

SPDR SPOTLIGHT

Rethink the plus in your core - PRIV

The lead

- Following the widely anticipated rate cut at the October meeting, Federal Reserve Chair Powell acknowledged “strongly differing views” among policymakers on future rate cuts amid signs of a softening labor market and persistent inflation—signaling an uncertain policy trajectory ahead
- Combined with stretched valuations in credit markets—where spreads sit close to all-time lows over the past 20 years¹— it underscores the complexity of the current macroeconomic environment where a more tactical approach to fixed income allocation might be warranted
- Amid this backdrop, investors may benefit from actively managed, high-quality credit strategies that offer compelling income potential without venturing too far down the credit spectrum

The takeaway

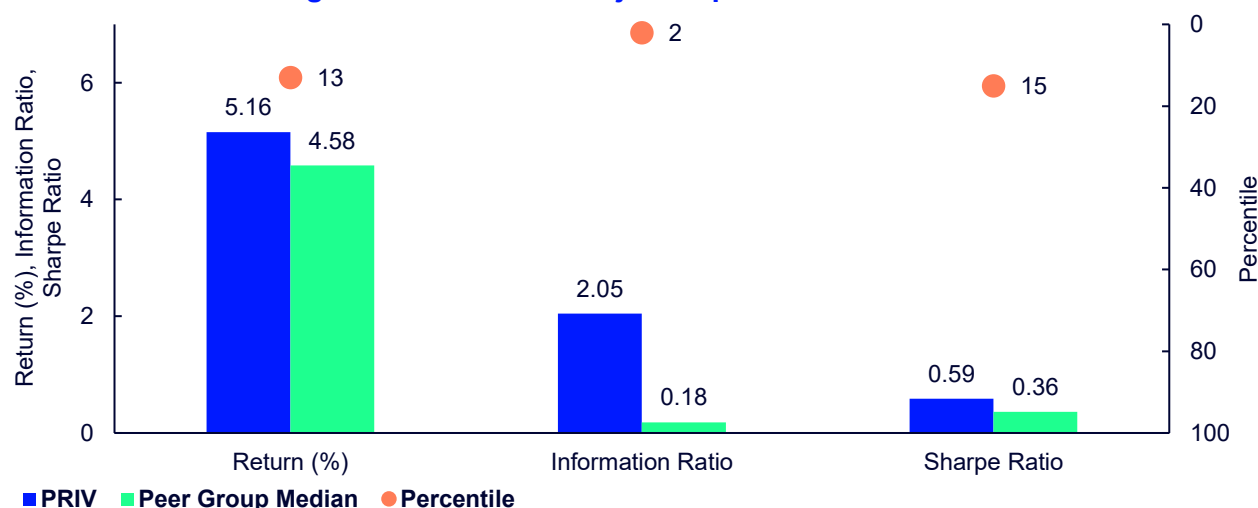
As investors seek resilient sources of income amid macro uncertainty, the [SPDR® SSGA IG Public & Private Credit ETF \(PRIV\)](#) stands out for its differentiated approach. By combining investment-grade public and private credit, PRIV may provide diversified alpha opportunities and attractive carry, with a yield premium of almost 60 basis points over core bonds.²

Since its inception, PRIV has generated an above-benchmark return of 69 basis points,³ placing it in the top 13th percentile among peers and outperforming each of the ten largest active core-plus bond ETFs.⁴ Notably, this performance has been achieved with disciplined risk management, as evidenced by PRIV’s Information and Sharpe Ratios—ranking in the top 2nd and 15th percentiles, respectively⁵—highlighting its efficiency in generating risk-adjusted excess returns (see chart of the week).

Amid a complex macro landscape and tight valuations, PRIV offers a compelling active solution for investors seeking to enhance core allocations without compromising on quality or risk discipline.

Chart of the week:

PRIV has shown strong absolute and risk-adjusted performance



Source: Morningstar, period: 02/26/2025-10/29/2025. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.** Peer group: US-domiciled ETFs and funds in the Intermediate Core-Plus Bond category (oldest share class). Return = total NAV return.

Standard Performance

Annualized

Ticker	Name	QTD (%)	YTD (%)	1-Year (%)	3-Year (%)	5-Year (%)	10-Year (%)	Since Inception (%)	Inception Date	Gross Expense Ratio (%)
PRIV (NAV)	SPDR® SSGA IG Public & Private Credit ETF (PRIV)	2.43	—	—	—	—	—	4.29	02/26/2025	0.70
PRIV (MKT)	SPDR® SSGA IG Public & Private Credit ETF (PRIV)	2.35	—	—	—	—	—	4.35	-	-

Source: State Street Investment Management, as of 09/30/2025.

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Footnotes

1 - Bloomberg Finance L.P., period: 10/31/2005-10/30/2025. Spread = option-adjusted-spread (OAS). Based on Bloomberg US Agg Corporate Average OAS and Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Average OAS. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.**

2 - State Street Investment Management, as of 10/29/2025. Core bonds = Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index. Yield = yield-to-worst. Yield for PRIV and core bonds is 4.88% and 4.31%, respectively. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.** Index returns are unmanaged and do not reflect the deduction of any fees or expenses. Index returns reflect all items of income, gain and loss and the reinvestment of dividends and other income as applicable.

3 – Bloomberg Finance L.P., period: 02/26/2025-10/29/2025. PRIV's cumulative excess return vs. Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.** Index returns are unmanaged and do not reflect the deduction of any fees or expenses. Index returns reflect all items of income, gain and loss and the reinvestment of dividends and other income as applicable.

4 - Morningstar, period: 02/26/2025-10/29/2025. Based on total NAV return. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.** Peer group defined as US-domiciled ETFs and mutual funds in the Intermediate Core-Plus Bond Morningstar category (oldest share class).

5 - Morningstar, period: 02/26/2025-10/29/2025. Ratios computed based on daily total NAV returns. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.** Peer group defined as US-domiciled ETFs and mutual funds in the Intermediate Core-Plus Bond Morningstar category (oldest share class).

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