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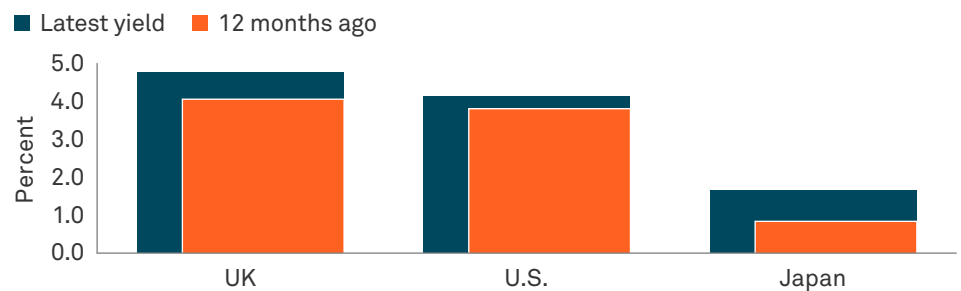
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Global sovereign bonds with currency-hedged exposure may present an attractive tactical investment opportunity amid ongoing uncertainty. With interest rate differentials currently favoring the U.S., and developed market (DM) government bond yields elevated, the environment supports a positive outlook for fixed income investors seeking income and risk diversification.

Improved yields

After a decade of low yields, fixed income investors now face a vastly improved global landscape. Global government bond yields, particularly in developed markets, have risen broadly, and higher starting yields have historically been closely correlated to improved forward returns.

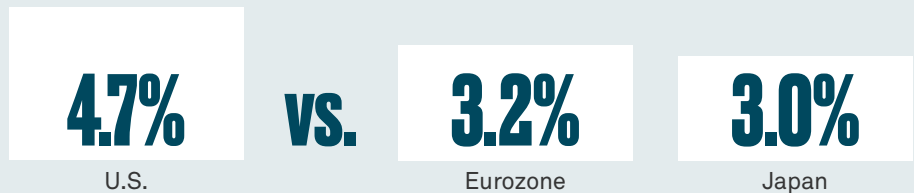
SELECT DM GOVERNMENT BOND YIELDS HAVE MOVED HIGHER



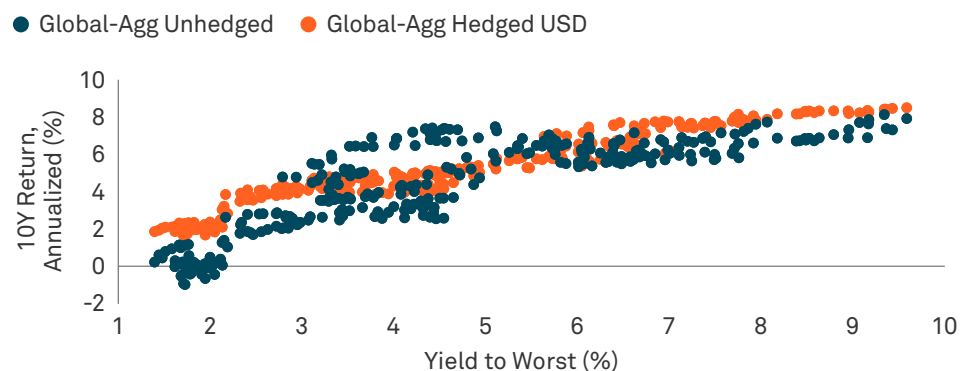
Positive carry potential

Higher U.S. short-term interest rates compared to DM peers could enable investors to gain additional yield by hedging currency risk. The interest rate differential may reduce income volatility while providing potential for foreign bond duration returns. U.S. investors who hedge their currency exposure can gain a yield increase roughly equal to the interest rate differential between the two countries.

HIGHER U.S. SHORT-TERM RATES VS. OTHER DM COUNTRIES



HIGHER YIELDS & HEDGING HISTORICALLY BOOSTED RETURNS (SINCE 1990)

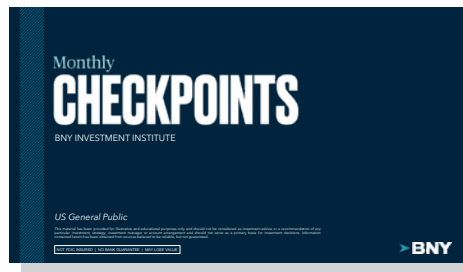


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Opportunities for active management

Targeted U.S. trade policies and evolving geopolitical dynamics are likely to produce differentiated global monetary policy cycles and increased dispersion in fixed income returns across regions. We believe this macroeconomic environment is particularly conducive to active management.

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