The North American Income Trust plc

Seeking resilient growth and rising income from North American equities

Performance Data and Analytics to 31 January 2024

Investment objective

To provide investors with above average dividend income and long term capital growth through active management of a portfolio consisting predominantly of S&P 500 US equities.

Reference benchmark

Russell Value 1000 Index.

Cumulative performance (%)

	as at 31/01/24	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years
Share Price	289.0p	(0.3)	12.8	4.4	(0.9)	40.0	30.4
NAV[A]	319.9p	(0.7)	6.0	2.5	(1.3)	39.1	35.9
Russell 1000 Value		0.2	8.3	3.6	2.6	40.5	61.0

Discrete performance (%)

	31/01/24	31/01/23	31/01/22	31/01/21	31/01/20
Share Price	(0.9)	12.4	25.6	(16.5)	11.5
NAV[A]	(1.3)	11.1	26.9	(7.4)	5.5
Russell 1000 Value	2.6	8.5	26.3	(0.1)	14.6

Five year dividend table (p)

Financial year[C]	**2022**	**2021**	**2020**	**2019**	**2018**
Total dividend (p)	11.00	10.30	10.00	9.50	8.50

Total return; NAV to NAV, net income reinvested, GBP. Share price total return is on a mid-to-mid basis.
Dividend calculations are to reinvest as at the ex-dividend date. NAV returns based on NAVs with debt valued at fair value.
Source: abrdn Investments Limited, Lipper and Morningstar.
Past performance is not a guide to future results.

Morningstar Rating™

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[B] **Morningstar Rating™ for Funds**
Morningstar rates funds from one to five stars based on how well they've performed (after adjusting for risk and accounting for all sales charges) in comparison to similar funds.

Ten largest equity holdings (%)

MetLife	4.6
CVS Health	4.4
Medtronic	4.3
Merck	4.2
Gaming & Leisure Properties	3.8
Baker Hughes	3.8
American International	3.4
L3Harris	3.4
Citigroup	3.2
Comcast Corp	3.1
Total	**38.2**

Sector allocation (%)

Financials	20.9
Health Care	17.8
Energy	9.4
Information Technology	8.7
Consumer Staples	7.9
Industrials	6.8
Communication Services	6.5
Real Estate	6.2
Consumer Discretionary	5.5
Utilities	5.2
Materials	5.1
Total	**100.0**

[A] Including current year revenue.
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[C] Financial year ends in January of the following year.

All sources (unless indicated): abrdn: 31 January 2024.

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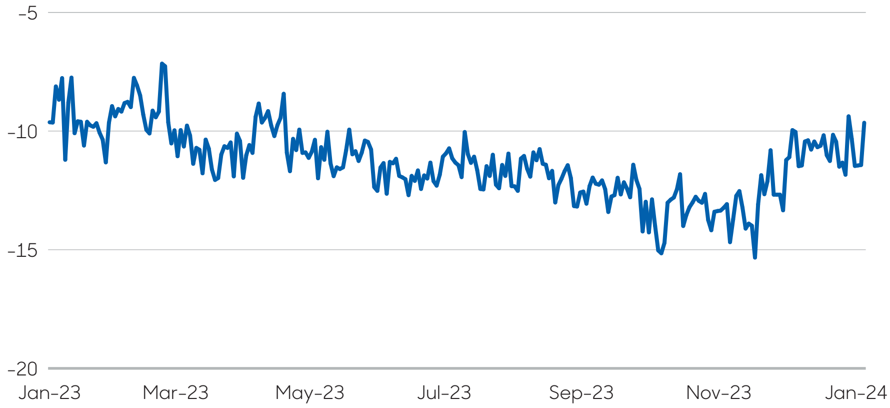
1 Year Premium/Discount Chart (%)



Fund managers' report

The North American Income Trust generated a net asset value total return slightly behind the benchmark Russell 1000 Value Index's total return in sterling terms. The share price total return also underperformed the index in the month.

