

# American Funds® Global Balanced Fund

Balanced

Class A shares

GBLAX

Q4 fund fact sheet

Data as of December 31, 2023, unless otherwise noted



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## Key information

### Objective:

This fund seeks the balanced accomplishment of three objectives: long-term growth of capital, conservation of principal and current income.

### Distinguishing characteristics:

This globally diversified balanced fund has the ability to invest generally between 45% and 75% of its assets in equities, with an emphasis on well-established companies, including those paying dividends and those with attractive growth prospects. The diversified and predominantly high-quality fixed income portion of the portfolio has the potential to provide income and limit volatility.

### Non-U.S. holdings:

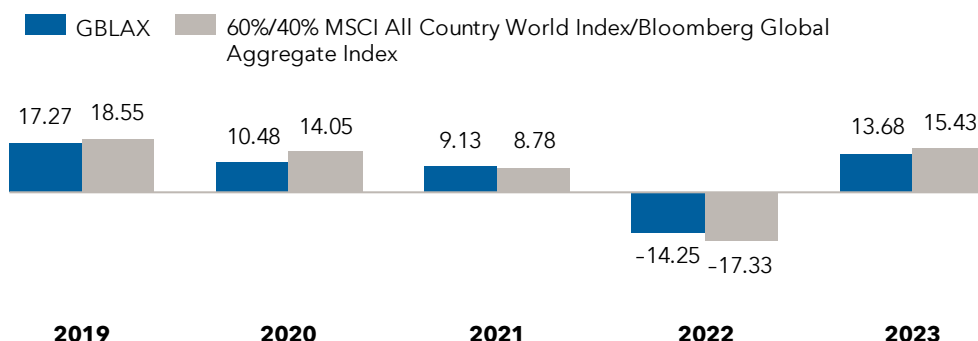
The fund normally invests a significant portion of its assets outside the U.S., including in emerging market countries. Bonds issued outside the U.S. are typically denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars.

Figures shown are past results and are not predictive of results in future periods. Current and future results may be lower or higher than those shown. Investing for short periods makes losses more likely. Prices and returns will vary, so investors may lose money. For current information and month-end results, visit [capitalgroup.com](https://capitalgroup.com).

Returns shown at maximum offering price (MOP) for Class A shares reflect deduction of the 5.75% maximum sales charge.

Returns at net asset value (NAV) do not reflect a sales charge. If a sales charge had been deducted, the results would have been lower.

## Calendar-year total returns (%)



## Investment results

Data for periods ended 12/31/2023 (%)	Cumulative total returns <sup>5,6</sup>			Average annual total returns <sup>5,7</sup>			
	3M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	Lifetime
GBLAX at net asset value (NAV)	10.48	13.68	13.68	2.08	6.63	4.62	5.66
GBLAX at maximum offering price (MOP)	4.13	7.15	7.15	0.09	5.37	4.00	5.18
60%/40% MSCI All Country World Index/Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	9.88	15.43	15.43	1.25	7.01	5.05	5.35
Morningstar Global Allocation Category Average	8.07	10.72	10.72	2.67	6.09	4.02	3.70

Fund's annualized 30-day SEC yield: 2.34 (at MOP as of 12/31/2023)

## Key facts

Inception date	02/01/2011
CUSIP	02629W 10 6
Assets (millions)	\$27,606.40
12-month distribution rate <sup>1</sup>	1.52%
Morningstar category	Global Allocation

## Key statistics

Companies/Issuers	408
Average yield to maturity	3.66%
Effective duration (years)	6.59

## Expenses

Expense ratio <sup>2</sup>	0.83%
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## Risk measures

	10 years
Standard deviation	10.10
Beta	0.99
R-squared	96%

## Asset mix (%)

U.S. Equities	33.0
Non-U.S. Equities	29.0
U.S. Bonds	18.0
Non-U.S. Bonds	14.8
Cash & Equivalents <sup>3,4</sup>	5.2
Total	100%

Investments are not FDIC-insured, nor are they deposits of or guaranteed by a bank or any other entity, so they may lose value.

Investors should carefully consider investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. This and other important information is contained in the fund prospectuses and summary prospectuses, which can be obtained from a financial professional and should be read carefully before investing. This material must be preceded or accompanied by a prospectus or summary prospectus for the fund(s) being offered.

The return of principal for bond funds and for funds with significant underlying bond holdings is not guaranteed. Fund shares are subject to the same interest rate, inflation and credit risks associated with the underlying bond holdings.

