NVS ^(a) | 1,981,633 | 34,956,006 |
| First Citizens BancShares, Inc. | | | Series M, 4.00%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 2,949,034 | 55,589,291 |
| Series A, 5.38%, NVS ^(a) | 1,367,194 | 31,240,383 | Series O, 4.50%, NVS ^(a) | 1,777,579 | 37,169,177 |
| Series C, 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 777,713 | 18,112,936 | Valley National Bancorp | | |
| First Horizon Corp. | | | Series A, 6.25%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 458,263 | 10,191,769 |
| 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 583,284 | 13,555,520 | Series B, (3-mo. LIBOR US + 3.578%), 9.14%, | | |
| Series D, 6.10% ^{(a)(c)} | 385,292 | 9,736,329 | NVS ^{(a)(b)(c)} | 391,049 | 8,896,365 |
| Series F, 4.70% ^(a) | 572,104 | 9,565,579 | WaFd, Inc., Series A, 4.88%, NVS ^(a) | 1,104,696 | 17,432,103 |
| Fulton Financial Corp., Series A, 5.13%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} . | 754,504 | 14,033,774 | Webster Financial Corp. | | |
| Hancock Whitney Corp., 6.25% | 666,339 | 16,405,266 | Series F, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) | 577,931 | 12,067,199 |
| / / | , | -,, | Series G, 6.50% ^{(a)(c)} | 519,697 | 12,207,683 |

| Security | Shares | Value | Security | Shares | Value |
|---|-----------|---------------|--|-----------|---------------|
| Banks (continued) | | | Capital Markets (continued) | | |
| Wells Fargo & Co. | | | Morgan Stanley | | |
| Series AA, 4.70%, NVS ^(a) | 3,244,430 | \$ 69,755,245 | Series F, 6.88%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 3,188,116 | \$ 80,212,999 |
| Series CC, 4.38%, NVS ^(a) | 2,903,074 | 58,932,402 | Series I, 6.38%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 3,747,066 | 93,301,943 |
| Series DD, 4.25%, NVS ^(a) | 3,464,382 | 67,520,805 | Series K, 5.85%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 3,748,367 | 93,671,69 |
| Series L, 7.50%, NVS ^{(a)(d)} | 278,627 | 339,743,833 | Series L, 4.88%, NVS ^(a) | 1,806,454 | 42,126,507 |
| | | | | | |
| Series Y, 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,899,204 | 47,214,211 | Series O, 4.25%, NVS ^(a) | 4,927,946 | 99,248,832 |
| Series Z, 4.75%, NVS ^(a) | 5,618,484 | 121,921,103 | Series P, 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 3,788,666 | 99,679,802 |
| WesBanco, Inc., Series A, 6.75%, NVS ^(a) | 579,961 | 13,843,669 | New Mountain Finance Corp., 8.25% | 455,682 | 11,765,709 |
| Western Alliance Bancorp, Series A, 4.25%, | | | Northern Trust Corp., Series E, 4.70%, NVS ^(a) | 1,549,941 | 34,982,168 |
| NVS ^(a) | 1,173,979 | 21,131,622 | Prospect Capital Corp., Series A, 5.35% ^(a) | 528,953 | 10,097,713 |
| Wintrust Financial Corp. | | | Saratoga Investment Corp., Series 2027, 6.00% | 412,405 | 9,980,20 |
| Series D, 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 480,014 | 11,208,327 | State Street Corp., Series G, 5.35%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 1,944,529 | 47,621,51 |
| Series E, 6.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,139,233 | 28,196,017 | Stifel Financial Corp. | | |
| Zions Bancorp N.A., Series G, (3-mo. LIBOR US | | | 5.20% | 875,050 | 20,773,687 |
| + 4.240%), 9.83%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 533,136 | 13,493,672 | Series B, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) | 622,123 | 15,447,314 |
| | | 3.747.571.752 | Series C, 6.13%, NVS ^(a) | 891,741 | 22,338,112 |
| Broadline Retail — 0.8% | | -, ,- ,- | Series D, 4.50%, NVS ^(a) | 1,183,362 | 22,862,554 |
| | 700 070 | 20 127 050 | Trinity Capital, Inc., 7.00% | 707,355 | 17,768,758 |
| Dillard's Capital Trust I, 7.50% | 782,272 | 20,127,859 | | | 1,647,797,844 |
| Qurate Retail, Inc., 8.00% | 1,239,845 | 61,645,093 | Obs. 12 - 1 - 4 00/ | | 1,047,707,04 |
| QVC, Inc. | 4 007 500 | 07.405.707 | Chemicals — 1.8% | 4 444 050 | 000 054 05 |
| 6.25% | 1,937,508 | 27,105,737 | Albemarle Corp., 7.25%, NVS ^(d) | 4,411,050 | 260,251,950 |
| 6.38% | 894,708 | 12,830,113 | EIDP, Inc., Series B, 4.50%, NVS ^(a) | 169,361 | 12,419,242 |
| | | 121,708,802 | | | 272,671,192 |
| Capital Markets — 11.1% | | | Commercial Services & Supplies — 0.2% | | |
| Affiliated Managers Group, Inc. | | | Pitney Bowes, Inc., 6.70% | 1,603,244 | 29,900,50 |
| 4.20% | 799,178 | 14,057,541 | • | -,, | |
| 4.75% | 1,092,869 | 20,983,085 | Consumer Finance — 3.1% | | |
| 5.88% | 1,195,720 | 28,338,564 | Atlanticus Holdings Corp., 6.13% | 569,167 | 13,033,924 |
| B Riley Financial, Inc. | 1,100,720 | 20,000,004 | Capital One Financial Corp. | | |
| 6.50% | 695,066 | 12,657,152 | Series I, 5.00%, NVS ^(a) | 5,776,930 | 118,195,988 |
| 6.00% | 1,039,216 | 15,993,534 | Series J, 4.80%, NVS ^(a) | 4,666,996 | 90,819,742 |
| 5.50% ^(c) | 837,662 | 15,965,838 | Series K, 4.63%, NVS ^(a) | 423,433 | 8,091,80 |
| 5.25% ^(c) | , | | Series L, 4.38%, NVS ^(a) | 2,623,336 | 47,954,582 |
| | 1,595,108 | 22,060,344 | Series N, 4.25%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,636,625 | 29,442,884 |
| 5.00% | 1,259,865 | 20,762,575 | Navient Corp., 6.00% | 1,182,800 | 25,193,640 |
| 6.75% | 5,804 | 143,707 | SLM Corp., Series B, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + | | |
| 6.38% | 563,910 | 12,969,930 | 1.962%), 7.29% ^{(a)(b)} | 243,939 | 18,575,95 |
| Brookfield Finance I UK PLC, 4.50% ^(a) | 908,798 | 14,731,616 | Synchrony Financial | | |
| Brookfield Finance, Inc., Series 50, 4.63%, NVS | 1,591,000 | 28,638,000 | Series A, 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 2,893,285 | 54,538,422 |
| Brookfield Oaktree Holdings LLC | | | Series B, 8.25%, NVS ^(a) | 1,917,800 | 47,964,178 |
| Series A, 6.63%, NVS ^(a) | 700,040 | 16,730,956 | | -,, | 453,811,120 |
| Series B, 6.55%, NVS ^(a) | 913,887 | 21,183,901 | | | 453,811,120 |
| Carlyle Finance LLC, 4.63%, NVS | 1,859,260 | 36,274,163 | Diversified REITs — 0.5% | | |
| Charles Schwab Corp. (The) | | | Armada Hoffler Properties, Inc., Series A, 6.75%, | | |
| Series D, 5.95%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 2,916,584 | 73,672,912 | NVS ^(a) | 627,545 | 13,824,816 |
| Series J, 4.45%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 2,304,265 | 49,311,271 | EPR Properties | | |
| Crescent Capital BDC, Inc., 5.00% | 429,149 | 10,278,119 | Series C, 5.75%, NVS ^{(a)(d)} | 517,137 | 9,804,918 |
| Gladstone Investment Corp. | | | Series E, 9.00%, NVS ^{(a)(d)} | 334,902 | 9,062,448 |
| 5.00%. NVS | 492,074 | 11,918,032 | Global Net Lease, Inc. | | |
| 4.88% | 524,198 | 12,051,312 | Series A, 7.25%, NVS ^(a) | 622,413 | 12,616,31 |
| Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The) | 5_ 1,100 | ,, | Series B, 6.88% ^(a) | 419,620 | 7,930,818 |
| Series A, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 1.012%), | | | Series D, 7.50%, NVS ^(a) | 726,317 | 15,368,868 |
| 6.31%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 2,916,584 | 66,702,276 | LXP Industrial Trust, Series C, 6.50%, NVS ^{(a)(d)} | 178,057 | 8,256,503 |
| Series C, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 1.012%), | 2,510,004 | 00,702,270 | | , | 76.864.682 |
| 6.31%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 777,713 | 18,144,044 | | | 10,004,004 |
| Series D, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 0.932%), | 111,113 | 10,144,044 | Diversified Telecommunication Services — 3.3% | | |
| 6.23%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 5 10/ 250 | 110 075 006 | AT&T Inc. | | |
| | 5,184,258 | 118,875,036 | 5.35% | 4,959,025 | 116,537,087 |
| Series K, 6.38% ^(a) | 2,723,375 | 69,364,361 | 5.63% | 3,189,154 | 77,911,032 |
| KKR Group Finance Co. IX LLC, 4.63%, NVS | 1,856,554 | 37,038,252 | Series A, 5.00%, NVS ^(a) | 4,616,060 | 98,599,042 |
| Morgan Stanley | | | Series C, 4.75%, NVS ^(a) | 6,646,268 | 133,656,449 |
| Series A, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 0.962%), | | | | | |
| 6.28% ^{(a)(b)} | 4,168,416 | 94,623,043 | | | |
| Series E, 7.13%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 3,265,298 | 82,448,775 | | | |

