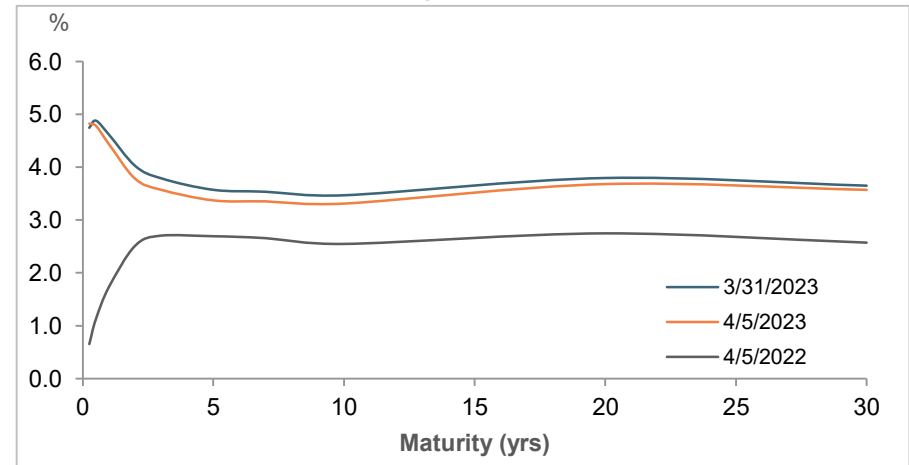




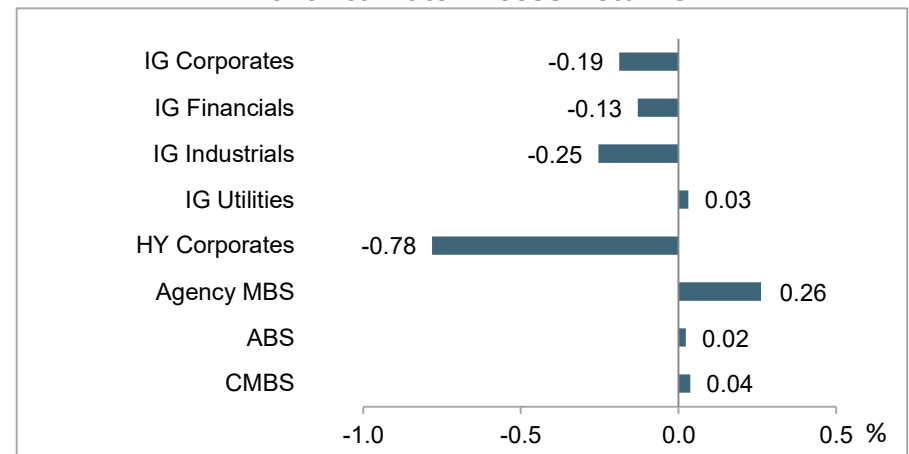
- Economic data released this week highlighted the impact of restrictive monetary policy and signaled a slowdown in the economy
 - Job openings fell from 10.6 million to 9.9 million month-over-month, marking the first time that job postings have registered under 10 million since May 2021; initial jobless claims ended the week at 228,000, above expectations of 200,000
 - March's ISM Manufacturing and Services PMIs fell by more than expected to 46.3 and 51.2, respectively, due to a decrease in demand and a slowdown in new orders
- Treasury yields fell across the curve on global economic uncertainty, with the 10-year Treasury yield falling by 25bps week-over-week to 3.31%, the lowest level since September 2022
- Investment-grade issuance was light this week, with 11 borrowers pricing \$9 billion, falling short of the \$15 billion that dealers expected
 - Corporate spreads tightened 3bps, from 143bps to 140bps
- High-yield issuers jump-started the month by pricing \$8 billion of new debt; Tuesday's issuance of \$6 billion was the busiest day in the high-yield primary market since November 2021
 - High-yield spreads tightened 2bps to 478bps, while yields declined 30bps to 8.54%
- Mortgage-backed securities (MBS) outperformed other securitized sectors amid limited supply; excess returns in March were the lowest monthly figures ever recorded for the Bloomberg US Mortgage Backed Securities Index, returning -1.11%
 - MBA mortgage applications fell by 4.1% last week, while refinance applications were down 5%
- Investors withdrew \$128 million from municipal bond mutual funds, the 6th straight week of outflows; \$3.7 billion has been withdrawn over this period

Treasury Yield Curve



Maturity	2-year	5-year	10-year	20-year	30-year
4/5/2023	3.78	3.37	3.31	3.68	3.57
MTD Change	-0.24	-0.20	-0.16	-0.12	-0.08

Month-to-Date Excess Returns



Sources: Bloomberg and Bloomberg Index Services Limited

Excess returns are the curve-adjusted excess return of a given index relative to a term structure-matched position in Treasuries. The views contained in this report are those of IR+M and are based on information obtained by IR+M from sources that are believed to be reliable but IR+M makes no guarantee as to the accuracy or completeness of the underlying third-party data used to form IR+M's views and opinions. This report is for informational purposes only and is not intended to provide specific advice, recommendations, or projected returns for any particular IR+M product. No part of this material may be reproduced in any form, or referred to in any other publication, without express written permission from Income Research + Management. "Bloomberg®" and Bloomberg Indices are service marks of Bloomberg Finance L.P. and its affiliates, including Bloomberg Index Services Limited ("BISL"), the administrator of the index (collectively, "Bloomberg") and have been licensed for use for certain purposes by IR+M. Bloomberg is not affiliated with IR+M, and Bloomberg does not approve, endorse, review, or recommend the products described herein. Bloomberg does not guarantee the timeliness, accurateness, or completeness of any data or information relating to any IR+M product.