

Nuveen Floating Rate Income Fund (JFR)

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Effective 30 Dec 2024, Coale Mechlin will join Scott Caraher and Kevin Lorenz as portfolio managers of the Nuveen Floating Rate Income Fund. This change is not expected to impact the overall investment strategy. An 8k was filed on 30 Dec 2024.

- The Fund outperformed its benchmark, the S&P UBS Leveraged Loan Index, during the quarter.
- The U.S economy showed resilience through the end of 2024, with an uptick in job creation and strong consumption spending. Business activity improved, particularly in the services sector. Inflation remained elevated, with the core Personal Consumption Expenditures Price Index, the Federal Reserve's preferred inflation barometer, registering 2.8% in November. Although core inflation stayed sticky, monetary policy around the globe varied considerably. The Federal Reserve and European Central Bank cut rates, while the Bank of Japan and People's Bank of China stood pat, and the Central Bank of Brazil hiked. Treasury yields increased in the fourth quarter, weighing on fixed income returns broadly, but supporting shorter-duration segments like senior loans and, to a lesser extent, high yield corporates.
- Senior loans posted a positive total return and outperformed most taxable fixed income segments, supported by robust investor demand and a healthy issuance environment, particularly from collateralized loan obligations (CLOs), which remain a critical driver of liquidity in the market. Loan prices rose as the sector benefited from steady interest across institutional and retail channels. Returns were led by higher-yielding segments, reflecting a strong appetite for risk among investors. While default rates increased, much of the rise was due to distressed exchanges, with more moderate levels observed outside of these events.

Portfolio review

The Fund focused on capitalizing on elevated rates and the incoming administration's pro-growth policies to deliver high levels of income while minimizing rate risk. Supportive market technicals, including robust secondary activity and new issuance, offered compelling opportunities for capital deployment. At the same time, idiosyncratic risks tied to

distressed exchanges and uneven benefits of lower rates highlighted the potential benefits of active management. With our deep research and rigorous underwriting, the Fund sought to navigate evolving policies and uncertainties to deliver a positive outcome for investors.

Contributors

Strong issue selection, especially in information technology, contributed the most to the Fund's fourth-quarter outperformance. Specifically, exposure to a networking equipment company was the top contributor within that sector.

Exposure to companies benefiting from the buildout of artificial intelligence, particularly in data infrastructure, also aided relative results. Favorable issue selection and an overweight in single Bs was additive as well.

Detractors

Unfavorable security selection in communication services detracted the most for the period. Negative issue selection in financials also hindered performance.

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Average annualized total returns (%)

	Inception date	QTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Share price	25 Mar 04	4.04	21.84	6.43	6.69	6.25	5.37
NAV	25 Mar 04	2.67	10.97	5.89	5.09	4.91	5.25

Performance data shown represents past performance and does not predict or guarantee future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the data shown. NAV returns are net of fund expenses, and assume reinvestment of distributions.

Distribution information

Current Distribution (Monthly)	\$0.0850
Average Earnings/Share	\$0.0696
Distribution Rate on NAV	11.06%
Distribution Rate on Market Price	11.43%

Distribution sources may include net investment income, realized gains and return of capital. If a distribution includes anything other than net investment income, the Fund provides a notice of the best estimate of its distribution sources at that time which may be viewed at nuveen.com/CEFDistributions. These estimates may not match the final tax characterization (for the full year's distributions) contained in shareholders' 1099-DIV forms after the end of the year. You should not draw any conclusions about a fund's past or future investment performance from its current distribution rate.

Credit quality (%)

	% of portfolio
BBB	8.4%
BB	30.4%
B	51.1%
CCC	4.9%
CC	0.0%
Not Rated	5.2%

Ratings shown are the highest rating given by one of the following national rating agencies: S&P, Moody's or Fitch. Credit ratings are subject to change. AAA, AA, A, and BBB are investment grade ratings; BB, B, CCC/CC/C and D are below-investment grade ratings. Holdings designated NR are not rated by these national rating agencies.

Fund description

The Fund seeks to achieve a high level of current income by investing in a portfolio of adjustable rate senior loans and other debt instruments.

At least 80% of its managed assets will consist of adjustable rate loans; at least 65% of these must be senior loans secured by specific collateral. Other loans may include unsecured senior loans and secured and unsecured subordinated loans. The Fund uses leverage.

Portfolio management

Nuveen Asset Management LLC is the subadviser to the Fund and an affiliate of Nuveen, LLC.

All characteristics as a percentage of the fund's managed assets (total assets of the fund, minus the sum of its accrued liabilities other than fund liabilities incurred for the express purpose of creating leverage). Holdings and ratings are subject to change. Totals may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

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Important information on risk

Investing in closed-end funds involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. Closed-end fund shares may frequently trade at a discount or premium to their net asset value. **Adjustable Rate Senior Loans** may not be fully secured by collateral, generally do not trade on exchanges, and are typically issued by unrated or below-investment grade companies, and therefore are subject to greater liquidity and credit risk. **Lower credit** debt securities may be more likely to fail to make timely interest or principal payments. **Leverage** increases return volatility and magnifies the Fund's potential return and its risks; there is no guarantee a fund's leverage strategy will be successful. These and other risk considerations such as **interest rate risk** are described in more detail on the Fund's web page at www.nuveen.com/JFR.

Average earnings per share and **average undistributed net investment income (UNII) per share** are estimates, using an average of the last three months, except for preferred securities funds, mortgage-backed securities funds and floating rate funds, which use an average of the last six months.

Distribution Rate at market price and NAV is calculated by annualizing the most recent declared regular distribution and dividing by the fund's market price or NAV, respectively. Special distributions, including special capital gains distributions, are not included in the calculation.

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Glossary

The **S&P UBS Leveraged Loan Index** is designed to mirror the investable universe of the U.S. dollar denominated leveraged loan market. Loans are added to the index if they qualify according to the following criteria: The highest Moody's/S&P ratings are Ba1/BBB+, only funded term loans are included, and the tenor must be at least one year. **It is not possible to invest directly in an index.**

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