US equities ended higher in January. The domestic economy, including the labour market, has continued to prove resilient and robust. Moreover, core inflation, although steadily declining in recent months, remains above the US Federal Reserve (Fed)'s 2% target. Heightened tensions in the Middle East have also brought the risk of additional inflationary pressures due to their effect on crude supplies and shipping costs. Against this backdrop, the Fed, at its latest meeting, kept the target range for its fed funds rate at a 22-year-high of 5.25-5.50%. The Fed removed the tightening bias in its statement, after 11 rate increases since March 2022. However, it aims to keep policy restrictive and proceed carefully for now, continuing with its data-dependent approach as it awaits more transparency over underlying macroeconomic trends. Moreover, Fed Chairman Jerome Powell stated that a rate cut in March currently seems unlikely, disappointing investors. Nonetheless, given the sustained fall in the Fed's targeted inflation measure, three rate cuts – as forecast by the Fed's committee members in December's 'dot plot' – are still possible in 2024. There could also be further easing to come in 2025 and 2026.

In terms of economic data, while annual consumer price inflation rose from 3.1% in November to a higher-than-expected 3.4% in December, the annual core rate (which excludes volatile food and energy prices) edged down from 4.0% to 3.9%. The Fed's preferred measure of inflation – the core Personal Consumption Expenditures Price Index – declined from an annual rate of 3.2% in November to 2.9% in December, which was lower than expected, but remained above the Fed's 2% target. The advance estimate for fourth-quarter annualised GDP showed a stronger-than-expected increase of 3.3%. Growth was supported by consumer spending, which remained robust despite the Fed's tightening campaign. Nevertheless, this figure still represented a slowdown compared to the annualised growth of 4.9% seen in

Fund managers' report continues overleaf

[D] Expressed as a percentage of average daily net assets for the year ended 31 January 2023. The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the overall cost shown as a percentage of the value of the assets of the Company. It is made up of the Annual Management Fee and other charges. It does not include any costs associated with buying shares in the Company or the cost of buying and selling stocks within the Company. The OCF can help you compare the annual operating expenses of different Companies.
[E] Calculated using the Company's historic net dividends and month end share price.
[F] Net gearing is defined as a percentage, with net debt (total debt less cash/cash equivalents) divided by shareholders' funds.
[G] Excludes cash being used as collateral against open option positions from cash/cash equivalents.
[H] The 'Active Share' percentage is a measure used to describe what proportion of the Company's holdings differ from the benchmark index holdings.

Geographic breakdown (%)

USA	93.9
Canada	6.1
Total	**100.0**

Total number of investments

Total number of equity investments	36
Total number of fixed income investments	9
Total	**47**

Key information Calendar

Year end	January
Accounts published	April
Annual General Meeting	June
Dividend paid	February, June, August, October
Established	1902
Fund managers	Fran Radano
Ongoing charges[D]	0.93%
Annual management fee	0.75% of net assets up to £250m; 0.6% of net assets between £250m; and £500m; 0.5% of net assets above £500m
Premium/(Discount)	(9.7)%
Yield[E]	4.8%
Net gearing[F]	4.1%
Net gearing[FG]	4.8%
Active share[H]	86.7%

AIFMD Leverage Limits

Gross Notional	2.5x
Commitment	2x

Assets/Debt (£m)

Gross	475.6
Debt	39.2
Cash & cash equivalents	21.1

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Fund managers' report - continued

the third quarter. For 2023 as a whole, GDP expanded by 2.5%, up from 1.9% in the previous year. According to a preliminary estimate, the S&P Global Composite US Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) rose from 50.9 in December to 52.3 in January, which was higher than expected (with a reading above 50 indicative of an expansion in business activity). Within that, it was estimated that the manufacturing PMI improved from 47.9 to a higher-than-expected 50.3, while the services PMI increased from 51.4 to a better-than-expected 52.9 (equivalent to accelerating growth). Meanwhile, retail sales rose by a higher-than-forecast 0.6% month on month in December as the US consumer remained resilient. While the US labour market has cooled gradually in recent months, it remains relatively tight. In particular, the US economy added 216,000 (non-farm) jobs in December, which was above expectations. Moreover, the unemployment rate remained steady at 3.7% in December, which was slightly better than expected. Meanwhile, reduced inflation expectations and rising earnings prospects continue to support consumer confidence. According to a preliminary estimate, the University of Michigan's barometer of consumer confidence surged from 69.7 in December to a better-than-expected 78.8 in January. The average rate for a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage, though still historically high at around 6.8%, has remained range-bound in recent weeks given the expectation of future Fed rate cuts.

