# National Municipal Bond

STRATEGY FACT SHEET

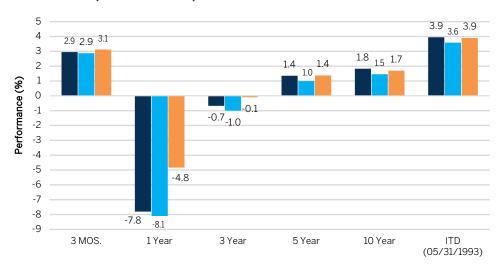
Fourth Quarter 2022

#### **PHILOSOPHY**

The Brown Advisory Municipal Bond team believes a portfolio of intermediateterm municipal fixed income securities, identified through fundamental analysis and concentrated on our best ideas, has the potential to deliver attractive and tax-efficient risk-adjusted returns over time.

STRATEGY INCEPTION DATE: 05/31/1993

#### PERFORMANCE (AS OF 12/31/2022)1,3



- Brown Advisory National Municipal Bond Composite Gross Returns
- Brown Advisory National Municipal Bond Composite Net Returns
- Bloomberg Municipal Bond 1-10 Year Blend Index

#### **STRATEGY CLASSIFICATION**

Strategy Type	Separate Account
Asset Class Focus	Intermediate-term, High-grade Intermediate Municipal
Geographic Focus	United States
Domicile	United States
Objective	Total Return, Low Volatility
Benchmark	Bloomberg Municipal Bond 1-10 Year Blend Index

#### Notes:

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  Source: FactSet®. Returns shown are through 12/31/2022 for each period. All returns greater than one year are annualized. Past performance is not
- Source: FactSet. The portfolio information on the right is based on a representative National Municipal Bond account and is provided as Supplemental
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#### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS<sup>2</sup>

	REP. ACCOUNT	BLOOMBERG MUNI BOND 1-10 YR BLEND INDEX
Avg. Credit Quality	A2	Aa3
Effective Duration (years)	4.1	3.9
Average life (yrs)	7.0	4.2
Yield to Worst (%)	3.9	3.0

### **SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)**<sup>2</sup>

	REP. ACCOUNT	BLOOMBERG MUNI BOND 1-10 YR BLEND INDEX		
Cash & Equivalents	2.4			
Revenue	90.8	60.0		
General Obligation	6.8	31.9		
Pre-Refunded		8.1		

### **QUALITY DISTRIBUTION (%)**<sup>2</sup>

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	REP. ACCOUNT	BLOOMBERG MUNI BOND 1-10 YR BLEND INDEX			
AAA/Aaa	2.4	18.3			
AA/Aa	43.2	54.4			
Α	37.9	21.6			
BBB	12.7	4.8			
High Yield					
Not Rated	3.7	1.1			

#### **DURATION DISTRIBUTION (%)**<sup>2</sup>

	REP. ACCOUNT	BLOOMBERG MUNI BOND 1-10 YR BLEND INDEX
Less than 1 Year	19.7	4.9
1 to 3 Years	21.4	35.0
3 to 5 Years	24.7	33.2
5 to 7 Years	7 Years 16.6	
7 to 10 Years	11.1	7.8
Greater than 10 years	6.5	0.2



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We follow a philosophy that fixed income strategies built from a foundation of stability coupled with fundamental credit research can seek to generate alpha and control risk. We have a culture and firm equity ownership structure that attract and retain professionals who share those beliefs, and we follow a repeatable investment process that helps us stay true to our philosophy.

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## **Brown Advisory National Municipal Bond**

Year	Composite Total Gross Returns (%)	Composite Total Net Returns (%)	Benchmark Returns (%)	Composite 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Portfolios in Composite at End of Year	Composite Dispersion (%)	Composite Assets (\$USD Millions)	GIPS Firm Assets (\$USD Millions)
2021	2.4	2.0	0.5	4.1	2.8	211	0.4	2,369	79,715
2020	3.9	3.5	4.2	4.0	2.8	216	0.7	2,374	59,683
2019	7.1	6.7	5.6	1.8	1.9	226	0.3	2360	42.426
2018	1.9	1.5	1.6	2.5	2.5	205	0.2	1601	30,529
2017	4.4	4	3.5	2.4	2.5	142	0.3	993	33,155
2016	0.7	0.3	-0.1	2.5	2.4	134	0.3	883	30,417
2015	1.9	1.6	2.5	2.3	2.1	123	0.3	731	43,746
2014	5.7	5.4	4.7	2.4	2.2	45	0.5	415	44,772
2013	-1.1	-1.4	-0.3	2.5	2.5	24	0.4	283	40,739
2012	3.5	3.1	3.6	2.3	2.5	20	0.9	293	26,794

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- Prior to October 2012 the name of the Composite was Intermediate Municipal Bond (AMT-Free) Composite. The strategy remains the same except the maximum federal tax bracket requirement is relaxed. Prior to October 2012 the minimum account market value required for composite inclusion was \$1 million.
- The Composite creation date is March 1, 2006. The Composite inception date is June 1, 1993.
- The current benchmark is the Bloomberg Municipal Bond 1-10 Year Blend (1-12) Index. The Bloomberg Municipal Bond 1-10 Year Blend (1-12) Index consists of a broad selection of investment-grade general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, insured bonds (including all insured bonds with a Aaa/AAA rating), and prerefunded bonds with maturities of at least 1 year and less than 12 years. It is an unmanaged index representative of the tax-exempt bond market. Bloomberg Indices are trademarks of Bloomberg or its licensors, including Bank PLC. An investor cannot invest directly into an index. Benchmark returns are not covered by the report of the independent verifiers.
- The composite dispersion presented is an equal-weighted standard deviation of portfolio gross returns calculated for the accounts in the Composite for the entire calendar year period.
- Gross-of-fees performance returns are presented before management fees but after all trading commissions, and gross of foreign withholding taxes (if applicable). Net-of-fee performance returns reflect the deduction of actual management fees and all trading commissions. Other expenses can reduce returns to investors. The standard management fee schedule is as follows: 0.375% on the first \$10 million; 0.25% on the next \$15 million and 0.20% on the balance over \$25 million. Further information regarding investment advisory fees is described in Part II A of the firm's form ADV. Actual fees paid by accounts in the Composite may differ from the current fee schedule
- The investment management fee for the Investor Shares of the Brown Advisory Tax-Exempt Bond Fund (the Fund), which is included in the Composite, is 0.30%, and represents the highest fee charged excluding Advisor Shares. The total expense ratio for the Investor Shares of the Fund as of the most recent fiscal year end (June 30, 2020) was 0.84%. Further information regarding investment management fees and expenses is described in the fund prospectus and annual report.
- The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation measures the variability of the Composite (using gross returns) and the benchmark for the 36-month period ended on December 31. 10
- Valuations and performance returns are computed and stated in U.S. Dollars. All returns reflect the reinvestment of income and other earnings
- Portfolios in the Composite do not make material use of derivative securities.
- Duration is a measure of interest rate risk.
- 13. A complete list of composite descriptions and broad distribution and limited distribution pooled funds is available upon request.
- 14 Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request.
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