

**Objective**

The fund seeks as high a level of current income as Putnam Management believes is consistent with preservation of capital.

**Portfolio Managers**

**Michael V. Salm**  
(industry since 1989)

**Brett S. Kozlowski, CFA**  
(industry since 1997)

**Jatin Misra, PhD, CFA**  
(industry since 2004)

**Morningstar category**

Intermediate Core-Plus Bond

**Lipper category**

U.S. Mortgage

Credit qualities are shown as a percentage of the fund's net assets. A bond rated BBB or higher (A-3 or higher, for short-term debt) is considered investment grade. This chart reflects the highest security rating provided by one or more of Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and Fitch. To-be-announced (TBA) mortgage commitments, if any, are included based on their issuer ratings. Ratings may vary over time. Cash, derivative instruments, and net other assets are shown in the not-rated category. Payables and receivables for TBA mortgage commitments are included in the not-rated category and may result in negative weights. **The fund itself has not been rated by an independent rating agency.**

**MBS:** Mortgage-backed securities

**CMO:** Collateralized mortgage obligations

**RMBS:** Residential mortgage-backed securities

**CMBS:** Commercial mortgage-backed securities

**ABS:** Asset-backed securities.

**Not FDIC insured  
May lose value  
No bank guarantee**

# Putnam Mortgage Securities Fund (PUSYX)

Seeking opportunities throughout the universe of mortgage-related bonds

**Broad securitized opportunities**

The fund invests in mortgage sectors, including agency MBS and CMOs, and non-agency RMBS and CMBS, and ABS.

**Higher potential returns**

By investing in mortgage-backed bonds, the fund can offer the potential for higher returns than an investment strategy focused only on agency MBS.

**Leading research**

The fund's portfolio managers use proprietary models to assist in the evaluation of mortgage-backed bonds and to manage the fund's interest-rate risk.

**Diversification across bond market sectors**

Agency pass-through	43.5%
Commercial MBS	42.8
Agency CMO	39.4
Residential MBS (non-agency)	21.0
Asset-backed securities (ABS)	4.2
Net cash	10.0

Allocations will vary over time.

Allocations may not total 100% of net assets because the table includes the notional value of derivatives (the economic value for purposes of calculating periodic payment obligations), in addition to the market value of securities.

**Maturity breakdown**

0 to 1 year	-15.7%
1 to 5 years	83.4
5 to 10 years	30.4
10 to 15 years	1.6
Over 15 years	0.3

**Portfolio quality**

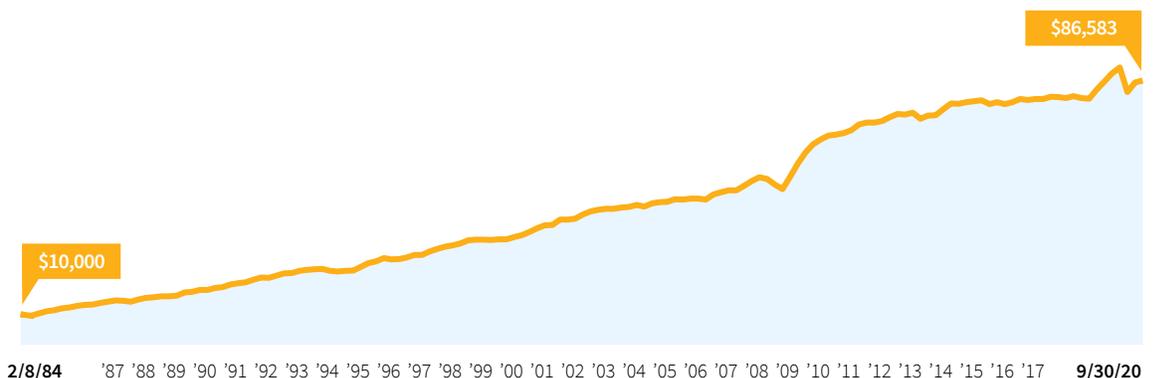
AAA	91.0%
AA	6.2
A	9.4
BBB	11.3
BB	5.2
B	3.8
CCC and below	2.2
Not rated	-29.0

Holdings represent 100% of the portfolio and will vary over time.

Negative weights may result from timing differences between trade and settlement dates of securities, such as TBAs, or by the use of derivatives.

**Growth of a \$10,000 investment**

With dividends reinvested, the fund has returned an average of 6.1% annually since inception.



Current performance may be lower or higher than the quoted past performance, which cannot guarantee future results. Share price, principal value, and return will vary, and you may have a gain or a loss when you sell your shares. Performance of class Y shares assumes reinvestment of distributions and does not account for taxes. Class Y shares, available to investors through an asset-based fee program or for institutional clients, are sold without an initial sales charge and have no CDSC. Performance for class Y shares prior to their inception is derived from the historical performance of class A shares (inception 2/8/84), which have not been adjusted for the lower expenses; had they, returns would have been higher. For the most recent month-end performance, please visit putnam.com.