In portfolio-related corporate news, pharmaceutical company Merck impressed investors with a bullish outlook for its business at a pair of investor conferences and announced a small acquisition for its pipeline. The company increased its long-term outlook for sales of its oncology and cardiometabolic portfolios and agreed to purchase Harpoon Therapeutics, a clinical-stage immunotherapy company focused on oncology. Elsewhere, Citigroup delivered mixed fourth-quarter earnings. However, it reiterated its commitment to cutting expenses while growing revenues in order to achieve a return on tangible common equity of 11-12% in 2026, a message cheered by investors.

Two Trust holdings increased their dividend payouts in January and continued to build upon their established track records of dividend growth.

Company Name	% of Portfolio at 31 January 2024	Quarterly Dividend Per Share Change	Annualised Yield
Air Products and Chemicals	3.0%	1.1%	2.8%
Comcast Corporation	3.1%	6.9%	2.7%

In terms of portfolio activity during the month, we added to our holdings in industrial gases company Air Products and Chemicals, semiconductor manufacturer Texas Instruments and renewable energy company NextEra Energy. Meanwhile, we trimmed the Trust's holdings in regional lender PNC Financial Services Group, internet service provider Cogent Communications Holdings, banking group JPMorgan Chase, network equipment manufacturer Cisco Systems and pharmaceutical firm Merck.

Outlook

US economic growth has been resilient, benefiting from several factors such as unwinding supply-chain pressures, falling energy prices, and higher productivity growth. Despite tighter credit conditions and greatly reduced household savings, the chances of a soft landing versus a mild recession are becoming more balanced as inflation subsides.

[1] Calculated as notional principal of outstanding divided by gross equity assets.

The risks outlined overleaf relating to exchange rate movements is particularly relevant to this trust, but should be read in conjunction with all warnings and comments given.
Important information overleaf

Assets

	%	£m
Equities	98.1	446.3
Fixed Income	1.9	8.5
Total	**100.0**	**454.8**

Options

Number of open options positions	6
Equity sleeve optionised[1]	4.15%

Capital structure

Ordinary shares	137,352,347

Allocation of management fees and finance costs

Capital	70%
Revenue	30%

Trading details

Reuters/Epic/ Bloomberg code	NAIT
ISIN code	GB00BJ00Z303
Sedol code	BJ00Z30
Stockbrokers	WINS Investment Trusts
Market makers	SETSmm

Factsheet

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Important information

Risk factors you should consider prior to investing:

- The value of investments, and the income from them, can go down as well as up and investors may get back less than the amount invested.
- Past performance is not a guide to future results.
- Investment in the Company may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within 5 years.
- The Company may borrow to finance further investment (gearing). The use of gearing is likely to lead to volatility in the Net Asset Value (NAV) meaning that any movement in the value of the company's assets will result in a magnified movement in the NAV.
- The Company may accumulate investment positions which represent more than normal trading volumes which may make it difficult to realise investments and may lead to volatility in the market price of the Company's shares.
- The Company may charge expenses to capital which may erode the capital value of the investment.
- Derivatives may be used, subject to restrictions set out for the Company, in order to manage risk and generate income. The market in derivatives can be volatile and there is a higher than average risk of loss.
- Movements in exchange rates will impact on both the level of income received and the capital value of your investment.
- There is no guarantee that the market price of the Company's shares will fully reflect their underlying Net Asset Value.
- As with all stock exchange investments the value of the Company's shares purchased will immediately fall by the difference between the buying and selling prices, the bid-offer spread. If trading volumes fall, the bid-offer spread can widen.
- Certain trusts may seek to invest in higher yielding securities such as bonds, which are subject to credit risk, market price risk and interest rate risk. Unlike income from a single bond, the level of income from an investment trust is not fixed and may fluctuate.
- Yields are estimated figures and may fluctuate, there are no guarantees that future dividends will match or exceed historic dividends and certain investors may be subject to further tax on dividends.

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