| Security | Shares | Value | Security | Shares | Value |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| Diversified Telecommunication Services (continued) | | | Financial Services (continued) | | |
| Qwest Corp. | | | Merchants Bancorp | | |
| 6.75% | 2,623,868 | \$ 25,608,952 | 8.25%, NVS ^(a) | 552,513 | \$ 14,083,556 |
| 6.50%, NVS | 3,764,917 | 36,707,941 | Series B, 6.00%, NVS ^(a) | 416,287 | 9,965,91 |
| | | 489,020,503 | Series C, 6.00%, NVS ^(a) | 767,348 | 16,421,247 |
| Electric Utilities — 6.4% | | | National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance | | |
| BIP Bermuda Holdings I Ltd., 5.13% ^(a) | 1,180,872 | 23,121,474 | Corp., Series US, 5.50% | 960,182 | 23,812,514 |
| Brookfield BRP Holdings Canada, Inc. | .,, | ,, | NewtekOne, Inc., 5.50% | 454,112 | 11,044,004 |
| 4.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,360,044 | 23,120,748 | TPG Operating Group II LP, 6.95%, NVS | 1,534,285 | 40,321,010 |
| 4.88% ^(a) | 1,009,469 | 17,423,435 | Voya Financial, Inc., Series B, 5.35%, NVS ^(a) | 1,164,141 | 27,531,93 |
| Brookfield Infrastructure Finance ULC, 5.00% | 972,339 | 17,900,761 | | | 839,915,608 |
| Duke Energy Corp. | | | Food Products — 1.6% | | |
| 5.63% | 1,925,997 | 47,302,486 | CHS, Inc. | | |
| Series A, 5.75%, NVS ^(a) | 3,840,264 | 95,430,560 | 8.00%, NVS ^(a) | 1,181,589 | 36,735,602 |
| Entergy Arkansas LLC, 4.88% | 1,595,278 | 36,101,141 | Series 1, 7.88%, NVS ^(a) | 2,066,296 | 55,397,396 |
| Entergy Louisiana LLC, 4.88% | 1,050,466 | 23,761,541 | Series 2, 9.86%, NVS ^(a) | 1,617,425 | 42,376,53 |
| Entergy Mississippi LLC, 4.90% | 1,010,810 | 23,440,684 | Series 3, 6.75%, NVS ^(a) | 1,896,523 | 47,640,658 |
| Georgia Power Co., Series 2017, 5.00% | 1,046,070 | 25,775,165 | Series 4, 7.50% ^(a) | 1,993,158 | 51,224,160 |
| NextEra Energy Capital Holdings, Inc., Series N, | | 05.040.545 | | | 233,374,35 |
| 5.65% | 2,663,008 | 65,616,517 | Gas Utilities — 0.3% | | |
| NextEra Energy, Inc., 6.93% ^{(c)(d)} | 3,844,014 | 149,647,465 | Entergy New Orleans LLC, 5.50% | 430,591 | 10,360,019 |
| Pacific Gas & Electric Co., Series A, 6.00% ^(a) | 433,966 | 10,610,469 | Spire, Inc., Series A, 5.90%, NVS ^(a) | 978,221 | 24,152,27 |
| SCE Trust II, 5.10%, NVS ^(a) | 864,210 | 18,485,452 | UGI Corp., 7.25% ^(d) | 216,412 | 12,582,194 |
| SCE Trust III, Series H, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 3.252%), 8.58%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 1 050 225 | 26 020 042 | | | 47,094,490 |
| + 5.252%), 6.56%, NVS ^{(A)(C)} | 1,059,325 1,280,020 | 26,928,042 30,093,270 | Health Care Providers & Services — 0.2% | | ,, |
| SCE Trust V, Series K, 5.45%, NVS ^(a) | 1,155,369 | 27,786,625 | BrightSpring Health Services, Inc., 6.75%, NVS ^(d) . | 723,019 | 32,593,696 |
| SCE Trust VI, 5.00%, NVS ^(a) | 1,865,887 | 39,183,627 | | 720,010 | 02,000,000 |
| SCE Trust VII, Series M, 7.50% (a)(c) | 2,106,022 | 56,083,366 | Health Care REITs — 0.2% | | |
| Southern Co. (The) | 2,100,022 | 30,003,300 | Diversified Healthcare Trust | | |
| 5.25% | 1,733,260 | 42,274,211 | 6.25%, NVS | 988,895 | 15,189,427 |
| Series 2020, 4.95% | 3,877,963 | 89,154,369 | 5.63% | 1,388,082 | 19,877,334 |
| Series C, 4.20% | 2,925,931 | 58,928,250 | | | 35,066,76 |
| ,,, | _,,- | 948,169,658 | Health Care Technology — 0.0% | | |
| Floatrical Favianeant 0.39/ | | 540,105,050 | CareCloud, Inc., Series A, 11.00%, NVS ^(a) | 453,119 | 2,723,245 |
| Electrical Equipment — 0.2% Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc. | | | Hotel & Resort REITs — 0.9% | | |
| 6.50% | 584,640 | 8,149,882 | Braemar Hotels & Resorts, Inc., Series B, 5.50%, | | |
| 8.13% | 743,092 | 12,149,554 | NVS ^{(a)(c)(d)} | 291,053 | 3,990,686 |
| Series A, 7.75%, NVS ^(a) | 776,006 | 8,155,823 | Chatham Lodging Trust, Series A, 6.63%, NVS ^(a) . | 427,053 | 9,305,485 |
| 0010071, 1.1070, 1440 | 770,000 | | DiamondRock Hospitality Co., 8.25%, NVS ^(a) | 427,555 | 10,770,110 |
| | | 28,455,259 | Pebblebrook Hotel Trust | | |
| Entertainment — 0.0% | | | Series E, 6.38%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 391,025 | 8,094,217 |
| Chicken Soup For The Soul Entertainment, Inc., | 575 504 | 000 040 | Series F, 6.30%, NVS ^(a) | 551,705 | 11,254,782 |
| | 575,534 | 282,012 | Series G, 6.38%, NVS ^(a) | 850,985 | 17,538,801 |
| Series A, NVS, 9.75% ^(a) | | | | 000,000 | |
| Financial Services — 5.7% | | | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) | 775,280 | 14,575,264 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. | | | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) | | |
| Financial Services — 5.7% | 2,760,225 | 175,964,344 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. | 775,280 1,220,030 | 29,878,535 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75% ^(d) | 2,760,225 2,304,258 | 175,964,344 60,947,624 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 | 29,878,535 12,003,356 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75% ^(d) | | | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 775,280 1,220,030 | 29,878,535 12,003,356 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75%(d) | | | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 | 29,878,535 12,003,356 6,805,096 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75% ^(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 | 29,878,538 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,018 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75%(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 | 29,878,538 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,018 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75%(d). 7.63%(c). Citigroup Capital XIII, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 6.632%), 11.95%, NVS(b). Compass Diversified Holdings Series A, 7.25%, NVS(a). Series B, 7.88%, NVS(a). | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 400,236 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 10,085,947 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 | 29,878,535 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,015 6,454,28 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75% ^(d) . 7.63% ^(c) . Citigroup Capital XIII, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 6.632%), 11.95%, NVS ^(b) . Compass Diversified Holdings Series A, 7.25%, NVS ^(a) . Series B, 7.88%, NVS ^(a) . Series C, 7.88%, NVS ^(a) . | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 | 29,878,535 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,015 6,454,28 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75%(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 400,236 446,200 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 10,085,947 11,208,544 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) Series I, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 | 29,878,538 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,018 6,454,28 139,392,632 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75% ^(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 400,236 446,200 3,017,795 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 10,085,947 11,208,544 68,896,260 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) Series I, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure — 0.1% FAT Brands, Inc., Series B, NVS, 8.25% | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 324,989 | 29,878,538 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,018 6,454,28 139,392,632 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75%(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 400,236 446,200 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 10,085,947 11,208,544 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) Series I, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure — 0.1% FAT Brands, Inc., Series B, NVS, 8.25% Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Prod | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 324,989 | 29,878,538 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,019 6,454,28 139,392,632 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75%(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 400,236 446,200 3,017,795 1,109,362 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 10,085,947 11,208,544 68,896,260 20,534,291 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) Series I, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure — 0.1% FAT Brands, Inc., Series B, NVS, 8.25% Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Prod Brookfield Renewable Partners LP, Series 17, | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 324,989 719,669 ucers — 0.4% | 29,878,538 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,018 6,454,28 139,392,632 11,241,230 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75% ^(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 400,236 446,200 3,017,795 1,109,362 394,356 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 10,085,947 11,208,544 68,896,260 20,534,291 9,464,544 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) Series I, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure — 0.1% FAT Brands, Inc., Series B, NVS, 8.25% Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Prod Brookfield Renewable Partners LP, Series 17, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 324,989 | 29,878,538 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,018 6,454,28 139,392,632 11,241,230 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75% ^(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 400,236 446,200 3,017,795 1,109,362 394,356 463,393 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 10,085,947 11,208,544 68,896,260 20,534,291 9,464,544 10,143,673 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) Series I, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure — 0.1% FAT Brands, Inc., Series B, NVS, 8.25% Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Prod Brookfield Renewable Partners LP, Series 17, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) Tennessee Valley Authority | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 324,989 719,669 ucers — 0.4% 764,900 | 14,575,264 29,878,535 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,019 6,454,281 139,392,632 11,241,230 13,944,127 |
| Financial Services — 5.7% Apollo Global Management, Inc. 6.75% ^(d) | 2,304,258 8,641,075 390,621 400,236 446,200 3,017,795 1,109,362 394,356 | 60,947,624 254,652,480 9,863,180 10,085,947 11,208,544 68,896,260 20,534,291 9,464,544 | Series H, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) RLJ Lodging Trust, Series A, 1.95% ^{(a)(d)} Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) Series F, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Series H, 6.13% ^(a) Series I, 5.70%, NVS ^(a) Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure — 0.1% FAT Brands, Inc., Series B, NVS, 8.25% Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Prod Brookfield Renewable Partners LP, Series 17, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) | 775,280 1,220,030 583,537 347,731 411,222 324,989 719,669 ucers — 0.4% | 29,878,535 12,003,356 6,805,096 8,722,015 6,454,281 139,392,632 11,241,230 |

| Security | Shares | Value | Security | Shares | Value |
|---|------------|------------|--|-----------|---------------|
| Industrial Conglomerates — 0.1% | | | Insurance (continued) | | |
| Steel Partners Holdings LP, Series A, 6.00%, | | | Prudential Financial, Inc. | | |
| NVS | 612,335 \$ | 14,732,780 | 5.95% | 1,164,328 | \$ 29,865,013 |
| | <u> </u> | ,. 02,. 00 | 5.63% | 2,148,721 | 53,803,974 |
| Insurance — 14.1% | | | 4.13%, NVS | 1,944,529 | 39,435,04 |
| AEGON Funding Co. LLC, 5.10%, NVS | 3,557,969 | 77,101,188 | Reinsurance Group of America, Inc. | 1,044,020 | 33,433,04 |
| Allstate Corp. (The) | | | 7.13% | 2.688.258 | 69,599,000 |
| (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 3.427%), 8.74%, | | | 5.75%, NVS | 1,560,852 | 39,021,30 |
| NVS ^(b) | 1,925,997 | 49,267,003 | RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. | 1,300,032 | 39,021,300 |
| Series H, 5.10%, NVS ^(a) | 4,416,381 | 99,103,590 | • | 007.000 | 04 004 07 |
| Series I, 4.75%, NVS ^(a) | 1,182,738 | 26,812,670 | Series F, 5.75%, NVS ^(a) | 987,096 | 24,381,27 |
| Series J, 7.38% ^(a) | 2,310,658 | 62,041,167 | Series G, 4.20%, NVS ^(a) | 1,957,019 | 37,046,37 |
| American Equity Investment Life Holding Co. | | | Selective Insurance Group, Inc., Series B, | | |
| Series A, 5.95%, NVS ^(a) | 1,571,015 | 38,065,693 | 4.60% ^(a) | 805,223 | 15,186,50 |
| Series B, 6.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,177,831 | 28,538,845 | SiriusPoint Ltd., Series B, 8.00%, NVS ^(a) | 794,186 | 20,108,79 |
| American Financial Group, Inc. | 1,177,001 | 20,000,040 | Unum Group, 6.25% | 1,175,106 | 29,483,410 |
| 5.88%5. | 499,507 | 12,292,867 | W R Berkley Corp. | | |
| 4.50% | , | , , | 5.70% | 642,985 | 16,183,93 |
| | 789,401 | 17,090,532 | 5.10% | 1,179,472 | 26,726,830 |
| 5.63% | 599,704 | 14,884,653 | 4.13% | 1,182,957 | 23,055,83 |
| 5.13% | 776,250 | 17,752,838 | 4.25% | 990,134 | 19,931,39 |
| Arch Capital Group Ltd. | | | 1.20/ | 000,101 | |
| Series F, 5.45%, NVS ^(a) | 1,294,700 | 30,593,761 | | | 2,091,801,35 |
| Series G, 4.55% ^(a) | 1,951,517 | 40,376,887 | IT Services — 0.0% | | |
| Argo Group International Holdings, Inc., 7.00%, | | | Exela Technologies, Inc., Series B, 6.00%(a)(d) | 292,013 | 589,860 |
| NVS ^(a) | 602,715 | 14,428,997 | Leisure Products — 0.3% | | |
| Argo Group U.S., Inc., 6.50% ^(c) | 564,754 | 12,819,916 | | | |
| Aspen Insurance Holdings Ltd. | | | Brunswick Corp. | 004.004 | 40 447 07 |
| 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,060,339 | 21,641,519 | 6.50% | 661,064 | 16,447,27 |
| 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 862,463 | 17,637,368 | 6.63% | 493,377 | 12,275,220 |
| (3-mo. LIBOR US + 4.060%), 9.65%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} . | 1,081,201 | 27,376,009 | 6.38% | 900,735 | 22,851,64 |
| Assurant, Inc., 5.25% | 956,489 | 21,807,949 | | | 51,574,139 |
| Athene Holding Ltd. | 330,403 | 21,007,343 | Machinery — 0.7% | | |
| • | 0.005.470 | FC 40F F70 | Chart Industries, Inc., Series B, 6.75%, NVS ^{(c)(d)} | 774,683 | 49,742,39 |
| 7.25%, NVS | 2,205,478 | 56,195,579 | RBC Bearings, Inc., Series A, 5.00%, NVS ^{(c)(d)} | 441,635 | 53,919,21 |
| Series A, 6.35%, NVS ^(a) | 3,312,393 | 78,934,325 | RDC bealings, Inc., Selies A, 5.00%, NV5. | 441,033 | |
| Series B, 5.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,355,112 | 29,419,482 | | | 103,661,61 |
| Series C, 6.38%, NVS ^(a) | 2,338,691 | 58,139,858 | Marine Transportation — 0.1% | | |
| Series D, 4.88% ^(a) | 2,243,780 | 41,711,870 | Global Ship Lease, Inc., 8.75%, NVS ^(a) | 424,935 | 11,048,310 |
| Series E, 7.75%, NVS ^(a) | 1,951,024 | 50,941,237 | · | , | |
| Axis Capital Holdings Ltd., Series E, 5.50%, | | | Media — 0.1% | | |
| NVS ^(a) | 2,153,612 | 48,822,384 | Liberty Broadband Corp., Series A, 7.00% ^(a) | 705,093 | 16,428,66 |
| Brighthouse Financial, Inc. | | | Mortgage Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) — 6 | 2% | |
| 6.25% | 1,469,989 | 33,692,148 | ACRES Commercial Realty Corp. | | |
| Series A, 6.60%, NVS ^(a) | 1,662,093 | 40,538,448 | Series C, 8.63% ^(a) | 432,635 | 10,435,150 |
| Series B, 6.75%, NVS ^(a) | 1,581,174 | 39,608,409 | | | |
| Series C, 5.38% ^(a) | 2,251,981 | 46,210,650 | Series D, 7.88%, NVS ^(a) | 406,984 | 8,754,220 |
| Series D, 4.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,385,465 | 23,525,196 | AGNC Investment Corp. | | |
| CNO Financial Group, Inc., 5.13% | 578,211 | 12,610,782 | Series C, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 5.373%), | | |
| Enstar Group Ltd. | 370,211 | 12,010,702 | 10.69%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 1,220,747 | 30,677,37 |
| | 4 504 405 | 20 407 004 | Series D, 6.88%, NVS ^(a) | 871,788 | 21,402,39 |
| Series D, 7.00%, NVS ^(a) | 1,561,185 | 39,107,684 | Series E, 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 1,511,899 | 36,376,29 |
| Series E, 7.00%, NVS ^(a) | 423,416 | 10,581,166 | Series F, 6.13%, NVS ^(a) | 2,140,815 | 49,153,11 |
| F&G Annuities & Life, Inc., 7.95%, NVS | 1,327,179 | 34,719,003 | Series G, 7.75%, NVS ^(a) | 544,811 | 12,966,50 |
| Globe Life, Inc., 4.25%, NVS | 1,296,400 | 26,926,228 | Annaly Capital Management, Inc. | | |
| Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. (The), | | | Series F, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 5.255%), | | |
| Series G, 6.00%, NVS ^(a) | 1,355,561 | 34,349,916 | 10.55%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 2,696,818 | 67,717,10 |
| Kemper Corp., 5.88% | 597,767 | 13,993,726 | Series G, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 4.434%), | _,000,010 | 5.,. 11,10 |
| Lincoln National Corp., Series D, 9.00% ^(a) | 1,886,039 | 51,998,095 | 9.74%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 1,570,077 | 38,796,60 |
| Maiden Holdings Ltd., 6.63% | 464,052 | 7,740,387 | Series I, 6.75%, NVS ^(a) | 1,606,361 | 39,885,94 |
| Maiden Holdings North America Ltd., 7.75% | 600,953 | 11,021,478 | | 1,000,301 | 53,005,344 |
| MetLife, Inc. | 220,000 | ,-=1,110 | Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. | 000.004 | 40 040 75 |
| Series A, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 1.262%), | | | Series D, 6.38%, NVS ^(a) | 828,924 | 16,213,75 |
| | 0 20E EEE | EE E12 20E | Series E, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) | 488,564 | 9,526,998 |
| 6.59%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 2,325,655 | 55,513,385 | Series F, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) | 998,281 | 20,225,17 |
| Series E, 5.63%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 3,091,357 | 74,254,395 | ARMOUR Residential REIT, Inc., Series C, | | |
| Series F, 4.75%, NVS ^(a) | 3,776,553 | 80,440,579 | 7.00% ^(a) | 621,193 | 12,951,87 |
| PartnerRe Ltd., Series J, 4.88%, NVS ^(a) | 803,652 | 17,342,810 | | | |

