## Nations<sup>®</sup> Treasury Bond Better Beta<sup>®</sup> Bull Index

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## **Index Description**

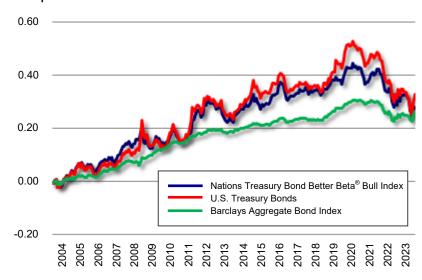
The Nations® Treasury Bond Better Beta® Bull Index is a significantly improved methodology for achieving levered returns. It measures the return of an option-levered index which seeks to generate approximately 200% of the return of U.S. treasury bonds with a cap on appreciation while returning only 100% of any decline in treasury bond prices. The Index accomplishes this by overlaying a 1x2 call option spread (long 1 at-the-money call, short 2 out-of-the-money calls) on a long position in U.S. treasury bonds.

The Nations® Treasury Bond Better Beta® Bull Index should serve as the base for a trading vehicle for speculators and as an asset allocation tool for investors and asset managers.

The Index is a significant improvement over existing levered indexes:

- The Nations Better Beta<sup>®</sup> Bull Index levers gains with a cap but does not lever losses;
- The Nations Better Beta<sup>®</sup> Bull Index generates levered returns without borrowing or margin costs;
- Monthly returns for Nations Better Beta<sup>®</sup> Bull Indexes are not impacted by compounding, a significant problem for existing levered products. Compounding means returns for existing vehicles can differ significantly from expectations.

## Comparative Historical Performance



	Nations Treasury Bond Better Beta <sup>®</sup> Bull Index	U.S. Treasury Bond Index	Barclays Aggregate Bond Index
Compound Annual Return			
2023	-1.61%	2.77%	5.53%
3 Year	-10.68%	-12.32%	-3.31%
5 Year	-3.10%	-1.89%	1.10%
10 Year	1.30%	2.13%	1.81%
Since Inception	3.28%	3.85%	3.09%
Average Annualized Standard Deviation of Monthly Returns			
2023	17.17%	20.77%	8.49%
3 Year	14.43%	16.24%	5.77%
5 Year	12.33%	15.59%	4.94%
10 Year	10.82%	13.00%	3.94%
Since Inception	10.91%	12.88%	3.63%
Average Annual Sharpe Rat	io		
2023	-0.38	-0.10	-0.14
3 Year	-0.78	-0.86	-0.09
5 Year	-0.15	-0.11	0.16
10 Year	0.08	0.07	0.50
Since Inception	0.39	0.36	0.84

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