**Fund symbols**

Class A	PGSIX
Class B	PGSBX
Class C	PGVCX
Class R	PGVRX
Class R6	POLYX
Class Y	PUSYX

**Expense ratio**

(Y shares)

Total expense ratio  
0.65%What you pay  
0.50%

“What you pay” reflects Putnam Management’s decision to contractually limit expenses through 1/30/21.

**Number of holdings**

1,022

**Net assets**

\$774.15M

**Dividend frequency**

Monthly

**Average effective duration**

1.80

**30-day SEC yield**Without subsidy  
4.14%With subsidy  
4.32%**Average effective duration**

provides a measure of a fund’s interest-rate sensitivity. The longer a fund’s duration, the more sensitive the fund is to shifts in interest rates.

For informational purposes only. Not an investment recommendation.

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**Annual performance at net asset value (all distributions reinvested)**

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 YTD
Y shares	5.0%	3.6%	-0.2%	5.7%	0.0%	0.9%	1.1%	-0.6%	12.7%	-4.7%
BBG Barclays U.S. MBS Index	6.2	2.6	-1.4	6.1	1.5	1.7	2.5	1.0	6.4	3.6
BBG Barclays GNMA-BBG Barclays U.S. MBS Linked Benchmark	7.9	2.4	-2.1	6.0	1.4	1.6	1.9	1.0	6.4	3.6

**Annualized total return performance**

Inception 4/11/94	Class Y shares	BBG Barclays U.S. MBS Index	BBG Barclays GNMA-BBG Barclays U.S. MBS Linked Benchmark
1 year	-2.75%	4.36%	4.36%
3 years	2.14	3.68	3.66
5 years	1.87	2.98	2.90
10 years	2.32	3.01	2.99
Life of fund	6.07	6.97	6.95

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**Highlights of five-year performance periods (2/8/84–9/30/20)\***

Best 5-year return	Best period end date	Worst 5-year return	Worst period end date	Average 5-year return	% of 5-year periods with positive returns	Number of positive 5-year periods	Number of negative 5-year periods
12.45%	6/30/89	0.73%	3/31/20	6.01%	100%	127	0

\* Based on annualized returns for quarterly rolling periods.

The Bloomberg Barclays U.S. MBS Index is an unmanaged index of agency mortgage backed pass-through securities (both fixed-rate and hybrid ARM) guaranteed by Ginnie Mae, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac. You cannot invest directly in an index. The Bloomberg Barclays GNMA – Bloomberg Barclays U.S. MBS Linked Benchmark represents performance of the Bloomberg Barclays GNMA Index through April 18, 2018, and performance of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. MBS Index thereafter. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Not all share classes are available on all platforms.

**Consider these risks before investing:** Funds that invest in government securities are not guaranteed. Mortgage- and asset-backed securities are subject to prepayment risk, which means that they may increase in value less than other bonds when interest rates decline and decline in value more than other bonds when interest rates rise. The fund may have to invest the proceeds from prepaid investments, including mortgage- and asset-backed investments, in other investments with less attractive terms and yields. The fund’s investments in mortgage-backed securities and asset-backed securities, and in certain other securities and derivatives, may be or become illiquid. The fund’s exposure to privately issued mortgage-backed securities and mortgage-backed securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities may make the fund’s net asset value more susceptible to economic, market, political and other developments affecting the housing or real estate markets. Bond investments are subject to interest-rate risk (the risk of bond prices falling if interest rates rise) and credit risk (the risk of an issuer defaulting on interest or principal payments). Interest-rate risk is generally greater for longer-term bonds, and credit risk is generally greater for below-investment-grade bonds. Default risk is generally higher for non-qualified mortgages. Risks associated with derivatives include increased investment exposure (which may be considered leverage) and, in the case of over-the-counter instruments, the potential inability to terminate or sell derivatives positions and the potential failure of the other party to the instrument to meet its obligations. Unlike bonds, funds that invest in bonds have fees and expenses. The value of investments in the fund’s portfolio may fall or fail to rise over extended periods of time for a variety of reasons, including general economic, political, or financial market conditions; investor sentiment and market perceptions; government actions; geopolitical events or changes; and factors related to a specific issuer, geography (such as a region of the United States), industry, or sector, such as the housing or real estate markets. These and other factors may lead to increased volatility and reduced liquidity in the fund’s portfolio holdings or in relevant markets. Our investment techniques, analyses, and judgments may not produce the outcome we intend. The investments we select for the fund may not perform as well as other securities that we do not select for the fund. We, or the fund’s other service providers, may experience disruptions or operating errors that could have a negative effect on the fund. You can lose money by investing in the fund.

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