| Security | Shares | Value | Security | Shares | Value |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Mortgage Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) (co | ntinued) | | Multi-Utilities (continued) | | |
| Chimera Investment Corp. | , | | DTE Energy Co. | | |
| Series A, 8.00%, NVS ^(a) | 524,812 \$ | 11,036,796 | 4.38% ^(c) | 1,088,237 \$ | 22,156,505 |
| Series B, (3-mo. LIBOR US + 5.791%), | | | Series E, 5.25% ^(c) | 1,546,420 | 38,273,895 |
| 11.35%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 1,214,756 | 29,943,735 | Series G, 4.38% | 894,621 | 18,429,193 |
| Series C, 7.75%, NVS ^(a) | 961,651 | 19,713,846 | Sempra, 5.75% | 2,931,504 | 70,180,206 |
| Series D, (3-mo. LIBOR US + 5.338%), | | | | _ | 381,374,037 |
| 10.90%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 736,479 | 18,220,490 | Office REITs — 0.9% | | 001,074,007 |
| Dynex Capital, Inc., Series C, 6.90%, NVS ^(a) | 441,950 | 10,871,970 | City Office REIT, Inc., Series A, 6.63%, NVS ^(a) | 391,769 | 6,875,546 |
| Ellington Financial, Inc. | | | | 391,709 | 0,070,040 |
| 6.75%, NVS ^(a) | 412,740 | 9,699,390 | Equity Commonwealth, Series D, 6.50%, NVS ^{(a)(d)} | 442,039 | 11,050,975 |
| Series B, 6.25%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 428,537 | 8,729,299 | Hudson Pacific Properties, Inc., Series C, 4.75%, | 442,039 | 11,050,975 |
| Series C, 8.63% ^{(a)(c)} | 359,276 | 8,579,511 | NVS ^(a) | 1,577,183 | 21,796,669 |
| Franklin BSP Realty Trust, Inc., Series E, 7.50%, | | | Office Properties Income Trust, 6.38% | 480,334 | 5,226,034 |
| NVS ^(a) | 956,975 | 19,522,290 | SL Green Realty Corp., Series I, 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 705,277 | 16,045,052 |
| Granite Point Mortgage Trust, Inc., Series A, | | | Vornado Realty Trust | 105,211 | 10,040,002 |
| 7.00%, NVS ^(a) | 738,576 | 13,405,154 | Series L, 5.40%, NVS ^(a) | 1,117,316 | 16,793,259 |
| Great Ajax Corp., 7.25%, NVS ^(d) | 461,279 | 11,490,460 | Series M, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) | 1,178,464 | 18,030,499 |
| Invesco Mortgage Capital, Inc. | | | Series N, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) | 1,103,966 | 16,647,807 |
| Series B, 7.75%, NVS ^(a) | 389,811 | 8,770,748 | Series O, 4.45%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,101,172 | 14,006,908 |
| Series C, 7.50%, NVS ^(a) | 684,763 | 15,140,110 | Selles O, 4.45%, NVS AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA | 1,101,172 | |
| KKR Real Estate Finance Trust, Inc., Series A, | | | | | 126,472,749 |
| 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 1,217,841 | 21,470,537 | Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels — 1.9% | | |
| MFA Financial, Inc. | | | El Paso Energy Capital Trust I, 4.75%(d) | 446,638 | 21,420,758 |
| 8.88%, NVS | 456,925 | 11,706,419 | Energy Transfer LP, Series E, 7.60%, NVS ^(a) | 3,072,321 | 77,729,721 |
| Series B, 7.50%, NVS ^(a) | 732,417 | 15,161,032 | NGL Energy Partners LP, Series B, (3-mo. CME | | |
| Series C, 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 1,021,427 | 22,655,251 | Term SOFR + 7.475%), 12.79%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 1,216,513 | 35,753,317 |
| New York Mortgage Trust, Inc. | | | NuStar Energy LP | | |
| Series D, 8.00%, NVS ^(a) | 552,887 | 11,992,119 | Series A, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 7.028%), | | |
| Series E, 7.88%, NVS ^(a) | 645,115 | 14,818,292 | 12.36%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 887,001 | 22,937,846 |
| Series F, 6.88%, NVS ^(a) | 491,239 | 9,878,816 | Series B, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + 5.905%), | | |
| PennyMac Mortgage Investment Trust | | | 11.23%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 1,518,299 | 38,352,233 |
| Series A, 8.13%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 412,739 | 9,559,035 | Series C, (3-mo. LIBOR US + 6.880%), | | |
| Series B, 8.00%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 716,478 | 16,658,114 | 12.47%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 688,778 | 17,481,186 |
| Series C, 6.75%, NVS ^(a) | 923,250 | 17,578,680 | NuStar Logistics LP, (3-mo. CME Term SOFR + | | |
| Ready Capital Corp. | | | 6.996%), 12.31% ^(b) | 1,545,814 | 38,830,848 |
| 6.20% ^(c) | 427,777 | 10,394,981 | Seapeak LLC | | |
| 5.75% | 840,559 | 20,417,178 | 9.00%, NVS ^(a) | 480,875 | 12,214,225 |
| Series E, 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 409,247 | 7,534,237 | Series B, 8.50%, NVS ^(a) | 654,129 | 16,451,344 |
| Rithm Capital Corp. | | | | | 281,171,478 |
| Series A, 7.50%, NVS ^(a) | 566,957 | 13,845,090 | Professional Services — 0.3% | | |
| Series B, 7.13% ^(a) | 1,049,947 | 25,639,706 | Clarivate PLC, Series A, 5.25% ^(d) | 1,419,854 | 42,198,061 |
| Series C, 6.38%, NVS ^(a) | 1,495,703 | 33,832,802 | | 1,410,004 | 42,100,001 |
| Series D, 7.00%, NVS ^(a) | 1,721,113 | 38,690,620 | Real Estate Management & Development — 1.0% | | |
| TPG RE Finance Trust, Inc., Series C, 6.25%, | | | Brookfield Property Partners LP | | |
| NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 732,124 | 11,853,088 | 6.25% | 2,628,020 | 40,891,991 |
| Two Harbors Investment Corp. | | | Series A, 5.75%, NVS ^(a) | 1,107,461 | 14,131,202 |
| Series A, 8.13%, NVS ^(a) | 453,861 | 10,402,494 | Series A-1, 6.50%, NVS ^(a) | 708,091 | 11,152,433 |
| Series B, 7.63%, NVS ^(a) | 950,878 | 21,603,948 | Series A2, 6.38%, NVS ^(a) | 966,401 | 13,925,838 |
| Series C, 7.25%, NVS ^(a) | 905,490 | 20,690,446 | DigitalBridge Group, Inc. | | |
| | | 926,589,182 | Series H, 7.13%, NVS ^(a) | 775,645 | 18,157,850 |
| Multi-Utilities — 2.6% | | 020,000,.02 | Series I, 7.15%, NVS ^(a) | 1,208,865 | 28,142,377 |
| Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp. | | | Series J, 7.13%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,085,625 | 25,468,763 |
| 7.75% ^{(c)(d)} | 2,237,161 | 47,964,732 | | | 151,870,454 |
| Series 19-A, 6.20%, NVS | 1,341,966 | 33,549,150 | Residential REITs — 0.3% | | |
| Brookfield Infrastructure Partners LP | 1,041,300 | 55,545,150 | American Homes 4 Rent | | |
| Series 13, 5.13%, NVS ^(a) | 769,989 | 13,967,600 | Series G, 5.88%, NVS ^(a) | 410,940 | 9,447,510 |
| Series 14, 5.00%, NVS ^(a) | 769,989 774,856 | 13,967,600 | Series H, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) | 445,678 | 10,834,432 |
| CMS Energy Corp. | 114,000 | 13,701,443 | UMH Properties, Inc., Series D, 6.38%, NVS ^(a) | 1,030,727 | 23,315,045 |
| 5.88% | 2,417,801 | 59,888,931 | | | 43,596,987 |
| 5.88%, NVS | 2,417,801 1,075,352 | 26,034,272 | | | 43,390,987 |
| | 777,541 | 26,034,272 19,096,407 | Retail REITs — 0.9% | | |
| | | | Agree Dealty Corn. Corice A 4 0E0/ NIVC(8) | C22 E11 | 44 920 047 |
| 5.63% | 888,481 | 18,071,703 | Agree Realty Corp., Series A, 4.25%, NVS ^(a) Cedar Realty Trust, Inc., Series C, 6.50%, NVS ^(a) . | 633,541 446,751 | 11,239,017 5,637,998 |