Geographic breakdown (%)	
United States	51.0
Europe	20.9
Asia & Pacific Basin	14.8
Other (Including Canada & Latin America)	8.1
Cash & equivalents <sup>4</sup>	5.2
Total	100%

Top equity holdings (%)	
Broadcom	3.8
Microsoft	3.1
Canadian Natural Resources	1.9
Abbott Laboratories	1.7
Rtx Corp	1.4
Sanofi	1.3
Meta Platforms	1.2
B3	1.1
Carrier Global	1.1
General Electric	1.0

Rating exposure (% of fixed income)	
U.S. Treasuries/Agencies	25.8
AAA/Aaa	22.9
AA/Aa	8.6
A	20.8
BBB/Baa	15.8
BB/Ba	3.8
CCC/Caa & Below	0.3
Unrated	1.9

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Totals may not reconcile due to rounding.

Investment results assume all distributions are reinvested and reflect applicable fees and expenses.

When applicable, results reflect fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, without which they would have been lower and net expenses higher. Please refer to [capitalgroup.com](http://capitalgroup.com) for more information. For more information on fee waivers and expense reimbursements, visit [capitalgroup.com](http://capitalgroup.com).

1. The distribution rate reflects the fund's past dividends paid to shareholders and may differ from the fund's SEC yield. It reflects fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements in effect during the period. Without waivers and/or reimbursements, it would be reduced.
2. Expense ratios are as of each fund's prospectus available at the time of publication.
3. Accrued income and the timing of its settlement, as well as classification of convertible bonds as debt or equity, can cause slight variations in the balances displayed in different portfolio composition breakdowns.
4. Cash and equivalents includes cash, short-term securities, other assets less liabilities, accruals, derivatives and forwards. It may also include investments in money market or similar funds managed by the investment adviser or its affiliates that are not offered to the public.
5. When applicable, returns for less than one year are not annualized, but calculated as cumulative total returns.
6. YTD (year-to-date return): For the period from January 1 of the current year to the date shown or from inception date if first offered after January 1 of the current year.
7. Index and/or average lifetime is based on inception date of the fund.

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**60%/40% MSCI All Country World Index|Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index:** 60%/40% MSCI All Country World Index|Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index blends the MSCI All Country World Index with the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index by weighting their cumulative total returns at 60% and 40%, respectively. The blend is rebalanced monthly. MSCI All Country World Index is a free-float-adjusted market-capitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure equity market results in the global developed and emerging markets, consisting of more than 40 developed- and emerging-market country indexes. Results reflect dividends gross of withholding taxes through December 31, 2000, and dividends net of withholding taxes thereafter. Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index represents the global investment-grade fixed income markets. The indexes are unmanaged, and results include reinvested distributions but do not reflect the effect of sales charges, commissions, account fees, expenses or U.S. federal income taxes. **Bond Statistic Effective Duration in Years:** Effective duration is a duration calculation for bonds that takes into account that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change. **Standard Deviation:** Annualized standard deviation (based on monthly returns) is a common measure of absolute volatility that tells how returns over time have varied from the mean. A lower number signifies lower volatility. **Distribution Rate 12-Month:** The income per share paid by the fund over the past 12 months to an investor from dividends (including any special dividends). The distribution rate is expressed as a percentage of the current price. **Yield Annualized 30-Day SEC:** The 30-day SEC yield reflects the rate at which the fund is earning income on its current portfolio of securities calculated according to the standardized SEC formula; when applicable, it reflects the maximum sales charge. If shown, a net yield reflects fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements in effect during the period. Without waivers and/or reimbursements, the yield would be reduced. Gross yield does not adjust for any fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements in effect. **Bond Statistic Average Yield to Maturity:** A bond's total return if held to maturity and no default occurs or options are exercised. Assumes coupons are paid on time and accounts for their present value. Assumes principal is returned at maturity. **Morningstar Category:** In an effort to classify funds by what they own, as well as by their prospectus objectives and styles, Morningstar developed Morningstar Categories. While the prospectus objective identifies a fund's investment goals based on the wording in the fund prospectus, the Morningstar Category identifies funds based on their actual investment styles as measured by their underlying portfolio holdings (portfolio and other statistics over the past three years). **R-Squared:** R-squared is a measure of the correlation between a particular return and that of a benchmark index. A measure of 100 indicates that all of the return can be explained by movements in the benchmark. Generally the higher the R-squared measure, the more reliable the beta measurement will be. **Beta:** Beta relatively measures sensitivity to market movements over a specified period of time. The beta of the market (represented by the benchmark index) is equal to 1; a beta higher than 1 implies that a return was more volatile than the market. A beta lower than 1 suggests that a return was less volatile than the market. Generally the higher the R-squared measure, the more reliable the beta measurement will be.

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