| Security | Shares | Value | Security | Shares | Value |
|--|------------|-------------|---|-----------------|----------------------|
| Retail REITs (continued) | | | Trading Companies & Distributors (continued) | | |
| Federal Realty Investment Trust, Series C, | | | Textainer Group Holdings Ltd. | | |
| 5.00%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 542,618 \$ | 11,910,465 | Series B, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) | 580,692 | \$ 14,575,369 |
| Kimco Realty Corp. | | | Triton International Ltd. | | |
| Series L, 5.13%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 821,936 | 18,805,896 | 8.00%, NVS ^(a) | 553,684 | 13,952,837 |
| Series M, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) | 972,720 | 22,275,288 | 7.38%, NVS ^(a) | 674,033 | 16,635,134 |
| Realty Income Corp., Series A, 6.00%, NVS ^(a) | 634,788 | 15,698,307 | 6.88%, NVS ^(a) | 577,945 | 13,876,459 |
| Regency Centers Corp. | | | Series E, 5.75%, NVS ^(a) | 674,033 | 13,372,815 |
| Series A, 6.25%, NVS ^(a) | 444,871 | 10,756,981 | WESCO International, Inc., Series A, 10.63%, | | |
| Series B, 5.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 456,179 | 10,701,959 | NVS ^(a) | 2,067,751 | 54,402,529 |
| Saul Centers, Inc., Series E, 6.00%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 389,661 | 8,323,159 | | | 200,237,443 |
| SITE Centers Corp., Series A, 6.38%, NVS ^(a) | 639,620 | 14,423,431 | Transportation Infrastructure 0.20/ | | 200,201,110 |
| | _ | 129,772,501 | Transportation Infrastructure — 0.2% Atlas Corp. | | |
| Coffuers 0.40/ | | 120,112,001 | Series D, 7.95% ^{(a)(c)} | 406.024 | 10 000 363 |
| Software — 0.1% | E70 006 | 10 117 200 | Series H, 7.88%, NVS ^(a) | 496,031 | 12,202,363 |
| Synchronoss Technologies, Inc., 8.38% | 570,226 | 12,117,302 | Series n, 7.00%, NVS.7 | 875,344 | 21,314,626 |
| Specialized REITs — 3.1% | | | | | 33,516,989 |
| Digital Realty Trust, Inc. | | | Wireless Telecommunication Services — 1.2% | | |
| Series J, 5.25%, NVS ^(a) | 733,910 | 16,182,716 | Telephone & Data Systems, Inc. | | |
| Series K, 5.85%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 774,432 | 18,261,107 | Series UU, 6.63%, NVS ^(a) | 1,644,919 | 30,299,408 |
| Series L, 5.20%, NVS ^(a) | 1,290,171 | 28,280,548 | Series VV, 6.00%, NVS ^(a) | 2,700,236 | 43,176,774 |
| EPR Properties, Series G, 5.75%, NVS ^(a) | 540,618 | 10,293,367 | United States Cellular Corp. | | |
| Gladstone Land Corp., Series B, 6.00% ^(a) | 551,865 | 11,059,375 | 6.25% ^(c) | 1,948,388 | 37,642,856 |
| National Storage Affiliates Trust, Series A, 6.00%, | | | 5.50% ^(c) | 1,946,013 | 35,067,154 |
| NVS ^(a) | 825,322 | 18,916,380 | 5.50% | 1,947,237 | 35,244,990 |
| Public Storage | | | | | 181,431,182 |
| Series F, 5.15%, NVS ^(a) | 1,093,720 | 26,314,903 | Total Lang Tarrellowesters at 00 00/ | | 101,101,102 |
| Series G, 5.05%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,172,435 | 28,630,863 | Total Long-Term Investments — 98.8% | | 44 000 047 450 |
| Series H, 5.60% ^(a) | 1,113,435 | 27,323,695 | (Cost: \$16,453,955,554) | | 14,669,247,453 |
| Series I, 4.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,232,635 | 28,079,425 | | | |
| Series J, 4.70%, NVS ^(a) | 1,010,816 | 21,722,436 | Short-Term Securities | | |
| Series K, 4.75%, NVS ^(a) | 898,941 | 19,453,083 | Manage Market Francis 2 70/ | | |
| Series L, 4.63%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 2,207,770 | 47,224,200 | Money Market Funds — 3.7% | | |
| Series M, 4.13%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 898,639 | 17,424,610 | BlackRock Cash Funds: Institutional, SL Agency | 440.454.464 | 440 005 540 |
| Series N, 3.88%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,105,670 | 19,691,983 | Shares, 5.50% ^{(e)(f)(g)} | 142,154,464 | 142,225,542 |
| Series O, 3.90%, NVS ^(a) | 666,213 | 11,925,213 | BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury, SL Agency | 100 007 710 | 400 007 740 |
| Series P, 4.00%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 2,352,768 | 43,526,208 | Shares, 5.29% ^{(e)(f)} | 406,927,713 | 406,927,713 |
| Series Q, 3.95%, NVS ^(a) | 575,662 | 10,430,995 | Total Short-Term Securities — 3.7% | | |
| Series R, 4.00%, NVS ^{(a)(c)} | 1,694,965 | 31,322,953 | (Cost: \$549,140,431) | | 549,153,255 |
| Series S, 4.10%, NVS ^(a) | 975,555 | 18,428,234 | Total Investments — 102.5% | | |
| | _ | 454,492,294 | (Cost: \$17,003,095,985) | | 15,218,400,708 |
| | | 454,432,234 | Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets — (2.5)% | | |
| Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods — 0.0% | -0-04- | 0 = 0.4.4.4 | Net Assets — 100.0% | | \$ 14,844,048,454 |
| Fossil Group, Inc., 7.00% | 585,017 | 6,581,441 | Net Assets — 100.0/0 | | ψ 14,044,040,434 |
| Trading Companies & Distributors — 1.4% | | | (a) Pernetual security with no stated maturity date | | |
| Air Lease Corp., Series A, (3-mo. CME Term | | | (a) Perpetual security with no stated maturity date. (b) Variable rate security. Interest rate resets periodical | lly The rate sh | own is the offective |
| SOFR + 3.912%), 6.15%, NVS ^{(a)(b)} | 969,810 | 25,156,871 | interest rate as of period end. Security description al | | |
| FTAI Aviation Ltd. | • | • | spread if published and available. | oo moladoo die | . Totoronoo rate and |
| Series A, NVS, 8.25% ^(a) | 408,559 | 10,246,660 | (c) All or a portion of this security is on loan. | | |
| Series B, NVS, 8.00% ^{(a)(c)} | 483,473 | 12,135,172 | (d) Convertible security. | | |
| Series C, NVS, 8.25% ^(a) | 446,928 | 11,316,217 | (e) Affiliate of the Fund. | | |
| Textainer Group Holdings Ltd. | -,- | | (f) Annualized 7-day yield as of period end. | | |
| 7.00%, NVS ^(a) | 580,605 | 14,567,380 | (g) All or a portion of this security was purchased wit | h the cash col | lateral from loaned |
| • | , | , - , | securities. | | |

Affiliates

Investments in issuers considered to be affiliate(s) of the Fund during the year ended March 31, 2024 for purposes of Section 2(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, were as follows:

| Affiliated Issuer | Value at 03/31/23 | Purchases at Cost | Proceeds from Sales | Net Realized Gain (Loss) | Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | Value at 03/31/24 | Shares Held at 03/31/24 | Income | Capital Gain Distributions from Underlying Funds |
|---|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| BlackRock Cash Funds: Institutional, SL Agency Shares BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury, | \$ 175,105,163 | \$ — | \$ (32,872,002) ^(a) | \$ 64,799 | \$ (72,418) | \$ 142,225,542 | 142,154,464 | \$ 2,436,889 ^(b) | \$ — |
| SL Agency Shares | 231,214,441 | 175,713,272 ^(a) | _ | \$ 64,799 | <u> </u> | 406,927,713 \$ 549,153,255 | 406,927,713 | 8,041,315 \$ 10,478,204 | <u> </u> |

⁽a) Represents net amount purchased (sold).

Fair Value Hierarchy as of Period End

Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of financial instruments. For a description of the input levels and information about the Fund's policy regarding valuation of financial instruments, refer to the Notes to Financial Statements.

The following table summarizes the Fund's financial instruments categorized in the fair value hierarchy. The breakdown of the Fund's financial instruments into major categories is disclosed in the Schedule of Investments above.

| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|----------------------|
| Assets | | | | |
| Investments | | | | |
| Long-Term Investments | | | | |
| Preferred Securities | | | | |
| Preferred Stocks | \$ 14,669,247,453 | \$ _ | \$ _ | \$ 14,669,247,453 |
| Short-Term Securities | | | | |
| Money Market Funds | 549,153,255 | _ | _ | 549,153,255 |
| | \$ 15,218,400,708 | \$ _ | \$ _ | \$ 15,218,400,708 |

⁽b) All or a portion represents securities lending income earned from the reinvestment of cash collateral from loaned securities, net of fees and collateral investment expenses, and other payments to and from borrowers of securities.

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| ASSETS | |
|--|------------------------------|
| Investments, at value — unaffiliated ^{(a)(b)} | \$ 14,669,247,453 |
| Investments, at value — affiliated ^(c) | 549,153,255 |
| Cash | 7,795,912 |
| Receivables: | 10= 100 110 |
| Investments sold | 197,163,148 |
| Securities lending income — affiliated | 289,509 |
| Capital shares sold | 2,321,390 72,469,136 |
| Dividends — affiliated | 1,242,345 |
| | |
| Total assets | 15,499,682,148 |
| | |
| LIABILITIES | |
| Collateral on securities loaned | 142,105,130 |
| Payables: Investments purchased | 507,891,919 |
| Investment advisory fees | 5,636,645 |
| • | |
| Total liabilities | 655,633,694 |
| Commitments and contingent liabilities | |
| NET ASSETS | \$ 14,844,048,454 |
| | • 11,011,010,101 |
| NET ASSETS CONSIST OF: | |
| Paid-in capital | \$ 18,989,740,007 |
| Accumulated loss | (4,145,691,553) |
| NET ASSETS. | |
| NET ASSETS. | \$ 14,044,040,434 |
| NET ASSET VALUE | |
| Shares outstanding | 461,750,000 |
| Net asset value | \$ 32.15 |
| Shares authorized | Unlimited |
| Par value | None |
| | 110110 |
| (a) Investments, at cost — unaffiliated | \$ 16,453,955,554 |
| (b) Securities loaned, at value | \$ 122,704,071 |
| (c) Investments, at cost — affiliated | \$ 549,140,431 |
| | |

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iShares Preferred and Income Securities ETF

| | | LII |
|--|----|-------------------------|
| | | |
| INVESTMENT INCOME | _ | |
| Dividends — unaffiliated | \$ | 919,327,053 |
| Dividends — affiliated | | 8,041,315 |
| Interest — unaffiliated | | 257,978 |
| Securities lending income — affiliated — net. | | 2,436,889 |
| Foreign taxes withheld. | | (1,559,188) |
| Total investment income | _ | 928,504,047 |
| EXPENSES | | |
| Investment advisory | | 60,487,603 |
| Interest expense | | 92,361 |
| Total expenses. | | 60,579,964 |
| Net investment income | | 867,924,083 |
| REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) | | |
| Net realized gain (loss) from: | | (400 700 770) |
| Investments — unaffiliated Investments — affiliated | | (439,762,770) 64,799 |
| In-kind redemptions — unaffiliated ^(a) . | | * |
| III-xiilu ledeliipuolis — ulialiiliateu ? | _ | 24,045,050 |
| | _ | (415,652,921) |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on: | | |
| Investments — unaffiliated | | 846,542,765 |
| Investments — affiliated | _ | (72,418) |
| | | 846,470,347 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain | | 430,817,426 |
| NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS. | \$ | 1,298,741,509 |

⁽a) See Note 2 of the Notes to Financial Statements.

| | iSha | ne Securities ETF | | |
|--|------|--|----|--|
| | | Year Ended 03/31/24 | | Year Ended 03/31/23 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | | | |
| OPERATIONS Net investment income. Net realized loss. Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations. | \$ | 867,924,083 (415,652,921) 846,470,347 1,298,741,509 | \$ | 851,776,239 (249,407,839) (2,167,214,408) (1,564,846,008) |
| DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS ^(a) | | | | |
| Decrease in net assets resulting from distributions to shareholders | | (870,372,798) | | (887,370,473) |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS Net increase (decrease) in net assets derived from capital share transactions | | 1,433,710,878 | _ | (2,277,562,637) |
| NETASSETS Total increase (decrease) in net assets Beginning of year | _ | 1,862,079,589 12,981,968,865 | _ | (4,729,779,118) 17,711,747,983 |
| End of year | Ъ | 14,844,048,454 | 4 | 12,981,968,865 |

⁽a) Distributions for annual periods determined in accordance with U.S. federal income tax regulations.

Financial Highlights

(For a share outstanding throughout each period)

| | iShares Preferred and Income Securities ETF | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|------------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|-------|------------------------|
| | , | Year Ended 03/31/24 | , | Year Ended 03/31/23 | , | Year Ended 03/31/22 | , | Year Ended 03/31/21 | ` | Year Ended 03/31/20 |
| Net asset value, beginning of year | \$ | 31.18 | \$ | 36.39 | \$ | 38.27 | \$ | 31.50 | \$ | 36.47 |
| Net investment income ^(a) Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) ^(b) | | 2.02 0.99 | | 1.90 (5.13) | | 1.75 (1.94) | | 1.81 6.78 | | 1.93 (4.93) |
| Net increase (decrease) from investment operations | | 3.01 | | (3.23) | | (0.19) | | 8.59 | | (3.00) |
| Distributions from net investment income ^(c) | | (2.04) | | (1.98) | | (1.69) | | (1.82) | | (1.97) |
| Net asset value, end of year | \$ | 32.15 | \$ | 31.18 | \$ | 36.39 | \$ | 38.27 | \$ | 31.50 |
| Total Return ^(d) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Based on net asset value | | 10.14% | _ | (8.99)% | | (0.67)% | | 27.88% | | (8.90)% |
| Ratios to Average Net Assets ^(e) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total expenses | | 0.46% | _ | 0.46% | | 0.45% | | 0.46% | | 0.46% |
| Net investment income | | 6.58% | | 5.80% | _ | 4.56% | | 4.97% | | 5.25% |
| Supplemental Data | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net assets, end of year (000) | \$ 1 | 4,844,048 | \$ 1 | 2,981,969 | \$ 1 | 7,711,748 | \$ 1 | 8,364,340 | \$ 13 | 3,816,631 |
| Portfolio turnover rate ^(f) | | 21% | | 16% | | 21% | | 28% | | 46% |

⁽a) Based on average shares outstanding.

⁽b) The amounts reported for a share outstanding may not accord with the change in aggregate gains and losses in securities for the fiscal period due to the timing of capital share transactions in relation to the fluctuating market values of the Fund's underlying securities.

⁽c) Distributions for annual periods determined in accordance with U.S. federal income tax regulations.

 $^{^{(}d)}$ Where applicable, assumes the reinvestment of distributions.

⁽e) Excludes fees and expenses incurred indirectly as a result of investments in underlying funds.

⁽f) Portfolio turnover rate excludes in-kind transactions, if any.

Notes to Financial Statements

1. ORGANIZATION

iShares Trust (the "Trust") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as an open-end management investment company. The Trust is organized as a Delaware statutory trust and is authorized to have multiple series or portfolios.

These financial statements relate only to the following fund (the "Fund"):

| iOhama ETE | Diversification |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| iShares ETF | Classification |
| Preferred and Income Securities | Diversified |

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"), which may require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets from operations during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The Fund is considered an investment company under U.S. GAAP and follows the accounting and reporting guidance applicable to investment companies. Below is a summary of significant accounting policies:

Investment Transactions and Income Recognition: For financial reporting purposes, investment transactions are recorded on the dates the transactions are executed. Realized gains and losses on investment transactions are determined using the specific identification method. Dividend income and capital gain distributions, if any, are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Non-cash dividends, if any, are recorded on the ex-dividend date at fair value. Upon notification from issuers or as estimated by management, a portion of the dividend income received from a real estate investment trust may be redesignated as a reduction of cost of the related investment and/or realized gain. Interest income, including amortization and accretion of premiums and discounts on debt securities, is recognized daily on an accrual basis.

Foreign Taxes: The Fund may be subject to foreign taxes (a portion of which may be reclaimable) on income, stock dividends, capital gains on investments, or certain foreign currency transactions. All foreign taxes are recorded in accordance with the applicable foreign tax regulations and rates that exist in the foreign jurisdictions in which the Fund invests. These foreign taxes, if any, are paid by the Fund and are reflected in its Statement of Operations as follows: foreign taxes withheld at source are presented as a reduction of income, foreign taxes on securities lending income are presented as a reduction of securities lending income, foreign taxes on stock dividend are presented as "Other foreign taxes", and foreign taxes on capital gains from sales of investments and foreign taxes on foreign currency transactions are included in their respective net realized gain (loss) categories. Foreign taxes payable or deferred as of March 31, 2024, if any, are disclosed in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The Fund files withholding tax reclaims in certain jurisdictions to recover a portion of amounts previously withheld. The Fund may record a reclaim receivable based on collectability, which includes factors such as the jurisdiction's applicable laws, payment history and market convention. The Statement of Operations includes tax reclaims recorded as well as professional and other fees, if any, associated with recovery of foreign withholding taxes.

Bank Overdraft: The Fund had outstanding cash disbursements exceeding deposited cash amounts at the custodian during the reporting period. The Fund is obligated to repay the custodian for any overdraft, including any related costs or expenses, where applicable. For financial reporting purposes, overdraft fees, if any, are included in interest expense in the Statement of Operations.

In-kind Redemptions: For financial reporting purposes, in-kind redemptions are treated as sales of securities resulting in realized capital gains and losses to the Fund. Because such gains or losses are not taxable to the Fund and are not distributed to existing Fund shareholders, the gains or losses are reclassified from accumulated net realized gain (loss) to paid-in capital at the end of the Fund's tax year. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or net asset value ("NAV") per share.

Distributions: Dividends and distributions paid by the Fund are recorded on the ex-dividend dates. Distributions are determined on a tax basis and may differ from net investment income and net realized capital gains for financial reporting purposes. Dividend and distributions are paid in U.S. dollars and cannot be automatically reinvested in additional shares of the Fund.

Indemnifications: In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of representations that provide general indemnification. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown because it involves future potential claims against the Fund, which cannot be predicted with any certainty.

3. INVESTMENT VALUATION AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Investment Valuation Policies: The Fund's investments are valued at fair value (also referred to as "market value" within the financial statements) each day that the Fund's listing exchange is open and, for financial reporting purposes, as of the report date. U.S. GAAP defines fair value as the price a fund would receive to sell an asset or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Board of Trustees of the Trust (the "Board") of the Fund has approved the designation of BlackRock Fund Advisors ("BFA"), the Fund's investment adviser, as the valuation designee for the Fund. The Fund determines the fair values of its financial instruments using various independent dealers or pricing services under BFA's policies. If a security's market price is not readily available or does not otherwise accurately represent the fair value of the security, the security will be valued in accordance with BFA's policies and procedures as reflecting fair value. BFA has formed a committee (the "Valuation Committee") to develop pricing policies and procedures and to oversee the pricing function for all financial instruments, with assistance from other BlackRock pricing committees.

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Fair Value Inputs and Methodologies: The following methods and inputs are used to establish the fair value of the Fund's assets and liabilities:

- Equity investments traded on a recognized securities exchange are valued at that day's official closing price, as applicable, on the exchange where the stock is primarily traded. Equity investments traded on a recognized exchange for which there were no sales on that day are valued at the last traded price.
- Investments in open-end U.S. mutual funds (including money market funds) are valued at that day's published NAV.

If events (e.g., market volatility, company announcement or a natural disaster) occur that are expected to materially affect the value of such investment, or in the event that application of these methods of valuation results in a price for an investment that is deemed not to be representative of the market value of such investment, or if a price is not available, the investment will be valued by the Valuation Committee, in accordance with BFA's policies and procedures as reflecting fair value ("Fair Valued Investments"). The fair valuation approaches that may be used by the Valuation Committee include market approach, income approach and cost approach. Valuation techniques such as discounted cash flow, use of market comparables and matrix pricing are types of valuation approaches and are typically used in determining fair value. When determining the price for Fair Valued Investments, the Valuation Committee seeks to determine the price that the Fund might reasonably expect to receive or pay from the current sale or purchase of that asset or liability in an arm's-length transaction. Fair value determinations shall be based upon all available factors that the Valuation Committee deems relevant and consistent with the principles of fair value measurement.

Fair value pricing could result in a difference between the prices used to calculate a fund's NAV and the prices used by the fund's underlying index, which in turn could result in a difference between the fund's performance and the performance of the fund's underlying index.

Fair Value Hierarchy: Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of financial instruments. These inputs to valuation techniques are categorized into a fair value hierarchy consisting of three broad levels for financial reporting purposes as follows:

- Level 1 Unadjusted price quotations in active markets/exchanges for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access;
- Level 2 Other observable inputs (including, but not limited to, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in markets that are active, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the assets or liabilities (such as interest rates, yield curves, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks and default rates) or other market-corroborated inputs); and
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs based on the best information available in the circumstances, to the extent observable inputs are not available (including the Global Valuation Committee's assumptions used in determining the fair value of financial instruments).

The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3. The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the fair value hierarchy classification is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. Investments classified within Level 3 have significant unobservable inputs used by the Global Valuation Committee in determining the price for Fair Valued Investments. Level 3 investments include equity or debt issued by privately held companies or funds that may not have a secondary market and/or may have a limited number of investors. The categorization of a value determined for financial instruments is based on the pricing transparency of the financial instruments and is not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities.

4. SECURITIES AND OTHER INVESTMENTS

Securities Lending: The Fund may lend its securities to approved borrowers, such as brokers, dealers and other financial institutions. The borrower pledges and maintains with the Fund collateral consisting of cash, an irrevocable letter of credit issued by an approved bank, or securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government. The initial collateral received by the Fund is required to have a value of at least 102% of the current market value of the loaned securities for securities traded on U.S. exchanges and a value of at least 105% for all other securities. The collateral is maintained thereafter at a value equal to at least 100% of the current value of the securities on loan. The market value of the loaned securities is determined at the close of each business day of the Fund and any additional required collateral is delivered to the Fund or excess collateral is returned by the Fund, on the next business day. During the term of the loan, the Fund is entitled to all distributions made on or in respect of the loaned securities but does not receive interest income on securities received as collateral. Loans of securities are terminable at any time and the borrower, after notice, is required to return borrowed securities within the standard time period for settlement of securities transactions.

As of period end, any securities on loan were collateralized by cash and/or U.S. Government obligations. Cash collateral invested in money market funds managed by BFA, or its affiliates is disclosed in the Schedule of Investments. Any non-cash collateral received cannot be sold, re-invested or pledged by the Fund, except in the event of borrower default. The securities on loan, if any, are also disclosed in the Fund's Schedule of Investments. The market value of any securities on loan and the value of any related cash collateral are disclosed in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Securities lending transactions are entered into by the Fund under Master Securities Lending Agreements (each, an "MSLA") which provide the right, in the event of default (including bankruptcy or insolvency) for the non-defaulting party to liquidate the collateral and calculate a net exposure to the defaulting party or request additional collateral. In the event that a borrower defaults, the Fund, as lender, would offset the market value of the collateral received against the market value of the securities loaned. When the value of the collateral is greater than that of the market value of the securities loaned, the lender is left with a net amount payable to the defaulting party. However, bankruptcy or insolvency laws of particular jurisdiction may impose restrictions on or prohibitions against such a right of offset in the event of an MSLA counterparty's bankruptcy or insolvency. Under the MSLA, absent an event of default, the borrower can resell or re-pledge the loaned securities, and the Fund can reinvest cash collateral received in connection with loaned securities. Upon an event of default, the parties' obligations to return the securities or collateral to the other party are extinguished, and the parties can resell or re-pledge the loaned securities or the collateral received in connection with the loaned securities in order to satisfy the defaulting party's net payment obligation for all transactions under the MSLA. The defaulting party remains liable for any deficiency.

As of period end, the following table is a summary of the securities on loan by counterparty which are subject to offset under an MSLA:

| | | | | | | Non-Cash | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|------------|------|--------------------------------|-------|------------------------------|------|----------------------|
| | | Securities | | Cash | Colla | ateral Received, | | Net |
| iShares ETF and Counterparty | Loaned | d at Value | Coll | ateral Received ^(a) | | at Fair Value ^(a) | Am | nount ^(b) |
| Barclays Capital, Inc. | \$ | 693,861 | \$ | (693,861) | \$ | _ | \$ | _ |
| BMO Capital Markets Corp | | 1,129 | | (1,129) | | _ | | _ |
| BNP Paribas SA | | 12,216 | | (12,216) | | _ | | _ |
| BofA Securities, Inc. | 6 | 5,561,607 | | (6,561,607) | | _ | | _ |
| Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC | 26 | 3,874,067 | | (26,874,067) | | _ | | _ |
| J.P. Morgan Securities LLC | 78 | 3,495,163 | | (78,495,163) | | _ | | _ |
| Morgan Stanley | 4 | 1,453,749 | | (4,453,749) | | _ | | _ |
| National Financial Services LLC | 4 | 1,234,270 | | (4,234,270) | | _ | | _ |
| RBC Capital Market LLC | | 557,541 | | (551,100) | | _ | 6 | ,441 |
| Toronto-Dominion Bank | | 40,719 | | (40,719) | | _ | | _ |
| UBS AG | | 396,448 | | (396,448) | | _ | | _ |
| UBS Securities LLC | | 347,126 | | (347,126) | | _ | | _ |
| Virtu Americas LLC | | 31,680 | | (31,680) | | _ | | _ |
| Wells Fargo Securities LLC | | 4,495 | | (4,495) | | | | |
| | \$ 122 | 2,704,071 | \$ | (122,697,630) | \$ | _ | \$ 6 | ,441 |

⁽a) Collateral received, if any, in excess of the market value of securities on loan is not presented in this table. The total cash collateral received by the Fund is disclosed in the Fund's Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The risks of securities lending include the risk that the borrower may not provide additional collateral when required or may not return the securities when due. To mitigate these risks, the Fund benefits from a borrower default indemnity provided by BlackRock, Inc. ("BlackRock"). BlackRock's indemnity allows for full replacement of the securities loaned to the extent the collateral received does not cover the value of the securities loaned in the event of borrower default. The Fund could incur a loss if the value of an investment purchased with cash collateral falls below the market value of the loaned securities or if the value of an investment purchased with cash collateral falls below the value of the original cash collateral received. Such losses are borne entirely by the Fund.

5. INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

Investment Advisory Fees: Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement with the Trust, BFA manages the investment of the Fund's assets. BFA is a California corporation indirectly owned by BlackRock. Under the Investment Advisory Agreement, BFA is responsible for substantially all expenses of the Fund, except (i) interest and taxes; (ii) brokerage commissions and other expenses connected with the execution of portfolio transactions; (iii) distribution fees; (iv) the advisory fee payable to BFA; and (v) litigation expenses and any extraordinary expenses (in each case as determined by a majority of the independent trustees).

For its investment advisory services to the Fund, BFA is entitled to an annual investment advisory fee, accrued daily and paid monthly by the Fund, based on the Fund's allocable portion of the aggregate of the average daily net assets of the Fund and certain other iShares funds, as follows:

| Aggregate Average Daily Net Assets | Investment Advisory Fees |
|---|--------------------------|
| First \$46 billion | 0.4800% |
| Over \$46 billion, up to and including \$81 billion | 0.4560 |
| Over \$81 billion, up to and including \$111 billion | 0.4332 |
| Over \$111 billion, up to and including \$141 billion | 0.4116 |
| Over \$141 billion, up to and including \$171 billion | 0.3910 |
| Over \$171 billion | 0.3714 |

Distributor: BlackRock Investments, LLC ("BRIL"), an affiliate of BFA, is the distributor for the Fund. Pursuant to the distribution agreement, BFA is responsible for any fees or expenses for distribution services provided to the Fund.

ETF Servicing Fees: The Fund has entered into an ETF Services Agreement with BRIL to perform certain order processing, Authorized Participant communications, and related services in connection with the issuance and redemption of Creation Units ("ETF Services"). BRIL is entitled to a transaction fee from Authorized Participants on each creation or redemption order for the ETF Services provided. The Fund does not pay BRIL for ETF Services.

Securities Lending: The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") has issued an exemptive order which permits BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, N.A. ("BTC"), an affiliate of BFA, to serve as securities lending agent for the Fund, subject to applicable conditions. As securities lending agent, BTC bears all operational costs directly related to securities lending, including any custodial costs. The Fund is responsible for fees in connection with the investment of cash collateral received for securities on loan (the "collateral investment fees"). The cash collateral is invested in a money market fund, BlackRock Cash Funds: Institutional or BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury, managed by BFA, or its affiliates. However, BTC has agreed to reduce the amount of securities lending income it receives in order to effectively limit the collateral investment fees the Fund bears to an annual rate of 0.04%. The SL Agency Shares of such money market fund will not be subject to a sales load, redemption fee,

⁽b) The market value of the loaned securities is determined as of March 31, 2024. Additional collateral is delivered to the Fund on the next business day in accordance with the MSLA. The net amount would be subject to the borrower default indemnity in the event of default by the counterparty.

distribution fee or service fee. The money market fund in which the cash collateral has been invested may, under certain circumstances, impose a liquidity fee of up to 2% of the value redeemed or temporarily restrict redemptions for up to 10 business days during a 90 day period, in the event that the money market fund's weekly liquid assets fall below certain thresholds.

Securities lending income is generally equal to the total of income earned from the reinvestment of cash collateral (and excludes collateral investment fees), and any fees or other payments to and from borrowers of securities. Each Fund retains a portion of the securities lending income and remits the remaining portion to BTC as compensation for its services as securities lending agent.

Pursuant to the current securities lending agreement, the Fund retains 81% of securities lending income (which excludes collateral investment fees) and the amount retained can never be less than 70% of the total of securities lending income plus the collateral investment fees.

In addition, commencing the business day following the date that the aggregate securities lending income plus the collateral investment fees generated across all 1940 Act iShares exchange-traded fund (the "iShares ETF Complex") in a given calendar year exceeds a specified threshold, the Fund, pursuant to the securities lending agreement, will retain for the remainder of that calendar year 81% of securities lending income (which excludes collateral investment fees), and the amount retained can never be less than 70% of the total of securities lending income plus the collateral investment fees.

The share of securities lending income earned by the Fund is shown as securities lending income - affiliated - net in its Statement of Operations. For the year ended March 31, 2024, the Fund paid BTC \$595,466 for securities lending agent services.

Officers and Trustees: Certain officers and/or trustees of the Trust are officers and/or trustees of BlackRock or its affiliates.

Other Transactions: The Fund may invest its positive cash balances in certain money market funds managed by BFA or an affiliate. The income earned on these temporary cash investments is shown as dividends - affiliated in the Statement of Operations.

A fund, in order to improve its portfolio liquidity and its ability to track its underlying index, may invest in shares of other iShares funds that invest in securities in the fund's underlying index.

6. PURCHASES AND SALES

For the year ended March 31, 2024, purchases and sales of investments, excluding short-term securities and in-kind transactions, were as follows:

| iShares ETF | Purchases | Sales |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Preferred and Income Securities | \$ 2,898,742,015 | \$ 2,830,224,405 |
| For the year ended March 31, 2024, in-kind transactions were as follows: | | |
| | In-kind | In-kind |
| iShares ETF | Purchases | Sales |
| Preferred and Income Securities | \$ 2,226,392,078 | \$ 876,508,675 |

7. INCOME TAX INFORMATION

The Fund is treated as an entity separate from the Trust's other funds for federal income tax purposes. It is the Fund's policy to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, applicable to regulated investment companies, and to distribute all of its taxable income to its shareholders. Therefore, no U.S. federal income tax provision is required.

Management has analyzed tax laws and regulations and their application to the Fund as of March 31, 2024, inclusive of the open tax return years, and does not believe that there are any uncertain tax positions that require recognition of a tax liability in the Fund's financial statements.

U.S. GAAP requires that certain components of net assets be adjusted to reflect permanent differences between financial and tax reporting. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or NAV per share. As of March 31, 2024, permanent differences attributable to realized gains (losses) from in-kind redemptions were reclassified to the following accounts:

| iShares ETF | Paid-in capital | Accun | nulated earnings (loss) |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------------|
| Preferred and Income Securities. | \$ 24,279,864 | \$ | (24,279,864) |

The tax character of distributions paid was as follows:

| iShares ETF | Year Ended March 31, 2024 | Year Ended March 31, 2023 |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Preferred and Income Securities | | |
| Ordinary income | \$ 870,372,798 | \$ 887,370,473 |

As of March 31, 2024, the tax components of accumulated earnings (loss) were as follows:

| | | Non-expiring | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Undistributed | Capital Loss | Net Unrealized | |
| iShares ETF | Ordinary Income | Carryforwards ^(a) | Gains (Losses) ^(b) | Total |
| Preferred and Income Securities | \$ 63,651,201 | \$ (2,365,117,422) | \$ (1,844,225,332) | \$ (4,145,691,553) |

⁽a) Amounts available to offset future realized capital gains.

A fund may own shares in certain foreign investment entities, referred to, under U.S. tax law, as "passive foreign investment companies." Such fund may elect to mark-to-market annually the shares of each passive foreign investment company and would be required to distribute to shareholders any such marked-to-market gains.

As of March 31, 2024, gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation based on cost of investments (including short positions and derivatives, if any) for U.S. federal income tax purposes were as follows:

| | | | | Net Unrealized |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | | Gross Unrealized | Gross Unrealized | Appreciation |
| iShares ETF | Tax Cost | Appreciation | Depreciation | (Depreciation) |
| Preferred and Income Securities | \$ 17,062,626,040 | \$ 99,655,637 | \$ (1,943,880,969) | \$ (1,844,225,332) |

8. PRINCIPAL RISKS

In the normal course of business, the Fund invests in securities or other instruments and may enter into certain transactions, and such activities subject the Fund to various risks, including, among others, fluctuations in the market (market risk) or failure of an issuer to meet all of its obligations. The value of securities or other instruments may also be affected by various factors, including, without limitation: (i) the general economy; (ii) the overall market as well as local, regional or global political and/or social instability; (iii) regulation, taxation or international tax treaties between various countries; or (iv) currency, interest rate or price fluctuations. Local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the Fund and its investments. The Fund's prospectus provides details of the risks to which the Fund is subject.

BFA uses an indexing approach to try to achieve the Fund's investment objective. The Fund is not actively managed, and BFA generally does not attempt to take defensive positions under any market conditions, including declining markets.

The Fund may be exposed to additional risks when reinvesting cash collateral in money market funds that do not seek to maintain a stable NAV per share of \$1.00, which may be subject to redemption gates or liquidity fees under certain circumstances.

Valuation Risk: The market values of equities, such as common stocks and preferred securities or equity related investments, such as futures and options, may decline due to general market conditions which are not specifically related to a particular company. They may also decline due to factors which affect a particular industry or industries. A fund may invest in illiquid investments. An illiquid investment is any investment that a fund reasonably expects cannot be sold or disposed of in current market conditions in seven calendar days or less without the sale or disposition significantly changing the market value of the investment. A fund may experience difficulty in selling illiquid investments in a timely manner at the price that it believes the investments are worth. Prices may fluctuate widely over short or extended periods in response to company, market or economic news. Markets also tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising and falling prices. This volatility may cause a fund's NAV to experience significant increases or decreases over short periods of time. If there is a general decline in the securities and other markets, the NAV of a fund may lose value, regardless of the individual results of the securities and other instruments in which a fund invests.

Counterparty Credit Risk: The Fund may be exposed to counterparty credit risk, or the risk that an entity may fail to or be unable to perform on its commitments related to unsettled or open transactions, including making timely interest and/or principal payments or otherwise honoring its obligations. The Fund manage counterparty credit risk by entering into transactions only with counterparties that the Manager believes have the financial resources to honor their obligations and by monitoring the financial stability of those counterparties. Financial assets, which potentially expose the Fund to market, issuer and counterparty credit risks, consist principally of financial instruments and receivables due from counterparties. The extent of the Fund's exposure to market, issuer and counterparty credit risks with respect to these financial assets is approximately their value recorded in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, less any collateral held by the Fund.

Geographic/Asset Class Risk: A diversified portfolio, where this is appropriate and consistent with a fund's objectives, minimizes the risk that a price change of a particular investment will have a material impact on the NAV of a fund. The investment concentrations within the Fund's portfolio are disclosed in its Schedule of Investments.

The Fund invests a significant portion of its assets in securities of issuers located in the United States. A decrease in imports or exports, changes in trade regulations, inflation and/or an economic recession in the United States may have a material adverse effect on the U.S. economy and the securities listed on U.S. exchanges. Proposed and adopted policy and legislative changes in the United States may also have a significant effect on U.S. markets generally, as well as on the value of certain securities. Governmental agencies project that the United States will continue to maintain elevated public debt levels for the foreseeable future which may constrain future economic growth. Circumstances could arise that could prevent the timely payment of interest or principal on U.S. government debt, such as reaching the legislative "debt ceiling." Such non-payment would result in substantial negative consequences for the U.S. economy and the global financial system. If U.S. relations with certain countries deteriorate, it

⁽b) The difference between book-basis and tax-basis net unrealized gains (losses) was attributable primarily to the tax deferral of losses on wash sales, timing and recognition of partnership income, the realization for tax purposes of unrealized gains on investments in passive foreign investment companies, the timing and recognition of realized gains / losses for tax purposes, dividends deemed recognized for tax purposes and the classification of investments.

could adversely affect issuers that rely on the United States for trade. The United States has also experienced increased internal unrest and discord. If these trends were to continue, they may have an adverse impact on the U.S. economy and the issuers in which the Fund invest..

The Fund invests a significant portion of its assets in securities within a single or limited number of market sectors. When a Fund concentrates its investments in this manner, it assumes the risk that economic, regulatory, political and social conditions affecting such sectors may have a significant impact on the fund and could affect the income from, or the value or liquidity of, the fund's portfolio. Investment percentages in specific sectors are presented in the Schedule of Investments.

Significant Shareholder Redemption Risk: Certain shareholders may own or manage a substantial amount of fund shares and/or hold their fund investments for a limited period of time. Large redemptions of fund shares by these shareholders may force a fund to sell portfolio securities, which may negatively impact the fund's NAV, increase the fund's brokerage costs, and/or accelerate the realization of taxable income/gains and cause the fund to make additional taxable distributions to shareholders.

LIBOR Transition Risk: The Fund may be exposed to financial instruments that recently transitioned from, or continue to be tied to the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") to determine payment obligations, financing terms, hedging strategies or investment value. The United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority, which regulates LIBOR, has ceased publishing all LIBOR settings, but some USD LIBOR settings will continue to be published under a synthetic methodology until September 30, 2024 for certain legacy contracts. The Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") has been used increasingly on a voluntary basis in new instruments and transactions. Under U.S. regulations that implement a statutory fallback mechanism to replace LIBOR, benchmark rates based on SOFR have replaced LIBOR in certain financial contracts. The ultimate effect of the LIBOR transition process on the Fund is uncertain.

9. CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS

Capital shares are issued and redeemed by the Fund only in aggregations of a specified number of shares or multiples thereof ("Creation Units") at NAV. Except when aggregated in Creation Units, shares of the Fund are not redeemable.

Transactions in capital shares were as follows:

| | | ar Ended 3/31/24 | Year Ended 03/31/23 | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--|
| iShares ETF | Shares | Amount | Shares | Amount | |
| Preferred and Income Securities | | | | | |
| Shares sold | 75,050,000 | \$ 2,326,504,374 | 19,150,000 | \$ 629,044,759 | |
| Shares redeemed | (29,600,000) | (892,793,496) | (89,600,000) | (2,906,607,396) | |
| | 45,450,000 | \$ 1,433,710,878 | (70,450,000) | \$ (2,277,562,637) | |

The consideration of the purchase of Creation Units of a fund in the Trust generally consists of the in-kind deposit of a designated portfolio of securities and a specified amount of cash. Certain funds in the Trust may be offered in Creation Units solely or partially for cash in U.S. dollars. Investors purchasing and redeeming Creation Units may pay a purchase transaction fee and a redemption transaction fee directly to BRIL, to offset transfer and other transaction costs associated with the issuance and redemption of Creation Units, including Creation Units for cash. Investors transacting in Creation Units for cash may also pay an additional variable charge to compensate the relevant fund for certain transaction costs (i.e., stamp taxes, taxes on currency or other financial transactions, and brokerage costs) and market impact expenses relating to investing in portfolio securities. Such variable charges, if any, are included in shared sold in the table above.

From time to time, settlement of securities related to in-kind contributions or in-kind redemptions may be delayed. In such cases, securities related to in-kind transactions are reflected as a receivable or a payable in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

10. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated the impact of all subsequent events on the Fund through the date the financial statements were available to be issued and has determined that there were no subsequent events requiring adjustment or additional disclosure in the financial statements.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Trustees of iShares Preferred and Income Securities ETF

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the schedule of investments, of iShares Preferred and Income Securities ETF (one of the funds constituting iShares Trust, referred to hereafter as the "Fund") as of March 31, 2024, the related statement of operations for the year ended March 31, 2024, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period ended March 31, 2024, including the related notes, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended March 31, 2024 (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of March 31, 2024, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period ended March 31, 2024 and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended March 31, 2024 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of March 31, 2024 by correspondence with the custodian, transfer agent and brokers; when replies were not received from brokers, we performed other auditing procedures. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Philadelphia, Pennsylvania May 23, 2024

We have served as the auditor of one or more BlackRock investment companies since 2000.

Important Tax Information (unaudited)

The following amount, or maximum amount allowable by law, is hereby designated as qualified dividend income for individuals for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024:

| | Qu | alified Dividend |
|---------------------------------|----|------------------|
| iShares ETF | | Income |
| Preferred and Income Securities | \$ | 526,306,319 |

The following amount, or maximum amount allowable by law, is hereby designated as qualified business income for individuals for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024:

| | Qua | lified Business |
|----------------------------------|-----|-----------------|
| iShares ETF | | Income |
| Preferred and Income Securities. | \$ | 76,716,892 |

The following percentage, or maximum percentage allowable by law, of ordinary income distributions paid during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024 qualified for the dividends-received deduction for corporate shareholders:

| | Dividends-Received |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| iShares ETF | Deduction |
| Preferred and Income Securities | 58.22% |

The Fund hereby designates the following amount, or maximum amount allowable by law, as interest income eligible to be treated as a Section 163(j) interest dividend for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024:

| Fund Name | Inte | erest Dividends |
|---------------------------------|------|-----------------|
| Preferred and Income Securities | \$ | 214,168,351 |

The Fund hereby designates the following amount, or maximum amount allowable by law, as interest-related dividends eligible for exemption from U.S. withholding tax for nonresident aliens and foreign corporations for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024:

| | Interest-Related |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Fund Name | Dividends |
| Preferred and Income Securities | \$ 200.030.542 |

Statement Regarding Liquidity Risk Management Program (unaudited)

In compliance with Rule 22e-4 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Liquidity Rule"), iShares Trust (the "Trust") has adopted and implemented a liquidity risk management program (the "Program") for iShares Preferred and Income Securities ETF (the "Fund" or "ETF"), a series of the Trust, which is reasonably designed to assess and manage the Fund's liquidity risk.

The Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Trust, on behalf of the Funds, met on December 9, 2023 (the "Meeting") to review the Program. The Board previously appointed BlackRock Fund Advisors ("BlackRock"), the investment adviser to the Funds, as the program administrator for the Fund's Program. BlackRock also previously delegated oversight of the Program to the 40 Act Liquidity Risk Management Committee (the "Committee"). At the Meeting, the Committee, on behalf of BlackRock, provided the Board with a report that addressed the operation of the Program and assessed its adequacy and effectiveness of implementation, including the management of the Fund's Highly Liquid Investment Minimum ("HLIM") where applicable, and any material changes to the Program (the "Report"). The Report covered the period from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 (the "Program Reporting Period").

The Report described the Program's liquidity classification methodology for categorizing the Fund's investments (including derivative transactions) into one of four liquidity buckets. It also referenced the methodology used by BlackRock to establish the Fund's HLIM and noted that the Committee reviews and ratifies the HLIM assigned to the Fund no less frequently than annually. The Report also discussed notable events affecting liquidity over the Program Reporting Period, including extended market holidays, delays in the repatriation of the local currency in certain non-U.S. countries, the continued illiquidity of Russian equity securities and the suspension of select sanctions in Venezuela.

The Report noted that the Program complied with the key factors for consideration under the Liquidity Rule for assessing, managing and periodically reviewing the Fund's liquidity risk, as follows:

- a) The Fund's investment strategy and liquidity of portfolio investments during both normal and reasonably foreseeable stressed conditions. During the Program Reporting Period, the Committee reviewed whether [each/the] Fund's strategy is appropriate for an open-end fund structure, with a focus on funds with more significant and consistent holdings of less liquid and illiquid assets. The Committee also factored a fund's concentration in an issuer into the liquidity classification methodology by taking issuer position sizes into account. Derivative exposure was also considered in the calculation of a fund's liquidity bucketing. Finally, a factor for consideration under the Liquidity Rule is a Fund's use of borrowings for investment purposes. However, the Funds do not borrow for investment purposes.
- b) Short-term and long-term cash flow projections during both normal and reasonably foreseeable stressed conditions. During the Program Reporting Period, the Committee reviewed historical redemption activity and used this information as a component to establish each ETF's reasonably anticipated trading size utilized for liquidity classifications. The Committee may also take into consideration a fund's shareholder ownership concentration (which, depending on product type and distribution channel, may or may not be available), a fund's distribution channels, and the degree of certainty associated with a fund's short-term and long-term cash flow projections.
- c) Holdings of cash and cash equivalents, as well as borrowing arrangements. The Committee considered that ETFs generally do not hold more than de minimis amounts of cash. The Committee also considered that ETFs generally do not engage in borrowing.
- d) The relationship between an ETF's portfolio liquidity and the way in which, and the prices and spreads at which, ETF shares trade, including the efficiency of the arbitrage function and the level of active participation by market participants, including authorized participants. The Committee monitored the prevailing bid/ask spread and the ETF price premium (or discount) to NAV for all ETFs. However, there were no ETFs with persistent deviations of fund premium/discount or bid/ask spreads from long-term averages over the Program Reporting Period.
- e) The effect of the composition of baskets on the overall liquidity of an ETF's portfolio. In reviewing the linkage between the composition of custom baskets accepted by an ETF and any significant change in the liquidity profile of such ETF, the Committee reviewed changes in the proportion of each ETF's portfolio comprised of less liquid and illiquid holdings to determine if applicable thresholds were met requiring enhanced review. There were no ETFs for which the custom baskets accepted by the ETF had a significant change in its liquidity profile.

There were no material changes to the Program during the Program Reporting Period other than the enhancement of certain model components in the Program's classification methodology. The Report provided to the Board stated that the Committee concluded that based on the operation of the functions, as described in the Report, the Program is operating as intended and is effective in implementing the requirements of the Liquidity Rule.

Supplemental Information (unaudited)

Section 19(a) Notices

The amounts and sources of distributions reported are estimates and are being provided pursuant to regulatory requirements and are not being provided for tax reporting purposes. The actual amounts and sources for tax reporting purposes will depend upon the Fund's investment experience during the year and may be subject to changes based on tax regulations. Shareholders will receive a Form 1099-DIV each calendar year that will inform them how to report these distributions for federal income tax purposes.

March 31, 2024

| | Total Cumulative Distributions for the Fiscal Year-to-Date | | | | Breakdown of the To | | | | |
|--|--|---------|---------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Net Investment | Net R | ealized | Return of | Total Per | Net Investment | Net Realized | Return of | Total Per |
| iShares ETF | Income | Capital | l Gains | Capital | Share | Income | Capital Gains | Capital | Share |
| Preferred and Income Securities ^(a) | \$ 1.944422 | \$ | _ | \$ 0.094400 | \$ 2.038822 | 95% | -% | 5% | 100% |

⁽a) The Fund estimates that it has distributed more than its net investment income and net realized capital gains; therefore, a portion of the distribution may be a return of capital. A return of capital may occur, for example, when some or all of the shareholder's investment in the Fund is returned to the shareholder. A return of capital does not necessarily reflect the Fund's investment performance and should not be confused with "yield" or "income". When distributions exceed total return performance, the difference will incrementally reduce the Fund's net asset value per share.

Tailored Shareholder Reports for Open-End Mutual Funds and ETFs

Effective January 24, 2023, the SEC adopted rule and form amendments to require open-end mutual funds and ETFs to transmit concise and visually engaging streamlined annual and semiannual reports to shareholders that highlight key information. Other information, including financial statements, will no longer appear in a streamlined shareholder report but must be available online, delivered free of charge upon request, and filed on a semiannual basis on Form N-CSR. The rule and form amendments have a compliance date of July 24, 2024. At this time, management is evaluating the impact of these amendments on the shareholder reports for the Funds.

Premium/Discount Information

Information on the Fund's net asset value, market price, premiums and discounts, and bid-ask spreads can be found at iShares.com.

Regulation under the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive

The Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive, and its United Kingdom ("UK") equivalent, ("AIFMD") impose detailed and prescriptive obligations on fund managers established in the European Union (the "EU") and the UK. These do not currently apply to managers established outside of the EU or UK, such as BFA (the "Company"). However, the Company is only required to comply with certain disclosure, reporting and transparency obligations of AIFMD because it has registered the Fund to be marketed to investors in the EU and/or UK.

Report on Remuneration

BlackRock has a clear and well-defined pay-for-performance philosophy, and compensation programs which support that philosophy.

BlackRock operates a total compensation model for remuneration which includes a base salary, which is contractual, and a discretionary bonus scheme. Although all employees are eligible to receive a discretionary bonus, there is no contractual obligation to make a discretionary bonus award to any employees. For senior management and staff who have the ability to materially affect the risk profile of the Fund, a significant percentage of variable remuneration is deferred over time. All employees are subject to a clawback policy.

Remuneration decisions for employees are made once annually in January following the end of the performance year, based on BlackRock's full-year financial results and other non-financial goals and objectives. Alongside financial performance, individual total compensation is also based on strategic and operating results and other considerations such as management and leadership capabilities. No set formulas are established and no fixed benchmarks are used in determining annual incentive awards.

Annual incentive awards are paid from a bonus pool which is reviewed throughout the year by BlackRock's independent compensation committee, taking into account both actual and projected financial information together with information provided by the Enterprise Risk and Regulatory Compliance departments in relation to any activities, incidents or events that warrant consideration in making compensation decisions. Individuals are not involved in setting their own remuneration.

Each of the control functions (Enterprise Risk, Legal & Compliance, Finance, Human Resources and Internal Audit) each have their own organizational structures which are independent of the business units and therefore staff members in control functions are remunerated independently of the businesses they oversee. Functional bonus pools for those control functions are determined with reference to the performance of each individual function and the remuneration of the senior members of control functions is directly overseen by BlackRock's independent remuneration committee.

The Company is required under the AIFMD to make quantitative disclosures of remuneration. These disclosures are made in line with BlackRock's interpretation of currently available regulatory guidance on quantitative remuneration disclosures. As market or regulatory practice develops BlackRock may consider it appropriate to make changes to the way in which quantitative remuneration disclosures are calculated. Where such changes are made, this may result in disclosures in relation to a fund not being comparable

Supplemental Information (unaudited) (continued)

to the disclosures made in the prior year, or in relation to other BlackRock fund disclosures in that same year. BlackRock bases its proportionality approach on a combination of factors that it is entitled to take into account based on relevant guidelines.

Remuneration information at an individual AIF level is not readily available. Disclosures are provided in relation to (a) the staff of the Company; (b) staff who are senior management; (c) staff who have the ability to materially affect the risk profile of the Fund; and (d) staff of companies to which portfolio management and risk management has been formally delegated.

All individuals included in the aggregated figures disclosed are rewarded in line with BlackRock's remuneration policy for their responsibilities across the relevant BlackRock business area. As all individuals have a number of areas of responsibilities, only the portion of remuneration for those individuals' services attributable to the Fund is included in the aggregate figures disclosed.

Members of staff and senior management of the Company typically provide both AIFMD and non-AIFMD related services in respect of multiple funds, clients and functions of the Company and across the broader BlackRock group. Conversely, members of staff and senior management of the broader BlackRock group may provide both AIFMD and non-AIFMD related services in respect of multiple funds, clients and functions of the broader BlackRock group and of the Company. Therefore, the figures disclosed are a sum of individuals' portion of remuneration attributable to the Company according to an objective apportionment methodology which acknowledges the multiple-service nature of the Company and the broader BlackRock group. Accordingly, the figures are not representative of any individual's actual remuneration or their remuneration structure.

The amount of the total remuneration awarded to the Company's staff in respect of the Company's financial year ending December 31, 2023 was USD 5.43m. This figure is comprised of fixed remuneration of USD 0.74m and variable remuneration of USD 4.68m. There was a total of 8 beneficiaries of the remuneration described above.

The amount of the aggregate remuneration awarded by the Company in respect of the Company's financial year ending December 31, 2023, to its senior management was USD 3.66m, and to other members of its staff whose actions potentially have a material impact on the risk profile of the Company or its funds was USD 1.77m.

Disclosures Under the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation

The Fund is registered under the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive to be marketed to European Union ("EU") investors, as noted above. As a result, certain disclosures are required under the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation ("SFDR").

The Fund has not been categorized under the SFDR as an "Article 8" or "Article 9" product. In addition, the Fund's investment strategy does not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU sustainable investment taxonomy regulation or principal adverse impacts ("PAIs") on sustainability factors under the SFDR. PAIs are identified under the SFDR as the material impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, and anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.

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Trustee and Officer Information (unaudited)

The Board of Trustees has responsibility for the overall management and operations of the Funds, including general supervision of the duties performed by BFA and other service providers. Each Trustee serves until he or she resigns, is removed, dies, retires or becomes incapacitated. Each officer shall hold office until his or her successor is elected and qualifies or until his or her death, resignation or removal. Trustees who are not "interested persons" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust are referred to as independent trustees ("Independent Trustees").

The registered investment companies advised by BFA or its affiliates (the "BlackRock-advised Funds") are organized into one complex of open-end equity, multi-asset, index and money market funds and ETFs (the "BlackRock Multi-Asset Complex"), one complex of closed-end funds and open-end non-index fixed-income funds (including ETFs) (the "BlackRock Fixed-Income Complex") and one complex of ETFs ("Exchange-Traded Fund Complex") (each, a "BlackRock Fund Complex"). Each Fund is included in the Exchange-Traded Fund Complex. Each Trustee also serves as a Director of iShares, Inc. and a Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust and, as a result, oversees all of the funds within the Exchange-Traded Fund Complex, which consists of 404 funds as of March 31, 2024. With the exception of Stephen Cohen, Robert S. Kapito and Aaron Wasserman, the address of each Trustee and officer is c/o BlackRock, Inc., 400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. The address of Mr. Kapito and Mr. Wasserman is c/o BlackRock, Inc., 50 Hudson Yards, New York, NY 10001. The address of Mr. Cohen is c/o BlackRock, Inc., Drapers Gardens, 12 Throgmorton Avenue, London EC2N 2DL United Kingdom. The Board has designated John E. Kerrigan as its Independent Board Chair. Additional information about the Funds' Trustees and officers may be found in the Funds' combined Statement of Additional Information, which is available without charge, upon request, by calling toll-free 1-800-iShares (1-800-474-2737).

Interested Trustees

| Name (Year of Birth) | Position(s) | Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years | Other Directorships Held by Trustee | |
|--|-----------------------|---|---|--|
| Kapito ^(a) (1957) Head of BlackRock's BlackRock, Inc.'s pennsylvania (since | | President of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2006); Vice Chairman of BlackRock, Inc. and Head of BlackRock's Portfolio Management Group (since its formation in 1998) and BlackRock, Inc.'s predecessor entities (since 1988); Trustee, University of Pennsylvania (since 2009); President of Board of Directors, Hope & Heroes Children's Cancer Fund (since 2002). | iShares, Inc. (since 2009); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2011). | |
| Stephen Cohen ^(b) (1975) | Trustee (since 2024). | Senior Managing Director, Head of Global Product Solutions of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2024); Senior Managing Director, Head of Europe, Middle East and Africa Regions of BlackRock, Inc. (2021-2024); Head of iShares Index and Wealth in EMEA of BlackRock, Inc. (2017-2021); Global Head of Fixed Income Indexing of BlackRock, Inc. (2016-2017); Chief Investment Strategist for International Fixed Income and iShares of BlackRock, Inc. (2011-2015). | Director of iShares, Inc. (since 2024); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2024). | |

⁽a) Robert S. Kapito is deemed to be an "interested person" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust due to his affiliations with BlackRock, Inc. and its affiliates.

Independent Trustees

| Name (Year of Birth) | Position(s) | Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years | Other Directorships Held by Trustee |
|------------------------------|--|---|---|
| John E. Kerrigan (1955) | Trustee (since 2005); Independent Board Chair (since 2022). | Chief Investment Officer, Santa Clara University (since 2002). | Director of iShares, Inc. (since 2005); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2011); Independent Board Chair of iShares, Inc. and iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2022). |
| Jane D. Carlin (1956) | Trustee (since 2015); Risk Committee Chair (since 2016). | Consultant (since 2012); Member of the Audit Committee (2012-2018), Chair of the Nominating and Governance Committee (2017-2018) and Director of PHH Corporation (mortgage solutions) (2012-2018); Managing Director and Global Head of Financial Holding Company Governance & Assurance and the Global Head of Operational Risk Management of Morgan Stanley (2006-2012). | Director of iShares, Inc. (since 2015); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2015); Member of the Audit Committee (since 2016), Chair of the Audit Committee (since 2020) and Director of The Hanover Insurance Group, Inc. (since 2016). |
| Richard L. Fagnani (1954) | Trustee (since 2017); Audit Committee Chair (since 2019). | Partner, KPMG LLP (2002-2016); Director of One Generation Away (since 2021). | Director of iShares, Inc. (since 2017); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2017). |
| Cecilia H. Herbert (1949) | Trustee (since 2005); Nominating and Governance and Equity Plus Committee Chairs (since 2022). | Chair of the Finance Committee (since 2019) and Trustee and Member of the Finance, Audit and Quality Committees of Stanford Health Care (since 2016); Trustee of WNET, New York's public media company (since 2011) and Member of the Audit Committee (since 2018), Investment Committee (since 2011) and Personnel Committee (since 2022); Member of the Wyoming State Investment Funds Committee (since 2022); Trustee of Forward Funds (14 portfolios) (2009-2018); Trustee of Salient MF Trust (4 portfolios) (2015-2018); Director of the Jackson Hole Center for the Arts (since 2021). | Director of iShares, Inc. (since 2005); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2011). |

⁽b) Stephen Cohen is deemed to be an "interested person" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust due to his affiliations with BlackRock, Inc. and its affiliates.

Independent Trustees

| Name (Year of Birth) | Position(s) | Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years | Other Directorships Held by Trustee |
|----------------------------|--|---|--|
| Drew E. Lawton (1959) | Trustee (since 2017); 15(c) Committee Chair (since 2017). | Senior Managing Director of New York Life Insurance Company (2010-2015). | Director of iShares, Inc. (since 2017); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2017); Director of Jackson Financial Inc. (since 2021). |
| John E. Martinez (1961) | Trustee (since 2003); Securities Lending Committee Chair (since 2019). | Director of Real Estate Equity Exchange, Inc. (since 2005); Director of Cloudera Foundation (2017-2020); and Director of Reading Partners (2012-2016). | Director of iShares, Inc. (since 2003); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2011). |
| Madhav V. Rajan (1964) | Trustee (since 2011); Fixed Income Plus Committee Chair (since 2019). | Dean, and George Pratt Shultz Professor of Accounting, University of Chicago Booth School of Business (since 2017); Advisory Board Member (since 2016) and Director (since 2020) of C.M. Capital Corporation; Chair of the Board for the Center for Research in Security Prices, LLC (since 2020); Director of WellBe Senior Medical (since 2023); Robert K. Jaedicke Professor of Accounting, Stanford University Graduate School of Business (2001-2017); Professor of Law (by courtesy), Stanford Law School (2005-2017); Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Head of MBA Program, Stanford University Graduate School of Business (2010-2016). | Director of iShares, Inc. (since 2011); Trustee of iShares U.S. ETF Trust (since 2011). |

Officers

| Name (Year of Birth) | Position(s) | Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years |
|---|---|---|
| Jessica President (since 2024). Tan (1980) | | Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2015); Head of Global Product Solutions, Americas of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2024) and Head of Sustainable and Transition Solutions of BlackRock, Inc. (2022-2024); Global Head of Corporate Strategy of BlackRock, Inc. (2019-2022); Chief of Staff to the CEO of BlackRock, Inc. (2017-2019). |
| Trent Walker (1974) | Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer (since 2020). | Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2019); Chief Financial Officer of iShares Delaware Trust Sponsor LLC, BlackRock Funds, BlackRock Funds II, BlackRock Funds IV, BlackRock Funds V and BlackRock Funds VI (since 2021). |
| Aaron Wasserman (1974) | Chief Compliance Officer (since 2023). | Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2018); Chief Compliance Officer of the BlackRock Multi-Asset Complex, the BlackRock Fixed-Income Complex and the Exchange-Traded Fund Complex (since 2023); Deputy Chief Compliance Officer for the BlackRock Multi-Asset Complex, the BlackRock Fixed-Income Complex and the Exchange-Traded Fund Complex (2014-2023). |
| Marisa Rolland (1980) | Secretary (since 2022). | Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2023); Director of BlackRock, Inc. (2018-2022). |
| Rachel Aguirre (1982) | Executive Vice President (since 2022). | Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2018); Head of U.S. iShares Product (since 2022); Head of Ell U.S. Product Engineering of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2021); Co-Head of Ell's Americas Portfolio Engineering of BlackRock, Inc. (2020-2021); Head of Developed Markets Portfolio Engineering of BlackRock, Inc. (2016-2019). |
| Jennifer Hsui (1976) | Executive Vice President (since 2022). | Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2009); Co-Head of Index Equity of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2022). |
| James Mauro (1970) | Executive Vice President (since 2022). | Managing Director of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2010); Head of Fixed Income Index Investments in the Americas and Head of San Francisco Core Portfolio Management of BlackRock, Inc. (since 2020). |

Effective July 1, 2023, Aaron Wasserman replaced Charles Park as Chief Compliance Officer.

Effective February 1, 2024, Salim Ramji resigned as Trustee of the Trust.

Effective March 5, 2024, Stephen Cohen replaced Salim Ramji as Trustee of the Trust.

Effective March 5, 2024, Dominik Rohé resigned as President of the Trust.

Effective March 5, 2024, Jessica Tan replaced Dominik Rohé as President of the Trust.

Effective April 8, 2024, Laura Fergerson was appointed as Trustee of the Trust.

Effective April 8, 2024, James Lam was appointed as Trustee of the Trust.

General Information

Electronic Delivery

Shareholders can sign up for e-mail notifications announcing that the shareholder report or prospectus has been posted on the iShares website at **iShares.com**. Once you have enrolled, you will no longer receive prospectuses and shareholder reports in the mail.

To enroll in electronic delivery:

- · Go to icsdelivery.com.
- If your brokerage firm is not listed, electronic delivery may not be available. Please contact your broker-dealer or financial advisor.

Householding

Householding is an option available to certain fund investors. Householding is a method of delivery, based on the preference of the individual investor, in which a single copy of certain shareholder documents and Rule 30e-3 notices can be delivered to investors who share the same address, even if their accounts are registered under different names. Please contact your broker-dealer if you are interested in enrolling in householding and receiving a single copy of prospectuses and other shareholder documents, or if you are currently enrolled in householding and wish to change your householding status.

Availability of Quarterly Schedule of Investments

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year as an exhibit to their reports on Form N-PORT. The Funds' Forms N-PORT are available on the SEC's website at **sec.gov**. Additionally, the Fund makes its portfolio holdings for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year available at **iShares.com/fundreports**.

Availability of Proxy Voting Policies and Proxy Voting Records

A description of the policies and procedures that the iShares Funds use to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities and information about how the iShares Funds voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent twelve-month period ending June 30 is available without charge, upon request (1) by calling toll-free 1-800-474-2737; (2) on the iShares website at **iShares.com**; and (3) on the SEC website at **sec.gov**.

A description of the Trust's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Fund's portfolio securities is available in the Fund Prospectus. The Fund discloses its portfolio holdings daily and provides information regarding its top holdings in Fund fact sheets at **iShares.com**.

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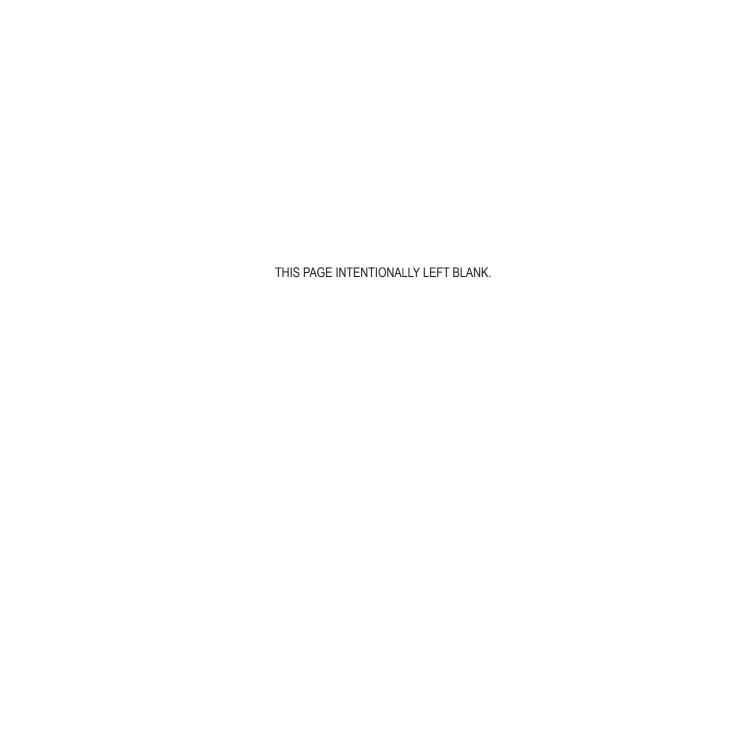
Portfolio Abbreviation

CMT Constant Maturity Treasury

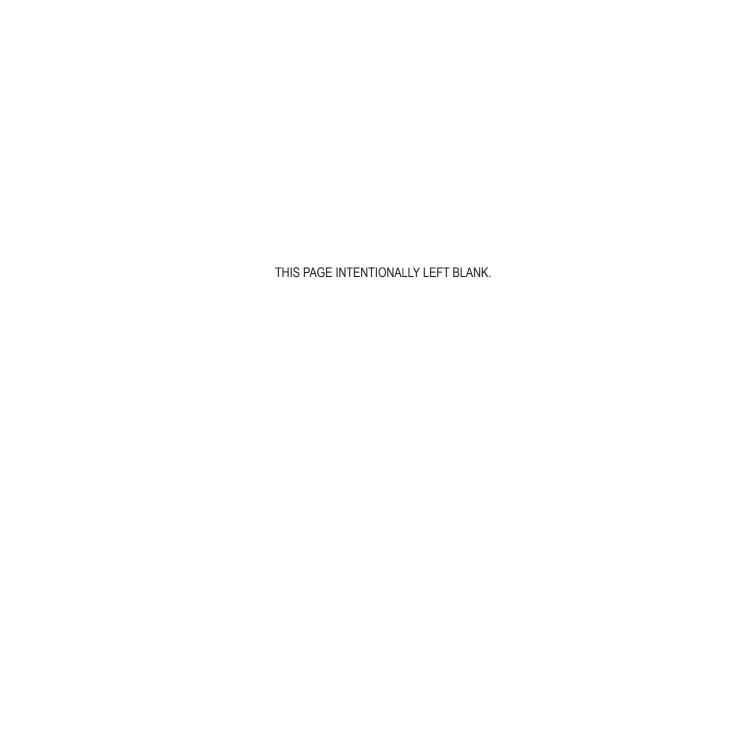
LIBOR London Interbank Offered Rate

LP Limited Partnership
NVS Non-Voting Shares

REIT Real Estate Investment Trust
SOFR Secured Overnight Financing Rate



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